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KING CAUCUS' RULE.

The Regular Democrats will Take the Reins and Drive.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 8.—The absorbing question with the legislature to-day has been caucus or no caucus. When the idea was first broached it seemed as if it would be adopted with but little opposition but some of the candidates seem to have reached the conclusion that it is loaded and strong opposition is manifested to it this evening. Still the influences favoring the caucus idea are such that it is safe to predict that it will carry. The controlling sentiment is that regular Democrats should control.

While the opposition cannot muster exceeding twenty-five votes in both houses it is feared that they might try to engender trouble in the camp of the regulators if a program is not adopted outside the legislature.

If a caucus is agreed on as it will be it will take jurisdiction not only of the selection of officers of the two houses, but of all measures touching the issues in the state Democratic platform.

Three lists are out for signatures to calls for a caucus among house members and about forty members have signed. This document is rather indefinite and is addressed to the supporters of the regular Democratic organization. The word "Present" is to be inserted in pencil before the word supporters. The object is stated to be to nominate candidates for the various offices to be filled.

The senate call is more explicit. It has only two or three signatures as yet but a vigorous canvass will be made to-morrow by Seator Imboden for signatures and it is believed that most of the senators will sign. The paper reads as follows:

"We the undersigned D[illegible] ty third legislature of Texas with a view of preserving the integrity of the Democratic party organization in Texas hereby call a caucus of Democratic senators to be held in the senate chamber at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening, Jan. 9, 1893, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the several senate offices and to transact such other business as may come before us. All Democratic candidates for offices in the senate who will pledge their allegiance to the Democratic party of Texas as represented by the executive committee of which Hon. Waller S. Baker is the chairman, and who will agree to abide by the decision of the caucus are invited to submit their claims to said caucus."

Much depends on the success or failure of this movement as the caucus, if adopted, will probably become the real arbiter of the fate of the most important measures before the legislature.

EIGHT TO HANG.

They Laugh and Joke and Caper, Sing and read the Bible.

Princess Anne, Md., Jan. 7.—Eight negroes, ranging in color from a light tan to a dead black, are confined in the county jail here. They are to be hanged next Friday for the murder of Dr. J. H. Hill. Nevertheless a jollier aggregation of Ham's descendants than they are would be difficult to find. The fact that in less than one week, Providence or the governor not interfering, they are to be dropped into eternity does not seem to disturb them. They shout and sing, laugh and joke about the coming event as though it were a 'possum dinner.

Some of them show slight sighs of depression at odd intervals, but the majority rather seem to feel proud that they are to take part in so notable a performance. Fletcher Williams and Buck Brooks sulk at times, but the others are always in a good humor.

Williams and Brooks are more directly concerned in the murder than their companions, for it was the knife thrust by the former and the cane blow with a stone by the other that killed the physician's death. They [illegible] they sung and danced and "patted jubs" on the bridge that dark night in April when they committed the murder.

The men occupy ground floor cells in the county jail. Moses Brown, the oldest, has a cell to himself. Williams and Brooks also have a cell each. They are shackled about the feet. In the large steel-lined murderers' cell are Charles Sumner Morroy, Josh Brainaird and Frisby Comegys, three of the boys, and in another small cell are Lewis Benson and Henry Hurt. In front of the cells is a corridor about eight feet wide, lighted at such end by a heavily grated window, and at one end is the door through which they will walk to the gallows next Friday.

Each morning the prisoners are allowed to go into the corridor for exercise, the boys all at once and the men singularly. The boys make this a time for an old fashioned romp if no one except the jailers happen to be by. They run up and down the corridor, wrestling and tripping each other. The men in their "liberty hours" sit by the stove, smoke and chat with the jailers.

Then they have intervals of piety. The men and boys start to praying and singing together in the peculiar manner of the negro. One starts a hymn in a minor key and sings for some time alone. Then, as the weird droning continues, one and another take up either the air or the refrain [illegible] or nearly all, are singing. Then one, usually either Brown or Brainiard, being a fervid prayer.

These two men have deep, rich voices and they ejaculate a few words of the prayer at a time in a singsong way at each rest or long note in a hymn. The men do not sing in chorus but seem to chant each on his own account, though the whole makes harmony.

The voices range from the high tenor of Comegys to the low bass of Williams. They gradually work themselves into almost a frenzy, singing and shouting "amen" at the top of their voices. Somtimes they keep their devotions up two or three hours in the evening, only stopping from sheer exhaustion. Nearly all of them read the bible. Moses Brown reads it much of the time in daylight, and rejoices because his cell is nearest the west window, where he has more light and can read longer at a time than the rest of the prisoners. He seldom sings or jokes but is always present; yet he is considered the worst character in the lot. His face is almost bestial in appearance.

Sheriff Plummer has summoned 200 men to protect the jail from the expected crowd, and he has ordered each man to bring a gun. The first man summoned was George Alfred Pierce, on of the counsel of the condemned men, who says he will serve.

EATEN BY POLAR BEARS

A Colored man Tells the Story of the Ravenous Beasts.

San Francisco Examiner.

This is the story of a colored sailor, told as he gathered a crowd about him in a water front saloon.

"I was one of the crew of twelve who left this point in 1876 on the whisky trader Nellie for a cruise among the islands of the north and I was also one of the seven of that twelve who reached the shore when the vessel went to pieces off St. Matthew's island, Of that seven I was the only one who lived to tell the story and it was my color which saved me. Now, white trash laugh at a black man if you dare.

"It was in June that we went ashore. The wreck occurred early in the morning, and by noon there wasn't enough left of the vessel to make a cane for a dude. We saved nothing but our lives and the clothes on our backs. This island was uninhabited, though it had plenty of timber, and we were able to build a shelter of brush and driftwood.

"When night shut in we crawled into the hut, tired, cold and ready to eat our hands off. About midnight one of the men startled us broad awake by a yell which should have been heard by all the [illegible] agged away. He screamed and we heard [illegible] fainter and fainter, [illegible] follow. We had no light and all we could do was to wait for the morning.

"At dawn we found all that was left of our shipmate—a pile of bones and blood stained garment—not a hundred yards from our shelter. From the tracks in the soft ground we knew he had been dragged off and eaten by bears. We found that the island swarmed with polar bears and concluded that our only safety lay in climbing tall trees and sleeying there.

"This we did for several nights and we could alread heor the great bruites, sniffing, shuffling and growling along the ground hunting for their prey. During the day we would gather shellfish along the beach to stave off hunger and then we'd take to the trees on the first sign of danger.

"This roosting high like wild turkeys grew very tiresome in short order, and we set about building a stout brush corral. We picked up an ax with a broken helve in the wreckage on the shore and in two days had a corral and hut that looked as if they would withstand a herd of elephants.

"I had my doubts, however, and when night came took to my tree again. The others chose the greater comfort of the corral.

"The bears went through the brush stockade as if it had been made of paper. The men scattered for the trees, but two of them were caught, killed and eaten.

"You may have been told that a polar bear is a coward and that he will retreat if a man shows fight. That's one of the lies of those naturalist chaps who make habits for animals from the top stories of brick buildings. Why, get two or three of those bears together and hungry and they'd attack the United States army. If pools were sold I'd back the bears.

"The death of those two men settled the question of sleeping. We didn't try any more stockade but took to the trees, and wished they were higher. But we couldn't stay there always. We had to eat and the bears seemed to know it. They took to coming around during the day and snuffing at the roots of the trees where we were. This forced us to make sallies to the bush together, and we had to be very quick about gathering the mussels and other shell fish.

"But with all our caution one more chap was surprised and killed, and then the three survivors drew lots as to who should gather the day's food. The man who drew the short twig the first day refused to go. So we had a row and each man had to shift for himself.

"I stayed in my tree three days before I dared to make a dash for food or drink. I could see or hear bears all the time. Finally I ran for it swallowed as much water as I could hold, and luckily came upon a double hand full of mussels.

"The bears didnt bother me, but the moment the other men attempted a similar feat they were pursued. One was overtaken and eaten right in plain view. Two big beasts laid seige to the tree of the other. He stuck it out for three days more and then from weakness, or delerium fell or threw himself down.

"After that I nearly went mad, I could see no hope. Vessels rarely touched at the island. The mussels were nearly gone from the beach, and I expected to be eaten if I made a move. I was forced, however, to do something, so I slid to the ground and started for the spring.

"Hardly had I taken the first sip when out of the brush came a bear. I jumped up to run, but in my weakened condition stumbled, fell and couldn't rise. The great brute was upon me and I gave up hope. I felt his hot breath on my face. He turned me over with a rough touch of a paw.

"Then he sniffed and went away.

"Boys polar bears won't eat niggers. It's because we are a superior race. Black meat is too rich for them.

"Af[illegible] found to the [illegible] of [illegible] was in the lead and had at least three of the Clark votes solid. [illegible] one vote and would have been elected the next [illegible] can predict what the world. I'm with the poachers every time, since the day I sighted the Ottawa.

"When I told the sailors about the bears they thought I was light up aloft on account of my troubles. But I showed them the tracks and all hand turned out for a hunt. They killed eight the first day and twenty three before the week was out.

