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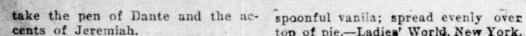
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"Lilearn that a boat is to be sent out to rescue the wounded. I am fortuate enough to obtain a place in it, together with one of my vicars. The police and gendarmes cannot keep back the crowd struggling to make its way on board. The expedition is composed of the public prosecutor of the republic, and officer, and a plateon of marines. People refuse to believe in the realities of so horrible a disaster. They cling to every hypothesis that may still make hope possible. We say to ourselves that, at least, a great part of the population must have had time to

"When, about four o'clock in the afternoon, we turn the last promontory that separates us from what was once the magnificent panorama of St. Pierre, the first sight that strikes our eyes, at the farther end of the roadstead, is Riviere Blanche, with its stream of smoke, throwing itself furiously, as the day before, into the sea. Then, a little farther out, a large steamer (the Roraima) in flames. We hear that it is an American packet, just arrived that morning, in time to be enveloped in the catastrophe. Two other steamboats are burning nearer the shore. Wreckage and the upturned keels of boats strew the roadstead. And this is all that is left of the 30 or 40 ships anchored here the day previous. All along the quays. A great noise rose for a distance of 200 meters, piles of In church, where the lumber are burning. There are smallass was in progress, er fires on the hills about the city, visible, through the smoke, as far as Fonds Core. But St. Pierre, that city this morning alive, full of human aded on us, and the souls, is no more! It lies consumed before us, in its winding-sheet of times for a dis-smoke and cinders, silent and desolate, red meters. The a city of the dead. We strain our ting out of St. eyes for fleeing inhabitants, for men returning to bury their lost ones. We see no one! There is no living being immediately it left in this desert of desolation, framed hail of stones and in a terrifying solitude. In the backcople stood petri- ground, when the cloud of smoke and teps. Others ran cinders breaks away, the mountain ere through the and its slopes, once so green, stand asted for about a forth like an Alpine landscape. They

"With what profound emotion I raise my hand over these 35,000 victims to the sky and sleeping, in their dread tomb, their

## Maple Cream Filling.

Mix ope-third cupful flour, one cupful maple sugar (previously shaved fine), pinch salt. Add two (scant) cupfuls milk that has been heated, and Martinique, cook until smooth. Add well-beaten yelks of two eggs. Cook several minutes longer, then cool. Beat the two picture of whites to dry froth. Add scant cupful hem would pulverized maple sugar, and one tea-

top of pie.-Ladies' World, New York.

#### PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

Pugilistic .- Nell-"Did Miss Billy. ums act as if it was a severe blow when she didn't get the prince?" Belle -"Yes; she took the count."-Philadelphia Record.

"What's the matter with Jimson?" "Doctor says it's a complication. Played ping-pong, golf, bicycled and got a motor car, and the four kinds of faces were too much for him."-London Answers.

Eezymark-"A lady told my fortune yesterday, and she said I would meet with a financial reverse." Sceptick-"And did you?" Eezyma-k-"Sure! She charged me \$2."-Ohio State Jour-

"Troubled with dyspepsia, are you? Did you ever try any of my medicine?" asked the druggist. "Oh, yes; but it wasn't that that gave it to me. I had it long before I took any of your stuff."

-Yonkers Statesman. "By the way," reminded the curious inquirer, "what's a synonymous expression for 'talking shop?' " "Well," replied Joakley, "there's 'tonsorial emporium,' and haircutting parlor.'" -Philadelphia Press.

Hangin' On .- Lariat Luke-"What tecame of that hanger-on frum th' east?" Horrible Hank-"He's still hangin' one" Lariat Luke-"Down at the Red Eye saloon?" Horrible Hank -"Naw; hangin' on tew a cottonwood tree at th' edge of town."-Ohio State

The Point of Difference .- "You don't mean to cite your government as an example of a republic." "Well," answered the South American dictator, "there's only one little difference between our republic and yours. Instead of elections we have revolutions."-Washington Star.

Two Sinners .- "It is very wrong to tell a falschood," said his mother to little Jimmie, who had caught him in one. "Then we're both offul sinners, ain't we, maw?" queried Jimmie. witched. "Both! What do you mean?" "Why, you told Missus Smith yesterday that you hoped she'd call again, an' after she wuz gone you said you wished she'd never come again."-Ohio State

#### THOUGHT GUN BEWITCHED.

#### Why the Old Negro Threw It Away and Would Not Touch It Again,

A story is told of Uncle Washington Harris, one of "Marse Clay's niggers 'mong de congregation."

