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Gratefulness

1913 Into 1914

The old year with the Christmas holidays now takes a page in history. I hope the memories of same are dear to all and that the new year before you will bring on its wings of time still more happiness and the best share of prosperity. May the blessings of God be upon you.

In sharing a part of your patronage during the year 1913, I sincerely thank you for it, and hope to prove myself to you in the year 1914 by supplying your wants and needs in the most courteous, fair and square way I can.

I am very thankful to all for their trade in the past and ask a share of it in the future. Remember, what you get at my drug store is up-to-date and right—if not, I'll make it right.

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year, and that you may obtain all this, come trade at

King's Drug Store

Lovelady.

Mrs. Fount Kelley and children of Groveton were guests of Mrs. Mattie Caton for the holidays.

Mrs. Edward Jones and little daughter of Ballinger were guests of Mrs. Cater Goodwin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Tanner spent last week with relatives in Searcy, Ark.

Mrs. W. O. Phipps is in Blackstone, Va., with her daughter, Miss Iva Phipps.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cochran spent last week with relatives in Livingston.

Miss Selma Jones of Walter spent the holidays with the folks at home.

Miss Ella Mainer of Henderson was a visitor in Lovelady last week.

Wirt and Lloyd Murray are at home from the medical college at Galveston.

Chas. J. Niissle of Clarksville and Miss Lillian Niissle of Galveston are guests of Mrs. C. F. Niissle for the holidays.

N. H. Moore of San Marcos and Dr. S. H. Moore of Houston were entertained by Mrs. C. B. Moore last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hale and children spent last week with relatives in Camilla.

Miss Irene Bruton is home from Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Festus Mangum and children of Crockett were guests of Mrs. G. L. Murray Christmas day.

W. H. Collins spent a few days in Waco with friends.

Robert McMurrey of Camilla spent the week end with friends.

Mr. Lon McNeeley of Kenton, Tenn., and Mr. Emerson McNeeley of Texarkana, Ark., were guests of their mother, Mrs. Raiford McNeeley, for the holidays.

Miss May Ellen Click of Luling is

spending a while with home folks.

Mrs. Elias Atkinson spent a week with Mrs. J. H. Tomme at Coolege.

Miss Berta Phillips, teacher in the Lovelady High School, spent the holidays with relatives in Crockett.

Miss Josie Hooper spent last week with relatives in Normangee.

Mrs. Otis Joplin of Trinity was the guest of Mrs. W. F. Dent last week.

Mrs. Charlie Stephenson and children are visiting in Reagan.

Lucien Straughan, teacher in the Kennard high school, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Straughan.

Miss Mildred Collins, who is attending the University at Austin, is with her mother, Mrs. W. B. Collins.

H. O. Norwood of Houston and W. H. Norwood of Austin were guests of Mrs. Alex Hutchings last week.

Mrs. Estes of Crockett spent a week with her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Barbee.

Mrs. S. M. Briscoe and children are with relatives in Galveston.

Miss Monta Covington of Houston spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. R. A. Turner.

Mrs. Ellisor of Houston was a guest at the Kelley hotel last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mainer and children of Mineral Wells are visiting Mrs. D. S. Williams.

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—Adv.

Mrs. H. F. Craddock Dead.

Mrs. Augusta Craddock, wife of Mr. H. F. Craddock of this city, died on Friday night of last week at the family residence, after a long illness. Mrs. Craddock had spent some time both in Marlin and Hot Springs under special treatment for a rheumatic malady and had only recently returned from Hot Springs. While her condition was serious, her death was sudden and unexpected.

Mrs. Craddock before marriage was Miss Augusta Daniel, a member of one of the old and large families of Houston county. She was born and reared in Houston county and had spent all her life, with the exception of a few years' residence in Austin, in this county. Well known, she was loved by all who knew her.

Mrs. Craddock had been a member of the Presbyterian church since her early girlhood. Besides a large number of relatives in the county, she leaves a husband, four sons and a daughter. Many will sympathize with these in their loss. The funeral occurred in Glenwood cemetery Sunday afternoon, following services at the home, conducted by Rev. S. F. Tenney of the Presbyterian church.