"That's my bear story."

Presidential Electors' Meeting.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 9.—The democratic electors met in the supreme courtroom at noon. It was an exceedingly fine looking crowd of men. There was no open drawing of the line between the Hogg and Clark men, though it was quite apparent that the latter would have no say in the election of a messenger, which was the most interesting part of the business. No candidates were nominated, however, and there was no chance to land those who had been faithful to James. The nominating business was expected but was unaccountably voted down. Dudley Wooten was on hand and probably loaded for the emergency.

There were present; Hon. Dudley G. Wooten and Jake C. Hodges, electors at large; J. F. Randolph, first district; J. I. Perkins, second district; J. S. Spinks, third district; R. R. Lockett, fourth district; A. C. Owsley, fifth district; H. P. Brown, sixth district; W. S. Baker, seventh district; Lee Riddle, eighth district; R. H. Ward, ninth district; G. F. Bargess, tenth district; R. W. Stayton, eleventh district; E. R. Lane, twelfth district; Alden Bell, thirteenth district.

On motion of W. S. Baker, Esq. Hon. Jake C. Hodges was unanimously elected chairman of the college and on motion of Hon. J. I. Perkins Charles S. Morse was requested to act as secretary.

Hon. R. B. Levy, private secretary of Gov. Hogg, then presented to the chairman the certificates of election of the fifteen presidential electors. After the delivery in person to the member of said certificates, on motion of Hon. A. C. Owsley the college adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After the formality of casting the vote for Cleveland and Stevenson, Col. Hodges declared they were elected right then.

Hon. R. H. Ward offered the following:

Resolved, that in the selection of a messenger the secretary call the roll of the electors and each member, as his name is called, place in nomination such name as he desires and that such announcement be without discusssion.

Hon. J. I. Perkins offered the following substitute which was adopted:

Resolved that in the selection of a messenger the votes of the electors be taken in the same manner as were the votes for president and vice paesident and that no nomination of applicants be had.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

A. S. Roberts	3
W. S. Rather	2
Lewis Wood	2
D. A. Paulus	1
J. S. Spinka	2
H. E. Henderson	3
I. N. Roach	1
Lucas Woods	1

Twenty-one ballots were taken the last one resulting as follows:

A. S. Roberts	7
H. E. Hende-son	4
Wood	1
Paulus	2
Hill	1

On motion of Dudley G. Wooten the college adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9:30.

During the balloting several unsuccessful efforts were made to adjourn. By holding over another day the per diem is doubled, but the real purpose was to make some combination to beat General Roberts

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IT isn't a case of "Good morning; have you used Somebody's soap?" in Chicago any more. The proper matutinal salutation is, "Good morning, have you been held up?"

WHILE France is worrying about a crisis and a scandal at home, away off in Dahomey there is more trouble. The dusky king is potting soldiers of the republic, and Amazons about the evening camp-fire plan how they will trim their winter basques with imported French scalp-locks.

A CLASS of New Yorkers known to themselves as sports are betting as to whether or not a certain condemned murderer will be hanged at the time set. With remarkable delicacy they refrain from laying wagers concerning the number of convulsive kicks to be expected in case the backers of the executive clemency theory shall lose.

A WOMAN in Russia has been sent to prison for a year, with no allowance for good behavior. She had not said anything unpleasant about the royal family. She had merely killed 100 babies as far as counted. When the count has progressed to the second 100 lovers of justice hope the woman will be fined a few kopecks in addition.

THE calloused hand of King Charles of Roumania is about to loosen its grip on the scepter, and Prince Ferdinand will grasp the relinquished tool and try to make a living with it. As he is already allowed $60,000 per year for being a prince and the king business pays even better, it is believed that Ferdinand, by economy, will get along.

A MINNESOTA woman, married but two weeks, eloped with another man. While her husband was congratulating himself he made the discovery that the elopers had taken his clothes along, and the gloom that settled upon him was profound. It was humiliating to think he had been used merely as a dummy for the tailor to fit the raiment of another person

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Colorado [illegible] bit of din- [illegible] desires to diet there [illegible] lawyer has [illegible] necessary [illegible] technicality. It is hoped that the lawyer will [illegible] succeed, but if he [illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible] Mr. Sligh and [illegible]essed his suit with so much ardor that when Mr. Sligh arrived here Wednesday night to claim his bride he learned that Mr. Biggerstaff had secured his license and would be the happy groom instead of himself. He was much chagrined over the turn of affairs.

Narrow Escape.

PLANO, Tex., Jan. 5.—Dr. Butler of Wylie, who was stopping at the Moore house here Tuesday night, took an overdose of chloroform by mistake and had it not been for timely aid would have succumbed to its influence. The hotel proprietor summoned a physician and after several hours of hard work the effect of the deadly drug was worked off. The doctor had a bottle of liquid quinine in his overcoat pocket he was taking for a bad cold, and a bottle of chloroform in his sack coat, and got hold of the wrong bottle, not discovering the error until after he had swallowed the contents.

Held for Forgery.

HONEY GROVE, Tex., Jan. 9.—Saturday Deputy Marshal S. B. Garrett went to Wolfe City and brought back Ed Lunsford, charged with forgery. Lunsford had the day before presented a check on the Planters' National bank purporting to be signed by Peyton Wheeler. The cashier detected the forgery and refused to cash the check. Complaint was filed against Lunsford, and the city marshal of Wolfe City was wired to arrest him, which he did. Lunsford confesses the forgery and implicates another young man.

Dead in Each Others' Arms.

TEMPLE, Tex., Jan. 3.—Last Friday two boys, aged 7 and 8 years, sons of William Smith, who lives on Elm creek, eighteen miles east of Belton, wandered off with some dogs hunting rabbits and got lost. Their failure to return home excited alarm and the family and neighbors made constant and diligent search for them. Yesterday they were found folded in each others' arms and dead. It is supposed they froze to death.

A Captain Without a Soldier.

CORPUS CHRISTI Tex., Jan. 6.—A special to the Caller from San Diego says: It was learned with regret that Capt. J. S. McNeel of the ranger company was relieved of his command at A iceand Sergeant Rogers of Capt. J. S. Brook's command placed in charge thereof. Capt. McNeel's boys so disliged the idea of losing him that they resigned en masse, leaving their new captain without soldiers.

Brakeman Killed.

BRENHAM, Tex., Jan. 5.—Linn Kelly, aged 23 years, a brakeman on a rock train on the Houston and Texas Central, slipped and fell between the cars at Ledbetter at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Both legs and arms were cut off and his body horribly mangled. Death was instaneous. He leaves a young wife formerly Miss Morgan of this city.

Farm Homes in Demand.

WAHANACHIE, Tex., Jan. 5.—The first of the year has brought about the usual moving from farm to farm. There are more newcomers in the country than usual and many of them are finding it a hard matter to find homes for rent.

HE KEPT HIS WORD.

Malcolm A. Craig, 22 Years of Age, Becomes Despondent and Sends a

LEADEN MESSENGER THROUGH HIS BRAIN

Ed Lunsford Arrested at Wolfe City Charged With Forgery at Honey Grove.

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 9.—Yesterday evening about 7 o'clock Malcolm A. Craig, 22 years old, shot and killed himself at the boarding house of Mrs. Lucy L. Berkeley, 2411 Rusk avenue. He was in bed in his room up stairs at the time, and there were three ladies in other parts of the house when they heard the shot fired. A few seconds later Mrs. Berkeley entered the room of the young man and found him lying upon the bed with a still warm pistol in his hand and blood streaming from a hole in the temple near the right eye. He was dying rapidly and Drs. Burroughs and Lankford were called, but death occurred before they got to the house. The young man had been despondent for several days and had been known to express a determination to kill himself. When the news of the killing got abroad, a large crowd of curious people gathered at the house to view the remains. Justice Schneider was called and began taking testimony in the case. The body was turned over to Ross & Wright and removed to their establishment on Texas avenue. A 32-caliber pistol was used and the bullet lodged in the back part of the brain. The young man had not been here long out was in the employ of Mr. George Dumble as collector. He came here from New Orleans, where, it is said, he not long ago attempted to kill himself by taking laudanum. His parents live in Pennsylvania, but he has a sister who lives in Palestine. His relatives have been notified by wire, but it is not known what will be done with the body.

A Giddy Young Widow.

PARIS, Tex., Jan. 6.—There was a romantic wedding in this city Wednesday night. About four years ago Mrs. Jennie Dethridge arrived in the city. She had been left a widow, only a short time before. Soon after her arrival she obtained employment in a good family but, when they discovered her condition they turned her out. The poor woman was without money or friends, and in her straightened circumstances was seeking shelter with a respectable colored woman, when Mr. John Swain found her and took her to his home, keeping her there until her child, a little girl, was born. She then obtained a situation at Dr. Elliott's, where she lived until Wednesday. Some time ago a young man named Jack Sligh began paying his addresses to her and they became engaged. He went to Denison, where he secured employment. The wedding was set for Wednesday night. In the absence of Jack Sligh a young man named Joe Biggerstaff began to woo the young widow. He learned of the engagement [illegible] the time set for [illegible]

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

One Hundred and Twelve Bales of Cotton Burned at Houston.

