

MAN-MONKEY CHASE

RAGS BATTLE FOUGHT IN BORNEO

Field Hand of an Escaper of a Malay...

The man-or man-monkey of Borneo is possibly one of the fiercest and strongest animals living...

EDITORIAL PRAISE AND APOLOGY

Speaking of rejection slips, here is one with which Chinese editors are said to comfort the feelings of their unsuccessful contributors...

OCEAN PARALLELS

Theories of the Loss of the Steamer Portland Borneo Out Later

When the steamer Portland, in November of 1893, was lost off Cape Cod, everybody on board of her was drowned...

Queer Facts about "Queer" Animals

A teacher in one of the public schools of the Queer City, who has a sense of humor has culled some remarkable bits of information from her examination papers...

The arrival of the railway train through miles of wild prairie...

Where Has He Gone?

Philadelphia is Agitated Over Youth's Disappearance

(Special Letter.) Philadelphia has a case of possible abduction that is reminding the superstitious of the famous Charley Ross case of twenty-five years ago...

Young Ross, at 5 years old, was stolen on July 3, 1874. He was held for a ransom, but public clamor was so great against the abductors that presumably they were afraid to return the boy...

The Shallcross boy is an heir to one-fifth of the estate of his father, valued at \$500,000. He disappeared on Oct. 11 last. The widowed mother saw him for the last time that morning when he kissed her good-by and scampered away to school...



AMOS SHALLCROSS

WED AS THE SHIP SANK

This Couple Were Married 'Mid Howl of Waves and Cries of Passengers

Perhaps the most impressive ceremony ever performed was solemnized while Death hovered by on the deck of the sinking emigrant steamer St. Levant...

Good Religious Bible

An old shell-back sailor, incapacitated for sea duty by age and long years of rough service, was recently appointed sexton of the chapel at the Naval Academy...

The mind of the bigot is like the pupil of the eye; the more light you pour upon it the more it will contract.—G. W. Holmes

African Revolt Against Germany

Germany apparently has not that success with her African colonies that was expected by the friends of a colonial policy. West Africa is a barren country which can only be prospered by irrigation...

Queer Customs of Turkish Women

It is not generally known that there exists among Turkish ladies of high class a kind of caste feeling similar to that prevailing among Hindoos. It takes the form of a fear of contamination from the outer world...

start of the police, and while officers of New York and Jersey City have been looking for him...

Bob Acres Station, La., is two miles from Jefferson Island, which is owned by Joseph Jefferson, the veteran American actor. He bought the property and it was...

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Joe Jefferson OWNS THE WORLD'S GREATEST BLOCK OF TABLE SALT

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A Picture Worth \$350,000

The costliest picture in the world is owned by the duke of Marlborough, who has a large and very expensive collection of pictures, which has come down to him from the original duke of Marlborough...

IN SOFT NESTS

Flying Squirrels Asleep for the Winter. One of the prettiest, gentlest and most interesting of the little wild folks is the common flying squirrel...

Lonely Lives of Herders

Not even its greatest admirer could call the Australian wush beautiful. It is a somber, sage-colored wild of acacias forest, interspersed with arid tracks of thorn and spinifex...

Bibles for the Heathen

Over 5,000,000 copies of the bible were sold by the British and Foreign Bible society last year. This is an increase of 1,000,000 over the sales of the year before...

Lotus Club Honors Twain

One of the features of the Mark Twain dinner at the Lotus Club was the menu card on which was printed a photograph of Mr. Clemens with his white hair surrounded by lotus blossoms...

Patented Inhibitor for Catarrh

By the use of a recently patented inhibitor suffers from catarrh, hay fever and similar diseases may treat themselves at night, the time when affections of the throat and head make the most formidable strides...

THE WEDDING RING

The ring has been used in the matrimonial service since the most remote times, having probably first been given in pledge by the Egyptians...

GOOD EATING

Prawns Dried by the Sun in Eastern Highly Esteemed by Gourmets. In many delicatessen stores the boy-vivant can now purchase sun-dried prawns, which form an admirable accessory to the daily bill of fare...

JANUARY BRIDE

Going-Away Gown That Would Hardly Be Serviceable

A wedding outfit for a bride who is to be married in January was shown at one of the costumers' recent displays. The wedding dress, one of the bridesmaids' dresses and some of the bride's other frocks are already completed...

IRKUTSK PRISON

Account of a Visit to Russia's Finest Place of Detention

Of course, I visited the great prison of Irkutsk, and was most courteous allowed to spend several hours there and to examine it closely and converse freely, through my own interpreter, with any of the prisoners...

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Current Topics

Senator Proctor's Coup.

Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont, who has just acquired the celebrated Carrara marble quarries of Italy, has this coup placed himself practically in control of the entire output of the marble in the world. He is



HON. REDFIELD PROCTOR.
owned quarries, for which, it is said, the interests he represents will pay the stupendous price of \$10,000,000. Senator Proctor was governor of Vermont from 1878 to 1880, and since 1881 when he was a delegate to the Republican national convention, has been eminent in American politics. He was secretary of war in the early part of President Harrison's administration, and resigned that portfolio in 1891 to go to the United States senate as an appointee to succeed Senator Edmunds. In 1892 he was regularly elected to succeed himself in 1898.

An Indian Millionaire.

Melvin Dempsey is the richest Indian in America. He is now in Chicago, which city he left three years ago, a poor man, going to Alaska as the agent of a number of capitalists who had confidence in his ability as a mining engineer. Today he is a millionaire. He has 15 claims duly recorded and has just sold one for \$100,000. But he has done more than prospecting in Alaska; he has done religious work, having organized a Christian Endeavor society. He is a full-blooded Cherokee and is a famous man among his race, being a chemist, assayer, miner, musician, linguist and so on. He speaks besides his native di-



MELVIN DEMPSEY.
Spanish, and six Indian blood, different from any other. He is a college graduate and speaks several languages. He plays the piano and mandolin.

Activity.

The activity of the British under De Witt and other higher officers is as disconcerting as it is exciting for the British. It thoroughly furnishes the official theory that the African war is over. How thorough it does so may be seen in the postponement of the jubilee in London which Lord Roberts was to have celebrated in London on January 3. It is a feature of the original war in workers.

Dr. Stephens' Portrait.

Admiral Farragut's old flagship will back up Minister Loomis' representation to the Venezuelan government on the subject of American concessions in that country. The Hartford was remodeled a year ago, and is now a training ship. She is in Venezuelan waters.

Leads the Irish Wing.