Have to Build More Sidewalks.

Postoffice Inspector Morris was in Crockett Monday to look over the sidewalk situation in regard to free mail delivery. In conversation with the Courier editor, he said that Public avenue from Court House square to Grace street would be ready for free mail delivery when the breaks in the sidewalks were closed up. He said there were only a few breaks remaining on that avenue and that the property owners who are refusing to construct concrete walks in front of their property are blocking the government's efforts to give the people of Crockett a thing they ought to have—free mail delivery. He said the same condition was met with on the other streets of the city. He said the growth of Crockett's sidewalks was not in keeping with the volume of business transacted at the Crockett postoffice. Mr. Morris came here to look into the sidewalk conditions as effects free delivery of mails and the Courier is inclined to the opinion that his report will not be a favorable one. Postoffice receipts justify free delivery, but the sidewalks do not.

No More Credit on Hulls and Meal.

In attempting to accommodate those of our customers who pay us promptly on the first of each month, we find that we accumulate many accounts so troublesome that it becomes necessary to enforce strictly our already established rule to require cash payment for all hulls and meal sold. After January first our wagons will continue to deliver hulls and meal to all parts of town as before, but drivers will be required to collect immediately the load is delivered. Unlike most concerns, we pay cash for everything, and while we would like to accommodate many customers, for many reasons it is absolutely necessary to enforce this rule strictly, and trust no one will ask a deviation from this method. Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg. Co.—Adv.

THIS New Year's day we extend to you sincere wishes—may the year 1914 yield you happiness and prosperity in abundance—and not alone for the year 1914, but for the years to come.

JOHNSON ARLEDGE

Some Fundamental Subjects.

I purpose to present at the morning services, during the month of January, a line of subjects fundamental to the Christian religion, and especially invite all who may be interested in such discussions. The subject next Sunday morning will be "The Utility of a Doubt," and on the following Sunday, "The Deity of Jesus Christ." Other subjects will be "The Way to God," presenting some views of the Incarnation, and "The Manliness of Christian Character." I trust I have some things to say that will be helpful not only to Christian people, but to any who may be disturbed by doubts or questions concerning Christian faith.

D. H. Hotchkiss,
Pastor Methodist Church.

New Year Greetings.

We take this opportunity of extending to all our friends our best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year. May the gifts you gave measure up to the expectations of their recipients, and may the gifts you received be just what you wanted. The part that this store plays in the Christmas happiness of the community is not a small one. We have done our best to serve you and hope we have been successful. We ourselves asked for no better Christmas gift than the generous patronage you gave us. Our new year will be a happy one. We hope the same to you. Adv. Decuir-Bishop Drug Co.

Sneffels, Col.—A. J. Walsh was badly done up with rheumatism and sent for Foley Kidney Pills which was the only thing that would cure him. Geo. Potter of Pontiac, Mo., was down on his back with kidney and bladder trouble and Foley Kidney Pills made him well and able to work. It is a splendid medicine and always helps. Just try it. W. A. King.—Adv.

Christmas Dance.

The Crockett Club gave its Christmas dance Monday evening of this week. All Houston orchestras being engaged at other places, an orchestra was secured from Beaumont. The music was fine and twenty-four dances were enjoyed. At intermission an elegant luncheon was served. The dance was complimentary to the young lady friends of the club members and the visitors in the city. Visiting honorees were as follows: Miss Emma Carter of Sewanee, Tenn., Miss Thelma Ross of Bellville, Texas, and Miss Gladys Dupuy of Palestine. Fifteen couples of young people, properly chaperoned, participated in the dancing.

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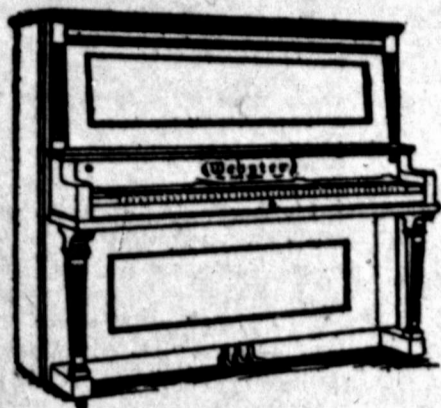
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DE VILLIERS ROMANCE TOLD

As Riding Teacher He Won Patterson Divorce—Woman Former Wife of New Jersey Republican Leader.

