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#### M. W. A. Class Initiation.

At a special meeting of the Olive Mr. Tom Priour and Miss Emma On Saturday night the Modern Regular Correspondence: Grove Woodmen Circle Monday Sublett were married yesterday at Woodmen Camp of Kerrville had a N. Hood and Guy Burney went notice was given us of the death of key notes of our Christmas festivinight the following officers were the home of the bride's parents, Mr. big class initiation which was the to Medina on business Saturday. and Mrs. J. J. Sublett, near Hunt. occasion of one of the largest meet-Guardian, Mrs. J. T. Moore; Ad- Both are popular young people of ings this Camp has ever had. Visi- and returned the same day.

> From San Antonio, Messrs Gordon Pulsford, Henry B. Vodrie, Alfred ton to spend the holidays.

From Harper, E. A. McDougal, WATTERS VARIETY STORE. C. W. Granville, Fred Wedekind short time ago from Elcampo for tives attended the funeral at the and Rufe Moore.

> From Center Point, O. Stanley, Virgil Storms, Truman Hill, Clyde day. Powell, Lee Wharton, Harvey Mosty and Sid McElroy.

From Ingram, Dr. J. L. Fowler, G. M. Colvin, R. A. Sproul, T. J. Moore, J. A. Leinweber, Roy Little- are sorry to learn that Mr. Scott field, Randolph Smith, C. Smith, V. will soon leave for San Antonio. B. Lee, J. J. Tally, E. H. Stone, Chas. Rodgers.

Besides the visitors there were present about 40 members of the local camp, the total number present being about 80.

The San Antonio members conducted the initiation and carried it out in splendid order and gave the Camp some useful instruction in San Antonio. the work of the order.

E. C. Fisk and J. D. Motley delighted the crowd with some of their best songs in negro dialect McBryde accompanied by A. D Mc- Yours For Service. with guitar and mandolin accom- Bryde and Mr, Mnrry of Camp

A barbecue supper ended the a hunt. program' It was a most enjoyable occasion and one which will stimulate the local camp to greater effort.

#### Mrs. R. E. Jump.

Our sympathy is extended to our friend Ernest Jump at Pipe Creek in the death of his wife last week. She died after an operation in a San Antonio hospital. She was in- Stone. deed a noble woman, and her loss will be keenly felt by not only her own family but by the whole community in which she had lived all her life. She was a daughter of Ex. County Judge F. W. Dorow. She leaves besides her husband and father three brothers and four sisters, of which Mrs. A. Meadows Mrs. A. P. Robb. of Center Point is one.

#### Center Point Letter

point buck Monday.

Reta Bruff is at home from Den-

in East Texas visiting his sons. Mrs. Turner who came here a ber of sorrowing friends and rela-

Sunday Morning. Mr. Turner and was laid to rest on Sunday Dec. 3. V. Moore, Clif Burney, Geo. Meeks, children left for Elcampo Wednes- His many friends throughout the

> Bonner Coffey is over from Ban- sympathy to the bereaved family. dera to spend Christmas.

Harper Bruff has the contract to haul the mail from the depot. We

Quite a number of M. W. A's went to Kerrville Saturday night to attend lodge, they report a fine time. A. E. Self and Howard Butt atnight.

Dr. Jones and wife of Comfort were here Monday. Geo. Sellers spent last Sunday in

Saturday. Verde wet up the river this week on

#### W. M U. Program at Junction.

Following is the program of the Woman's Auxiliary at the Fifth Sunday Meeting at Junction, on Friday Dec. 29, 1916.

2:00 Executive Board Meeting. 2:30 Devotional-Mrs. Stuart

2:45 Roll Call of Societies, Y. W. A. and Sunbeams-It Helped Us,

3:15 Beneficence-Mrs. W. B. 3:30 Missions-Mrs. J. Hyman.

3:45 Education-Miss L. Walker. 4:00 Inspiration of Convention-

Closing with Chain of Prayer.

#### J. R. McVickers Dead.

The Advance regrets that no Johnson Creek some two weeks ago. "Peace and good will." T. D. Wills will spend Christmas He bore his long illness with pa-following numbers: tience and fortitude. A large numthe benefit of her health died last Sunset cemetery where his body Hight' by choir. county will join us in extending

#### Baptist Church Notes.

I hope all our people will remember that God Willing, we will have our usual services next Sunday. Now many may think it is Christmas times and neglect the "assembling of themselves together as the manner of some is," but when tended Masonic lodge here Saturday would you find a more suitable time to worship Jesus the Christ. than on what is supposed to be His birthday or near it.

We had a fine meeting at Ingram last Sunday afternoon and think Roger Self and wife visited here that good church will soon have a pastor. Wishing all a Merry Christ-

J. B. RIDDLE, Pastor.

#### Methodist Church Notes.

"Peace and good will" are the our friend and fellow citizen J. R. ties, at least that shall be our aim. J. T. Hill, went to Hondo Sunday McVicker, who died at his home on We shall endeaver to forget all else.

viser, Mrs. Nettie McLean; Clerk, the upper Gradalupe neighborhood tors were here from other Camps as Sam Hodges brought in an eight Up to this time we have no particulars, only that he died the trium- Watters the choir has been preparphant death of a Christian man, ing special Christmas music. It is noble husband and good citizen, fine. The music will include the

> Morning service 11 a. m. Organ prelude.

Anthem "Glory Be to God on

Solo "Hosanna," Miss Watters. Offertory.

Christmas Song-Choir. Morning Star---Choir.

Night Service 7:30. Organ prelude. Solo---Miss Watters.

Offertory. "Glory to God in the Highest"

Anthem "Christmas" --- Choir.

Fairest Lord Jesus. Choir.

The pastor's subject for the morning service is "The Conquering Christ," and the subject for the night service is "Measuring the Greatness of Jesus."

S. W. Kemerer, Pastor.

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Novelized from the Motion Picture Play of the same name by George Kleine.



Pierpont Stafford, with his daughter Gioria, is wintering at Palm Beach. Gioria, is wintering at Palm Beach. Gioria is wintering at Palm Beach. Gioria contress from whom she repeatedly exapes. Her childish capers cause young Doctor Royce to fall in love with her. Becoming lost in the everglades she falls follow the falls in love with her resour. Frencau. Five years later she leaves school and meets Freneau at the theater; he has forgotten. Gloria. Later Freneau persuides her to forgive him. Gloria's sistemation of the contrelation of the co

#### FIFTEENTH EPISODE

#### The Murderer at Bay.

Pierpont Stafford cherished his majestic country place principally because it furnished him an ample solitude. He could wander about it for Hudson river, admiring its strength as one strong man does another, and comwhich it did such a big business with so little fuss

kind of shyness in his hours of leisure.



Gloria Seized a Dish Towel and Gagged Him.

guests to make his sacred retreat their he had seized Freneau. more or less permanent home. She enough for Gloria to take pity on a she gets away. I go to the chair." ment for the waiter. But then what | the voice of Trask's helper, Jed. That move was far more than too river.

to stop it," Pierpont stormed to Doc- lover, whose body the same stream

mand, transported the three to Pier pont's country place.

Pierpont had a great deal of Gloria's impulsiveness and a great deal of her abounding tenderness. He lost his temper in flashes, but his charity burned steadily and deeply, and now unclasp that child's arms. In fact, he lapse and said :

"It's a pity Gloria isn't here to see plimenting it on the efficiency with you. I wonder where on earth she is." He asked few persons to visit him, he stared at his section of the Hudson. ter night by the Soldiers' and Sailors' and those few only when the mood where, fighting against the current, a moved him. In his everyday life as a little tug was visible, towing an old man of big affairs he met so many peo- canal barge loaded to the water line. ple and was so pointed out when he Then he added: "She's probably on walked the streets that he acquired a that barge now, adopting the bargeman's family."

He could imagine nothing more extravagantly impossible to say than that; And yet, the truth kept pace with his extravagance. For Gloria was indeed even then on board just such a barge being towed upstream by just such a tug. Only Gloria was not adopting the bargeman's family. She was being adopted by it. She was a prisoner and her life was in pawn.

Gloria's curiosity as to one problem was solved. She had found out that her vision of Freneau's murder was not a delirium. She had seen the assassin and heard him accused by his own daughter. One trouble with satisfying curiosity is that every curiosity satisfied opens up new curiosities. Gloria now was frantic to know why Gideon Trask killed Freneau and how Trasks' daughter was involved in the crime. Next, she was curious to know how she was to escape with her knowledge, once she had it.

When Trask heard Gloria's voice over his shoulder accusing him of the crime he was denying, he whirled as if an angel had spoken with the voice of conscience. An angel would have been hardly more surprising then the look of Gloria on the stairway of he barge.

Trask had no iden of Gloria's identity. He could not imagine who she was, whence she had come, or why she accused him. He stood transfixed a moment, then moved toward her with He was touched in a tender spot menace, Gloria retreated up the steps, when he heard that his scapegrace but he leaped at her and dragged her daughter Gloria had invited three down and seized her by the throat, as

She tried to scream, but she could had not consulted him and the guests not make a sound, Nell attempted were the last people in the world he to restrain her father, but he turned would have invited. It was nice on her with terror and wrath: "If

poor waiter and his forlorn child. It He might have throttled her then was sweet of her to adopt the child. and there, but there was a jolt, the Pierpont had even forgiven her by now barge shook as the towline dragged for compelling him to hunt employ- it away, and down the hatchway came

followed? Gloria invited the boy's al- | Trask hurled Gloria against the way most hopelessly invalid mother and the and warned her that if she made a boy and the father to make themselves | sound it would be her last. He would at home in Pierpont's own sanctuary! wring her neck and throw her into the

Gloria cowered in utter dread of him "This has got to stop, and I'm going | and remembered the fate of her poor tor Royce, who had, at Gloria's com- had received and kept for days.

er father against the world.

Gloria spoke to her, questioned her Gloria tried to bribe Nell to let her the remnant of the supper. Gloria was escape. Gloria offered larger and larger smus till Nell would have been pauper. She felt that she would need dazzled if she had been convinced, what strength she would acquire. Her At last she spoke:

ould buy my father with it? No!"

