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CONSOLIDATION

The Free Press and the Headlight are following the example set by the enterprising drug firm of Baker & Cunningham, who, on the first of this year, combined their business energies and capital for the purpose of more fully meeting the wants of the public. One good business is worth more to the promoters and their customers than two smaller businesses that have not the time or the money for pushing their interests or supplying the every want of those who patronize them.

We have noticed the good results that are crowning the combined efforts of the popular druggists, and even though they have been associated in their business but three short months it

- MEANS -

That their many customers are

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Rock Island will complete its track and run trains into Dallas within a few days.

Diamonds and other precious stones to the value of \$25,000,000 were imported into the United States last year.

The Free Press hasn't as yet got its own account to entice much over Mr. Gorham as a presidential possibility. The democrats were twice defeated while this Achilles' heel is in his hand.

A negro sat on a jury in the district court at Sherman last week in the trial of a civil case. This is said to be the first time in about thirty years that a negro has sat on a jury there with white men.

The seventh annual convention of the Square Bale Growers' Association of Texas, has been called to meet in Houston on May 5th. The railroad will make a round trip rate of one and one-third fares.

Through a mistake at St. Paul, Minn., in which Gov. Van Sant sat on President Roosevelt's overcoat, it was discovered that the President in a pistol case. The "gun" was found in his overcoat pocket.

A game of cards for the drinks in a saloon in Jacksonville, O., a few nights since resulted in a pistol fight in which three men and a woman were fatally wounded and one seriously wounded.

The Grayson county local option case is now pending in the United States Supreme court, where it was carried by the Busch Brewing Company of St. Louis. The constitutionality of the Texas local option law is attacked on several grounds.

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I now have in stock a new lot of clothing, greatly increasing my stock and making one of the most complete lines of clothing ever offered to the public in this section. Like everything else I handle, the prices are right. Just come and see when you want anything in this line—I will make it pay you to do so.

Shoes and Hats.

A complete line of these for men, women and children,—extra good values for your money.

We have some special bargains for you in our general line of

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which is always stocked with the freshest and best things to eat to be found in the market, including fine country butter and eggs.

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AN EYE FOR AN EYE.

Laugh at the world or be laughed at;
Drawn as it comes on you.
For the wicked old earth from the time of its birth
Meas exacted travail as its due.

Sing if you aim to be pitted.
Such if you want to be scorned.
For the echoes rebound to the mock-joyful sound
Of indifference, by envy suborned.

Be glad and your fellows take umbrage,
He said, they regard you askance.
There are those to asstain for good fortune of thine,
Such fell reasons as malice advance.

There is room in the halls of pleasure,
But we would we alone were there,
And one by one we have passed on
To a narrow, selfish care.

For the smiles we rain would scatter,
And the hand we would fain reach out
Is an impulse we live and learn to see
Unrequited and put to rout.

And betrayals have oft been our portion,
For the kindness we would bestow;
So far away with pretense, out of pure self-defense,
We must mete out woe for woe.

-Sing Sing Prison Star of Hope.



Her Wish Realized.

She was sitting by the kitchen
table paring apples for mince-meat.
She was a tall, languid girl of sixteen
or thereabout, and spoke with a soft,
indolent drawl. She was talking
now, as much to herself as to any-

with a big mourning veil over her
face.
"Ob, miss," she whined in a feeble
voice, "can you tell me where I will
find Silas Perry's house? I'm his
mother, and I wrote him to meet me
at the Junction. But he couldn't get
the letter—he was always a good
son, Silas was. Is it a long walk to
his house?"

"Walk! You can't walk it. You
must be real old," said Alice hospi-
tably. "Get in with me. I go right
by Silas Perry's house."

With a muttered "Thank you," the
woman climbed awkwardly into the
sleigh.

"Let me take your satchel," said
Alice, making room at her feet; but

the wind caught the veil and disar-
ranged it. "It's got all I own in the
world in it," she said.

So she sat prim and severe, with her
precious satchel in her lap, while
Alice tucked the warm robes about
her.

The moon came up and shone with
little veils of cloud across it. They
were very silent. All at once Tony's
quick pace and the wind together
caught the black veil and tossed it
out of place. It was quickly snatched
back, but Alice had seen—whisker!

Her blood ran cold. It was the man
at the station. He was after the
money. What should she do. It
would do no good to shriek. She
must think quickly.

Suddenly Tony began to dance. The
girl gave a peculiar little twist to the
line—it was an old trick they had
played with a rope in the field. Some-
thing's frightened him," the girl cried
breathlessly, "but I guess I can hold
him." Dance, kick, snort, Tony seem-
ed possessed of a veritable evil spirit.

When she had quieted him a bit, the
girl suddenly clapped one hand to the
bosom of her jacket. "I've lost it!"
she cried excitedly—the money—
papa's money—it was a hundred and
seventy-five dollars.

"I had it a minute ago. Can't you
see it back there?" The figure by
her side turned its head. Yes, there
in the gleam of the light on the snow
was a small dark packet. "I can't
leave Tony," cried the girl. "Can't
you—won't you, please, get it for
me?"

Depositing the precious satchel, the
figure climbed reluctantly down from
the sleigh and started back toward
the object. It was almost reached.

"S-s-s-s, Tony!" Alice cried
under her breath—and instantly Tony
was off at great leaps, quieting gradu-
ally to long, even strides as he neared
the forest road.

The girl never moved; all she said
was "S-s-s-s!" at intervals. The
trees shot by. Was it an hour, two
hours, a week? The light of the
Perry farmhouse showed through the
thinning trees. Tony slowed down
and turned the curve of the home
drive with sides foaming, nostrils
dilating and eyes fairly bursting
from their sockets. The father was
waiting at the gate, the mother on
the stoop, Sarah and Wallie Burch
at the window. It was nine o'clock.

"What in the world!" ejaculated
the farmer. Alice thrust the money
into her father's hand and flung her
arms about her mother's neck. "I've
had my experience," she cried, and
fainted dead away.

The next morning when the satchel
was brought in, it was found to con-
tain a revolver, an ugly-looking rifle
and a small dark lantern.

"I hope he enjoys 'em,"
said Alice languidly—
Grace Adele Pierce in Los Angeles
Times.

The Illinois Central railway has paid
to the state in tax under its char-
ter, which calls for 7 per cent of
gross receipts, \$2,589,166 since com-
pletion of the road in 1855.



Paring apples for mince-meat.
whistle sounded at last. Mr. Leavett
and another man got off the train.
He caught sight of Alice. "Hello,
girl! I thought your father would
be sending for that money. Come up
to the house and have a cup of tea—the
money's up there."

When Alice started out from Mr.
Leavett's house it was half-past five.
When she and Tony were still two
miles from the woods, at a lonely
spot on the road, the horse suddenly
in reading's stood stock still. A
startling directly before
lighter—Berall woman dressed in black
tremely thin

WRAPS AND GOWNS

To Wash Flannel Blouses.
Dainty flannel blouses are quite easy
to wash at home. If you can get rain
water, use it; but if not, add a tea-
spoonful of borax to a gallon of warm
water in which you can comfortably
bear your hand. This will soften it.
Then dissolve in it a heaped table-
spoonful of soap jelly. Wash the
blouses first in this, and then in an-
other suds prepared in the same way.
Afterward rinse in two lots of water
of the same temperature as the suds,
to which a little borax, but no soap,
has been added.

Colored blouses should never be al-
lowed to soak, but be washed as quick-
ly as possible. Never wash blouses of
different colors in the same suds; and,
after washing and rinsing, hang in a
windy, but not sunny, place to dry,
spreading them as much as possible.

Pretty Theater Bodice.
The theater bodice shown is of
white mousseline, with straps of heli-



otrope velvet banding the shirring
that fit at the neck, waist and
wrists. The big butterfly applique
on the front is of white lace picked
out in gold. Tiny rhinestone buckles
hold the velvet straps of the girle in
place.

Toques of Modest Violets.
Violet toques are among the early
hats that are being shown. With the
first coming of spring this modest
flower is ever a prime favorite in mil-
linery, and this season the dainty
little flower will be used to compose
entire hats.

The color of the violet chosen for
head decoration is that with a pink-
ish tinge, those flowers with a blue
tendency being put aside for the
warmer purple coloring. Not only
toques, but medium sized hats as well
are being made up of violets. Often
among these, to intensify the coloring
a single pink rose is added, or a
bunch of white violets is put at one
side, if a brilliant tone is not desired.
A cluster of the gardenias, which are
likely to be more popular as the sea-
son advances, or a few camellias, give
a very artistic touch to these violet
toques.

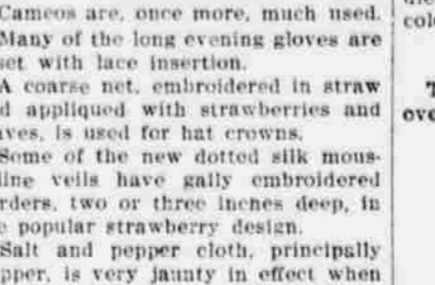
In some of these the brim is simply
made of the flowers, while the crown
is composed of maiden hair fern, the
green and the violet being especially
effective when combined in this way.

A Dainty Dessert.
Pare and cut in thin, crosswise
slices six large, juicy oranges, remov-

ing the seeds. Place a layer in the
bottom of a large glass dish, sprinkle
with sugar, then a layer of canned
shredded pineapple, drained from the
syrup, and continue the alternate
layers till the fruit is all used. Heap
sweetened whipped cream on top
and serve very cold, with gold,
sponge or some other light cake.

Molasses Candy.
Butter the inside of a deep sauce
pan and put in a quart of New Orleans
molasses—the saucepan must be deep
enough to prevent the molasses boiling
over. Boil for half an hour, lifting the
pan quickly from the fire for a minute
if it comes to the top. At the end of
half an hour add half a teaspoonful of
baking soda; continue to boil until it
is brittle and will snap between the
teeth when tried in cold water. Add
tablespoonful of vinegar or lemon
juice and pour out in a thin layer into
oiled tins. When cool enough to han-
dle this may be pulled to a light yellow
color if desired.

A Late Season Hat.
The hat illustrated is of white lace
over white panne velvet. Through the



loops of white liberty satin ribbon
bunches of shaded violets, with clus-
ters of loose stems are thrust.

Kimonas as Gifts.
A pretty gift for a woman friend
is a kimona. The short ones are
prettiest when made of flowered silk
with plain bands, the long ones just
the reverse. One can never have too
many of these dainty little dressing
sacks, as they sell quickly in the days
of soft coal.

Gun Metal Sleeve Links.
Sleeve links of gun metal are much
worn this season. The prettiest of
them show tiny sparkles of brilliant
jet or pale green jade imbedded in
the metal. They are highly acceptable as
Christmas gifts, their durability being
especially adapted to the needs of the
small boy.

Black Coats of Silk.
Black coats of silk or poplin are
likely the modish thing for young chil-
dren under 12, but the shoulders are
well covered with a large cape collar
of lace, or lace and embroidery com-
bined. This is supplemented by a
black hat, of course, and the effect is
stunning.

A few drops of good perfume ex-
tract on a bit of pumice stone, the
bits slipped in bureau drawers or
among gowns in a wardrobe, will
perfume belongings delightfully.



The girle and corsage garniture and
the full under sleeves are of blue
mousseline. Bands of black lace run
over the shoulders and band the upper

OPERA AND THEATER WRAPS.



HUMOR OF THE DAY

How She Described It.
After the callers had departed the
mother took the little one aside and
said: "It isn't polite to speak of a stom-
ach-ache before people," she ex-
plained. "It shows you have been eat-
ing too much."

The little one pondered this for some
time.
"Is a backache polite?" she asked
after a while.

"Well, it isn't quite so bad to say
you have a backache," was the reply.
The little one promised to remem-
ber, and she did. The next time there
was company to dinner she announced
at the conclusion: "I've got a back-
ache that's worked clean through."

Might Have One That Was Suitable.
Binks—You haven't got a half a dol-
lar you want to lend me, have you,
old man?
Jinks—I don't think so. Just wait a
minute, though, and I'll look 'em
over.

Properly Classified.
"We've been having a little dispute
as to the difference between courage
and foolhardiness, and we have decid-
ed to leave it to you."

"Well, state your case."

"How would you classify a man who
walked into a powder mill smoking a
pipe? If that doesn't require courage,
what does it require?"

"Nothing at all."

"That's it. The less a fellow has of
everything, including brains, the more
likely he is to do it. You couldn't call
him foolhardy without flattering him."

Voice of Experience.
"WHAT?" asks the attorney, "you a
married man, and yet you say you do
not know where a woman's pocket is?"

"Yes, I'm a married man," answers
the witness hotly, "and I want to tell
you that when you get to be one you'll
find out that it's all you want to do
to keep your eyes on your own pockets
without trying to find out where your
wife's are!"

His One Hobby.
Miss Passay—That wealthy Mr.
Hunter was pleased to say that I
interested him.
Miss Sharpe—The idea! How rude
of him!

Miss Passay—Rude?
Miss Sharpe—Yes; he's a collector
of antiques.—Philadelphia Press.

An Increase.
Smith—Hear you are the father of
a bouncing boy. Let me congratulate
you.
Jones—I'm the father of two bounc-
ing boys; twins, you know.

Smith—Ah, indeed? Then permit
me to extend my congratulations.
One includes the Other.
"Which do you think should be
more highly esteemed, money or
brains?"

"Brains," answered Makecash. "But
nowadays the only way a man can
convince people that he has brains is
to get money."—Stray Stories.

Too Stingy.
Casey—Av all the close fisted old
misers that ever Oi see Dolan's the
worst.
Casey—Oh, 'tis the family trait
wid him.

Casey—The family trait? Nonsense!
Shure, he'd never trait wan man, let
alone a family.

They Came Back.
La Montt—Homer sent out ten
poems entitled either "A Merry
Christmas" or "A Happy New Year."
La Moyne—How did he make
out?

La Montt—Oh, he got many re-
turns.

The Correct Way.
His Adored—Oh, Gawgw! Possibly
you didn't approach Papa properly?
Gawgw—I realize that. I ought to
have approached him from behind—
with an ax!

He Never Smiled Again.
"WHAT," asked the would-be funny
man, "is the difference between me
and a ground hog?"

"Not much," replied the snake ed-
itor, at whom the query had been fired,
"only in speaking of you I'd cut out
the ground."