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 7.—Yesterday morning the International and Great Northern sheds were found to be ablaze. Despite the efforts of the fire department to extinguish the fire the building was nearly destroyed. On the platform adjacent to the shed were sixty-three bales of cotton belonging to Davis, Watts & Co. and insured with the Hartford insurance company, which were entirely consumed. Two cars containing forty-nine bales of cotton, standing on the track, were also burned, together with their contents. Two passenger coaches standing on the sidetrack were entirely consumed and two baggae cars partially destroyed. The train dispatcher's office was also slightly damaged by fire and water. This places the loss at $15,000, covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is attributed to tramps sleeping in the building. This theory is made more conclusive from the fact that a lot of sausage and aprons which had been stolen from a neighboring butcher shop were found in the building.

A Family Quarrel.

GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 4.—Yesterday morning about 9:30 o'clock word was telephoned to the police station that W. J. Priestly, superintendent of the Galveston Bagging and Cordage company, had committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. Mrs. Priestly, who was removed to a neighbor's house soon after the suicide, was seen by a reporter, but she was hysterical and almost crazed. Her story, told disjointly, is in substance as follows: In 1882 Mrs. Priestly and her husband were married in Yorkshire, England. They came to this country in 1884, settling in Cincinnati. About six years ago a son, Johnny, was born to them. About two years ago they came to Galveston to live, Mr. Priestly being employed as superintendent of the Galveston Bagging and Cordage company's factory, for he was a cordage maker by trade. Their married life was pleasant until last summer, when Mrs. Priestly went north on a visit. On her return she said she discovered that Mr. Priestly had, during her absence, been giving undue attention to an actress. Mrs. Priestly and her husband had several quarrels over this woman and on two or three occasions Mr. Priestly threatened to commit suicide. Mrs. Priestly paid no attention to these threats. At 9:40 Monday night Mr. Priestly returned from a four weeks trip to the north. He had been sent away to investigate some recent improved methods in the manufacture of bagging and cordage. On his arrival he was met at the depot by his wife and son and Mr. Edward Boyd. They all went to the restaurant and Mr. Priestly seemed to be in excellent spirits. Both Mr. J. T. Morris and Patrick Barry stated that Mr. Priestly talked with them and appeared pleased to be back in Galveston. On Monday night after Mr. and Mrs. Priestly went home they again quarreled about the actress. Yesterday morning the quarrel was renewed and Mr. Priestly said that he did not get up as he did not feel well. His wife prepared his breakfast and took it to the bedroom, placing it on a chair. Mr. Priestly was still in bed. A few minutes after returning to the kitchen she heard the revolver shot and rushed into the bedroom to find her husband dead. She immediately went to the front door and gave the alarm.

Awarded Damages.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Jan. 7.—H. M. Wells, a well-to-do farmer living in Irwin county, obtained judgement for $500 damages in the county court here yesterday for false imprisonment last summer against State Ranger C. L. Broome and Constable G. B. Lansmon. Mr. Wells was arrested and carried to Limestone county charged with murder committed there in 1885.

An Old Timer.

MARSHALL, Tex., Jan. 5.—A copy of the Harrison Times dated September 18, 1845 is in the posession of the editor of the Star of this city. The paper contains no reading matter except the constitution of the republic. It is full of advertisements and its motto is "Truth fears nothing but concealment." The subscription price was $4 per year.

Alleged Lynchers.

EASTLAND, Tex., Jan. 3.—Green Wagnon of Comanche county was arrested charged with murder in this county in 1885. He with some ten or twelve others has been indicted for mobbing Simp Cade and Bill Deal. Wagnon and A. D. Hutton, another one of those charged with the murder, were admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000, which was readily given.

Mangled by Shafting.

GILMER, Tex., Jan. 6.—The 10-year old son of T. G. Carloch, who lives fourteen miles in the country, was caught in the shafting of a threshing machine and his left leg broken in three places and was otherwise terribly mangled. A doctor was called in who amputated the leg at the thigh. At last reports the boy was doing well.

Guarding the Rio Grande.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Jan. 7.—The Mexican government has placed a military guard at the ferries and crossings on the Rio Grande. All persons are strictly scrutinized. Those who are not known and cannot give an intelligent account of themselves are taken to military headquarters.

Cut His Own Throat.

BONHAM, Tex., Jan. 5.—News has just reached here that a gentleman who had just come into the neighborhood of Gober, twelve miles south of [illegible] attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. He would have bled to death but for the prompt action of a physician. He is in a [illegible] way of recovery. He is in a [illegible] way

Lively Dance.

DENTON, Tex., [illegible] night a crowd of [illegible] to charivari a ne[illegible] and Will C. Low[illegible] lighted a cann[illegible] to the rack[illegible] hand, tearing [illegible] the wrist w[illegible]

MR. BLAINE IS SINKING.

He Suffers a Relapse and His Death Looked for at Any Moment.

TERRIFIC SNOWSTORM IN WISCONSIN.

Property Destroyed by the Break of the Ice Gorge in the Ohio River.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Saturday night about 1 o'clock Mr. Blaine's physicians were hastily sent for. It developed that he had suffered a relapse and was in danger of immediate death. Restoratives were applied and he was slightly relieved for the time, but from that time his physicians have not left his bedside. His condition can be briefly described as being one which may result fatally at any moment. Those who have been permitted to see him say that his condition is most precarious and that he may die at any moment.

A Fiend With An Ax.

DURAND, Mich., Jan. 3.—Yesterday morning Mrs. Layton Leitch, wife of a farmer living a mile and a half from here, was found in her yard with the back of her neck shot away. A short time later her husband was discovered in the basement of the barn with two terrible gashes in his head, which had been inflicted with an ax. The farmer will die and there are but slight hopes for the recovery of his wife, from whom the facts of the terrible tragedy were learned. She states the tragedy occurred Sunday night about 9 o'clock. A young man named Burns, who has been employed around the farm for several weeks past, called Leitch from the house and knocked him down with an ax and left him for dead. The scoundrel then called Mrs. Leitch, and when she stepped from the door into the farmyard shot her, then knocked the unfortunate woman down and ravished her. Twenty-five dollars was taken from Leitch's pocket by Burns, who then escaped. He will be strung up by infuriated citizens if captured.

Lost in a Snowstorm.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 9.—A special to the Tribune from Ashland, Wis., says the most terrific storm of the season has been raging for the past ten hours and there are yet no signs of abatement. All the trains are clocked by snow. Ashland's streets are almost impassable on account of the blinding storm. The snow on the Gogebec range is over four feet on a level. Several persons endeavoring to reach Washburn from Ashland by driving across the Chequamegon bay, a distance of six miles, were lost in a blinding snowstorm and would have perished but for a chance rescue.

Suicide and Disgrace

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Nellie Brundage, wife of C. N. Brundage, a prominent real estate man, suicided in the room of Attorney S. R. Clute in the Grandview hotel Sunday. Clute realizing what the woman had done, made an unsuccessful attempt to end his life. The tragedy was the result of intoxication and an article in a Sunday paper telling of her actions Christmas night, but mentioning no names. The husband is heartbroken from the disgrace of the affair. Clute is from Montezuma, Ia., and the Brundages came from Canandaigua, N. Y.

A Sympathetic Strike.

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—The coal miners of the Ruhr district show signs of striking in sympathy with the men at the Saar district. A meeting of 3000 miners and miners' delegates was held at Bochum yesterday afternoon. The socialistic element had complete control from the beginning and strong resolutions of sympathy with the Saar strikers were passed almost without opposition. The meeting decided in favor of a general strike in support of the Saar men. The strike will begin to-day. It is not believed, however, all the miners will indorse their action.

Negroes Ordered to Leave.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Jan. 3.—There is great excitement at West Liberty over the discovery that whitecap notices ordering all negroes to leave town had been posted in prominent places during the night. A mob attempted to lynch Grant Jackson, a mulatto, who eloped with Bessie Hinkle, a pretty white waitress at the Grand hotel here, but he escaped to the woods. A terrible outbreak is feared. Jackson was tarred and feathered last week by citizens of West Liberty, but he returned in spite of warnings with the above result.

Hungry Wolves.

WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 6.—A story comes from the north to the effect that the wolves driven by intense cold and deep snow from the woods to seek food, attacked an Indian village near the shore of Lake Winnipeg, and several Indians while attempting to drive them off were terribly bitten by the ferocious animals. A squaw and child were also horribly lacerated and are not expected to live.

The Gorge Breaks.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 9.—The ice gorge in the Ohio river is moving at the rate of five or six miles per hour. The movement began yesterday afternoon suddenly and a number of river crafts were caught. Disasters up to midnight yesterday tell of the destruction of $325,000 worth of property, so far no lives are reported lost.

No Cholera Whatever.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 5.—Dr. Giddings, who was sent from Washington by the marine hospital service to investigate the epidemic at the penitentiary, stu[illegible] last night the result of [illegible] examination for coma bacilli [illegible] to that time [illegible] words, he [illegible]

SIMILAR TO THE MAFIA.

