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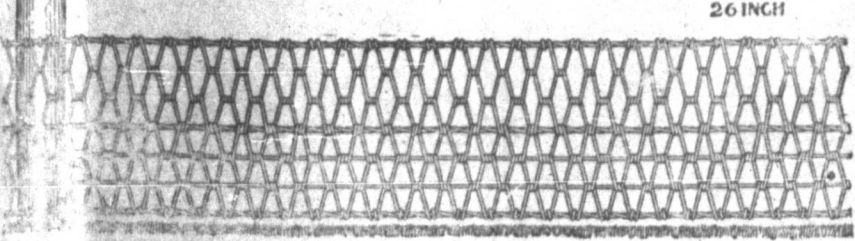
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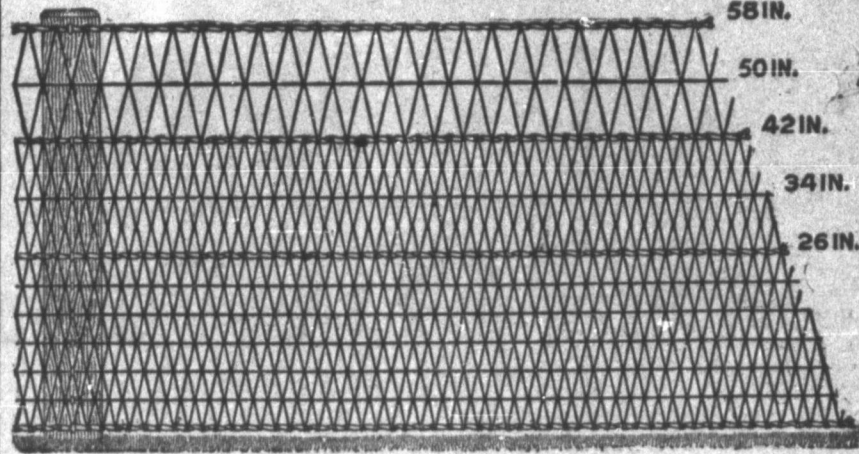
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SOCIETY REALM

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Pearl Rudduck and a man chaperoned a party Saturday afternoon on the picnic over on the in spite of wind and youngsters report a de-time. They returned ing eaten supper.

entertained a have been dead friends last On the night a party in the Club, four food in front of the fireplace. There is only one room to the Club, and one long table. At the far end of the room the fire of the grill glows red, and when the fat falls, blazes into flame, and at the other there is a broad bow window of diamond panes, which looks down upon the street. The four men at the table were strangers to each other, but as they picked at the grilled bones, and sipped their Scotch and soda, they conversed with such charming animation that a visitor to the in which does not tolerate visitors, would have counted them as friends of long acquaintance, certainly not as Englishmen who had first time, and without the form of an introduction. But it of Sw-dition of the grill, that whoever enters it 79th year. It is to enforce this rule whether there are twenty men at them, and the long length of

the outer gloom. man with the black pearl stud, "that adventure, and deeds of foolish daring have and that the fault lies with ourselves. Voyages to the pole I not catalogue as adventures. That African explorer, young Chetney, who turned up yesterday after he was supposed to have died in Uganda, did nothing adventurous. He made maps and explored the sources of rivers. He was in constant danger, but the presence of danger does not constitute adventure. Were that so, the chemist who studies high explosives, or who investigates deadly poisons, passes through adventures daily. No, 'adventures are for the adventurous.' But one no longer ventures. The spirit of it has died of inertia. We are grown too practical, too just, above all, too sensible. In this room, for instance, members of this Club have, at the sword's point, disputed the proper scanning of one of Pope's couplets. Over so weighty a matter as spilled Burgundy on a gentleman's cuff, ten men fought across this table, each with his rapier in one hand and a candle in the other. All ten were wounded. The question of the spilled Burgundy concerned but two of them. The eight others engaged because they were men of spirit. They were, indeed, the first gentlemen of the day. To-night, were you to spill Burgundy on my cuff, were you even to insult me grossly, these gentlemen would not consider it incumbent upon them to kill each other. They would separate us, and to-morrow morning appear as witnesses against us at Bow Street. We have here to-night, in the persons of Sir Andrew and myself, an illustration of how the ways have changed."

The men around the table turned and glanced toward the gentleman in front of the fireplace. He was an elderly and somewhat portly person, with a kindly, wrinkled countenance, which wore continually a smile of almost childish confidence and good-nature. It was a face which the illustrated prints had made intimately familiar. He held a book from him at arm's-length, as if to adjust his eyesight, and his brows were knit with interest.

"Now, were this the eighteenth century," continued the gentleman with the black pearl, "when Sir Andrew left the Club to-night I would have him bound and gagged and thrown into a sedan chair. The watch would not interfere, the passers-by would take to their heels, my hired bullies and ruffians would convey him to some lonely spot where we would guard him until morning. Nothing would come of it except added reputation to myself as a gentleman of adventurous spirit, and possibly an essay in the 'Tatler,' with stars for names, entitled, let us say, 'The Budget and the Baronet.'"

"But to what end, sir?" inquired the youngest of the members. "And why Sir Andrew, of all persons—why should you select him for this adventure?"

The gentleman with the black pearl shrugged his shoulders. "It would prevent him speaking in the House to-night. The

The Kindergarten closed Friday along with the public school. Invitations were sent to the parents inviting them to a Christmas tree, Friday at ten o'clock. Almost all the mothers and some of the fathers were present. The tree was beautifully decorated, and trimmed with cranberries, popcorn, apples, and the little gifts prepared by the tots.

A calendar for papa, a laundry list for mams, and a scrapbook for baby. After their exercises these gifts were given to the children were surprised with gifts for themselves.

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The eyes of all were fastened upon Sir Andrew, and each saw with fascination that with his forefinger he was now separating the last two pages of the book. The member of Parliament struck the table softly with his open palm.

"I would give a hundred pounds," he whispered, "if I could place in his hands at this moment a new story of Sherlock Holmes—a thousand pounds," he added wildly—"five thousand pounds!"

The American observed the speaker sharply, as though the words bore to him some special application, and then at an idea which apparently had but just come to him, smiled in great embarrassment.

Sir Andrew ceased reading, but, as though still under the influence of the book, sat looking blankly into the open fire. For a brief space no one moved until the baronet withdrew his eyes and, with a sudden start of recollection, felt anxiously for his watch. He scanned its face eagerly, and scrambled to his feet.

The voice of the American instantly broke the silence in a high, nervous accent.

"And yet Sherlock Holmes himself," he cried, "could not decipher the mystery which to-night baffles the police of London."

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The gentlemen seated around him nodded gravely.

"Of course," the baronet assented with eagerness, "of course."

"We will refer to it," said the gentleman with the black pearl, "as 'The Story of the Naval Attache.'"

"I arrived in London two days ago," said the American, "and I engaged a room at the Bath Hotel. I know very few people in London, and even the members of our embassy were strangers to me. But in Hong Kong I had become great pals with an officer in your navy, who has since retired, and who is now living in a small house in Rutland Gardens opposite the Knightsbridge Barracks. I telegraphed him that I was in London, and yesterday morning I received a most hearty invitation to dine with him the same evening at his house. He is a bachelor, so we dined alone and talked over all our old days on the Asiatic Station, and of the changes which had come to us since we had last met there. As I was leaving the next morning for my post at Petersburg, and had many letters to write, I told him, about 10 o'clock, that I must get back to the hotel, and he sent out his servant to call a hansom.