Marked for Her Own.
Mistress—Jane, who was the man
I saw in your company last evening?
Jane—Oh, that was the son of my
intended mother-in-law, ma'am.

POULTRY

Gapes.
C. E. Matteson: We have a disease
called "gapes," which is usually
brought into our flocks by the impor-
tation of some affected bird. As to
the cause we are somewhat at
sea, but it is claimed by the best au-
thorities that the earth-worms con-
taining the embryos are eaten by the
chicks; the embryos are liberated,
from the earth-worms in the digestive
organs and find their way to the lungs.
and thence to the windpipe, where
they fasten themselves and multiply
very rapidly. The faster they multi-
ply the more difficult the breathing,
and if this is allowed to go on the
bird will soon choke to death. I
recommend only two treatments.
First, to catch all the affected chicks,
take a few at a time and place them in
a barrel where you have already
placed some air-tight lime. Cover
with a cloth and cause the chicks to
flutter slightly. By doing this they
inhale a great deal of this lime dust,
and in this way the worms are not
only killed but coughed up by the
chickens.

Another treatment is to take a pri-
mary feather from the wing of the
fowl, strip it smooth nearly to the tip,
insert this quickly into the windpipe,
give it a quick twist, and draw out.
In this way in a majority of cases you
will remove a whole bunch of gape
worms. When chicks are affected with
this malady they should be removed
to fresh grounds quite frequently.

Evident Roup.
A. M. D. writes the Farmers' Re-
view as follows: "What is the mat-
ter with my fowls and what shall I
do for them? They have froth in their
eyes and their eyes get sore and swell
shut. They have sores all over their
heads. (2) Is cayenne pepper health-
ful for fowls and how shall I give it?"

(1) It is evident that the inquirer
has a bad case of roup among his
fowls. The best thing to do is to
separate the birds and keep them sepa-
rated. This should not be done by
taking the sick fowls away from the
well ones, but by taking the well ones
away from the sick. Probably the
house and yards are contaminated,
though this is perhaps not a settled
point as to roup. We have little or no
faith in medicines for roup and hence
shall recommend none. The writer
has tried many kinds of medicines but
has never found any that seemed to
do good. Try separating the fowls
and keeping them in a dry clean place.
See that there are no drafts to make
trouble. Let us hear from you later.

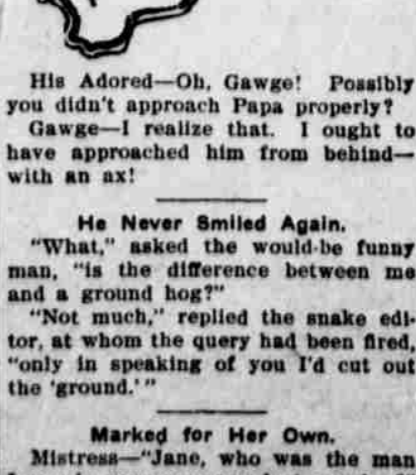
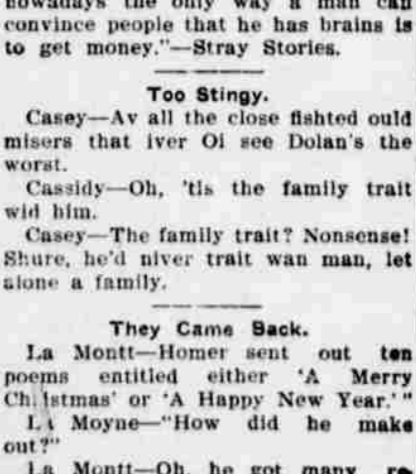
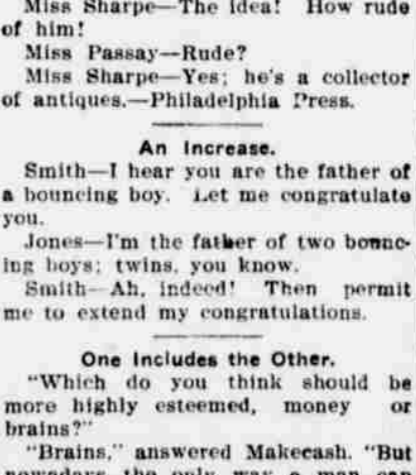
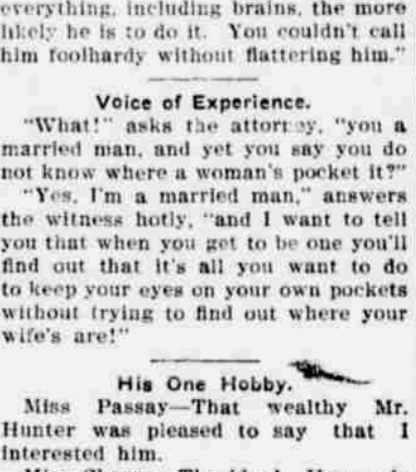
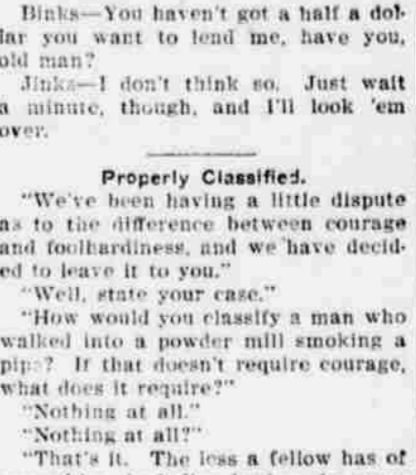
(2) As to cayenne pepper little need
be said. It is of little value to well
fowls. It would do no harm to feed
some to sick fowls. It might stimu-
late their digestive organs. There is
no settled rule for feeding it, nor can
those who have fed it tell just how
much to feed at a time. Care should
be taken not to feed too much.

Feed for Incubator Chicks.
We have found that sifting the
cracked corn, scraps and cracked
wheat through sieves, so as to remove
both the meal and larger pieces, gives
favorable results. Millet seeds, broken
rice, rolled oats, and other things
of this character were greedily eaten,
and well digested. For meat the
youngest chickens we have given the
sterile eggs boiled hard and ground
through a sausage machine. While it
is preferable, if one has time, to chop
the egg fine and mix it with bran, or
even feed it a little at a time to the
chickens, we found it satisfactory to
mix it with the bran until it was
crumbly, and feed it in bulk, a suffi-
cient quantity being given for the
number of chickens in the brooder.
Mixing the eggs with cracker did not
succeed with us as well for very young
chicks, although it is fed by others
apparently without harm. As the
chickens grew older meat scraps were
substituted. These were usually
sifted, added to the grain ration, and
strewn upon a sawdust mat.
Bolted liver and animal meal were also
used, but there was very little differ-
ence in the gain of the different chick-
ens when fed upon the animal meal,
meat scraps, or egg.—R. I. Experiment
Station.

A Poultry Course at Columbia.
The Missouri Agricultural College,
located at Columbia, Missouri, an-
nounces a two week's course in poul-
try farming beginning March 2nd and
closing March 14th, 1903. This work
will be given by Mr. T. E. Orr of
Beaver, Pennsylvania, one of the best
poultry experts in America and secre-
tary of the American Poultry Associa-
tion. The work will embrace thorough
instruction in the breeding, feeding,
judging and general management of
poultry for profit and pleasure. Spe-
cial instruction in handling of incu-
bators and brooders and other mod-
ern poultry appliances will be given.
The number of students admitted to
this course will be limited to one hun-
dred. Those who are planning to sell
this work should register their names
at the earliest possible moment. Full
information may be had by address-
ing Dean H. J. Waters, Columbia, Mis-
souri.

New Building for Bureau of Plant
Industry.
A report from Washington, D. C.,
says that another building for the use
of the Bureau of Plant Industry has
been erected in that city. It was the
product of private enterprise. It was
ready for occupancy January 1st. It
is three stories high, 40x65 feet
on the ground and contains 35 rooms
exclusive of the basement. In it will
be brought together the various
branches of plant investigation, which
hitherto have been widely separated.

The farmer that makes money from
his milk cows is the one who studies
the science of feeding and keeps con-
stantly in touch with the market. With
the constantly changing prices the
farmer can never be certain that the
feed he was feeding profitably last
week is equally profitable this week.
The old adage is the man that is
most likely to succeed, a small mar-
gin of profit is only a little removed
from a margin of loss.





Mrs. Laura L. Barnes, Washington, D. C., Ladies Auxiliary to Burnside Post, No. 4, G. A. R., recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"In diseases that come to women only, as a rule, the doctor is called in, sometimes several doctors, but still matters go from bad to worse; but I have never known of a case of female weakness which was not helped when Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was used faithfully. For young women who are subject to headaches, backache, irregular or painful periods, and nervous attacks due to the severe strain on the system by some organic trouble, and for women of advanced years in the most trying time of life, it serves to correct every trouble and restore a healthy action of all organs of the body.

Thought He Was Well Paid. Mayor Charles Dick of Ohio, says he got a lesson when trying his first law case. He was a student in a law office and was getting nothing for his time except opportunity to associate with lawyers. His first case was in a petty court and he indignantly in some slyrocket oratory. After the trial an old man who had known him all his life said: "Charlie, be you makin' much at the law business?" "No, I am not getting anything, being only a student." "Well," said the man, "strikes me ye're gittin' purty well paid anyhow."

He who has no inclination to learn more will be very apt to think that he knows enough.—Powell.

Founders of large fortunes are usually too mean to enjoy them.

He is rich who is content with the least, for content is the wealth of nature.—Socrates.

Unbecoming forwardness oftener proceeds from ignorance than impudence.—Guville.

More Flexible and Lasting. won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

Kindness is a language the dumb can speak and the deaf can hear and understand.—Hovee.

The best Morphine, Opium and Liqueur Remedy in the world is prepared by Dr. Purdy, No. 6 Mitchell Bldg., Houston, Tex. Sample and booklet sent free.

Superiority to circumstances is one of the most prominent characteristics of great men.

After six o'clock is not too late to write and ask us what we want you to do in representing a well established business. Three letters \$5 to five dollars (\$5 daily). No capital required. Address No. 314, N. Texas Building, Dallas, Texas.

One night of foolish carousal may destroy the result of a year's intelligent labor.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

The man who finds fault with a gift is a pessimist beyond redemption.

Those Who Have Tried It will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—10 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

Try breathing the fumes of turpentine or carbolic acid to relieve whooping cough.

Drink Dr. Pepper. It is good for the craving that comes with spring. It is delightfully refreshing, healthful and invigorating. At soda fountains 5c per glass.

Nothing is less our power than the heart, and far from commanding we are forced to obey it.—Rousseau.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave. N. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1909.

The highest genius is willingness and ability to do hard work.—R. S. McArthur.

TO CURE A COLD IN A FEW HOURS. Take Hinton's Bad Cold Breakers. At all Druggists or by mail. Price 25c. BARTON'S DRUG COMPANY, Dallas.

Individuality is everywhere to be spared and respected as the root of everything good.—Richter.

When Your Grocer Says he does not have Defiance Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. Defiance Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but contains 10 oz. to the package and sells for same money as 12 oz. brands.

Try taking cod liver oil in tomato catsup if you want to make it palatable.

RUN BY PERSPIRATION POWER.

Potter's Distinguished Guest.

During an uncommonly hot week of a summer when Bishop Henry C. Potter resided on North Washington square he had as a guest a distinguished English churchman, bishop and member of the House of Lords. The visitor was afflicted with rheumatism and was unable to ascend the stairs from the dining room without considerable suffering. The residence was equipped with a hand-power freight and baggage elevator, large enough to accommodate one passenger, although not ordinarily used for that purpose. After noticing the evident pain caused by the stairway, in the case of his distinguished guest, it occurred to Bishop Potter that the freight elevator might be available as a more convenient means of ascent.

After dinner on one of the hottest days in summer the experiment was tried. The visiting bishop stepped carefully into the gloomy box. Two young men who had also dined well, and to whom post-prandial exertion was in the nature of a sore burden, were pressed into service to haul on the ropes. The distinguished and afflicted guest was of a portly habit, and weighed more than the average of "stone."

The elevator was not built for great weights, and its lifting power exceeded almost exactly upon the main strength at the end of the ropes. With prodigious heaving and hauling the ascent was begun. The two flushed and panting young men looked at each other and had emphatic thoughts. As the gattered calves of the ecclesiastic were disappearing up the shaft, an inch at a time, a deep voice floated down to the volunteer crew: "I say, does it run by water-power?"

And in a gasping duet, the reply ascended from below: "Yes, my lord, by perspiration power."—New York Mail and Express.

COULDN'T HAVE HIS DAUGHTER.

And the Old Deacon Gave Good Reason for His Refusal.

An eccentric old deacon in a New England town was approached some time ago by a young man who sought his daughter's hand in marriage. "You can't have my daughter," said the deacon. "But I love her dearly, and she loves me," pleaded the youth. "No matter; you can't have her."

"You know, sir, that I am amply able to support a wife, and you know, also, that my reputation is without a blemish."

"I could not ask for a more thrifty or a more upright man—but for all that, you can't have my daughter."

"Well, since you seem to find no fault with me, please explain your objection to my marriage with your daughter."

"It is simply that she has an ungovernable temper."

"But Sarah is a devout Christian," pleaded the youth.

"That may be true," said the deacon. "But, see here, young man, you will come to know, before you are as old as I am, that the Lord can get along with many persons that you couldn't get along with."

Love's Bitter Sweet. Tell me your joy, that I may tune my life to echo the glad music of your own. To the changing melody, the sunny strife of harmonies blent in one full sweet tone.

So shall the faithful shadow of my night Highten your happy radiance of delight.

Tell me your sorrow, that I may disdain Mirth and rejoicing, banish all relief, Save the sad ecstasy, the cruel gain Of being one with you, dear heart, in grief.

You did deny me love—have you no woe, No pain, to share with one who loves you so?

A Perfect Gentleman.

At a euchre party in Bala the other afternoon a young woman told a funny story that she had a part in in Colorado recently. "I was calling," she said, "on a lady in Denver, and in the parlor with us were the two sons of the house, Willie and George, aged respectively 8 and 5 years. Willie was very quiet and good, but George behaved awfully. He broke an ornament; he fretted and cried; he kicked his mother; he cut his finger with a fruit knife. Finally my hostess said to him: 'George, why can't you behave yourself?' Just look at your brother Willie. See what a perfect little gentleman he is. His good conduct ought to make you ashamed. He—a perfect gentleman, you—a little beast! The good Willie, sitting upright in his chair, smiled acquiescence to all this praise. 'George is making a d—n fool of himself, isn't he?' he remarked complacently."