Once when Uncle "Wash" was "exhortioning 'mong de congregation," the Ku Klux came after him, and, as the old man hurriedly beat an exit through a window, one of the Ku Klux got the tail of his Prince Albert coat, that "Marse Clay" had given him, and which the old darkey was very proud of. From that time Uncle "Wash" always carried an old long-barreled

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The neighbors were in the habit of meeting at night at "Bob" Clay's country store to tell yarns and talk about the crops. Uncle "Wash" and several other old colored men, were always present, sitting on nail kegs a respectable distance behind "de white folks to hear de yarns." On these occasions Uncle "Wash" always left his gun in the rear of the store.

One night "Buck" Allen, who never was tired of playing jokes on the old man, got his gun, and, after drawing the shot from it, loaded it with powder and phosphorous wood as wadding, then another load of powder and more phosphorous wood, repeating this till there were several loads of powder and wood in the gun, ramming down the last charge of powder with an extra long piece of wood. "Buck' dropped a coal on it and went back

If phosphorous wood is lighted, the fire will eat very slowly through it and act as a fuse. Uncle "Wash" took up his gun and started home, and was several hundred yards from the store when the spark reached the first charge of powder and exploded it which greatly perplexed the old man but he attributed it to an accident When the second explosion occurred he fell on his knees and prayed, but when the third came he threw the gur from him into the bushes and ran for dear life. As Uncle "Wash" burst in the front door to the consternation of his wife, and fell sprawling on the floor, hysterically praying, he heard the last charge explode.

Uncle "Wash" never went back for his gun, and could never be convinced "speerets" were not in that "ole turkee gun," and that it was not be-

#### Chloroform and Garlight.

In general the profession in this country is united in the belief that ether is a much more satisfactory anaesthetic than chloroform. A not inconsiderable number, however, prefer chloroform, particularly under especial circumstances, and some operators who have no well-equipped clinics at their command tend to use chloroform when working by artificial light, and particularly in ill-equipped houses. It is, however, known by most pharmacologists and by many afore de war," who remained on the others that chloroform has dangers plantation after he was set free. He when used by artificial light, but this was considered a power among the fact is by no means generally recognegroes, being somewhat of a local nized. Persons have been killed by the preacher, says the New York Tribune, decomposition of chloroform by gasbut he said: "I'se jist a exhortioner light. It has been attempted to over- In the mining industries there are Virginia, West Virginia, North Carocome the danger of the production of large investments-the great quartz lina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida.

this form of poisoning by placing soda or borax solution or milk of lime in the operating-room, but these methods have been shown to be wholly insufficient .- Philadelphia Medical Journal.

#### Agricultural Possibilities of the Region Have Been Found to Far Surpass Expectations-Gold, Fish and Furs,

A million dollars a month is the estimate made by the bureau of statisket which "frozen Alaska" offers the producers and manufacturers of the the arctic circle. United States, states a special to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

carries him to Cape Nome-the latest and greatest of the gold fields of

they send to the United States \$15,000,-000 worth of their products, \$8,000,000 of gold, \$6,000,000 of fish, chiefly salmon, and the remainder furs.

The cost of Alaska was \$7,200,000. eries, chiefly salmon, and \$50,000,000 Alaska. more furs, chiefly seal furs.

Probably \$50,000,000 of American cap-

mill at Juneau being the largest quartz stamp mill in the world, while several other quartz mills represent large investments. With the inflow of cap-ital, the development of transportation systems, and the gold discoveries, has come the building up of towns and the development of cities with modern conveniences of life.

Nome City, which is located but a comparatively short distance south of the arctic circle, has now a population of over 12,000; postal facilities have been so extended that the number of tics of the present value of the mar- post offices is now about 60, and mails are being regularly delivered north of