Glora liked her better for that, but the was none the less determined to escape if she could. She talked no more, But she thought harder than ever be-

supper at the little stove, clattering the this one, pans and jabbing the fire with the pok-Gloria had often steamed up the

Hudson on her father's yacht. This

Jed Went Over With a Crash and Gloria Sidled Up the Stairs.

Stas had won his heart. He could not was her first voyage on a canal barge. The place was extremely unlike her falifted Stas to his arm and held him ther's yacht, but the savor of the frythere while he told the butler he could ing pau made Gloria democratically hours and never meet a soul. If he leave without notice if he did not like bungry. When Trask came back, how wanted company, there was room for the guests of the house. Also Pier- ever, his cold eyes took her appetite it in the palace and in the formally pont told Royce that he must take par- away. But not his own. She watched gardened grounds. And he could look | ticular care of Casimir's wife. Royce | him wolf his food; she felt that he down on the tremendous peace of the laughed at the old man's complete col- was half insane, a relentless fanatic n a wild crusade His eyes kept rolling in her direc

tion. He found her so mysterious that "She's somewhere she oughtn't to be was half afraid of her. He rebe, that's sure." Pierpont growled, as membered the loneliness of that winmonument. He remembered the appearance of Freneau alone and no other human being in view. His very hands remembered the death grasp they took on Freneau's throat. He smiled. That was one good deed, at least, he told himself.

But he could not imagine how this girl could have seen him. How could he guess that she had sat at her window with binoculars to her eyes and watched the whole tragedy. He began to grow superstitious. Gleria was apparently able to perform miracles. She wore the invisible cloak. Perhaps she would leave as mystically as slie had come.

Finally he grew brave enough to shout out at her: "Who are you? What was Freneau to you?"

Gloria knew that anyone who blusters is likely to be weak, so she anand what was Freneau to you?"

When Trask stamped up the cabin! The very name Freneau seemed to stairs and banged the hatchway down | madden Trask. He emitted a loud yelp Gloria studied the girl. She had been of hate and derision and left the table. beautiful, and still was pretty but too He moved toward Gloria, but changed sad. Just now she was too angry. Nell his mind or deferred his purpose and had been fighting against her father went up the stairs, closing the hatch till this naknown woman appeared and fastening it above. There was from nowhere. Now Nell was all for nothing reassuring in his last look at Gloria.

Nell was clearing up the table when shout Freneau. Nell did not answer she saw that Gloria was faint with at all, only in grumbling monosyllables. hunger or terror. She offered Gloria glad to get it. She ate like another wits were dancing as she tried to think "Say, who do you think you are? out a means of escape. She could not The Dime Savings bank? And who do fight Nell and her father and the big on think I am? I ain't on auction. man, too. . She could not overcome f your father had all the money you're them with force, and she had no weapnakin' up he has, do you think you on but her five wits, and they had never been trained to such problems.

She was as helpless before them as she had been when she was a little fifteen-year-old filly at Palm Beach and her governess had given her a problem in algebra; (a-b)x(a-b)--? She had Nell went on getting her father's stared at that riddle as she stared at

Doctor Royce had happened along then and smiled at the easy task. He could probably solve this problem, too but he was not here. She was alone and the solution depended solely on

She thought and thought while Nell cleared the table. She offered to help Nell and was permitted to aid in the work. When the last dish was removed to the wash basin Gloria and Nell took opposite ends of the coarse tablecloth. When it was folded twice the two girls began to bring the two ends together, as people do who are folding tablecloths.

Nelt stopped short at the proper mostead of putting the two ends of the tablecloth in Nell's fingers, she suddenly whipped the cloth over her head, brought it down around her clows and, after a furious struggle, forced Nell back into a chair and knotted the tablecloth corners under the arms. She snatched a pair of dish towels from the wall and tied Nell's feet to the legs of the chair. Nell fought like did you? Well, you can just tie your a mad woman in a straitjacket, but the

Gloria was out of breath, but she was proud as Punch over her victory. She stood up panting and exclaimed:

So far so good. But there was still Trask to settle with, and Jed, also, She had not tablecloths enough for all three, and she doubted if she could hoodwink those giants in the same

Another scheme occurred to her. She had noticed Nell poking up the fire in the little stove. Now Nell was quieting down and it was safe to leave

She ran to the stove, lifted the lid It was a grand idea and she was tre er was not. It was in no hurry whatnever glows. Gloria heard somebody working at the hatch before the poker had attained as much blush as a hardened sinner feels on his cheek at a lit-

She heard Trask's footsteps. She She stared at the poker and whise put out the lamp that Nell had lightpered: "Hurry up.". The poker was ed, she set at the foot of the stairs

began to come down the stairway. Gloria was stupefied to see how much there was of him. His face appeared his foot in the wicker rocker as in a last of all and it appalled ther. He trap. Jed went on over with a crash carried a rope in his hand,

Trask did not see Gloria at first. But he caught sight of the animated by a wildcat, when Gloria sidled past bolster in the rocking chair, and it him, ran up the stairs and out on deck. frightened him. He stared back. But She closed the hatch, fastened it and a muffled shriek came from the depths. voted herself three cheers. "Pa! Pa! It's me! She did it!"

swered coldly: "Never mind who I courage. He roared at Gloria and barge farther and farther north. am. The main thing is, who are you moved toward Nell. Gloria -cried: "Stand back!"



Gioria's Arguments Were Pokes With the Poker.



There Was a Hissing Sound. Trask Shuddered.

pudence that he laughed.

you up and drop you in the river!" "Oh, you will?" said Gloria.

table with it and sparks flew. She rubbed it on the wooden top of the able and smoke arose. There was a hissing sound. Trask shuddered. ment; Gloria went toward her. The Gloria jabbed at him with her red-hot solution came to her in a flash. In- sword. He could feel the searing pain of it before it reached him. When it arrived where he was he was not the tug and saw that the pilot already there. Gloria was a trifle conceited over her success.

And now, what next? She saw the rope in his hand. He had brought it to tie her with. The next idea came. She gloated a trifle.

"You thought you would tie me up. self up ! Trask could hardly believe that any-

one would be cruel enough to inflict such an insulting injury. But Gloria's arguments were pokes with the poker.

If Trask had been more intelligent and less confused, and had known how, he might have tied himself up as the cabinet tricksters do-so that he could slip out easily. But this was beyond him at the time, and Gloria was vig-

She made him fasten the rope around a stanction, then knot it about one wrist, then pass it around him till he looked like a package of Gloria's own tying. The last knots she attended to herself. She set the poker on a and set the poker in the red coals. plate within easy reach, and knotted, and knotted, and knotted. Trask mendously enthusiastic. But the pok- gnashed his teeth with rage, but he could not budge. He yelled just once, ever. They say that a watched poker then she seized a dish towel, whirled it into a roll and gagged him so that h could not even grash his teeth.

Gloria heard feetsteps along the deck overhead. Probably Jed was coming down. The poker was cold. There was no time for reheating it. could see his feet on the stairway. Something must be done at once. She a wicker rocker, she laid it on its side Trask paused to call Jed, then he and fell back to await developments.

Jed came down the stairs in the dark. As he left the last step he put that shook the barge. He was yelling that he was being bitten to death

She looked about her now and saw Trask understood that the witch that she was in the middle of the Hudwoman had performed another of her son river and a great distance from feats and he was sure that he was un- either shore. The view was magnider the voodco. Then he saw Gloria ficent in the gloaming, but she had had standing by the stove. She looked so enough of it and the hateful tug was small and so timid that he regained furrowing the water and dragging the

> She saw the tiller of the barge flopping idly, and it occurred to her that if she could get free from the tug she could steer the barge to shore here unishment seemed right,

solemn and bored to death.

the barge had disappeared.

then always went for the scissors. So supposed .- Youth's Companion. now, when she saw that she could not quite unknot the hawser, she looked for the shears. She found an ax on deck and attacked the big rope.

like hitting a huge rubber band. The nant, do you?"

Trask was so astonished by her im- ax bounced out of her hands and just escaped falling into the river. She "Why, you little fluffy pullet, I'll the picked it up and chopped at the hawser where it was wound. Every third or fourth blow hit the cable and severed She snatched the poker from the a few strands. And finally the rope fire. Trask laughed at it. She hit the gave and flew. The barge quivered at its release from the tension, and the tug, suddenly unhitched from its tond, jumped forward and sent the crew sprawling.

Gloria ran to the tiller to steer her prize home. She was greatly disappointed when she heard the yells from



Suddenly Whipped the Cloth Over Her Head.

was making ready to recapture the barge as soon as he could take in the hawser. Also she could faintly hear the howls of her cabined and confused prisoners. If the tug men came aboard and released them, what would become of Gloria? Gloria wendered. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### CROWS' ROOSTS NOT MENACE

Federal Department of Agriculture Explains How Nature Has Arranged Things Beneficially.

The latest year book of the departnent of agriculture gives an account self. Somewhere below was her fa- of one of the most interesting bird ther's home. Sins and his father and phenomena that still persist in the mother would be waiting for her. Per thickly settled eastern and central haps her own father was alarmed. It states in "roosts" where crows gather was time for her to go home. She every night in cold weather, Although, cuid take her prisoners back to her even in the nesting season, crows are father and deliver them to whatever more or less gregarious, their habit of flocking is most conspicuously dis-She had never steered a canal barge. played during the winter. In Septem out she imagined that it would be ber they begin to migrate toward a about the same as a motor boat in comparatively small area of the coungeneral principles. Fortunately, she try-the territory from Connecticut had been carried so far north that the south to Virginia and westward beurrent would act as engine power. | youd the Mississippl river. Their She was delighted with the scheme, roosts are usually stands of pine or She went forward and saw the big other evergreens, although sometimes hawser sagged in the middle and cut they pass the night in groves of dethe water. The tug had buckled down ciduous trees. Roosts are often estabto its work, churning up a noisy wake. Lished in the near neighborhood of She could see the backs of the crew large cities; one at Arlington, Va., just of the tug where they sat smoking and across the Potomac river from Washington, is supposed to have contained They would have had a good laugh at times as many as two hundred . if they had seen Gloria trying to untie thousand birds. Several other equalty the knots in that hawser with her lit populous roosts have been observed tle hands. She was laughing to think in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Forhow surprised they would be later tunately, the crows do not feed towhen they discovered by chance that gether, but as a rule disperse by day and forage over a wide area, so that When a parcel came home from a the roost is not so serious a menaceshop Gloria always tried to untie it. to crops in its vicinity as might be

He'll Stay.