Couldn't Mail His Kitty.

The United States mail service is continually handling all sorts of curious things, but all previous records were broken, so far as the Omaha postoffice is concerned, when a kitten properly tagged and addressed and stamped was pushed through the window labeled "Packages." The sender was a colored boy so small that he could scarcely reach the window, and when the clerks explained to him that the animal could not go through the mails, and forced him to take it back, his contempt for the institution was unlimited.

Spilled His Dinner.

A prominent clergyman in Boston, who is actively identified with missionary work, has recently been preparing some negro clergymen from the South for mission work. Lately he invited them to dine with him. Toward the dinner hour the reverend gentleman waited an hour in his reception room for his guests, but none came. At last he called his maid servant, mentioning the matter to her and remarking that it was very strange that his expected guests did not put in their appearance.

"Yes, sir," replied Mary; "but wot's stranger still, sor, is that O'ye done bothin' the whole evenin' but turnin' up misstravel from the dure."

DAN GROSVENOR SAYS:

"Pe-ru-na is an Excellent Spring Catarrh Remedy—I am as Well as Ever."



HON. DAN A. GROSVENOR, OF THE FAMOUS OHIO FAMILY.

Hon. Dan A. Grosvenor, Deputy Auditor for the War Department, in a letter written from Washington, D. C., says:—

"Allow me to express my gratitude to you for the benefit derived from one bottle of Peruna. One week has brought wonderful changes and I am now as well as ever. Besides being one of the very best spring tonics it is an excellent catarrh remedy."

DAN A. GROSVENOR.

In a recent letter he says:—

"I consider Peruna really more meritorious than I did when I wrote you last. I receive numerous letters from acquaintances all over the country asking me if my certificate is genuine. I invariably answer yes."—Dan A. Grosvenor.

A County Commissioner's Letter. Hon. John Williams, County Commissioner, of 517 West Second street, Duluth, Minn., says the following in regard to Peruna:—

"As a remedy for catarrh I can cheerfully recommend Peruna. I know what it is to suffer from that terrible disease and I feel that it is my duty to speak a good word for the tonic that brought me immediate relief. Peruna cured me of a bad case of catarrh and I know it will cure any other sufferer from that disease."—John Williams.

A Congressman's Letter. Hon. H. W. Ogden, Congressman from Louisiana, in a letter written at Washington, D. C., says the following of Peruna, the national catarrh remedy:—

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"I can conscientiously recommend your Peruna as a fine tonic and all around good medicine to those who are in need of a catarrh remedy. It has been commended to me by people who have used it, as a remedy particularly effective in the cure of catarrh. For those who need a good catarrh medicine, I know of nothing better."—H. W. Ogden.

W. E. Griffith, Concan, Texas, writes: "I suffered with chronic catarrh for many years. I took Peruna and it completely cured me. I think Peruna is the best medicine in the world for catarrh. My general health is much improved by its use, as I am much stronger than I have been for years."—W. E. Griffith.

A Congressman's Letter. Congressman H. Bowen, Ruskin, Tazewell county, Va., writes: "I can cheerfully recommend your valuable remedy, Peruna, to any one who is suffering with catarrh, and who is in need of a permanent and effective cure."—H. Bowen.

Mr. Fred D. Scott, Laure, Ohio, Right Guard of Hiram Post, Hall Team, writes: "As a specific for such trouble I place Peruna at the head. I have used it myself for colds and catarrh of the bowels and it is a splendid remedy. It restores vitality, increases bodily strength and makes a sick person well in a short time. I give Peruna my hearty endorsement."—Fred D. Scott.

Gen. Ira C. Abbott, 906 M Street N. W., Washington, D. C., writes:—

"I am fully convinced that your remedy is an excellent tonic. Many of my friends have used it with the most beneficial results for coughs, colds and catarrhal trouble."—Ira C. Abbott.

Mrs. Elmer Fleming, orator of Reservoir Council No. 108, Northwestern Legion of Honor of Minneapolis, Minn., writes from 2533 Park street, N. E., Minneapolis, Minn.: "I have been troubled all my life with catarrh in my head. I took Peruna for a bout three months, and now I think I am permanently cured. I believe that for catarrh in all its forms Peruna is the medicine of the age. It cures when all other remedies fail. I can heartily recommend Peruna as a catarrh remedy."—Mrs. Elmer Fleming.

Treat Catarrh in Spring. The spring is the time to treat catarrh. Cold, wet winter weather often retards a cure of catarrh. If a course of Peruna is taken during the early spring months the cure will be prompt and permanent. There can be no failures if Peruna is taken intelligently during the favorable weather of spring.

As a systemic catarrh remedy Peruna eradicates catarrh from the system wherever it may be located. It cures catarrh of the stomach or bowels with the same certainty as catarrh of the head.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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WIT AND HUMOR



Nothing in It.

At the request of the confirmed dyspeptic the operator was taking an X-ray photograph of the seat of his trouble.

"This, I suppose," remarked the sufferer, with a ghastly attempt to be facetious, "is what might be called taking light exercise on an empty stomach."

Fatal Error.

Markley—I was foolish enough to remark to my wife that I rather admired those new waists that button down the back. So she got one.

Ascum—Well, you practically told her to get it.

Markley—Oh, that was all right, but now she insists that she must have a maid to button it for her.

Perhaps They Did.

The bride—O, Jack! How delightfully romantic it is to think that we are actually an eloping couple.

The groom—You don't regret it, do you, darling?

The bride—O, no! But I do wish we could have eloped with father's consent.

His Reason.

Smithkins—There's old Bifkins. I don't care to meet him. Let's turn this way. Last summer I requested a loan of \$20.

Tifkins—Well, he ought to have obliged you; he's rich enough.

Smithkins—The trouble is he did.—Smart Set.

A Leading Question.

Bobble—Pa, is red a sign of danger? Colonel Rumblossom—Yes; I believe so.

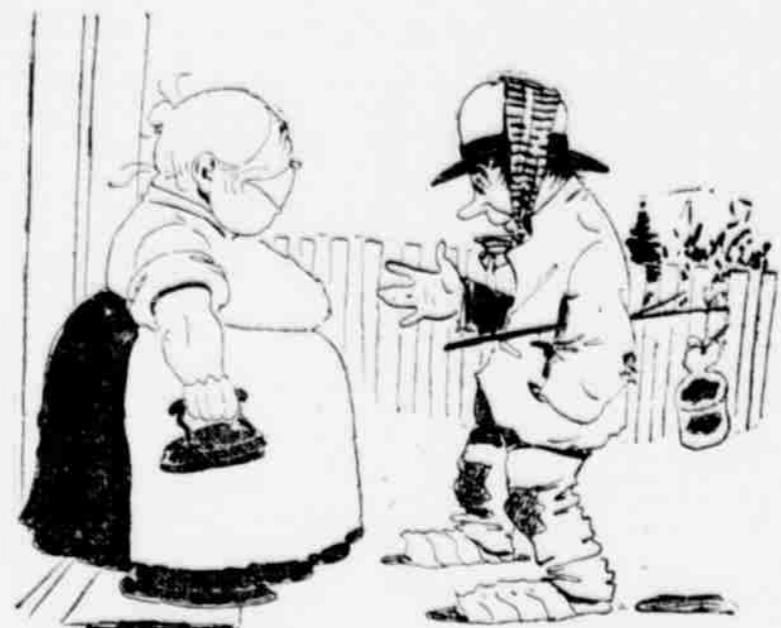
"Then why don't you sign the pledge?"—The Smart Set.

Positively Brutal.

She (at the piano)—"How do you like my playing? I play only by ear, you know."

He (a savage bachelor)—"Hem! Why don't you consult an aurist?"

SHE HAD A REMEDY.



Wandering Mike—No, ma'am, I can't work. Me blood is out of order and me system is all run down.

Mrs. O'Rourke—Shure an' they say iron is good fer th' blood, an' if yer don't move quick yer will be after gettin' it.

THE REASON.



Katherine—What makes Chumpleigh so down-hearted to-night?

Kidder—His rich old aunt is dead.

Katherine—But she died a month ago?

Kidder—I know, but her will was just read this morning.

An Odor of Cloves.

Although a bride of but three short months she had her troubles, and quite naturally made a confidant of her mother.

"My dear child," said the old lady, "if you would have neither eyes nor ears when your husband comes home late from his club, you might be happier."

"Perhaps you're right, ma," answered the young wife with a soulful sigh, "but what am I to do with my nose?"

Then He Tumbled.

Wags—I was unconscious for nearly three hours yesterday afternoon.

Wags—Indeed! What was the cause?

Wags—A fall.

Wags—How did you fall?

Wags—Asleep.

One or the Other.

"I don't know whether she has shaken him or promised to marry him."

"Why?"

"He has stopped buying extravagant presents for her.—Catholic Standard.

Even if Only a Compliment.

"When I visit Blackpool in the summer I always pay a visit to my old landlady."

"Well, I suppose it's only right that you should pay her something, old man."

Fully Equipped.

He—That little girl has her mother's looks.

She—Yes, and her father's temper.

Not a Fiction.

"I don't think it's a nice thing to say of Mrs. Odson that she got her husband at a bargain counter."

"Oh, but it's true. He was the young man that saved her life in a crush at a glove sale at Spotaash's one day."

Fertile in Expedients.

DeGarry—You let the other fellow put his arm around you.

Dolly—Pshaw! We were dancing.

DeGarry—But I can't dance.

Dolly—Then why don't you take me out for a ride?

Unpleasant Either Way.

Husband—I don't think we would better accept the Pinktons' invitation to dinner, because if we go we are not in a position to return it.

Wife—But if we don't they'll know that is the reason.

Method in Her Madness.

Anxious Mother—"Daughter, why do you persist in reading those sensational stories?"

Prudent Daughter—"Because they make me feel that I am not the only one."

The Effete East.

Wabash—"How long did it take you to do that picture?"

French Artist (proudly)—"I am on a safe ground in six months."

Wabash—"Just as I thought. You're dead slow over here. Why, I've seen fellows in Chicago turnin' their things out while ye wait."—Philadelphia Press.

Poor Opinion of Esau.

"What can you tell me about Esau?" asked the Sunday school teacher of the juvenile class.

"Esau," replied a little fellow, with all the confidence of one who feels himself on safe ground, "was a feller who wrote a book and swapped the copyright for a mess of potash."

A Prejudiced Deduction.

Wagsby—"So De Wryter says he wrote ninety-nine poems last year, does he?"

Nagsby—"I understood him to say 'better than a hundred.'"

Wagsby—"That's what I meant by ninety-nine. I've read his poems."

Obstinacy.

"Sir," she cried, "if you kiss me, I'll shriek."

"If it's all the same to you," he said politely, "why not shriek first?"

"Sir," she coldly remarked, "I decline to shriek at all."

Then he kissed her.

DISAPPOINTED.



Evaline (fishing)—What did Mr. Moneybags say about me last night?

Geraldine—Oh! he said you could talk like sixty.

Evaline—The brute! And he knows I'm not over twenty-two.

What She Would Have.

"Grandma, I am 5 years old to-morrow, and I'm going to have a cake with five candles on it."

"What would you do if you were 505, like me?"

"I'd have fireworks."—Life.

To Make Himself Fit.

"See here," cried the customer, "this here suit's too tight for me."

"Well, my friend," replied the misfit dealer, "before I would let you lose so great a bargain I will throw in a bottle of anti-fat mit it."

The Very Smallest.

"I suppose," said the sanctum visitor, "there is nothing too small to escape your observation."

"No," replied the rural editor, "not even the man who tries to get his paper for nothing."

Suspicious.

"I can't help habbin' my suspicions," said Uncle Eben, "when I sees a young man stan'in' around talkin' 'bout his hand luck, 's'id of readin' de 'help wanted' advertisements."

TWENTY-TWO YEARS OLD: MOTHER OF TEN CHILDREN



President Roosevelt ought to approve of Mr. and Mrs. Stanislaus Spychalski. Mrs. Spychalski is twenty-two years old and the mother of ten children.

On the night of Jan. 4 she gave birth to quadruplets, two boys and two girls and all four are thriving; indeed, have grown stout and lusty, despite the fact that doctors said one at least of the "quad" would not survive, she was so very tiny and frail.

The Spychalski family lives at No. 1556 Campbell street, Toledo, O. They came to America from Poland. They were married seven years ago, the bride being fifteen years old. In less than a year after the marriage the

GOT HIS MONEY'S WORTH.

Duke of Veragua's Wonderful Signature Sent by Telegraph.

Among a late crop of stories told at the expense of Chicago is this one, set about by an Italian paper. When the duke of Veragua, the descendant of Christopher Columbus, visited Chicago he inquired at a telegraph office the charge for a telegram to the city of Columbus of ten words. "Fifteen cents," answered the official, not including the signature, which is wired free.

Whereupon the duke wired: "Mayor, Columbus: Shall visit your city next Monday or Tuesday." And he signed it, "Cristobal Colon de Toledo y Larreategui de la Corda Ramirez de Baquedany Gante Almirante y Adelantado Mayor de las Indias, Marques de Jamaica, Duque de Veragua y de la Vega, Grande de Espana, Senor del Reino, Caballero de la insigne orden del Toison d'Oro, Gran Cruz de la Concepcion de Villaviciosa, Gentil Hombre de Camarra del Rey de Espana."

FORSTER'S WORK IN OFFICE.

New Assistant Secretary Promoted from Important Clerkship.

Rudolph Forster of Virginia, who has been appointed assistant secretary to the president, was born in Washington in October, 1872. He was educated in the public schools of that city, is a graduate of Columbia university law school, was appointed from Virginia as a clerk in the United States commission of fish and fisheries in 1894 and in March, 1897, was

Indians Have Absurd Names.