Agricultural possibilities in Alaska have, until within a recent period, been "Commercial Alaska in 1901" is the considered of but slight importance. title of a monograph just issued by As the country was explored, howthe treasury bureau of statistics. In ever, and its conditions of climate and it are presented some striking figures soil studied, its natural products obabout this (until recently) little ex- served, and experiments made with lored and little understood territory various classes of agricultural producof the United States. By reason of tions, it became apparent that the agthe application of modern systems of ricultural possibilities of the country, travel and transportation, Alaska is and especially of the south and southnow as accessible as Arizona. Three east, where the climate is modified by days of travel by modern ocean steam- the Japan current, were of considerers from Seattle among the islands and able importance in view of the pracalong the coast which forms the ticability of furnishing at least a southeastern extension of Alaska lands part of the food supply of the populathe traveler at Skaguay; 12 hours by tion which the varied resources of rail over the mountains, carries him Alaska seem likely to sustain and make to the headwaters of the Yukon, where permanent. These observations and comfortable and well-equipped river experiments lead those who have parsteamers carry him to the gold field of ticipated in them to the belief that central Alaska or down the Yukon vegetables in great variety can be proriver, which is navigable for more than duced all along the southern coast and 2.000 miles at this season of the year. in the valley of the Yukon, and by From the mouth of the Yukon another some the possibility of the successful comparatively short trip by steamer production of wheat and oats is strongly supported.

The grasses for the support of cattle are abundant, and the experiment Gold, fish and furs are, acording to with live stock thus far justify the this monograph, the principal indus- belief that this feature of the food retry of Alaska at the present time, and quirements of Alaska may be furnished by the development of stock forms in the southern sections. In the north vast areas are covered with a moss similar to that upon which the reindeer thrives in other parts of the arc-The revenue which the government has tic regions, and in view of this fact derived from it since its purchase the introduction of reindeer from Siamounts to over \$9,000,000, and the beria was begun a few years since and value of the products are now twice has proved extremely successful, as much every year as it cost. The about 3,000 now being distributed total value of the products of Alaska 'through northwest Alaska, and the exbrought to the United States since its periment has advanced sufficiently to purchase is (according to the best es- justify the confident belief that the timates that the bureau of statistics reindeer will within a few years prove is able to make) about \$150,000,000, an important feature in furnishing of which \$50,000,000 is precious both the transportation and food sunmetals, \$50,000,000 products of the fish- ply of northern and northwestern

The gross area of Alaska is, according to the 1900 census, 590,804. ital is invested in Alaskan industries The Governor of Alaska in a reand business enterprises, including cent report states that this is transportation systems. In the sal- equal to the combined area of the 20 mon fisheries alone the companies en- . states, of Maine, New Hampshire, Vergaged have a capitalization of \$22,000,- mont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, 000, and the value of their plants, in- Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, cluding vessels, is given at \$12,000,000. Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland,





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### School Notes.

The pupils of the 2nd and us off some way or other. 3rd grades have been much interested in studying the framework of the body.

Elwood Cox was absent from school Monday on account of ill-

Aviristo, the janitor desiring to study some while not busy about the school building was allowed to enter the 2nd grade last Monday and study as much as his time allows.

seventh grade last week.

Eula Barksdale of the seventh grade entered school Monday.

"Well begun is half done", this means that if we understand and grief, but let them remem- fice that first day, and perhaps the a task, it is comparatively easy ber that the One who gently rais- proofreader did not get to the to complete it. The pupils of ed his hand and calmed the Kearns sketch. At any rate, the grades 7 and 8 began the week storm-tossed sea can bring sur- Scriptural quotation came out, "He very favorably, by all being in cease of sorrow to aching hearts. that is diligent in business at all and having their lessons well Our school grieves for the loss of stand by four kings." Rival papers prepared. Lets begin each week its three members. We miss are saying that if Senator Kearns so and complete our task by at- their cheerful presence and a has to get his poker knowledge out tending school every day of the gloomy sorrow hangs over us all. of the Bible, Washington is no

who entered the 4th grade.

May Bridges entered the 5th grade this week. May was one of our classmates last year.

Alex Wickham, of the 6th grade, had the misfortune last Monday morning of having a horse fall on him and crush his foot very badly. The foot was broken across the instep and Alex had to be chloroformed to have it set. Our school sympathizes with him and hope to see him back again very soon,

The pupils, are very much pleased with the black-board stencils being used in room 1.

The primary teacher wishes to urge the parents of pupils in the First Room to see that their children attend school as reguarly as possible. A great deal-is lost in even being tardy. Our work begins immediately after the last bell rings.