"Still living in Brooklyn?" "Of course I am. You don't think She hit everything but the hawser, I'd move away now that the team and when she hit that at last it was stands a chance of winning the pen



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# The Lone Star Ranger A Fine Tale of the Open Country By ZANE GREY

The time of the story; about 1875. The blace The Texas cow country. The chief character: Buckley Duane, a young man who has inherited a lust to kill, which he suppresses. In self-defense he shoots dead a granken bully and is forced to flee to the wild country where he joins Bland's cutlaw hand. Euchre, an amiable rascal, tells him about Jennie, a young girl who had been abducted and sold to Bland for a had late. They determine to rescue the strikend a gray or hazel eyes. "I'm crazy to ride, bronchos," she said.

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"Ruth, I envy the lucky cowboys," Longstreth was saying.

Ruth was a curly-headed girl with gray or hazel eyes. "I'm crazy to ride, bronchos," she said.

Duane gathered that she was on a visit to western Texas. The other girl's deep voice, sweet like a beli, made Duane regard her closer. She did not resemble the Colonel, who was evidently her father. She looked tired, quiet, even melancholy. A finely chiseled oval face, that had something nervous and delicate about it which made Duane think of a "Git as country where he joins Bland's cutlaw hand. Euchre, an amiable rate of the found himself to the traced his attention.

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"Buth was a curly-headed girl with gray or hazel eyes. outlaws. Duane accepts and goes to the outlaw headquarters on a secret mission.

#### CHAPTER XV .- Continued.

But in striking contrast to this mystery was the person, character, and ceid-blooded action of Poggin and Enell the chief's Heutenants, They were familiar figures in all the towns within two hundred miles of Bradord. Knell had a record, but as gunman with an incredible list of victims, Foggin was supreme. If Poggin had friend no one ever heard of him. There were a hundred stories of his nerva his wonderful speed with a gun, his possion for gambling, his love of a herse-his cold, implacable, inhuwan wiping out of his path any man that grossed it.

"theseldine is a name, a terrible stor \* said Colonel Webb, "Somesimre I wonder if he's not only a maine. In that case where does the brains of this gang come from? No; there must be a master craftsman behind this, border pillage; a master capable of handling those terrors, · Poggin and Knell. Of all the thousonios of outlaws developed by westeen Texas in the last twenty years these three are the greatest. In southern Texas, down between the Peces and the Nucces, there have been and are still many bad men. But I should if any outlaw there, possibly excepting Buck Duane, ever equaled Poggin. You've heard of this Duane?

"Yes, 2 dittle," replied Duane quietly. "I'm from southern Texas. Buck Imane, then is not known out here?" "Why, man, where isn't his name knewn? returned Colonel Webb. Twe kept track of his, record as I have all the others. His fame in this country appears to hang on his match-tess gun-play and his enmity toward supernw chiefs."

lately T' asked Duane. years in this country. But that's poor of sight. reasoning. The jobs have been too wen done, too surely covered, to be

faws awhat's your view of the outlook? How all this going to wind up? Will the outlaw ever be driven out?" asked Duane.

Never. There will always be out- strangers. laws along the Ilio Grande, 'All the | armars in the world couldn't comb the wild brakes of that fifteen hun- and down, dred toffes of river. But the sway these great leaders, will sooner or neer be past. There's talk of Vigifuntes, the same that were organized In Chilfornia and are now in force in Idaho. So far it's only talk. But the time will come. And the days of Chescidine and Poggin are numbered."

#### CHAPTER XVI.

rode leisurely, as he wanted to learn out all he could about the country. There ; were few ranches. The farther be lows?" Duane asked the linkeeper. traveled the better grazing he encomitteed, and, strange to note, the fewer heids, of cattle. It was just in after the stage." subset when he made out a cluster of adobe houses that marked Sanderson, balf-way between Bradford and Faircale. When he drew up before Miss Ruth sat in the chair he had and a number of loungers greeted her sat Miss Longstreth. Duane went with them fellers!" him inconfeally

"Beat the stage in, hey?" remarked

"There she comes now," said an are a couple of rough-tooking men power. night."

tond of dust and horses and a lum- windows to-night." bering coach. Presently it rolled up. a large mud-bespattered and dusty do you hear?" vehicle. littered with baggage on top and tied on behind. A number of passengers alighted, three of whom color had faded in her cheek. "I saw daughter, excited Duane's interest. One was a those men watching you from that Before the innkeeper reached the Duane could not understand. long gray ulsters and veils. Duane heard the proprietor of the inn ad-

something nervous and delicate about speechless, it which made Duane think of a "Git a move on, Bill," called this strange thrill.



One Was a Striking-Looking Man.

Dunne. When she looked at him, drawn by his rather persistent gaze. there was pride, fire, and passion in her eyes. Duane felt himself blushing in confusion. After supper the guests assembled as snow.

fireplace with blazing mesquite sticks gave out warm and cheery glow. "No. Probably all the stock that's Duane took a seat by a table in the tiebes shipped now was rustled long corner, and, finding a paper, began ago. Cheseldine works over a wide to read. Presently when he gianced section too wide for news to travel up he saw two dark-faced men, people who think Cheseldine had fore. They were peering in from a nothing to do with the bank-robberies | doorway. When they saw Duane had and train hold-ups during the last few observed them they stepped back out

It flashed over Duane that the strangers acted suspiciously. In Texas the work of greasers or ordinary out- in the seventies it was atways bad again. solley to let strangers go unheeded. Then he went out into a patio, and across it to a little dingy, dim-lighted barroom. Here he found the innkeeper dispensing drinks to the two

> "Hey somethin'?" one of them asked, leering. Both looked Duane up

"No thanks, I don't drink," Duane Big Bend?"

a type of ruffian most frequently met he was right. Here the innkeeper proaching pandemonium. showed signs of unensiness, and

"Say, boss, do you know these fel-"Nope. They nooned heah, comin' from Bradford they said, an' trailed

room Colonel Longstreth was absent, protested: also several of the other passengers,

directly to them. "Excuse me," said Duane, address-"Joel shore is drivin' to here. I've just seen them. They

"Thank you; we'll be careful," said

"I think so," was Duane's reply. dress the man as Colonel Longstreth, ceded a flarsh voice: "Hands up!" the injured man somewhere outside, this juncture the Longstreth party. which acquainted him with the fact. His hands shot up. Miss Ruth utter- lay Miss Ruth, who evidently had, saw him shake hands with a tall man, not noticed Duane,

Duane passed inside himself to turned white, her eyes dilated. Both membered his womenfolk, seemed to Duane could not hear what it was he learn that supper would soon be girls were staring at someone behind be gentle and kind. He talked sooth said. The fellow laughed, yet some a tone for Duane to hear, and presently

The big, dark stranger, the bearded | happened. one who had whispered to his com-Ruth was a curly-headed girl with rade in the bar-room and asked Duane, solicitously. gray or hazel eyes. "I'm crazy to Duane to drink, had him covered with a cocked gun. He strode forward, you can do. Talk to these frightened Duane gathered that she was on a his eyes gleaming, pressed the gun girls while I go see what's to be done hard," was the reply, visit to western Texas. The other against him, and with his other hand with that thick-skulled robber," he "Hump! I'll have a word to say to would be worth cultivating. And girl's deep voice, sweet like a bell, dived into his inside pocket and tore replied, and, telling the girls that you later." Then Longstreth turned last in Duane's thoughts that night made Duane regard her closer. She out his roll of bills. Then he reached there was no more danger, he went to his daughter. "Ray, here's the was Miss Longstreth. He could not did not resemble the Colonel, who low at Duane's hip, felt his gun, and out. was evidently her father. She looked took it. His comrade stood in the finely chiseled oval face, that had men, who stood there frightened, other she extended to Duane,

thoroughbred, a mouth by no means fellow; and he took a hasty glance small, but perfectly curved, and hair backward. A stamp of hoofs came grave, sweet seriousness. like jet proclaimed her beauty to from outside. Of course the robbers Bill strode across the room, and with no more." brutal, careless haste began to prod the two men with his weapon and to Ruth, who lay listening. search them. The robber in the doorway called "Rustle!" and disappeared.

Duane wondered where the inn. Miss Longstreth, shuddering. keeper was, and Colonel Longstreth and the other two passengers. The Ruth, who was fast recovering. bearded robber had wheeled once | Rather embarrassed, Duane briefly more, Duane had not moved a muscle, told the incident from his point of but stood perfectly calm with his arms, view. high. The robber strode back with "Cousin," said Miss Longstreth, Duane doubted not that he, like many of easy and crooked acquirement his bloodshot eyes fastened upon the thoughtfully, "it was fortunate for us girls. Miss Longstreth never flinched, that this gentleman happened to be frontier, where rough and wild life ford, and Ord were but notorious out but the little girl appeared about to here. Papa scouts-laughs at dang- had wrought sternly but had not quite posts of this Fairdale, which was a

"Any money, jewelry, diamonds!" Ray Longstreth." ordered the ruffian, fiercely,

with her hands at her breast. Evi- | Colonel Longstreth returned then, had instinctively pressed her hands them away. against a throbbing heart.

ly, reaching for her.

her eyes ablaze. She did not move. his rough hand caught at her waist, in the barroom. and with one pull ripped it asubder, exposing her beautiful shoulder, white

She cried out. The prospect of bein a big sittingroom where an open ing robbed or even killed had not the father of them girls," shaken Miss Longstreth's nerve as had this brutal tearing off of half her waist.