John Edward Redmond, who has been chosen leader of the Irish party in parliament, is a clerk in the office of the house of commons. In 1881 he was elected to parliament for New Ross. Four years later he was elected for Wexford North, and in 1892 he was John E. Redmond, chosen M. P. by the constituency of the City of Waterford, which he represented during the last parliament. Mr. Redmond is a lawyer and for a long time a member of the house, and young Redmond grew up in an atmosphere of politics. In 1886 he was called to the bar at Gray's Inn. Mr. Redmond was an adherent of the late Charles Stewart Parnell, and after the death of that leader he arrayed his brilliant ability with the Parnellite faction. He is 49 years old.

The Cotton Blight.

The use of systematic experiment is shown in the work which the Department of Agriculture is doing with the cotton "blight," which is seriously affecting some of the cotton crops of the South. A variety of cotton which would resist the blight and though such a plant has not been discovered, trial has shown that some varieties are a thousand per cent more resistant than others. On a scale of 1,000, the most resistant kind made 555 points against only 55 points for the least resistant—that is, the disease affected ten times as many of the latter variety as it did of the most resistant. It is expected in time to secure, by selection, plants which will prove practically immune to this disease.

He Defends Slavery.

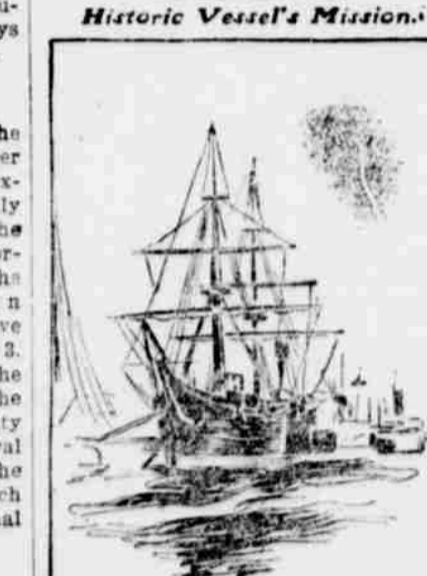
Major Richard H. Pratt, superintendent of the Carlisle Indian school, who has created a sensation by writing a letter to Francis H. Hill, colored bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal church, in which he defends slavery of the negro, is an officer of the Tenth United States Cavalry, a negro regiment. The major was appointed to the army from civil life. He is 69 years old, and began his military career as an enlisted man with the Ninth Indiana Infantry. He afterward joined the cavalry and fought with distinction during the civil war. He entered the regular army in 1897 as lieutenant, and was brevetted captain for gallant



MAJ. RICHARD H. PRATT.
services in the war of the rebellion. Major Pratt is a native of New York state. He will retire in 1904.

Bricks of Seedmen.

The seed catalogues of the country last year noted 692 different kinds of cabbages. The seed section of the Department of Agriculture has been working on a general classification of American vegetables with the object of eliminating all the duplicate names which have been given to varieties. It is the fact that each seedman has his own specially named vegetable of each species or variety—always described as an "improved" or more select strain than the ordinary variety offered for sale by the rest of humanity. The Department has numbered these 692 cabbages down to a little over a hundred actual varieties. The seedmen have catalogued 312 different lettuce, whereas the Department can find only 87 actually different kinds. Beans, peas, cucumbers, etc., have likewise been taken up and classified and each variety has been found to have from three to four names—Guy E. Mitchell.



Historic Vessel's Mission.

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PURELY PERSONAL

Charged with Looting.

Lady Macdonald, who has been publicly charged in London newspapers with looting the imperial palace at Peking, is the wife of Sir Claude Macdonald, former British minister to China, and at present minister to Japan. The story, which is indignantly denied by the lady, is that she looted the palace on the character of a good woman.



LADY MACDONALD.
an, is to the effect that Lady Macdonald personally superintended a number of coolies who had been ordered by her to take from the palace certain treasures of Chinese art, together with other objects having religious use and of priceless value to the Chinese. Lady Macdonald, before her marriage to Sir Claude, was Ethel Armstrong Robertson, the beautiful daughter of Major W. Cairns Armstrong and widow of P. C. Robertson of the East Indian service.

Governor Against Junkies.

Acting Governor Jelks of Alabama has excited favorable comment by thwarting the members of the legislature in some of their proposed junkies at the expense of the state. The legislators had planned to make a tour of the normal and agricultural schools of the state, but the executive vetoed the enabling resolution on the ground that the expense would be more than the trip would be worth.

Henry Cabot Lodge.

Henry Cabot Lodge, who had charge of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in the senate and who marshaled the forces favorable to ratification, is generally accounted a bright and shining example of "the scholar in politics." He began his public career as a member of the fiftieth congress, and has been a congressman or senator ever since.



SENATOR LODGE.
Mr. Lodge is a lawyer, but, although admitted to the bar, never practiced. His profession, as he himself describes it in the congressional directory, is "that of literature." The junior Massachusetts senator is 59 years old.

Sultan Is Tender Hearted.

It would appear from a recent incident that the sultan of Turkey shares with his satanic majesty the distinction of not being so black as he is painted. A theatrical troupe appeared in his private theater and gave "Othello." When the moment came for the murder of Desdemona the sultan was so affected and struck with pity for her that he called out and forbade that she should be smothered.

A Novel Wedding Gift.

The daughter of Mr. Souvorin, the well-known editor and publisher of the Novoe Vremya, St. Petersburg, has been married to Mr. Maslovedoff-Ivanoff, the son of the minister of ways and communications. The bridegroom is to enjoy the daily profits of one of the advertising pages of the Novoe Vremya, and this curious wedding gift is causing considerable amusement in St. Petersburg.

May Return From Exile.

Arabi Pasha, leader in 1882 of the great revolt of Egyptians against British domination of their land, was sentenced to banishment from his native land and virtual life imprisonment in the island of Ceylon. The Khedive of Egypt is about to celebrate his twenty-eighth anniversary as ruler. It is said he will pardon Arabi and permit him to return to Egypt once more.

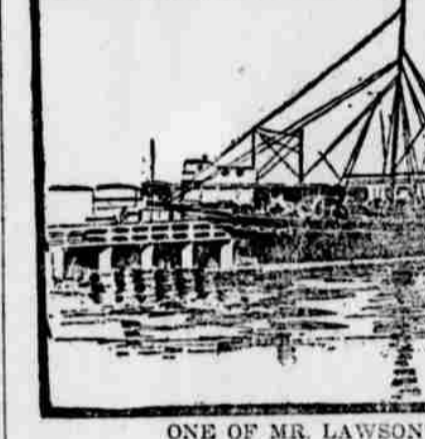
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Bishop Courtenay of Halifax, N. S., has returned from Australia, where he went as the representative of the Church of England of Canada to attend the jubilee celebration of the Australian Board of Missions.



If the plans of Thomas W. Lawson to have Boston represented in the trial races to pick a defender for the America's Cup are successful, and if the Boston boat is selected for the honor, it will be Tom of Boston against Tom of London; copper against tea; Boston brains and New England seamanship against similar British products.