"For the next quarter of an hour, as we sat talking, we could hear the cab whistle sounding violently from the doorstep, but apparently with no result.

"It cannot be that the cabmen are on strike," my friend said, as he rose and walked to the window.

"He pulled back the curtains and at once called to me.

"You have never seen a London fog, have you?" he asked. "Well, come here. This is one of the best, or rather, one of the worst, of them." I joined him at the window, but I could see nothing. Had I not known that the house looked out upon the street I would have believed that I was facing a dead wall. I raised the sash and stretched out my head, but still I could see nothing. Even the light of the street lamps opposite, and in the upper windows of the barracks, had been smothered in the yellow mist. The lights of the room in which I stood penetrated the fog only to the distance of a few inches from my eyes.

"Below me the servant was still sounding his whistle, but I could afford to wait no longer, and told my friend that I would try and find the way to my hotel on foot. He objected, but the letters I had to write were for the Navy Department, and, besides, I had always heard that to be out in a London fog was the most wonderful experience, and I was curious to investigate one for myself.

"My friend went with me to his front door and laid down a course for me to follow. I was first to walk straight across the street to the brick wall of the Knightsbridge Barracks. I was then to feel my way along the wall until I came to a row of houses set back from the side walk. They would bring me to a cross street. On the other side of this street was a row of shops which I was to follow until they joined the iron railings of Hyde Park. I was to keep to the railings until I reached the gates at Hyde Park Corner, where I was to lay a diagonal course across Piccadilly, and tack in toward the railings of Grosvenor Park. At the end of these railings, going east, I would find the Washington, and my own hotel.

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Howard county has sold \$46,000 worth of bonds for the purpose of building a new jail and court house.

Fluvanna is the name of the new site on a Scurry county prairie whereon its promoters hope to build a town when the railroad gets there.

It seems predetermined that the opponents of senator Bailey will make him the issue in next year's campaign for every office from constable up.

The Han lin Herald still castigates the little fellows who crib its editorial. We thought that journal had attained to that indifference begotten of conscious fullness. It is like quarreling at the birds which eat the few grains that filter through the cracks of the wagon bursting with golden wheat.

There seems to be a general disposition on the part of the public to observe the approaching holidays in a manner, safer and saner than has attended their celebration for many years. Can there be any reasonable excuse for making the anniversary of the birth of the "Light of the World" a day of Bacchanalian revelry and carnage? Is it not more in harmony with the spirit of Him whose advent it commemorates, to spend the day soberly, religiously, abounding in every beneficent and sympathetic work? The celebration of the occasion has been irreverently perverted, and is by a large majority, looked forward to with apprehensive dread more than with anticipations of pleasure. With the introduction of high explosives and other diabolical contrivances for making a noise, the average man's life has become a burden at Christmas and the season a flood tide in the business of the doctor, the undertaker and the sexton. More people are killed outright and die from Christmas injuries than in an ordinary battle or by all the railroads in the United States. The one tolerable feature of it all is that it helps the fool killer catch up with his work.

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He fisheth fiddleth and fiteth all the days of his strenuous life.

He shyeth at water as a mad dog and soap as a dose of pizen.

He flirteth with the undertaker every time he goeth forth, and twisteth the tail of death.

Yea an agriculturist is he—a diversifier, whose staple crop is hell. He planteth a neighbor; he irrigateth him with mountain dew and lo! he reapeth twenty-fold.

He riseth even from the cradle to seek the scalp of his grand sire's enemy, and bringeth home in his carcass the ammunition of his neighbor's wife's cousin's uncle's father-in-law, who avengeth the deed.

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BAILEYISM AN ISSUE

To try to inject the Bailey controversy into politics, and especially into the county races, is the extreme of absurdity. Bailey has been disposed of for six years to come and nothing except impeachment by the body of which he is a duly qualified member or his resignation, can possibly change his official relation to the state of Texas. As reasonably make the question as to whether his grandmother used a "sasfrac" or "simmon" stick to stir soap, as to hold up a candidate as to his opinion of Bailey. No candidate elected to office next year, will, during his tenure, come in touch with any question, interest or influence that will in any way concern Bailey. Then why impose such an unjust test for office?

Congressman Slayden from San Antonio tries to ride the fence on the Bailey question and the Bailey faction will bring out Judge Martin against him. The strongest man in Bexar county will be put out against Wm. A. Cocke. S. D. Mayfield of Bosque, a rabid anti-Baileyite, and W. G. Sterrett of Dallas are going to try for the seat of Jack Beall. And so it is. The claim to and qualification for office will be Bailey and anti-Bailey.

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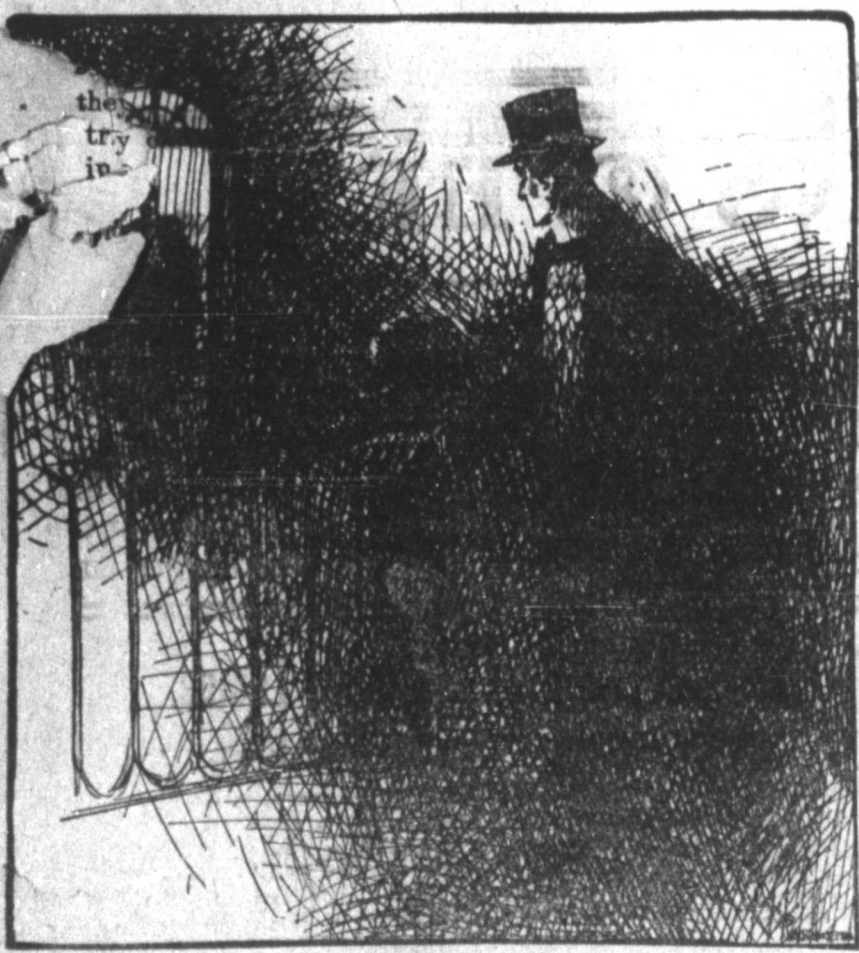
IN THE FOG

BY
Richard Harding Davis.

