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all this region of country around Your best feelings, your social about. It means capital and manu- position or business success depend factories. It means the active de- largely on the perfect action of your velopment of all our latent resour- Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's ces, and a home market for every- New Life Pills give increased ---thing Texas will produce. gth, a keen, clear brain, high ambi-Aransas Harbor is securely land tion. A 25 cent box will make you locked, being the only one in all that feel like a new being. Sold by J. B portion of the gulf coast and as soon Baker druggist. as the small sand bar at its entrance Official news from the Philippines is removed will become, as the U. S. up to this time has been to the ef-Autumn Dress Goods. engineers have predicted, the harbor fect that the only serious resistance of refuge for all the shipping in the there to United States authority was southwestern portion of the gulf. that under Aguinaldo's lead on the The harbor will not only give per-We are showing beautiful colorings and fancy island of Luzon and that to take pos-



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floe in Rock building at Meadors Hotel.

It is said that hundreds of men, mostly Hollanders and Germans with the harbor are admirably situated for a sprinkling of Irish are going from coal repositories, ship yards and dry this country by way of New York to docks. Our new acquisitions on the join the Boers in the Transvaal. south should induce our government They first\_go to Holland and find to utilize without delay these advantheir way from there to the Transvasl. As many- of the men are that may arise. And as the pass known to have but little money it is from the gulf to the harbor is only evident that they are supplied by 2.640 feet wide with splendid locasome one with money to pay their tion on each side for land batteries, expenses, but the source of supply perfect protection could be given to has not been discovered.

and about the harbor. Just Baved Mis Life.

largest size. Besides Aransas and Corpus Christi bays which lie in proximity to the harbor can be used as a rendezvous and anchoring ground for all smaller vessels. It will give to the stockmen, the

fect protection to vessels in all kinds

of weather but its area of deep water

is sufficiently large to accommodate

almost any number of vessels of the

cotton growers, the grain producers and the mine owners of the southwest, west and northwest another of the islands. Recently about two first class competing harbor, through which they can ship their products to the markets of the world.

It is the farthest south of any avdence informs us that they found our ailable American port on this contitroops practically under siege in nent, and has sufficient decp water Iloilo and holding a scope of only room for the rendezvous of our naval about three miles of country. The vessels. The island proximity to new force under Gen. Hughes attempting to push into the interior found the natives strongly entrenchand the roadways well fortified so that at last accounts our forces were waiting to size up the situation and tages, and prepare for any emergency make better preparation before attempting a further advance.

all shipping and other property in we not then have the Philippines

When the Nicaragua canal is constructed and the products of the is-

It was a thrilling escape that Chas lands of the Pacific and the Orient Davis of Bowerston, O., lately had seek American markets the first avafrom a frightful death. For two ilable port which they will reach in ars a severe lung trouble constant- their northern course will be Aransas some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholly grew worse until it seemed he Harbor, where they will meet the era and Diarrhoea Remedy. After must die of Consumption. Then he Colorado, Texas and Mexico railroad using two bottles of the ag-cent size began to use Dr. King's New Dis- and be carried into the interior of he was cured. I give this testimocovery and lately wrote: "It gave in- Texas, and to New Mexico, Colorado, nial, hoping some one similarly affistant relief and effected a permanent the Pan Handle, and Oklahoma. icted may read it and be benefited. cure." Such wonderful cures have And the bread stuffs, bacon, coal and for as years, proven it's power to iron; and the cotton and beef from For sale by J. B. Baker druggist. 52

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session of the other islands would be only a matter of form, when it suited our pleasure or convenience to do so. It appears now that this information was rather misleading. In February several warships hombarded Iloilo on

the island of Panay, burning about half of the city, finally capturing it triminings 15c to 35c. Pasamentry dress fronts and landing a force of men to hold and braids in great variety. possession, since which time the

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the west can equal us. regiments and two or three batteries of artillery were sent there and unofficial Associated Press correspon-

The probabilities are that similar

receptions will be met in various others of the 1200 islands and that when we have taken Aguinaldo and quieted Luzon (that isn't done yet)

under our heels. My son has been troubled for

years with chronic diarrhoea Some time ago I persuaded him to take -Thomas C. Bower, Glencoe, O.

-Rev. R. E. L. Farmer is circu

much less than you can buy them elsewhere. Vou have only to look to be convinced.

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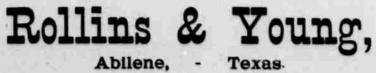
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the thing that enables us to torget our fears.

ROLATION

The most successful misstatements are half truth and half falsehood.

Time and patience will enable a person to conquer almost any obstacle.

The movement against feminine vells certainly possesses unblushing effrontery.

The unexpected happens occasionally, but not so often as the expected fails to happen.

Success is a crown that transforms a murderer into a hero, especially if the shield of patriotism protects him from the law.

Chicago policemen are complaining bitterly over the frequent "assessments" levied upon their seanty pay. and assert that Inspector Heidelmeter threatens condign displeasure toward any officer who fails to hand in his prorata share of the taxation. The civil service commissioners might take an hour off and give the inspector a full explanation of the laws which are supmosed to govern the police as well as other departments of the public serv-

According to his own story, Sol Van Praag, the noted Chicago statesman, is a much-wronged person. At the time the grand jury indicted Mrs. Van Prang, his wife, for keeping a "panel house," the sorrowful Sol declares she was at un afternoon ten and that at precisely the same hour he was busy directing a political meeting. This is certainly a deplorable condition of things, and must necessarily cause a falling off in attendance at pink and other teas held in the afternoon. The idea that a lady should be indicted by the grand jury because she was absent from her whisky-row saloon pouring at a tea!

It is all right that the English language should be employed in legislative proceedings, in courts of law, and as a basis of school instruction. But American civilization cannot afford to postpone direct efforts for the moral and spiritual culture of that first generation of immigrants who will never learn the language of this country. The multitudes of Scandinavians, Slavs, Italians and Germans whose children pass into our schools should bear in their own tongue the lessons which the republic has to teach and the higher lessons of religion. This is the growing conviction of some of the churches and of that tireless and devoted band of workers who make up the Woman's Christian Temperance union. They are looking among the guide these are instruct. Inspire and " toward the higher

It is related, on the authority of Dr. Edward Everett Halo, that a wealthy gentleman, known to him, has for several years past liven paying the college



beautiful. No other man ever carried

came forward. She moved not an

inch, but remained where she was, the

brilliantly lighted room bringing out

Their hands met, and in that mo-

Lady Mildred's ebbing spirits came

rushing back in swift flow. She

thought she had a key now to his cold

greeting and worn appearance. It was

love of her, she thought, which was

CHAPTER XL

Bernard Selwyn had persuaded the

doctor, to whom a holiday had hitherto

between Friday and Tuesday, now

for him and prepared for a couple of

months' relaxation. They were very

happy. Bernard, they all agreed, had

behaved remarkably well; he had

every point of her beauty.

CHAPTER X .- Continued. white fur hearthrug, talking to her "Have you a sister? I didn't know. father. A sudden change passed over What is her name?" the face which before had been only "Mary. I should like you to know her."

"And who is Miss Lilbourne? Does she live with you?"

"She is an orphan; my father and was Valdane: her breath came more mother adopted her," said Bernard, his quickly, her heart beat faster at the eyes fixed upon the sketch. thought. She stood perfectly still, her "Is she pretty?" asked Mildred in eyes fixed upon him. Then he turned her slow, direct way. slowly round, saw her, and at once

"Yes-very." "And she won't sit still when you

ask her? How very unkind!" "Oh, she was always very busy, you know!" said Bernard in some confusion. "'i e girls had always plenty to do, but, thanks to old Miss Selwyn, that's over now."

The sketch finished, he showed it to Lady Mildred, who was evidently much struck.

"How clever you are to do so much face for the wherefore, but found it with so few touches! I should like to not. show it to my father. Will you, Mr. "I did not know that you had come, Stelling-Selwyn, I mean-be so kind she said. as to give it to me?" "I arrived two or three hours ago. "I had meant to keep it," he said They told me you were somewhere in

hesitatingly, "as a remembrance of the grounds, so I went to look for one of those golden days which don't you-as far as the lake-side. Then I come twice, but I'll make a bargain came back; you were being well enwith you, Lady Mildred." tertained and did not want me." "A bargain?"

"You shall have this sketch if you will give me your photograph. I have one photograph of you." "Indeed!"

"Yes, but it was taken a long time telling upon him; she had accomback. You gave it to me at Oxford. plished her object, she had made Valdane jealous. It doesn't do you justice now. May i have another?"

Well, I think that it would be only fair," she assented. "A photo of me is, after all, a poor return for this clever doctor and his family to go to the sealittle sketch. never before enjoyed, and great was

"Lady Mildred!"

"Nay; I mean to pay a complimentnot to fish for one, I assure you." He leaned against the tree thought-

fully for a minute or two, and there was a brief silence. "It is growing cooler," he said at

last. "Come down to the water and I will row you about." "It will remind me of Commemora-

tion!" she said merrily, as he helped her out of the hammock.



ly arrival of the tragrant treasures. PRESI One day, soon after she was left alone, Mr. Martineau called. His os-

tensible reason was to say that he was PAUL going to Clarisdale the next day, and he asked whether there was anything

he could do for her before he left. She thought it was very kind of him to take so much trouble, and thanked him warmly. He stayed a long time. and she gave him tea in the drawingroom, which was almost full of those lovely flowers. He bent to smell one

of a bunch of tea-rosebuds, and remarked that they were very fine for London. Hereupon she innocently revealed the fact that she did not know who had sent them.

"But it is some one who is very himself with such careless grace as kind," she said-"some one who knows this man. As he stood, only the back what flowers are to Londoners. Each of his head visible, she knew that it morning I am always afraid it will be the last time. I think I shall cry when they leave off coming."

"The sender would feel more than repold if he or she could but see how the gift is appreciated," returned Valdane gravely.

"You are fond of flowers, too." said Marguerite, "I knew you were by the way you noticed these when you came in. Won't you have a rosebud? 1 ment she knew that he was changed. have so many, and I don't want to be He looked ill and worn, but in her selfish, you know." eyes a thousandfold more lovable. His greeting was cordial, but it lacked the "Will you really give me one of your

flowers?" delightful tone of mutual understand-"Of course-any you choose." ing. Almost in terror she scanned his

"If I might choose, I would ask for one of those." He pointed to a vase full of marguerites.

"Those-they have no scent." "They are my favorite flowers." "Of course you may have some." She selected three of the pale starry flowers, with a piece of maiden-hnir. and dexterously made up a hutton-hole for him.

He took it with a very low and quiet "Thank you," and, having no longer an excuse to linger, rose to take his leave.

# (To be continued.)

#### HARTE'S WASTE BASKET. Filled with Rejected Drafts of What

He Wrote. Writing of Bret Harte in California in the Century, Noah Brooks tells side. It was a treat which they had of the story-writer's fastidiousness: Harte's first literary work was done their delight at the prospect. The in San Francisco, after he had tried his hand at school teaching in the inmeant no more than the space of time | terior of the state, and had ventured tentatively in other casual purcuits, a procured another doctor to do his work | was the manner of all the Argonauts of those days. In 1863, while he was setting type in the office of the Golden Era, a literary weekly paper of some local renown, he offered to the editors. with much diffidence, occasional con-

tributions, which he had already set up in his composing-stick. They were short and unambitious, but they were so highly approved by the managers of the paper that the young author was encouraged to offer more of the same sort. A year later Harte accepted a writing engagement on the staff of the Californian, another literary weekly, then edited by Charles Henry Webb. better known to old Californians by his pen name of "John Paul." Harte became editor of this newspaper in 1865. when Webb relinquished its management. Another contributor to the columns of the Californian was Samuel L. Clemens, who was then making his first essays in composition under the Twain, famous sobriquet of "Mark was counted "passing rich with £40 a year," these two young writers

well content with a compensation that

would now he regarded by either of

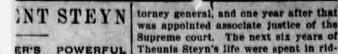
them with amused contempt. In the

Californian, Harte printed nothing

more ambitious than bits of verse and

slight local sketches in prose. The ti-

tles of some of these were "Side-Walk-



The power behind the throne in

JAN HENDRICK HOFMEYR.

Hofmeyr, the chief of the famous

ER'S POWERFUL ing his circuit, and it is said that no SRN ALLY. decision he made was aver overruled or reversed by a higher court. A Man of Profound Knowledge Wh In 1896 Justice Steyn became a can-

Knows the Rights of Man and Has didate for the highest office within the Dared to Defend Them-His Sudden gift of the burghers of the Orange Free Rise to the Chief Magistracy. State. He was opposed by Joseph G. Fraser, his wife's uncle. Fraser had

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WES

been chairman of the Volksraad, and President Steyn of the Orange Free State is a large man-a very large this office had always been considered the stepping stone to the presidency, man. He is 6 feet 2 inches tall, and but Steyn made a vigorous campaign. his frame is in due proportion to his height. There is not an ounce of su-He was personally known to nearly perfluous flesh on his bones, and his every voter in the republic, was adburghers frequently assert that he is mired by all, and beat his opponent the strongest man in the country. His almost six to one, weight is somewhere in the neighborhood of 200 pounds. His very move-POWER BEHIND THE THRONE. ment seems to tell of the frankness of his disposition, and a glance at his South African politics is Jan Hendrick countenance is sufficient confirmation of the burgher tales of his unswerving honesty. There are few statesmen.

few politicians, who have not at some time in their career been compelled to resort to a subterfuge or to tell a lie in order to gain some point, or a vote; but it is said of President Steyn that he has never lied in the whole course of his life and never resorted to a subterfuge to gain a vote. President Steyn possesses a frank, open countenance. His eyes are large and quite far apart, his nose is the large nose that is common to so many great men, his forehead is high and indicates the intelligence of the man. His face is somewhat broad across the cheek bones. Even his beard adds to the dignity of his appearance. Deep study has brought creases around the eyes, and nowhere else on his countenance are any lines to be found. His face is ruddy with the glow of health, quite as much so as it was twenty years ago when he was a student at London, and, so powerful is the man and so strong is he in his health, it is safe to say that thirty years from now he will

have less lines on his face than will Dutch Afrikander bund and the lifean American one-half his age, and will long friend of President Kruger of the hunt across country with as much non-Transvaal. Hofmeyr sat tor a numchalance as an octogenarian in St. ber of years in the Cape house of as-Louis would step from one room to ansembly, and in 1881 became a member other.

of the executive council, showing a Marthinas Theunis Stevn was porn prevailing tendency to become a meat Wynburg, a small town about sixty diator between the antogonistic Dutch miles from Bloemfontein, on October and English interests, though in his 2, 1857, and is, therefore, but 42 years | earlier days he had taken active part of age, probably the youngest head of with the former in their deeds of seany republic on the globe. He attended dition at the Cape. He is now, howschool in his native town until he was ever, a protagonist of Dutch suprem-13, when his father sent him to Grey acy under the British crown. On accollege, an excellent institution estab- ' count of his great shrewdness and



Mrs. Nobbs—"What a funny name that nurse of the young Archduke of Austria has." Nobbs—"What is it?" Mrs. Nobbs—"Her name is Wowse." Nobbs—"Well, every nursery is full of wows' at times, isn't it?"

Winter drives away the deadly ma-laria, but the fatal pneumonia and like fills appear.

In Vienna organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and

It Looked Sespicious. "Isn't your neighbor Blinkinoff a

trinking man ?" "I wouldn't like to give an expert opinion on the subject. I'll admit,howtrying to drive a spigot into an ash parrel, thinking it was cider."

The Congo region exports about 3,-000,000 walking sticks a year.

Frogs and toads are gifted with a remarkably acute sense of hearing.

People of melancholy temperament rarely have clear blue eyes.

Sometimes we fancy we have the advantage, but later find that we are andly mistaken.

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A mean man is not always a man of means.

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We are wont to condemn wealth,

expenses of various young women who had no claims upon his bounty other than those his generosity prompted. They were selected-presumably at his desire-from these pupils of the pub-He schools, who, in the opinion of their Instructors, were most worthy and heat fitted to pursue a college career. This year several of them graduated at warlous women's colleges, and but one of their number wrote to their benefactor to express thanks and gratitude: This means ungracious and silmost inerestible. "Pay that they owent," as an injunction, has a wider application than to mere monetary indebiedness. and benefits forgot and appild in gratitude, proclaim nigmardliness of soul, as well as lack of high principle.

Newspaper correspondents writing from Berlin state that two more resof electricity as applied by Professor Shein are reported. A man who for raising her head. fourteen years has been totally blind girl of 15 who has been blind for five bourse. years is now able to walk about and recognize friends. Several other cases chance?" nave been reported where persons partly blind have been enabled to see perfectly. Professor Stein has been working on the idea for thirteen years, and eight years ago invented an electrical appliance by which the blind can be made to see lights. Since then he has been experimenting with more practical results. The appliance which the professor claims to have invented. at once makes the blind see. He then adjusts a glass of proper focus, as one does an opera or field glass. Though Professor Stein has spent a fortune in developing and perfecting his invention, he declares he will cure the poor free and look to the rich for his fees.

Mme, Sembrich made her first acquaintance with the college yell of Justy football players recently at the Auditorium in Chicago, She affirms she "neval-r-e hear a noise like zis time." This, coming from a vocalist of such fame, is a spray of laurel for the chrysunthemum songsters.

A Chicago doctor has been diagnosing the "wheelman's hunch." As an nil-round curlosity a wheelman of the scorcher variety is probably without "None but himself can be an equal. his parallel."

Is Oom Faul also among the prophets? A short time ago he thundered forth in his own rugged manner that England might conquer the Transvaai, but it would be at a cost that "would stagger the world." British casualties at the Modder river seem to confirm the vision of the "old man of look, but nothing in her perfect man-Pretoria.

You eannot judge a man by his clothes, but a woman's are the expression not so much of her sircumstances as of her mind, mood and individuality.



"OF COURSE YOU MAY HAVE SOME."

markable cures of blindness by means gether through the park to the water. But when the cuttage at Bourne-"Yes, he is," she answered, without mouth had been taken, the trains

Is now able to read coarse print. A agement of some business for Miss Lile by gently refusing to go,

"Quite by chance. She says he is

she said, laughing. "He is so easen- you are engaged to." ally a society man."

unwelcome topic. He adroitly changed then, after a short pause, "nor ever the subject.

The water was the great feature of the Clarisdale estate. It was a beau-the Clarisdale estate. It was a beau-tiful irregular-shaped lake, with a person that can manage you. Mar-litter of paper carrying Harte's familfor picules. Bernard thought there might be many worse ways of spend-

the glassy surface of the water, with Lady Mildred's proud, sweet face before him, shaded by her wide-brimmed

hat. A long silence fell upon both during the latter part of that row, and as they herself in the dull, close London walked slowly home together under a house, looking eagerly each day for a saffron-colored evening sky they hardpossible answer to the advertisement ly spoke at all. Lady Mildred was which Bernard had inserted in the thinking that her companion, with West of Ergland newspapers. twenty thousand a year to back him. was more than endurable. Bernard that advertisement it would have ocwas wishing that Marguerite could casioned him some uncasiness, A have the advantage of a few lessons rather strange thing had occurred on In the art of dress from Lady Mildred. the morning the day after he paid his He wished so even more when her visit to the Stellings' house. A box ladyship walked into the drawing- of exquisite, cut, hot-house flowers had room some time later, her clear-cut arrived for Miss Lilbourne. No mesface and pliant figure set off by amesage or card accompanied them, and

thyst-colored plush, which caught the light on all its rippling folds. She was conscious, as she entered, that she was looking at that moment subject, he was obliged to disclaim any knowledge of them. Each day aras beautiful as it was in her power to

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rived a fresh selection of choice and ners betrayed the thought. She delicate blossoms; they were brought crossed the room slowly, purposely by a man from a floral depot, who stopping on the way to replace some | knew nothing of the person who had flowers which had fallen from a vase. ordered them or anything about it.

ings," "On a Baleony" and "A Boy's Dog." Nearly all of them, 1 think, were lunted up and reprinted in more enduring form when Harte had become a celebrated author. His celebrity gave these triffes an importance which he never dreamed they would acquire. Harte always manifested in his work that fastidiousness in choice of words which has characterized him ever since. It was humorously complained of him that he filled the newspaperoffice waste-baskets with his rejected manuscripts and produced next to ----nothing for the printer. Once, assigned to the task of writing an oldiuary article that was not to exceed "two stickfuls" in length, he actually looked out, and the day of departure filled a waste-basket with fragments of "It is strange. He has the man- fixed. Marguerite electrified them all "copy" which he fore up before he produced the requisite amount of matter. "I have no right to a farthing of "Indeed! Did she go to him by hermard's money," she said, "and 1 early one afternoon, I found Harte at should not feel happy, thank you." my deak, writing a little note to make "But, but, my dear," spluttered the very kind and painstaking. I shall be good doctor, "that's false delicacy, you gether later in the day. Seeing me, he

know-that's straining a point? You started up with the remark that my ad to meet him. "I cas't fancy Valdane a solicitor." surely may accept favors from the man started up with the remark that my the necessity of his finishing the note "Bernard and I are not engaged," Bernard saw that he had started an she returned with quiet persistence; tore up as he spoke. When, this little matter settled. Harte had gone out. shall be," she added crumpling in his hand the fragments "We shall see what Bernard will say

Marguerite smiled.