There will be no secrecy about the Boston boat. She will not be built in a tightly closed shed and launched in "petticoats," as was the Columbia. Neither will it be given out that she is to be built by one firm, while another is secretly at work upon her. The public will be at liberty to inspect her at all stages, and invitations will be issued to the members of the syndicate controlling the New York boat and to the Herreshoffs to attend the launching of the Boston yacht.



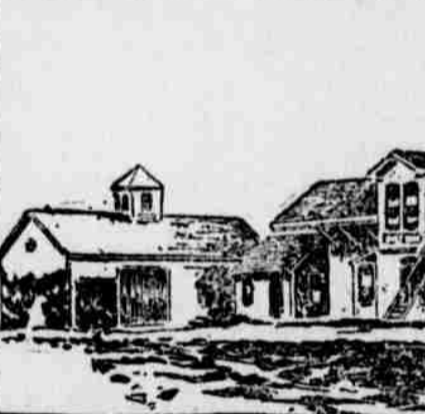
ONE OF MR. LAWSON'S STEAM YACHTS.
hustle. Designer Crowninshield gave an order last week for the model, that is the little wooden image to exact scale of the new boat. When this has been passed upon by the Advisory board it will be reduced to blue prints, and the work of drawing each frame and part to scale will be begun.

Mr. Lawson is a New Englander by birth and a Southerner by descent. He is in line from John Lawson, first surveyor-general of North Carolina in the province period, who came over from England in or about 1700, roamed about the country in the pursuit of his calling, came much in contact with the Indians and wrote a book on the Carolinas, which was published in London. Three of Mr. Lawson's uncles to the city of Boston for propagation by the city forester, provided its name be not changed and the right to propagate it be given to no one else. Then, the competition waxing warm, he made his offer of \$30,000 for the whole "output," or 8,060 plants. It was the largest price ever paid any variety of marketable flower.

Looking Into Futurity.

It is a great privilege to take a peep into the first year of the twentieth century. The four great English astrologers, Old Moore, Raphael, Union and Zakkiel, have lifted the veil and given the world a look into the year. The peep would be more satisfactory, however, if these wisecracks had got together beforehand and come to some agreement. With the exception that all four announce a theater fire in Paris in May their predictions contradict each other in the most positive manner. For instance, for August Raphael foretells serious war and Old Moore peace and tranquility. In December Old Moore predicts general good health and Zakkiel much sickness and a high rate of mortality in the metropolis, coupled with an outbreak of crime which will shock the community. Union beats them all for December. He says London will be scourged by extensive and terrible fires. Britain's maritime supremacy will be overthrown, and two-thirds of the inhabitants of the United Kingdom will die of "a virulent sweating sickness."

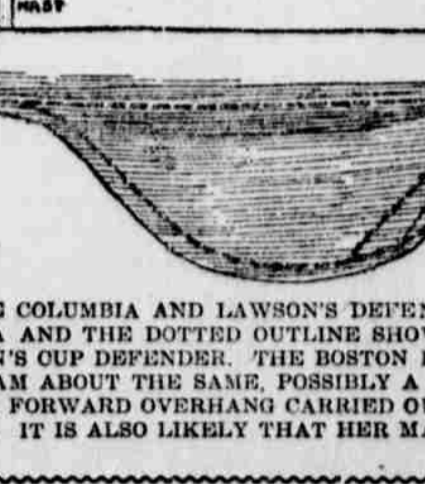
Mr. Lawson's love of flowers and knowledge of them is one of his notable characteristics. The story of his "\$30,000 pink" has traveled the country. For four years before this particular carnation flower, Mr. Lawson was the purchaser of all that were grown, buying for his wife first when she was an invalid. Upon her recovery it was used largely in dinner table decorations, and in vases in their several homes. At length, out of compliment to his wife, it was given her name—"the Mrs. Thomas W. Lawson pink." Then the new flower won a silver cup, offered by Mr. Lawson himself, in competition in a Boston flower show. Then various efforts were made to capture it. An offer of \$6,000 for a stock plant was made by Higginbotham, of Chicago. Then came an offer of \$15,000 from a New York firm for one half the product of the greenhouse at which it was produced. Mr. Lawson raised Mr. Higginbotham's offer by \$1,000, or \$7,000 for a single plant, to be given



MR. LAWSON'S TRAINING FARM.
tra could be relied upon to stimulate a flower garden much as it does a "rosebud garden of girls." Some discrimination should be used, however, in the music played. No one can imagine the havoc which might be created in a cabbage field or a celery farm if a Strauss tone poem were let loose in all its noisy dissonance.

Europe's Industrial Crisis.

The state department at Washington is advised by its consultants at some of the European trade centers that an industrial and financial crisis is impending there, if indeed it is not actually begun. From Germany comes the assertion that "the wave of industrial prosperity in Europe, which has steadily risen since 1895, has taken a turn and begun to recede;" that all signs point to a crisis in industrial lines before two years have passed, and that any political disturbance might bring on the inevitable crash with extreme suddenness. In verification of these discouraging predictions it is pointed out that house rents and industrial stocks have begun to decline, that factories are closing and that the shipping interests and water material industries are making the most of the South African and Chinese disturbances. German students of economics analyze the situation as being the result of overproduction.



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grave the set of gold buttons for t' suit in which the first president of the United States was to take his oath of office, did the work and refused compensation, saying that the honor was sufficient.

Music and Plants.

The latest musical folly is that recently announced by Professor Hans Tietgen, a German musical savant. He has discovered plants that are sensitive to music. He says he has a plant that unfolds its leaves when some one begins playing, but closes them again if the music becomes dissonant. Some plants, he affirms, are stimulated by pleasant harmonies and a symphony will expedite the blossoming of a rose. It is to be hoped Professor Tietgen will follow up his investigations. If a single plant is amenable to the concord of sweet sounds a whole garden of plants should manifest the same peculiarity, provided there is music enough. A brass band might be usefully employed in expediting the products of a truck farm, while a mandolin orchestra



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Snow at Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 2.—A very light snow fell here early Tuesday night. There was not enough to put a covering on the ground and flakes could be seen to fall only when near an electric light. Indications were favorable, however, for a further and heavier fall after midnight or during Wednesday.

Cabbage Shipments.

Corpus Christi, Tex., Jan. 2.—The first heavy shipments of this year's cabbage left Corpus Christi yesterday morning, consisting of forty-five sacks consigned to the interior. Prior there have been several small local shipments sent out by a number of parties.

In a football game between Dallas and Little Rock clubs neither team scored.

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Success for Interest.

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PRESIDENT HAYS

Arrives at Galveston and Proceeds at Once to Business.