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"To a sailor the course did not seem difficult, so I bade my friend good-night and walked forward until my feet touched the paving. I continued upon it until I reached the curbing of the sidewalk. A few steps further, and my hands struck the wall of the barracks. I turned in the direction from which I had just come and saw a square of faint light cut in the yellow fog. I shouted 'All right,' and the voice of my friend answered, 'Good luck to you.' The light from his open door disappeared with a bang, and I was left alone in a dripping, yellow darkness. I have been in the Navy for ten years, but I have never known such a fog as that of last night, not even among the icebergs of Behring Sea. There one at least could see the light of the binnacle, but last night I could not even distinguish the hand by which I guided myself along the barrack wall. At sea a fog is a natural phenomenon. It is as familiar as the rainbow which follows a storm, it is as proper that a fog should spread upon the waters as that steam shall rise from a kettle. But a fog which springs from the paved streets, that rolls between solid house-fronts, that forces cabs to move at half speed, that drowns policemen and extinguishes the electric lights of the music hall, that to me is incomprehensible. It is as out of place as a tidal wave on Broadway.

"As I felt my way along the wall, I encountered other men who were coming from the opposite direction, and each time when we hailed each other I stepped away from the wall to make room for them to pass. But the third time I did this, when I reached out my hand, the wall had disappeared, and the further I moved to find it the further I seemed to be sinking into space. I had the unpleasant conviction that at any moment I might step over a precipice. Since I had set out I had heard no traffic in the street, and now, although I listened some minutes, I could only distinguish the occasional footfalls of pedestrians. Several times I called aloud, and once a jocular gentleman answered me, but only to ask me where I thought he was, and then even he was swallowed up in the silence. Just above me I could make out a jet of gas which I guessed came from a street lamp, and I moved over to that, and, while I tried to recover my bearings, kept



"A SQUARE OF LIGHT SUDDENLY OPENED IN THE NIGHT."

my hand on the iron post. Except for this flicker of gas, no larger than the tip of my finger, I could distinguish nothing about me. For the rest, the mist hung between me and the world like a damp and heavy blanket.

"I could hear voices, but I could not tell from whence they came, and the scrape of a foot moving cautiously, or a muffled cry as some one stumbled, were the only sounds that reached me.

"I decided that until some one took me in tow I had best remain where I was, and it must have been for ten minutes that I waited by the lamp, straining my ears and hailing distant footfalls. In a house near me some people were dancing to the music of a Hungarian band. I even fancied I could hear the windows shake to the rhythm of their feet, but I could not make out from which part of the compass the sounds came. And sometimes, as the music rose, it seemed close at my hand, and again, to be floating high in the air above my head. Although I was surrounded by thousands of householders, I was as completely lost as though I had been set down by night in the Sahara Desert. There seemed to be no reason in waiting longer for an escort, so I again set out, and at once bumped against a low iron fence. At first I believed this to be an area railing, but on following it I found that it stretched for a long distance, and that it was pierced at regular intervals with gates. I was standing uncertainly with my hand on one of these when a square of light suddenly opened in the night, and in it I saw, as you see a picture thrown by a biograph in a darkened theater, a young gentleman in evening dress, and back of him the lights of a hall. I guessed from its elevation and distance from the sidewalk that this light must come from the door of a house set back from the street, and I determined to approach it and ask the young man to tell me where I was. But in fumbling with the lock of the gate I instinctively bent my head, and when I raised it again the door had partly closed, leaving only a narrow shaft of light. Whether the young man had

re-entered the house, or had left it, I could not tell, but I hastened to open the gate, and as I stepped forward I found myself upon an asphalt walk. At the same instant there was the sound of quick steps upon the path, and some one rushed past me. I called to him, but he made no reply, and I heard the gate click and the footsteps hurrying away upon the sidewalk.

"Under other circumstances the young man's rudeness, and his recklessness in dashing so hurriedly through the mist, would have struck me as peculiar, but everything was so distorted by the fog that at the moment I did not consider it. The door was still as he had left it, partly open. I went up the path, and, after much fumbling, found the knob of the door-bell and gave it a sharp pull. The bell answered me from a great depth and distance, but no movement followed from inside the house, and although I pulled the bell again and again I could hear nothing save the dripping of the mist about me. I was anxious to be on my way, but unless I knew where I was going there was little chance of my making any speed, and I was determined that until I learned my bearings I would not venture back into the fog. So I pushed the door open and stepped into the house.

"I found myself in a long and narrow hall, upon which doors opened from either side. At the end of the hall was a staircase with a balustrade which ended in a sweeping curve. The balustrade was covered with heavy Persian rugs, and the walls of the hall were also hung with them. The door on my left was closed, but the one nearer me on the right was open, and as I stepped opposite to it I saw that it was a sort of reception or waiting-room, and that it was empty. The door below it was also open, and with the idea that I would surely find some one there, I walked on up the hall. I was in evening dress, and I felt I did not look like a burglar, so I had no great fear that, should I encounter one of the inmates of the house, he would shoot me on sight. The second door in the hall opened into a dining-room. This was also empty. One person had been dining at the table, but the cloth had not been cleared away, and a flickering candle showed half-filled wine-glasses and the ashes of cigarettes. The greater part of the room was in complete darkness.

"By this time I had grown conscious of the fact that I was wandering about in a strange house, and that, apparently, I was alone in it. The silence of the place began to try my nerves, and in a sudden, unexplainable panic I started for the open street. But as I turned, I saw a man sitting on a bench, which the curve of the balustrade had hidden from me. His eyes were shut, and he was sleeping soundly.

"The moment before I had been bewildered because I could see no one, but at sight of this man I was much more bewildered.

"He was a very large man, a giant in height, with long yellow hair which hung below his shoulders. He was dressed in a red silk shirt that was belted at the waist and hung outside black velvet trousers which, in turn, were stuffed into high black boots. I recognized the costume at once as that of a Russian servant, but what a Russian servant in his native livery could be doing in a private house in Knightsbridge was incomprehensible.

"I advanced and touched the man on the shoulder, and after an effort he awoke, and, on seeing me, sprang to his feet and began bowing rapidly and making deprecatory gestures. I had picked up enough Russian in Petersburg to make out that the man was apologizing for having fallen asleep, and I also was able to explain to him that I desired to see his master.

"He nodded vigorously, and said, 'Will the Excellency come this way? The Princess is here.'

"I distinctly made out the word 'princess,' and I was a good deal embarrassed. I had thought it would be easy enough to explain my intrusion to a man, but how a woman would look at it was another matter, and as I followed him down the hall I was somewhat puzzled.

"As we advanced, he noticed that the front door was standing open, and with an exclamation of surprise, hastened toward it and closed it. Then he rapped twice on the door of what was apparently the drawing-room. There was no reply to his knock, and he tapped again, and then timidly, and cringing subserviently, opened the door and stepped inside. He withdrew himself at once and stared stupidly at me, shaking his head.