"We won't discuss it," she said ing a summer afternoon than scutting steadily. "Only I am not going to jected manuscript of no less than three Bournemonth." There was no shaking her decision. Her will was indomitable, and unconsciously she influenced all. With together at Louis Dingeon's at 6:30 quiet fact she persuaded them all to p. m. tonight." start without her, and lived on by

Had Valo, ne Martineau known of

Marguerite was thoroughly mystified.

Mary thought that Bernard had sent

them, but, on being written to on the

### Injustice,

"It's an unmitigated libel," exclaimed the Fillpino. "What's the matter?"

lar handwriting; and, turning over the

besket with quiet amusement, I dis-

notes, which any other man would

have disposed of in something like this

order: "Dear Brooks: We will dine

"This writer says we have a lazy elimate. I'll leave it to any unprejudiced thermometer maker and germ expert to decided it if we haven't one of the most industrious climates in the entire gazetteer."-- Washington Star.

Following Bealth Rules.

Housekeeper-You don't look as if you had washed yourself for a month. Tramp-Please, mum, th' doctors say th' proper time to bathe is two hours after a meal, and I haven't had anything you can call a meal in six weeks. -Tit-Bits.

Prescription Wanted.

Mrs. Oldham-Doctor, what shall I do to prevent these horrid wrinkles from coming at the corners of my As she turned again, her glance fell Marguerite loved flowers and, left eyes? Doctor-Stop getting old, madupon a gentleman who stood on the alone in her glory, she grew to hall the am. Two dollars, please.

PRESIDENT STEYN.

lished by Lord Grey, one time gov- | power he is regarded as the "boss" of ernor of Cape Colony, at Blosmfontein, | Cape Colony politics, and he it was where he graduated three years later who made the last final effort on the with the degree of bachelor of arts. part of the Afrikanders for a solution Young Steyn was the head of the graduating class and was its valedletorian. | torting to the horrors of war. His professors predicted great things

for him, but in obedience to his father's command he returned to his home to undergo an apprenticeship in had no other value till gold was disthe duties which he and his father expected to be his life work-farming, cattle raising and sheep shearing. For three years he followed this prosaic path, when he was suddenly turned picturesque. They consist of sheep from it by the mcrest accident.

Free State, at least at that time, and | wagon houses and out-buildings roofed the Circuit judges, in making the in zinc, while the dwelling house is rounds of their circuit were frequently usually a square, red-brick building, compelled to stop at the houses of the farmers and cattle raisers. One night. during the absence of the elder Steyn at the Volksraad in Bloemfontein, the family was called upon to entertain Justice Buchanan, of the High Court, who was holding his court near there. The justice was entertained during the flooring beyond clay, or clay thickly evening by young Steyn and was so studded with peach stones, to prevent impressed with the learning and ability | the wear and tear of passing feet, furof the boy that on his return to the nished with a table, couches and capital he persuaded the elder Steyn hide

the exception of a few months passed

in Amsterdam, young Steyn spent in London In 1883 Theunis Steyn returned to

the Orange Free State. He was ad- is too violent, but a little can be used mitted to the bar and practiced law provided discretion is shown. Strongfor about five years before he was er odors are tabcoed. Dainty sachets brought prominently before the pub- are made of bits of wide ribbon. Sevlie, and this was brought about by an- eral of these strung on baby ribbon are nice to hang over the hooks in other unlooked-for incident.

In a for months he was elected at- | one's closet.

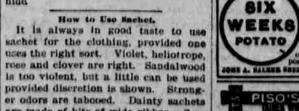
of the present difficulties without re-

Land of Farms.

The Transvaal is a land of farms. It covered, and the gold regions are of small area and nearly all in English hands, says the New York Herald. The Boers still farm. These farms are kraals, ostrich farms, Kaffir huts, where the boys eat and sleep, the

with thatched roof, fronted by a low brick wall. The walls surrounding the sheep kraals are made of sod. The average Boer house consists of one big room, into which the front door immediately opens. It is called the sit kame (sitting-room), which has no

chairs, seated with rimpla or strips of How to Use Sachet.







There were few inns in the Orange

to have his boy study law. The next six years of his life, with



#### WINTER WRAPS.

While there is no question that a cost and skirt costume is absolutely cessary for the comfort of every woman who is fond of dress and able to indulge that fondness, this season there is an additional interest in the way of coats and skirts that do not match.

Not for many years have there been so many styles of outside wraps, Long coats, short coats, three-quarter length coats, with a bewildering number of capes and cloaks, each has a distinct individuality that is fascinating and makes it hard to resist spending a lot of money on such dainty garments.

It is curious to notice that with the can be used at once, starting at the coats made of the same material as the chin and going up to the eyes and out skirt that exceedingly short jackets are the most popular, the fancy coats that to the ears. The eyelids must also come in for a share. By care the eyes are worn with many skirts are rather longer, while the regular long coat | can be kept in their natural place and | ing to the fore at home evenings that is so popular that it is threatened

with becoming common is made so long that it covers the gown. On a short jacket worn with the costume is a great deal of There trimming. are few plain jackets seen, and there apparently is no limit as to the exare ready for the steaming. Do not | stood, are quite distinct from the regu- | are wide, and the trimming usually lean over a basin or you may have lation evening parties and receptions, cause to condemn steaming. If you and take much lower rank in society cannot buy a face steamer use the entertainments. First and foremost teakettle. Have it boiling, but not too these gatherings are confined within vigorously; sit in front of it, and covvery narrow limits as regards expener spout and head with a large Turkditure and the numbers invited, and ish towel. Steam until the face is quite also on account of the general surmoist. Dry the face with a soft towel. roundings. Those whose incomes do and then use the skin food. Every not admit of entertaining at dinner, or portion of the face must receive atteneven at luncheon to any extent, wish tion. Massage gently for fifteen minutes, no longer, or you will by over-

to make a sort of compromise in the matter of hospitality by holding at exertion make more lines than you are home evenings, either once a month or trying to remove or prevent. Massage once in three months, or fortnightly, cheeks, nose, eyes and forehead, using as is most convenient, and in certain always only rotary motion and rubcircles and in certain districts in town, bing around up and out. Both hands in the suburbs, at watering places, and in provincial towns there is no reason why such unpretentious parties should not be attended with success, and in default of anything more amusing benot allowed to recede as so many do. should be acceptable to those invited.

consists of two long ostrich feathers, laid one on each side of the crown. In the front of the hat is a bow of the center, and beneath the brim is a fluting of pale pink chiffon.

Some of the hats have one long end of black chiffon, double frilled at the edge, attached to the brim at the last fifteen minutes of '98. No other back of the hat. It is brought to the front from the left side, and it is fast- casional settling of the fire in the ened with a fancy brooch, either to the grate, for the snow lay deep and soft coat or bodice.

#### FRATERNIZING AFTER BATTLE. British and Boors Join in Caring for

the Wounded.

As the fighting did not finish until after nightfall, it was necessary for the men to bivouac on the field, says the London Mail. This they did cheerfully, and in an orderly manner, despite a soaking downfall and the chilling cold. From the moment of the "Cease firing," both British and Boers fraternized in the care of the wounded. The stretchers were found to be missing in the confusion necessarily consequent on an attack against modern weapons, and great labor was experienced in moving the wounded men



down the slippery hillsides. But every one worked loyally, and the staff in Ladysmith labored so effectively that, though the first doolies, or native stretchers, only arrived at midnight, special trains were ready throughout the night to convey the wounded to the hospital, and with the first stroke of dawn sufficient doolies were waiting to convey every man. The Red Cross workers attached to the Boer force were equally ready, and it was pleasant to see the mutual good feeling. The British soldiers treated the Boer wounded as solicitously as their own. and round one of the few camp fires which were lighted I saw all the best places occupied by the enemy's.wanap-

d with the object of searching their wounded. They were allowed to



#### By M. S. Jameson,

"Well, if those fellows are coming around to see the old year out they had better show up pretty soon, black velvet, with a paste buckle in yawned H. Parker Baxter as he slammed down the cover of a ponderous and gruesome medical book and turned a pair of sleepy eyes to the clock, which was complacently ticking away the sounds were to be heard, save the oc-The old year, after a stormy life, was

dying calmly and beautifully. To our friend Baxter, one of these

unimpassioned, dusty men who never "join in," this ancient ceremony of seeing the old year out appealed but feebly. He used to say of New Years. 'an arbitrarily fixed point in time which has become the inaugural date for good resolutions, to the necessary neglect of all other dates for their formation." but most of his friends thought this simply a speech that he was gratified to make. He was trying hard to pose as a "rising young physician," and was really acting the part to himself, as many an ambitious man will do. But however this may be, as the

seconds ticked along, H. Parker grew more and more drowsy. He settled himself back in the chair, stared at the fire, and blinked. Then his evelids dropped.

"This will never do," says he, straightening up with a jerk and reaching out to the table for something to read or look at, "I must keep awake a few minutes longer." Chance put a stack of photographs under his hand, and though they were stale enough he began to look them over again-incidentally yielding to the comfort of lying back in the big chair. Some were portraits of his friends at school and college, some were old faded prints that ought to have had romances attacked, but which were really very prosaic, even to him. Others bore the brand of the amateur's first attemptthese to be passed by quickly; a few were the products of his own photographic skill at Granite Head last summer-bathers in the surf, the hotel, a clam bake, etc .- all very fair photographs in their way-but hold! here is one that might be studied critically. There is no hurry. It is too late now for the revellers to come. H. Parker shifts to a still more comfortable position and the soft lamp light shines over his shoulder upon as pretty a little picture as you would ask to see. It is the picture of a dark-haired girl, dressed in a suit of duck. She is standing on a log of driftwood with her hands behind her and her handsome, happy face turned squarely to the camera ... Parker had conceded that more

them to pose in a group for you heard they are great at it." "At posing, I suppose," he answGeneral "No, Miss Marston, I have graduas genfrom the anap-'em-whenever-you-can class and have entered the art schoolhence I have chosen you for the picture."

"Ha-ha-ha! I appreciate that," aughed the girl as they began to saunter down toward the cliffs, "but have you considered, Mr. Baxter, the probability of my breaking the plate?"

"What! An angler, too? I shall not humor the weakness in you, still, If you are a summer girl, as your own Ring! Ring! Ring! confession would indicate ----- ' "Pardon me, Mr. Baxter, "you know I like the assertion better when you let me make it."

"Of course. Observe that I advance no statements on the subject myself. I was merely going to say that if you are | Ring! Ring! Ring! a summer girl of the approved, newsover the cobble and flagstone outside. paper-joke sort, your likeness upon the plate could not fail to produce the Of hope's best promise sing.

hearts, to wit-complete fracture." under the healthy tan which she had Ring! Ring! Ring! found no difficulty in acquiring at Granite Head.

H. Parker studied her face in its mock severity and watched the dainty little hand go up to push back some annoying hair that blew across her eyes. A great wave of admiration for



THE DOCTOR LIKED THAT PHO-TOGRAPH.

that noble girl rose up in his breastadmiration very unlike that with which he had heard his brilliant classmates proclaim their knowledge. His heart told him, "I love her." Why not let his heart be heard?

They strolled along together to the music of the sea. H. Parker felt that ing of the gulls overhead. He wondered why it had never seemed so before,

"Let us sit up there under the big rock," suggested Grace, pointing to the nearest of the cliffs which leaned forward over the sand and made a cosy shelter from the sun. Here the sand was cool, the glare softened and the view of cheap cottages and decrepit bath houses cut off, while the whole tore them like a brown walte ungaway. Grace sat with her back against the care was required than in ordinary rock, and at her side reclined the doc-

EVENTS OF Berlin THE NEW BABY.

Ring! Ring! Ring! Out on the New Year's air, With clash and clang the New Year's song: The birth of right, the death or wrong; All eighteen, nine and ninety strong; Ring! Ring! Ring!

The message everywhere, The baby year that's born to-day To help the century away Will never let injustice stay:

Is strong for peace, though girt for fray.

Ring! Ring! Ring!

effect that it has upon-er-men's May "ninety-nine," which now apреать,

"Why, I am surprised at you," said The last before one hundred years, Grace, a faint blush hardly perceptible Not leave a record blurred with tears.

#### NEW YEAR'S DAY IN KITCHEN.

Cook will probably have her New Year's callers, and if you are wise you will close eyes and ears for the nonce, nor investigate too closely the contents of dish or demijohn. For her friends are hale and hearty, with old fashioned ideas on the subject of hospitality and an aversion to such foolish fripperies as tea or coffee!

If you have a few flowers or ribbons that you do not need, they will be well bestowed upon her, and will add to her attractiveness as she sits in state behind a well filled table in her kitchen presiding over some such scene as this

Ting-a-ling-ling!

"Mary, there's the basement bell. G'wan now an' open the dure." The kitchenmaid does so, and re-

ports:

"It's Mr. Duffy." "Arrah! come right in. Mr. Duffy. It's th' first ye are, an' good luck to

you." "Good luck to you, Miss Kelly, Shure it's a fine night. God

praised!" "Awin! Sit down "

Duffy does so, and stares around in awkward fashion.

"An' are ye makin' many calls, Mr. Duffy?"

"This is the first, Shure I didn't lave the dumps till sivin."

"True for you. An'pwhat will you have to drink? There's sherry wine there was melody even in the scream- an' port wine, an' claret wine an' some whisky."

Mr. Duffy's dull eye brightens. "I'll take a little of th' ould stuff." he says with a grin.

He takes it, but not a little.

"I think I'll be goin'."

"Will yez have some cake or a sandwich ?"

"Have yez arrah a corn bate san's wich in th' house?" anches dil the bell

He does announces "Mr. Geohogan.'

Duffy rises with some show of per-

pense that can be put on one of these coats. The handpainted panne velvet is a favorite style of trimming. but of necessity expensive, for the work must be executed carefully and the material

quality, is by no The main of vel-

itself to start with,

if it is of the finer

around the ing is not used excepting on the vest and cuffs. It never is used on the collar or on the band that borders the coat. A good quality of panne velvet with a Parisian design is used without being painted. Embroidered velvets are also fashionable as trimmings. The plain surface is embroldered with jewels, and outlined with the finest hand embroidery and slik and chenilie. Often such trimmings as these cost more than the entire gown. A smart gown turned out last week was made of a black and white checked velvet, had a vest of white velvet on which were painted pink roses; the revers were of white satin with roses, edged black Persian lamb. Another gown of plain black velvet has a vest of black satin on which are embroidered, in heavy silk, yellow roses. The vest is lined with yellow and the revers are black satin faced with soap on the face. Soap and hot water vellow. are fine wrinkle-producers.

# THE PRETTIEST HAT.

Finely tucked and stitched taffeta in a rich rose shade made up just about the prettiest hat seen at the Carden last week. There were double brims and a flaring double crown. Two fullblown pink silk roses, three green velvet leaves and a great cloud of pink chiffon completed the distinguished composition. Artificial violets are worn on hats this winter, it seems, only by confirmed violet enthusiasts Pink roses have taken their place in extreme favor. Mrs. T. Suffern Taller wore one afternoon at the show i wreath toque of violets-nothing else -through which her black hair stood up in a knot on the top of her head.

Without doubt the favorite corsage uquet of the moment is from lilles of the valley, and worn at the belt, as if stuck in carelessly, rather than, as re, high on the breast. Orchids are liked, too, and probably will have nporary vogue from Mrs. Dewey's wn fancy for them.-Margery Daw in New York Press.

#### PREVENTION AND CURE.

To be well groomed is the desire of every refined woman whether rich or We can take our daily bath and the body in fairly good condition, but the face-which means so much to clear and free from lines? This is a question which is uppermost in many minds. We have been taught tom shildhood to care for the body, complexion as well as all other blemishes were accepted as a sary svil. We now fully realise is a way to prevent and remove blemiabes, but how? Listen and will tell you. Do not wait until the ttle nasty crowsfeet make their aparance. Start in time. Twice each esk, say Monday and Thursday, treat sur face as regularly as you eat your cals. First clean the face with a the cream all over the

coat, cuffs, the face again with the towel to resame footing as -+ move all the cream, always rememberit is optional to look in or not at pleasing to rub around with the pores, up and out. Then the pores must be closed, either by cold water, with a few drops of benzoin in the water as a tollet water prepared for that purpose, a little dusting with a pure dainty powder and you will look and feel as fresh as a June rose. Now a word to the wise. If you can afford to be treated by a professional, one such treatment is worth a dozen given by yourself. Do not look on it as a luxury, but a necessity. The rest and benefit derived from skilled hands more than repay the expenditure of few dollars. Another word of warning, do not wait until you are fifty and then expect to look twenty-five in an hour. Start in time, before the ugly little lines appear, and you can go down to old age without deep wrinkles, but remember it means at least a treatment every week, a cream bath once a day, and no

# INFORMAL ENTERTAINING.

present moment.

There seems to be a growing desire

on the part of many of our readers to attempt the rather difficult feat of giving pleasant informal evening

gatherings, which we might designate "at home evenings." Therefore a little assistance concerning suitable arrangements, and how best to carry out their wishes, will not come amiss at the At home evenings, it must be undervet are worn as much as toques. They



This picture shows a busy establishnineral waters used in the east, and ment at Tansania, Japan, where the far-famed "Tansan water" of the east those English and American residents in China and So an who have one drunk it much prefer it to the ordi bottled and prepared for shipmont Truth it much present it to the Anglo-Saxon. The business of bottling the waters at the springs has become quite an im-pertant one for the Jap, nearly fifty men and women now being engaged in Tansania is noted for its health-giving springs, and each summer becomes a The ort where the effets I the sp the industry.

ure. On the contrary, invitations are issued as for afternoon at homes on similar small-sized at home cards, and the hours of arrival and departure mentioned therein, "9 to 12," "10 to 12," and even "8 to 12," according to arrangements. It would be unwise in the extreme to endeavor to follow the custom in

avene days, when

fashionable society of giving a dinner party, to be succeeded by an at home or reception. This can only be done with any success when the guests invited are very numerous, and the function is held in a spacious mansion. In small houses, where perhaps eight dinner guests are invited, it would appear rather invidious to invite some ten or twelve to an at home evening, as they would naturally consider that they should have been included in the dinner party, or asked to dine on another evening: besides, the early departure of the dinner guests would so reduce the numbers that the party would naturally fall somewhat flat.

FOR HATS AND BONNETS. Chiffon puffings and bows inter-

mixed with fur and velvet are characteristic of this season's fashionable trimmings for toques and bonnets. The foundations of many new hats are composed of felt or cloth. The crowns are higher than they have been for some time. Picture hats of black vel-

#### pass freely about the hill, and gave no sign of any desire to abuse the privilege. They talked freely and goodhumoredly with our soldiers and then, having fulfilled their mission, disappeared in the darkness.