Paterson, N. J., December 23.—Further inquiry today into the former life of Mrs. Roy L. Glover, on whom Daniel De Villiers went to call before he was shot to death at Los Angeles yesterday, revealed that she is the divorced wife of Vivian M. Lewis, Republican candidate for governor of New Jersey against Woodrow Wilson in 1910.

De Villiers came to Paterson in 1906 and opened a riding school. Mrs. Lewis was one of his pupils. They left Paterson together and were next heard from in South America. She came back to New York and was awarded the custody of their two small children, whom she left behind.

Mr. Lewis is a former Commissioner of Banks and Insurance in New Jersey and was one of the Republican State leaders. Recently he was appointed vice chancellor.

Glover Claims Self Defense.

Los Angeles, December 23.—The police continued today their investigation of the killing of Daniel De Villiers, the Boer veteran, who was shot here Sunday by Roy L. Glover, a Texas land agent, while he was attempting to see the former Mrs. De Villiers. The point which occupied the major portion of police attention was whether De Villiers died in a duel with Glover, or whether Glover shot an unarmed man.

Glover says he shot in self-defense. An undischarged automatic pistol of the same type that Glover used was found beside De Villiers' body as it lay in the room

where the tragedy occurred, but the police say De Villiers, who is said to have been a member of the family of Sir Henry De Villiers of Cape Colony, was unarmed when he went to Glover's residence.

The inquest into the death of De Villiers will take place tomorrow and the former Mrs. De Villiers, who claims now to be the wife of Glover, will endeavor to clear the man whose name she bears. Le-compte Davis, an attorney, said Mrs. Glover and Charles Spielman, a messenger boy, who witnessed the shooting, would prove that Glover shot in self-defense.

Spielman said he saw De Villiers leap upon Glover. Mrs. Glover asserted today that she saw De Villiers draw a weapon. She came into the room just in time to see Glover shoot three bullets into the body of the Boer war veteran.

Mixed in Mexican Affairs.

El Paso, Texas, December 22.—Daniel De Villiers, killed at Los Angeles, was arrested here in May, 1911, with "Billie" W. Dunn, another San Antonio man, on a charge of plotting to have Francisco I. Madero killed. The arrests were made on complaint of B. J. Viljoen, a Boer war veteran, who was military adviser to Madero. Viljoen charged that Dunn and De Villiers had offered Pascual Orozco, a Madero commander, a big sum of money to kill Madero, who had just defeated the Diaz troops at Juarez, and had become the new dictator of Mexico. Both men were acquitted several months later.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

MRS. GLOVER WEALTHY WOMAN.

De Villiers Had Romantic Career and Well Known in Texas.

New York, December 22.—Mrs. Roy L. Glover, divorced wife of Daniel De Villiers, whom De Villiers was trying to see in Los Angeles today when Glover shot and killed him, is the daughter of H. G. Campbell, a wealthy Wall Street broker. She married De Villiers in this city in 1907, after her divorce from a man named Lewis of Patterson, N. J. The De Villiers then went to Cotulla, La Salle county, Texas, where De Villiers had bought a small ranch.

Mrs. De Villiers obtained a divorce from her husband in San Antonio in 1911. It is said, however, that after this divorce Mrs. De Villiers assisted her former husband financially in his alleged activities against President Madero of Mexico, which led to De Villiers' arrest in El Paso in 1911.

Daniel De Villiers came of a well known Cape Colony family, several members of which have been knighted. During the late Boer war he commanded a body of scouts attached to a Boer column operating under General De Wet in West Griqualand and the Orange Free State.