The ruffian was only turned partially away from Duane. The gun was tuside of weeks. There are some strangers who had not appeared be-Colonel Longstreth stood in the doors Duane believed in his honesty. way in a magnificent rage. He had

Duane's shifting glance caught he robber's sudden movement. He seem ed stricken. The hand that clutched | keeper." Miss Longstreth's torn walst loosened. its hold. The other hand with its composed himself to think over the

Swift as a flash he drew his gun and fired. Then the robber's gun boomed 'harmlessly. He fell with of the outlaw, such as is enjoyed by replied, and returned their scrutiny blood spurting over his face. Duane with interest. "How's tricks in the rushed out of the room, across the patlo, through the bar to the yard. Both men stared. It had only taken In the gloom stood a saddled horse, a close glance for Duane to recognize probably the one belonging to the feilow he had shot. His comrade had along the river. These strangers had escaped. Returning to the sittingthat stamp, and their surprise proved room, Duane found a condition ap-

The innkeeper was shouting to find seconded the surprise of his custom out what had happened. Joel, the Next morning Duane mounted his ers. No more was said at the instant, stage-driver, was trying to quiet the horse and headed for Fairdale. He and the two rather hurriedly went men who had been robbed. The woman, wife of one of the men, had come in, and she had hysterics. The girls were still and white. The robber Bill lay where he had fallen. Like a caged lion Longstreth stalked and roared. There came a quieter mo-When Duane returned to the sitting- ment in which the innkeeper shrilly

"Man, what're you ravin' aboot?. Nobody's hurt, an' thet's lucky. I the int the landlord and his family vacated, and across the table from swear to God I hadn't nothin' to do

> "I ought to kill you anyhow!" replied Longstreth. And his voice now ing them. "I want to tell you there astounded Duane, it was so full of

Upon examination Duane found mean evil. Tell your father to be that his builet had furrowed the rob-Far down the road Duane saw a careful. Lock your doors-bar your ber's temple and had glanced. He was not seriously injured, and already "Oh!" cried Ruth, very low, "Ray, showed signs of returning conscious- and stood paralyzed at sight and men coming and going-a dusty-boot. he had a giant stride. He gained

"Drag him out of here!" ordered

Soft swift steps behind him pre- men. Joel helped the innkeeper carry to the inn and dismounted. And at engaged a room.

hat Longstreth was the mayor of es a little frightened cry and sank been carried there by the Colonel. Longstreth looked surprised and "Laramie, what's the stranger's amazement consternation, then fear. listo her chair. Miss Longstreth The Colonel, now that he finally re- angry, and he spoke with force; but name?" asked one.

"Turn around?" ordered the harsh adventure, said she must learn to suddenly he espied Miss Longstreth, inside, and, making himself agreeable, have nerve out here where things Then his face changed, and he re- began to ask casual questions about

"Can I be of any service?" asked closer.

tired, quiet, even melancholy. A door with a gun leveled at two other holding her torn waist in place; the Floyd Lawson. Floyd, my daughter- him. It made him remember that took it awkwardly, and he felt a Duane always scrutinized everyone a part of his life. He had no right

"Did you kill him?" asked Miss

"Oh, no. He's not badly hurt." "I'm very glad he's alive," safd

"Tell me all about it?" asked Miss

er. He seems to think there was no effaced the mark of good family. "Don't yap, there!" he said, low danger. Yet he raved after it came,"

Miss Ruth collapsed. Then he Duane, in great confusion. He did portunity to gratify it. made at Miss Longstreth. She stood not know how to meet the situation.

dently the robber took this position and after bidding Duane a good night, to mean that she had valuables con- which seemed rather curt by contrast cealed there. But Duane fancled she to the graciousness of the girls, he led

"Don't dare touch me!" she cried, questions. To Duane's surprise, he and to the right sloped the mesquite-

"Hall be come to?" inquired Duane. "Sure. He asked for whisky."

"Did he say anything else?" "Not to me. I heard him talkin' to

"You mean Colonel Longstreth?" "I reckon. He sure was some riled, wasn't he? Jest as if I was to blame fer that two-bit of a hold-up!" "What did you make of the old

to her. Duane watched only that, the innkeeper. He scratched his Then a bellow made him jerk his head. head dublously. He was sincere, and "Wal, I'm doggoned if I know what

no weapon. Strange how he showed to make of it. But I reckon he's no fear! He bellowed something either crazy or got more nerve than of red adobe bricks. All was green most Texans."

"More nerve, maybe," Duane replied. "Show me a bed now, inu-Once in bed in the dark, Duone-

cocked weapon slowly dropped till ft events of the evening. Why had pointed to the floor. That was that desperate robber lowered his gun afternoon was waning he halted at



"More Nerve, Maybe."

ingly to Miss Ruth, made light of the how he struck Duane as sullen, until Laramie's visitor left. Duane went

"Thanks; I guess there's nothing tenus?" asked Longstreth, sharply,

cousin I've told you about. You used help thinking of her-how strangely Miss Longstreth sat with one hand to play with him ten years ago- the meeting with her had affected He and my piece, Ruth Herbert."

he met, and now with a dangerous even to dream of a beautiful womar "You saved my life," she said, in game to play, with a consciousness of like Ray Longstreth. Longstreth's unusual and significant | Several days passed. Duane die "No, no!" Duane exclaimed. "He personality, he bent a keen and not succeed in getting any closer to had horses waiting. The one called might have struck you, but searching glance upon this Floyd Laramie, but he found the idlers of

Lawson. He was under thirty, yet gray at his unsuspicious and willing to talk. B temples-dark, smooth-shaven, with did not take him long to find out that lines left by wildness, dissipation, Fairdale stood parallel with Hunts shadows under dark eyes, a mouth ville for gambling, drinking, and fight strong and bitter, and a square chin- ing. The street was always lined witt a reckless, careless, handsome, sinist- dusty, saddled horses, the town ful er face strangely losing the hardness of strangers. Money appeared more when he smiled. The grace of a abundant than in any place Duane gentleman clung round him, seemed had ever visited; and it was spens like an echo in his mellow voice. with the abandon that spoke forcibly a young nan, had drifted out to the Dunne decided that Sanderson, Brad

Colonel Longstreth apparently did And what struck Duane strangest of and hard. He thrust the gun close to: "Go with us all the way to Fair- not share the pleasure of his daughter all was the fact that Longstreth was Ruth. Duane had a little gun in his dale-please?" asked Miss Ruth, and his niece in the advent of this mayor here and held court daily. In packet. The robber had misted it, sweetly offering her hand. "I am cousin. Something hinged on this And he began to calculate chances. Ruth Herbert, "And this is my cousin meeting. Duane grew intensely curions, but, as the stage appeared ready "I'm traveling that way," replied for the journey, he had no further op-

#### CHAPTER XVII.

Duane followed the stage through the town, out into the open, on to a wide, hard-packed road showing years Before going to bed Duane went of travel. It headed northwest. To "Come out with it!" he said, harsh- outside to take a look at the injured the left rose a range of low, bleak robber and perhaps to ask him a few mountains he had noted yesterday, was gone, and so was his horse. The patched sweep of ridge and flat. The She had nerve. She eluded two tankeeper was dumfounded. He said driver pushed his team to a fast trot, lunges the man made at her. Then that he left the fellow on the floor which gait surely covered ground

Early in the afternoon from a ridgetop Duane sighted Fairdale, a green patch in the mass of gray. For the barrens of Texas it was indeed a fair sight. But he was more concerned with its remoteness from civilization than its beauty. At that time, in the early seventies, when the vast western third of Texas was a wilderness, the pioneer had done wonders to settle there and establish places like Fair-

It needed only a glance for Duane to pick out Colonel Longstreth's ranch. The house, not more than a few minutes' walk from the edge of the town, about it, except where the fenced corral and numerous barns or sheds showed gray and red.

From all outside appearances Fairdale was no different from other frontier towns, and Duane's expectan little inn. A boy took charge of his scale. Floyd Lawson was his lieutenhorse. Duare questioned the lad about Fairdale and gradually drew to the subject most in mind. "Colonel Longstreth has a hig out-

"Reckon he has," replied the lad. "Doan know how many cowboys. They're always comin' and goin'. I ain't acquainted with half of them." "Much movement of stock these "Stock's always movin'," he re-

"Rustlers?" But he did not follow up that look with the affirmative Duane expected. "Lively place, I hear-Fairdale is?" "Ain't so lively as Sanderson, but

plied, with a queer look.

it's bigger." "Yes, I heard it was. Fellow down there was talking about two cowboys who were arrested."

"Sure. I heered all about that. Joe Bean an' Brick Higgins-they be-Longstreth's boys,"

Duane did not want to be over-inquisitive, so he turned the talk into started to go after him. Snecker other channels.

After getting supper Duane strolled

darkness set in he went into a hotel, anger, and the other a desire to make bought cigars, sat around, and watch- a friend of this man Laramie, who ed. Then he passed out and went Duane believed could tell him much into the next place. It was full of sound of the mayor of Fairdale? This ed crowd that smelled of horses and rapidly, kept him in sight, in the

and as the party entered the inn No man was quicker than Duane to Miss Longstreth was sitting white came out. Duane heard Colonel Long- the dingy little restaurant. Two men Duane's quick ears caught a few words recognize the intent in those words! but composed upon the couch, where streth utter an exclamation. Then he were conversing inside, and they had of the pillars; at sight of Duane his

"He didn't say," replied the other. "Sure was a strappin' big man. Struck me a little odd, he did. No cattleman, him. How'd you size

"Well, like one of them cool, easy, quiet Texans who's been lookin' for a man for years-to kill him when he found him."

"Right you are, Laramie; and, between you an' me, I hope he's lookin' for Long-"

"'S-sh!" interrupted Laramie. "You must be half drunk, to go talkin' that way."

Thereafter they conversed in too low moved his sombrero. Duane went Fairdale. Laramie was not communicative.

"Floyd, did you come with the Duane went to his room in a thoughtful frame of mind. There was "Not me. I rode a horse, good and something wrong about the mayor of Fairdale. The innkeeper Laramit long-past time when girls had beer

> the corners and in front of the stores secret center of rustlers and outlaws



"Bo Snecker! He Hit Me--"

quiry had brought him the fact that Ray Longstreth had just come to live with her father. Longstreth had originally been a planter in Louisiana, where his family had remained after his advent in the West. He was a rich rancher; he owned half of Fairdale; he was a cattle-buyer on a large ant and associate in deals.