Annal Sherman Dogged to Death by Paris Terrors.

ISHPEMING, Mich., Jan. 7.—The work of vengeance of the Mafia is equaled by facts which have just come to light in connection with the death of Annal Sherman, an overseer in the Walton lumber camp near this city. Sherman was found dead with a bullet hole in his breast and a revolver beside him. Gazing stoically at the dead man was a Frenchman named Antonio Murray, who had been working in the camp. He explained that Sherman had been sitting quietly by the stove, when he suddenly drew a revolver and shot himself. A search of the dead man's clothes disclosed an old envelope, inside of which was scrawled in French, "If I, Annal Sherman, come to a violent death, charge it to the work of the Paris terrors. Ten years ago I violated the society's law, and have since been pursued by one of its members. He overtook me in San Francisco in 1886 and has followed me here. He has hounded me to death." Then followed a brief description of his pursuer. A comparison showed that it fitted Murray exactly and he was at once taken into custody. He practically admitted that the crime was his work. He explained that in 1882 Sherman failed to perform a certain task allotted to him and through the failure three members of the society were guillotined. Since then Sherman has been under the ban of the society and one of its emissaries has been on his track.

Looks Like Cholera.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 4.—Dr. H. G. Giddings of the United States marine hospital service arrived here from Washington city yesterday morning for the purpose of making thorough examination and determining the nature of the disease which prevails among convicts in the penitentiary. He visited the penitentiary soon after his arrival, making as careful examination of the surroundings as was possible under the circumstances. He stated that there were evidences of a suspicious character within the walls of the penitentiary, and the disease which existed among the convicts was undoubtedly of great violence. He was not prepared to state the nature of the disease, but hoped to be within a day or so. He brought with him apparatus for making a bacterial test, which will determine whether or not the disease is cholera. It was evident from Dr. Giddings' conversation that he would not be surprised if the disease should prove to be cholera. He said, however, in a significant way: "If the disease is cholera the penitentiary is a good place for it," meaning of course that it would not be liable to spread from that point. Dr. Giddings mentioned the existence of the dump within the walls of the penitentiary, and from his conversation it was inferred that it was a very dangerous nuisance. For instance if the disease is cholera it would be possible for some of the convicts to carry out infected dirt on their feet, which might be washed off in some running stream and thereby be communicated to persons on the outside. Another serious fact has attracted attention. A drove of hogs which had been allowed to feed on the dump have been driven to the country. Hogs fall easy victims to cholera and in this way the disease might spread. Dr. Giddings expressed surprise that the convicts from within the walls were allowed to work on the streets under the circumstances. A young lady living in the vicinity of the penitentiary was taken sick at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and was a corpse at 5. It is not known what caused her death. Izaih Wilkinsons died at the penitentiary at 5 a. m., and it is thought another will die to-day. Dr. Giddings ordered strict quarantine against the prison and the keeping of all convicts within the walls. This city is badly scared.

The Battle Continues.

MARION, N. C., Jan. 6.—A courier arrived here yesterday from Bakersville who states that the mob instead of dispersing as was expected, remained upon the ground and scattered the handful of the sheriff's posse who also remained under fire and are being rapidly enforced. They continued to receive accessions to their ranks throughout the day and by noon their party numbered about 300, which has now increased to 600. The feeling ran high and after a few speeches the posse resolved to avenge Sheriff Marmaw's death. Another battle took place shortly after noon, in which at least twenty-five more men were killed and the fighting is still going on. What will be the result no one here can tell, but troops are expected.

Circumstantial Evidence.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 6.—There never has been a case in the city of Detroit that exemplified more clearly the dangers of convicting a man upon circumstantial evidence than that of George Bossenberger, who was found guilty about six weeks ago by a jury in the recorder's court of murder in the first degree for the killing of William Knack. Affidavits in support of a new trial were filed yesterday by the attorney for the defendant from which it appears that Bossenberger is innocent and that Otto Schultzee is guilty. The latter, who is a nephew of Bossenberger, yesterday confessed to having committed the murder for which his uncle is now serving a life sentence. Bossenberger will probably be released.

Love at First Sight.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., Jan. 7.—W. F. Rhoda, a white man about 30 years old, whose native home is Missouri, was married near Wellington, I. T., Saturday night to Mahala Bruner, a negress, who is 80 years old and who has been married three times before. Ex-District Judge Henry C. Reed of the Muskogee district performed the ceremony. The parties were married in accordance with Creek law, and as Aunt Mahala is a Creek negro the groom by virtue of his wife is entitled to certain rights and lands. [illegible] cutting [illegible]

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Important Happenings in the Various Departments of Government.

CONGRESSIONAL AND OTHER NEWS.

The Report That Carlisle Has Resigned His Seat in the Senate Denied.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Late Saturday night Mr. Carlisle denied that he had sent in his resignation, still everybody believes here that he has sent it in and the news came from the very closest personal and political friends of Mr. Carlisle. There is to be a special session of congress and the idea is that it is the policy of the incoming administration to get Carlisle's successor in by the 4th of March so he can be put on committees and aid in the organization of the senate and be prepared as a full fledged senator for the work to come up at the special session. Mr. Carlisle's denial is taken here more as an evidence that he did not want the matter to get out at this time because of a probable political combination in Kentucky, which will be sure to follow, than that he had not resigned.

Immigration Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Yesterday's session of the senate was given up to a discussion of the bill on the subject of quarantine regulations and its corrective measure and the bill to suspend immigration one year. Mr. Chandler, Republican, of New Hampshire, spoke about three hours, devoting most of his arguments to the last mentioned bill, although the other is really the one up for discussion. To this latter, however, an amendment is pending to authorize the president to issue a proclamation suspending immigration from countries where the cholera may prove to be prevailing. Mr. Chandler treated this proposition as an act of cowardice on the part of congress in imposing the responsibility upon the president instead of taking the responsibility on itself. Arguments against the quarantine bill were made by McPherson, Democrat, of New Jersey and Mr. Platt, Republican, of Connecticut. Mr. Mills, Democrat, of Texas and Mr. Dolph, Republican, of Oregon. The bill comes up again to-day.

The Anti-Option Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The feature of yesterday's session of the senate was the speech delivered by Mr. Vilas of Wisconsin against the anti-option bill. For nearly three hours he held the undivided attention of the supporters and opponents of the measure while he stated in a prepared argument, delivered with great earnestness and impressiveness, the constitutional objections, which in his opinion precluded the possibility of its passage by the senate. He denounced it as a flagrant advance to centralization and as involving characteristics [illegible] colloquy between him and Mr. Washburn of Minnesota, who has charge of the bill, in the course of which in a question put to Washburn as to whether he would accept an amendment that would confine the operation of the measure to operations absolutely of gambling and in which there was to be no delivery, the Minnesota senator hesitatingly declined to answer the question affirmatively, remarking that he did not believe such restriction to be effective. The bill went over till Monday.

The Silver Question.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Representative Marshall D. Harter of Ohio offered in the house yesterday a joint resolution providing that all further purchases of silver bullion by the United States of America shall cease from and after the passage or adoption of this resolution and said purchases shall not be resumed until an international agreement is reached, which agreement shall at least include Great Britain Germany, France and the United States, and which agreement shall fix the valuation at which silver bullion will thereafter be received for coinage without limit as to quantity at the mints of nations parties to the said international agreement.

Valuable Publication.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—One of the most valued publications ever published by the government is the report on the sheep industry of the United States, prepared under the direction of the secretary of agriculture. It treats of the history and [illegible] of the industry from [illegible] settlement of the [illegible] to the present day and is handsomely illustrated. It bids fair to rival in popularity the work of "Diseases of the Horse," published by the department some time since. It is for distribution by the secretary and through members of congress.

Amnesty for Polygamists.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—President Harrison yesterday issued a proclamation granting full amnesty and pardon to all persons liable to the penalties of the polygamy act of 1882, who have since November, 1892, abstained from unlawful cohabitation, but on the express condition that they shall in the future faithfully obey the laws of the United States herein before mentioned and not otherwise. Those who shall fail to avail themselves of the clemency hereby offered will be vigorously prosecuted.

Senator Kenna Dangerously Ill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Senator Kenna of West Virginia, who has been seriously ill for several weeks from a complication of several diseases, but who recently had been considered out of danger, had a relapse Sunday. Yesterday morning he was slightly better, but not sufficiently to allay fears and the gravest apprehensions is felt. Senator Kenna's disease is that of the heart, from which he has been suffering upward of two years.

The Yield of Texas Corners.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The final estimates of the agricultural department on the yield of bushels of wheat, oats and corn for 1892 by states is: For Texas, wheat 5,475,000, corn 79,[illegible] 842,000, oats 15,177,000.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

The Growth of a Year—The New Water Works Conduit Completed—A Musical Success.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 5, 1893.—Between years of census-taking, one who wants accurate information about the population of a city can get it much better from the reports of the water-tax collectors than from the voting lists. People cannot dodge the payment of a water tax as they can the taxes on real and personal property. If the water tax is not paid the water is shut off promptly. Water is used in every house, and the receipts increase in a steady ratio with the population. The water collections of St. Louis went over those of the year preceding in 1892 by more than a quarter of a million dollars, and this is interpreted by the statisticians to mean that the city has gained in the last year about a hundred thousand people, who live in dwellings and pay their taxes. These figures, too, are borne out by the reports for last year from other departments whose work increases with the population. The building of new houses last year put twenty-three million dollars in the pockets of mechanics, and demanded the lighting of many more miles of streets by electricity. On the last day of the year the city paid bills for the lighting of 418 miles of streets and alleys.