He came to this country in 1904 with a mixed contingent of Afrikanders and English, who appeared in the Boer war show at the St. Louis Exposition. Most of his youth was spent along the Zambesi River as a hunter of big game, where at one time he was attached to the staff of Frederick Courtney Selous, the famous hunter, who was a member of Theodore Roosevelt's hunting party in Africa in 1909.

In 1912 De Villiers was identified with the campaign of Governor Oscar Colquitt of Texas.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!



The Joys of Old Men

It was New Year's morning, and the bells that had welcomed in the new year burst forth into spasmodic clanging every now and then. To John Peters, Christmas and New Year's had always been a problem. He was a lonely man and had been alone in the world, fighting too, for sixty years. His name was great in the financial world. He had no relatives. All had died years ago. For John Peters it was work, work, work, all the time, with many hours of study.

This New Year's morning Peters was far away from his English home. Business had brought him to America, and his problem for celebrating seemed knottier than ever. He left his hotel, tipping the chambermaid and bell-boy before he reached the street. He hailed a cab and told the driver he wanted to be taken to the home for released convicts.

The matron at the home received the visitor at the door with surprise. "Good morning, madam," said he. "Happy New Year's to you. I want to hire one of the oldest men you have in this institution."

The matron looked surprised as she ushered the visitor into the long reception room. "I don't think we could allow you to hire any one today, sir. It is New Year's, you know, and as we make a little extra comforts for them on a day like this we wouldn't like to have any one absent from the table."

"The work is not hard, and it will include a New Year's dinner better than you can turn out here," replied Peters, "and when I have explained it to you I'm sure you will have no difficulty in finding a man ready and willing to accompany me."

He sat down and for ten minutes talked low and earnestly to the matron. Presently she smiled and caught the eager spirit with which the old gentleman was explaining his plan.

When he had finished she grasped his hand. "That is lovely. I never

long time, sir. That long." "Sit down then. I want to do exactly what I mean to do." The matron left the room. Peters told his story to Filbert, and soon two were hurrying away in the cab. "To the best clothing store in town," he told the driver.

At noon the cab rolled up in front of Peters' hotel, and the two entered. "Who is that old party dining with Peters this afternoon," asked one of the loungers in the hotel.

"Don't know," responded another. "Looks like some old professor, doesn't he?"

"Too well dressed. Probably some old banker from the other side. Distinguished looking old chap, isn't he?"

The two old gentlemen slipped their wine and ate their dinner without paying the attention they were attracting.

Then they went in by a log fire and smoked their cigars. Many New Year days were passing in review before Filbert. They rose up slowly like the wreaths of smoke—New Year's in the gutter, cold, thinly clad, hungry; New Year's in hovels, surrounded by vice and crime; New Year's at home, his own home built by honest toil, surrounded by his wife and little ones, dear, dead faces peering through the mists of time; New Year's in prison, aye, many of them.

At last the clock struck 12.

"Your day's work is over, my dear Filbert," said Peters, holding out his hand. "I want to thank you for making this the happiest New Year's day I ever passed." The other took the extended hand. He tried to speak, but was unable to do so. Tears dimmed his blue eyes, stole down the wrinkled cheeks and fell unnoticed upon the white shirt. Slowly they made their way toward the hall, where the boy assisted them into their overcoats.

As they stood on the steps of the clubhouse Filbert attempted to speak, but Peters interrupted him with:

"There; don't say anything. I know all you would say. I need some one for just such days as this, and after you have arranged with the matron I want you to come to my hotel, say, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. I never spent a happier New Year's day in my life, and every year as long as God spares me we will spend the day together just as we have done today. Good night."

One Dante Missed.

We came to a great lake of molten lead. On the banks stood thousands of hydroplanes. Every sixty seconds a cringing shade was prodded into the seat of a hydroplane and compelled to shoot high into the air. When the machine had reached an elevation of 1,000 feet the hydroplane would wobble until it tossed the screaming occupant out, and he would fall into the lake below.

"What does this mean?" we asked.

"This is where we punish the men who rocked the boats when they were on earth," replied his satanic majesty. — Cincinnati Enquirer.