Galveston, Tex., Jan. 1.—Mr. Charles M. Hays, the new president of the Southern Pacific, spent the first day of his employment with the company in making an inspection of its terminals at Galveston and in viewing and studying the harbor and port facilities. While Mr. Hays was elected to the presidency of the company several months ago his resignation with the Grand Trunk did not take effect until Dec. 31, and his service with the Southern Pacific began on the first day of the new century.

While Mr. Hays did not go into any elaborate statement of what the Southern Pacific would do at Galveston, he did not hesitate to say that he found the company's property and the facilities of the port to exceed his expectations. The development began here, he said, would as speedily as possible be finished. Mr. Hays treats the matter of Galveston's rehabilitation as a matter of course. He is interested that steps should be taken for the protection of the city from storms, and he promised to co-operate with the people of Galveston to that end.

Mr. Hays says he will spend a great deal of time on the road. He expects to get around this way five or six times a year, and to be on the road a great deal more than in his office. As soon as he gets settled in San Francisco he expects to start out on a trip to inspect all the lines of the Southern Pacific.

Mr. Hays and party arrived in Galveston at exactly 1901.

The special train drew into the station just as the bells rang out the old year and rang in the new. Everybody on the train had long since retired, but as they testified, they were all conscious that they had reached Galveston and another milepost in time simultaneously because of the racket of the bells, whistles and fireworks.

President Hays' party consists of himself, wife and sister and four daughters, Traffic Manager Stubbs and two daughters, General Manager Kruttschnitt, Manager W. G. Van Vleet, General Superintendent Malvey and General Superintendent of Machinery Ryan. They are traveling in special cars Guadalupe, Sunset, Mishawaka and Texas.

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In going out to the docks Mr. Bookbinder explained to Mr. Hays how the storm had gathered up and wrecked all the tracks and carried away most of the grade and how the tracks had been re-laid since the storm, and also told him how much and what property the Southern Pacific owned along the water front. Mr. Hays expressed a desire to see maps showing the wharves, railroad yards and the Southern Pacific property, and he went back into the car to look.

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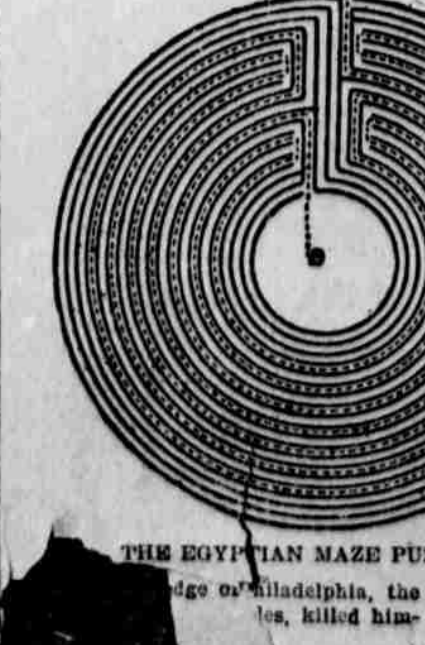
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Puzzle Caused His Death.



self one week after he had worked out solutions to the "Egyptian maze," which experts declared was not capable of being worked out.

The physicians who held an autopsy on the body said the man had the "puzzle brain." His brain was found to be unlike that of other men. It was twisted into more maze than the Gordian knot, as if from pushing over the wild windings of the Egyptian maze, the folds of the brain itself had twisted and bent in

THE EGYPTIAN MAZE PUZZLE.

J. E. POOLIC
Editor and Proprietor.

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Saturday, Jan. 5, 1900.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Go to T. G. Carney's for choice family groceries.

—Mrs. J. B. Baker entertained the little people Tuesday night.

—Mr. J. F. Jones returned Tuesday from their Tom Green county ranch.

—For a good, honest hand made saddle see Riddel.

—Mr. John Vannoy has gone to Chicago to attend an engraving and jeweler's school.

—New crop Louisiana Molasses at W. W. Fields & Bros. Try it if you want something good.

—Miss Lena Glasgow, who has been attending school at Alvarado, came home Friday of last week.

—Ladies you should see the handsomely decorated tea and dinner sets at Fields & Bro's.

—The young folks were entertained on Monday night by Judge and Mrs. J. H. McConnell.

—C. C. Riddel has more and better buggy whips—a new lot, to cents an' up. Go and get yourself one.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Scott arrived Monday, after taking Xmas to the old folks in Oklahoma.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Rohde, traveling Photographers, have arrived here from Munday and located near the Gossett Hotel, where they will remain for about thirty days and do high-grade work at reasonable prices.

—Poland China hogs—a choice lot of pureblooded ones for sale by J. F. Pinkerton.

—Miss Angie Baker who spent Xmas week here with the family of her brother returned home Tuesday to Hamilton.

—Nice mince meat at Fields & Bro's.

—Mr. A. V. Stanfield and brother, who rented farms on Wildhorse Creek, returned home Tuesday.

H. G. McCONN
Attorney at Law

Photo but will wear well. HASKELL, Tex. Then the Gossett hotel.

OSCAR
Attorney at Law

Speck are new added to our list. HASKELL, Tex.

of groceries has just up with a complete line choice, fresh family groceries. As prices—well, they are below the other fellow's—Come and see! Respectfully,
T. G. CARNEY

Mr. Booth English left Wednesday for his home at Higgins after spending the holiday week with his Haskell friends. He chatted up the FREE PRESS another year becoming.

Persons who lead a life of exposure subject to rheumatism, neuralgia, numbness will find a valuable BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT, which relieves all kinds of rheumatism, neuralgia, and subdues inflammation. Price 25 and 50 cents Baker's drug store.

W. H. Cook of Paris and M. Tillman of Delta Co., are this week looking at land with them and were so well with our lands and the flat-look of this section that they made additional investments.

Monar trouble, the direct BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT, chest and lungs, the malady, by distress, cutting the feeling the vocal and ans. Price 25 and 50 Baker's drug store.

on Cox of Hico, Tex., deal with Mr. A. C. purchase of about 7000 Red River county school west part of the county, the land as an invest- put it on the market of about one dollar a warning to peo- help comes here to regulators run prices

and colds contracted, but you can quickly get rid of them with a few doses of BALLARD'S HORSEROUND SYRUP. Price 25 and 50 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

—No. 400 drew the music box at Bakers. Present your ticket and get your music.

—There is business talk in Mr. Robertson's new ad. this week.

—For those lovely Platino photos on latest style mount, go to C. G. Rohde, near the Gossett hotel.

—There is consolation in knowing that there are 13 more washing machine suckers in Seymour than in Haskell. It cost the Haskell Sucker \$200 to take the bait—how much is Seymour out?