Water Commissioner Holman made the city a New Year's gift by completing the million dollar conduit which is to conduct the water from the river to the pumping engines of the new water-works. This conduit was the most difficult and important part of the whole system. It was begun two years ago, and work on it has been going on, night and day, ever since. It will easily carry the one hundred and fifty million gallons of water a day which the new engines are to pump. The building of the conduit was the engineering feat of the work, and its completion relieves the Commissioner of all anxiety. By next fall, when the sight-seers begin to arrive for the festivities here, a drive over the Broadway Boulevard to the Chain of Rocks, where the new works are, will be a part of every tourist's plan.

Nobody can tell whether or not the stories are true about the attempt of an eastern syndicate to buy all the street railways in St. Louis, but the dealers in the bonds of the roads, who know their financial condition, say that the company that gets the lines will have to pay at least fifty million dollars to acquire the [illegible] four systems of street railways in this city cover 600 miles of streets, and most of the lines are run by electricity; moreover, everyone of them is paying good dividends. The rapidity and cheapness of the service is not equalled by the roads of any city in the country, and the people feel no grievance that might interest them in clamoring for a change. So, the consolidating movement is looked on generally with indifference. So far as anyone can see now, the patrons of the roads would be largely the gainers by the change, as there would be established, almost necessarily, a system of transfers by which a passenger might ride twenty miles for a nickel, or thirty [illegible]

THE JOKER'S BUDGET.

"It was probably the man who married a rich wife," says one who knows, "who first started the joke as to the difficulty of finding a woman's pocket."

She, having finished a sonata—I suppose you know Beethoven very well? He—Ya-as—oh, ya-as! Jolly-looking old fellow—have a bust of him at home!

"They say the child looks like me," said Gargoyle, displaying his first born. "He does—a good deal," replied Glanders; "still, I don't think I would drown him on that account."

"Doctor, when do you think a man weighs most?" asked a patient who was undergoing a course of dietary treatment. "When he steps on my corns," answered the doctor.

"Yes, Paul, I love you, but we can never wed," said the Boston maid with a sigh. "And why?" asked Paul. "You say esther for eyther," and she hid her face on his shoulder and wept.

An Indiana girl, when at an evening party, excused herself when asked to sing, saying: "You must excuse me, for I never attempt to sing except to warble a few wild notes for pa at eventide."

"Well, we!" sighed the wife, as she finished exploring her sleeping husband's pockets without having discovered a cent. "This is like one of those railroad journeys, going through without change."

A chat behind the ribbon counter: Miss Grogan—Charlie White proposed to me last night. Miss Bibbins—Did you accept him? "No! I'm thinking it over. I don't give up a twelve-dollar job for a ten-dollar man."

"Now," said the new one into the village, sitting down and confronting his wife, "let us see how our affairs stand." "Well," said the wife, "you had better go out into the village and see for the inhabitants know more of your affairs than you do."

ABOUT WOMEN.

Low language is generally spoken in a high voice.

Women think more of flattery than men, but they believe less of it.

Five young women acted as [illegible] at a recent Plainfield, N. J., wedding.

An effort is being made to popularize glaring red and bright yellow gloves.

The same salary is paid to the women and the men health inspectors in Chicago.

A Toronto man waited until he was 83 years old before he got married. That's like running three miles for a good start for a 1 inch jump.

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Haskell county is situated in the southern part of the Panhandle on the line of the one hundredth meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1500 feet above the sea, and has mild winters and summers. It is thirty miles square and contains 579,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milam counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennessean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1836.

It remained unsettled until 1874, when there was one or two ranches established. Other ranchmen followed, and in 1880 the county could boast of fifteen or twenty inhabitants. There was no further development until early in 1886, when the town of Haskell was laid off, and by donating lots a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January 1885 the county organized with a polled vote of fifty-seven electors.

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

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, etc., successful. The acreage in farms have increased to at least 30,000.

TOPOGRAPHY.

The county is an undulated plains, with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picturesque stream, the Salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double-Mountain Fork.

There are a few washes and gullies along the breaks and rivers, but with rivers, breaks, rocks and poor land com- [illegible] would not be fine agricultural land.

WATER.

It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of purest water.

Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the country is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county.

The north half is traversed from northwest to northeast by Lake and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of a good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature.

SOIL.

The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porosity and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drinks in the rainfall and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enables vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

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

PRODUCTS.

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

YIELD AND PRICE OF FARM PRODUCTS.

The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 30 bushels and the price [illegible] to $1.25 per bushel, [illegible] per bushel; cotton yields a half to three-quarters of a bale per acre. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Home made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound, fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 25 cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

SHIPPING POINT.

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

RAILROADS.

There is one road being built from Seymour to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth. The Texas Central will extend in a short time from Albany and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Austin have organized a company to build a road from that city to this section of the state, where they control nearly all the land, and one of the principal members owns 150,000 acres in this and Knox counties, besides he owns the large addition to the town of Haskell on the south.

Haskell is 52 miles north of the T. & P. R. R., and 90 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R., and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island and G. C. & Sa. F. propose to extend their lines.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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

MAIL FACILITIES.

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

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

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

HASKELL.

The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half miles south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is eight years old, and has a population of 642. Has as good water as can be found anywhere, which is secured at a depth of 18 to 22 feet. Also has two never-failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of northwest Texas, and rail road connection for Haskell is all that is needed to accomplish these.

ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES.

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

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

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

MAKING FORTUNES.

Paradise of the Brute and the Gold Mine of the Bruiser.

"The offer of an athletic club of a purse of $80,000 for a brace of prize-fights between popular bruisers is a sad commentary on modern civilization," said Professor Felix Howard to a reporter. "In the same paper in which I read this offer I saw a statement that the savings of Samuel J. Randall, the great commoner, during his long public life, scarce aggregated $300. 'After paying his funeral expenses and setting aside $100 there was nothing left,' said the widow simply in making her report as executrix to the court.

"Men make large fortunes in a single night by catering to a depraved public taste—by descending below the level of the brute—while those who devote their lives to the public service and scorn its doubtful perquisites die in poverty.

"America boasts that she is the most enlightened and progressive nation on the globe—that she is their of all the ages and foremost in the files of time—yet nowhere is the professional slugger so well rewarded. It is the paradise of the brute.

"Patrons of the prize-fight delight to compare these exhibitions with those of ancient Greece and Rome, forgetting that the cestus was most in rogue in Greece before the rise of Hellenic civilization, the gladiator's sword in Rome when the empire was tottering to its fall. It was when the proletarian rabble ruled the mistress of the world, when it raged through her streets shrieking for blood and bread; when Greek ideals were transformed by the Circe of atheism into brutish beasts; when learning had yielded place to lust, which gnawed like a ravenous cancer at the imperial heart—that professional thugs were rewarded as they are in America today.

ONE OF HER MANY CRIMES.

St. Louis Claims as a Resident "the Man That Wrote Ta-ra-ra."

How many people are there who know that the popular air of "Ta-ra-ra Boom de-ay" originated in St. Louis and how many who hum it know what that origin was? There are few indeed. In fact, the origin or authorship of the air and song is a matter which has been discussed at length without any satisfactory conclusion being reached. The facts were given to a reporter by [illegible] Druggists, Toledo, O. composed by an old, blind musician named Hanley, who, as one way of making a living, played the piano in several questionable resorts. The "Ta-ra-ra Boom de-ay" was an imagination to which there was a very exciting dance, and it at once became a favorite among the habitues of these places. Then the bootblacks and the messenger boys got it and it was whistled around the streets. The respectable young man or young lady who unwittingly hummed it, however, was rewarded by a pitying glance only, or was admonished not to repeat it, as it wasn't nice or respectable. It wouldn't go in polite society. It was through hearing it in St. Louis [illegible] the attention of Alexander Spencer, a theatrical musical director, was attracted toward it. He at once noticed its catchiness, and, taking hold of it, set words to it. But nobody seemed to think anything of it. Nobody wanted it, and when it was tried on the public it fell as flat as a pancake. Then it rested in Mr. Spencer's trunk a couple of years, during which time he mourned the public's lack of appreciation. Suddenly it loomed up and gained a prominence and popularity that even Mr. Spencer had not dreamed of, much less the blind piano player who had really originated it.

An Old English Church.

Old Southwold church, in England, known as St. Edmund's, is as perfect a piece of fifteenth century architecture as any lover of the art can desire. The entire length is just 144 feet, the width fifty-six feet. The tower, strong and stately, is 100 feet high. The four-centered or Tudor arch is the characteristic of the windows. The aisles inside and the walls outside, with their systematic paneling of flint, are both beautiful, while the screen of carved oak wood with its exquisitely fretted spires and elaborately painted panels and the carved and painted roof, all tell of a period of long forgotten opulence, when Southwold was filled with a large population full of enterprise and connected by commercial relations with France and Flanders.