On the afternoon of the fifth day of Duane's stay in Fairdale he returned to the lan from his usual stroll, and upon entering was amazed to have a rough-looking young fellow rush by him out of the door. Inside Laramie was lying on the floor, with a bloody bruise on his face. He did-

not appear to be dangerously hurt. "Bo Snecker! He hit me and went after the cash-drawer," said Laramie, laboring to his feet.

"Are you hurt much?" queried Duane. "I guess not. But Bo needn't to

have soaked me. I've been robbed before without that." "Well, I'll take a look after Bo," replied Duane.

He went out and glanced down the street toward the center of the town. He did not see anyone he could take for the innkeeper's assailant. Then he looked up the street, and he saw long heah, but they ain't heah much. the young fellow about a block away, hurrying along and gazing back. Dune yelled for him to stop and

broke into a run. Then Duane set out to overhaul him. There were two up and down the main street. When motives in Duane's action-one of Duane was light on his feet, and

was not answerable. There might smoke. Duane sat down for a while, shade, on the paths, and up the road Miss Longstreth, gracefully. The rich | Longstreth; and he turned to his have been a number of reasons, all with wide eyes and open ears. Then into the courtyard, and he saw Sneckto Colonel Longstreth's credit, but he hunted up the bar. He stayed in er go straight for Longstreth's house. there for a while, and knew that Duane was not to be turned back sall, dark, striking looking man, and door. They had such bright black robber Duane had secured the money Next morning Duane walked up the strangers were too common in Fair- by that, singular as it was: He enthe other two were ladies, wearing eyes. Is there really danger-here?" and gun taken from him; and presently main street and back again. Just as dale to be conspicuous. Then he tered the first door and burst into the recovered the property of the other he arrived some horsemen rode up returned to the inn where he had presence of Miss Longstreth and a number of young people. Evidently

> Lawson stood leaning against one face changed remarkably, expressing

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(By Father Kemper)

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Rent-Nice location orch, electric lights. for roomers or board. easonable. See

Walter Jarmon.

f new Pianos just rethem on exhibition at Furniture Co. Doyle, Piano Dealer.

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Aluminum ware, crockreduced prices, at rrville Furniture Co

#### "Mr. Rawson, Yours is the Prettiest Assortment in Kerrville. You Always do have Such Pretty Things." Is what our Customers

Across the Street from St. Charles Hotel

W. H. RAWSON & SON

"The Gift Store."

#### Local News

Orville Surber of Bandera was in Kerrville Friday on business.

Plum pudding like Mother used to make, at

C. C. Butt Grocery. Mrs. K.H. Dewees and daughter,

Miss Graves, lelt Monday for a visit of several days at San Antonio.

Those who like cheese will usually find what they wish at BERRY'S.

Ed Mosel now drives a new Ford and with the latest equipment of Electric Starter, Seat covers, bumpers, etc., it is one of the niftiest cars in town.

Candied Cherries and Pineapple for your Fruit Cake.

C. C. Butt Grocery.

Will Edwards from his ranch on Turtle creek was in town Friday box. If you are looking for someand called to pass greetings with

Come in and see our stock of useful Christmas Gift goods. Rock Drug Store.

Rev. S. F. Marsh, who for the past four years has been pastor of the Medina Baptist church, was called by the church at Junction last Sunday after preaching to them and we understand will likely accept

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. S. Gammon and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Staudt were visitors to the Alamo City last Monday and Tuesday. They went in the Gammons' Buick Six.

top jars and bottles, at BERRY'S.

Miss Mary Brambella, a student in Southwestern University at Georgetown, is at home for the Holidays. Miss Lizzie Anderson went to San Antonio to meet her.

Apples and oranges by the dozen

C. C. Butt Grocery.

Mr. Z. Leonard and daughter, Mrs. M. T. Davis, returned last week from a visit to relatives at Cottula. Mrs. Campbell returned home with them for a visit.

Jacobs and Lowney's fine package Chocolates from 25 cts. to \$16.00 a thing extra to give her, look over these packages on sale at

PAMPELL'S.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Emms made a prospecting trip to Menard last week, but didn't find anything that looked better than Kerrville, or as good for that matter.

Parker's Lucky Curve, self-filling Fountain Pens are a Christmas present worth while. Get them at Kerrville Drug Co.

Christmas Shoppers, Listen!

Something extra! We have just received over 1000 pieces ot beautiful China ware, etc., comprising the entire line of samples of the Butler Sweet, Sour and Dill Pickles, Bros. branch in San Antenio. This whole and mixed in sanitary glass lot was bought way down and is marked down accordingly. Now is your chance to get something very choice at a very low price.

WATTERS VARIETY STORE.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Moore were in town yesterday doing their Christmas shopping.

50 thoroughbred Black Minorca pullets for sale. Pape strain.

R. A. Dunbar, Phone 53 white.

Miss Kyle Wharton from Big aint is visiting in this city.

Xmas Boxes of Cigars at

PAMPELL'S

Rev. J. H. Meredith, the Metho ist pastor of Center Point, was a Kerrville visitor Saturday.

Walnuts, almonds, Brazil nuts, and pecans at

C. C. Butt Grocery

place. Junction Citizen.

A few new Victor Records make an ideal Xmas gift

PAMPELL'S

# It Is MORE BLESSED TO GIVE

I To seek happiness without giving is a futile quest. Gift giving has become so well established that it is no longer a question of "Shall I Give?", but it is solely a question of "What Shall I Give?"

I And our stock answers the question satisfactorily. We have a line of most suitable giits and in qualities wanted. Newness, beauty, usefulness, novelty, etc., are some of the features of our goods which should appeal to every careful and discriminating buyer.

# Rock Drug Store

C. B. McCarty, Bryan Montague "Starting on Friday" is no hoodoo and Fred Thallmann and Misses Vic for George Doyle, our local piano taken a position as night operator Montague and Ouida McCarty, all of man. He started to Bandera last at the local telephone exchange.

Ready-to-eat Fruit Cakes at C. C. Butt Grocery.

H. Davis made a prospective trip Rev. B. Schleifer and Missionary designs, just received. Bought low, o Medina City last week and is now J. W. Allen went to Harper Sunday will sell low, making preparations to move to that where Mr. Allen delivered his Missionary sermon at the Lutheran

> Beautiful line of Box Paper at Kerrville Drug Co.

Bandera, were visitors here Sunday. Friday and sold a piano and killed a deer before he got half way there.

> One shipment of over 1000 pieces of beautiful China ware, all different

> > WATTERS VARIETY STORE. The Christmas Store.

Misses and Children's all wool knitted Sport Caps, new stock, at West Texas Supply Co.

Emmet Nichols of Kerrville has Comfort News.

Christmas cheer will be at its height only over a smoking hot cup of fragrant Misa coffee. Buy it at BERRY'S store for your big dinner.

Lewie Moore and sisters Misses Blanch and Alice and brother Frank went to San Antonio Sunday to bring Miss Ethel home after some time spent in San Antonio studying

# A Few Words of Interest to Our Customers and Friends:

We, as Agents for the FORD AUTOMOBILES, are selling the greatest value in the automobile world today. Look about you and see the Ford cars in use, the pleasure and profit they are giving your neighbors every day in the year. And the new models with their Streamline Bodies, their crown Fenders, their large Radiator, and many other improvements, together with the price of the car, \$396.75 delivered at Kerrville, put them in a class that tolerates no comparison.

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It will be to your interest to learn that we have just received a stock of fifty Automobile Springs, to fit all cars in our section. This stock will be kept constant. We think this effort on our part to give "Service" will be appreciated by every car owner in our vicinity.

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We have just made arrangements with The Prestolite Co., one of the largest Storage Battery concerns in the world, whereby we will represent them here, acting as their dealers and Service Station for a hundred miles radius about us. We are now able to take care of any battery work, and are rapidly increasing facilities for handling this in a thoroughly up to date manner.

Our Repair Shop is being added to constantly. We are able to take care of any work in the automobile line, and are going to specialize in Superior Service. Our work is absolutely guaranteed---and remember, this means that you must be satisfied.

Briefly, we have the most modern Garage in this part of the country. We have made a careful study of our business for the past eighteen months, and feel competent to advise you what is best for your automobile. We offer you everything a thoroughly up-to-date Garage should have, and our policy is to please you, to deserve your trade and good will.

May we serve you during the coming year? Wishing all of our friends and customers a MERRY CHRISTMAS, we are SINCERELY,

> LEE MASON & SON Lee Mason and C. L. Mason

Saddle. e also arness etc. asings.

More Night Work.

Mrs. Flatbush-This paper says so that keys may be more accessible there has, been invented a double keyring that separate them into groups,

Mr. Flatbush-Of course! Now a man will not only have to hunt for the keyhole, but he'll have to scramble around to find the group his night-key

#### YOU MAY LOOK YOUNG

By Keeping Your Complexion Young With Cuticura. Trial Free.

The Soap to cleanse and purify, the Ointment to soothe and heal. These super-creamy emollients do much to keep the skin clear, fresh and youthful, as well as to keep the hair in a live, healthy condition and the hands soft and white.

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#### Appropriate Advice.

"They say Doctor Polytick always adapts his advice to his individual

patients.' "I believe that's true. He told an artist who went to him that he must not draw too much on his reserve strength, and an architect that he needed building up."

PROMPT RELIEF

can be found in cases of Colds, Coughs, LaGrippe and Headaches by using Laxative Quinidine Tablets. Does not affect the head or stomach. Buy your winter's supply now. Price 25c .- Adv.

#### . Near Home. Mr. Flatbush-How'd you enjoy the

Mrs. Flatbush-Didn't enjoy it at

"How's that?"

"Too much gossip," "I never knew you to distike gos-

"Oh, well, it was too near home. You see they've got the maid we used to

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are not a "coal-tar product" nor a "confection," but a good, old-fashioned dose of medicine regulating the stomach, the liver and the bowels. Get a box and try them. Adv.