#### A CURIOUS KITTEN.

Here is a kitten which is the proud possessor of twenty-four toes. This

unique little feline is the property of Miss Rawlston, the American actress, and besides being an anatomical curiosity has also a claim on

distinction because of its great cleverness at trick playing. This little kitten always accompanies its affectionate mistress on her many theatrical tours. and while traveling comfortably reposes in a well-padded basket especially made for the purpose.

Before the British association. Mr. Siemens said that at the Chicago exhibition the two or three direct-driven sets of electric generators were almost ridiculed by the American engineers. who predicted that Britain would soon drop this practice and adopt the American method of belt driving. He referred to the Brooklyn tramways plant as typical of American practice at that time. Corliss compound engines were fitted with a fly wheel from which a belt five feet wide was driven, the dynamos being placed on the first floor of the building and jockey pulleys used to keep the belt from slipping. So far from the prediction of American enrineers being fulfilled, direct driving was now as much in use in the "States" as in the "Isles."

shere is in Mr. Ellis Yarnall's in eresting volume of reminiscences, Wordsworth and the Coleridges," very amusing story of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, whose thoughts were some times too profound even for poets to follow. Wordsworth and Samuel Rogers had spent the evening with Cole riage, and as the two poets walked away together Rogers remarked caleily: "I did not altogether under tand the latter part of what Coleride said." "I didn't understand any of it," Wordsworth hastily replied. "No more did I!" exclaimed Rogers, with a sigh of relief.

#### Aines of Nottles

It has been found that the pain caused by the sting of nettles is due partly to formic acid and partly to a chemical resembling anake poison. Our notices are comparatively harmicas, but in India, Java and elsewhere there are variation the painful effects of which last weeks, and in some cases

work; he had watched its delicate lines appear with the enthusiasm of a true lover of the chemist's art. With any other passion? Possibly, but that was that quality in his own tone. past and gone four months ago. 'Sometimes." The young doctor liked that photo-

graph, somehow. He had examined it time and again until he knew its every detail. It did not grow stale like the others. But tonight there seemed to be a new light upon it, a new tone in the unfocused background of sand and sea, an undefinable change of expression in those brown eyes looking out of the albumen paper. Our imagination is subject to such unhealthy flutters as this, yet most interesting grew that picture, and H. Parker's eyes and heart were won, if his reason sanctioned not.

Preposterous and incredible! The duck skirt began to move slightly, as if stirred by a breeze from the sea, and the margins of the picture drew farther and farther apart, until on one side a row of bath houses came into view, while on the other the broad, blue ocean sparkling in the summer suplight! More than this, H. Parker was conscious of a slight odor of salt in the air, as of seaweed and wet rocks left by the tide. The distant boom of

STANDING ON A LOG OF DRIFT. WOOD.

"Ah, a thousand times," answered Grace with the frown dying out of her breakers, soft at first, grew louder and nearer. When the girl stepped down face. His words were slow and earnfrom the drift log to the sand before est, but she seemed not to connect his eyes, the doctor's smile of incredulthem with the speaker. They put her ity suddenly expired. When she looked into a brown study and she fell to exat him and spoke he felt a tremor amining a handful of sand for garnets. in the very marrow of his bones, and Watching the search, he continued not a tremor wholly of surprise either. even more quietly than before. There he was-on the beach with "Would there be happiness for you her again; not Baxter of surgical treatin a limie home such as that cottage. ises and test-tubes, but the summer-clad, sun-tanned devotee of Granite far from towa, with all its parties and things, where you would be with rea Head, and the very ardent, though unpeople, where you would be loved and

assuming, admirer of Grace Marston. erved by real friends?" Closer scrutiny of the sand. "Would you give up that invuri-life that you have followed for t and for a fallow whose every one would be turned to your happing such a fellow, in fact, as I?" Her first words confused his thoughts he felt a ghostlike atmosphere about him, but after that the glaring August sun warmed him through, the sea broose exhiberated him, he was filled

with energy and real live happiness. "Dear me," she was saying, "to think that there is nothing better for you to photograph than a summer girl making a guy of herself on an old log! There go those Sewall girls from the nes;' if you hurry res one catch

turbation. tor, full length upon the sand, "Are you over serious, Miss Marston?" quoth he with but a trace of

"On what rare occasions would it be

Oh, well, I'm not naturally so, you

possible for one to find you in that

know, but once in a while when some-

thing goes wrong to induce it I get

very serious-even blue-and as I al-

"Never more light-minded in my

life, Miss Marston-never. But tell me

proves you a silly, useless creature. I

am very clever at showing fallacies in

Well, unless because I live a use

less life. Just look at my diary for a

winter. Just look it through and see

if you find anything accomplished

anything improving or worthy, Dances

-calls-teas, over and over again, Do

you call that sort of thing living? The

people I meet day by day there; do I

know them, are they friends, do they

know me? No, it's all vanity-artifi-

Grace was serious enough now and

stared out to sea with a frown upon

her brows as dark as any that ever

A pause and her companion spoke.

for you, Miss Marston. Society fur-

nishes a field for superficial character

to breed and thrive in, but yours is

"I have begun to forget and diare

gard what it naturally is. I am tired

of that life. I love the woods and

the sea-the open air and the sense

of freedom; freedom to go where I

please, be as I want to be, choose com-

is pleasanter than the brilliant ball-

room with its music and flowers? That

cottage half buried in the pines seems a truer home than many a brown stone

The sand slipped away, and the ga

ting, dong-ding, do

"Ob, Grace, Grace, would you-

ta ware lost.

for this

"Then the view of cliffs and breakers

good and strong and sincere."

panions that I like."

front on the avenue?"

"It may be vanity for some, but ' of

cial-a waste of time."

hovered there.

let's not be serious Mr. Baxter."

mood ?"

reasoning."

"Arrah don't hurry. Ye know Mr. Geohogan?"

"I know no good av him." 'Arrah, phat talk have you more?" Duffy moves to the door as the newcomer enters, and the two men nod to each other in a surly fashion. "Good night," says Duffy.

Cook follows him to the door, and her sibilant whisper can be heard plainly.

ways end by finding out what a silly, "Why don't you like him, Mr." useless creature I am, there is very lit-Duffy?" tle enjoyment in being serious. Please

"Shure he's a scab! An', besides, he's from Tyrone. I niver give a county Tyrone man more than th' tip av me how you deduct your conclusion which finger."

And the basement door clangs, behind him.

Mr. Geohogan partakes freely of refreshment, and is proposing marriage when a new batch of callers arrive.

"Givan wid you now," says Cook. pleased and flustered, "an' come back whin your sober tomorrow. Here comes the Donnelly's."

From this time on the room becomes a rendezvous for Cook's many ac. quaintances.

The policeman looks in the door to



FOINE NIGHT, GOD BE PRAISED. exchange his good wishes for "bite and sup." the grocery clerk drops in, the ice man calls, and as the new year in ushered in with bells and songe and horns and shouts, Cook's guests are there, to aid in the "send off."-New York Herald.

Joseph Jenson, a clock Richfield, Utah, has just o wonderful clock, which, in striking the hours, hal ore, and showing the oon, tells juke world the of a gi



Direct Driving vs. Belt Driving.

IAPAN'S MINERAL WATER

Coloridge's Cloudiness



#### The Noted General Meets Death at Mands of Filipinos.

STATES ...

#### EASY MARK FOR SHARPSHOOTERS

#### Until Stain, the Brave American Officer Remained on the Giring Line and Bullets Hissing Near.

Manila, Dec. 20 .- Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton has been shot and killed at San Mateo. He was standing on the firing line, in front of the troops, was shot in the breast and died immediately.

Gen. Lawton left home Monday night. having returned from hi northern operations Saturday, to lead an expedition through Mariquina Valley, which has been an insurgent stronghold throughout the war. The valley has several times been invaded but not held by the Americans. Gen. Geronime was supposed to have there the largest organized force north of Manila, and Gen. Otis wished to garrison Mariquina. The night was one of the worst of the season. A terrific rain had begun and is still continuing.

Accompanied by his staff and Troop I. Fourth cavaly, Gen. Lawton set out at 9 o'clock in advance of the main force, consisting of the Eleventh cavalry and one battalion each of the commandant of the Queen's Westmin-1 Twentieth and Twenty-seventh infantry, which started from La Loma at midnight. With a small escort he led raise a regiment of 1000 picked marksthe way through an almost pathiess men. The enthusiasm of volunteer encountry a distance of fifteen miles over listments continues and promises to hills and through canebrakes and deep give the government ample material. mud, the horses climbing the rocks and ing at Rottinfidean last evening, called sliding down the hills. Before daybreak the command had reached the for the purpose of forming a volunteer head of the valley.

San Mateo was attacked at 8 o'clock and a three hours' fight ensued. This tion of entertaining at Windsor Castle, resulted in but a few casualties on the Dec. 26, the wives and children of sol-American side apart from the death of diers serving in South Africa, who re-Gen. Lawton, but the attack was diffi- side in the neighborhood. Tea will Eagle Pass, which is in the neighbor- as, the bishops occupying seats in the cult because of the natural defenses of be served, her majesty presiding in the town. Gen. Lawton was walking person. along the firing line within 300 yards | The British second-class cruiser Isls of a small sharpshoaters' trench, con- will convey Gen. Kitchener from

spicuous in the big white heimet he al- Egypt to the Cape. She has been orways wore and a light yellow rain coat. dered to steam at sixteen knots. He was also easily distinguishable be- Special reports regarding the fightcause of his commanding figure. The ing at Tugela river are still filtering and two children, as well as more dissharpshooters directed several shots through, but the newspapers complain which clipped the grass nearby. His that these are severely censored, and it staff officers called Gen. Lawton's at- is still impossible to get an accurate tention to the danger he was in, but idea of the battle. From the latest ac-

he only laughed with his usual con- counts, however, it appears that Gen. clinched h he exclaimed: "I'm shot,"

arms of a staff officer. stretcher 'bearers by asserting that two Orderlies rushed across the field for squads of the Connaught rangers took surgeons, who dashed up immediately, scover under civilian bearers of the

#### Killed Himself.

Will Mobilize

e good riders and marksmen.

the regiment

called for in war.

company.

Newton, is raising and equipping a

force of 1000 volunteers among the

city corps. The large city firms are

Col. Sir Charles Howard Vincent,

contributing the necessary expenses.

ster volunteers, has also offered to

Rudyard Kipling addressed a meet-

The queen has announced her inten-

London, Dec. 20 .- The government Houston, Tex., Dec. 23 .- The castnamely, 10,000 mounted infantry. This morning the war office issued an order to the effect that the govern- heart and death must have been in- diocese of Dallas.

ment had decided to raise a mounuted stantaneous. The breast was blackeninfantry force to be called "Imperial ed by powder, showing that the shot in Trinity cathedral, Omaha, Neb., yeomanry," and to be recruited from ycomanry, volunteers and civillans possessing the qualifications. Enlist- through the body, It was not known that the mail lishing churches, drawing about him a Five shots were fired. One entered ment will be for one year, or during the continuance of the war. The men

age and of equal physique to the ordinary cavalry soldier. officers and men are to provide their own horses and to wear neutral tint cloch shooting jackets, not necessarily uniform, felt hats, breeches and gaiters. All must some mail.

The same order invites every volunteer regiment that is linked with a reg. ular battalion serving at the front to was no sound on the inside of the car. supply a full company which will take the place of the mounted infantry of These arrangements are expected to esult in a considerable force. The enrolled strength of the yeomanry forces. which originated in the troublous pemail agent.

riod of the French revolution, is now 10,443. Their services have never been he could not arouse him. The lord mayor of London, Alfred

car and he found that the man was signs, dead. By his side was a pistol with one left breast showed that the heart had ing a number of ministers of the city been pierced.

A justice of the peace was summonhaving been rendered. The dead mail agent, Thomas D.

Hathaway, had been in the railway mail service for about fifteen years, isters nearly, if not all of the minismen in the service. His suicide can ill health and overwork. Since Nov 1 his run has been from Houston to dian Territory and Kinsolving of Tex-

hood of 400 miles. The deceased was 48 years of age and was born and raised in Richmond. Fort Bend county, but has been living in this city for about twenty years. He leaves an aged mother, who lives in preached. this city, a brother-in-law, a widow tant relatives in the city.

He was known here very favorably and his near friends knew him to be of a bright sunny disposition and very pleasant to come in contact with. As a boy in Richmond he had that standbusiness matters and took hold of the -daine at an early age.

Serious Accident.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 21.-Yesterday has at last consented to mobilize a bound Pacific train due here at 3:35 morning at 10:30 o'clock the services force which Gen. Buller is credited yesterday morning did not arrive until for the consecration of St. Matthew's North Harwood street at 11 o'clock excellent. with having demanded all along, as es. about 9 o'clock, and it brought in the Episcopal cathedral began. The day yesterday morning from gunshot sential to success in South Africa, mailcar the dead body of Thomas D. was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Hatnaway, the mail agent. He had consecration of Rt. Rev. Alexander At 9 o'clock he was shot three times received a bullet hole through the Charles Garrett, D. D., bishop of the

> On Dec. 20, 1874, being consecrated, must have been fired at close range. Bishop Garrett was sent to Texas. North Texas bank building at the foot and the bullet had passed entirely where he began his work as a mission- of the flight of steps which lead up to

agent was dead until the train reached corps of ministers, opening Sabbath | Harrell's left side, two lodging in the of calves must be between 20 and 35 years of Luling, a station 154 miles west of this schools ,and carrying the standard of left forearm and two shattered the to Illinois. city, in Caldwell county. The train his religion into many waste places plaster on the wall on the west side upon which the deceased was mail and erecting there its altars, he on of the bank building. Just inside of agent is a fast train and stops at very yesterday crowned the efforts of these the ontrance to the big structure few stations. Luling is the station at twenty-five years past in the conse- Harrell sank down against the cast which the train stops, and here it is cration of a grand cathedral for his wall, and there remained until he was the duty of the mail agent to put off diocese, a building beautiful and or- carried to the office of William nate, one of the most imposing and Thompson. Physicians were called

> the mailcar remained closed and there | and in all north Texas indeed. The interior of the church was siab- and two small children, his family The man on the outside of the car orately and attractively decorated. All physician and several friends were at waiting to receive the mail knocked about the chancel front were wreaths his side when he passed away, impatiently several times, but received and festoons of greenery, as well as After the shooting Mr. Frank M. no answer. He then reported the fact upon the massive columns, the pulpit Etheridge of the firm of Harris, Ethto the conductor and that official sent and the organ. On the altar, laden eridge & Knight, surrendered to Depthe porter into the car to arouse the with its tapers, were immense vases uty Sheriff Sloan Lewis. Deputy

The auditorium was filled to its ut-

of different denominations, among whom were noted Revs. W. M. Andered and the train held until the inquest son of the First Presbyterian church, was concluded, a verdict of suicide Rev. W. I. Carroll of the Grand Avenue Congregational Church, and Rabbi George Alexander Kohut of and he was one of the most proficient | ters of the Dallas Episcopal diocese, were present in their canonical robes. only be accounted for by the theory of and from other states were Bishops temporary insanity, brought about by Tuttle of Missouri, Gailor of Tennessee, Brown of Arkansas, Brooks of the In- have originated over a legal case.

chancel. Bishop Tuttle, who preached the ser-

mon at Bishop Garrett's consecration. delivered the sermon. At night Bishop Gailor of Tennesse

A banquet followed at the Oriental hotel.

#### Hallettaville Blaze.

Hallettsville, Tex., Dec. 21-Fire was discovered in the storehouse of Simpson Bros., in the northeast side of the courthouse square. The alarm was ing and was exceptionally bright in given, and in a very few minutes the fire companies, three in number, responded and had streams of water Blaving on the building, a two-story

Dallas Tragedy. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 22 .- E. O. Harrell, a member of the Dallas bar, died at 418 wounds received earlier in the day, out through while engaged in a quarrel with anset in Ora other well known attorney, F. M.

Etheridge. The shooting took place in the rotunda of the first floor of the ary bishop, and by his labors estab- the elevator in the main building.

When the train came to a stop here handsome church edifices in this city and later he was removed to his home on North Harwood street. His wife

filled with snow-white flowers, em. Lewis and his prisoner proceeded to The porter went into the car and blems of purity. On the walls of the the court room of Justice Skelton on coming back reported to the conduc- church and of the sanctuary and be- West Main street. After hearing tor that the mail agent was asleep but tween the columns hung banners on statements, the justice fixed the bond which were the cross, as well as on of Etheridge at \$2000. It was given The conductor then went into the shields in different colors and de- almost immediately with the following sureties: G. Van Ginkle, A. I. Hud-

son, Sidney Reinhardt, M. L. Crawford, empty chamber, and the wound in the most capacity, among the audience be- J. C. Muse and W. A. Bonner. The court room was crowded with spectators, many leading members of the Dallas bar being present. Tax Collector Etheridge of Oak Cliff called at the court room just after the bond had been made. The brothers shook hands and greeted each other affectionately. Temple Emanu-El. Besides these min. Mr. Etheridge declined to make a detailed statement of the affair. "It was just a case of who could be first." he said to the reporters. "I acted purely in selfdefense and that't all there is about it." The trouble is said to

#### Double Death Penalty.

Clarksville, Tex., Dec. 22 .- For about the fourth time in the history of the county there will be a legal nanging unless the higher courts or the governor's pardoning power intervene and interfere with a verdict of a jury in the district court, or, rather, two verdicts.

Henderson Pierson, a colored man. pleaded guilty to the charge of murder of his wife and mother-in-law in this county on Aug. 20, 1899. According to the evidence the deed was not only atrocious, but cold-blooded and premeditated. The women were on their way to the home of a sick neigh bor on a quiet Sunday morning, when they were overtaken by Henderson, shotgun in hand, and he ordered them to back home. This they refused to do, when ne shot his mother-in-law through the head, killing her instantly, and as his wife turned to run, fired a load into her back, resulting in instant death. He was captured shortly afterward by people of his own color, without resistance, and turned over to the officers, and has been in jail here since.

PASTURE AND FARM.	FEXANETTES.
Cattle conditions in west Texas are	Dr. C. O. Matthews, a prominent
excellent.	Denison physician, is dead:
Numerous fruit trees are being set	The usual number of Christmas of
out throughout Texas.	ialties are reported.
Hundreds of fruit trees are being	Fourteen divorces were granted in
set in Orange county.	one day at Waxahachie.
The supply of workable range horses	A huge wolf was caught in a trap
is said to be steadily decreasing.	four miles from Fort Worth.
C. Woodward of Gatesville has ship-	Chris Hagetstein was thrown from a
ped two carloads of mules to Richland,	horse at San Angelo and badly inju-
Ga.	red.
L. T. Johnson shipped four carloads	In a difficulty at Blossom, Lamar
of calves from Giles, near Clarendon,	county, Jack Bally vas badly cut in
to Illinois.	the face and on the head.
A number of fine cattle have recent- ly been received by Midland county stockmen. Bee culture promises to be a groth- ing industry in several Texas counties next year.	The grocery store of L. G. Throop it Big Springs, was robbed of \$1 in each and about \$100 worth of grocer- ics. The office of the superintendent of
Dr. Curtis of Midland county has added two registered Jersey bulls to his herds. At San Angelo, C. W. Hobbs sold to C. Palmer of San Antonio, 1200 bags of	Paris waterworks was burglarized and the sum of \$60 was secured from a irawer. Robert E. Lee Powell of Bartlet filed voluntary petition in bankruptcy at Austin, Liabilities \$4125, assets \$1540,
wool, or 250,000 pounds.	all claimed to be exempt.
Mr. McKenzie of Midland sold to Jim	It is reported from Kansas City
Trammel of Sweetwater a Scotch top-	that a big Northern company will
ped Shorthorn bull for \$150.	move to Quanah, Texas to utilize the
Mr. P. M. Granbury of Houston has	extensive gypsum fields in that section,
lost 100 head of cattle from some un-	The Trinity Land company of Fort
known disease and as many more are	Worth is the first corporation to pay a
affected.	franchise tax under the recent assess-
Wolf Sachs of Tempe. Ariz., recently	ment by the county commissioners of
sold to a Los Angeles buyer a ship-	Tarrant county.
ment of alfalfa-raised short two-year-	Several nights ago a freight car on
olds, weighing 1100 pounds.	the Texas and Pacific road was broken
W. T. Cawley of San Angelo has sold	into near the coal chute just east of
his one-half interest in Hudson & Caw-	Wills Point and a goodly-sized box
ley's 2400 steers to his former partner,	of freight escaped.
Lum Hudson, at private terms.	The 18-months-old daughter of Sum-

presumably caused by eating smutty Terrell, and was severely burned. Her corn, were recently reported among 4-year-old brother rescued her in time horses - around Georgetown. Some to prevent serious results.

ows were also affected. Mount Vernon has \$33,000 subscribed The increase in the wheat acreage of of the \$50,000 required for a cotton McLennan county is estimated at 15 mill. It is expected that the remaining to 25 per cent, and there is also a con- \$17,000 will soon be raised, when the siderable increase in the area planted building will be at once begun.

in oats. County Attorney George A. Carpen-C. S. West of Corsicana shipped out ter of Fannin county filed his annual from Wortham to Chicago thirteen car- report and turned over to the county oads of fat steer cattle, the shipment treasurer \$708.45, which is the excess being the first made by Corsicana feed- of the amount allowed the county aters this season. torney and hisdeputies.