A Prelude to a Tragedy.

The parting was sad, the tears were bitter. Hide, sun, thy kindly face, and gather, ye storms blackest, inky scroll! Tenderly kiss the pale, wan cheeks; brush back the damp, clinging auburn locks from the pale, high brow which a fond mother's lips have kissed since infancy. Speak the last sad, parting words, the words which make us linger on their echoes. Say good bye for aye; press the cold hand and watch his slow retreating form, which fades away forever. He is going to play his first foot-ball match!

A PECULIAR ANIMAL.

Seems to Be a Cross Between a 'Coon and Something Else.

While out hunting recently James S. Peckham, a well known resident of Preston, near Norwich, Conn., killed a peculiar animal, the exact pedigree of which he is very curious to learn. He was tramping through the woods when his attention was attracted to the animal, which somewhat resembled the polecat. Carefully approaching it in the rear he succeeded in killing it with a club and brought the freak home.

The animal is about eighteen inches in length, and, with the exception of its tail, is covered with fine, soft hair of a dark gray color, tipped with brown. The head is of a very peculiar shape, with a long snout-like mouth, and nose and ears that closely resemble those of a raccoon. The teeth are very long and sharp and very regularly set. The tail is several inches in length, without a hair, and a pinkish white in color. The feet also are hairless to the ankle joints and are tipped with long, sharp claws, evidently used for digging.

There is a very slight odor about the body similar to that of a skunk, and the animal is probably of that species.

Nothing of the kind was ever seen before in the vicinity, and Mr. Peckham is very anxious to learn just what the animal is. He has taken care to preserve the body, and the curiosity occupies a prominent place in his museum.

The First Law of Nature.

This self-preservation is acknowledged to be, and people who adopt against the encroaches of disease a genuine medicinal safeguard, accredited by experience and the sanction of physicians, afford a happy illustration of the wisdom of the saying, in the health they restore and continue to enjoy. Among maladies, against the growth of which Hostetter's Stomach Bitters affords efficient protection, diseases of the kidneys and bladder are fraught with the utmost peril and exhibit great obstinacy when opposed by ordinary means. The Bitters can and will subdue them. No testimony is stronger than this. Used at the outset and persistently, the best results may be expected. This medicine also eradicates liver complaint, constipation, dyspepsia, malaria, rheumatism and nervousness.

No man takes his medicine unless his wife makes him.

How's This!

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm. [illegible] Druggists, Toledo, O. WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Santa Claus is anything but a saint. A saint would be kinder to the poor than he is.

LADIES received for confinement at my residence. DR. D. G. HALL, 367 Elm St., Dallas, Tex.

The viler the cigar a man smokes the nearer he comes to you when he smokes it.

Lane's Medicine Moves the Bowels Each Day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Cures constipation, headache, kidney and liver troubles and regulates the stomach and bowels. Price 50c and $1.00, at all dealers.

No two women ever made catsup alike.—

Important to Fleshy People.

We have noticed a page article in the *Daily Globe* on reducing weight at a very small expense. It will pay our readers to send two-cent stamp for a copy to Atlas Circulating Library 113 State Street, Chicago, Ill.

Fathers usually do more for their sons-in-law than they do for their own sons.

Don't Cough Your Lungs Away.

The best investment on earth is the purchase of a bottle of Marsden's Pectoral Balm when you have a cough or cold. Don't take desperate chances when the first dose of this excellent medicine will relieve you. A bottle will cure any ordinary cough or cold. Sold everywhere.

Every boy who buys a shotgun thinks he can sell enough rabbits to pay for it.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

"When you whisper," said a boy to his teacher the other day, "who whips you?"

"Hanson's Magic Corn Salve." Warranted to cure, or money refunded. Ask for druggist for it. Price 15 cents.

Every one thinks he gives as much to the poor as his means will allow.

Throat Diseases commence with a Cough, Cold, or Sore Throat. "*Brown's Bronchial Troches*" give immediate relief. *Sold only in boxes.* Price 25 cts.

They say that Chicago's golden rule is: "Do others, or they will do you."

We eat too much and take too little outdoor exercise. This is the fault of our modern civilization. It is claimed that Garfield Tea, a simple herb remedy, helps Nature to overcome these abuses.

Many a man who is honest enough to apologize is too stubborn.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00.

If women should dress like some of the fashion plates they would be laughed at.

Is Your Stove Lifter Hot?

The Alaska Stove Lifter is always cold. Manufactured only under Gaither Patents. For Sale at Hardware and Furnishing Stores. See advertisement.

A man who is really smart need not act smart.

A woman never eats when she has anything else to do.

Should be kept at stables and stockyards.—Salvation Oil is the best friend not only of man, but of dumb beasts as well. For swelled joints, strained tendons, old sores, saddle galls, and wounds of all kinds there is no remedy like Salvation Oil. Price 25 cents per bottle.

When a girl marries her "affinity" her father usually has to support him.

The testimonials which the mail brings in every day run thus: "Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup cured the baby of croup." "It cured me of a most distressing cough;" or "It cured my little boy of sore-throat." "We could not do without it."

No one can watch a man cut ham in a restaurant without getting hungry.

Fits.—All fits stopped freely by **Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer.** No fits after first day's use. Marvelous cures. Treatise and $2.00 trial bottle free to Fit cases. Send to Dr. Kline, 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

When a man wants to get out of policy anywhere he becomes sick awfully easy.

A Ruddy Glow

on cheek and brow is evidence that the body is getting proper nourishment. When this glow of health is absent assimilation is wrong, and health is letting down.

Scott's Emulsion

taken immediately arrests waste, regardless of the cause. Consumption must yield to treatment that stops waste and builds flesh anew. *Almost as palatable as milk.*

Prepared by Scott & Bowne, N. Y. All druggists.

DO YOU COUGH

DON'T DELAY TAKE KEMP'S BALSAM THE BEST COUGH CURE

It Cures Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for Consumption in first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sold by dealers everywhere. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00.

HAVE YOU GOT PILES

TORMENTING, DISTRESSING, and sometimes DANGEROUS, whether INTERNAL, EXTERNAL, BLIND, BLEEDING or PROTRUDING PILES YIELD AT ONCE TO DR. BOSANKO'S PILE REMEDY, which acts directly on parts affected, absorbs tumors, allays itching, effecting a permanent cure. Price 50c. Druggists or mail. Dr. Bosanko, Philadelphia, Pa.

OPIUM Morphine Habit Cured in 10 to 20 days. No pay till cured. DR. JAMES TAFT, Quincy, Ill.

SIX POINTS out of many, where Doctor Pierce's Pellets are better than other pills:

1. They're the smallest, and easiest to take. Little, sugar coated granules that every child takes readily.
2. They're perfectly easy in their action—no griping, no disturbance.
3. Their effects *last*. There's no reaction afterwards. They regulate or cleanse the system, according to size of dose.
4. They're the cheapest, for they're *guaranteed* to give satisfaction, or your money is returned. You pay only for the *good* you get.
5. Put up in glass—are always fresh.
6. They *cure* Constipation, Indigestion, Bilious Attacks, Sick or Bilious Headaches, and all derangements of the liver, stomach and bowels.

Unlike the Dutch Process

No Alkalies or Other Chemicals are used in the preparation of

W. BAKER & CO.'S **Breakfast Cocoa**

which is absolutely pure and soluble.

It has more than three times the strength of Cocoa mixed with Starch, Arrowroot or Sugar, and is far more economical, costing less than one cent a cup. It is delicious, nourishing, and EASILY DIGESTED.

Sold by Grocers everywhere.

W. BAKER & CO., Dorchester, Mass.

Garfield Tea Overcomes results of bad eating. Cures Sick Headache, Restores Complexion, Saves Doctors' Bills. Sample free. GARFIELD TEA CO., 229 W. 46th St., N.Y.

Cures Constipation

Piso's Remedy for Catarrh is the Best, Easiest to Use, and Cheapest.

CATARRH

Sold by druggists or sent by mail, 50c. E. T. Hazeltine, Warren, Pa.

CROUP REMEDY!

The only medicine known that will cure Membranous Croup. In private practice of twenty years it has never failed to cure any kind of Croup. *Trial package by mail, 10 cents.* Box, 50c. DR. BELDEN PROPRIETARY CO., Jamaica, N. Y.

Patents! Pensions [illegible] WASHINGTON, D. C.

FAT FOLKS REDUCED 15 to 25 lbs. per month by harmless herb remedies. No starving, no inconvenience, and no bad effects. Strictly confidential. Send 6c. for circular and testimonials. Address Mrs. W. F. SNYDER, McVicker's Theatre Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

$1000.00 Paid in prizes for Poems on Esterbrook's Pens. Send postal for circulars to Esterbrook & Co., 26 John St., New York.

MINERAL RODS for locating Gold or Silver. All Rods warranted to work. For prices and particulars address M. P. FOWLER, Box 307, Southington, Conn.