#### Incentive.

Mrs Wabash-What amount are you going to ask from your husband in your divorce proceedings?

Mrs. Dearborn-I'm going to ask for \$2,000 a year.

"But he doesn't make that much, does he?"

"No; but there's no reason why he shouldn't work a little harder."

An omen of help to the living Is

worth a ton of eulogy to the dead.

### That Knife-Like Pain

Have you a lame back, aching day and night? Do you feel sharp pains after stooping? Are the kidneys sore? Is their action irregular? Do you have headaches, backaches, rheumatic pains,-feel tired, nerv ous, all worn-out? Use Doan's Kidney Pills-the medicine recommended by so many people in this locality. Read the experience that

A Louisiana Case

Wm. Elmer, 122
Orange St., Lafavette, La., says: 'My
back was lame and
stiff and I could
hardly raise my foot
off the ground without having pains in
the small of my
back. I was often
laid up. My kidneys
were irregular in action, too. The first
box of Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me
and after using two
boxes, I was able to
get around as well around as well ever. I haven't had the least sign idney trouble since."

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Colorful Evening Frocks.

and the introduction of unusual shades | canteloupe) and light olive green,

but the full skirt covers up defects of | There is a scarf drapery of net over

Prosperity is translated into clothes | evening gowns of net. Net for the Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L in this season's evening frocks. Satin, gown, in at least two colors, both difcrepe, brocade, cloth of gold and sil- ferent from the color of the slip, rever, metallic laces, and, above all, veal the latitude allowed in this matmasses of net are used for making ter of color. Two odd and beautiful them. There is no limit to the use of combinations have been found in pericolor, which is of wonderful value in winkle blue and honey color, and in them. Intricate combinations of color, pinkish buff (like the inside of a

bring the attention to a standstill in The evening dress pictured has a many a gorgeous gown. In this par- bodice of satin, and a full yoke of it, ticular designers have found a new in the skirt, is gathered on to the world to conquer, and they appear to waist. An insertion of light net is set be enjoying the business in hand. on to the satin yoke and a flounce of Leaving the matter of color to those dark net is shirred to this insertion. who study it, the lady of fashion may An underpetticoat of taffeta is finished proceed to choose either straight at the bottom with a puff of the light hanging or spreading skirts for her net, and the model may be made sucevening frocks. If the slim silhouette | cessfully in any good color combina-

too little or too much flesh. It makes the shoulders. It begins at the waistsewing meeting at Mrs. Bensonhurst's? | the waist of the stout figure look small- line at the back, falling in long ends er than it really is, and it obliterates at the front. The siry scarf of mathe angles of the thin woman entirely. lines or net, whatever the evening The under slip of slik and metallic frock may be, is a part of it, or is tissues is in high favor, along with wound about the shoulders or may fall satin and taffeta, as a foundation for from the hair as a separate drapery.



Collars, Convertible and Otherwise,

The trend of fashion in collars is | that are worn with evening and dance toward the original and unusual, espe- frocks. They are wrapped loosely cially in separate collars to be worn about the neck and shoulders and sugfor added warmth with suits or frocks. gest, a floating mist about the figure Collars have taken their inspiration | Everyone wears them. from every period and clime, but only a hint of their origin is discernible in the picture, on a handsome fur coat. separate collars are convertible. That utilizing buttons and buttonholes also, is, whatever the style of the collar to start with, it is convertible into a mufthroat and part of the head.

Costumers, having centered their atingenious novelties on blouses and either case they match the fur in color. one-piece frocks, but these are another story told in the dainty terms of chiffon, crepe, georgette, and net. A and the element of style in blouses and wraith of the enswathing muffler-col- frocks as well lie more in the collar lar appears in airy scarfs of malines | than in any other detail, at present.

A very wide cape-collar is shown in

most of them, for about all coat and It is converted into a muffler-collar by The latest arrival in collars is simple to the last degree. It is merely a fler-collar that swathes all of the wide band of fur which stands straight up about the neck and fastens with a rosette and soft ends of ribbon at one tention on collars, have contrived some side. Or the ties may be of crepe. In

The plainest of coats may depend upon a spirited collar to give it class,

#### Don't Neglect Kidneys

Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Prescription, Overcomes Kidney Trouble

It is now conceded by physicians that the kidneys should have more attention as they control the other organs to a remarkable degree and do a tremendous amount of work in removing the poisons and waste matter from the system by filtering the blood.

The kidneys should receive some assistance when needed. We take less exercise, drink less water and often eat more rich, heavy food, thereby forcing the kidneys to do more work than pature intended. Evidence of kidney trouble, such as lame back, annoying bladder troubles, smarting or burning, brick dust or sediment, sallow complexion, rheumatism, maybe weak or irregular heart action, warns you that your kid neys require help immediately to avoid more serious trouble.

An ideal herbal compound that has had most remarkable success as a kidney and bladder remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. There is nothing else like it. It is Dr. Kilmer's prescription used in private practice and it is sure to benefit you. Get a bottle from your druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Bioghamton, N. Y., for a ling in an orchard in southern Call-cample bottle. When writing be sure and formin was killed by lichens. This is mention this paper. Adv.

Incident of Show Time.

It was little Katherine's first visit to the circus and animal show. When to have taken about three years she and her mother reached the ostrich pen the child looked with amazement on the big birds.

One came neaver, perchance, to taste the locker which hung from her chain, After a moment's thought she said. most earnestly:

"Why, what's it got hat feathers) stuck in it for?" . .

A Bad Case.

The proud mother was showing off her son to a neighbor. "He grows more like his father

every day," she said. The neighbor, being a man and one of the father's former pals, did not expand with appreciation. "Dear me," he said. "And have you

Dr. Pierce's Pellets are best for liver, bowels and stomach. One little Pellet for a laxative—three for a cathartic.—Adv.

tried everything?"

They Also Served.

"I presume some of these campaign orators who worked so hard for Mr. Wilson will expect to be rewarded?" "Oh, yes. I wonder what will be

hurry calls to spray the orators'

His Real Status.

other day that he was going on a of the broken cross-sections shows the plains of the West, visited the Vattenable theory of right living." "Oh, he did, did he? Well, he's Just burrowed through the wood. going on a plain bat."

light dividends.



#### PRECAUTION-AGAINST A SPELL OF

INDIGESTION BILIOUSNESS CONSTIPATION COLDS, GRIPPE OR MALARIA

STELLING COLUMN RESORT TO

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is a remedy of surpassing excellence for the numerous disorders caused by getting wet feet, or occasioned by exposure to the weather. It has been a standard everywhere for the relief of colds of all kinds for 5l years. 25c, and 75c, sizes at all Druggists and Dealers.

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#### TREES DESTROYED BY FUNGI

No Kind of Fruit-Bearing Trees Enjoy Immunity From Parasitical Vegetable Growths.

(By J. M. BALTIMORE.) In extremely warm countries, it not | \$15 MAIN STREET, HOUSTON, TEX infrequently occurs that lichens girdle ruit trees and kill them. It is usually the citrus orchards that suffer

greatest, but no kind of fruit-bearing

trees enjoy entire immunity from these parasitical vegetable growths. A large and healthy apple tree growfornia was killed by lichens. This is, said to be the first case on record in this section of the country.

The killing of the tree is supposed



Tree Killed by Fungi

though the fungous growth was first observed not more than a year ago. The fungi came up from the earth first, covering about one-third of the ONE SIGHT HE HAD MISSED trunk.

done for the specialists who answered height of about three feet, when they completely surrounded the tree, sending large filament-like suckers deep into the heart of the trunk -

Even now, when the tree and the "Your husband was felling fue the lichens are both dead, close inspection white lines where once these rootlets ican, and was shown over the papal

Charity for revenue only pays very FRUIT OF HIGHEST QUALITY

Opportunity Without Limit Awaits Man Who Will Supply Demand-Variation Is Fatal.

the opportunity of the few." This is | than anything else, and I bain't been a recent utterance of a college proessor, but there never will be a more uthful statement of the situation as regards the fruit-growing industry. Opportunity without limit awaits the man who will supply the demand for

strictly first quality fruit. The man who has the nerve to put up a pack that can be absolutely de- | Exchange. pended upon is the man who will make money, and there are not enough of that sort of men yet in the fruit busiess to cause any very serious competition, but the slightest variation in quality is fatal to success.-Fruit

#### DESTROY PEACH TREE BORER

Work May Be Done From Now On-Cold Weather of Winter Will Kill the Insects.

Worming the peach trees for borers may be done from new on, and after ! t is finished the dirt may either beeft away from the tree or the hole

If there is no danger of water collecting about the base of the trunk the cold weather of the winter will kill the borers, and when worming is done again early in the spring the holes can

#### NOT MUCH TRIMMING NEEDED

For First Three Years Cut Out Onl New Growth of Currant and Gooseberry Bushes.

Currants and gooseberries do no need much trimining. For the first three or four years only the surplus new growth needs cutting out to pr vent bushes getting too thick,

After that some of the old stalks hould be taken out every year or two to permit the new growth to develop s it produces the most and larges:

#### INSECTS INJURE MUCH FRUIT

Twenty Per Cent of Crop of Country Destroyed Each Year-Loss Amounts to \$30,000,000.

Insects destroy 20 per cent of th fruit crop of this country every year. rom the pockets of American fruit

Seems as if it would pay one to get equainted with these bugs, even if he grows only a little fruit for his own ise, doesn't it?

#### **Texas Directory**

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They continued this growth to a American Traveler in Rome Particularly Anxious to View Corral Where "Bulls" Were Kept.

> A traveler tells this story of an American fellow wanderer in Rome: The American, who had come from palace. He asked many questions and

desired to see everything. After the customary sights had been shown, the priest who atterded him

"Is there anything else, Signor Amercano, that you would like to see?" "There is one thing," replied the "The difference of the multitude is American, "that I want to see more

on the edge of it yet." "What is that, signor?"

"The cattle pens. "The cattle pens? Why, we have

nothing of the sort, signor." "You hain't? Then where in the world do you keep them papal bulls that we're always hearin' about?"-

Lost in Wonder. "Can you tell me what part women played in the recent presidential elec-

"No," answered Mr. Twobble, "I was so excited over Mrs. Twebble's first visit to a voting booth that I did not notice what other wonlen were do-

Same Idea.