W. Q. Richards of Quanah shipped to W. J. Jones, who served for over Kansas 1443 calves-all Whitefaces. twenty years as baggagemaster at Ft. They were said to be among the best Worth at the Texas and Pacific depot. calves ever shipped or sold in Quanah. died of paralysis. He was a popular Farmers are killing hogs.

employe. The remains was shipped to Secretary Coburn of the Kansas Paris, Tex., for interment. state board of agriculture estimates The grand jury of El Paso returned the corn crop of that state at 225,000,an indictment against Juan Bernal, a 000 bushels. The government report convict now in the Santa Fe. N. M., last month put the crop at 265,000,000. penitentiary, charging him with the Never before was there such fine rops of volunteer oats in Wilbarger

good farmers Saturday, they said that

290 head.

county in a few years.

in any section of the state.

has shipped 700 goats to lowa.

well.

cents.

205 bales.

air, for \$20,000.

eadily increasing.

F. N. Page, living near Clarendon,

murder of Ranger Fusselman, which occurred more than ten years ago. white crossing a street at Austin pastured Chief Justice R. R. Gain

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Degasta at

white helmet covering the face of the dead general. Almost at this moment the cheers of the American troops rushing into San Mateo were mingling with the rifle volleys.

After the fight six stalwart cavalrymen forded the river to the town, carrying the litter on their shoulders, the staff preceding with the colors and a where the body was laid, and many a tear fell from the eyes of men who had long followed the intrepid Lawton. The entire command was stricken with grief, as though each man had suffered a personal loss.

#### Grief at Fort Wayne.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 20.-Grief is general in this city over Gen. Lawtons death. Gen', Lawton was living in Fort Wayne with his parents and was a student at the outbreak of the member of Bass post G. A. R., and member of Harmony Lodge I. O. O. F Bass post had raised a fund of nearly to purchase a testimonial sword which was to be presented to Gen. Lawton upon his return from the Phil-

#### Boston Falinre.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 20 .- Dillaway & Starr, bankers and brokers of this city. assigned

The firm is one of the most prominent of the kind in the city and is composed of Charles F. Dillaway, George H. Flint and A. W Lawrence.

The firm, it is understood, with two other houses, carried a large quantity of mining stocks. The embarrassment ment.

#### Bank Collapses.

London, Dec. 20 .- The failure of the 9:40 o'clock Monday there was brought London and Northern bank, limited. a comparatively small concern, was announced yesterday. The directors issued a statement attributing the failure to the alleged libelous assertions regarding the bank which have apreared in the press for the past two or three days. The bank's assets, ac- ed. cording to the directors, should fully cover the liabilities.

Momorial Service.

London, Dec. 20 .- A most impressive ory of the soldiers killed in South Af-

but their efforts were useless. The Red Cross and that this act drew the body was taken to a clump of bushes Boer fire, three being killed and sevand laid upon a stretcher, the familiar eral wounded.

In the Michigan senate a resolution expressing sympathy for the Boers and calling on the president to act as arbiter between the two warring nations

Buller was in personal command.

A correspondent of the Associated

# was defeated.

The government of New South Wales has decided to send a field hospital corps and a battery of artillery to cavalry escort following. The troops South Africa in addition to the mount- ing of a laborer. Switchman J. D. ed contingent.

> Senator Berry of Arkansas has introduced a bill in the senate to amend the third section of the interstate commerce act, relative to railroad dis-

crimination.

Gale Elected. Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 20.-In the election in the Seventh Kentucky con- message came into Roby from Hobbs, gressional district Monday to elect a a postoffice twelve miles west of here, successor to the late Congressman late Tuesday evening, while the blizwar. He enlisted here in the Evan E. Settle, June W. Gayle, Demo- zard was at its worst, asking for aid March term of Judge Scott's court. Ninth Indiana volunteers. He was a crat, of Owen county, was elected over to hunt a lost child of J. M. Wilhite's. ex-Congressman W. C. Owens, who Quite a number of citizens responded ran as the fusion candidate of the to the call. The little fellow was anti-Gobel Democrats and Republicfound safely housed about five miles ans About two-thirds of the vote was from town. Of course there was joy polled. At Gayle's headquarters his majority in the district is placed at child.

#### German Flag Hoisted.

Apia, Samoa, Dec. 20 .- The German lag was holsted over the court house resterday as an official notification of the annexation of the islands by agreement to Germany. The German con- him, frightening them so badly that sul, on board the Cormoran, was inter- they were easily captured. viewed by the Samoan chiefs, to whom he said that the Samonns could have of the Globe National bank is said to their own king and chiefs. They then have been the reason for the assign- informed the consul that Mataafa would be selected.

Foul Crime. Wynnewood, I. T., Dec. 20 .-- About taly hurt.

works.

Smith County Taxes.

into town the mutilated body of Geo. Miller, the same having been found on the track of the Santa Fe railway about one mile north of this place. On examination it was found that he had been rises in the back with a 44-caliber ball, which had parsed out just below the left breast, lodging in his clothing. oBth jawbones were crush-

Pugilist Sharkey has gone to Hot Springs, Ark.

#### Cablnet Meeting.

Washington, Dec. 20 .- At the cablmemorial service was held in St. Paul's net meeting yesterday there was a diseathedral yesterday afternoon in mem- cussion of the situation in Alaska, which, according to the views of the rica. The lord mayor, Mr. A. J. New- president and members of the cabinet, ton, and the city officials attended in requires the immediate attention of their r bes of office The cathedral was congress. It was estimated that durthronged, those present including the ing the coming summer there would duke of Cambridge and the marquis be from 20,000 to 40,000 people near of Landadowne, the secretary of state of enforcing such as the better classes of citizens might improvise. franchise tax also.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 23 .- A Southern Pacific switch engine jumped the track while passing just south of the passenger depot yesterday afternoon and utterly demolishing it.

Dozens of persons were standing in the immediate vicinity. One man was instantly killed and two injured. The dead man has not been identi-

fied. His head was crushed by the be recognized, but he wore the cloth-Gifford was standing on the running board. He was injured about the back and legs.

James Cooney of Marshalltown, Ia., was caught by the falling timbers and sustaiend injuries to both hips.

Lost Child Found.

dry goods store and burned rapidly but the flames were prevented from spreading. Mr. Henry Seftenberg, who was sleeping in the second story of the building, escaped by climbing out of a window and down a telephone pole. Mr. A. Seftenberg, manager of the business, was in Columbus, but in response to a telephone message arrived.

The stock, valued at \$15,000, is a total loss, with \$9000 insurance. Buildheavy timbers so that he could not ing owned by Isaac Samuels, valued at \$6000; insured for \$3000.

> W. W. Heard was nominated by the Democratic state convention of Louisiana, in session at Baton Rouge, for governor.

The troopship Thomas has arrived at Singapore. China

#### Goes Over.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 21 .- The case of Roby, Tex., Dec. 24 .- A telephone the State vs. Dr. S. M. Jenkins, charged with criminal operation and murder, has been postponed until the When it is taken up it will be tried de novo before a new jury, and the county attorney feels that such a proceeding will be legal. On the other hand the attorneys for in the household of the father of the the prisoner state that it was not

their fault that their client was shot in the court room, and that he should have been protected by the state from "Your money or your life," was deany accident whatever; that he had manded of Jailer Butler of Texarkana pleaded regularly to the indictment at an early hour several mornings ago. and was there to have the trial over. Not desiring to part company with er-When the case is called again they ther of these essentials, Mr. Butler fired will plead former jeopardy, and they between the two youths who stopped claim that they will be able to beat the case on that issue.

An appliance whereby forty cows Two Santa Fe freight trains collidcan be milked in one hour is said to ed near Purcell, O. T. Sixteen cars have been perfected.

The Creek council has adjourned.

McKinney, Tex., Dec. 23.-Water chief clerk in the general passenger has been struck in the new artesian department of the Texas and Pacific well being sunk for the McKinney railway, on Jan. 1, 1900, becomes aswaterworks system. At a depth of sistant general passenger agent of that 1023 feet the stream was struck and road. While the promotion brings the water rose to within fifty feet of with it increased honor and distinc the top. The well is a four-inch bore general passenger department, as tion, it will create no vacancy in the and is the second one of that size Fegan will continue to discharge the that has been put down, and which are duties of his present position, which expected to afford an ample supply of be has maintained with marked cred-water for the new system of waterwater for the new system of water- in the fall of 1898.

Money in Treasury

Austin, Tex., Dec. 21.-State Treas rer Rob urer Robbins reports that he has \$750,000 in the state treasury to the Tyler, Tex., Dec. 23.-The commiscredit of general revenue. After all the appropriations have been exhausted and the cost of the sioners' court met Wednesday and examined and approved the supplemental tax rolls, consisting of the recent extra session paid, the governor mates that at the end of the i year there will be about the property of the Cotton Belt railway and of other corporations domiciled in amount as is now in the vaults. view of this, the governor recommen of in his proclamation that the 2-ce ad valorem tax immed in the 2-ce this county. The city board of equalization is in session for the purpose of tax imposed for se reduced to 16 2-3 cent passing upon the assessment of the

When the case was called Henderson, by the advice of his counsel, pleaded guilty, thus hoping to save his neck, but the jury assessed the death penalty, and the same plea being made in the second case, the same penalty was given.

Oscar S. Strauss, the United States minister to Turkey, left Constantinople for the United States on a leave of absence.

#### Important Decision

vaccinated 400 calves in one week. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 22 .- An im-Plenty of water on western ranges portant opinion was handed down by Judge W. S. Fly, associate justice of the fourth court of civil appeals, in the suits involving the assessment of the franchise of the San Antonio Street Railway company and the Mutual Electric Light company. The two cases are parallel and the same opinion was equipped anywhere in the west. rendered in each. In 1897 the city board of equalization assessed the Bulletin No. 53 of Texas Agricultural franchise of the street railway and electric light companies at respectively operative work of M. Francis, veteri-\$250,000 and \$50,000. The opinion is: narian of the Texas station, and of J. "The board of revision having no W. Connoway, verterinarian of the authority to add other property to the Missouri station, has just been issued. list returned by the assessor, the peti-Col. William Black of San Angelo tion on that point set up a good cause

of action and it was error to sustain the exception to it. The judgment is reversed and the cause remanded."

#### Sir Thomas Lipton has been unanmously elected rear commodore of the Royal Ulster Yacht club.

#### Robled and Shot.

Gainesville, Tex., Dec. 22.-A man giving his name as Ed Powell Wednesday night reported that he had been robbed near the waterworks. He has a flesh wound in his left side, where a pistol ball passed over the ribs lodging in his back.

Powell says two men rode up to him without a word of warning fired upon him, when he fell from his horse and robbed of all his money save \$20. which they overlooked in his vest pocket.

#### To Meet at Waco.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 22.-Hon. Charles K. Bell, chairman of the state Democratic executive committee, said that a meeting of the committee would be called for Waco shortly after the convening of the national Democratic executive committee at Washington on February 22, to fix the time and place for holding the next national Democratic conventions Judge Bell stated that the exact date

a meeting would be de-

eers oats should preme court was struck A. C. Page, Panhandle railroad horse and knocked do agent, says that 343 cars of cattle and ly bruised about the his injuries are not sproq two cars of horses have been shipped from this point this fall. At an aver- ous.

ation with some

age of 30 head to the car, making 10,-The observance of schour dis cipline in the public schools of Sher-Judging from the amount of fruit man can be judged from the fact that

trees growing in every part of Basup to a few evenings ago it has been trop country, the great number of necessary to inflict corporal punishplantings purchased this season, and ment in but twenty-four cases in a toto be brought there before the season tal enrollment of 1846. is over, fruit will be plentiful in that

Mrs. L. R. Harbough made a narrow Mr. Geo. Copp has begun shipping escape from a horrible death at Corsitomatoes to Northern markets, and cana. She was standing with her back to an open fireplace when her each day's express car carries a shipment. The tomatoes are as fine as clothing caught fire, and before the found anywhere, can be raised as ear. fames could be extinguished she was ly here, and with as little expense as badly burned about the hands, arms and face.

> Miss Drew Walker of Rockwall, while on a visit to Navasota was accidentally shot by a rifle.

Malone, Waller & Co. of Fort Worth. At a meeting of the board of regents formerly merchants, filed an applica of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Me- tion in the United States district court chanical college, it was decided to there. The liabilities of the firm are purchase \$10,000 worth of books to add placed at \$23,350.61, assets none. The to the library and \$20,000 worth of ma- individual assets of the parties are chinery and scientific apparatus, which given as, David L. Malone \$5285, all exwill make the college one of the best empt; John F. Waller \$50.

Night Marshal Evans attempted to arrest Bob Sales, a colored barber Experiment station, showing the co. at Cuero. When called upon by the marshal to halt he did so and at the same time about faced and opened fire on the marshal with a 4o pistol. The marshal returned the fire, fatally wounding the negro twice through the bowels. The marshal was shot in the neck.

H. R. Starkweather, near Coleman, A. M. Nance, living on the east side has an artesian well on his ranch of Paris, has a well the water supply which throws water 20 to 25 feet above which is effected altogether by the the ground. The well is 380 feet deep. way the wind blows. If it is from the The water is very salty and consider- north the well goes dry, while the able natural gas escapes from the supply is abundant when the wind is in the east.

The major portion of San Angelo's All Texas and Pacific, the Chicago fall wool has been turned loose. Jack-Rock Island and Texas, the Missourl son & Richardson sold recently to Geo. Kansas and Texas, and the Fort Worth R. Toyliff, representing J. Koshland & and Rio Grande passenger trains are Co. of Boston, 560,000 pounds of wool running in and out of the Texas and at prices said to range from 12 to 14 Pacific passenger station at Fort Worth.

The statistican of the department As the Texas Trunk train was going of agriculture at Washington has made from Kemp the entire train except the final report on the cotton crop of last engine was derailed. The acciden caused by the spreading ot the faile (1898) year. He estimates that 24,-967,295 acres were planted in cotton Several of the passengers walked into that year, producing a total of 11,189,-Kaufman from the wreck, eight miles from there.

J. E. Hearsey bought 100 head of Mattle Whitely entered sult in the stock cattle and steers and the lease civil district court of Galveston county for \$10,000 damages for personal injuand improvements of the Liano county school land pastrue, in Tom Green ries against the Galveston City railcounty, 17,712 acres, from W. H. Godroad. A car on the Broadway line jumped the track and threw her gut

The Stockmen of Wyoming are buy-A few night ago three spans of wire ing Union Pacific lands for grazing of the long distance telephone compurposes and have, up to this time, pany four miles north of Navasota in taken about 1,000,000 of the \$,000,000 Brazos county were cut. The cutter acres the company owns in that state. | took the wire with him. The telephon The sales for the last year have been company has offered a reward for the arrest of the thieves.

were wrecked. One engineer was fa-Good Artesian Water. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 21.-C. P. Fegan,

# DWIGHT L. MOODY.

The Great Evangelist Dies at East streets, were rehearsing yesterday aft-Northfield, Mass.

#### Mr. Moody's Heart Had Been Weak for a Long Time and Exertions Put Forth in Meetings Brought on a Collapse.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 23 .- Bohme, Margaret Warner. Dwight L. Moody, the famous evange- All those are between 9 and 11 years list, died at noon yesterday.

by the members of Mr. Moody's family Prof. Mushold, were painfully burned and immediate circle of friends that in trying to save the children. death would be the result of his illness. The cause of death was a general breaking down due to overwork.

Mr. Moody's heart has been weak laughing gaily among themselves. A for a long time and exertions put forth dozen others were grouped in the in conection with meetings in the wings of the stage near the foot of the west last month brought on a collapse stairs descending from the dressing from which he failed to rally. The room. The girls in the dressing room evangelist broke down in Kansas City, had nearly completed their costumes Mo., where he was holding services when one of them brushed against about a month ago and the seriousness the gas jet, but which one it will never of his condition was so apparent to the him, that they forced him to aballion his tour and return to his home with all possible speed. After he reached others as she ran. It has done in a state the ground others as she ran. It has done in a state the ground others as she ran. consulted and everything was done to blaze, jumped out of a small window prolong life. A bulletin issued last week communicated the tidings to he public that Mr. Moody was very ill, but that a little improvement was noticed. blaze, jumped out of a small window onto the stairs leading to the stage and down the stairs. A fiaming torch she was as she almost fell down the stairs and rushed into the groups This week the patient showed a steady of children standing in the wings. gain until Thursday when he showed They were all clad like her, in fancy symptoms of nervousness accompanied costumes of cotton, lace and silk, and by weakness which caused the family the fire spread with incredible rapidmuch anxiety. Mr. Moody first knew ity from one to the other. There were at 8 o'clock Thursday evening that he fourteen children in the cast of the would not recover. He was satisfied Christmas entertainment and only a that this was so and when the lanowl few escaped. edge came to him his words were:

#### "The world is receding and heaven opening." During the night Mr. Moody had a

number of sinking spells. He was, however, kindness itself to those about At 2 o'clock yesterday morning and rushed this way and that, scream-Dr. Wood, the family physician, who ing with pain. But the agony was spent the night at his house, was call-ed at the request of Mr. Moody. The patient was perspiring and he requestof them sank to the floor dead. Others ed his son-in-law. A. P. Fitt, who fell too, but they still lived, suffering spent the first of the night with him. excruciating agony. call the physician that he might note the symptoms. Dr. Wood administered a hypodermic injection of strychnia. This caused the heart to ed in the panic that followed had it perform its duties more regularly and not been for the prompt action of th Mr. Moody himself requested his son-in-law, Mr. Fitt, and Dr. Wood to re-

Mr. Moody's eldest son, Will R. Moody, who had been sleeping the first of the night, spent the last half with his father. At 7:30 yesterday mornins Dr. Wood was called and when he inched Mr. Moody's room found his

All the telephone lines in the neighnt in a semi-conscious condition. Mr. Moody recovered consciousborhood were in service summoning

Eleven Children Burned. Quincy III., Dec. 23 .-- While the school children of St. Francis Parochial school, Seventeenth and Vine

ernson for an entertainment to be giv- Do the Comocrats Looking After Rico. This meat was on board the en next Tuesday evening, the dress of one of them caught fire from a gas let. and ten minutes later four of them DEATH DUE TO OVERWORK. were burned to death. Two died an RELAVIVE TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE midnight. Half a dogen others were burned more or less seriously.