Here are a few names taken from the rolls of the Chickasaw and Choctaw nations in Indian Territory as made up by the Dawes commission: Excellent Love, Uple Bogle, Cora Tuggle, Indian Territory Spears, Chick and Chock (twins), Okla and Homa (twins), Evi Kiel, Smile Hancock, Hate Fobb, Mealey Tecumseh, Hilly Wolf, Lying Hampton, Sweet Magnolia Brown, Sweetann Cole, Selly Brate Smith (born July 4), Piesas Jonathan Keith, Epiuribus Guest, Fancy Nora Brown, Nervus Jackson, Always Billy, Dethadue Watts, Dicy Jiggetts, June Love.

Antwerp Claims First Newspaper.

Antwerp claims to have printed the first of the world's newspapers in 1605, and will celebrate the tercentenary in 1905. The paper was published by Abraham Verhoeven, and antedated the first English paper by seventeen years.

Art Degree in Three Years.

Harvard college has reduced its course for the arts degree to three years.

Not Much Profit in Speculation.

A millionaire who died recently in New York left an account book filled with his "speculations" as apart from his legitimate investments. The total purchases and sales for the last three years approximated \$2,000,000. Two hundred and sixty dollars' profit remained to the financier's estate.

Had Confidence in Invention.

Benjamin Leo of Cleveland, the inventor of a new type of street car fender, with hollow rubber cylinders along the edge, allowed himself to be struck by a car going twelve miles an hour the other day, and escaped injury.

Parks Godwin's 87th Birthday.

Like Godwin, the veteran editor and in-law of William Cullen Bryant, has just celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday. He resides the greater part of the year at the former home of the poet, Roslyn, L. I.

Death in Shays Company.

On the twentieth of the wealth of the German nation is in \$900 share company.

MRS. MAYBRICK'S LONG IMPRISONMENT TO END

The British home secretary has at last promised to release Mrs. Maybrick, the American woman who was convicted fourteen years ago on the charge of murdering her English husband. She is to be released next year. The organized movement to secure a pardon for Mrs. Maybrick was begun as soon as she was convicted and the case became famous owing to the almost general belief that Mrs. Maybrick was innocent, and the efforts of thousands of men and women on both sides of the Atlantic in her behalf, persons of worldwide prominence, and even those concerned.



In March, 1889, marks the beginning of the serious trouble. It was on March 28, 1889, that Mrs. Maybrick attended the races at Alntree with Briery. Maybrick was there and not his wife and Briery. Maybrick was under the influence of liquor, and in a towering rage. After abusing his wife in the vilest language he could command he struck her with his flat square in the face. Briery fled.

STORY OF MAYBRICK CASE.

It was only a short time later that Maybrick attended the races again. It was raining and he caught a severe cold. That night he was down with high fever. Mrs. Maybrick nursed him.

All the nursing was under the direction of Mrs. Maybrick, and it was some days before a doctor was called in. Maybrick died after an illness of eight days, and the diagnosis was gastro-enteritis from poison.

Mrs. Maybrick was accused by brothers of Maybrick, and the British officials took the case.

A letter was produced, said to have been written to Briery by Mrs. Maybrick during the illness of her husband. In this letter were the statements: "He is sick unto death," "Now all depends upon how long his strength will hold out," "Relieve your mind of all fear of discovery."

During the trial, Mrs. Gore, a night nurse, testified that Mrs. Maybrick had entered the sick man's room and had taken from a stand at his bedside a jar of meat juice, which she returned only a short time later. The nurse secured the jar and gave it to one of the physicians. It contained half a grain of arsenic. It was further testified that arsenic was found in many other places in the house. An endeavor was made to explain this by showing that Maybrick had been addicted to the use of arsenic.

The trial was a long one and there was a great battle between medical experts. Mrs. Maybrick was found guilty by a jury and sentenced to death. The sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment.

Since 1889 Mrs. Maybrick has been in Aylesbury prison. She has not been permitted to see her children, two of whom are still alive and in good hands.

From the time of Mrs. Maybrick's conviction her mother, the baroness von Roques, has been unremitting in her attempts to obtain the prisoner's release, in which she has been aided by influential friends on both sides of the Atlantic.

In 1900, after the death of Lord Russell of Killowen, chief justice of England, a letter written to Mrs. Maybrick in 1895 was discovered. It showed that the lawyer was convinced that she ought never to have been convicted.

DEAN FARRAR'S BUSY LIFE.

Eventful Career of English Churchman Who Died Last Week.

The Very Rev. Frederic William Farrar, D. D., dean of Canterbury, former chaplain to Queen Victoria, and chaplain of the house of commons, died at London last week, in his 82d year.

Dean Farrar was born on Aug. 7, 1821, and was educated at Cambridge. After his graduation he was assistant master at Marlborough college, and afterwards for sixteen years head master at Harrow. Later he returned to Marlborough as head master. In 1876 he became canon of Westminster abbey and rector of St. Margaret's. He was appointed archdeacon of Westminster in 1883. In 1890 he became chaplain of the house of commons, holding the position until 1895, when he was appointed dean of Canterbury.

It is as an author that Dean Farrar is best known to the reading world of England and the United States. His "Life of Christ" has long been looked upon as a modern religious classic. In addition to his career as a theological writer he published several books of fiction. His "Life of Christ" appeared

WILL ACT FOR CANADA.

British Members of Alaskan Boundary Commission Appointed.

The British embassy at Washington has been formally advised of the appointment of Lord Chief Justice Alverstone, of England, and Sir Louis Jette, retired judge of the supreme court of Quebec, and Sir John Douglas Armour, judge of the supreme court of Canada, as members of the Alaskan Boundary commission, provided for under the Hay-Herbert treaty. Sir Michael Herbert has informed the state department of the appointments.

Mayor Hughes Is Outspoken.

The remark of Thomas J. Hughes, mayor of Seattle, when the grand jury indicted him for malfeasance in office was an interesting political observation. "If the grand jury has indicted me," he is quoted as saying, "it may as well indict every man that voted for me. I told them how I would run the town and I have done just as I promised."

Clark Thinks Salary Too Small.

Champ Clark, the picturesque Missourian, has signed a contract to lecture in a number of towns in the East and Central West, concluding the tour at Shenandoah, Iowa, in May. He agrees with Congressman Benton, who said in a recent interview that it is difficult for a member of Congress to maintain himself on the \$5,000 a year salary paid.

English Singer's Long Career.

Charles Santley, the well-known English baritone, was born in Liverpool in 1834. At the age of twenty-one he went to Milan and studied with Gaetano Naro. Manuel Garcia also taught him on his return to London and his first appearance was at St. Martin's hall as Adam in "The Creation" on Nov. 16, 1857. Two years later he rendered of Huel in "Dinorah" at Covent Garden, brought him his first great success. In 1862 he first sang in Italian opera in "Il Trovatore," winning high praise from the critics. Mr. Santley visited Australia in 1889-90 and the Cape in 1893.

Need Not Care for Critics.

The critics say that Rudyard Kipling is "no poet," but as long as publishers eagerly pay him fifty cents a word for the stuff he reels off, the opinion of critics will not materially disturb his slumbers.

Pernicious Practice Stopped.

Orders have been issued by the Archbishop of Wolynia, in Russia, forbidding his clergy to continue the practice of accepting intoxicating liquors in payment for their ministrations.

Professor of Railroad.

A regular professorship of railroad engineering is to be created at the Technical High School of Berlin.

ONLY ONE DAY LEFT

THE LEGISLATURE WINDS UP ITS BUSINESS.

SOME THINGS BETTER OMITTED

The Willacy Local Option Bill Dead As a Door Nail—Bird Protection Passed.

Austin, April 1.—The legislature has only today to work in the regular session. It will be called to meet in special session at noon tomorrow. The probability is that it will then adjourn until Monday.

The Willacy local option bill is dead. In order to get it through it would be necessary to suspend the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three separate days. That takes a four-fifths vote, which can not be had.

Mr. Williams has given up hope of getting his bill to tax intangible assets through the senate. The anti-scalping bill is dead. The bill to permit the incorporation of irrigation companies is also dead. Mr. Duff, the author of the measure, says a local fight in Jefferson county is responsible for its defeat. The general land bill is dead for want of consideration in the senate. The bill for the incorporation of rice companies will die on the house calendar. The conferees of the bill providing for working short-term convicts on public roads have failed to agree. The bill stands just a ghost of a show, no more.

The conferees on uniform textbook bill have reached an agreement, which probably will be adopted. The committee will recommend that the textbook board shall consist of the governor, who shall be ex-officio chairman; the superintendent of public instruction, who shall be ex-officio secretary; the principal of the Sam Houston Normal, the principal of the North Texas Normal, the two teachers to be selected by the governor. These two teachers must be actively engaged in teaching in public free schools in Texas, and must be engaged in schools operating under the provisions of the act. The house conferees agreed to accept the senate amendment exempting cities of 10,000 or more inhabitants.

The senate has been tied up nearly all day over a scrap over the bill to create a department of agriculture, and in an executive session of two and one-half hours over the confirmation of the list of notaries published. The agricultural department bill passed in form that its author in the house, Mr. Stewart, will scarcely recognize. It was amended, largely through the efforts of Senator Harper, so as to provide that the department shall be connected with the Agricultural and Mechanical College, the board of which college will choose the secretary of the department. Whether the house will concur in the amendments remains to be seen.

The house finally passed the substitute house bill for protection of birds. Its chances in the senate are doubtful. The bill makes it illegal to kill, catch or have in one's possession any wild bird other than game birds, for a period of five years. Game birds are named as wild turkeys, wild quail, partridges, wild doves, wild pigeons, wild plover, wild snipe, wild jacksnipe and wild curlews. It also protects the nests of birds and their eggs.

Bade His Roll Good-bye.

Greenville: While F. M. Barnes was here en route from Rutherford county, Ky., to McKinney with his family, he was unaccountably shot. The sharper was a passenger on the same train with Mr. Barnes, and his story was that he had found a package in the express office from his father and need \$60 to get it out. With the assistance of his fellow-robbler the sharper persuaded their victim to loan him the money.

Situation on Mississippi Improving

Greenville, Miss.: The flood situation both in Greenville and surrounding territory shows improvement and there is little apprehension of further complications. The water is falling generally in the city. The suffering and distress has been greatly relieved and the work toward preventing further widening of the crevasses is being pushed. One of the electric light companies has resumed operations.

Sad Death of Little Boy.

Alto: The six-year-old son of R. E. Arrant died Monday from injuries received on the railroad turn table last Friday evening. The lock on the table was broken and some children were turning it when little Bobbie, who was sitting on one end, met the track, his legs were torn and the bone mashed. Gangrene set in, causing death. Mr. Arrant is in business here.

Fifty Thousand Dollar Blaze.

Duncan, I. T.: Duncan's fourth and most disastrous fire destroyed nearly an entire block. The First National bank and the Lovelock buildings were saved. The losses will foot up \$50,000 or more. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. Commissioner Dennee is holding an inquest and trying to place the supposed crime.

THE PRESIDENT'S ITINERARY.

A Long Trip and Sixty-Six Day Vacation Planned.

Washington, April 1.—President Roosevelt's tour of the West, which will begin to-day will be the longest trip ever undertaken by a President of the United States. It will take the party over 13,581 miles of railroad, and through twenty-four States and Territories. The trip is in no sense political, as viewed from the White House standpoint, but it is impossible to divorce it from the effect, good or bad, which it will have on the President's political fortunes.

In the matter of distance covered the tour will be equivalent to a trip half way round the world. It will extend from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Mexican border to the Canadian line. The President will be absent from the White House for sixty-six days, and will intersperse his journey with a stay in the Yellowstone National Park of sixteen days, in the Yosemite National Park of four days, and each Sunday will be devoted to rest. Thus, while the trip is to last sixty-six days, the President will pass at least twenty-eight of them off the special train.

In the Yellowstone he will get what he is so greatly in need of—complete rest from official cares and open-air recreation, which the duties of his office have deprived him of to a great extent for nearly a year.

It is stated with positiveness that the President will engage in no hunting while he is in the Western country. No shooting is allowed in the Yellowstone Park at any time. In addition to that the close season for game, such as deer and antelope, will be on. The President is too good a sportsman to think of violating the game laws. He will probably spend most of his time when off the train in the saddle or on foot, and living in the simplest way.

No ladies will accompany the party, nor will any of the members of the Cabinet. The train will probably consist of four cars, which will be the smallest special train the President has had for any of his tours.

Late Rock Island Rumor.

Fort Worth: There is the best authority for the positive statement that it is the intention of the Rock Island to at once parallel the Houston and Texas Central railway from Dallas to Corsicana with another track. There is the same sort of authority for the assertion that when this additional track is constructed, or as soon thereafter as possible, it is the purpose of the Rock Island to build a road from Corsicana to Houston and Galveston. This road is to be built on practically an air line and traverse the heart of the section lying between the Trinity and Neches rivers.

New Stations in Oklahoma.

Dallas: The extension of the Frisco from Oklahoma City to Quannah is now completed, the distance being 152.2 miles, the stations are as follows: Vickers, Ok., Headrick, Ok., Hightower, Ok., Ledger, Ok., Olustee, Ok., Creta, Ok., Eldorado, Ok., Hazel, Tex., Quannah, Tex.

Texas Cattle for South Africa.

Fort Worth: The British government is arranging to ship from Texas a large number of sheep into South Africa. Major Maud is expected to reach this city as the representative of the government within a few days and make contracts along this line. Major Maud is now at New Orleans arranging, it is thought, for steamer facilities.

Alexander K. Coney, consul of Mexico, has been temporarily recalled by his government.

A majority of the 10,000 bituminous miners of Indiana have voted to accept the operators' demand that last advance of 12 1/2 per cent in wages.

Large quantities of iron rails and cross-ties are being shipped over the Texas and Pacific to Madrid, I. T., for use on the Arkansas and Choctaw roads.

About forty divorce suits were disposed of in court at Paris Tuesday. There were twenty dismissals for want of prosecution and fifteen divorces granted. A few cases were taken under advisement.

President Diaz will open congress Wednesday. It is not expected that he will make any specific declarations of policy on the silver question, as the matter is under study in the monetary commission.

Notice was sent to connecting lines by the Texas and Pacific Tuesday that through train service had been resumed to New Orleans despite the crevasse at Hymelia.

Rockwall National of Rockwell, Tex., with \$25,000 capital; Farmers National Bank of Kingsfisher, Ok., with \$25,000 capital, have been authorized to begin business.

The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with King Edward on board, sailed for Lisbon Tuesday.