New Year's Day at the White House

THIS year will mark President Wilson's first New Year reception. All colors, all races and all creeds gather under the roof of the White House on Jan. 1 and are accorded the courtesies and privileges that are extended to the most elect in the land. The diplomatic corps, headed by its dean, the supreme court, the members of the senate and house, the army and the navy, all attend the New Year reception in a body. The Marine band, divided into two sections, plays popular compositions throughout the entire reception.

During the hours when the public is passing through the line, says the National Monthly, the utmost precautions are taken to guard the life of the president. Behind the president is a secret service guard, and directly in front is another. The duty of the latter officer is not to allow anybody to stop to talk with the president.

The instant the visitor's name is pronounced by the president's aid and is repeated, with a handshake by the president, if the caller does not immediately move on the guard standing opposite the president reminds him with a gentle touch, or, if necessary, a firm grip on the arm, to pass along the line and into the next room.

Throughout the corridors and reception rooms secret service men are stationed, and it is only those who frequent the White House who are able to recognize the government detectives. Many suspected persons are turned away from the house at every function given by the president.

Insidious Humor.

A budding author who was making excursions into humor sent a paragraph to the editor of a daily paper. Not finding it printed within a reasonable time or hearing from the editorial department, he wrote about its welfare: "I sent you a joke about ten days ago. I have heard nothing respecting its safe receipt and should be glad to hear whether you have seen it." The editor's reply was as follows: "Your joke arrived safely, but up to the present we have not seen it." — Boston Herald.

KEEPING RESOLUTIONS.

To make a resolution and keep it is hard. But to make one and break it is demoralizing. It is easier to keep a resolution if it is made a few days before putting into effect. Every nerve of the body seems to brace itself for the abstinence. To break off an objectionable habit without any preparation is a mistake. Denial may be easy for a few hours, but the grip almost invariably returns.

New Year's In France

NEW YEAR'S is celebrated to a greater extent in France than in any other country. Closely following the Christmas festivities, the celebration for the opening of the New Year vies with the earlier holiday events. Everywhere in the republic do the festivities take place, and among the places where it is the most enjoyed is in the kitchens of the homes.

The average housemaid of France works for a very small salary. But she is an apt and willing servant, for she looks forward from one New Year's day to another, as then she reaps the reward for her work. It is the custom in France to make presents to all the servants at the opening of each year. This present is nearly always in cash, and it may be \$5 or \$200, depending upon the financial condition of the employer.

With such a custom in vogue there is very little trouble with servants in that country. They rarely quit their positions; they strive to please their employers and at all times look forward to the New Year. All the servants are allowed certain amounts. The janitor gets his share, and no one is forgotten.

In France the housewife does very little of the marketing. It is left to the servants. Then the servants do the bargaining. If potatoes are 10 cents per pound and the girl can get them from some marketwoman for 8 cents she reasons that the mistress should not profit by the bargaining, but that she herself should have the difference. The regular price of the potatoes being 10 cents, the servant marks them down in her book at that price and pockets the difference. This is one of the peculiarities of the French method of keeping house, and it has been found a real aid in keeping servants.

The housewives are aware of what is taking place, but they are satisfied to pay the regular market prices. It is the bargaining of the servants which gets them an extra allowance, but as long as the eatables are up to the standard the housewife does not complain.

Then the servant who does the marketing expects New Year's gifts from other sources. There is no special reason why she should purchase her food-stuffs at a certain market booth. But it will be noticed that she often does that very thing. When New Year's day rolls around the owner of the market booth is supposed to make her a nice present, and the present is appreciated most if it is in cash. It really must be in cash.

Then there are the iceman, the coalman, the milkman. All of these are supposed to remember the servant girl when the new year begins. In this manner the average servant, if she is keen witted—and the most of them are—makes a snug little addition to her regular wages.

The servants very often work for only enough to clothe themselves. They must depend on what they can make by bargaining and by receiving New Year's gifts, and these "gifts"

the girls usually place in a bank at interest, thus building up their dowries for their future marriages, when they may even marry the iceman, the milkman or the coalman.