The dead: Irena Friedburg, May Office in the Commonwealth of Seutucky. Wavering, Mary Althoff, Bernadina The Committee Urge that Contests Fround, Colletta Middendorf, Mary Hickey, Wilhelmina Guttendorf, Olivia Timpe, Addie Futterer, Josephine Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 22 .- The ad-

dress of the Democracy of the state, of age. Helen Soebbing and several indorsing the contest instituted by It was not expected until Thursday other teachers, Fathers Nicholas and William Gobel and other candidates on the Democratic ticket was issued last night. It was signed by Former Sen-The fire started in a little dressing ator Blackburn, chairman of the state room. Three or four little girls were

campaign committee; Chairman Young there dressing for the rehearsal and and all members of the executive and responsibility, in the opinion of the central committees. It says in part:

Democratic ticket for the respective be known. A touch of the flame was physicians who were called to attend sufficient and in an instant her dress The committees feel that it is proper offices for which they were nominated. caused to be directed against the Chihim, that they forced him to abandon of cotton and light cloth was in a that they should, in a concise form, state the grounds upon which they

fraud.

This address also sava:

"The state board of election commissloners, at its recent session, issued certificates of election to all the Republican candidates for the state of fices, but the board expressly declared in the opinion rendered that it acted simply as a canvassing board without power or authority, as it construed the law, to inquire into the legality or validity of any contested doux E. Smith. votes. The board expressed the opin-

Ion that, if clothed with the authorcalled upon the state legislature and ity to go behind the returns and decongress to pass laws for their regulation and suppression. Allegiance termine the matters in contention. the certificates of election would not was declared to the Chicago platform

of 1896. The levee system, the imreceived them. We feel that in the provement of Southwest Pass and of light of the action of this board the western and southern waterways and mocratic party cannot do less than the building of an interoceanic canal to carry its contention to the tribunal were indorsed. The administration of created by the law for its determina- Gov. Foster was praised, and the pass-

Started in a Kiln Room.

Iola, Kan., Dec. 22 .- Fire which these ballots is not only in violation started in the north end of the kiln of the letter of the law, but it is in room at 6 o'clock yesterday morning destroyed \$250,000 worth of property utter and open defiance of the spirit of the law, and the use of these ballots belonging to the Lanyon Zinc company furnish not only prima facie, but also at Lanyon ville, five miles east of here. The 200-foot smokestack fell, killing conclusive, evidence of purposed two men. The dead are Jesse Mat-

"Another ground of contest is the thews and J. B. Schaub. plain violation and defiance of law The destroyed building tour by the late Republican government and expensive ore-roasting ma-

Washington, Dec. 22.-Swift & Co. MANILA MOURNING will get their pay after all for the 300. 000 pounds of beef condemned by Gen. eral, arrived here at daybreak yesterday on the steamer Mexico. The

Miles in the summer of 1898 at Puerto Over the Demise of the Gallant Manitopa and was shipped to Cuba Gen. Lawton, where it was properly inspected and accepted by officials of the war de-

Will Get Pay.

it. It finally found its way to Mon-

questionably in bad shape, and was

The auditor of the war department

cago packinghouse a flood of criticism.

Louislaua Democrats.

Democratic State convention, which

New Orleans, La., Dec. 22 .- The

partment.

thrown overboard.

against the government.

WHOSE REMAINS HAVE REACHED It was then ordered on to Puerto Rico, but Gen. Miles would not receive

tauk. By that time the meat was un- That City and Placed in a Vault -- The Deceased Made Many Friends Among the Natives.

turned down the bill of Swift & Co. for Manila, Dec. 21 .- Maj. Cen. Lawton's \$29,000. Swift & Co. appealed to the hody was brought from San Mateo to played during the hour which Gen. cntroller of the treasury who has rendered a decision, reversing the ac-Manila yesterday afternoon, his staff Wood remained on the Mexico after tion of the auditor and ordering the and a squadron of cavalry acting an arrival. bill paid as a just and valid claim escort. It was found necessary to bridge the river.

The fact that the meat had once been The funeral will take place from his and was unable to converse for nevaccepted by the government fixed the late residence here, a mansion formertral minutes; ly occupied by a Spanish general. The body has been temporarily placed in a vault in El Paco cemetery, where and where there were no refrigerating many of the American soldiers have retiring governor general. been interred and a guard of honor

maintained. When Mrs. Lawton and her four children have completed their vas Senor Quesada, special commisstoner of Caba at Washington, who arrangements for returning to the United States the remains will be taken on a transport with an escort of on the Mexico. officers for final interment, as it is Gen. Wood called at the palace at thought probable. In Arlington cemetarr.

Gen. Lawton's death has caused universal sorrow in Manila. No American

met at Baton Rouge, completed its latransferred. Gen. Wood was accompaofficer had greater popularity among bors by the nomination of the followthe ranks, and in his dealings with the nied by Gen. Chaffee and Lieut. ing officers in addition to W. W. Brooks. The retiring governor genernatives he commanded their respect Heard at governcr:: lieutenant goverand confidence to a remarkable deal will leave for the United States on nor, Albert Estepinal; secretary of gree. The mayors whom he installed Saturday, remaining for some time in state, John T. Mitchell; state super-Tampa before going north. in the neighboring towns are arrangintendent of education, J. V. Calboun; ing to attend the funeral in a body. attorney general, Judge Walter Gulon; To his executive ability and person terday was, according to all the old auditor, W. S. Fraze, treasurer, Leal leadership is chiefly due the brilliant residents, without parallel in the history of the island. The elaborate disexecution of the plan of campaign in The platform denounced trusts and play of bunting in the harbor and the North Luzon, which has scattered the multitude of boats and bands showed insurrectionary forces from San Isldro that the bastily formed reception comto the Gulf of Lingayen. That section mittee had done excellent work. Moreof the island which had to be traversed during the very worst season of over, there was a heartiness in the cheering that was quite unusual. the year presented difficulties considered by all acquainted with it to be almost insurmountable, but Gen. Law-Inglaterra, where Gen. Wood will re-main until Gen. Brooke's departure. ton thoroughly covered the programme assigned him. Amang the callers were Gens. Ludlow

When he reached Tayug and fourd and Wilson, accompanied by their staffs. that the other division had not ar-Next Saturday Gen. Ludlow will rived, he went through to Dagupan give an official reception in honor of on his way own responsibility. Althe new governor general, and a govthough he imposed great hardships on ernor's salute will be fired from Cahis men, he invariably shared their lot banas. The local papers devote considerable cheerfully. space to yesterday's events, declaring that Gen. Wood is the most acceptable

Thirteen Americans, including three man who could have been appointed to bring Cuba out of her difficulties officers, were wounded in the engagement at San Mateo where Gen. Lawton and into a gulet harbor. was killed. Capt. Breckenridge's wound is not considered dangerous, although the bullet penetrated his arm and,

Gov. Johnston has mailed the folside is estimated that the lusurgents numbered 500 and that half of them lowing letter to Senator Morgan: were armed with rifles. The Ameri-

## EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Wood at Havana.

Havana, Dec. 21.-Major General

sonard Wood, the new governor gen-

steamer was gally decorated with

lags. From Cabanas fortress a major

general's salute of thirteen guns was

fired and the Cubans from the Punta

twenty-one guns by the explosion of

The steamer Mexico, on which Gen.

orated with dags. Every faunch in the

arbor, barges and rowboats had been

fired and decorated with bunting.

Sven a big ferry boat, with a band,

was pressed into service. Three bands

Gen. Wood was deeply affected upon

One of the first callers on Gen. Wood

Here the governorship was officially

The welcome given Gen. Wood yes-

During the morning there was a

octarils.

Brooke.

Berlin is to have a French thrater. The French mavy is said to be in and condition.

lialy has an elegant building at the aris exposition.

Timpa, Fla., is to have a large aufired a governor general's salute of far mill and refinery, Wesley Fillers, colored, was hanged

it Hartwell, Ga., for wite murder,

The Brooklyn easily defeated the Vood was a passenger, was gaily dec- New Orieans in the race to Manfla.

A South Pacific station is hadly needed by the United States government.

It is now stated the American army in the Phillippines will be supplied with fresh meat from Australia.

C. P. Huntington says there a nothing in the present financial situation bearing of the death of Gen. Lawton calculated to create distruct in values. Two more victims-one on each side -have been added to the list of fatadi-No reception was given to Gen. ties in the Philphott-Griffin fend in. Wood on shore, as the committee Kentucky,

thought to do this might show a want The body of P. P. Clarkson, a promof proper respect for Gen. Brooke, the inent merchant of Green Pond. Ala., was found with his throat cut from car to ear.

Lineton Jones, chairman of the Democratic national executive committee, arrived on the steamer Mascotte at the has called a meeting of that body for time the new governor general arrived Feb. 22, at Washington.

Secret meetings of Boer sympathizers continue to be held in various parts noon and was received by Gen. of Cape Colony and the attitude of. the Dutch farmers is truculent.

Mr. Hul: of Iowa has introduced a bill in congress to permit the Rock Island railroad through the Fort Reno and Fort Sill military reservations.

The Natal government announces that Gen. Buller has appointed a committee to inquire into the loses of the people of the colony resulting from the Boer invasion.

Eddie Connolly of St. John was given the decision on points over Kid McPartland of New York in tweatythree rounds of fighting at the Broadway athletic club, New York,

Baron Roberts of Candahar and Waterford, commander of the forces in Ireland, has been appointed to the chief constant stream of callers at the Hotel command in South Africa with Gen. Lord Kitchener of Khartoum as his chief of staff.

> The entire river front property of the Crowell-Savarez company at Tampa, Fla., was leased by Phillips & Fuller. They will at once build a new dock out to deep water and erect a large warehouse.

Chaplain Wells of the first Tennessee regiment lectured at Nashville, Tenn., on "Conditions in the Philippines." He denied report affurch ican soldiers desecratare responsible. John F. Hughes of Mar. saying petition in bankruptcy in States clerk's office at Ar-The petition shows Hugh-to be \$3000. He has no I cept that which is exempt.

tion. The grounds upon which this age of laws regulating primaries was contest is based consist of the protest urged.

have been issued to the partles who

against the use of tissue ballots in many of the overwhelming Republican counties of the state. The use of

controller. When the meat was ordered to points not in the original design, "The Democratic party of Kentucky, through its several state committeees. has unanimously decided that the plants, it was at the government's best interests of the party, as well as risk and not at the risk of the shipof justice, demand that contests shall per. This ends a case which, in its day, be made by all the candidates on the attracted a great deal of attention and

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Goebel's Interests

be at Once Instituted.

with all his old vivacity: the matter, what's going on Some member of the family A little later he said to his boys: "I

have always been an ambitious man. to leave you work to do.' In substance Mr. Moody urged his

two boys and his son-in-law, Mr. Fitt, to see that the schools in East Northfield, at Mount Hermon and the Chi- doctors. case institute should receive their best

care. This they assured Mr. Moody that they would do. During the foreon Mrs. A. P. Fitt, his daughter, said to Mr. Moody: "Father, we can not spare you."

Mr. Mocdy's reply was: "I am not going to throw my life away. If God has more work for me to do, I'll not wheat and cat around destroy the

#### Terrible Disaster.

Rome, Dec. 23 .- A terrible disaster London, Dec. 23-Belated South Afritook place yesterday afternoon at Am- can dispatches throw no light upon the alf, the popular tourist resort on the present situation at the seat of war. Gulf or Salerno. About 2 o'clock an There is no confirmation of the report enormous rock, upon which stood the that Ladysmith could hold out several Capuccinni hotel, slid bodily into the weeks longer, and it is feared that nea with a deafening roar and without this was circulated by the Boers for a moment's warning, carrying with it their own purposes. It is hoped that the hotel, the old Capuchin monastry Mr. Winston Churchill, having arrived below, the Hotel Santa Caterina and safely at Delagoa bay, will soon be geveral villas. Many people were heard from regarding conditions in the buried in the debris, which crushed Transvaal, as he must have obtained four vessels to the bottom of the important information.

sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 500,-000 cubic yards. The population is in a state of terror, fearing fresh calami-Troops have arrived upon the ed in a recent engagement, but no deties. scene and begun rescue work. It is be-lieved that the loss of life is heavy, Poort describe everything as quiet including a number of monks and the occupants of the hotel. As yet it is there and the only fresh news from mpossible to ascertain the exact num-

Amalfi is a small but lively town of 7000 inhabitants, situated at the en-The British steamer Vulcan had trance of a deep ravine, surrounded seventy bales of cotton in her hold by imposing mountains and rocks of damaged by fire recently. the most picturesque forms.

#### Fire at Ardmore.

#### Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 23 .- Fire early Helena, Ark., Dec. 23 .- Wm, Robinyesterday morning entirely destroyed son, merchandise broker and cotton the City steam laundry and the ma- buyer of Forrest City, is missing and chinery wareroom belonging to Stev- foul play is suspected. Robinson was ens, Kennerly & Spragins. The loss on last seen in this city last Saturday, the laundry contents belonging to when he came to settle his accounts Charles Rollins, is estimated at \$4000: with Wooten & Moare, for whom he insurance \$1000. The building belonged had been buying cotton. He to J. S. Clark, loss \$600, with no insur- what money was coming to him and fre. Spraggins & Co.'s loss \$4000, has not been seen since. His wife and ith insurance about \$2400. The Ard- one child are at Forrest City, and the moreite and the Odd Fellows' building former can not account for his ab-

#### was slightly damaged.

#### River and Harbor Bill.

Guns Inspected.

Reading Pa., Dec. 23 .-- Gen. Nelson Washington, Dec. 23-Representative A. Miles yesterday inspected the big Berry of Kentucky, a member of the river and harbor committee, said yes- Brown segemental tube gun now approaching completion in this city. He terday that he did not agree with the view of Chairman Burton of the com- was favorably impressed. Gen. Miles mittee that there would be no river was accompauled by its board of ordand harbor bill this year. Mr. Berry nance and fortifications. The party chinks it most desirable that the bill was here four hours. They then left should be framed at the present long for Hirdsboro, where another Brown mion and that he is of the opinion gun was inspected. Gen. Miles then committee will take this view. proceeded to Washington

nearly all the doctors in town were on hand. Besides the many patients in "Father, you have not been the smoke-stained walls there were guite so well, and so we came to see dozens of fainting and heartbroken assumed personal command of troops women without. They screamed as in the metropolis of the state, paradsome of the scenes came to them and not ambitious to lay up wealth, but if the child or loved one was among

It was all over in ten minutes, and

in this time four perished, seven were

fatally burned and others more or less

The children were panic strickca

brief. Only a few minutes, and four

The school was filled with children,

and many more would have been kill-

teachers who were in charge of the

entertainment and were present. The

children were in a panic for a few

minutes and rushed for the doors.

But prompt efforts quieted

and no one was hurt in the rush.

severely injured.

the dead and wounded their grief gained the mastery and there was collapse which required the attention of

Navarro county is said to have such spectors and challengers who, the a big acreage of wheat and oats planthighest court of the state has decided. ed that there can hardly be any inhad no lawful right to be present." crese in the cotton area unless some serious misfortune, such as a hard

wheat and oat crops.

A Cape Town dispatch, dated Sun-

day. Dec. 17, reports that Commandant

Diedricks of the Boer forces, was kill-

Poort describe everything as quiet

Arundel concerns the weather, which

Fears of Foul Play

is excessively hot.

#### Situation at Ladysmith.

London, Dec. 22 .- There is still no definite news regarding the military operations in South Africa. Probably this is because the only cable that in now working is choked with official dispatches.

dividend of one-half per cent.

No Definite News.

Gen. Buller's casualty list at Colenso. just published, shows that 146 were killed and 746 wounded. Two hundred and twenty-seven are described as missing, and of these about forty are known to be prisoners in the hands of the Boers. This makes a total lar- Texas.

trict court by Gov. Sayers.

Fatal Fight.

mate.

ger than Gen. Buller's original esti-

#### Cut His Throat

Royal letters, signed by the queen Washington, Dec. 22 .- James Duane are being circulated by the archbishop | Taylor, one of the important officers in to the bishops of the various dioceses, New York City of the Wagner Palace authorizing a collection in the church-Car company, and a son-in-law of the es, throughout England on Jan. 7 in founder of the company, committed aid of the fund for sick and wounded suicide yesterday shortly after noon at in the city. soldiers and their families. the Grafton hotel in this city by cut-

ting his throat with a razor. Mr. Taylor was suffering from some nervous J. J. Eckford of Dallas has been ap affection caused by illness and the fapointed judge of the forty-fourth distal act was committed apparently on the impulse of the moment.

ourt has confirmed the sentence

fourteen years' imprisonment impor upon the American, Randolph, for i murder of a German' citizen nam

lymmons in the interior of Colom Landolph was first sentenced to de His sentence was then comuted to

prisonment for life and finally this was reduced to imprisonment for

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 22.-Word has Natick, Mass., Dec. 22.-Lewis Perry, reached this city of a fight between a aged 33, a Spanish war veteran, was party of whites and blacks on the shot and killed by Miss Lizzie Morse. Kemper county overland road, near Miss Morse says that the circumstances here. One man, Oscar Ford, was morjustified her in shooting Perry. The tally wounded, and two others were Morse family is one of the wealthiest more or less seriously injured. It ap- and best known in town. Miss Morse pears that the whites were without and the members of her family claim ried a revolver. The two parties met on the highway and a dispute over which was entitled to the right of way precipitated the difficulty. climb through the window and then precipitated the difficulty. fell dead.

#### Military Council. London, Dec. 22 .- Field Marsha

Lord Roberts held a special military council of war at the war office yes terday. He strongly urged that a large con tingent of native Indian cavalry be sent to South Africa for service cainst the Boers. was his judgment that they R

would prove of inestimable service in ary to cope

the making of stump speeches and two large Corliss engines. About half the prosecution of a partisan political had been much depleted by sickness. of the plant was destroyed. The loss canvass, ordered out the militia and is covered by insurance. in violation of both law and precedent, mpassable and was obliged to return.

#### No Opinion Yet.

#### Washington, Dec. 22 .- In the absence ing the streets of Louisville on the of a formal complaint the state departday of election with his soldiers and ment officials do not care to express Gatling guns, invading the voting a specific opinion in the case of the booths and forcing into them against reported seizures of American flour by the protests of the lawfully appoint. British cruisers off the South African ed election officers, pretended incoast under suspicion that it was intended for the Transvaal, but under the general rule adopted by our government and adhered to by most of

The directors of the Amalgamated the other civilized governments, mer-Copper Mining company of New York chandise of this description sent by have declared the second quarterly one neutral nation to another is absolutely exempt from seizure.

#### The Maine Dead.

Havana, Dec. 22 .- The removal of the dead of the Maine was not accompanied by any ceremonies over the bodies, as newly coffined they were placed in the mortuary chapel of the ceme-

10 o'clock Wednesday night ten wagons formed a procession, carrying 151 coffins to the Machina wharf, passing through unfrequented streets. The bodies reached the wharf at 11:30 under a strong guard from the battleship

tery until until all was completed. At

holders in the company can be held months ago, on the casket. Among the for \$2,500,000 if need be." shaky bank concern, to his knowledge.

T. H. McLemore, an extensive planter and merchant, and his manager. A. B. Dumas, were shot and fatally wounded yesterday afternoon by two negroes, Bob and Wash Cole. The trouble grew out of a business dispute.

Washington, Dec. 21.-Senator Fair Washington, Dec. 22 .- United States banks yesterday introduced a bill Minister Hart at Cartagena has cabled granting a pension of \$2000 a year to the state department that the supreme the widow of Gen. Lawton. Representative Landis of lidiana in-

troduced a similar bill in the house, Mr. Landis represents the district from which Lawton's first regiment was re

A 12-year-old colored boy 700 da

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 20 .-- To Hon. cans numbered 1300, but the command John T. Morgan, United States senator, Washington: Sir-You are The wagon train found the roads quoted as having said on the 18th instant in a speech in the senate that a The insurgents retreated to the monster monopoly had to leave Ala- inating political partly was adopted northeast leaving six dead. They bama and find a home and shelter in New Jersey, and a large corporation

Proof Deprotor .-- A spe-

I regret that you did not make charge on the stump in Alabama, where I could have had a chance to reply, but waited until you found the shelter of the senate. The charge is not true, and I respectfully domand that you shall re-tract the same or find some one rep-

utable citizen to sustain it JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON.