"She is not there,' he said. He stood for a moment gazing blankly through the open door, and then hastened toward the dining-room. The solitary candle which still burned there seemed to assure him that the room also was empty. He came back and bowed me toward the drawing-room. 'She is above,' he said; 'I will inform the Princess of the Excellency's presence.'

"Before I could stop him he had turned and was running up the staircase, leaving me alone at the open door of the drawing-room. I decided that the adventure had gone quite far enough, and if I had been able to explain to the Russian that I had lost my way in the fog, and only wanted to get back into the street again, I would have left the house on the instant.

"Of course, when I first rang the bell of the house I had no other expectation than that it would be answered by a parlor-maid who would direct me on my way. I certainly could not then foresee that I would disturb a Russian princess in her boudoir, or that I might be thrown out by her athletic bodyguard. Still, I thought I ought not now to leave the house without making some apology, and, if the worst should come, I could show my card. They could hardly believe that a member of an Embassy had any designs upon the hat-rack.

"The room in which I stood was dimly lighted, but I could see that, like the hall, it was hung with heavy Persian rugs. The corners were filled with palms, and there was the unmistakable odor in the air of Russian cigarettes, and strange, dry scents that carried me back to the bazaars of Vladivostok. Near the front windows was a grand piano, and at the other end of the room a heavily carved screen of some black wood, picked out with ivory. The screen was overhung with a canopy of silken draperies, and formed a sort of alcove. In front of the alcove was spread the white skin of a polar bear, and set on that was one of those low Turkish coffee tables. It held a lighted spirit lamp and two gold-coffee cups. I had heard no movement from above stairs, and it must have been fully three minutes that I stood waiting, noting these details of the room and wondering at the delay, and at the strange silence.

"And then, suddenly, as my eye grew more used to the half-light, I saw, projecting from behind the screen as though it were stretched along the back of a divan, the hand of a man and the lower part of his arm. I was as startled as though I had come across a footprint on a deserted island. Evidently the man had been sitting there since I had come into the room, even since I had entered the house, and he had

heard the servant knocking upon the door. Why he had not declared himself I could not understand, but I supposed that possibly he was a guest, with no reason to interest himself in the Princess's other visitors, or perhaps, for some reason, he did not wish to be observed. I could see nothing of him except his hand, but I had an unpleasant feeling that he had been peering at me through the carving in the screen, and that he still was doing so. I moved my feet noisily on the floor and said tentatively, 'I beg your pardon.'

"There was no reply, and the hand did not stir. Apparently the man was bent upon ignoring me, but as all I wished was to apologize for my intrusion and to leave the house, I walked up to the alcove and peered around it. Inside the screen was a divan piled with cushions, and on the end of it nearer me the man was sitting. He was a young Englishman with light yellow hair and a deeply bronzed face. He was seated with his arms stretched out along the back of the divan, and with his head resting against a cushion. His attitude was one of complete ease. But his mouth had fallen open, and his eyes were set with an expression of utter horror. At the first glance I saw that he was quite dead.

"For a flash of time I was too startled to act, but in the same flash I was convinced that the man had met his death from no accident, that he had not died through any ordinary failure of the laws of nature. The expression on his face was much too terrible to be misinterpreted. It spoke as eloquently as words. It told me that before the end had come he had watched his death approach and threaten him.

"I was so sure he had been murdered that I instinctively looked on the floor for the weapon, and, at the same moment, out of concern for my own safety, quickly behind me; but the silence of the house continued unbroken.

"I have seen a great number of dead men; I was on the Asiatic Station during the Japanese-Chinese war. I was in Port Arthur after the massacre. So a dead man, for the single reason that he is dead, does not repel me, and, though I knew that there was no hope that this man was alive, still for decency's sake, I felt his pulse, and while I kept my ears alert for any sound from the floors above me, I pulled open his shirt and placed my hand upon his heart. My fingers instantly touched upon the opening of a wound, and as I withdrew them I found them wet with blood. He was in evening dress, and in the wide bosom of his shirt I found a narrow slit, so narrow that in the dim light it was scarcely discernible. The wound was no wider than the smallest blade of a pocket-knife, but when I stripped the shirt away from the chest and left it bare I found that the weapon, narrow as it was, had been long enough to reach his heart. There is no need to tell you how I felt as I stood by the body of this boy, for he was hardly older than a boy, or of the thoughts that came into my head. I was bitterly sorry for this stranger, bitterly indignant at his murderer, and, at the same time, selfishly concerned for my own safety and for the notoriety which I saw was sure to follow. My instinct was to leave the body where it lay, and to hide myself in the fog, but I also felt that since a succession of accidents had made me the only witness to a crime, my duty was to make myself a good witness and to assist to establish the facts of this murder.

"That it might possibly be a suicide, and not a murder, did not disturb me for a moment. The fact that the weapon disappeared, and the expression on the boy's face were enough to convince, at least me, that he had had no hand in his own death. I judged it, therefore, of the first importance to discover who was in the house, or, if they had escaped from it, who had been in the house before I entered it. I had seen one man leave it; but all I could tell of him was that he was a young man, that he was in evening dress, and that he had fled in such haste that he had not stopped to close the door behind him.

"The Russian servant I had found apparently asleep, and, unless he acted a part with supreme skill, he was a stupid and ignorant boor, and as innocent of the murder as myself. There was still the Russian



"I DROPPED ON MY KNEES BESIDE HER AND PLACED MY HAND ABOVE HER HEART."

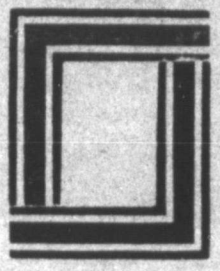
princess whom he had expected to find, or had pretended to expect to find, in the same room with the murdered man. I judged that she must now be either upstairs with the servant, or that she had, without his knowledge, already fled from the house. When I recalled his apparently genuine surprise at not finding her in the drawing-room, this latter supposition seemed the more probable. Nevertheless, I decided that it was my duty to make a search, and after a second hurried look for the weapon among the cushions of the divan, and upon the floor, I cautiously crossed the hall and entered the dining-room.