There are some points about the French method of holding servants which are extremely satisfactory when compared to the American plan, but there are others not quite so pleasing. The girl may become so engrossed in her bargaining, as is often the case, that she disregards the table of her mistress. She may arrange to procure the edibles of a very low price, pocketing the difference from the market price, and the foodstuffs may not be so palatable. But if she is content with small amounts her bargainings will never be noticed.

The American servant is paid a stipulated salary, enough for her to live upon, and the bargaining is eliminated. This takes away one of the objectionable points, and the table is usually up to the standard regardless of whether the housewife or the servant does the marketing. But the French plan certainly does hold the servants from one year to another, for there is always the prospect of the New Year's present. — New York Post.

In the Days Gone By.

Beneath the mistletoe she stood. He thought her quite a peach. But it was when hoopskirts were worn. And he—he could not reach!



Resolved.

I'm quite the customary way. I started out last New Year's day: Being in penitential mood, I quite determined to be good. Henceforth, although the world entice, I would be deaf to its advice; Live like a holy hermit, bent To taste the bliss of sweet content; Feed upon pulse, my daily wear; A woven shirt of britchy hair. This resolution I had kept If only on it I had slept. I did my best—but, goodness knows Hair shirts do not induce repose! My wish to be an anchorite Falled somehow to outlast the night. No matter! Now I'll make amends! This year I will reform—my friends —New York Sun.

His Fluent French.

Bedell and Wilkinson, on a trip through France, were dining together at a Paris restaurant. Mr. Wilkinson persisted in ordering and asking for everything he wanted in doubtful French, while Mr. Bedell persisted in offering explanations that were in the nature of criticisms. At last Mr. Wilkinson's temper rose to explosive point.

"Will you," he said in English, "be so good as not to interfere with me in the use of my French?"

"Very well," retorted Mr. Bedell. "I simply wanted to point out that you were asking for a staircase when all you wanted was a spoon." — New York Globe.



HE TRIED TO SPEAK, BUT WAS UNABLE TO DO SO.

heard of such a thing before. I know just the man you want." She rang a bell, and soon Filbert appeared at the door. He was a venerable looking man, with a fine, aristocratic face—in fact, he was distinguished looking.

"Did you send for me, Mrs. Pyle?" he asked. "I was just getting ready for dinner."

"Yes, Filbert. This gentleman is Mr. John Peters, and he is looking for some one to work for him until 12 o'clock tonight. Are you willing?"

The little man looked worried. "Well, ma'am, I'm nearly seventy years old and wouldn't be much good shoveling snow, and as this is New Year's day I"—He paused and looked appealingly at Peters.

"You won't have to shovel snow, Mr. Filbert," said Peters hastily, "and if you'll just sit down for a few moments I'll explain just what I want you to do, and I know you'll be willing to come with me."

"Filbert has been with us nearly a year now," said the matron. "He came to us from Ionia, where he was serving a long term."

"Fifteen years, sir," interrupted Filbert, "for counterfeiting. I was an engraver, sir, and fell in with a bad lot. Poverty forced me to it. I was guilty, and they sent me up for fifteen years."

"Are you alone in the world?" asked Peters.

"All alone, sir. Fifteen years is a

"Again the silent
Wheels of Time
their annual round
have driven."

With Hearty
Greetings
and Sincere
Good Wishes
for your Happiness
and Prosperity
during all the
New Year

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

TO THE MERCHANT

Why don't you dig into the retail mail order quotations and find out where you stand and where they stand? See whether they have what they claim—whether the prices are so superior to yours. If you really investigate and do some real comparing, we venture to say that you will gain the kind of confidence that is absolutely necessary to have before you can put any sort of punch into your advertising.

Of the corn club boys, Walker Lee Dunson of Alexander City, Tallapoosa county, Ala., not only leads the country, but has broken the record for corn production. Walker raised 232.7 bushels on a single acre, at a cost of only 19.9 cents per bushel. This exceeds the previous record of 228.75 bushels, at a cost of 42 cents per bushel, held by Jerry Moore of South Carolina. The second corn club boy this year is J. Jones Polk of Prentiss, Jeff Davis county, Miss., with 214.9 bushels, raised at a cost of 21.4 cents per bushel, and the third was J. Ray Cameron, Kinston, Lenoir county, N. C., with 190.4 bushels, raised at a cost of 33.25 cents per bushel.