Mr. Labori in a series of articles is to defend Dayber and "roast" his crit-

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Representative Talbot of South Carolina has introduced a bill in the hous appropriating \$25,000 for a monumer at Saluda, S. C., to the memories W. B. Travis, James Bonham an James Bowle, who fell at the Alamo.

By the explosion of some powder room of his residence near Alliance Floyd county, Kentucky, Nelson Hamilton and three of his children were burned to death. The father had a keg of blasting powder in the room. One of the children threw some of the powder in the fire and the explosion followed.

Excellent wheat prospects are re ported all over Texas.

simple inscription. "The President." Another wreath of similar design was Buller's reverses produced a profound impression in all circles at Rome, Italy, where it is regarded an most serious for the military prestige of England. The daily papers devote long articles to the subject and seem much exercised.

> John P. Squire & Co., of Boston Mass., corporation and allied com nies, engaged in the provision meat packing business, assigned to Lawyer Herman W. Chaplain. The liabilities are estimated at \$3,000,000 and the assets at \$5,000,000.

> Thousands of people, including many royal personages, witnessed the pres entation of the queen's flag to the American hospital ship Maine at the West India docks, London. The Dutier of Canneught presented the flag to Lady Randolph Churchill, a native

Representatives of the M ific railway have been at Gu T., gathering facts relative to ounties and cities in O itory, p

# sult. For Mrs. Lawton

from Rosedule, Miss., says:

Fatally Shot. Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 21 .- A special

ed as midling.

itors losing anything by the suspension Atlanta yesterday morning and was

#### have other forces near Taytay. This region, although close to Manila, has has taken its place in Alabama, in proved the most difficult from which to which the governor of Alabama has or dislodge the enemy. It is now report- had a large amount of stock and who ed that the insurgents intend to conleads the procession. centrate at Santa Cruz, La Guna Province, and in the district of La Guna de

The American secret service reports that Aguinaldo has joined the Mariquina force.

The transport Grant has left San Francisco for Manila.

Perfectly Safe New York, Dec. 21 .- With reference

Late to Rest. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21 .- The remains to the deposits of some savings banks with the Produce Exchange Trust of Lieut. T. M. Brumby, Admiral company, which closed its doors on Dewey's flag officer, were laid to rest Monday last, State Bank Examiner in the soil of his native state. The fu-Kilburn said in regard to the matter: neral was under the direction of the

"These savings bank deposits will military and the service of the Episamount to about \$500,000. As savings copal church was conducted by Bishop banks are preferred creditors there is C. K. Nelson, no chance of any savings bank depos- The body of the dead officer reached

of the trust company. They are am- immediately escorted to the capitol, ply secured, and I have no doubt that where it lay in state several hours. all the depositors are secured likewise. Licut. Caldwell, the representative of I have not the least doubt that every Admiral Dewey placing the magnifidepositor will get back every dollar, cent sword presented to Brumby by In addition to other assets the stock- the people of Georgia less than two

mass of flowers about the coffin was a great wreath of white roses, japonica Mr. Kilburn said there was not a and carnations, twined with delicate ferns, and bearing a card with the

marked with the name of Secretary The heaviest cotton deal at Tyler Long. Admiral and Mrs. Dewey's card for many years was consummated was attached to an anchor of roses and violets. A magnificent wreath of Tuesday, when a buyer bought 2.200 bales, paying \$77,000. The cotton classcolored roses and palms was marked

# "From eGorgia Friends."

Youngstown, O., Dec. 21 .- A letter written by Liet. Col. Brereton of the Thirty-third infantry, who was with

Major John A. Logan when he was killed, has been received here. sets at rest the story circulated that he was killed by his own men. The ter says that Logan died a hero while ter says that Logan died a hero white leading the battle in command to which he had been assigned upon join-ing his regiment, the third battalion. His battalion was the advance guard of the regiment in the attack upon the town of San Lacinto.

town of San Jacinto.

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Washington, Dec. 21.-Admiral Wat

danils, Dec. and Pampanga, mmanding, and Pampanga, is mmanding, on the 18th is minanding, on the 18th is minanding, on the 18th is manding, on the 18t

Romblen Capture

Manila, Dec. 20.-Con

A resolution recomber of labor bodies to ue their elec ballots independently of the predo by the American Federation of Labo in its session at Detroit Mich.

Near Nicholasville, Ky. Mr. and Mr. Samuel Reynolds locked their thr children up in the house while th visited neighbors. They teturned. see flames destroying their dwelli but too late to save the childness Montague White, the Transvaal agent at London, says the Boers are striving for liberty just like the American colonists did, and will fight to the end. He blames poor diplomacy for the war between British and Boers,



#### THE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

Make 'em, make 'em; even though you break 'em! Good resolves are comforters, aye, even for a day; Strive a little longer, it will make you stronger; And perfection never yet was found in human clay.

Make a firm resistance, pray to have assistance; Give the demon that you dread a tussle-and you can!

Push the foe behind you; do not let him bind you; And b the new year, better wom-

> NEW YEAR By S. B. McManus.

want to tell you this New Year's light what happened jist a year ago

in front of us. Some of them fer | every inch of which was the premium safety sake and some fer shame sake," work of an artist and a man as made grand stairways for a livin' and never and Jim furthermore said we ought to wear the memory of them disgraced botched, and I reckoned, jist makin' a and wicked days about us as an anrough, unfigurin' estimate, that I had clent sailor or some old salt, wore a | traded enough with Joe one time and dead goose about his neck as a keepanother to as much, or may be more, sake that he had been low down and than pay for the plate glass windows, sinful

not mentionin' the stained ones, that But drunkards as we all certainly looked like flower beds set into his was, and what is more, vergin' clost walls, with wreaths and roses and onto bein' bar-fer-keeps, old drunkyoung children and blue sky and grass ards as was no likely salvation for, we and things. And there was my wife wa'n't any of us so very happy and and youngsters at home-if such a comfortable and easy into our minds, at place as we had finally got to could be the beginnin' of that night a year ago called a home-with the windows filled in Hank Harmon's blacksmith shop with old quilts and cushions and not in the alley, jist off the Rudy-someenough in the cupboard to eat to much thing, bullygard in the city of Sardinmore than prevent them from goin' to apolis, where we boys lived. We put | bed hungry. And this was New Year's

out the smuth and table where Hank Harmon remarked at Hank Harmon remarked as ne too Hank writ his accounts, amongst a lot his place at the table, with

had killed the one who loved him best and the one that he loved best in the world, killed her with cruel shame and sorrow-with God's help he was resolved to make her glad in heaven tonight, that he would never touch another drop of liquor as long as he lived. puragement?"

There was stillness for a time and the edges of the old blanket flapped like big, ragged evil wings and the uncorked jug sent out a smell that put one in mind of venomous snakes and close by danger, while the smutty, creacked lamp flared up and then almost went out as if even that little puny, crippled light was ashamed of its company. Pretty soon, Jim Cameron pulled his legs out from under the trembling table, and straightening himself up as best he could, bein' so tall and standin' as he did right under the eaves of Hank's shop-said, "Boys, I have a notion that amounts to dead certainty, that my wife and I will move back to our old home before long. We are both homesick for the grass and geraniums and big trees in the front yard, and the stone dog on the door step, and the little room where our babies died. I think we shall go back pretty soon, because you see with God's help and God for a witness and Hank Harmon and my neighbor, William Wren, for witnesses, I now solemnly promise-with my dead children to hear, too-that I, like our friend who has jist left us, will never touch another drop of intoxicating liquor so long as I live." And he picked up his hat and went away.

And me and Hank was left alone. But Cameron hadn't much more than shut the door, when Hank, as owned the shop, kicked the box out from under him and come nigh to upsettin' the infirm old table and while he put on his ragged overcoat, kind of careless remarked—only anyone that knowed Hank would have known that he was in solemn, awful earnest-that it didn't look neighborly nor civil to leave company like this, but he guessed-no. I'll be damned if I guess-(Hank wasn't a swearin' man. never) he said, 1 know I must do as Jim Green and Jim Cameron have done, and with God to help me and God and you, William Wren, to be my witnesses, I. Henry Harmon, will never drink another drop of intoxicating liquor so long as I live. And the rickety old door dragged back to its place and he was gone, and I alone,

There was but one decent, manly thing left for me to do, and by this time it was the only thing I wanted to do and standing up with only God for witness-and He was enough-1 promised as the other boys had promised, and then, with a thread of a prayer that would tangle itself with my other thoughts, I took the jug and

While it come to us unexpected that we should begin a new and decent life -jist like a message from God, almost, it was put upon us to help ourselves, jist all that was possible. God stood

smashed it upon the anvil.



principally from the manager, who wants his rent guaranteed, and the actors, who need their salaries. We are also overstocked with Juliets and

fairly reek with Rosalinds." She rose impatiently. "Then you don't give me any en-

"Not in that line; no." "You don't think I snoke well?" "Let us talk of something else."

"No. I should like an answer please." "Well, then, if you must insist, I

didn't care for you in the speech." She walked out, trembling with indignation.

Yesterday I met her.

Beautiful still, but with a look of hard experience in her eyes and her dress quite shabby My heart warmed toward her, and I

seized her poorly gloved hand with fervor. "I am sorry you were offended with

me," I murmured.

She heaved a sigh "You were quite right," she said, 'and I wish that I had known it then." "You have been on the stage?" "Been on the stage?" she echoed.



BEEN DOING SMALL PARTS. with a bitter smile. "Why, I've hardly been off it for the last four months." "Well?"

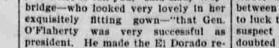
Well. I've been doing small parts in a 'twice a day performance' company, and I'm half dead. We even played on Sunday, and the mornings were given up to rehearsals. I tried important parts just twice-when the leading woman was ill-and made a botch of them both! And one was our old friend Parthenia." She laughed cynically.

"But your experience will count in the end," I ventured.

"No, it won't," she retorted, "I'm one of the actresses who 'don't offend.' I haven't any talent, and fourteen performances a week is a little too much! I'm going back to St. Louis to get married."

Alone upon the wintry hill;

"Very sensible " And she sped away and was lost in the crowd of Thesplans that decorate Broadway and Fortieth street.



spected by its neighbors and almost quite prosperous-paid half the interest on the bonds in his year. It has not been paid since, in fact, the country is practically bankrupt, and the present president is most unpopular; and this has suggested an idea to me. I believe that if O'Flaherty could return with sufficient funds to pay his supporters and start things again, the country would soon be prosperous once more-for it is very rich itself-gold and all manner of things." "I suppose O'Flaherty is stone

broke-"Yes. If it wasn't for the kindness of an American millionaire, who makes

him an allowance, he might be selling matches in the street." "Then, I take it, some one else would have to find the money. Is the

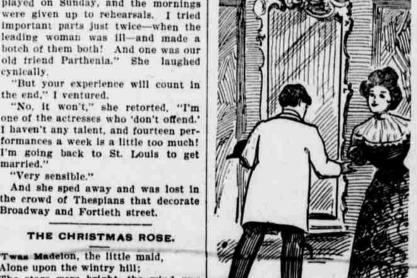
American millionaire going to pay the piper?" "Not exactly. In fact, the thing is all my idea. No one ever thought of it until I did. It seemed to me that it was too big a thing for one to undertake. Here, if anywhere, was room for the modern way of dividing the risk. I invented the idea of a small company or syndicate, which would supply the funds and finance a raid on the El Dorado. O'Flaherty was to have a free hand in carrying out the raid, and was to bind himself that the syndicate should have their pick of all the best concessions when once he was

restored. Well, then I worked up the syndicate. The American bit at once, and I have altogether enlisted five kings of finance, who guarantee the money, provided I and O'Flaherty ar-

range the raid." "Then you don't subscribe?"

"Not quite. I am honorary chairwoman, and do most of the talking. but the money comes from others." "But do you stand in in the profits?"





of getting a finger in the ple."

hour before the others.

of plunder to share.

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venge.

armed and mounted, and accompanied

A RAID ON EL DORADO herty did not like hata, or possibly because O'Flaherty was contemptuous about "the circus," Bob has conceived

Of course Bob accepted Lady Weya great distrust of the general. At the bridge's invitation to dinner. When same time it seemed to him fatal to the success of the expedition that the leader should put a whole continent he arrived, he found that he was first. "I want to tell you," said Lady Weybetween himself and his men and trust to luck to turn up in time. He did not suspect O'Flaherty's treason, but he doubted his capacity. Though Lady Weybridge had never told him that she was buying El Dorados, he took this for granted, and advised her very strongly not to risk too much. T angered her, for she had not inten him to know anything about these speculations, still less to share them, preferring that when they married-as she intended they should-he should owe everything to her. She was also piqued that he should set his judgement against hers. So there was a

kind of lovers' quarrel between them, in which she said many foolish and unjust things, and at last told him that she wondered, if he had such a distrust of the general, that he continued to associate himself with the enterprise. Stung to the quick by this, he formally washed his hands of

the plot and went away in a rage, Reflection, however, brought better counsel.

It is a matter of history that the expedition failed. Far from heading the projected revolution, O'Fiaherty gave information to the El Dorado government. The result was that the "circus" was stopped at the port of debarkation, and the arms and ammunition confiscated. The El Dorado boom collapsed at once and O'Flaherty reaged a large fortune.

When Bob FitzSimon realized what had happened he hastened to Lady Weybridge and found her in despair. "I have lost nearly all my fortune,"

she cried, "Oh, my friend, why did I not listen to you?" "Things need not be so black if you

will listen to me now," he replied. "I love you. I have loved you from the first, but I was held back by the fear that you might think me mercenary. Now, I am a wealthy man. Will you be mine '

#### She hesitated painfully.

"No," she replied, in broken tones; "I am not worthy of such love; I will not bind you to my broken fortunes. I am well punished for my distrust and you will soon forget that I have ever

existed." She broke down in his arms, and as she sobbed on his shoulder, it was somehow tacitly settled that, as usual the lady's "No" would do just as well

as "Yes." Bob explained to her later that when he had severed his connection with the plot he felt free to act. Distrusting O'Flaherty's good faith, he had speculated for a fall, and, owing to the momentary boom which had resulted from the large purchases of the syndicate and the total slump which followed, the result had exceeded even his anticipations. He was, as he said, a rich nan. He had won back for her all that she had lost.

O'Flaherty did not enjoy his fortune ong. He happened to meet one of the expedition which had failed, who had been informed of his treachery by the official report of the El Dorado overnment, This person thomas

in Hpk Harmon's blacksmith shop. Tain much to tell, nor over much for an our fir to harken to, but it means a might sight to me and the boys, an' 1, fc one, jist like to think of it an' tal' it over and kind of hug and embras the words, expressin' it as it



PUT THE HOSS BLANKET UP. were, and hold the sentences like a bitter sweet morsel under my tongue. My strength don't in any wise lay in relatin' things and incidents, and it will be a good precaution, when I warn you not to break in into me and accordingly interrupt me, for it will take fine-haired and top sawyer work to make my story look as if it had any sense or meanin' at all, except to me and the boys as understand it complete.

Jist a year ago tonight we met in Hank Harmon's blacksmith shop to celebrate the day by gettin' so paralyzin drunk, that we could disremember the miserable homes we had sneaked away frum and the heartbroken and down-lookin' wives and children we had left in them. We hung hoss blanket over the biggest cracks in the sides after Hank had fastened the door, and then we was in shapeful condition to guzzle and pour down our red-hot, thirsty throats, jist as much of Joe Howard's red-hot, pizenhot whisky as we could manage to get with our tremblin' hands, to our weak, waterin', disgraced mouths. After this, we know what would most likely happen, judgin' of course by what had happened before-we would fall over amongst the cinders and hoss hoof jealins and old wagon tires and dragteeth and scrap iron, where we would sleep like hogs-hogs as had lost their self-respect-until the cold and the uncomfortableness would wake and sober us enough to crawl home to our wretched houses, which we would make wretcheder and miserabler by

We talked of this tonight, and we all remembered everything that was done and said, as if it was writ on the black walls of the shop with white heat runnin' iron from the forge, and we all agreed too, never to try to disrememthat night-the night when God or me of his shinin', holy angels come down to us and shamed us into bein' scent, sober, Christ-lovin' men.

of nails and bolts and rivets and small agin the door to prevent anyone from gearin', with a jug of Joe Howard's droppin' in onexpected, that likewise, cheapest, hellishest whisky in the middle as a kind of devil center piece. O. he hed helped Joe Howard in the buildcan't I, and can't all of us cronies jist in' of his mansion, as the newspaper remember exactly, how that jiggly, called Joe's house-quite a considertrembly, dirty old table looked and I able, even to the pinchin' of his famam bound that it had the delirium ily for provisions and clothin'. Hank tremens, if anything in the world barrin' a man can have them. I can smell the house, as the puttin' in of the the oil that Hank spilled when he plumbing - pipin' - chandeliers, with filled the lamp with his nervous, shaky hands and it run along amongst the old iron and under Hank's day the furnace, Hank happened to recolbook and dropped over the edge onto the floor and went down a crack. And there was the white jug with the blue | his wife was sick and his children not letterin': "1 gal.," with a sheaf of blue sweatin' with bein' overclothed or wheat below to make it look tasty and

And this was our New Year's table! Four men-made in the image of God! And men for their folks and neighbors to he proud of-except they was drunkards. There was Jim Cameron, one; me, two; Jim Green, three,whose father had been a preacherand Hank Harmon, as owned the shop, As I said we wa'n't over happy and comfortable that night, considerin' we

sell.

had such a reckless layout and an early start. I have arequent noticed, that you can't always kick conscience under the table or settee as you can an unruly dog that whines and barks when he has no call to. And some-

how conscience has a habit of gettin' around and in the way on such doin' days as New Year's, Christmas and the like. And four consciences as hagn't had their just deservin's nor innings for many a month, slipped their halters and kinder above each others heads that night a year ago and managed to make things unpleasant for their owners. I suspect the troubled waters mentioned in the scriptures means

somethin' like this. But any way we was troubled onaccountably. Not so onaccountably either, for we wasn't so old and hardened and crusted in sin and drinkin', but what we all

could think when we give ourselves a chance, which we made sure not to do over frequent, because it was not agreeable.

One thing that made us feel a triffe down and diamal was that the keeper of the Happy Home saloon, Joe Howard, had jist moved a day or so back, out of his old house down by the gas works and the tannery, into his handsome new residence frontin' the park and the library buildin'. It was the prettiest, tastiest, imposin'ist house in the Circle and he had made every dollar of it out of such fellows as me and the rest of us.