White Democrat Appointed.

Washington: President Roosevelt has appointed John Russell as collector of customs at Natchez, Miss., vice W. J. Winston resigned. Capt. Russell is a one-armed Confederate veteran and a Democrat. L. J. Winston, who resigned the office, is a colored attorney, who recently resigned the office, as a trustee of the Union (colored) public school, who will go to Greenville, Miss., to live.



The Sheep in Winter.

In sheep husbandry there is one thing that must be observed and not overlooked, and that is thrift, writes Jacob Ziegler. Thrift means health, gain in quality, quantity and productivity, hence profit, and profit is what we are after. It should always be the object of the flock master to keep his sheep in a thriving condition. The quality of the wool as well as its quantity and the general productivity of the flock depend on this system. Now the question is, what are the essentials of thrift? I say good feed, water, shelter and close attention of the shepherd. It is the worst possible practice to allow the sheep to fall away in flesh as the grass fails in the autumn. The increasing woollyness of the shrinking carcass much to the disappointment of the careless flockmaster. Better confine them in the yard than to allow them to ramble about in some field in search of food, which furnishes a little green feed but too light to be of any real value. For winter fodder there is nothing better than fine early cut clover; cut when in bloom and well cured. Hay from old meadows consisting of a variety of grasses is very good. Sowed or thickly drilled corn, fodder, cut and well shocked in good season, is also splendid feed. Good corn stover is a good and cheap feed. A feed of three oats straw two or three times a week can be given to a good advantage, and the leaving of the straw and stalks makes a splendid yard and a good absorbent of the manure. Bright sheet cake fed once or twice a week in racks is also an excellent feed. It answers for both grain and fodder.

Feeding Alfalfa to Horses.

At the Wyoming station the amount of alfalfa hay required to maintain farm horses performing little work and driving horses at light work was studied by F. E. Emery, the alfalfa being supplemented by some oat straw. The work horses were occasionally harnessed, but did not work much. They were fed alfalfa only in the stable and ordinarily were allowed to run out of doors and have free access to water and a straw pile, but were given no grain. It was found that they maintained their weight on an average when eating 13.5 pounds of good alfalfa hay per day, or 1,000 pounds, live weight, in addition to some straw. The amount of straw required to balance the alfalfa ration was next studied, and it was found that the daily ration eaten was 13.75 pounds alfalfa hay and 2.25 pounds oat straw per 1,000 pounds, live weight. A similar test was made with a driving horse required to perform a moderate amount of work. He was driven 5 miles a day at a pace which was nearly the limit of his road pait. It was found that his weight, 1,170 to 1,200 pounds, was maintained on a ration of 21.25 pounds alfalfa hay and 3.4 pounds oat straw, or 17.71 and 2.53 pounds, respectively, per 1,000 pounds, live weight. According to the author there was every reason to believe that the ration was sufficient to maintain the horse although he did not gain in weight. These tests are especially interesting since they furnish experimental proof of the feeding value of alfalfa hay for horses.

Care in Pedigree Making.

W. M. McFadden: Most good men, and nearly all farmers, plan more work than they can execute, consequently the rule generally is that the pedigree are put off until the last moment and then hurriedly made in the evening after a hard day's work. There is nothing that better illustrates the old saying that "haste makes waste," and the whole pedigree matter is so important that it is quite remarkable that breeders do not take time to post themselves in the matter of making pedigrees and then take sufficient time to get them out in better shape. A man will take a great interest in the popular blood lines, and in the probable trend of the business so as to keep thoroughly in line and posted as to what he ought to buy and how he should do, and yet he will be sadly deficient in the matter of pedigrees. If there was a generally better standard of excellence in the matter of making pedigrees, breeders would not be so liable to accept from others pedigrees on which there are serious defects. The rules now require all dates of sale. This is one thing that is frequently left off of a pedigree, not to mention the more important things, such as the entire omission of a date of farrow or a failure to sign the pedigree. I have had pedigrees sent me on which no sire was given, and yet the owner of the animal had kept the pedigree in his possession for several months.

The Sow at Farrowing Time.

The sow should have nothing to eat for the first twenty-four hours after farrowing; but should be allowed plenty of fresh water. The second day a little slop and a little oats may be given in the morning and evening. After that the feed should be gradually increased until she is on full feed. Care should be taken that she does not get any feed that will be rich for her or that will act as purgative, as the little pigs will be subjected to the same condition. Her feed should be such that a large flow of milk will result. A good ration to produce a good flow of milk is a slop composed of equal parts of middlings and gluten feed with a little oil and bone meal added and in addition all the corn she will eat up clean. As soon as possible after farrowing the oats should be used very sparingly, as it tends to dry up the milk supply; should the sow become constipated, causing a like condition in the pigs, a liberal feed of oats will relieve them, but should she be the reverse good dry corn and plenty of good water will stop it. Be carefully watching the condition of the sow and by providing warm, dry quarters there is very little danger of the little pigs scouring.—R. C. Hoffman.

The poorer the soil the greater the necessity for diversifying the crops.



A Milestone in Dairy Progress.

From Farmers' Review: Not long ago I spent a vacation on a dairy farm. The manufacture of the product had been (wisely) delegated to the little co-operative factory in the village two miles away. I felt some curiosity to inspect it and so accepted the invitation of the farmer to drive with him to the factory one evening after supper when the milk had to be carried over. After arriving we stood around for a while waiting our turn at the separator. By the time we got back to the farm with the separated milk, which had been returned to the cans, it was 9 o'clock and I wondered whether the tired farmer's wife would have them to wash before she could go to bed. While the system afforded relief from the awful drudgery that dairy farming used to impose on the women of the household, it seemed to me there was considerable economic waste in carting the milk to the factory and then carting it back, which should be obviated in some way. Later in the season, in the course of another trip I met a man brimming with enthusiasm for the hand separator, which, in his opinion, supplied the missing link in the factory system. He explained that with a hand separator the cream could be extracted as soon as the milk had been drawn from the cows and the separated milk, while still warm and in the best condition for feeding purposes, could at once be transferred to the pigs or calves' trough, the liberating pails and cans which could then be washed and put away for the morrow. With an ice chest or a jacketed can in which the cream could be kept at a low temperature, it could be held without injury until the following morning when the two lots of cream could be taken to the factory, thus making necessary but one trip a day. In some factories a cream gathering cart is sent around which entirely relieves the farmer of all fetching and carrying. I could not but agree with him that the hand separator is one of the milestones in the path of progress in dairy farming and I have since noticed that the manufacturers appear to share my opinion of its value, for they are giving it first place in the list of their products. It certainly increases the independence of the farmer, for with it he is in a position to manufacture his own butter to good advantage, should occasion arise. I confidently expect to see it become as common on dairy farms as the feed cutter.—Martha Adams.

The machine of to-day is a very different proposition from the hand separator first put upon the market. Any one who doubts its merits should at once put himself in regard to its mechanism and capacity. It will not be difficult, as the separator manufacturers are glad to furnish literature bearing on the subject which has been prepared by the best dairy authorities in the country. Write them for it.

Individuality of Cows.

There was a time a few years ago when dairy experts and men that thought they knew a great deal about dairy cows held to the opinion that individuality in cows was of minor importance. They would hardly concede that it was possible ever to find a good cow in the beef breeds. Within five years a great change has come in public opinion in this matter. Dairy-men of high standing are saying that they do not care what breed a cow is of if she is only a good cow. Mr. Garber, from whom there is no better dairyman in Illinois, selects his cows without regard to breed, only making sure to get animals that have capacity and that are persistent milkers. A. J. Glover, now connected with the University of Illinois, and who is devoting his entire time to field work along dairy lines, makes much of the individuality of the cow. He has found very good cows even among those not having even dairy form. The difference between individual cows is very great. Sometimes a cow is a medium milker but is so persistent that she will do very well in the course of a year's work. Mr. Glover tells of one Guernsey cow that has come under his observation that produced 750 pounds of butter in a year. Yet that the cream so weak in constitution that she had to be fed and handled with the greatest care. If she were turned out into a muddy pasture and should fall down she could with difficulty extricate herself or get up. She was a wonderful butter producer, but her individuality was something of her own and not something that belonged to her breed. Pedigrees are good things to have and they have a certain value, but they do not tell all the story. That must be hunted out for each animal. We cannot yet select good cows by the wholesale and on breed characteristics.

Care of Milk and Cream.

The quality of Iowa butter could be considerably improved if the quality of the milk and cream delivered to the creamery could be improved. Milk is never better than when it is first drawn from the cow. All the care with attention that may be given it can only retard the natural process of souring, or prevent the introduction of dirt or bad odors. Under farm conditions, cleanliness and a low temperature are the only means the farmer can use. The separator at the creamery cannot take out the bacteria that make the milk sour quickly or produce bad flavors. There is nothing that the farmer or butter-maker can do to make the milk or cream any better, they can simply prevent it from getting any worse, and since the farmer has the first handling of the milk and cream, his responsibility is the greater. The milk must be drawn in a clean manner into clean pails, strained into a clean can, set in the tank of water as cold as possible, then cover left side, and the milk sent to the creamery as soon as possible.—H. R. Light.

The engaged girl has an idea that she has accomplished her life work.

LIPTON'S HOPES OF "LIFTING" CUP ARE BASED ON THE FIGURE THREE

Englishmen are persuading themselves that they will "lift" the America's Cup this year because of the figure Three, the Englishman's lucky number. This is Sir Thomas Lipton's Third attempt to win the cup; his boat is named Shamrock Third; the shamrock is a Three-leaved plant, and this is the year nineteen hundred and three.

Englishmen are raking over history, ancient and modern, to prove that in the mystic number THREE lies the glory of the British flag and the safety

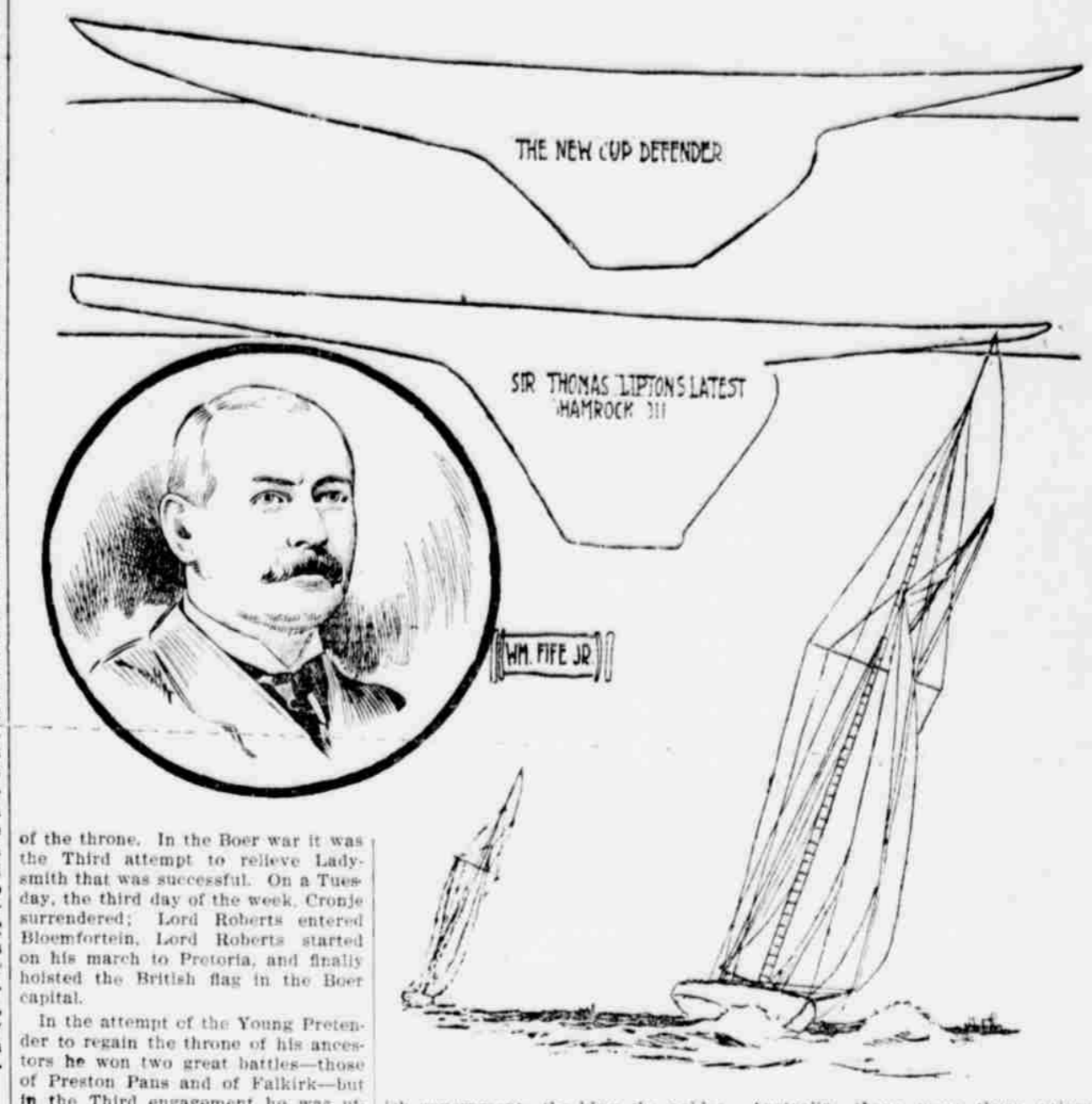
Three feathers—won by the Black Prince on the victory over the French at Crécy—where he fought under his father, the Third Edward.

The British made Three wars upon Napoleon, in the last of which they crushed him at the battle of Waterloo.

Cape Town was twice taken by the British before it was occupied for a Third and final time—and so on throughout any number of historical instances.

lucky three still stands. They point out that the greatest sum ever taken out of Monte Carlo was by a party of three, of which an Englishman named Jagers was the third. The party consisted of representatives of three nationalities, Irish, Dutch and English; they played ninety-three days, and Jagers played only (three times three) nine numbers. They won twelve three hundred thousand dollars, or three times 40,000 pounds.

A few days ago, in the greatest lottery of modern times, organized in



of the throne. In the Boer war it was the Third attempt to relieve Ladysmith that was successful. On a Tuesday, the third day of the week, Cronje surrendered; Lord Roberts entered Bloemfontein. Lord Roberts started on his march to Pretoria, and finally hoisted the British flag in the Boer capital.