Many an innocent little darling is suffering untold agony and cannot explain its troubles. Mark your child's symptoms, you may find it troubled with worms; give its WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE and restore it to quietness and health. Price 25 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

—Mr. S. L. Robertson proved the other day that he knew just how to hit this editor in a soft spot, when he presented us with a box of smokers and matches to light 'em with.

—Messrs F. G. Alexander & Co. make a very neat talk to the public this week. It means something to the Haskell public, too.

—W. H. Parsons', the jeweler, is the place to get Seth Thomas clocks, ladies and gentlemen's Elgin and Waltham watches, solid gold rings, cuff buttons, chains, etc.

—Miss Una Foster gave a party to numerous friends on last Saturday night.

Have you a cold? A dose of BALLARD'S HORSEROUND SYRUP at bedtime will remove it. Price 25 and 50 cts. at J. B. Baker's drug store.

—Notwithstanding the very cold weather, the Junior League's New Year's supper was enjoyed by quite a number of young people. It was a very nice supper, too, and while some of the Juniors waited on the table others sold delicious home-made candies.

After supper a short impromptu program was enjoyed by all present. The proceeds of the entertainment will go to repairs on the Methodist parsonage.

The Juniors and their untiring superintendent, Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, deserve much credit for their labors.

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Office at Lindell Hotel.

Fruit Trees.

I will make a delivery of fruit trees and shrubbery in February, and by giving me an order instead of waiting until next fall, you will gain a year's time in the growth of an orchard, as plantings may safely be made here as late as middle of March.

I can supply you with all varieties of fruits adapted to this section, also, roses, honeysuckle, arbor vitae and many other kinds of shrubbery.

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—M. W. Moody who recently moved here from Throckmorton has about completed his new residence on east side of town.

—Mr. L. W. Roberts returned Thursday from a visit to his brother Elbert at Abilene.

—Dr. Gilbert returned Tuesday from Louisville, Ky.

—Shredded cocoanut, chocolate, seedless raisins, flavoring extracts, spices, etc., for making your Christmas "fixings" good, at W. W. Fields & Bro's.

—Mr. Louis McWhirter came in Monday on a visit to his Haskell kinsmen.

—Mr. T. D. Isbell returned Wednesday from East Tex., where he made a very satisfactory disposition of a lot of horses.

—Dr. S. E. Baucum of Weatherford has placed a card in the Free Press tendering his professional services in special lines. Look it up, and see if you need his services. He expects to locate in Haskell if he finds business to justify him in doing so.

—With twenty years experience and a complete set of tools and material, I am prepared to do all kinds of watch and jewelry work in first-style. All work strictly guaranteed. Respectfully,
W. H. PARSONS.

—After spending a pleasant Christmas with the home folks, Mr. Robt Fields returned on Monday to home and business at Howe.

—Miss Ethel Mason returned to Anson Wednesday to resume her duties as teacher of elocution, having spent an enjoyable Christmas with the home folks and friends.

—We now have in stock the nicest line of queensware, both decorated and plain, that we have ever handled, also a nice line of glassware, lamps and lamp chimneys. Call and see these goods if you want anything in that line. The prices are right.

Yours &c
W. W. FIELDS & BRO.

—A new boy made his advent in the home of Mr. W. M. Sager on the 2nd inst.

—Rev. Mr. Gay of Stamford will preach at the Methodist church Sunday in place of Rev. Bloodworth, who is wrestling with a case of gripp.

—There will be no preaching at the Presbyterian church tomorrow.

—Mr. Ed Robertson was shaking hands with his Haskell friends Thursday and taking orders for groceries.

—TO THE PUBLIC—Beginning on January 1st, I will sell merchandise for cash only. But it is my intention to put the prices of dry goods, clothing and groceries on a basis that it will pay you to come to me with your cash. All goods just as represented or your money back if they are returned promptly in same condition as when purchased. This guarantees satisfaction.

Respectfully, R. H. MCKEE.

—Those cider down ladies dressing Saques at S. L. Robertson's are very dressy, very convenient and very cheap.

—We have to make our bow to the public in acknowledgement of a big Christmas trade and to inform them that we have replenished our stock and again have a choice line of confectioneries and fruits at the Bon Ton.

Stamford Passengers.

Whenever there are as many as two passengers either from or to Stamford I will take them at same price charged by the mail hack and I guarantee to furnish better rigs and make better time.

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Overcoat Weather



is here at last and we have a full stock of them in various grades, so that we are sure that we can fit you in

Quality, Style and Price,

and guarantee to give you full value for your money in any quality or style of coat you may select. In fact we are making specially low prices on our overcoats because we want to close them out before the winter is over.

We also have some excellent rain coats in extra quality Mackintoshes and Vulcanized rubber goods that we are selling very low.

We still have a good line of GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING

in heavy weight goods on which we are making special prices to close it out, and if you want a good winter suit or a overcoat or a pair of pants, you will do well to come and look over this stock. The quality, cut and make of these goods is first-class.

We are also making very close figures on

Our Heavy Winter Dry Goods

including heavy weight dress goods, pants goods, flannels, blankets, etc. Infact it will be to your interest to look through our stock for anything you want, especially in the line of winter wear or goods.

We appreciate the fine trade we have had during the past year and solicit a continuance of your patronage during this year.

RESPECTFULLY,
S. L. Robertson.

The Haskell National Bank.

To its Patrons and Friends:

As we enter upon the New Year and the dawn of a new century, we feel constrained to in this public manner extend to the friends and patrons of the Haskell National Bank a kindly greeting and sincere thanks for the good will and prosperous business enjoyed at their hands and, to hope that for them and for us the year just opening shall be as propitious as the one just closed.

We desire also to say a few words in regard to an important change which has just occurred in the personnel of the Bank's officials. We refer to the voluntary resignation of our esteemed cashier, Mr. J. L. Jones, which took effect today, and to give some public expression of our appreciation of his valuable services during the eight years time which he has filled that responsible position. During that time he has had full control and we are gratified to say that no bad loans have been made and no losses have been sustained, but, to the contrary, the business has been so judiciously handled as to yield very satisfactory profits and dividends to the stockholders. We regret his retirement from the Bank's service, but are assured that he shall still have the benefit of his counsel in important matters.

While we thus regret to lose Mr. Jones, we believe that we have secured in Mr. G. R. Couch, who takes his place, a man well qualified for the position and who will soon become proficient in handling the Bank's affairs. Mr. Couch is too well known to our people to require any assurance from us to those who may have business relations with the Bank, that their interests will be entrusted to safe and conservative hands.

In conclusion we will say that there will be no change in the policy and methods of the Bank, and we respectfully solicit a continuance of the past liberal patronage.

M. S. PIERSON, Pres.
A. C. FOSTER, Vice-Pres.
LEE PIERSON, Asst. Cas'r.
D. R. Couch, Director.

(The Pres., Vice Pres., Cashier and Assistant Cashier are also Directors.)
Haskell, Texas, Jan. 1st, 1901.