And then Jim Cameron had moved that very day-New Year's day-from the home his father had given him and every brick and board in it was like a livin', lovin' thing to Jim-had

moved into a little old untidy frowsy house with a bowed in roof and anglin' shutters, in a part of the town where self-respectin' folks didn't generally try to get. And Jim knew, and we all knew that he and the rest of us and a lot more had built Joe's house in the park, and that every nail in it if it was counted a dozen times, wouldn't count up as many ner a tenth as many as the tears shed fer its puttin' up!

makin' a rough, uneducated callation. callated he had done as much toward the furnace throwed in for fair measure and good feelin'. And speakin' of lect that there wasn't a stick of wood or a pound of coal in his house, and

overfed. And reminescening along this line, we naturally got dismal and down-hearted and some of us-it was me-for I needn't pretend to confuse or forget anything that happened that night-moved that we unanimously take a drink and I accordin' pulled the cork from the white stone jug, with the blue letterin' and wheat sheaf. But Jim Cameron nor Hank nor Jim Green held up their cups, but I filled mine in a manly, don't-care way and set close to the edge of the table by

Jist then, Jim Green began to cry. And it wasn't a drunk, maudlin' swashy cry that makes one tired, but a great, man, heart-breakin'-heart full cry, not loud nor noisy, but low and heavy with bitterness and remorse and the useless wishin's that you hadn't done some things. And while Jim cried we all looked away and I sneaked my cup of whisky from the table and emptied it without mak-



JIM BEGAN TO CRY.

in' any splashin' in the pail where Hank tempers his hoss shoes. After a spell, Jim got where he could speak, and we was all willin' he should have the floor. He said he didn't know how many houses he had helped to build. but expected he had done his share, but he did know, with a sad certainty of one heart he had broken by his wayward wicked ways. Jim didn't say whose heart it was, but we all knew it was his mother's. And she had died alone and neglected jist a year ago. So many things happen just "There is recollections," Jim Cam-ma said, "that allers ought to be collected and hast like a blasin' torch We callated that one of us had hand-ed enough hard earned money over his counter to pay for the grand stairway. pect) and said that while he knew he

THERE WAS NEW YEAR'S DIN-NERS TODAY.

clost by us, though, and was always in reach when we most needed Him. It was a hard won victory, but we won it. "In conclusion," as they say in story books, it is only fair to mention that rose." Jim Cameron and his wife have possession once more of their stone dog

and geraniums, and Jim Green lives with them, and there is another baby in the house whose name is James G. Cameron. There are no blankets in the windows of my home today, and Hank Harmon is as happy and prosperous as a decent, hard-workin' God-

fearin' man can well be, and in every one of our homes there was New Year's dinners today, that makes my mouth water to even think of now.

#### A NEW YEAR'S CALLER.

A year ago, around last New Year's, was called upon by a gorgeous young creature-a saving beauty-who bore letter of introduction from a mutual friend in St. Louis.

The substance of it was: "The girl is stagestruck. Can you to anything for her?"

She was the most artificial thing had ever seen. I doubted whether she could sneeze naturally.

"Have you had any stage experience?" "Only with amateurs."

"Ah! Have you any money?" She looked at me much as a wellposted countryman would gaze at a 'bunco steerer."

"My dear girl, I don't want your noney, but it might be to your advantage to take a course in some good training school, and that requires cash."

Her nose went up. "Oh, I don't wish anything like

that," she said disdainfully. "I want an engagement where I can get a sal-AFY.

"Well, you might possibly begin by playing very small parts," I replied. 'Mr. Daly generally has a corps of fifteen or twenty young girls connected with his theater who are occasionally

selected." "No, no!" she interrupted, "I must do better than that. Will you hear me recite a speech from 'Parthenia?'" This was pretty hard, but I was prepared to go some lengths "in friend-ship's name," as the gentleman sings "lolanthe."

"Go ahead," I said hoarsely. She want ahead. It was pretty bad,

"My dear," I said, "there is no call for Parthenias unless they have cash galore, and even then the 'call' comes

The stars were bright, the Grief at her neart, she wept and prayed.

The shepherds passed her way; The magi, by the omen led,

She saw their gifts, heard what they said;

But she must wait, and weep and pray. The while she grieved a shape drew near.

And stood in glory at her side-The "warrior angel," wise and tried, Cabriel, in heaven without a peer. Sweetly he spoke and very low, He laid his hand upon her head.

"I have no gift to give," she said, 'And cannot with the shepherds go. Tis winter, and the cold wind blows, And summer is far away; And if she heard me weep and pray,

She could not come, and bring the A burst of glory burned around,

Flashed up and down the barren hill; "Run, Madelon, pluck where you will Along the warm and blogsomy ground!"

Flying along the flowery sward. She plucked a flower (the summer goes, But still it stays), the Christmas rose, A gift for Him, the infant Lord.

-John Vance Cheney.



Resolve upon this New Year's day To "stop it," whatsoe'er it be! Perhaps you like "the cup that cheers, Perhaps you gamble recklessly; Perchance you're libellous in tone;

Perhaps you're prone to sigh and groan; Perhaps you're temper's very bad; You talk enough to drive folks mad;

You think that no one else is right; You flirt with everything in sight; You have an overbearing way, Or tell your "symptoms" night and day:

Perhaps you dye the hair that's gray; Perhaps your debts you do not pay; Perhaps-oh, well, whate'er it be, If with your world it don't agree,

And brings you care or misery, Strike now the blow that sets you free!

-Polty Pry.

The Travelor's Tole.

"Smoking in Holland," said a travel er. "is so common that it is impossible to tell one person from another in room of smokers." "How is any one who happens to be wanted picked out, then?" asked a listener. "Oh, ( waiter goes round with a pair of bellows and blows the smoke from before each face till be recognizes the person called for."-Swinton Advertiser.

Bod Cross Hospital in China. Something entirely new in China is

that the red cross floats over a fully equipped hospital, where from fifty to one hundred or more patients are treated daily. Phospital is in charge of four native line. way round by land, and join the troops at the El Doradan capital. To this the syndicate assented-though Bob did all in his power to persuade Lady Weybridge to dissent. Perhaps because he felt that O'Fla-

4,615 MARS INVITED HIM HALF AN HOUR BEFORE THE OTHERS.

self aggrieved, and explain knife that the ex-preside to reply.-London Trut 29 suat ions so freely with the h being the real soul of the conspiracy, I am to have a complimentary allotment in every El Doradian company brought

Life Insurance Poilud

out by the members of this syndicate. It is difficult for the mines s grasp and if I can sell at par only, it will all these figures-still more difficult to be clear gain. Do you like the idea?" grasp their import. They mean that "I should like it much better if I the American people are paying each thought that there was any prospect year nearly \$250,000,000 for premiums. and that they have one and one-third "If you like, you shall be our secrebillion dollars invested for the benefit

tary. We want one badly, and, of of their future widows and orphans; course, you would then stand in for the that American companies paid out, in the year 1897, \$139,000,000, mainly to

She did not say that the secretary the families of their deceased policyand the chairwoman would necessarily holders. These last figures mean also be brought into close and continual asthat there is scarcely a family in the sociation. Least of all did she explain that it was with the object of arranging land which is not interested in them. It is certain that the hopes and happithis that she had invited him half an ness and interests of millions of our

citizens are involved in this great The question of Bob's secretaryship was soon settled. The financiers were economy of life insurance. It is cerwilling to oblige Lady Weybridge, to tain; too, that there is scarcely a family in the land which could not with whom they owed the tip, and if the thing came off there would be plenty advantage avail itself of its beneficial provisions. To the wealthy a large

O'Flaherty alone was not pleased. sum of money coming at a critical time though he did not see his way to obmay be most timely. To those in modject. The fact was he had not undererate circumstances the proceeds of a stood Lady Weybridge's motives. Her life insurance policy may mean the sole object of course was to create a difference between comfort and hardboom in El Dorado bonds, so that, havship, between competency and poverty, ing bought handfuls at their present between happiness and misery .-- Gunprices, she might reap a huge profit. ton's magazine. O'Flaherty's vanity had inspired him

with the belief that she must have, first The King of Siam and His Wives. of all, fallen in love with him. Now The king of Siam has forty wives he was abruptly undeceived. He reand in the harem are 3,000 women who membered the young man for whom he never go out. When Miss Jessie Achad been dismissed in the park, and he thoroughly comprehended that a kerman, in a missionary spirit, urged upon him the benefit of education for very principal part of the new secrethem, he replied: 'You know with tary's business would consist in long education there always comes culture tete-a-tetes with Lady Weybridge. He drew the obvious conclusion, and was and refinement. If I educated my women I should educate them into a state much annoyed. It even occurred to him of discontent, for they would want that he would like to take a little remany things which it is impossible for

them to have." Now that is a perfect-Briefly, he decided on a counterplot. Knowing well that his associates were ly logical statement, and the king's mind, to all appearances, has traveled all buying El Dorados steadily in exas far as that of the lord chancellor of pectation of the boom, he determined England. The lord chancellor is very to work the raid so that it should be anxious lest women should gain the a failure. Before he left England, osparliamentary franchise, because, in tensibly to carry it out, he would sell his experience, "she will accept nothan enormous "bear" by means of secret agents. The news of the flasco would ing but what she believes to be right." a quality which renders her a dangerbring the bonds down with a crash, and he would reap a large fortune. At the same time Lady Weybridge would be Neither man has, apparently, grasped half-ruined, and Bob FitzSimon quite so. If they married after all, the thought that there is something wrong about the institution itself that their happiness would be very consid-erably crippled by his action. needs mending. The one pool will have its waters stirred to advantage by edu-With this view he steadily threw

cation, and the other will gain by ) ing in it more people who "will only what they think is right." cold water on Bob's plan that, under the disguise of a "Wild West" show a large body of determined men, well

#### For the Cure of Bickets

by several Maxims, should be intro-Small baggs to hang about Children's duced into El Dorado, as the nucleus necks, which are excellent both for the of the revolution. Even when he was prevention and cure of Rickets, and to overruled by the syndicate, he insisted ease children in breeding of Teeth, are that the arrival of such a troop from prepared by Mr. Edmund Buckworth England, where he was known to be, and constantly to be had at Mr. Philip would excite suspicion, which must lead to his recognition at the port and Clark's, Keeper of the Library in th immediate arrest. His proposal was that he should go to America, work his Fleet, and nowhere else, at 5 shillings a bagge.-The Intelligencer, 1664.

> as Tolography for Lighth The French navy is said to be installng a new system of wireless to etween the lighthour the French coast.

#### A Japanese Investigator

Obson H. Sakuri, an influential and highly entitivated Japanese, is in this country to study the condition of American workingmen. He is an off-cer of the leading educational institution for women in Japan, and the outcome of his investigations in this country may be a sweeping change in methods of life among his countrywomen.

Bear your disappointments like all other burdens.

Industrious men are seldom in police courts.

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Gas burners can be fitted with electric igniters without the necessity of iring the whole house by using an lifois man's attachment, comprising a metallic casing adapted to encircie the chandelier and contain the battery and induction coll, which are connected to the igniter for use.

He who desires nothing, though poor, is rich.

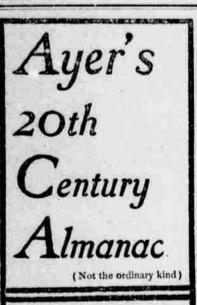
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Dogs, like some trees, are known by their bark.



A handsome year-book filled with beautiful illustrations, and a complete calendar. It is sold on all news-stands for 5 cents, and it's worth five times that amount. It is a reliable chronology of the progress of the 19th century and a prophecy of what may be expected in the 20th. Here are a few of the great men who have

Secretary Wilson, on Agriculture en. Chauncey M. Depew, on Politics Russell Sage, Thomas Edison, on Finance " Electricity Land Warfare Gen. Morritt. Adml. Hichborn, " Naval Warfard " Sports

" ill enjoy reading it now.

#### ANOTHER VIEW OF SPAIN. Tribute to the Spanish People and

the Queen in Particular. There is much apprehension about Spain in this country. Lord Sallsbury's division of nations "as the living and the dying," and his description of dying states as those where "disorganization and decay are advancing" have been construed as an intentional, but not disguised, reflection on Spain. But she has a brave, hospitable, noble, generous people. Those who think well of her cannot but hope and believe that misgovernment is not stereotyped. The old should vanish in the presence and power of the new. There is much in the political and ecclesiastical history of Spain that is of thrilling interest,

Her sacrifices and struggles in the past for national independence and for political and religious rights by a portion of her people should not be forgotten. In England we have before us the demonstration that a constitutional limited monarchy is not inconsistent with the highest civilization and the largest personal liberty. Spain has a constitution, adopted in 1876, which,

with the exception of the unhallowed union of church and state, a curse always and everywhere, has many principles very similar to those in our form of government. In Spain there are men like Moret, Sagasta, Silvela and Campos, who are broad-minded statesmen, cultured and patriotic, and we may reasonably expect that they will rise superior to the unfavorable environments which block the pathway of that country and place their historic land, not among the first-class

IN THE ODD CO!

Death from Yawalag. Rest.

Then that wouldst taste it, 6till do thy best; Use it, not waste it, Else 'tis no rest.

Such a sight found. Rest is not quitting

'Tis the brook's motion, Clear without strife, Fleeing to ocean After its life.

Deeper devotion Nowhere hath kneit; Fuller emotion Heart never felt.

'Tis loving and serving The Highest and Hest! 'Tis onwards! unswerving, And that is true rest.

#### A Cat and Coon Combination

"One of the strangest cases of anlpowers of Europe, but alongside those mal friendship I ever laid eyes on," of lesser rank, which are not less dis- said a Baronne street business man to tinguished than their great neighbors the New Orleans Times-Democrat for all that promotes real industrial man, "may be seen at a big machine prosperity, and for the recognition of shop out on Bayou St. John. A few those personal rights which lie at the weeks ago the engineer caught a goodfoundation of the best political insti- sized coon-I mean a coon of the fourtutions. It is fortunate for Spain that legged variety-prowling about the in the queen regent the country, be- loft. How the beast got there nobody reft of much that she held sacred, has knows, and at first he showed fight a head ruler who is, in purity of char- and plenty of it. However, the enacter, devotion to her religion, prac- gineer is one of those men who seem tice of the most exalted feminine vir- to have a mysterious natural power tues, fine intelligence, and large ac- over wild animals, and in a few days quaintance with domestic and foreign his prisoner was eating out of his affairs, a monarch who will in her fu- hand, coming at his call and going ture history be honored as a boon from around loose, as tame as a dog. That heaven, an inspiring exemplar and would be sufficiently wonderful itself, model in the perilous crises which but it was nothing to the friendship have come with crushing effect upon that soon developed between the newa proud and sensible nation .- Novemcomer and Tom, the pet cat of the establishment. Tom is a monstrous

MYSTERY TEAS.

ber Forum.

House Partles. Givers of house parties have devised has such a lot of mystery about it, calls such "fun" that the young people have voted it the best thing done this year. It is called a "mystery tea," and the

for example, turns out to be a combination

A Record-Breaking Horse-Thief. Indiana has a record-breaking horse-

his eighth year and confesses to hav-

ing stolen a dozen horses. He is now

in court for the fourth time, his last

act being the larceny of a horse be-

longing to County Commissioner Jack-

# QUEER AND CURIOUS AND EVENTS.

Cat and Coon Combination-Theb Close Friendship Began in a Battle Royal-This Cat Has False Teeth-

# Bweet is the pleasure Itself cannot spoil: Is not true leisure One with true toil?

Wouldst behold beauty Near thee, all round? Only hath duty

The busy career: Rest is the fitting Of self to its sphere.

promptly examined her gums and surgeon recommended a visit to the dentist. The dentist said the decayed the dentist laughingly suggested that the cat would have to have false teeth or die. After rubbing pussy's gums well well and happy. She now eats her black-and-white fellne and such a talfood regularly and seems to enjoy the

ented scrapper that he has frequently licked full-grown dogs. The first time Lots of Fun in the Latest Fad For he met the coon there was a battle

royal, which impartial spectators declare was a draw. At any rate, it a new entertainment this fall which must have given the pair a mutual respect for one another, for they immefor so much guessing, and is altogether diately agreed to a protocol and have since entered into a full treaty of peace, including an offensive and defensive alliance against all other cats mystery lies in the items of the menu or coons found on the premises. At card, which is given to each guest, who present they sleep curled up in one must order dishes from it. Getting up furry ball, cat out of the same dish this card requires much ingenuity on and play together like a couple of kltthe part of the hostess. Everyday, com- tens. One of the coon's favorite tricks monplace dishes must be so mysteri- is to throw his paws around the cat's nously named as to be entirely mislead- neck and make the latter drag him ing to the guest. When these dishes around the yard. It is a strange sight are served the fun commences, for many guests have indeed ordered light refreshments. "An atter-dinner dell-quadruped that attempts to tackle that

toothpick. "Russian revels" prove to be a cup of tea. "A product of the desert" is found to mean only a plain, In "Tent Life in Tiger-Land," Mr. ordinary sandwich, and on "Oriental James Inglis relates the escape of one square" a Japanese paper napkin. of his friends from a mad elephant. Guests at "mystery teas" are asked to The brute had been making mighty efappear in Oriental costume, or to represent some character in fiction, which forts to wrench up the stake to which he was chained, and at last he sucadds another element of mystery and ceeded. With the first desperate bound guessing to the affair. forward, the heavy ankle-chains,

#### PERSONALS. the smallest horse in America, possibly in the world. It weighs 36 pounds

and is a native of Japan. She-for it

is a mare-measures just 23 inches

from the hoof to withers, and 26 inches

from her ears to the root of her tail.

Her father was a very small Shetland

stailion and her mother was a dwarf

Japanese pony, which are favorite

household pets in the land of the Mi-

kado, Mr. Kalser keeps his little pet

in a small inclosure in one of the back

rooms of his house and feeds it large

ly on milk, though it has long passed

the age of weaning, being two and a

half years old. The horse is not de-

formed in any way, and is a perfect

specimen of the equine genus on a

small scale. It is an affectionate and

playful animal, but shows its resent-

ment against any one interfering with

its comfort by kleking out with its

hind heels, just as if it were a big

little horse looks smaller than the

smallest goat, and is hardly the size

of a setter dog. It is perfectly healthy

larger brethren who are obliged to toil

for their oats. Mr. Kalsor says it is an

intelligent animal, but that it does not

understand any language except Ja-

This Cat Has False Teeth.

pussy cat. It can boast of what no

found they were very inflamed. The

teeth must be removed before any re-

lief from pain would be had. Finally,

with cocain-saturated antiseptic cot-

ton, the teeth were pulled. In a few

lays the first set of false teeth ever

made for a cat was put in her mouth.

She was ill at ease for some time-

after a little she grew used to the new

molars. At the present time she is

same freedom in mastleating it she

did previous to losing her teeth .- New

Death from Yawning.

"I suppose I have spent about one-

eighth of my life supporting the whole

weight of my body in midair by my

cough, or yawn. I once mentioned

this fact to a doctor, and he told me

it was the outcome of too great a

strain on my nervous system. He re-

minded me that many athletes laugh

at nothing as they are bending over

the line walfing for the handkerchief

In the same way, and expect one day

alive as a starfish, or any other semi-

vital inhabitant of the sea, remarks a

writer in "Success." A stone may ap-

pear flawless when brought fresh from

hours are passed it will have burst.

It may swell and develop flaws, and in

a short time cruable to pleces and be

uscless. The turquelie is another stone

which suffers bad health. The blue

has infrequently been known to

change to a pure white, and, of course,

lost its value. In most instances,

normal condition. The influence of

cold upon jewels of various kinds is

great and capable of turning the color

A Wonderful Storm.

The records of the Hydrographic

It lasted from August 3 until

Bureau at Washington show that the

eled between 4,600 and 5,000 miles. 1:

York Herald.

This is a story about a remarkable

panese.

and seems to enjoy life better than it:

horse and could do some damage. The

George Meredith, the novelist, although deaf, is fond of woman conversationalists. Sir George Grove, former principal

of the Royal College of Music, is dangerously ill in London. Admiral Schley has taken his first year. degree in Masonry as a member of the

B. B. French lodge in Washington. Albert M. Sturtevant has been aping in the department of German at Harvard.

#### "Ham" Fish's Prophecy.

Hamilton Fish took a parting cocktail with nine friends just as he was departing for the recent war with Spain. Those men tell about that now with a suspicious huskiness in their voices, for brave "Ham" Fish was a favorite with his comrades. And the story goes to prove that the young giant had a premonition of his death. "Boys," he said, as he lifted the glass simultaneously with the nine. "this is the last cocktail I'll ever drink with you, for I shall never come back. A short time proved the truth of his prophecy .- New York World.

Philadelphia's Long Timers.