DEAFNESS AND HEAD NOISES CURED by Peck's Invisible Ear Cushions. Whispers heard. Successful when everything else fails. Book of proofs FREE. F. Hiscox, 858 B'way, N.Y. Write for book of proofs FREE.

$525 Agents profits per month. Will prove it or pay $525. $1 sample and terms free. CHIDESTER & SON, 79 Reed St., Phila.

If afflicted with sore eyes use Thompson's Eye Water

DALLAS etc. etc. Side.

Black Bull Durham Smoking Tobacco.

There are many other brands, each represented by some interested person to be "just as good as the BULL DURHAM." They are not; but like all counterfeits, they each lack the peculiar and attractive qualities of the genuine.

We attach this tag to every bag of BULL DURHAM for the protection of the smoker.

BLACKWELL'S DURHAM TOBACCO CO. DURHAM, N. C.

You Must Stop Coughing.

MARSDEN'S PECTORAL BALM

CURES ANY COUGH [illegible] IT HAS CURED TENS OF THOUSANDS IN THE PAST 25 YEARS. IT CURES COUGHS AND CROUP IN CHILDREN

SOLD EVERYWHERE.

BEWARE OF FRAUD. Ask and insist on having W. L. DOUGLAS shoes. Because some dealers may offer something else claiming it to be equal to W. L. Douglas shoes, to make more profit, is no reason why you should not have what you call for. Look for W. L. Douglas name and price stamped on bottom. Look for it when you buy. Sold everywhere.

W. L. DOUGLAS $3 SHOE FOR GENTLEMEN.

A sewed shoe that will not rip. Seamless, smooth inside, more comfortable, stylish and durable than any other shoe ever sold at the price. Every style, length and width, custom made shoes costing from $4 to $6.

The following are of the same high standard of merit:

$4.50 and $5.00 Fine Calf, Hand-sewed.
$4.00 Police, Farmers and Letter Carriers.
$3.50 and $3.00 Boys' Calf, Hand-sewed.
$2.50 and $2.00 Boys' Extra Fine.
$2.50, $2.00, $1.75 and $1.50 Boys' Rubber Tip.
$2.50 and $2.00 Youths' Calf.
$2.00, $1.75 and $1.50 Boys' Rubber Tip.
$2.00, $1.75 and $1.50 Youths' Rubber Tip.
$2.00 and $1.75 Children's Calf.
$1.50 and $1.25 Children's Rubber Tip.

W. L. DOUGLAS, BROCKTON, MASS.

THIS IS THE [illegible]

Pay the Price of the Royal for Royal only.

Actual tests show the Royal Baking Powder to be 27 per cent. stronger than any other brand on the market. If another baking powder is forced upon you by the grocer, see that you are charged the correspondingly lower price.

Those baking powders sold with a gift, or advertised or sold at "half the cost of Royal," are invariably made from alum, and are dangerous to health.

Every can of Royal Baking Powder contains a ticket giving the [illegible]

Buy Landreth's Garden Seed at McLEMORE'S!

PAY YOUR ACCOUNT AT McLEMORE'S.

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Texas Central Time Card.

Passenger train leaves Albany daily at . . . . . 6:10 A. M.
Arrives at Cisco . . . . . 7:50 A. M.
" Dublin . . . . . 10:15 A. M.
" Morgan . . . . . 12:27 P. M.
" Waco . . . . . 3:10 P. M.

Makes close connection with east bound trains at Dublin.

Texas Central Passenger leaves Waco daily at . . . . . 7:00 A. M.
Arrives at Morgan . . . . . 9:22 A. M.
" Dublin . . . . . 12:07 P. M.

LOCAL DOTS.

McElree's WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.

—Mr. Fred Sanders is now visiting friends in Harrison county.

—Bring your eggs to D. W. Courtwright. I will pay good price for produce.

—School opened again Monday with a good attendance.

—For [illegible] or hardware of any [illegible] call on Sim. [illegible] Albany.

—[illegible] technicality. [illegible] lawyer will [illegible] succeed, but if he [illegible]

[illegible] & Bro. [illegible] highest market price.

—Mr. W. E. Dickerson has gone to Breckenridge on business.

—Fields Bros. are erecting a new business house on the west side.

—I don't make a [illegible] of one article, but I make a big offer of all my goods for cash. D. W. Courtwright.

—Born, on January 8th, a girl to Mr. [illegible] Cook and wife.

—If you need any barbed wire see Collins & son at Albany for prices as they have knocked the bottom out.

—Mr. Bush Musgrove, of Vernon, was in the city on business the week.

—Wanted 50 [illegible] worth of county script will pay cash.

Edwards & Lomax.

—J. L. Bryan Esq. and Judge J. [illegible] Morgan of Benjamin were in the city this week.

—If you want bargains in furniture call on J. J. Nance, Seymour.

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] on a visit to his parents near Paint creek was married last week.

[illegible] daughter have gone to Kaufman [illegible] returned from the [illegible] reports [illegible] Albany.

[illegible] hides, cow hides, calf hides, fox hides, wolf hides, opossum hides, sheep pelts, and each and all kinds in Haskell county and will pay the highest prices in cash for same.

—Col. J. H. Caville returned from Sherman last week and from the information the Col. gives Haskell has a good prospect for a railroad soon.

—For cash you can buy groceries from D. W. Courtwright cheaper than any other house in town.

—Mr. Morgan of Benjamin passed through the city this week on his way to Kent county.

—You can buy Groceries at W. W. Fields & Bro's. for the cash as cheap as you can buy at any house off the road. Call and get prices.

[illegible] out to the meeting of the [illegible] at the Baptist Church [illegible]

—Don't forget to bring your chickens, butter and eggs to D. W. Courtwright.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cathers the 5th inst. a 12 lb. daughter.

Try BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for Dyspepsia.

—Bargains in all lines for next 30 days at F. G. Alex— & Co's.

—Robt. Collins of Brownsville Tennessee is here and will make this his future home.

McElree's Wine of Cardui

and THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell, Tex., A. P. McLemore, and R. E. Martin, Druggists.

—Badger fighting is quite popular this week, and a great deal of credit is due to the trainers of the little animal, as it came out victorious in every fight.

—Mr. D. W. Courtwright has purchased a business lot on the south side and will build a house on same where he will do business in the future.

—Miss Emma Craycroft one of Abilene's fairest belles is visiting Miss Minnie Thompson this week.

[illegible] Dickerson Bros.

WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women

—T. E. Ballard and wife, of Paint Creek, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Post this week.

Died—In Haskell, Texas, Jan. 9, 1893, Mrs. Fannie Sowell, wife of W. J. Sowell, in the full triumphs of Christian faith.

—Those indebted to F. G. Alex— & Co. who accounts are due will please come forward at once and settle up.

[illegible] business to W. H. Parsons, and will move to his old home at Kaufman.

—Our Fancy Patent, Straight Patent and Violet Flour is warranted equal to the best northern brands. For sale by the leading Grocers of Haskell. The best cash prices paid for wheat. Liberal exchanges.

Albany Milling Co.

Died—In Haskell Texas, Jan. 10, 1893. Cor Lee Fox, infant daughter of J. [illegible] and Annie L. Fox, aged two years. "Gone from the evil to come."

Take notice for a week. We have an improved Wilson sewing shuttle sewing machine with full set of attachments, latest quarter notes, list price $75, that we will trade for a good milch cow. Call at the Free Press office at once for particulars.

—W. T. Hudson sold a hog to Dickerson Bros. this week for $21.[illegible] the gross weight of same being 258 pounds. The people of this county should pay more attention to raising home meat.

There will be a sing here in Haskell soon if you will come and bring your accordeon with Dickerson Bros., as we are not wanting to carry any of last year's accounts.

Very respectfully,
Dickerson Bros.

Died.—Miss Elizabeth Adams "fell calmly asleep in Jesus," in Haskell, Texas, on Wednesday morning, January 11, 1893. Her life was a calm, consistent steady light for Christ—her departure a peaceful and joyous triumph over death.

"Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep
From which none ever wake to weep."

R. E. S.

—Having bought out Mr. Glover's jewelry business and moved to the Palace Drug Store, I expect to build up the best jewelry business that has ever been in Haskell. Thankful for past patronage I hope by fair dealing to merit a continuance of the same.

Respectfully,
W. H. Parsons.

—A. H. Tandy arrived Thursday night from a business trip to Fort Worth, and reports more railroad news.

—The sad news of the death of Asa Dodson in a foreign land, came to his home this week. He died of small pox Dec. 15th, last in Jesus Maria, Mexico. S. S. Gates his friend and Manager of the gold mines at that place for an American Syndicate came all the way to bring the sad news to his father Mr. B. H. Dodson. Mr. Gates was deeply affected by Mr. Dodson's death and paid him a glowing tribute. He spoke of his moral character in the highest terms, eulogising him for his integrity and through business attainments. At the time of his death he was manager of the company's mercantile business at a salary of $1800.00 per year, and enjoying the confidence of all who knew him. Mr. Gates said that when he died the humble Mexicans who had learned to trust and love him through business dealing gathered by hundreds with the few Americans to pay the last tribute of respect to his dead body. Mr. B. H. Dodson is deeply affected by the death of his son, though assured that he died not wanting for kind friends in his last hours. He has lost a son who was always dutiful and one who had gained his confidence and to whom he looked in his declining years with a father's hope and pride. His loss has inflicted an incurable wound, and we feel deep sympathy for the bereaved father and one who has proven a mother and his brothers and sisters.