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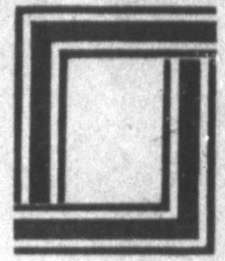
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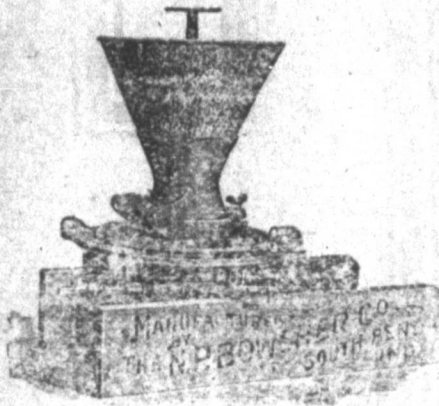
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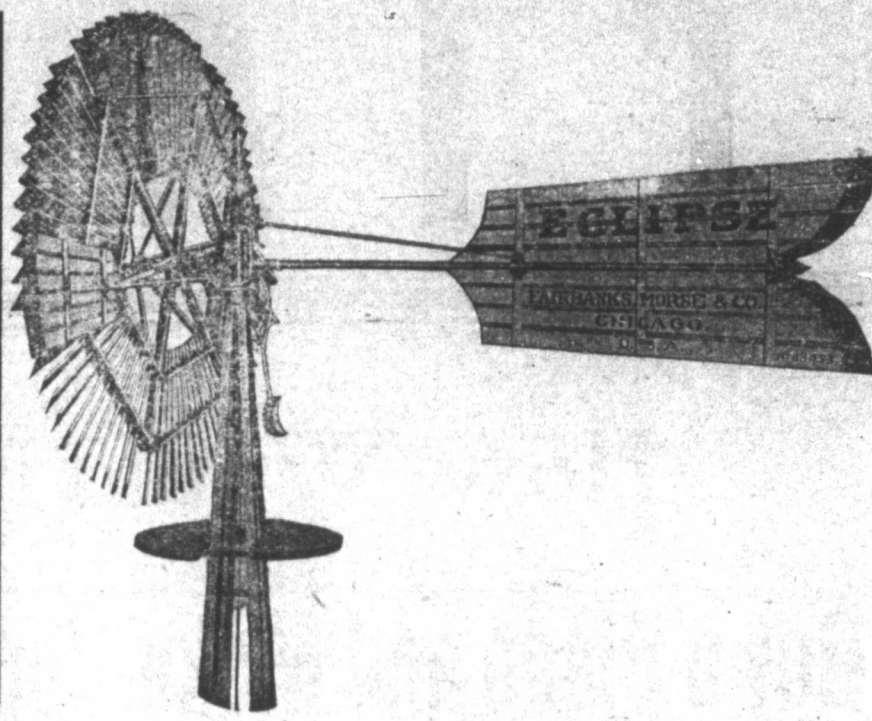


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RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	249 164 20
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	6 273 14
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	15 000 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	6 200 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	8 608 12
Due from State Banks and Bankers	562 73
Due from approved reserve agents	23 353 25
Checks and other cash items	624 25
U. S. National Banks	115 00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	511 95
Lawful money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$7 716 00
Legal tendernotes	500 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	750 00
Total	\$319 378 64
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	60 000 00
Surplus fund	25 000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	8 913 91
National Bank notes outstanding	15 000 00
Due to other National Banks	983 50
Due to State Banks & Bankers	2 176 72
Individual deposits subject to check	159 544 31
Demand certificates of deposit	2 000 00
Notes and bills rediscounted	31 745 75
Cashiers checks outstanding	214 45
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	13 800 00
Total	\$319 378 64

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County of Mitchell, ss
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J. E. Hooper, Cashier.
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Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	38 738 76
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50 000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1 500 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	12 000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	12 124 92
Due from approved reserve agents	71 653 27
Checks and other cash items	504 53
Notes of other National Banks	2 970 00
U. S. National Banks	232 00
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$7 526 50
Legal-tender notes	20 000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2 500 00
Total	\$831 019 04
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$100 000 00
Surplus fund	100 000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	40 113 34
National Bank notes outstanding	50 000 00
Due to other National Banks	7 328 55
Due to State Banks and Bankers	3 468 35
Due to approved reserve agents	7 196 78
Dividends unpaid	830 00
Individual deposits subject to check	281 582 02
Demand certificates of deposit	2 000 00
Notes and bills rediscounted	38 500 00
Total	\$831 019 04

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H. B. SMOOT, Cashier.
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Patriotism and Religion are one with the Japanese

Yamada, Ise, Japan.—How much religion have the Japanese and what is it? A sweeping answer to that question would be that Japan's attitude towards its religions is pretty much that of the small boy in the country toward the eel skin which he ties around his ankle to keep away cramps when he goes in swimming. He doesn't much believe in it, or think about it, but still tradition awards it virtue, so he keeps on the safe side.

It would be easy to write learnedly of Buddhism and Shintoism as elaborate and beautiful religious systems. If I did so few readers would finish this article, and what is more to the point, I would not have come within a mile of stating the actual situation as it exists here today. After three months spent amid shrines and temples and idols, and largely within sound of temple bells and drums (one of the latter is booming as I write), I am prepared to say that the Japanese as a whole are indifferent to all religions; while of the few who do care, most regard religion as a sort

of charm to keep away evil or to procure certain tangible benefits.

There are two religious systems, aside from Christianity, which claim the worship of the Japanese. Buddhism and Shintoism. Of these the latter scarcely aspires to be a religion; since its most intelligent adherents declare that it is only an ancestor and nature worship. As for Buddhism, old Buddha himself would never recognize this perverted system, with its pantheon of more than a million gods, and its innumerable concessions to Shintoism. In fact, the common religion is a mixture, which nobody but a few of the learned priests professes to be able to understand, of both Buddhism and Shintoism. Practically one must agree with the statement that "Patriotism is the religion of the Japanese."

A Diety Who Nods.

The emperor himself is a Shintoist; yet I have been in no less than three Buddhist temples which have apartments reserved for him, which he has occupied, when he has gone to the temples to worship. He seems to be beautifully impartial in the matter of religion, favoring Christianity by large gifts, and I have heard it whispered in many parts of the empire that his favorite diety is one Bacchus. It would be treason to speak such a thing of him in Japan, although foreign visitors have a very simple explanation for the drowsiness which often besets his majesty on the occasion of his public appearances.

Undoubtedly the common people worship the emperor himself. The educated classes give another explanation of their reverence toward him, while students laughingly repeat the gossip that somehow manages to pass the two walls and double moats of the imperial palace. I have even found a company of college-bred Japanese willing to discuss the possible future of the monarchy, in the light of the democratic tendency of the times. Nevertheless, the great bulk of the Japanese sincerely worship the emperor. His picture is in every public school and the pupils bow down to it daily. Mission schools also display the portrait and pay all possible re-

spect to it; by law they are required to save it first in case of fire, and nothing may be hung above it on the walls.

Yamada, in the province of Ise, may be called the religious and patriotic center of Japan. Here the emperor came to worship at the shrine of his imperial ancestors, to give thanks for the victorious conclusion of the recent war. Hither also hundreds of thousands of pilgrims come annually from all parts of the empire. On ordinary days the number is from 700 to 1,000; on special occasions it mounts to 15,000 a day. Of course, when the emperor was here there came also a multitude which no man could number.

These two shrines are the most impressive in Japan—far more so than the ornate Buddhist temples at Nikko, Kioto, Tokio and elsewhere. He who expects display will be disappointed; one traveler exclaimed: "There is nothing to see; and besides they won't let you see it."

The simplicity of the shrines is really grand; plain, unpainted timbers for

beyond an expectation of material benefits to the living and safety to the dead.

At the temple at Shioyama, for instance, there is one idol who is the particular friend of lovers. The screen about his pedestal is covered with hundreds of wisps of twisted paper. The idea is that if one will write the name of the person whom he or she wishes to marry on a slip of paper and then tie it with one hand to the screen, the prayer will be granted. If the one-handed feat cannot be performed, then the coveted object will not be attained. The sight is more pathetic than curious when one remembers what little part either the affections or desires of the individuals most concerned play in a Japanese marriage.