Of the city of Philadelphia it is said that it has had a larger number of con gressmen of extended periods of consecutive service than any other locality in the country. It is pointed out that Congressmen Kelley and O'Neil each erved twenty-nine years, Congressman other feline in the world possesses-a Randall twenty-seven and Congressman set of false teeth. Some weeks ago the Harmer twenty-six. One of the present congressmen, General Bingham, has a record of ten terms or 'wenty household pet mewed pitifully and reused to touch the daily allowance of years of consecutive service. General meat that was given her, James Dever, Bingham is a native of Philadelphia ter owner, lives in Morristown, Pa. and it is a neculiarity of Philadelphia He was very much distressed at seeing congressmen that they are, usually, nathe poor animal apparently ill and tives of that city. An exception is suffering without being able to learn William McAleer, the representative of the cause. Finally it occurred to him the Third district. He is a Democratic perhaps the cat had the toothache. He and a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, La Porte, Texas

The progress of the construction work at La Porte, Texas, the future great deep-water shipping point at the head of navigation on Galveston Bay on the Gulf of Mexico, is progressing favorably. The wharves and switch-ing tracks are nearing completion and the work on the streets and on the sewerage and water systems is now under way. Mr. I. R. Holmes, the general manager of the La Porte Improvement Company and the La Porte Wharf and Channel Company, is personally superintending the improvements. Mr. Holmes makes his headquarters at the Sylvan Hotel and visitors to La Porte during the next six weeks and before the time of the first general La Porte sale, which will be held in February, 1900, should introduce themselves to Mr. Holmes and allow him to extend to them facilities for getting a thorough understanding of the conditions surrounding the La Porte enterprises.

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teeth." said a professor on the tra-TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the mensy if it fails to cure 25c. E. W. Grove's signature on each box. peze, "yet I have never hung in space with the buckle between my teeth, and my life depending on my ability to Save your nickels if you desire to hold on, without wanting to sneeze, or

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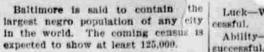
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number of visitors to Burns' cottage, Ayr, was 42,499, being 4,290 more than in 1896, which was the previous record

Japanese newspapers are published in Brooklyn, San Francisco and Honopointed assistant to Professor Schill- Angeles and Sacramento. They are some manifolding process.

"I told Bingley I'd put a head on him

be didn't keep his heps at home.' What did he do?" "He lost his head." 'What then?

Yes.

are said to recover their senses.

ed and making merry over same.

Luck-Wi. essful Ability-What

alrays with the

Silence-When impelled by recog-

Truth-as lived-To him that hath

Reformer-Not necessarily he who

A Severe Summary.

the solemn air of erudition, "what a

difference a slight matter will make in

the world's estimate of a man." "It isn't so in literature," was the

answer. "A man must have merit

Not necessarily. If he gets his

"It's wonderful" said the man with

During the year ending Sept. 30 the Talk-If words were deads how busy we would be. Politeness-The cil that greases the bearings of life.

nized ignorance, is wisdom lulu, and Japanese magazines at Los not shall-at least not be given. either lithographed or produced by does, but he who takes it out in talk.

Our Elastic Language.

"He got a lick in ahead of me."

And before I could get back at him policeman headed me off."

spehling wrong-that's plain ignorance. But if he gets his facts and logic twist-One-third of the people who go mad ed that's originality."

Practical charity is never out of or-tais, is seeing some other mortal bust-

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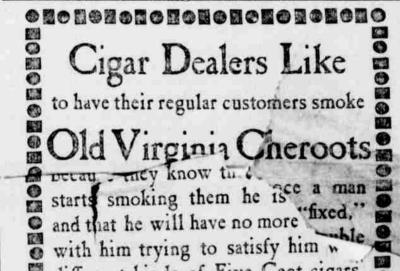


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thief. Johnny Hullinger is just past

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Several persons died recently from ating Kansas City mince ples. Milwaukee is to raise \$25,000 for

VERY PAIR GUARANTEED hool for the deaf.

frayed and worn in one link, shad Shark Lived Without Its Liver. snapped asunder; and with the huge From the Fishing Gazetta: Some stake trailing behind him, he ch." ged rather curious instances of fishing have down on the camp with a scream of been published in the papers lately. fury. The cry was raised, "Run, run, One I think may lead scoffers to say sahibs, the Tusker has gone must "Is it likely?" and make other re-(mad)! He has broken loose!" We marks. This, however, has been printstarted to our feet and ran. The served, and I am a firm believer in anyants fled in all directions. One man thing that appears in print. Some men was overtaken and killed, another was out in a pilchard boat were having ten seized and fung into the river, and together. Just then a shark, about then the maddened beast vented his seven or eight foet long, was seen fury on the tent. From the other swiming around them. A line was put shore of the river we could see the out, and the creature was soon caught elephant, who had thus scattered us, and disposed of, the belly being opened in a pertect frenzy of rage, kneeling and the liver cut out and put aside for on the shapeless heap of cloth, furnimedicinal purposes, and the body ture and poles, and digging his tusks however, it can be made to regain its thrown back again into the sea. After thrown back again into the sea. After tea a line was again used for the pur-pose of catching a few whitings, when, to the great surprise of the men, the first fish that came to hook was this friend and companion, Mac, had been in a short time. self-same shark—alive. Beyond the fact that it seemed to have caught a slight cold through its belly being open it appeared all right, and not in the least billious.

opy about. Thrust after thrust was terrible hurricane which wrought opy about. Thrust aller thrust was wholesale destruction in Forto Rico in for twenty years-even the worst cases wholesale has been allow that any which seemed almost incurable. Raising his huge trunk, he August last was longer lived than any cloth. Durban is well called the garden of would scream in the very frenzy of storm hitherto reported to the bu-

South Africa. It certainly is quite the his wrath, but at last he stargered to prettiest place in that part of the his feet and rushed into the jungle. August 21, within which time it travworld. It is semi-tropical in climate And then joy! a muffled voice was and moist, being by the sea, and is heard from beneath the tent folds: also began its career farther east than therefore green and flowery from the "Get me out of this, you fellows, or any tropical storm yet on record. It shore up to the highest encircling hills. I'll be smothered!" In trying to leave was first noticed on August 3, about the tent. Mac's foot had caught in a half-way between the coasts of Africa rope, and the whole falling canopy had and South America, a little below come down upon him, hurling the ta- north latitude 12 degrees. On the Sih ble and a few cane chairs over him. its center ravaged Porto Rico, then it hills are dotted with pretty villas in charming gardens, where flowers, trees His escape had been miraculous. The turned up the coast of the United brute in one of his savage, purposeless States, and was last noticed, fast dyand shrubs grow. The main method thrusts had plerced the ground be- ing out, about \$00 miles directly east locomotion here is in rickshaws pulled by stalwart Kaffirs, clad in the tween his arm and his ribs, pinning of New York. nost fantastic costume that the Kaffir

his afghan coat into the earth, and brain can conceive and execute. They his afgnan coat into the been the tent-cloth had several times been the tent-cloth had several times been An Interesting Little Island. long, even, swift step, which wears the pressed so closely over his face as al-Rockall is perhaps the smallest islmost to stiffe him. He said that he and in the world. It is situated in the however, they have carned enough to felt himself sinking into unconscions-Atlantic over 200 miles west of Scotland, and is a mere rock about 60 feet

retire to their native kraals and buy a ness when the brute fortunately got few wives, who will henceforth do all up and rushed off. high and 25 feet round, arising from a reef of sand. It is haunted by sea birds, and the mackerel of the sur-Smallest Horse in America.

Bernhardt Kaiser of 300 South rounding seas are very fine. Of course, Fourth street. Milwaukee, Wis., owns it was never inhabited.

Fancheon Thompson, the American Rev. J. N. Crutcher has been chosen songhird, now in Paris, is reported to permanent pastor of the First Chris-Dompany, Atlanta, Georgia. have lost her voice. tian church of Paris.

PORIS.

hat the longing will become You Can Get Allen's Poot-Ease Free. that they will give way to it. I have Write today to Allen S. Olmsted, La come to the conclusion, after thinking Roy, N. Y., for a free sample of Althe matter over, that this probably aclen's Foot-Ense, a powder to shake into counts for the otherwise almost superyour shoes. It cures chilblains, sweatnatural accidents which are continualing, damp, swollen, aching feet. ly happening in our profession. If this makes new or tight shoes easy. An insurmise is correct, some 60 per cent stant cure for Corns and Bunlons. All of trapezists die from yawning." druggists and shoe stores sell it, 25c.

so strong

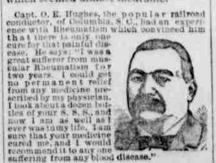
The breezes of the north are now The Preuliarities of Precious Stones. with us. Diamonds are said to be as much

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the mine, but not unlikely before many it well. DB. CHRITON, Practice Limited to the Eye, Ear, Throat and Nove, 201 North Teme Bank Building, Dallas, Texas

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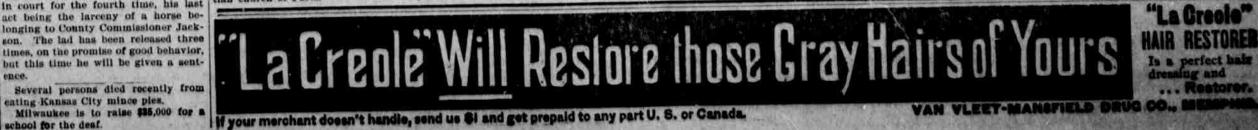
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Saturday, Dec. 30 1899.

LOCAL DOTS.

-Buggy whips 15cts and up Riddel's.

-Miss Una Foster entertained her home Thursday night. -Mr. T. W. Owens will be a FREE PRESS reader next year. -Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Carney en

tertained on Tuesday night. -Go to W. H. Parsons' jewelry store for good clocks.

-Mr. G. R. Couch invested \$100 in a Hereford the other day.

-Eour boxes of concentrated ly at T. G. Carney's for 25 cents.

-Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hentz entertained the intermediates Thurs day night.

-For a good, honest hand 'made saddle see Riddel.

-Mr. Roscoe Riter came up Sunday to spend Xmas with the home folks.

-Mrs. S. W. Scott entertained a large party of young people Monday night.

-The little folks had a Christmas frolic at Mr. J. E. Fitzgerald's Monday night.

-I am still in the grocery business. Everything nice and fresh. T. G. CARNEY.

-Mr. and Mrs. L. W Roberts

relatives in Knox county. -The "frying size" had an enjoyable party at Mr. R. B. Fields' on Tuesday night.

-Geo. Makeig says his tools are prairie had a handsome and well always sharp and he knows how use them.

-Mr. J. W. Wright made an appreciated contribution on subscription this week. -Messrs J. C. Keller al

Field got back Tuesday from han county with their cattle -Mr. Bob Reeves an

Kngx

-Prof. D. R. Couch with his wife and babe came down from Benjamin and have been taking Xmas with

their Haskell relatives.

home Christmas day.

shave or shampoo.

with relatives.

next year.

the holidays with the home folks.

moved out this week to Mr. J. L.

Baldwin's farm, where Mr. Onstead

-Mr. Jud Roberson has purchas-

latter is moving to Archer county.

do not wait for us to dun you.

loaded Christmas tree at their neigh-

Christmas in the good old way.

Respectfully,

Carney.

BROOKS-GLAS COCK-On Sunday morning, 24th inst., at the home of the bride's parents in this place, Mr. -Mr. John McDaniel, who has T. P. Brooks of Crowell, Texas, and been employed on a ranch in Crosby Miss Annie Glasscock were united county for nearly a year past, came

in marriage, Rev. J. T. Bloodworth of the Methodist church officiating. -The little folks were pleasantly . . . entertained at the Meadors Hotel DIAL-NORRIS-At 10 O'clock Wednesday night by Mrs. T. D.

Sunday morning, 24th inst., Mr. Garl Dial of Avo, Jones county, -Your best girl and all the other and Miss Nora Norris were married girls are always pleased to see you, at the residence of the bride's paryoung man, after Geo. Makeig has

rriages.

ents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Norris of fixed you up with a stylish hair cut, this place, Rev. J. T. Bloodworth performing the ceremony. -Mr. F. C. Wilfong and family . . .

returned Wednesday from Fisher STEELE-AGNEW-On Sunday morn county where they spent Christmas ing, 24th inst., at the home of the bride's parents in this place, Mr. -Mr. Bruce Smith, who has been John W. Steele of this county and in New Mexico and Oklahoma since Miss Vannie Agnew were united in last spring, got in in time to spend marriage, Rev. R. E. L. Farmer performing the ceremony. -Mr. V. G. Onstead and family

. . . To all of these happily united couples the FREE PRESS extends its will try his fortune at grangering best wishes, hoping that they may find pleasant pathways over which to make life's journey, live long and ed the interest of his brother Jim in their ranch and 500 cattle in the prosper.

northwest part of the county and the -Messrs Tandy & Hudson and Mr. S. S. Cummings left with a lot -For good goods and bottom of cattle Wednesday which they will prices in tinware, queensware, glass-

ware, furniture, washing machines & Hudson had about 8 car loads and housefurnishing goods generally which they intend to put on feed in go to McCollum & Wilbourn Co's. Kansas. Mr. Cummings had 5 car loads some of which he will market -Mr. Henry Sherman of the northeast part of the county was at once and place the remainder on married in Nolen county a few days feed.

ago and passed through town Wed--Mr. J. E. Wilfong was in town nesday en route home with his bride. Thursday and bought \$9 worth of The FREE PRESS extends best wishes. window sash for the Lake Creek school house to replace a lot broken -We respectfully ask all parties out a few nights before by some conindebted to us to come forward and have gone to spend a few days with make settlement by Jan. 1st. Please temptible and cowardly vandal, presumably to wreak some petty revenge. We are sorry to know that there is any one in Haskell county W. W. FIELDS & BRO. so lacking in principle as to stoop to -The people of the Wild Horse such a dirty act.

# A Card of Thanks.

borhood school house and enjoyed We wish to sincerely thank our -The Haskell county jail had an neighbors and friends for their kindincrease in population on Wednesday ness toward us during our recent by the birth of twins to Mr. J. B. S. and present illness; the presents, the corren and wife, who have been dinners, the kind attention of all, place of . The for some months. ing the holidays, sing people durmembered by our boys. -Prof. J. B. Jones was down from

Song.

Whitman.

Remarks.

Song.

Prayer.

. 10:20; Rev. 3:1-5.

Solo-Mrs. Hentz.

FOR SALE

You Want We can supply you. Besides a full line of box heaters, we have the

"ECONOMY"

which is an AIR TIGHT WOOD HEATER guaranteed to heat as well as the ordinary stove with half the quantity of fuel, thus saving its cost in one or two seasons. It takes small floor space, no ashes leak on carpet, no danger of fire falling out, burns chips, chunks or solid wood equally well. The price is low and we want you to come and see this stove.

We also have an excellent line of Cook stoves, but will talk about them later. Yours &c.

SHERRILL BROS. & Co.

We beg to call your attention to the fact that we are opening a new

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(The new town on west side of Clear Fork on the extension of the Texas Central Railroad.)

We will carry a complete stock of Rough and Dressed Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mouldings and in fact every thing carried by a first-class lumber yard, and, we hope by fair and honest dealing to merit and secure your patronage.

Call and see us-we want to meet you. We hope to be able to begin unloading lumber at Luders by Wednes-

ship from Seymour. Messrs Tandy day, Dec. 20, or as soon as the track is laid to the town site, Yours truly,

Brazleton & Johnson.

## Important Notice

The time of year is here to pay up and I must ask each and every one that owes me either by note or account to come in and settle at once. Don't wait for me to ask you for it. Respectfully,

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of dry goods, clothing, boots, shoes, hats, etc., during the month of December. Those who fail to look through our stock before buying will miss some of the

# Richest Bargains Ever Offered

Star Store customers can always compare bills bought with their neighbors who bought elsewhere and show a saving of 10 to 20 per cent.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

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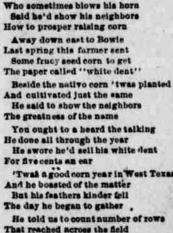
# F. G. ALEXANDER & Co.

Thanking their many friends and customers for the liberal patronage ex-

tended their firm during the year are pleased to extend to them a cordial will give Haskell one of the best greeting and their best wishes for a

> HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND

> > PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.



A Chapter on Corn.

A farmer in Western Texas

To notice what shabby native corn Then to see the dent's abundant yield Equal number of rows we counted And the gathering was begun Three loads of native corn he gath

just received at

erriff Collins has duly appointed Mr. Bert Brockman his permanent deputy.

took

onisiana' molases,

-If I cannot cut prices so as to suit the times you need not try the other fellows. her sisters, Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. dition. Robertson, in Seymour this week.

-Miss Fannie Hudson who has is expected home this evening.

-Mr. W. F. Rupe left this mornresume her school in Kent county.

-If you want to get the most Co's.

looking after some legal matters.

-The young people of Haskell, big and little, have had quite an extensive round of gaieties this week,

-The "intermediates" were handsomely entertained on Christmas night at Mr. F. G. Alexander's.

-Bring all your hides to the City Meat Market. We will give you the highest cash price for them. MCCRARY & ELLIS

-The Christmas contribution of the Baptist church for Buckner Orphans' Home was over \$50.

-Mr. Edgar Standefer has returned home from Woodward, O. T., any other stove made. where he has been for the past year.

We want cotton seed, corn, oats, sorghum, millet, threshed Kaffir corn, fire wood, etc. on subscription account. If you haven't the money this will enable you to settle.

-Mesars Tom Owens and Wat Fitzgerald got home Wednesday

-Dr. J. E. Lindsey left Wednes- selected a spot somewhat sheltered dner, of Idaville, Ind., says: "Elec- 16th, 1900, between the hours of 9 day for St. Louis, where he will take from the north wind and built a tric Bitters are just the thing for a a. m., and 4 p. m., at the office of a special course of lectures and in- rousing fire of brush and logs and man when he don't care whether he said bank in the town of Haskell, vestigate the suggestive method of proceeded to enjoy themselves, at lives or dies. It gave me new Texas, for the purpose of electing s tracting so much attention among the medical profession on account of the wonderful cures performed by it, have been innensible to the sharp

largely withup the aid of medicine. | wind from Boreal regions.

spent two or three day with Haskell friends this week. He is still on crutches as the result of his hurt a week or so ago. He says the enrollment in his school is 53 pupils.

-Inspector T. J. Lemon came in Thursday from another inspection trip along the quarantine line. He says a good many cattle are coming T. G. CARNEY. to this section from below and that a -Miss Tressa Carney is visiting great many of them are in poor con-

-There will be services Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist been away on a visit several weeks, church conducted by some of the preachers who are in attendance of the Stonewall Association Fifth Sun-

with Miss Belle, who is returning to day meeting now in session on Wild Horse Prairie.

-Mr. G. Webster of San Miguel, goods for the least money, take your Cal., a lawyer and ex-newspaper cash around to R. H. McKee & man, was here two or three days

looking after some valuable land in--Messrs Dalton & Britain, law- terests he has in this county. He yers of Seymour, were here this week takes the FREE PRESS to keep posted on Haskell affairs and prospects.

-Mr. Gibson who has rented land and farmed on Mr. Garren's place the last two years has just completed his house and other improvements on land purchased by him in the north part of the county and is moving his family to it this week.

-If you have to buy a heating stove this fall, you ought to get one of those Wilson Improved Air-tight heaters for sale by McCollum & Wilbourn Co. The makers guarantee that you will get more comfort, more heat and more satisfaction, at less gage on the premises. expense, from this stove than from

This firm also have on hand a full line of Bridge, Beach & Co's standard cook stoves and box and orna-

mental or parlor heaters. -Quite a crowd of young folks-

some ten couples in buggies, with ney troubles as well as women, and Mr. W. E. Sherrill and wife as offi- all feel the results in loss of appetite. cers of the day, enjoyed the novelty poisons in the blood, backache, nerevening from their trip to the eastern of a midwinter picnic Wednesday on vousness, headache and tired, list-

guaranteed



kell, Tex. Dec. 16, 1899.