In the attempt of the Young Pretender to regain the throne of his ancestors he won two great battles—those of Preston Pans and of Falkirk—but in the Third engagement he was utterly defeated.

The United Kingdom is made up of Three Kingdoms—England, Scotland, and Ireland.

The crest of the Prince of Wales is

lish government—the king, the nobles, and the commons, and Three orders are in the Anglican church—bishops, priests and deacons.

When it comes to sports and luck in gambling the English claim their

Australia, there were three prizes. The drawing was on October third and the capital prize was won by a syndicate of eighteen (six times three) of English birth and the winning ticket was number 3035.

BUILT MANY PUBLIC WORKS.

John B. McDonald Probably Biggest Contractor in the World.

John B. McDonald, who is mentioned as the leading spirit in the syndicate said to be forming to build the Panama canal, is probably the biggest contractor in the world. It is he who has thus far constructed the great subway in New York city, paying \$25,000,000 for the privilege of building the tunnel and disposing of the franchise afterward. He built the Jerome Park reservoir, put down 400



miles of the Canadian Pacific road, did \$18,000,000 worth of work on the harbor of San Francisco, helped to build the Northwestern "L" Road in Chicago, and has undertaken immense work elsewhere with great success. Mr. McDonald began his career as an excavator of cellars. He is a friend of Richard Croker and was formerly prominent in New York politics.

Fifty Years a Magistrate.

J. B. Robinson has been a justice of the peace at Saladsburg, Pa., for just a half century and is believed to have been in office longer than any other man in the state. By far the larger number of cases which come before him are settled amicably, the squire being a famous hand at smoothing over all sorts of disputes.

Buddhist Priest a Yale Student.

Yale University numbers among the students taking the postgraduate course a Buddhist priest named Ichino Shibata. He is a soldier and fighter with great distinction and great bravery in the Japanese-Chinese war in 1894. He received at the close of the war a bronze medal, presented by the mikado himself.

Count's Lecture a Success.

Count Robert De Montesquieu's series of lectures in New York seem to have turned out successfully in a financial sense, for one of the most important theatrical firms in the country offered to take the titled poet or a lecturing tour to the principal cities. The count, however, declined the offer.

Mexicans Need Industrial School.

Rev. Edward S. Tead, secretary of the Congressional Educational society, states that there is a great demand for an industrial school among the Spanish-speaking Mexicans of New Mexico of the same kind as that he proposes at Tuske, and Hampton.

CARE LITTLE FOR SOCIETY.

Daughters of King Edward Devoted Personal Ambition.

King Edward's three daughters seem to be devoid of personal ambition and to be quite willing that their sister-in-law and their aunts Helena, Louise and Beatrice should represent royalty in their stead. So far from profiting by the rise in rank which their father's accession gained them the duchess of Fife and her sisters prefer to stay away from functions where they would precede Queen Victoria's daughters, so it is not often that these illustrious ladies meet in full state array. One parliament opening and the coronation have seemed about enough for them. It is scarcely likely that the duke of Fife's daughters will make royal matches and in all probability they will become British peeresses and have a far more pleasant life than if they turned into German princesses and had to follow a foreign spouse to his own country.

Women Admire Mrs. Paget.

Since Mrs. Arthur Paget has taken up her residence at the Waldorf-Astoria the corridors of that New York hostelry have been extremely lively. "There's Mrs. Paget, you know, the great London swell," a half hundred women murmur as she passes along. Some rise from their chairs to follow her to the elevator, while others call to their friends in the palm room to hurry out and catch a sight of her. Mrs. Paget gowns herself in such a conspicuous manner that this adds to the notice she excites.

A Charitable Lottery.

A Bruges philanthropist has just made an original will. He has left the town \$25,000, which is to be divided in the following manner: The sum is to be separated into seven parts, that being the number of parishes in Bruges. Each of these portions must be again subdivided into sums of \$50, for which the poor on the books of the charitable society are to draw lots. The amount is to be spent in setting the winners up in a small business or trade.

Spirited Retort.

A well known American woman, living in London, slipped on the highly polished floor of a drawing room on entering it not long since. A woman whose husband has high rank in one of the foreign embassies, standing near by, said to her: "My dear Mrs. M., had you drunk more water with your champagne, you would not have slipped; to which the American quickly retorted: "Madame, had you not drunk so much champagne with your water, you would never made such a remark."

Keep Up Old Custom.

The state of New Hampshire still retains the ancient custom of an annual day of fasting and prayer by the governor's appointment. Gov. Bachelder and council will have this year designated Thursday, April 23, as the day. Saturday, May 2, has been appointed by them as fast day in the same state.

Crater of Mount Etna.

The crater of Mount Etna, Europe's largest volcano, is 17,290 feet wide and 497

HAS OUTLIVED A CENTURY.

Canadian Statesman Intellectually Active at Advanced Age.

Senator David Wark, the centenarian Canadian statesman, who will soon take his seat in the Canadian senate, has served in that body continuously since 1867. Mr. Wark is a native of Ireland. He left that country when he was 21 and went to New Brunswick, which was then a prosperous colony. For nearly 100 years he has lived in



the town of Fredericton, and his great age seems not to have impaired his faculties.

Remarkable Family Reunion.

A remarkable family reunion was that of the Thurstons recently held in the town of Rumford, Me., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Truworthy Thurston, aged respectively 84 and 79 years. The family consists of the parents, six sons and two daughters, with seventeen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Thus far not a single death has broken the circle. At one time the members were widely scattered, but all now reside in or within easy distance of Rumford, in what has come to be called "the Thurston district." The youngest, a plump boy weighing over ten pounds, was born there on the day of the reunion.

Inanity in Royal Blood.

Wiltrud Marie Alix of Bavaria, who is now 19 years old, is conceded to be the most beautiful princess in Europe. She is a brunet with wonderful dark eyes, perfect features and long, brown, wavy hair. She is a painter of merit, a musician, a linguist and a classical scholar. But, sad to say, the beautiful princess is afflicted with the disease of inanity, whose blood is tainted through and through with insanity. To this family belonged the mad King Louis of Bavaria, and the present king, who is a first cousin of Princess Wiltrud, is afflicted with insanity of the most terrible kind.

Lives on \$12 a Month.

Rev. Charles M. Winchester of Middletown, N. Y., declares that a minister can live on \$12 a month if he lives alone and still have some money left for the church. He says he does.

Annual Loss of Millions.

The annual loss of millions of Americans who

Frank Hare and wife were assassinated near Ravia, I. T.

The monitor Arkansas has left New Orleans for St. Louis.

The king and queen of England will visit Scotland in May.

Time for enrollment of the Mississippi Choctaws has expired.

The Revolution in Guigalpa, Nicaragua, is being suppressed.

Six horses and a number of saddles were stolen at Muskogee, I. T.

The Creek house of Kings has been called to meet at Akmalgee, I. T.

Nicaraguan revolutionists have captured steamers on Lake Nicaragua.

The heaviest snow fall of the season took place in Kansas and Missouri last week.

The postoffice of Choctaw City, I. T., was burglarized of \$150 worth of stamps.

Admiral Coughlan and the gulf squadron has been ordered to leave Honduras for Cuba.

It is said that Admiral Sir Henry Keppel, aged 92 years of England, is to marry a woman seventy years his junior.

The postoffice at Choctaw City, Ok., was entered by thieves Wednesday night and the safe blown open.

The National Council of Women of the United States in session at New Orleans has drawn the color line and only "white sisters" are permitted to affiliate in the movement.

An engagement between Turkish troops and insurgents is reported to have occurred at Isib, Macedonia.

Eighteen of the insurgents are said to have been killed.

At Winifred, Kan., two daughters of John Osborne, armed with pistols and hatchets, while in search of their brother, smashed down doors and destroyed other property at two saloons.

The entire cabinet has resigned, owing to the inability to find any one who will accept the portfolio of war unless the cabinet agrees to the army appropriations.

The Louisville and Nashville contemplates construction and reconstruction work this year amounting to \$10,000,000.

Improvements are to be made all along the line in the south.

Tlaxiomingo, the capital of the Chickasaw nation Saturday turned on her public waterworks and now has the best fire protection of any town in the Indian Territory.

The report that San Miguel, the Filipino leader, was killed in Friday's fight near Mariguina, is confirmed.

His body has been identified and delivered to his relatives for burial.

Two hundred Irishmen, whose feelings had been outraged by the performance of "McFadden's Row of Flats," at the Star theater, New York, rose in their seats in the theater and pelleted the performers with rotten eggs, vegetables and fruit.

Growing irritation and a keen desire to wreak vengeance on somebody mark the attitude of the German press and public toward President Roosevelt's refusal of the Kaiser's invitation to send the North Atlantic squadron to Kiel.

The spring meeting of the New Memphis Jockey club opened Monday with the largest number of horses that has ever been present at the opening of the racing season.

The meeting will last twenty-one days.

It is said that Admiral Sir Henry Keppel, aged 92, is soon to marry a woman some seventy years younger.

The permanent postal treaty between the United States and Cuba now in course of negotiation probably will be in operation within a few weeks.

A great strike riot, accompanied by much bloodshed, occurred at the town of Siatouisk in the government of Aofa, among the Ural mountains.

Twenty-eight persons were killed and fifty others wounded.

Prof. D. L. Sharp, a Boston preacher, said in a recent sermon: "No woman who wears a sea gull or a song bird in her hat can ever get to heaven. Those who rob the lives of the song bird and the birds of beautiful plumage cannot hope for heaven."

The controller of the currency has authorized the Weleetka National bank of Weleetka, I. T., to begin business with a capital of \$25,000.

President, R. M. McFarlin; cashier, E. L. Backman.

While riding horseback with her son, the horse ridden by the Empress of Germany slipped and stumbled, throwing the Empress to the ground, fracturing her arm. Emperor happened to be near by and sprang to the Empress' relief.

Will Dorsey, colored, was hanged at Birmingham last week for highway robbery, it being the first instance in the state's history where the death penalty has been imposed for this crime.

R. S. Stover has sold his famous race horse Sceptre to W. A. H. Bais of the Tenth Hussars, nephew and heir of Lord Burton. The price has not been divulged. Mr. Stover last year refused an offer of \$15,000 from W. K. Vanderbilt.

AN EXTRA SESSION

TOO MUCH ORATORY HAS HINDERED WORK.

STANDIFER'S ROADS BILL KILLED

Will Consider Intangible Assets, Land Legislation and Text Book Law.

Austin, March 31.—Gov. Lanham authorized the statement that he will tomorrow issue a call for the legislature to assemble Thursday in special session. He does not know what he will submit for legislation other than the appropriation bill. The impression is almost general that he will submit the matter of taxing intangible assets and the matter of land legislation and also the matter of re-enacting the textbook law.

The senate passed the Perkins amendment to the house bill providing for working short term convicts on public roads. The house refused to concur in the amendment and a conference committee has been ordered. The Perkins substitute provides that the convicts shall be apportioned to counties by a board to be composed of penitentiary board, the governor and attorney general upon terms to be prescribed by the penitentiary board.

In speaking of the matter Col. Standifer said: "The action of the senate kills the bill in that body does not recede. Its action is a very cheap subterfuge and pretense. Under the senate substitute the penitentiary board is to hire the convicts to the counties under such rules as it may prescribe. The penitentiary board has virtually dictated the legislation. It can have no effect on the house, but got its work in on the other end. The people demand some efficient road law. The house gave it. Under the house bill the state convicts labor could have been used in building highways, under the Perkins substitute amendment adopted by the senate the counties will not hire convicts from the state. If they want to hire labor they will hire free labor."

Senator Patterson secured final passage for house bill requiring cotton ginner to make report every thirty days to the county judge of their counties of the number of bales ginned, and the county judge to report same to the commissioner of insurance, statistics and history. The house passed the senate bill making appropriation of \$250,000 a year for Confederate pensions. This is up to the constitutional limit. The house also finally passed a joint resolution providing for submission of a proposition to amend the constitution so as to allow the expenditure of \$500,000 a year for Confederate pensions.

It is unlikely that this last mentioned measure will pass the senate. After a prolonged fight the senate bill appropriating \$40,000 for a survey of the Brazos, which had passed the senate and to third reading in the house, was defeated by 58 to 59. The conference committee appointed to adjust differences between the house and senate on the textbook bill held a meeting, but failed to agree.

Accidentally Shot His Wife.

Balling: Sunday evening, about fifteen miles north of this place, Henry Shafer, a prosperous German farmer, was cleaning his gun in the house, and his wife was sitting close by combing her little daughter's hair, when, by some unforeseen or unknown cause, the gun fired and the charge entered Mrs. Shafer's head, blowing it almost from her shoulders. She leaves several small children.

Negro Arson Feind Disappears.

Bradley, La.: Frank Robertson, a negro, was in jail charged with arson. He had confessed to firing a store. Last Thursday night a party of twenty-five men said to be from across the Louisiana line, rode into Bradley, overpowered the jailer, took possession of the negro and rode away with him. His body is supposed to be in some of the nearby cane brakes. In the past year there have been many cases of arson in North Louisiana.

Galveston and Brazos Jetty Work.

Washington: The bids for the jetty work at Galveston and the mouth of the Brazos has been finally passed upon by Gen. Gillespie and Col. Mackenzie. The contract for the work at Galveston was awarded to O'Rourke & Co., and that for the mouth of the Brazos was awarded to Moore & Siebert. This disposes of the matter and the successful bidders are to get the work under way at the earliest possible moment.

Killed Over a Dog.

Lake Charles, La.: John Guillory and James McMillan, farmers, fought a duel close to the east line of the parish Saturday. The men quarreled about a dog, according to McMillan, the survivor. They met in the road. Guillory said: "We will settle our troubles right now," and both pulled guns. McMillan was quickest and killed Guillory instantly. McMillan surrendered to the officers.

For Negroes Only.

Denison: There are several towns in the United States, and notably in the Indian Territory, where the white people will not allow negroes to take up their residence. There is only one town so far heard from where negroes refuse to admit white men and Indians to citizenship. The town is known as Wildcat, and is located on the Deep Fork river, in the Creek Nation.

At the Hands of the Governor.