—Mr. Press Brough and Miss Cammie Owsley a popular young couple of Lake creek were married last Sunday.

Senator Baldwin got a two years term in the draw for long or short term.

"In buying a Cough medicine for children," says H. A. Walker, a prominent druggist of Ogden, Utah, "never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always assured. I have recommended Chamberlain's because I have found it to be safe and reliable. It is intended especially for colds, croup and whooping cough." 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P. McLemore.

—The Relief Union was organized in Haskell on January 2nd 1893 by a committee composed of Messrs. S. E. Frost, A. Lee Kirby and H. B. Martin, and Misses Rohena McLemore, Mollie Whitman and Minnie Lindsey. A special invitation is extended to every body to meet the committee at the Baptist church Sunday evening Jan. 15th 1893 at 3:30 o'clock p. m. The object of the organization will be thoroughly explained and the Constitution and By Laws read so that everybody can understand the object of the society. Everybody solicited to come and join.

A. Lee Kirby, Sec'y.

A Tribute to the memory of Mrs. Fannie M. Sowell, who Died Jan. 9th 1893.

"Beneath toil's the work all done,
Beneath soul into glory gone,
Be useful life with its crown now won,
God giveth the rest

Rest from all sorrows and weeping and fears,
Rest from all possible aching and tears,
Rest through God's endless wonderful years,—
At home with the Blest.

How we shall miss her, the beautiful dead
Who take place of the precious one fled,
But God knoweth best.

We know he watches the sparrows the fall,
Hears the sad cry of grieved hearts that call.
Friends, Husband, children, God giveth them
We can trust for the rest. [illegible]

Whereas, it has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our midst our beloved sister and co-worker, therefore be it resolve, that we bow in humble submission to His divine will, for we know that he doeth all things for the best and though our hearts be saddened by the loss of this dear sister, we know and realize that she has only gone before, as she herself said, to open the Gates of Paradise for her other loved ones.

Be it also resolved, that we extend her bereaved husband and family our heartfelt sympathy and we pray that the grace of our Lord and Savior may be sufficient to sustain them in their great sorrow. Resolve also, that copies of these resolutions be furnished the bereaved family and that one copy shall be sent The Free Press for publication.

Mrs. [illegible] S. Rike.
Mrs. S. E. Banks.
Mrs. Nathan Smith.
Mrs. Nola McCarty,
Committee Ladies Aid Society,
M. E. Church.

For pains in the chest there is nothing better than a flannel cloth saturated with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of pain. It will produce a counter irritation without blistering, and is not so disagreeable as mustard; in fact is much superior to any plaster on account of its pain-relieving qualities. If used in time it will prevent pneumonia. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P. McLemore.

BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.

Animation Restored.

Toledo, O., Jan. 9.—Clay G. Hopper a young man supposed to have died ten days ago, is certainly alive. The first positive sign of life was when his right eye opened and then closed. The body was then bathed in brandy and wraped in flannels. His lips are dry and feverish, and are moistened repeatedly. About 10 o'clock this after noon the sleeper opened both his eyes, so the pupils were visible, and then slowly closed them again. Slight movements in various parts of the body were also noticed at irregular intervals. His parents are fearful, owing to the weakness of the boy, that he will relapse into a sleep, from which he will never wake.

The success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in effecting a speedy cure of colds, croup and whooping cough has brought it into great demand. Messrs. Pontius & Son, of Cameron Ohio, say that it has gained a reputation second to none in that vicinity. Jas. M. Queen, of Johnston, W. Va., says it is the best he ever used. B. F. Jones, druggist, Winona, Miss., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is perfectly [illegible] and it never failed to give the most perfect satisfaction." 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P. McLemore.

THE CAVE

Contains Skeletons Flint Guns, and Eyeless Ducks.

China Springs, Tex., Jan. 8.—While some small boys were out hunting on the 6th instant on Rock creek, about a mile above where it empties its waters into the Brazos river, their dogs bayed something in a rock bluff. Upon an examination they found a hole in the rock large enough to admit a man to crawl through. After going through the hole they found themselves in a large cave they reported their discovery, and this morning a company was organized to explore it.

The company was led by Walter Hill, upon whose land it was found. After entering and going some thirty yards they discovered the skeleton of a man and an old musket of the flint lock make by his side, both in good state of preservation. Some thirty or forty yards further a groupe of five skeletons and guns of the same make were found. These also found nearby several of Spanish [illegible] and metals, and in good state of preservation. Some of the coins date back to 1754.

Speculation is rife as to the race and nationality of the men, the bones establishing the fact that all were males. One theory is that the men belonged to an expedition of Spaniards making their way from the gulf to one of the four centers of trade under Spanish denomination in New Mexico. As far back as 1780 there existed routes of trade from points in the Florida possessions to Santa Fe, Santa Cruze de la Canada and Albuquerque through Texas and along the Arkansas river.

When the Louisana territory was ceded by Spaine to Napoleon and pending its cession by Napoleon to the United States, the rule of the French was very distasteful to the Spaniards along the lower coast of the Mississippi river, great bodies emigrating to Florida and other Spanish possessions.

The remains found are supposed to belong to a colony en route from Louisiana [illegible] Mam[illegible] priests [illegible]

The party was probably separated from the main body and driven by the Waco tribe of Indians from point to point, the Spaniards taking advantage of every break and stream, which finally lead to the discovery of the cave in which they took refuge and were starved to death by the besieging Indians.

Further on they found a narrow creek, but very deep. Its water was full of eyeless ducks. They were about the size of our common dove. No bird of the kind has ever been seen here before. The creek is about a half mile from the entrance. They turned back at the creek, not being prepared to cross. They will go to-morrow better equipped and make a thorough exploration.

Jas. S. Oats.

Somewhat Romantic.

Canyon City, Texas Jan. 5.—Last Sunday J. H. Patton, county clerk, and Miss Clara Cagle, a young lady of Bowie on a visit to relatives in this place, went out driving. Mr. Patton availed himself of the privacy of the occasion to avow his love. The proffer of his hand was accepted by the young lady and the drive was [illegible] Judge-elect Cyrus [illegible] County [illegible] ters were explained, during which it was revealed that Mr. Patton, eager for the marriage and confident of his ability to win the young lady if she would grant him a hearing, had armed himself with a license before leaving the office Saturday afternoon. A minister was called and the ceremony was solemnized. The groom and bride, after congratulations, left for Amarillo where they boarded the Fort Worth and Denver City train for the north. This tour had also been prearranged by Mr. Patton, for with the close of the marriage ceremony he placed in the hands of Judge Eakman his resignation as county clerk. Yesterday the county commissioners met, accepted Mr. Patton's resignation and appointed T. S. McDaniels to fill that office for the balance of the two years' term.

SHE WAS FROM CHICAGA.

How a Western Young Lady Astonished Passengers on an Elevated.

New York Herald.

There are some things that astound and startle a New Yorker. One of these is the exhibition on the part of anybody of and degree of affection for Chicago.

A day or two ago I met a handsome young married lady on the Sixth avenue elevated. She had always lived in the west, where I had known her several years ago, and we naturally discussed her recent change of base. She sat in one of the cross seats in the middle of the car, and I stood, with others in the aisle.

"I like Chicago much better than New York," she began.

The two men reading stock reports in the seat facing her glanced at her sharply over their glasses. The old man next to her hitched up his coat nervously and looked sorry for her.

"It may be that New York will improve on acquaintance," she went on mischieviously, seeing the sensation she made. "I've only been here two months, and if it wasn't for my husband's business I'd go right back to Chicago. It's awfully slow here."

I considerately intimated that she'd find things fast enough in New York when she got acquainted; that the complaint was not a general one; that, in short, New York was a real nice sort of a town when you got used to it.

"But I like the western people best," she said. The old men next to her looked out of the window and groaned audibly, while the other people appearently regarded her in the light of a curiosity. "Western people," she continued, "are not so formal, and mean what they say and don't say much." I thought the old [illegible] taken with cramps, he [illegible] stopping. [illegible] and I go [illegible] such a dirty place," said she, shaking out her sealskin sacque. "And——

The old man couldn't stand it any longer. He got right up, and after looking at me like he would like to lick some body, bolted for the Thirty-third street platform. The whole carload now craned their necks to see the lady who objected to New York because it was dirty.

"And there are so many foreigners," she went on. "Everybody here seems to copy the English. I detest such people. Why can't they be satisfied with their own country?"

The two gentlemen opposite—intensely English—slunk diligently behind their papers. A broad smile went round, and it was not one of derision, either. Fortunately the guard called Twenty-fifth street!" at that moment, and the handsome young lady moved toward the door with an air of conscious superiority, leaving us to breathe freely

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