"The man over there plunged in deep and apparently unpleasant thought, and the dog with bitu chasing his tail, are both bent on the same thing." "What's that?"

"Trying to make both ends meet." To Be Eggsact.

"Waiter, how long will my omelet "I'll ask the cook to measure it, sir."

The cheerful feeling you possess after a drink of something hot and flavory should be only the beginning of your satisfaction.

For this very reason more and more people are turning from coffee to

### Instant Postum

A lessened tendency to such annoyances as nervousness and sleeplessness repays them

A ten-day trial of this delightful, flavory hot drink has This means \$30,000,000 yearly taken assisted so many to health and comfort that your friend, the Postum drinker, will tell you its well worth while.

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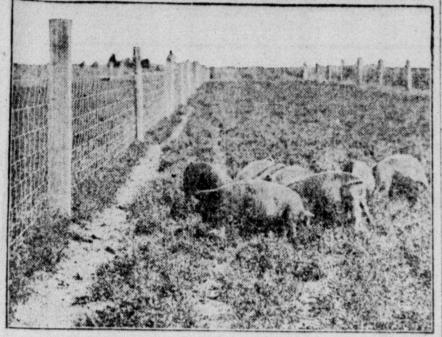
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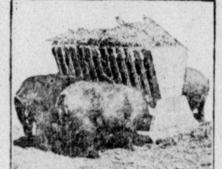
#### GRAZING HOGS ON IRRIGATED ALFALFA



HOGS GRAZING ON WESTERN RECLAMATION PROJECT

By pasturing hogs on alfalfa on the farm in western Nevada, greater returns were received in 1915 than could be expected from the same alfalfa made into hay. The gains made by the hogs, on the other hand, were much cheaper than could be expected of the increase in live weight of the from keeping the animals in feeding pigs is assumed to be 7 cents a pound.

The hog-raising experiment was begua in May, 1915. One quarter of an acre of alfalfa was used; this plot wassubdivided and the pigs: were changed



Alfalfa Rack in Use.

from one pasture to the other each of mangels indicated that the Golden week. Ten pigs were used in the ex- Tankard variety gives larger yields in periment, five of them being grade the section than the long red mangel, Duroes and five grade Berkshires, and that barnyard manure is very val-They were of fair quality, but three uable in growing this crop. On maof the lot did not do well. While on pured land the Golden Tankard gave a the pasture the pigs were fed daily a vield of 27.5 tons per acre, while on unsupplementary ration of rolled barley manured land the average yield was at the rate of two pounds of grain 17.2 tons.

May 16-to September 18. During the when applied separately.

#### SOLUTION OF SOME PUZZLING PROBLEMS dons.

ural Peculiarities of Soil by Experiment Plot.

(By P. K. EDWARDS) One way of solving the many interesting and puzzling problems in the soil and plant kingdom is by an experiment plot. Here light may be obtained as to the natural peculiaristes of soil, or the special effects of fertilizer \$2,000,000 a year. Last year losses on certain crops, or in what degree to supplement stable manure for fertilizer, or under what fixed conditions the ambitious garden lover may obtain the most gratifying results for flowers periment station. For six years this and vegetables. In starting this miniature farm, then, use substantial stakes at the corpers of the plot and mark them plainly 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving ing order. There are 24 depots in the a space of two feet between each two state for the distribution of serum, 22 from feeding on the other. Make each two years. Due to the rise in hog splet 6 by 24 feet and plant in the same prices and the demonstrations in chol-

crop on all the different plots. Take era control by the experiment station winter potatoes, for example. On farmers have come to see that this plot 1 spread 10 pounds of dried blood disease may be controlled and that it and 15 pounds acid phosphate mixed is worth while to take all possible (where the amount used is so small it measures to control it. The experican be distributed, more evenly by ment station has been in touch with operation of milking. It is made of a on plot 2 spread 71/2 pounds sulphate | hopes by extending its activities with | Wisconsin Agriculturist. of potash and dried blood mixed; on the co-operation of farmers to reduce plot 3 use no fertilizer; on plot 4 use the present million-dollar loss to a 7 1/2 pounds potash and 15 pounds acid much smaller figure. phosphate mixed; on plot 5 use 71/2 phate and 10 pounds dried blood, and DUCKS PROFITABLE on plot 6 use only stable manure. Take great care not to sow any fertilizer on the spaces between the plots, and after

the fertilizer has been spread harrow the plot thoroughly lengthwise. The blank plot must not in any way be overlooked or neglected, for with it are to be compared all the other plots in order to see just what have been the benefits derived from fertilizing. To make clear what such an ex- and at a profit on general farms, says retiment may teach, suppose, for in- Alfred R. Lee, a poultry specialist of stauce, the yield on plot 3, where no the department of agriculture, but fertilizer was applied, is represented they do not appear to be as well adaptwere used. It is always of importance land containing a stream or any runto keep a notebook, jotting down ev- ning water. Farmers rarely give the

by the number 100; the yield on plot 1 ed as a source of income to average by the number 150; on plot 2, 160; on farm conditions as fowls, although 4, 140; on 5, 175. With these numbers they serve to add variety, both of it is proved each of the three fertiliz- meat and of eggs, for the farmer's taers is beneficial, for were it otherwise ble. If the demand for ducks, and the yield on plot 5, where all the fer- especially for duck eggs, increases, tilizers were used, would not have breeds of ducks which are good laybeen greater than on plots 1, 2 and 4, ers should be profitable on farms, paron each of which only two fertilizers ticularly where there is good pasture

(Prepared by the United States Depart- early part of the season the pasture ment of Agriculture.) produced more feed than the pigs could Truckee-Carson Reclamation project that after September 1 the growth, of the pigs was retarded materially. The pigs were each weighed every week throughout the season. In the summary the value assigned to the rolled barley is \$30 per ton, and the value The results are computed on the basis of the acre unit, though only a quar-

ter of an acre was actually used. . Results of Pasturing Hogs on Alfalfa With a 2 Per Cent Ration of Barley on the Truckee-Carson Experiment Farm, 1916.

at 7 cents per pound.

The same report gives results of The experiment with two varieties | fort.

for each 100 pounds of live weight. In the onion experiments a fertilizer They also had access to a mixture of test seemed to indicate that a complete condiments, including slacked coal and fertilizer composed of all three gave

#### Light May Be Obtained as to Nat- CAMPAIGN AGAINST DISEASE OF SWINE

Kentucky Farmers Formerly Lost \$2.000.000 on Account of Deadly Hog Cholera.

Hog cholera used to cost Kentucky from this disease in the state were only half that sum, according to Dr. Robert Graham, head of the depart ment of live-stock diseases at the exdepartment has been conducting a campaign against cholera and has just got the machinery of control in workplots to prevent the plants on one plot of which were established in the last

# ON GENERAL FARMS

Fowls Can Be Raised With Success and Profit, Says Government Poultry Expert.

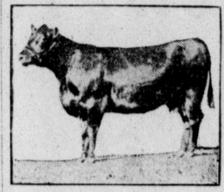
Ducks can be raised with success erything of interest concerning the necessary care to their ducklings, elts (such as measuring each sepa- ther in feeding or in marketing, to business through good and ill repute e yield), and information gained be able to cater to the trade in fancy is the man who is going to profit by n enables the experimenter to buy green ducks.

HOUSE-CLEANING IS NEEDED

Thoroughly and Systematically Clean Barn Before Dairy Cow Is Taken From Pasture.

Before the dairy cow is taken from the pasture, the barn should be thoreughly and systematically cleaned. All cobwebs should be brushed down and the walls and ceiling should be whitewashed or painted some light color. Either whitewash or paint will give a clean surface and make the whole stable look lighter and brighter. It might be well, too, to put in a few extra

The dairy cow has had the freedom of the pasture and the fresh air of the fields for the last five months; she has



Red-Polled Cow.

practically maintained herself and produced milk upon succulent feed; she will soon be returned to the barn where she will spend the greater part of each day. It should be the aim of every keeper to see to it that his cows are housed as comfortably as possible and provided with a goodly quantity and variety of palatable feed that will nourish her abundantly and help her produce an even flow of milk.

The right kind of a cow will repay with interest every cent invested for her comfort-for warmth, light, ventlsts with eight varieties of wheat, five lation, and feed. If she is not comvarieties of barley, eighteen varieties fortably housed her returns will be of tomatoes, and four varieties onions, cut down in proportion to her discom-

#### CUTTING HAIRS FROM UDDER

From Sanitary Standpoint and Comfort to Cow While Being Milked, Filaments Are Detrimental.

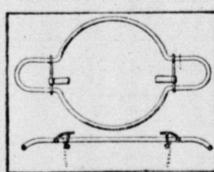
It is not at all uncommon among dairy cows to find the udder covered | fer-Journal, with a thick growth of long hair, which may be of some protection to the udder better results than potassium sulphate, in some respects, but from a sanitary on the first of the month by taking The pasturing period extended from ammonium sulphate, or acid phosphate standpoint and a comfort to the cow now a bottle of Mansfield Cough Balwhile she is being milked, these hairs sam for that hacking, hollow cough. are detrimental. Under the usual farm | Price 25c and 50c .- Adv. conditions this growth of halr is comthe exact fertilizing elements neces- monly covered with fifth, and even in sary for his soil and crops and to mix well-kept dairies this hair, unless kept and apply them in the proper proper well clipped, will collect more or less dirt and trash.

In many cases, too, these hairs will persist in falling into the milk pall. To prevent occurrences such as these the udder should be clipped closely at least twice each year, and in this way prevent the accumulation of filth.

#### PAIL HOLDER QUITE USEFUL

Ends of Device Rest on Knees of Milker and Support Vessel During Milking Operation.

The ends of this holder rest on the knees and support the pail during the



Milk Pail Holder.