The following in regard to Jefferson Davis is taken from Estill's Beginners History of our Country: After two years at a boarding school in Kentucky, Jefferson Davis returned to his home in Mississippi and entered the county academy. One day when his teacher threatened to punish him for not knowing a lesson which Jefferson declared was longer than he could master, the boy took up his books and went home. His father after listening to the story said: 'It is for you to choose whether you will work with your head or with your hands; of course my son can not be an idler. I want more cotton pickers, and I will give you work." For two days Jefferson worked steady in the cotton fields from morning till night beside his father's negro slaves. Then he decided that long lessons were not so bad as long cotton rows and the next day we was back at his place at the aleademy with no more complaint about long lessons.

We welcome the family of Mr. Barksdale of Mud creek who have moved in to enjoy the advantages of the Public school. We are sorry, however not to see

Roy back among them. There is one fate that is an absolute certainty for us all, and that is death. It may come to us as an infant in the cradle, as a boy or girl just starting to school, as a young man or young lady entering college, as a mother or father with infant in the arms, or it may delay its coming until we are bent and feeble with age, but one thing sure, it will come some day. Sometimes it may carry its victim away in a gentle manner and sometimes in a rude way, but it always carries

On last Wednesday, Sept. 17 Nettie, May and Tommie Cox came to school with smiling faces, reciting their lessons and playing at recesses as usual. At one o'clock that night death knocked at their door and called them to their far away eternal home. At two o'clock that day our school bowed its head and followed the charred remains of resting place. The home is Morrel Anderson entered the burned, three children snatched Kearns, of Utah. The writer Their hearts are wild with pain Things were in confusion in the of-

The number of pupils are daily to teach us to be pregared and DR. Wm. R. PARTRICK, increasing. Among those who when the dread summons comes entered school Monday were "Sustained and soothed by an Florence Barksdale of Mud Creek unfaltering trust, approach thy grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

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Perry Heath's Poker Edition.

Perry S. Heath has established an afternoon edition of his paper in Salt Lake City. He calls it the these little children to their final Telegram. In the first issue he had a complimentary sketch of Senator away never to be seen again and raphsodized: "How truly it may the father and older sister will be said of Mr. Kearns, as it is said earry to their graves the awful in Scripture, 'He that is diligent in memory of that fearful scene. business shall stand before kings." Let it be a lesson to each of us place for him.

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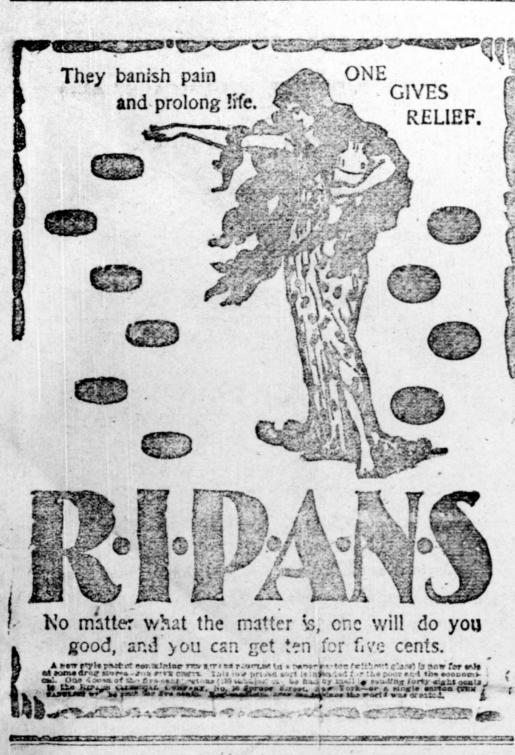
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To shake off trouble we must set about doing good to somebody. Put on your hat, and go to visit the poor; inquire into their wants and administer unto them. I have often tried this, and found it the best medicine for a heavy heart .- A. J. Symington.

Thoroughly a Dako. The Duke of Richmond has the dis-

tinction of being "three times a duke." He is Duke of Richmond in England, Duke of Lennox in Scotland and Duc de Aubigny in France, a title conferred upon an ancestress by Louis XIV. in

Work has been begun on the pubile library building which Secretary John D. Long is to present to his native -town Buckfield, Me. The building will

Buckfield's Private Library.

The most populous street in the world is said to be that in New York, extending from Amsterdam to West End avenue, and from Sixty-first street to Sixty-second street. Eight thousand seven hundred human being's of twenty-six nationalities, of every race, color and creed, are huddled together in five and six-

story tenements.

Two lawyers began to use some pretty sharp language toward each other in a court in Charleston, S. C., but were quickly brought to book in which the case was being tried." is 72 years of age.