The year just closed has been the most prosperous one in the history of our town and county. Our merchants without exception have done a larger volume of business than in any previous year and we are assured that their profits have been proportionately gratifying to them. Our professional men, mechanics, etc. have also enjoyed a prosperous year, the real estate agents, especially, reaping a rich harvest, owing to the heavy influx of new settlers. It has also been a good year for the live stock men and for the farmers, who have received good prices for good crops, with the single exception of a light yield of corn.

With good prospects for a railroad and a flouring mill before the year is out, and with the largely increased population tributary to the town, we enter upon the year 1901 full of hope and confidence in the continuance of the present prosperous conditions.

THE QUIET HOUR.

God never forces himself upon the indifferent soul. A little time alone with God every day is indispensable to those who would hear him speak. The man who never leaves his counting room cannot hear an oratorio. The student who never leaves his books will never know the glories of Mendelssohn or Beethoven. The housewife in whose ears is always the clatter of pots and pans and kettles will have no time or attention for a sweeter orchestra. So the man or woman who never listens to God's voice will never hear it. This makes indispensable the quiet hour, the morning watch, the moments of silent communion until our senses have become so refined and our spiritual ears so attentive that we can hear God's voice above the din of the market-place and the buzz of the school room and the clatter of the kitchen. The very familiarity of the voice of God in nature or his word may dull our accustomed ears to its sound just as the roar of Niagara is never heard by those who live upon the banks of the Horseshoe Falls and the whirr of the loom in the factory falls upon callous ears. Because we are familiar with God's message in his house, with his written word, with his songs of praise; we need all the more to stop and listen that we may catch his individual message for our souls.—Texas Advocate.

NEW YEAR'S ADVICE.

TO MY EYES.—Look on the bright side—see all the beauties, and be blind to the defects in the characters, as well as in the personal appearance of all, turn yourselves inward upon my heart and put to flight all impure desires.

TO MY EARS.—Listen well to the advice of all good people, but be deaf to the voice of evil doers, except the rebuke of a friend; but beware

THE GOSSETT HOTEL
(The old Court House and Messers Hotel.)
Haskell, Texas.

Having taken charge of this Hotel and refitted and refurbished it, it now offers to the

Local and Traveling Public

the best and most comfortable accommodations to be had in Haskell, but without a corresponding advance in prices.

Your Patronage Respectfully Solicited.
M. H. GOSSETT, Proprietor.

J. W. BELL,
Manufacturer & Dealer in
SADDLES and HARNESS

Full Stock, Work Promptly to Order.

Repairing done neatly and substantially. Prices reasonable and satisfaction with goods and work guaranteed.

Your Trade is Solicited.

M. S. PIERSON, President. A. C. FOSTER, Vice-President. J. L. JONES, Cash. LEE PIERSON, Asst. Cash.


THE HASKELL NATIONAL BANK,
HASKELL, TEXAS.

A General Banking Business Transacted. Collections made and Promptly Remitted. Exchange Drawn on all principal Cities of the United States.

DIRECTORS:—M. S. Pierson, A. C. Foster, J. L. Jones, Lee Pierson, T. J. Lemmon.

A BOON TO MANKIND!

DR. TABLER'S BUCKEYE FILE



CURE

A New Discovery for the Certain Cure of INTERNAL and EXTERNAL PILES, WITHOUT PAIN.

CURES WHERE ALL OTHERS HAVE FAILED.

TUBES, BY MAIL, 75 CENTS; BOTTLES, 50 CENTS.

JAMES F. BALLARD, Sole Proprietor, 310 North Main Street, ST. LOUIS, MO.

For sale by J. B. Baker, Haskell, Texas.

the flatterer's silver tongue. Record he good things said of all, but pay no heed to the backbiter's words.

TO MY TONGUE.—Speak the truth at any cost. Be not given to sarcasm; and refrain from every sharp or unkind remark.

Let all your words be chaste as if uttered for God's own ear.

Seek occasion to speak words of encouragement where they are needed; and give praise where it is due. Sing praises unto God, for he has blest me more than I deserve.

TO MY HANDS.—Be not ashamed to do any honest work. Do some kind deed for some one every day, and spurn to do anything that is tyrannical or ignoble.

TO MY FEET.—Willingly go where duty calls, and be quick to flee from forbidden paths. Carry me not to places of vice and wickedness; but take me where I may find companions to elevate, rather than degrade.

TO MY HEART.—Go forth to all mankind, in love—that love that puts its arms around the sinner and leads him into the fold; that love that lifts the fallen, cheers the faint and leads the blind; but leaves the soul unprotected from the world.

ELSIE MALONE McCOLLUM.

RELIEVED WOMEN

WINE OF CARDUI

has brought permanent relief to a million suffering women who were on their way to premature graves. Mrs. Mitchell was bed-ridden in health, when Wine of Cardui performed a "wonderful cure" in her case. She suffered with the age-old ailment of falling of the womb, leucorrhoea, and profuse menstruation. "The weekly appearance of the menses for two months stopped her vitality until she was a physical wreck. Her nervous system gave way. Then came the trial of Wine of Cardui and the cure. Mrs. Mitchell's experience ought to encourage every woman suffering from any of the ailments mentioned above."

is within the reach of all. Women who try it are relieved. Ask your druggist for a bottle of Wine of Cardui, and do not take a substitute if it is suggested.

Mrs. Willie Mitchell, 2222 South 2d St., St. Louis, Mo., writes: "I had been a great sufferer with falling of the womb and leucorrhoea, and my nervous system was so weak that I could not do any work. I had been told that Wine of Cardui was the best remedy for my case, and I bought a bottle. I took it for a few days, and my symptoms were very much relieved. I had been told that Wine of Cardui was the best remedy for my case, and I bought a bottle. I took it for a few days, and my symptoms were very much relieved. I had been told that Wine of Cardui was the best remedy for my case, and I bought a bottle. I took it for a few days, and my symptoms were very much relieved."

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SISTERS OF GOOD SHEPHERD

Use Pe-ru-na for Coughs, Colds, Grippe and Catarrh—A Congressman's Letter.



In every county of the civilized world the Sisters of the Good Shepherd are known. Not only do they minister to the spiritual and intellectual needs of the charges committed to their care, but they also minister to their bodily needs.

With so many children to take care of and to protect from climate and disease, these wise and prudent Sisters have found Peru-na a never-failing safeguard.

Columbus, O., July 10, 1900.

The Peru-na Medicine Co., City: Gentlemen—A number of years ago your attention was called to Dr. Hartman's Peru-na, and since then we have used it with wonderful results for grippe, colds, and catarrhal diseases of the head and stomach.