Austin: The governor approved the following bills: Senate bill No. 305, an act to amend the charter of the city of Galveston; senate bill No. 265, an act to amend the charter of the city of Waco; senate bill No. 181, an act to authorize the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe to purchase and operate the Gulf, Beaumont and Great Northern railroads; senate bill No. 181, an act to authorize the St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway company to purchase and operate the Red River, Texas and Southern, the Paris and Great Northern, the Blackwell, Enid and Texas, the Oklahoma City and Texas and the Fort Worth and Rio Grande roads. Gov. Lanham vetoed the bill to repeal occupation taxes on merchants, dentists, lawyers and private banks.

New Tabernacle at Waco.

Waco: At a meeting of Waco Methodists, all the congregations here being represented, arrangements were made for the erection of a mammoth tabernacle for revival purposes, the intention being to make an unprecedented effort to gain converts. The first series of revival meetings in the tabernacle will be conducted by Rev. George Stewart.

Independent Telephone at Dallas.

Dallas: The whole city council, with the exception of Alderman Hancock, met at the city hall Monday morning and disposed of the independent telephone matter. All differences between the city and Messrs. Lloyd and McGrath were finally adjusted to the satisfaction of both parties, and it is the intention of the new company to begin work at once.

TUMBLING ALL TOGETHER.

Mrs. Roosevelt and the children are away on a cruise on the Mayflower.

On account of a strike, seven of Lowell's great cotton mills are shut down.

Father Idephonsus, superior general of the Order of Passionists in Spain, is dead.

Severe wind storms have done considerable damage in Alabama and the Carolinas.

Baylor university at Waco has been presented with the library of the late Rufus C. Burleson.

Alexander Gillan, colored, was given a sentence of two years in the district court at Beaumont for having attempted to kill his wife.

Wm. V. McKean, a distinguished journalist, died at Philadelphia at the age of eighty-three years.

Large meetings are being held in Mexican cities to promote the candidacy of President Diaz for re-election.

Vice Admiral Courtejolle, who commanded the French forces at Taku and Tien Tsin in the recent China expedition, is dead.

Two-thirds of the sealing fleet at St. John, N. F., has caught 238,000 seals and this year's catch is likely to reach 260,000 seals altogether.

Lee Weigel received a life sentence at New Boston on a charge of murder. A military company has been organized at Hubbard City, with J. E. Fulman as captain.

The main lines of railroad in Oklahoma upon which the Territorial Board of Equalization will place a valuation this year have a total mileage of 1,411.29. The sidetracks amount to 155.34 miles.

The application of E. R. Jackson Cicero Smith, T. H. McCloskey, E. P. Hall and James C. Landon to organize the Landon National bank of San Angelo, Tex., with a capital of \$100,000 has been approved by the Controller of the Currency.

Through train service on the Oklahoma City and Western Railway from Oklahoma to Quanah, Tex., was opened Monday by the Frisco. There will be two passenger trains each way daily for the present.

Noah Raby, an inmate of Middlesex county, N. J., poor house, was born in North Carolina, April 1, 1872, and is therefore 131 years old. The aged man is very weak, and has been in the institution for fifty years.

The decomposed body of a little boy, supposed to be the 4-year-old son of George Rice, who disappeared two weeks ago, was found floating in the Canadian river, in South Oklahoma City, Monday.

Col. R. A. Davis Dead.

Waxahatchie: Col. R. A. Davis, one of the oldest citizens and pioneer settler of Ellis county, was found dead at his home in this city this morning. Col. Davis was 82 years old, and came to Texas in 1851, from Wilson county, Tennessee, where he was born. He moved to this county in 1854. He was a man of considerable wealth, and always generous and public-spirited.

The Czar Means What He Says.

London: The measures for the relief of the peasants of Russia outlined in the czar's reform decrees are being carried out. Arrears of taxes to the amount of about \$27,000,000 have been canceled, and over-due taxes, exceeding \$15,000,000, which the peasants owe to the district authorities, have been assumed by the central government. Other measures alleviating the burdens of the peasantry are expected to be adopted shortly.

FLOODED DELTA

GREENVILLE IS NEARLY ALL UNDER WATER.

ARNOLIA LEVEE NOW IN DANGER

Yazoo City With Rising Water Is Partially Submerged—One Negro Drowned.

Greenville, Miss., March 30.—The back water from the LaGrange crevasse is slowly rising, and nearly all of the city is submerged. Business is paralyzed and people are moving about the streets in the southern section in skiffs. The rise in the last twenty-four hours is two inches. The sensational reports sent out from here that the city is in danger of destruction are highly exaggerated and the facts do not warrant any such statement. Rumors of great loss of life are absolutely without foundation, so far as is known here. Relief parties with boats have been at work rescuing people in the path of the flood and the refugees are brought here.

The mayor instructed the city engineer to cut the protection levee in the northern part of the city, as it is believed it will be the means of letting the water out through Fish lake.

All trains left here Sunday afternoon promptly on schedule time. The shutdown of the electric light plant is a serious inconvenience. The flood situation outside of Greenville remains practically unchanged. The waters have covered thousands of acres of the fine delta farms and are sweeping south to Vicksburg. The loss will be heavy, but it is impossible to give any figure like a correct estimate of the damage wrought by the flood.

The relief parties say that since Friday many of the negroes have been on the tops of houses waiting for boats, and have had nothing to eat. The places where the boats have been at work are Montgomery, Wortham and Sillers, and all report the same state of affairs existing. The mules on these places have been taken out, but the cattle stand around on knolls and scaffolds. The supervisors will send a barge out tomorrow to bring the cattle in. They are suffering for want of food.

The report that the Arnolia levee, two miles below Vidalia, the parish site of Concordia Parish, La., was bolting and in imminent danger of breaking, attracted hundreds of sightseers from Natchez. The water was seeping through the boil and fifty men were put to work to save the levee. President J. H. Fagan of the police jury has charge of the working force and is confident that the prompt precaution taken will hold the levee.

The officers of Natchez, Red river and Texas railway, running from Jonesville to Vidalia, have given notice of a discontinuance of train service on their road. Part of Yazoo City is under water. One negro was drowned there by capsizing of a skiff. The water is still rising.

Big Dam in Tom Green.

San Angelo: An innovation in this country in the way of a dam for irrigating purposes is the one now being built by C. B. Metcalfe on the Gardner farm on South Concho. This dam, which will be nine and one-half feet high and 200 feet long, is being built of rock and cement.

Snyder, Ok., Going Forward.

Snyder, Ok.: W. R. Affeld of Duncan, I. T., is here and says to put up thirty-ton ice and cold storage plant, and an electric light and power system, work to commence inside of thirty days. Ground is being broken on Sixth street for the erection of a two-story stone building, 90 feet long, by B. R. Pritchard of this place. The new forty-room hotel is about completed and will be opened up in a few days.

Big Packery for City of Mexico.

City of Mexico: Alberto Terrazas, of the wealthy Terrazas family of Chihuahua, is here to remain six months and will devote his time to establishing a plant of the International Packing company in this city. A million dollars will be expended on buildings. The International company has three valuable concessions from the Federal government for packing plants and will have its largest establishment here.

Oklahoma's Wheat Fine.

Guthrie, Okla.: Oklahoma's biggest wheat crop is now growing splendidly and the acreage is so great as to make practically the entire Territory green with waving verdure, from three to six inches in height. Competent persons estimate that there is an increased acreage of not less than 10 per cent over any previous year, and the present conditions are that it will be simply immense when estimated in bushels.

Great Britain and Germany have agreed to terms of protocol submitting claims of allies for separate treatment in Venezuelan claims to The Hague arbitration tribunal.

Brig. Gen. Wood has left Washington for Boston from which point he will sail for the Philippines to assume command of the military department of Mindanao.

J. J. Embury, superintendent of the Sul Ross plantation near Waco, was shot and seriously wounded while attempting to separate two negroes engaged in a difficulty.

Luther Mays was shot and instantly killed at Cumberland, I. T. William Lindsay, a farmer, is surrendered.

ANTIES DIE HARD.

The Celebrated Grayson County Injunction Case Lost.

Sherman, Federal Judge Bryant has handed down his decision in the noted Grayson county local option case. The suit was the result of the recent election held in this section of Texas and was brought by A. Busch, et al of St. Louis, Mo., against G. P. Webb, et al. (Commissioners' Court of Grayson County), for an injunction restraining the defendants from publishing the result of such election and that same be declared null and void. W. M. Nagle, a physician, intervened in the action, alleging that it abridged the rights and immunities of the citizens of Texas and the United States in contravention of the provisions of the Constitution of the United States. The defendants demurred on several grounds, and also answered, not waiving their demurrers. Judge Bryant decides in favor of the defendant and against the brewers, and decides that although there is one exception, that named by Dr. Nagle, it does not impair the validity of the act, which is held to be constitutional.

Tyler Will Rebuild.

Tyler: All business houses destroyed by the fire Saturday morning will be rebuilt as soon as material can be gotten on the ground. It is likely that the building occupied by A. Harris & Co., wholesale dry goods, will erect a three story building instead of a two story, which was burned. Other buildings will be modernized and generally improved.

Fearful Death of Switchman.

San Antonio: Con Callahan was crushed to death in the Southern Pacific yards Sunday morning. He was setting out local freight cars from a train, and his foot was caught in a frog. Before he could release himself one of the cars ran him down and dragged him about twenty feet causing injuries that proved fatal in less than an hour.

Still Shooting in Old Kentucky.

Lee City, Ky.: In a fight Sunday between the Howard and Maus families of Morgan county, Nicholas Strickland was killed, and Charles McCormick and Clay Ross were fatally wounded. William Maus and Robert Howard were also wounded. No arrests were made.

Unfortunate Brush Burning.

Paris: While G. A. Algood, a farmer near Milton, was engaged in burning brush on his farm he absent-mindedly left his coat hanging on a burning brushheap. When he returned in a few minutes it was consumed. There was \$20 in an inside pocket, all of which, except a few dollars, was in bills, and it was destroyed.

Large Wage Advance at Johnstown.

Johnstown, Pa.: The Berwind-White company of Windber, employing 4000 miners, has posted a notice of an advance of wages to machine miners of 12 per cent. Motormen's increase from 24c to 30c per hour, spraggers increased from 20c to 26c per hour, labor 10 per cent advance. The new scale goes into effect April 1.

President Swift Died in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill.: Gustavus Franklin Swift, president of the Swift Packing company, died at his home early Sunday morning of internal hemorrhages, resulting from a surgical operation performed March 22, for an infraction of the gall bladder. Mr. Swift was 63 years old. His death was entirely unexpected.

Twelve Local Option Violations.

Tyler: Sheriff Robinson Sunday morning arrested twelve persons on charges of violating the local option law. There are from one to twenty charges against each. Their bonds were set at \$300 in each case. The total amount of one individual's bond amounts to \$6000.

Hall damaged fruit in Lamar county last week.

Fred Kimberlin, a newspaper man, recently from Kentucky, was arrested at Weatherford, Ok., charged with cashing checks at an Eldredge, Mo., bank after his deposit had exhausted.

Wants to Spread Out Some.

Bells: The commercial club held a very enthusiastic meeting Saturday night. Among the things sought after are an ice factory, an oil mill and a flour mill. It is the determination of the club to keep on pushing until all these enterprises are secured.

MULTUM IN PARVO.

Alexander Gillan, colored, was found guilty on a charge of assault to kill his wife and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary in the District Court at Beaumont.

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

Will Allison, a negro, escaped from jail at Taylor a few days since.

Justice of the Peace H. G. Norvell of Emberson performed a marriage ceremony in which the bride was totally blind.

The city council of Waco has requested the mayor to give preference to married men in appointing policemen.

The Methodists of Taylor expect to occupy their new \$10,000 house of worship, now being completed about the 1st of May.

A heavy rain, accompanied by wind and hail, visited the Mumford section recently. Several houses were blown over and other damage done.

Elder Riggs, colored, resisted arrest at Galveston and was shot by Constable Sanders. The prisoner's wounds are not of a serious nature.

William Hines, son of M. G. Hines, and nephew of J. W. Summers of Rusk, died Saturday morning, the result of accidental shot from a pistol.

A concern is putting in a storage plant at Amarillo for the storage of fruits, vegetables, etc. It will have ample room for all such articles.

The bill annexing the city of Oak Cliff to the city of Dallas finally passed the house Saturday morning and will go to the governor as soon as enrolled.

At Gilmer work was begun on the erection of three brick buildings on the west side of the public square, which were burned December 3, 1902.

Dallas is jubilant over the addition of Oak Cliff, but the addition, while giving a majority for annexation, is considerably split up over the matter.

Arthur Hines, colored, while attempting to board the T. A. & L. train at Atlanta Friday night had his foot crushed so that amputation was necessary.

The Texas Midland authorities are planting some Peruvian tree cotton on a plot of ground near the Midland shops at Terrell for experimental purposes.

In order to hedge against the possible effect of the recent decision of the court of criminal appeals, Galveston has sworn in all policemen as deputy constables.

At a meeting of the directors of the San Antonio horse show it was decided to hold the show on May 5, 6 and 7. It was also decided to hold the show on Alamo Plaza.

At Bastrop Willie Dyer, the 10-year-old son of W. Dyer, had the misfortune to break his leg near the hip joint Friday afternoon while wrestling with a playmate at school.

Thursday night, a fire broke out in J. A. Snodley's grocery store at Orange and nearly destroyed it, doing damage estimated at \$2000, which was fully covered by insurance.

J. E. Dawson was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$400 in Justice Yeaker's court at Wichita Falls, charged with burglarizing a freight car in the Denver switch yard.

The Mineola box factory is adding new machinery to its plant in order to fill the orders it is daily receiving. The management has put on an extra crew and will run day and night.

The Stockyards National bank at Fort Worth will open for business on May 1 with a capital stock of \$100,000. Capital stock of the First National bank of Trenton has been increased to \$40,000.

The Van Zandt County investment company has been organized at Willis Point for the purpose of inducing immigrants to locate in Texas, with Charles E. Brown, president; John E. Owens, vice president; T. J. McKain, secretary, and W. R. Howell, treasurer.

Wilkes J. Harrison of Montana and Mr. Scurry of Paint Rock, Tex., left Ft. Worth Saturday over the Houston and Texas Central road for Honduras, where they will embark in the cattle business.