The Philadelphia & Reading railroad has four pensioners who have served the company honorably and continuously for fifty or more years -- Daniel Burke of Philadelphia being the latest one added to the list, after fifty-two years' continuous could not be told. service. He will receive \$30 a month from the company, and his by Magistrate Memminger, who ad- watch and a big, comfortable chair gar, and one teaspoonful each of monished them, and told them that "in which to rest his weary limbs boiling put in six pounds of blackber- ish exploring expedition. \* \* \* It "was not the United States senate for the remainder of his days." He ries, and let simmer very gently for 15 This is the rarest animal that has thus

#### HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION.

New Inventions and Designs for Indoor Decorations - Handy Kitchen Contrivances.

Art effects in cretonne are by no means new, but it is doubtful if more artistic results were ever obtained by manufacturers than are observable in this year's output. They make one long to turn summer home furnisher just to look at them. A rich ereamy tint is the favorite groundwork and upon this effective background appear clusters of roses in hues familiar in nature's handiwork and other shadings that are not to be found in any rose garden in the world. The great pink and red roses show up remarkably well, while the blues and the purple blossoms are fully as attractive, if not as natural looking. In some of the pink and green patterns a bowknot of delicate blue is introduced and as the pink is of a faint hue, also, the combination is very pretty and "Frenchy." Edged with lace, these cretonnes make the daintiest of portieres and mantel draperies, to say nothing- of couch cushions. For bedroom furnishing in a summer cottage they are ideal, for they harmonize beautifully with the brass and enameled bedsteads and the light tinted furniture that commands special attention at this season of the year.

To further carry out the idea of completeness and harmony in furnishings, waste baskets and sewing baskets are covered to match the mantel and door drapery and sofa cushions. It is an easy, matter nowadays to carry out any desired color schome to the minutest detail and with inexpensive materials, says the Brooklyn Eagle.

In the housekeeper's realm, new inventions and devices are constantly brought to the front and clever, persuasive "demonstrators" endeavor to impress visitors to the big shops with the merits and desirable features of the new inventions. One of these novelties is a combined condensed milk can opener and holder. The contrivance is made of nickel and, consequently, will not tarnish. The milk can is slipped inside and by pressing the top of the holder at a designated point the cover of the can is opened sufficiently to permit the milk to flow into a spout resembling that of a syrup jug, protected in a similar way by a lid and operated in a similar manner.

The ordinary tin bread or cake box is not the best kind of a receptacle for the family supply of breadstuff and cake because when it is tightly closed all ventilation is shut off and the contents, bread especially, become soggy. There is a ventilated bread box on the market-the only one of its kind, according to the shop folks-and the ventilated portion consists of an oval section, a little over an inch long, punctured with a half dozen or so pin holes. The perforated box costs about as much and a half as the unventilated receptacie.

All sorts of cooking utensils are to be had in nickel and the saucepans of various sizes, the kettles and frying apparatus, make a brilliant array. Nickelware, however, costs a little

more than some other varieties. The secret of always having pot-pie light is not to allow the lid to be removed from the kittle while boiling. It is the cold air striking the dough that makes it heavy.

Stoves or any iron utensils can be kept from rusting when not in use by rubbing them over with a cloth moistened with kerosene.

## HYDROSCOPES FOR ANGLERS.

A useful implement in a fisherman's kit is a hydroscope. There are very few anglers probably who, as they have waited with more or less patience for the fish to bite, have not longed to get a peep into the water just to se if there were any fish about

Bass especially congregate in certain localities where the food supply is good and there are rocks to play around and as a rule remain there all day long. It is an immense convenience, therefore, for the bass fisherman to be able to look down into the water and survey the prospect.

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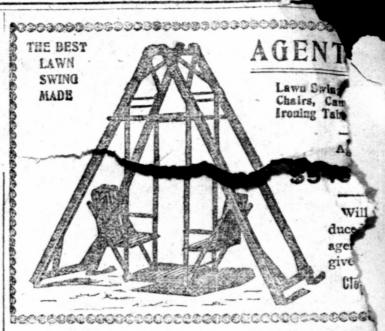
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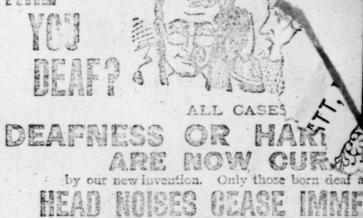
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Adolph Bitters was out practicing Sunday. Ask him about it, dont come to us.

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their son.