For grip and winter catarrh especially it has been of great service to the inmates of this institution.—"Sisters of the Good Shepherd."

The following letter is from Congressman Meekison, of Napoleon, Ohio:

The Peru-na Medicine Co., City: Gentlemen—I have used several bottles of Peru-na and feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head, and feel encouraged to believe that its continued use will fully eradicate a disease of thirty years' standing. —David Meekison.

Dr. Hartman, one of the best known physicians and surgeons in the United States, was the first man to formulate Peru-na. It was through his genius and perseverance that it was introduced to the medical profession of this country. Send to the Peru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book written by Dr. Hartman.



Congressman Meekison.

TO NEGRO DAUGHTER.

Miss Man's Fortune Given by the Court to a Colored Woman.

A peculiarly interesting case was decided by the Virginia supreme court of appeals in Richmond recently which gave the fortune of a well known Virginian, N. E. Burdine, to his negro daughter and denied the claim of his widow's dower rights therein. In the argument it was developed that N. E. Burdine and two of his former slaves, Roena and Nancy Burdine, mother of his daughter, entered into a contract, evidenced by writing and put upon record, whereby the two negroes were to give and serve him while he lived and were to receive in return at his death his farm, \$100,000 in the bank of Abingdon and \$500 cash to be paid to Nancy Burdine. The negroes had lived with Mr. Burdine from the time they were freed until a short time before the foregoing contract was made in 1853. In that year Roena went to Washington county to live, but owing to the severe illness of Mrs. Burdine Nancy would not go, but remained to care for her mistress. Mr. Burdine was very anxious to have the other back. She had long been a faithful and trusted servant. There was evidence to show that Mr. Burdine admitted being Nancy's father by Roena. He made the contract mentioned to induce Roena to return. She came back when notified of the contract. The agreement was signed only by Mr. Burdine. Mother and daughter served the Burdine family until Roena's death in 1885. Nancy continued to live with and served them until the death of Mrs. Burdine. Mr. Burdine married a second time and the second wife and Nancy not getting along well together, the negro was removed to a house on the farm. Her residence was several times changed by Mr. Burdine, but she always remained on the place. He died in 1897. The lower court decided against Nancy, but the supreme court of appeals in an exhaustive decision by Judge Buchanan, holds Nancy entitled to the property which Mr. Burdine agreed to give to her, and that the person representative of her mother entitled to the bank stock mentioned in the contract.

Shipbuilding in Maine.

The shipbuilding industry in Maine has been very active during the last year, and it is estimated that the tonnage turned out at the shipyards of the Pine Tree state will amount to about 55,000 tons for the year, 10,000 tons in excess of the output for 1899. Thirty-three schooners, most of which are very large in size, have been launched this year, and the outlook for next season is very encouraging. There has been some talk of building a seven-masted schooner, 350 feet long, at Camden, Me., and the contract will be awarded soon.

Great Beefsteak Dinner.

Commissioner Lantry, one of the New York Tammany leaders, has given notice to all the other leaders that his annual beefsteak dinner will be served on the evening of Feb. 11, and that they must not arrange for any other feasts on that day. The Lantry beefsteak dinner has grown to be the biggest thing of the kind in New York city. Last year it was served in the Grand Central palace, and so many thousands of men were fed that the counters lost track of them. This year the feast will be greater than ever before.

Speculating in Bank Books.

A new wrinkle in speculation made its appearance at a New York savings bank, where a run continued several days. A number of speculators who had more faith in the institution than their frightened depositors were busy buying up bank books at from \$50 to \$100 less than their face value, paying cash in each case. This was made possible by the fact that the man who holds a savings bank book is entitled to its balance. The purchases threw a strong light on the absurdity of the run, but still the crowd was extremely persistent.

Scene Off Coast of Bangor.

The other day a man was showing to Joseph H. Manley a series of water color sketches purporting to be scenes in Maine. Mr. Manley surveyed them with considerable interest until a beach scene was on the tapis.

"Where was that painted?" Maine's national committee man asked.

"On the coast of Maine," was the reply.

"But what part of the coast?" insisted Mr. Manley.

The man, evidently stumped, thought deeply, and then his face lit up.

"Why, off Bangor," he exclaimed.

One of Private Allen's.

Congressman Allen of Mississippi is not one of those who holds back a story for relationship's sake. He tells the following anecdote:

In the campaign a Democratic orator met a Mississippi farmer who was driving a goat which was drawing a barrel of water. "What's that goat for?" asked the orator. "Two dollars," said the owner. "Under free silver that goat would bring \$4," rejoined the orator. "Yes," drawled the farmer, "and I reckon that if I had this barrel of water in Shoel it would bring \$1000 easy."

If a man hasn't a wife there are a lot of things he never finds out until they happen.

The trouble about doing a favor is that the people you favor never let go until forced.

Some girls who light the parlor fire for their lover have the kitchen fire to do likewise after they wed him.

A man may compliment his wife in public, but woe to him if he speaks disparagingly.

Some women seem to wed in order to get rid of their husband.

The Twentieth Century.

We now stand at the threshold of the twentieth century, and the nineteenth is a thing of the past. It will, however, be known as the century of invention and progress, and among some of the greatest of these, we can truthfully mention Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the celebrated remedy for all ailments arising from a weak or disordered stomach, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, flatulency, constipation and biliousness.

THE CHANGE OF LIFE

Is the most important period in a woman's existence. Owing to modern methods of living not one woman in a thousand approaches this perfectly natural change without experiencing a train of very annoying and sometimes painful symptoms.

These dreadful hot flashes, sending the blood surging to the heart until it seems ready to burst, and the faint feeling that follows, sometimes with chills, as if the heart were going to stop for good, are symptoms of a dangerous condition. May I also add that I took the advice of an old friend from some years ago, who said the two things most likely to give pleasure in declining life were to learn what and to play the violin?—Spectator.

The Pleasures of Old Age.

No sane man would like to live his life over again. It is astonishing how the ordinary affairs of life seem to adapt themselves to your aged years. One's pleasures are quieter, but as enjoyable. To live in the lives of your children, to watch their progress, the development of their minds, is a source of pleasure. Then one has music, reading, gardening, etc. May I also add that I took the advice of an old friend from some years ago, who said the two things most likely to give pleasure in declining life were to learn what and to play the violin?—Spectator.

The Hoarding Habit.

The hoarding habit is a most unaccountable one.

A woman whose husband is a successful business man with a large income never parts with the discarded articles of her wardrobe until lack of storage room compels her to discard them. She will find a use for every article of her wardrobe, and it is little value.

The woman, too, is charitable in a way, and often sends provisions and the like to her church mission for the aid of the poor—but discarded clothing never.

Isn't it singular how many "lodgers" meet when a ballot show is in town?

FEMALE WEAKNESS CURED.