The grand lodge of Odd Fellows has been liberal with the home at Corsicana, and many important improvements have been made in the building and grounds. These include a complete system of waterworks and sewerage, the latter completed.

While John J. Lamb, a Red River county farmer, five miles north of Detroit, was in his field piling brush, he remarked to his daughter that he felt faint. He had sat down only a minute or two when he fell over and expired.

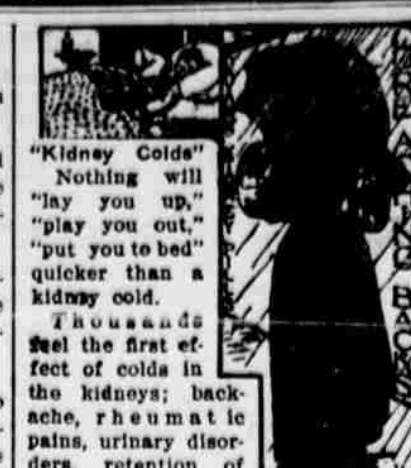
Oil in the Wohlhart well at Ottine was struck at a depth of eighty-six feet, containing fifty-six feet of high grade oil. The well flows ten barrels per day and is capped and under guard.

A two-story, 14-room frame hotel is being built at DeLeon.

Deputy Sheriff W. G. Welch, with a posse, while arresting Allen Alsop, an escaped convict five miles west of Mullin, was shot in the thigh. Alsop was shot in the right shoulder and died a few hours later.

Two large brick business houses are being erected at Amarillo and when completed each will be occupied by extensive furniture dealers. Work has also been commenced on the erection of a building for the wholesale dry goods also.

A through passenger service from Galveston to Denver is to be one of the early outgrowths of the Rock Island operations in South Texas. Plans for the through trains are already said to be on foot.



"Kidney Colds" Nothing will "lay you up," "play you out," "put you to bed" quicker than a kidney cold. Thousands feel the first effect of colds in the kidneys; backache, rheumatism, pains, urinary disorders, retention of the urine, infrequent...

Doan's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney ills from common backache to dangerous diabetes. A. T. Ritenour, owner of the wood yard at 125 East York street, Winchester, Va., says: "Ever since I had a gripe I have been a sufferer from kidney troubles, which made themselves apparent in racking pains through the region of the kidneys and across the small of my back. The pains were always severe, and sometimes so sharp and biting that they compelled me to take to my bed. The kidney secretions furnished further evidence of disorders. They were of color, irregular, and painful of passage. Added to this there was an annoying weakness."

"The newspaper advertisements of Doan's Kidney Pills attracted my attention, and I procured a box of that remedy at Franck Baker & Sons' drug store. The relief I experienced was magical. The pills lifted me from my bed of sickness, placed me on my feet, and made me a well man. I can work as well as ever. Doan's Kidney Pills, I believe, saved my life. They are a great remedy to stop kidney troubles resulting from colds."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price, 50 cents per box.

Not only is dress ever varying from the Empire to Louis XV, and vice versa, but the decorations for the dinner table are an novelty in many cases, with this revival of a really beautiful period. Those who are the happy possessors of baskets in old Sevres or Dresden china, are fortunate indeed, for they make the arranging of delicate flowers and fine foliage, the center ones preferably higher, an

J. E. FOOTE, Editor and Proprietor.

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Saturday, March 28 1903.

LOCAL DOTS.

Heavy gloves. Heavy gloves at Racket Store. Special low prices on heavy gloves at the Racket Store. Mr. J. S. Fox made a business trip to Seymour this week. A daughter was born to Mrs. Dan Warren on Tuesday evening. You can always get good apples, oranges, bananas and lemons at K. Jones, on south side. Mr. W. W. Powell, a merchant at Cliff, was in the county capitol Wednesday. Ladies use Emoline for rough skin and to prevent and cure chapping. You will find it at Wyman's. Mr. F. D. Young of Stephenville is here on a visit to his sister Mrs. R. A. Knowles. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks Thursday morning. For colds and catarrh use Old Stager's Catarrh Cure, it gives quick relief—at Wyman's. I'm back again at the old stand—northwest corner—ready to make your pictures better than ever and at prices down to suit the times. T. F. MAJORS. Mr. Ennis Southerland, who once resided here, moved back from Stamford this week and is opening up a pool hall on the south side of the square. Kill your prairie dogs with McLemore's guaranteed poison—at Wyman's. Bring your butter and eggs and any other marketable produce to Williams' store and get the highest market price for it. Mr. S. J. Shy, formerly of Comanche and who located in the southern part of the county last December, was in town Wednesday and had his name entered on our subscription list. Mr. Shy is so far very well satisfied with his move to Haskell county. Old Stager's Liniment, the best on earth for man or beast, guaranteed—at Wyman's. Don't wear out your coffee mill grinding poor coffee when you can get Gold Seal Mocha and Java blend coffee, ready ground, in air-tight cans so cheap at Williams' store. Mr. Hugh Meadors and family went to Albany Sunday to visit his mother and sister. He returned, leaving his family to spend the week there. Best line of cigars in town—K. Jones, south side. If you want to borrow money on your land call and see me. I am prepared to loan reasonable amounts in proportion to the value of the property. T. G. Carney. Mr. Lock Miller of Van Zandt county is here this week looking over our county for a location. He wants to get out of the mud and is well pleased with this country. Messrs. E. F. Springer and D. M. Winn left Tuesday on an extensive prospecting trip to the southwest. They will look over Reeves, Pecos and other counties in that section. If you have a horse with fistula, use Old Stager's Cure. It's guaranteed to cure—at Wyman's. Parties owing accounts at the meat market must settle on the first of the month, otherwise we cannot continue their accounts. Cunningham & Ellis. Mrs. Martin returned Friday night of last week and is again in charge of the millinery department at Mr. Carney's store. There was an enjoyable social gathering at the home of Eld. C. N. Williams on Friday night of last week. Music and games were the main feature of the evening's entertainment and nice refreshments were served to the guests. In their advertisement this week Messrs. Baker & Cunningham are talking about two sure killers. They will interest you if you have dogs, fleas, mites or lice to dispose of. Mr. W. K. Litsey of Fort Worth arrived Tuesday on a visit to his brothers, Prof. and Dr. Litsey of this place.

"PRAIRIE DOG" BILL

Text of the Hudspeth Law as it Passed Both Branches of the Legislature

Section 1. That in all organized counties in Texas, and in all other counties as may hereafter become organized, upon the written petition of fifty freeholders of any county, the Commissioners' Court of such county shall order an election to be held in such county on some day named in the order, for the purpose of enabling the freeholders of such county to determine whether or not the prairie dogs shall be exterminated in said county.

Sec. 2. Upon filing such petition the Commissioners' Court, at its next regular term, shall order an election to be held in such county on a day to be designated in the order, not less than thirty days from the date of such order, the election to be held and conducted and the returns thereof made in accordance with the laws regulating general elections, in so far as the same are applicable.

Sec. 3. Immediately after the passage of an order for an election by the Commissioners' Court the County Judge shall issue an order for such election, giving thirty days legal notice. Said notice reciting the petition and the action of the Commissioners' Court, and naming the date for said election.

Sec. 4. The election shall be held at the regular election boxes in said county by the regularly appointed managers of elections, and for holding said election those holding the same shall be paid the legal fees as provided by law for such services.

Sec. 5. No person shall vote at any election under the provisions of this act unless he be a freeholder in the county and is also a qualified voter under the Constitution and laws of this State.

Sec. 6. The ballots to be voted in any election held under this act shall either have written or printed on them "For extermination of prairie dogs" or "Against extermination of prairie dogs," and those holding the election shall make within ten days' time legal returns showing number of votes cast for and against the same to the County Judge of the county, who shall tabulate and count the vote in the presence of the Commissioners' Court and ascertain the result of said election.

Sec. 7. If a majority of the votes cast at such election shall be "For extermination of the prairie dogs" the County Judge immediately after the counting of the votes shall issue his proclamation declaring the result of the election, which proclamation shall be posted at the court house door, and after the expiration of twelve months from its issuance it shall be unlawful for any landowner or lessee of land in said county to allow to run at large any prairie dog on any lands owned or leased by him, and it shall be his duty to kill the same within twelve months from the issuance of proclamation by the County Judge.

Sec. 8. After the issuance of proclamation by the County Judge in any county declaring that election has been held and that the result was "For extermination of prairie dogs," at the expiration of twelve months any landowner, or lessee owning land in said county, who shall willfully fail or refuse to kill the prairie dogs inhabiting his land, shall be liable for damages to the owners of contiguous land who have complied with the law, and the measure of damages are hereby fixed at \$2.50 per month for each and every month that he permits the prairie dogs running on his lands to run at large. Any land owner, owning adjacent lands, who has in good faith complied with the law and removes the dogs from his lands, should his lands be invaded by prairie dogs from the adjoining land, he can bring a suit for damages against such land owner, the amount of damages being hereby fixed at \$2.50 per month, and such suits are to be filed in the courts having competent jurisdiction; provided, further, that any party desiring to bring suit must notify the party from whom he claims damages, in writing, ninety days prior to the filing of said suit, and no damages shall accrue until after the expiration of said ninety days; provided, however, that in all cases where lands infested with prairie dogs owned by non-residents, and such lands are being used by some other person, or inclosed under the fence of another who is paying the owner thereof no compensation for the use thereof, then in all such cases the duty herein imposed as to the extermination of such prairie dogs shall devolve upon the person so using land or lands or having the same inclosed under his fence.

Sec. 8a. The venue for all suits for damages under this act shall be situated in the county or precinct where the lands of the plaintiff are situated.



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JUST OPENED and we have just what you want. Good beef, cooked right, highly seasoned and served with good rich gravy, bread and good coffee at 15 cts. Come today and see for yourself if we know how to cook meat. We also serve eggs, sausage, bread and coffee for breakfast every morning at 15 cts.

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B. G. WALLACE & SON.

If you want to know what you are planting when you plant your onion patch, get the Red Weathersfield, the White Silversides or the Yellow Globe Danvers sets at the Racket Store—they are all fine varieties and true to name.

Wakeful Children.

For a long time the two year old child of Mr. P. L. McPherson, 59 N. Tenth St., Harrisburg, Pa., would sleep but two or three hours in the early part of the night, which made it very hard for her parents. Her mother concluded that the child had stomach trouble, and gave her half of one of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, which quieted her stomach and she slept the whole night through. Two boxes of these Tablets have effected a permanent cure and she is now well and strong. For sale at Terrells drug store.

SEED OATS—SEED CORN.

We have a supply of the genuine Texas Red Rustproof seed oats, warranted clear of johnson grass seed, also the northern red seed oats.

We will also have several kinds of the best recommended seed corn, including Texas grown and northern varieties. These seeds will be sold at the lowest possible prices.

W. W. Fields & Bro.

I'm after your cigar trace—try me for a good smoke, K. Jones.

Mr. J. M. Johnson succeeded last week in getting enough money subscribed to have the court yard set in Bermuda grass. The work has been done and Uncle Jake Thompson, the court house janitor, has been putting in his time this week watering it. If it grows off well it will make a great improvement in the appearance of the yard by another year.

Mesdames Kaigler and Pinkerton, Jr., visited friends in town Tuesday.

Farmers' Look Here!

Eggs, sausage, bread and coffee for breakfast, 15c; beef, roast, bread and coffee at all hours 15c; bucket trade 15c per lb. Open day and night. Come. THE STAR BARBECUE, 1st door north of Postoffice, Stamford, Tx.

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The ladies of the Home Mission society are arranging to have an "old fiddlers" contest some time during next September. Those who may want to enter the contest should address Mrs. Oscar Martin, chairman of the committee on arrangements. Two handsome prizes will be offered.

MONEY TO LOAN.

I have appointed T. G. Carney as local agent in Haskell to loan money on land. See him if you wish to be accommodated in that way.

R. C. McPHAIL, Agt. for Western Texas.

Mr. Foote of Duster, Comanche county, a brother of our jeweler, is here this week.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a tea at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Grisson on the afternoon of Thursday, April 2nd, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

All of the ladies of Haskell are invited to attend. An interesting program will be rendered and it is hoped to make the occasion a pleasant one for all who attend. A free-will offering will be taken at the close.

Try K. Jones for the best cigar in town—south side.

NEW CLOTHING...

I have just put in a new lot of clothing, greatly increasing my stock and making one of the most complete lines of clothing ever offered to the public in this section. Like everything else I handle, the prices are right. Just come and see when you want anything in this line—I will make it pay you to do so.

SHOES AND HATS.

A complete line of these for men, women and children,—extra good values for your money. There are special bargains for you in my general line of

Dry Goods and Ladies Dress Goods,

as I want to reduce stock before putting in my spring goods. And don't forget my

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which is always up-to-date with everything fresh and choice in the eatable line, and, if you have ever bought of me, you know the prices are the lowest. YOURS FOR BUSINESS

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Haskell.

TAKEN UP by J. C. Bohannon and estrayed before J. T. Knowles Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 Haskell county: One iron gray mare, about 14 1/2 hands high, 6 or 7 years old, branded Y on left shoulder. Appraised at twenty dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 21st day of March 1903. C. D. LONG, Clerk SEAL Co Court Haskell County By J. W. Meadors, Deputy.

Now is the time to use Old Stager's Cough Medicine, guaranteed—at Wyman's.

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FOR SALE.

Four full-blood shorthorn bulls, one good horse and 8000 bundles of good sorghum. A. P. McLemore.

Gentlemen desiring something really good and to be dressed in the latest fashion, should drop in and see the large line of tailoring samples at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Judge H. G. McConnell and County Clerk C. D. Long returned the first of the week from their trip to Austin. Judge McConnell says that more heavy rains fell in the central and eastern part of the state during his trip and he saw many farms along his route under water and no start had been made toward farming operations. He thinks the prospect very gloomy for farmers in a large portion of the state.

If you are troubled with headache or the grip get a bottle of Old Stager's Specific,—at Wyman's.

All kinds of nuts, candies and fruits at K. Jones,—south side.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well."

Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by J. B. Baker, druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Our friend B. F. Ash of the Wild Horse country called around the other day and had the Free Press sent to his brother in Corryell for a year. Do thou likewise that your kindred may learn of the good things that await them in this land of Canaan.

Mr. J. M. Shrum and wife of Munday were here this week visiting their son, who is attending school here.

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

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