Spit-Ball Prayers.
Akin to this is the practice of writing out prayers and then chewing them into spit balls and throwing them at the idol. If they adhere, the prayer is answered. One rather handsome idol that I recently noticed had a large spit ball in his eye, seriously marring his good looks. It is common to throw stones into the laps of the idols, or into the big stone lanterns at temples, and if they land safely, the prayer is heard. At Nikko is a small shrine the roof of which is covered to the breaking point with wooden slabs on which are written prayers for an easy childbirth. Shrines especially devoted to wives desiring children are abundant and popular all over the islands. And, judging from the number of children that swarm in every village and city, these prayers are fully answered.

One of the most pathetic temples I have visited is the children's temple at Osaka, which is filled with the clothes and toys of dead children, given as votive offerings by bereaved parents. The humdrum, mechanical manner in which the attendant priest droned out prayers and rang the bell in behalf of two parents who brought an offering while I was there made one want to lay hands on him. Nearby is a peculiar device for offering prayers for the dead. The name is written on a thin shaving of wood, and then placed in a large stone cistern in the form of a turtle, into which sacred water is constantly running. Devotees take great pains to have the wood thoroughly drenched, for thus the prayer is born to the god.

The Largest Bell in the World.
At the Tennoji temple at Osaka are a number of interesting sights. In the first place, the temple courts are a regular bazaar filled with a display of second-hand goods. Scores of dealers have their wares spread about and a lively business is done with pilgrims and others.

The largest whole bell in the world is being hung in this temple area. It was cast at the time of the Osaka exposition, two years ago, and 10,000 Buddhist priests were present, which is about one-tenth of the total number in the empire. Report went forth that, following an ancient custom, a young maiden was wanted to propitiate the gods by throwing herself into the molten metal; and a young woman really presented herself as an offering, but of course the authorities would not permit the sacrifice. This bell, which is second to the broken bell at Moscow in size, was made of gifts of swords and ornaments and money, and has a tone of more than ordinary richness. All Buddhist temples contain large bells and their sound is soft, deep and musical.

One other phase of worship at this temple is the pond full of sacred turtles. It is a pious act to feed these with the pink rice balls which a priest sells. Here I enjoyed the sensation of being an Andrew Carnegie, for the purchase of half a nickel's worth of the food (about a quarter of a peck) caused the wondering natives to exclaim, "Oh, see! He is a very rich man!" The hundreds of turtles race and fight for the buoyant balls and then beg for more. This feeding of the living creatures that are called sacred is a pleasant form of religious devotion. I have fed wriggling eels to sacred cranes (the eels were not sacred, and had no rights), beans to sacred horses, rice to sacred fishes; and have paid a few coppers to see a dancing priestess go through her slow, graceful posturing and gesturing, without moving her feet. Certainly worship at a popular shrine or temple can scarcely be called monotonous with all these diversions, and the various booths for the sale of souvenirs besides.

My candid opinion is that, while the sincerity of many Buddhists and Shintoists may not be questioned, the one vital and increasing religious force in Japan is Christianity. While visiting Ise I attended a missionary preaching service, and among more than 100 persons present was an old woman who had been 18 years a Christian. She told how the missionary had formerly been stoned when he went there, and how she herself had been bitterly persecuted. Now all is changed. At the seat of the imperial shrines Christianity is listened to respectfully and accepted by an increasing number. That same sort of thing is going on all over Japan. Priests and priests' families are becoming Christians and even preachers. The Christian propaganda is carried on at the big temple festivals. Hundreds of school teachers and other government officials have become Christians. The student class seems to be giving more attention to Christianity than to any other religion. The native believers whom I have met manifest a happiness and earnestness which are conspicuously lacking in the case of adherents of the other creeds. In a word, there is a life apparent in the western faith which Buddhism and Shintoism do not show.

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Feb. 3, The Patton Sisters, for one week beginning Monday.
Feb. 12, "Sis" in New York.

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AN APPEAL TO CAESAR

J. T. Harness announces that he will address the citizens of Colorado upon the subject of civic duty and will incidentally talk some on finance, railroads and transportation. He will also present the claims of two papers for which he is agent—The Commoner, Lincoln, Neb., and Watson's Jeffersonian, Atlanta, Ga. The public is invited to attend. Date, next Monday evening, Dec. 23rd, at the Court House. Time, 7:30 p. m.

Meet me at Jakes Restaurant

When to go Home.

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home; when you want consolation, go home; when you want fun, go home; when you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact; when you want to show yourself at your best, go home and do the act there; when you feel like being liberal, go home and practice on your wife and children first; when you want to shine with extra brilliancy, go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Doss.

McMurry "the old reliable," for groceries and feed.

The Woodmen Circle will not meet next Tuesday night on account of being Christmas eve. Dues can be paid to the secretary.

The "early bird" not only has a better chance at the supposititious "worm," than those who slumber till the sun is up, but he sees many strange things and unsuspected people. Other things than cats seek their homes before daylight.

Majors has 100 bracelets to select from.

Drawing pupils should remember that the Record carries a large stock of drawing paper at 5 cents the package.

The holiday excursion rates are now on and many are visiting their old homes in other states.

Have you seen Majors' line of goods?

No present would be more appreciated by wife or sweetheart than the Ladies Home Journal. See Mrs. A. L. Whipkey.

Quite a number are visiting in the city and others are spending the season elsewhere whos names we could not get.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills made. Sold by W. L. Doss

Mrs. Henry Doss is in the city to spend the holidays.

Beautiful necklaces at Majors.

The teachers of the public school gave a reception to the visiting teachers and pupils of the High School Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at the public school building, which was much enjoyed by hosts and guests.

J. E. Tompkins makes himself a Christmas present of the Record.

Save money by buying goods at Majors.

The Colorado Drug Co. is making an unparelled drive on its Christmas goods. It is a genuine slaughter of profits. Before buying, you'd better see them.

Mrs. W. C. Robertson of Stanton visited her daughter, Mrs. Landers from Friday to Monday.

See the Opera House ad and note the coming attractions. It's a good list and more like it will follow.

Fred McKenzie says he will eat Christmas dinner in El Paso.

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Majors invites you to inspect his stock.

Will a Colorado man build the new passenger depot?

See advertisement for bids on the new Garza county courthouse at Post City, in this issue of the Record.

Roy Dodson is home from the Stamford Collegiate Institute for the holidays.

There will be special services and music at All Saints church on Christmas day. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Majors handles only the best Libby's and Hawk's cut glass.

Ernest Keathley returned on Wednesday morning from Cisco, where he went loaded with the double honor of representing the Commercial Club and the Record.

He reports a bully time all around. The only part of the proceedings he seems to have any coherent recollection of, was the banquet, and on this feature, he discourses with gastronomic exactitude and reminescent pleasure. The executive committee will fix the time and place of the next meeting in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowen spent Sunday at their ranch in the country.

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The festive flying jenny has silently folded its tent and gone into hibernation.

Walter Carter is spending the holiday vacation at Fort Worth with his mother.