FILTHY HABIT OF MILKERS Practice of Wetting Hands With Milk Is Liable to Cause Cow's Teats

to Chap in Winter. Milkers should be allowed to milk Laothers,-Adv. only with dry hands. The practice of wetting the hands with milk is a filthy

habit and is liable to cause the cows

teats to chap in the winter time. Milking should be done quickly and thoroughly, with no violent jerking of problem plays," the teats. After each cow is milked the milk should be removed immediately to the milkhouse.

#### PRICES FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS

Prospects Good That We Will See Highest Mark for Butterfat During Coming Winter.

The shortage in dairy products which began last winter has not at this date been made up and there is every evidence that we will this winter see the highest prices for butterfat we have witnessed for many years.

The man who stuck to the dairy this condition.

# STOP CALOMEL! TAKE DODSON'S LIVER TONE

New Discovery! Takes Place of Dangerous Calomel-It Puts Your Liver To Work Without Making You Sick-Eat Anything-It Can Not Salivate-Don't Lose a Day's Work!

the work of dangerous, sickening calomel and I derful liver medicine in every home here. want every reader of this paper to try a bottle | Calomel is poison-it's mercury-it attacks the and if it doesn't straighten you up better and bones, often causing rheumatism. Calomel is danquicker than salivating calomel just go back to gerous. It sickens-while my Dodson's Liver the store and get your money.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your thirty feet of bowels of the sour bile and constipation poison which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable.

I guarantee that one spoonful of this harmless liquid liver medicine will relieve the headache, biliousness, coated tongue, ague, malaria, sour stombesides it will not make you sick or keep you from ous calomel.-Adv.

I discovered a vegetable compound that does | a day's work. I want to see a bottle of this won-

Tone is safe, pleasant and harmless. Eat anything afterwards, because it can not salivate. Give it to the children because it doesn't upset the stomach or shock the liver. Take a spoonful tonight and wake up feeling fine and ready for a full day's work.

Get a bottle! Try it! If it doesn't do exactly what I say, tell your dealer to hand your money back. Every druggist and store keeper here knows ach or any other distress caused by a torpid liver me and knows of my wonderful discovery of a as quickly as a dose of vile, nauseating calomel, vegetable medicine that takes the place of danger-

Interesting Record. The cornerstone laying had been \* crilliant success. The weather was ine, the speeches coquent, the music impressive. The master of ceremonies was very well satisfied with himself, yet with the dispersal of the crowd he became strangely excited, Hurriedly

he sought the master mason. "Is it possible to lift the cornerstone again?' he asked.

"I am afraid not, sir," said the mason. "Have you a particular reason for asking?"

"I have," said the master of the ceremonies. "Tve left my hat in the receptable along with the records."

No Foolishness.

"My boy. "Yes, dad?"

"In wooing success-" Yes, dad."

"Remember, that's a girl you gotta sit up nights with."-Louisville Cour-

AVOID A DOCTOR'S BILL

Cheaper, Anyhow

A mere man can't for the life of him CAPUDINE see why a lady might not as well go without stockings as wear those thin ones. Rochester Union and Adver-

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Liquid easy to take. Adv.

Take Grove's The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

Unobservant. "Can you tell me, for I never could make it out, why a wagon has a

tongue?"

Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" is powerful and prompt but safe. One dose only is enough prompt but safe. One dose only is enough to expel Worms or Tapeworm. No castor off necessary. Adv.

Proof Positive.

"That man's argument," exclaimed Jorkins, "as put forth in this printed page, has not a leg to stand on." 'Why, pa," interupted his better half, "look at the footnotes."

#### GOOD FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN

Children love Skinner's Macaroni mixing it with its weight in earth); less than helf the outbreaks, and single piece of stout flexible wire .- and Spaghetti because of its delicious taste. It is good for them and you can give them all they want. It is a great builder of bone and muscle, and loes not make them nervous and irritable like meat. The most economical and nutritious food known. Made from the finest Durum wheat, Write Skinner Mfg. Co., Omaha, Nebr., for beautiful cook book. It is sent free to

Practical Pair.

"Are the Jibways happily married? "Apparently so. At least, they are not the sort of people who figure in

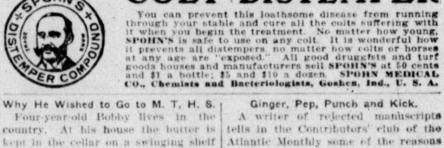
"Mrs. Jibway belongs to so many hips that she never has time to figure out, whether her soul is being starved or not and Mr. Jibway is so absorbed in business that he has long since forgotten that he ever had a soul."-Birningham Age-Herald.

THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH. You will look ten years younger if you darken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing.—Adv

Hard to Get a Line On. Genius is said to be a certain form of madness, but the madness of some people is more or less uncertain.

There is no cure for the indigestion aused by having to eat your own

# COLT DISTEMPER



quite high, beyond his reach. If his for his lack of success. Ten years ago request for bread and butter comes at his manuscripts were returned because a time which his careful mother con- they did not "quite compel accepthim to do but to wait her good pleas- | ger;" then editors wanted "a little more

pondering deeply, "Bobby, what are you thinking?"

al training. Bobby. "So I can learn to make a ladder that will reach to the swing-shelf so I

can have bread and butter whenever

I want it."-Indianapolis News.

—For Headaches—

Try It and be convinced. Good for aches in back and limbs also-Assists ord. Nature to get right and stay so. It's

Would Be Kept Busy Most of us would have to work 24 ours a day if we leved our neighbors is they love themselves.

Seasoned Stories. "You'll have to take that young fel ow's experience with a grain of salt."

"Yes; I thought he was too fresh."

Spartan Women Suffered Untold Tortures "Didn't you ever notice the wheel but who wants to be a Spartan? Take "Femenina" for all female disorders. Price 50c and \$1.00 .-- Adv.

Business Head.

Small Girl (to butcher) - Three cents' worth of dog meat-for an unasmally large dog!"

All Kinds. "What is it, lady?" "I want some needles.

"Yes'm. Knitting, sewing og graph- pins,

.474 miles.

quite willing to lose it.

siders inopportune, there is nothing for ance;" a little later they "lack ginpep, please;" then his contributions Recently his father found him sitting | did not have the "punch;" and now the delectedly with his elbows on his knees long-suffering writer gets his offerings and his chin in his hands, evidently back with the comment, "Excellent of their kind, but we prefer stories with more 'kick'!" His letter to the Con-"Thinking that I want to go to manu- tributors' club seems to have had all the desirable elements which his ear-"Manual training high school? Why? lier efforts lacked, for it was published !- Outlook.

> DON'T GAMBLE that your heart's all right. Make sure. Take "Renovine"—a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1,00.—Adv.

At the Inquiry Bureau. Excited Tourist-Information given out here?

Tired Attendant-It bas,-Yale Rec-Examine carefully every bottle of

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Wife-I've been the making of you, John. Husband-I'd reciprocate, if I was s nodiste.—Town Topics.

man Eye Balsam applied upon going to bed is just the thing to relieve them. Adv. A man isn't necessarily a coward because he is afraid to argue with a woman. He may merely have good

The age of a Japanese woman is indicated by the character of her hair-

The daily average of accidents in The Mexican sea coast on the Pa- Pennsylvania industries was \$10 for ific and the Gulf of California is the first eight months of this year,

Pension funds for municipal em-Those who have nothing to lose are ployees have been established in 159 cities in this country.

#### Uric Acid Poisoning?

The most eminent physicians recognize that uric acid stored up in the that I have taken Dr. Pierce's Golden system is the cause of rheumatism, Medical Discovery and can testify to that this uric acid poison is present in its merits. I was so weak when I bethe joints, muscles, or nerves. By ex. gan taking it I was not able to roll perimenting and analysis at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute in Buffalo. N. Y.. Dr. Pierce discovered a combination of native remedies that combination of native remedies that Monro St. he called Anuric-which drives out the uric acid from the system, and in this way the pain swelling and inflamma.—either in liquid or tablet form from way the pain, swelling and inflamma- your druggist if you want to better tion subside. If you are a sufferer from your physical condition speedily. It rheumatism, backache, pains here or is a wonderful prescription prepared there, you can obtain Anuric at any only from nature's roots and herbs acid; or send Dr. Pierce 10c for trial Ingredients on wrapper. times more potent than lithia elim- best little liver pills because entirely inates uric acid as hot water melts vegetable. No calomel. All druggists

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Mr. and Mrs A. V. Pue of Ban- Mrs. Herm. Stieler is spending Parent-Teachers Association shopping here Monday.

Pipes-all sorts and sizes from orn-cobs to Meerschaums.

PAMPELL'S Mr. Robt. Rees and children were

dera county were doing Christmas this week with her daughter Mrs. J. C. Rees, of Kerrville.-Comfort

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KERRVILLE, TEXAS

The Parent Teachers Club met in regular session on Dec. 13th. Bishop Johnston opened the meeting with

The routine of business was gone Stationery stock is up to date. See through. Treasurer reported the book cases, including 5 sections, top and base, paid for. These have been donated to the school by this club. Resolutions of respect for Mr. L. E. King, a friend to the club, were read and adopted.

> The members enjoyed hearing the piano duet by Miss Marguerite Henke and Mrs. King. Also the solo rendered by Lewie Moore and accompanied by Miss Ethel Williams at the piano.

> The subject for discussion was Simplicity. Mrs E. E. Dietert read a paper on Simplicity in the Home. Mrs. H. Shultz read one on Simplicity in Dress.

Bishop Johnston made some further remarks on Simplicity in Dress. Refreshments were served which all enjoyed.

PRESS REPORTER.

#### Christian Endeavor Program

A Chrismas program Leader-Mary Claire Williams. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Allen. Hymn Joy to the world-by

The first Christmas Messenger Mrs. Dickey.

The first Christmas circle and ours Margaret Thorburn. "Our Savior King," recitation-

Dorothy Doyle.

Mamie Heinen Recitation, by 3 children. Ring the merry bells song by

Christ set forth in the scriptures

A Christmas vision-Dora John-Bethlehem, recitation, Marguerte

Henke. Closing with prayer - by Dr.

Rev. J. M. Witt and John Reinhard, two prominent farmers from the lower end of the county, were in this city last Thursday on business. Bro. Witt was a welcome caller at this office.

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