I was troubled with severe female weakness for over six months. I was treated by six very prominent physicians without any marked benefit. My last doctor was a skilled specialist, and he told me the only hope lay in an operation. I heard of Smith's Sure Kidney Cure, and after using it for one month I found myself cured, and even the doctor who last treated me now pronounces me well.

Mrs. J. R. FAVER, Atlanta, Ga. Price 50 cents. For sale by all druggists.

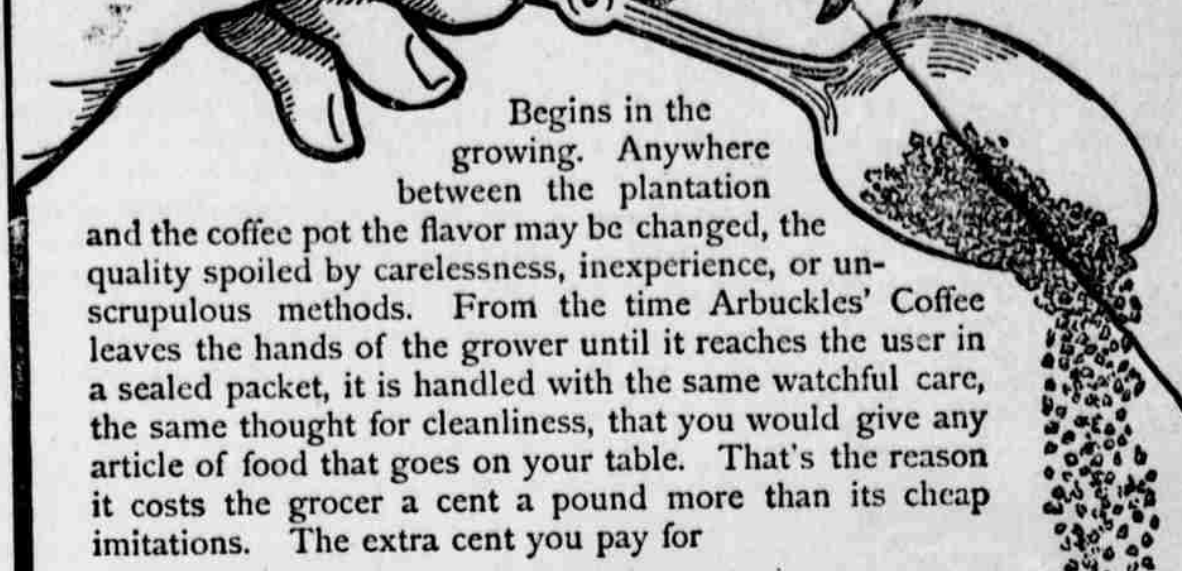
Bald-headed performances draw many half-bedecked males also.

MR. JENNIE NOBLE.

ing out for assistance. The cry should be heeded in time. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was prepared to meet the needs of woman's system at this trying period of her life. It builds up the weakened nervous system, and enables a woman to pass that grand change triumphantly.

"I was a very sick woman, caused by Change of Life. I suffered with hot flashes, and fainting spells. I was afraid to go on the street, my head and back troubled me so. I was entirely cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. JENNIE NOBLE, 2610 Keyser St., Germantown, Pa.

The Making of Good Coffee



Begins in the growing. Anywhere between the plantation and the coffee pot the flavor may be changed, the quality spoiled by carelessness, inexperience, or unscrupulous methods. From the time Arbuckles' Coffee leaves the hands of the grower until it reaches the user in a sealed packet, it is handled with the same watchful care, the same thought for cleanliness, that you would give any article of food that goes on your table. That's the reason it costs the grocer a cent a pound more than its cheap imitations. The extra cent you pay for

ARBUCKLES' Roasted Coffee

buys much more than a cent's worth of quality and strength. A pound of Arbuckles' Coffee will give you more cups of better coffee than you would get from other package coffees.

Be sure you get Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee. Other package coffees are but imitations of Arbuckles'.

In each pound package of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee there is a list of articles. With each package in which the list is found the purchaser has bought a definite part of some article to be selected by him or her from the list, subject only to the condition that the article on the package is to be put out and returned to our Notion Dept. You should see this list. Address all communications to

ARBUCKLE BROS.
Notion Department, NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

Dream of a Jailor's Wife.

Mrs. C. W. Simmons, wife of the jailor of the Sedwick county (Kan.) jail, was warned in a dream that an attempt would be made by the prisoners to force the grating. She awakened her husband and insisted that he should go and ascertain if all was well. Simmons investigated and found Charles McCoy, alias Ross, under sentence for horse stealing, engaged in sawing the iron bars between himself and liberty. Nine other prisoners were with him, and a wholesale delivery was contemplated. The prisoners were overpowered.

Humbled.

"Well," said Mrs. Kaffpfe, "I guess that Mrs. Jordan, who moved around the corner from us last spring and has never been at home when the neighbors call, will not be so stuck up after this!"

"Why?" her dear friend asked.

"Her girl thought the house was afire yesterday morning, and before the mistake was discovered the men who hurried in had set the awful lot of cheap bric-a-brac and shoddy furniture I ever saw out on the lawn where everybody could examine it as they passed."

All Hags Looked Red to Him.

Mischiefous persons visited the dairy farm of John Anschutz, a Stowe township, Pennsylvania, farmer, and adjusted a pair of red spectacles over the eyes of his cross white bull, Daxter. When this animal saw the whole world done in gay and gorgeous crimson, he made a wild charge to annihilate it. The side of the barn was knocked in, several lengths of fence prostrated and a milkmaid barely escaped with her life. The bull is now laid up for repairs and Mr. Anschutz is offering a reward of \$5 for the arrest of the guilty parties.

A Brutal Picture Taker.

The photographer had just completed all arrangements for the sale of his studio, when the pretty young miss of 17 summers tripped in with a bewitching smile.

"I want my picture taken," she whispered. "Do you think my face will break the camera?"

"Not this camera," said the photographer just as imperiously, "it is provided with double extra strong lenses."

Of course the miss of 17 summers immediately flounces out and goes to the rival photographer.—From the Indianapolis Sun.

A HIGH MARK.

The New York Almanac for 1901, issued by Chas. H. Fletcher for New York city, has set a high mark for similar publications by being the first to show remarkable enterprise on the part of the publisher when we consider that it is intended solely for free distribution. The numerous publications of this character are usually gotten up with the single idea of cheapness, while the thoughtfulness of its calendar and the fund of information all so to make it well worthy of personal preservation. It has innumerable hints for mothers as to the care of children. A unique page is the "Baby's Record," which is blank to be filled in with baby's name, date of birth, and first teeth, etc.

The whole is a very creditable piece of work and may be procured at any drug store or direct on request, free.

No one should attempt more than they can accomplish.

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