Lena and Milo McNary went home Monday for the holidays.

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John Hyde, manager of the Loraine Telephone exchange, was in Colorado Tuesday to arrange for the printing of the new telephone directory for that place.

Picard Hand painted China at Majors'.

Mable Ratliff is home from school to spend the holiday vacation.

W. M. Weatherly, who recently bought a farm off the Looney land east of town, had his name enrolled this year as a subscriber to the Record. He will put in about 80 acres of new land and otherwise improve his place.

No free engraving after the 20th at Majors.

Mrs. M. B. Anderson and Miss Willie Anderson, mother and sister of Mrs. T. Q. Mullins arrived Sunday from California and will spend a few days with Mrs. Mullins.

If you want the best buy it at McMurry's.

Misses Mattie and Nell Stowers leave Friday night for their home in West, Miss Beulah Wilson will go to Bertam, Miss Hatton to Merkel and Miss Meador to Buda.

The school board, in response to a petition from the teachers have decided to not open school until Jan. 2, Thursday.

CONTRIBUTION TO SCHOOL LIBRARY

In addition to the many valuable and beautiful books already in the school library, the following have been added this year:

First Contribution.—62 vol. of the world's best histories. 12 volumes Elliot's complete works. These were contributed by individuals, students and parent the first day of school through the influence and liberal contributions of Dr. Phenix, who gave one volume for every member of his family.

Second Contribution.—10 volumes Messages and Papers of the Presidents, and 6 volumes consisting of different subjects by various authors, by Dr. W. C. Neal.

Third Contribution.—25 volumes of Ridpath's Universal Literature, Morocco binding, by Judge Earnest. After examination I find these books are extensive, comprehensive and accurate. No more valuable addition could have been made in the way of books.

Fourth Contribution.—10 volumes Thackeray's works, half leather. 2 volumes Goethe Faust, by Dr. T. C. Merrell. Nothing of this nature was in our library and these valuable books have already found readers in the student body.

To show our appreciation we have appointed a librarian from the 11th grade and an assistant from the 10th to record all books and to charge each student the value of every volume taken from the library to read. In case the book is never returned the student will pay the price of the book in order that another may be bought to take the last one's place, and in case the book is returned all charges will be canceled. This is necessary in order to preserve our library. We appreciate these gifts and invite all parents and friends of the public school to call and see for themselves this beautiful and valuable collection of books.

In addition to books we have had many valuable gifts in the form of aids to school work, such as an electric gong, by Mr. Webb and trees and valuable geological collections by Mr. Victor. These we also value very highly as incentives to school work.

Any one who wishes to make a contribution of any nature that will be of value to the students will be appreciated. The value of the above donations at close and accurate figures is \$400.

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CITATION

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mitchell County, Greeting:

Oath having been made as required by law, you are hereby commanded to summon J. J. Holliday, and his unknown heirs by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 32nd Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 32nd Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mitchell County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Colorado, Texas, on the 17th Monday after the 1st Monday in September A. D. 1907, the same being the 30th day of December A. D. 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 3rd day of December A. D. 1907, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court no. 1135, wherein the State of Texas, is Plaintiff and Mrs. John R. Graves, her husband, John R. Graves, Mrs. Della Carter, her husband, M. Carter, John D. Birdwell, J. J. Holliday, and his unknown heirs, are Defendants, and said petition alleging the defendants are the owners and in possession of the South ends of Lots Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15, in Block No. 41, in the town of Colorado, Mitchell County, Texas, as the same is described upon the map or plat of said town, a copy of which appears of record in Book "C," on pages 16 and 17, of the Deed Records of Mitchell County, Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the South-west corner of said Lot No. 15 in said Block No. 41;

Thence North with the East side of Oak Street, 50 feet, stake for corner;

Thence East 100 feet, across said Lots Nos. 15, 14, 13 and 12, to stake in East line of said Lot No. 12;

Thence South 50 feet, to the South-east corner of said Lot No. 12, in said Block No. 41;

Thence West 100 feet, with Main Street, to the place of beginning.

That in the year 1893, the said land was sold to the State of Texas for the sum of \$33.19, same being delinquent State and County taxes and costs due thereon for the year 1893, that since the sale of said land, other taxes have accrued thereon, amounting to the further sum of \$99.30, making in the aggregate the sum of \$126.49, that the said several sums of money due against the said land are still due and unpaid.

Plaintiff prays for judgment for the amounts above specified with six per cent interest thereon from their respective dates, of accrual, and in default thereof that said land be sold to satisfy said judgment for taxes, interest and costs, and for such other relief the plaintiff may be entitled under the law and the facts.

These are therefore to site all interested parties and to make parties defendant by notice in the name of the State of Texas and the County of Mitchell directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes as aforesaid to be published in a newspaper in said county one time a week for four consecutive weeks in the manner and style as follows:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND COUNTY OF MITCHELL.

To J. J. Holliday, and unknown heirs, and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the above described property, —and being the south ends of Lots Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15, in Block No. 41,—in the town of Colorado, Mitchell County, Texas,—as described upon the map or plat of a part of said town, a copy of which appears of record in Book "C," on pages 16 and 17, of the Deed Records of Mitchell County, Texas,—and upon which delinquent State and County taxes amounting to the sum of \$126.49, is now due and unpaid,—and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes and you are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit, at the December Term A. D. 1907, of the District Court of Mitchell County, Texas, being the next regular term thereof to be held at the Court House there-

of in the town of Colorado, as aforesaid,—then and there to show cause why judgment should not be rendered condemning said land (or lots) and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes, interest and costs of suit, as provided by law—

HEFEIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, EARL MORRISON, Clerk of the District Court of Mitchell County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and Seal of said Court, at its office in Colorado, Texas, this 3d day of December, A. D. 1907.

EARL MORRISON, Clerk District Court, Mitchell County.

A true copy I hereby certify. J. W. BIRD, Sheriff Mitchell County, Texas. By W. S. STONEHAM, Deputy.

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WANTED Christmas turkeys. We want all your turkeys; will pay highest cash price. Bring us every turkey in the county. Colorado Cold Storage Co. GILBERT & SINGLETON, Proprietors.

FOR SALE 9 1/2 sections good land 3 to 8 miles south of town, all under good fence; will sell all or in large, or small tracts. Prices and terms to suit the times. See or write A. A. BAILEY, Colorado, Texas. (12-20tf)

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Christmas Advice AT THE Racket Store

To those who are seeking for gifts to be presented, we would give now to our patrons in good time. We have the finest showing of holiday goods in Colorado, and as varied as can be found in any locality, and those who choose first will have the best variety to choose from. Our Toys and presents itemized below are just a few of what we must sell:

Toys Mechanical engines, trains, boats, birds, dogs, fishes, monkeys, and all manner of other devices, all mechanical, from 25 cents to 75 cents. Real Steam Engines for \$1.00. (Run with steam.) Iron toys, carts, horses, trains, etc. from 10 cents to 75 cents. Horses, guns, pistols, tops, cap pistols, etc., from 5 cents up. (Powter and china.) Doll tea sets from 10c to \$3.00. Doll trunks from 10c to \$1.00. Doll furniture from 10 to 75c set. Doll pianos 50c to \$1.50. (They play.) Doll stoves and ranges 50c to \$2.70. Doll sad irons 10 to 50c set. Doll beds and baby carriages 25 cents to \$1.50. Everything in the toy department. Cake Plates Genuine Hand Painted, bordered and decorated with genuine gold leaf, very elegant indeed, to be had with us from \$3.00 to \$6.00. Our Dolls are Cheap and High-Priced, variety unsurpassed. From 1 cent to \$5.00.