Dr. Bratton, the Post physician left this week for Fort Sam Houston and Dr. Woodson takes his place here.

When you went a first-class meal served in first-class style just drop in at the Mint

Alex Wickam had the misfortune this week of his horse falling with him and breaking his ankle.

A. Baum, the Singer sewing The exclusive photographer. machine man was in from Eagle Pass this week.

We are sorry to state that Paul good order prevails at all times. Stadler is confined to his bed this week. It is to be hoped he will soon recover,

Mrs. Geo. Fegan returned his week from a visit to Eagle Pass, accompanied by her grand PHOTOGRAPHS daughter little Miss Powrie.

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Sunday morning and night at the usual hours. All are invited to attend.

Messrs Nance, Sharpe, Stadler and "Mickey the fish" went out deer hunting the early part of the week. They succeeded in bagging a fine buck, but failing to treat the meat properly they found it had spoiled by the time they reached town.

Everybody should attend the concert at the Post next Monday Cavalry Band. This is the lat- run on this part of the system. est piece of music out, Prof. Eilers just having had it copyrighted and he has received seyeral hundred copies written for the piano which will be sold at 50c per copy. Everyone should procure a copy of this march.

Jos. Meier, who has been a resident of Brackett for nearly thirty years, left Friday for the United States Penitentiary at San Antonio. at Atlanta, Ga., where he has accepted the position as chief here one day this week. tailor. Mr. Meier has been Brackett's resident tailor for many years, is widely known and well liked by everyone and we regret very much to see him leave, yet we heartily wish him success in his new field of labor. Mrs. Meier will follow a few be pleased to learn he has remonths later.

Hon. J. S. Morin, our choice for District Attorney has been away the past week on a tour friends here. It is hoped he will through this district.

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Ten Chester White pigs. Cheap for cash. JAMES MURPHY.

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the tax rolls have been completed and turned over to the collector, and those wishing to pay their taxes can do so by calling at my office. J. W. NOLAN, Tax Collector Kinney county.

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Spofford Locals.

Mr. Hobbs made a flying visit to San Antonio Saturday, returning Sunday.

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> We had a little rain Monday, about enough to settle the dust.

Mr. Blesse, of Eagle Pass, passed through Monday on his way to Del Rio.

Mrs. R. Stratton passed through here Monday on her way home, after having placed her daughter, Miss Lucy, in college

D. K. Furnish and wife visited

Sol West is spending a few days at his ranch on the Las Moras. His son Georgo returned Wednesday after a short visit to relotives East.

The friends of T. O. Lang will turned home in a much improved condition.

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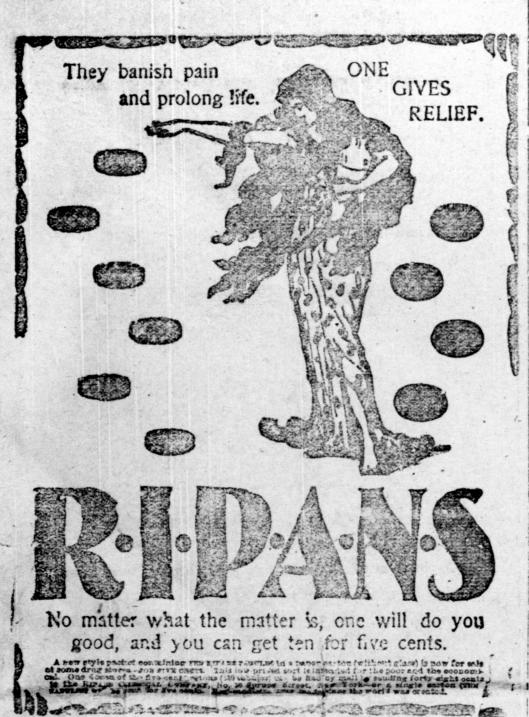
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The most populous street in the world is said to be that in New York, extending from Amsterdam to West End avenue, and from Sixty-first street to Sixty-second street. Eight thousand seven hundred human being's of twenty-six nationalities, of every race, color and creed, are huddled together in five and sixstory tenements.

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New Inventions and Designs for Indoor Decorations - Handy Kitchen Contrivances.

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To further carry out the idea of completeness and harmony in furnishings, waste baskets and sewing baskets are covered to match the mantel and door drapery and sofa cushions. It is an easy, matter nowadays to carry out any desired color scheme to the minutest detail and with inexpensive materials, says the Brooklyn Eagle.

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