Our Pure Sugar Candies now 20 to 50c per Pound. Have a full line of Tumblers Goblets, Pitchers, Chinaware, Queensware and Tinware.

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THE DOSS DRUGGIST

Santa Claus' Headquarters

Largest line of Holiday Goods ever brought to Colorado. A beautiful array of Christmas presents. Santa Claus fairly unloaded here.

Hand Painted China Stag Horn Sets Juvenile Books Talking Machines Cut Glass Shaving Sets Smoking Sets Toilet Sets Drums Whistles Eutopian Ware Beautiful Lamps Vases Jewelry Cases Child's Dishes Children's Furniture Albums Baskets Horns Wagons

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The Largest Lot of Dolls You Ever Saw. The singing doll, the talking doll, and at all kinds

Buy Your Xmas Presents Buy Them Early, Buy Them Now, Buy Them From,

The W. L. D Company

PEOPLE ADMIRE OUR CARRIAGES more the longer they know them. Some carriages are built for looks, others for wear. Ours are built for both.

HANDSOME AS THEY LOOK they inspire ever deeper admiration as their sterling qualities are brought out in actual service. Come look at them. The visit will be a revelation to you in carriage quality and economy.

A Great Showing ^{FOR} THE People

Men's and Boys' Clothing	
Regular \$6 and \$7 single-breasted suits, grays and tweeds	\$3 98
Men's \$7.50 and \$8.50 single-breasted suits for	\$4 98
Men's single-breasted, all good colors and styles, worth \$10 and \$12, only	\$7 98
Men's single and double-breasted, new styles and colors, worth \$12.50 and \$15	\$9 98
EXTRA—We have one lot of men's suits, any style, in Scotch plaids, grays browns and blacks, very highest qualities and regular \$15 and \$16.50 grades, now they go for	\$11 98
Boys' regular \$2.50 and \$3 suits, all colors, for	\$1 98
Boys' \$5 and \$6 high-grade tweeds and blacks, for	\$3 98
Men's good casimer trousers, well made, worth \$2, only	\$1 48
Men's neat cheviot and worsted, stylish made, best grades, regular \$3 and \$3.50 for	2 48
One lot of boys' trousers worth 65c and 75c, cut price	48c
The regular \$1 value boys' trousers,	78c

Big ^{Twelve} Days Sale

HUBBARDS

Staples	
Calicos, best brands, fast colors, all new and best patterns, now on sale per yard	5c
Extra good cotton checks and plaids, now worth more in the markets, our sale price	5c
Good heavy outing, new colors, worth more money, per yard	5c
36-inch LL brown domestic goes in this sale, per yard	6c
36-inch Extra LL brown domestic, sale price per yard	7c
Ginghams, in bright new colors, very good grade in long fold, per yard	8c
A big lot of A. F. C. ginghams, book fold, worth 15c, price per yard	11c
Best grade of oil cloth	18c

All other Staples will participate in this enormous **Carnival of Price Cutting.**

Dress Goods and Silks

We have cut the prices on all Dress Goods and Silks, and they are marked down $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ in plain figures that will move them.

Commencing Wednesday, Dec. 18

On Our Entire Stock of **Dry Goods, Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes**

Our methods are **Hubbards' Methods** as we were taught, and they have stood the test for years. We go into the trade center of the world's greatest markets and with **Cold Cash** procure the goods—the best that money can buy. We take all the discounts and turn the bright, clean merchandise over to the people at the smallest possible margin, but turn them often. **Red Hot Selling at Hubbards.**

The so-called financial panic found this institution loaded to the guards with an immense stock of high-grade Dry Goods. Clothing Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps piled out, stacked up, all over the store, with prices now marked on them that should bring all the people of the city and county, as well as adjoining counties for miles around, to our store.

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with the cold cash to pick up bargains, and their customers get the benefit. We want you to be one of them. We believe we can make it to your interest to trade with us.

Hang On To Your Dollar

Until you have seen our stock and gotten our prices

Wednesday, Dec. 18th

BRING US YOUR ORDERS.

Let us show you what we can save you in dollars and cents.

We are in the dry goods business to sell you good honest goods at prices that will make you our friend. Your children can buy for you with perfect safety.

One Price to All and Your Money Back if You Want It

on any article sold in the store, if not cut off the bolt or damaged. That's Hubbard's way

YOUR DOLLAR HERE WILL DO WONDERS

Dress Goods, Silks, Laces, Embroideries, all Underwear, Corsets, Gloves and Hosiery, as well as little notions, will be sold at a great saving to you and your family. Our effort to get your shoe order this fall means if Hubbards get it we have made a friend for the House of Hubbards' forever after. Our shoes are solid as a rock and the best money can buy. If you want clothing for men and boys come and bring the whole family. We fit the "hard to fit." Let us fit 'em out. We ask it only on the fact that we will help you save some of your hard-earned dollars. Also we call your attention to our prices on Shirts, Hats, and Neckwear, of which we have a complete line. The one special feature that means the upbuilding of the Greatest Store in Colorado, is, by fair and up-to-date, progressive methods, we go before the people of Colorado and surrounding country better prepared to supply their wants than ever before.

Men's and Boys' Shirts	
Feb. 12, SPECIAL—One big lot of negligees and patterns, something new	39c
all colors and sizes, worth \$1.25 in this sale for	98c
The next issue, big line of work shirts worth the price to	44c
will be printed on grade Shirts, new, best patterns, 24th in order that in this sale.	
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Advertisers wanting and Boys's Hats	
in their ads, must up-to-date staples, worth	98c
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son's Jeffersonian, Atlanta, Ga	
The public is invited to attend	
Date, next Monday evening	
Dec. 23rd, at the Court House	
Time, 7:30 p. m.	

Wednesday, December 18

HUBBARDS

Snyder Building, Colorado, Texas

Men's Shoes	
Solid leather, best value for the money ever offered	\$1 39
Another lot of solid calf work shoes, or for Sunday wear	\$1 79
Just a little better, worth \$2.50, go for	\$1 98
Extra good and stylish \$3 and \$3.50 shoes in vicci and box calf	\$2 78
All high grade calf and patent shoes, regular \$5	\$3 98
Boys' Shoes	
A good solid calf shoe, a bargain at regular price, but we cut it in this sale	\$1 39
Nice quality in vicci kid and box calf, worth \$2.50 and \$3	\$1 98
Ladies' Shoes	
One lot of new and stylish shoes, regular \$2 and \$2.25, now	\$1 48
Better grade walking shoes, good welt soles, \$2.50 and \$3	\$1 98
Misses and Children's Shoes	
Something in good value, in colors, for	48c
All leather, regular sellers at \$1.25 and \$1.35 go in this sale at	98c
High grade and best make, worth \$1.75 and \$2	\$1 39

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