For the past week there has been a steady stream of thirsty fellows pouring into Palestine each armed with an empty suit case or grip, and another stream pouring out with suit cases loaded to the brim with Christmas booze. On the State Railroad a few nights ago there was an engine failure when the train was within a few miles of Rusk, and a bunch of grip-toters got out and started to walk to town, in the rain. One fellow had a cheap grip, manufactured of paper, and when the thing got wet the bottom dropped out, and the precious bottles dropped through and were broken. On last Saturday great numbers went to Palestine with their empty grips, but when they arrived found that the saloons were closed on account of an election, and would not open until Monday morning. Imagine the disappointment of that noble bunch! Talk about the child who finds an empty stocking on Christmas morning—it is as nothing when compared to the grief of those stalwart fellows when they found themselves locked out. But hard as it is, they will have to get used to it—Palestine will be wet only one more Christmas, and eventually the whole state will be dry, and no way to ship whisky in. When that time arrives the poor fellows will have little use for money, seeing that it has to be wasted upon wife and little ones, instead of being spent for whisky—something that will really do them good (?)—Jacksonville Banner.

SAN ANTONIO ROAD MARKERS.

For the sum of \$28 a San Antonio trail marker could be placed in Crockett and the Courier knows of no better place for such a stone than the vacant space in front of the residence of Mrs. D. A. Nunn. This is said without having consulted with Mrs. Nunn on the subject, but knowing her patriotism we do not believe there would be

any objection on her part. The Courier is informed that a carload of these stone markers will be shipped to Nacogdoches, where at least two of them have been sold, and the remainder of the carload will be distributed from Nacogdoches. If any of our people are interested in securing one or more of the markers for Crockett and Houston county they can take up the matter with Mrs. Lipscomb Norvell of Beaumont, who has supplied the Courier with a list of those who have already bought markers, which is as follows:

- Mrs. Harry Hyman, San Antonio.
- Mrs. William Carroll, Beaumont.
- Colonel George Moffett Chapter, Beaumont.
- D. A. R. Children Chapter, San Antonio.
- William Findley Chapter, Palestine.
- Mrs. Clara Driscoll Sevier, New York.
- Hon. W. S. Davidson, Beaumont.
- Mrs. Alvin A. Lane, Dallas.
- Mrs. Edmund Rotan, Waco.
- Mrs. George C. Greer, Beaumont.
- Mrs. George W. Smythe, Beaumont.
- Lone Star Chapter, Texarkana.
- Benjamin Tilden Chapter, Midland.
- Mrs. Lipscomb Norvell, Beaumont.
- Weatherford Chapter, Weatherford.
- Mrs. E. A. Blount, Nacogdoches.
- Mrs. W. H. P. McFadden, Beaumont.
- Mrs. B. R. Norvell, Beaumont.
- Mrs. Louis J. Wortham, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. George Thompson, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. C. W. Connery, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. H. H. Cobb, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. L. D. Cobb, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. William Cobb, Fort Worth.
- Mary Isham Keith Chapter, Fort Worth.
- Mrs. Henry Cline, Wharton.
- Mrs. Hal Aldridge, Aldridge.
- Rebecca Stodart Chapter, El Paso.
- Mrs. George Barnham, Nacogdoches.
- Miss Mabel Lott, El Paso.
- San Antonio Chapter, San Antonio.
- Jane Douglass Chapter, Dallas.
- Major Francis Grice Chapter, Wichita Falls.
- Esther McCorry Chapter, Amarillo.
- Richard Royal Chapter, McKinney.
- Lady Washington Chapter, Houston.
- Robert Barnes Chapter, Navasota.
- George Washington Chapter, Galveston.
- Judge John Lovejoy, Houston.
- Pocahontas Chapter, San Angelo.
- Alamo Chapter, San Antonio.
- Mrs. W. H. Dwight, San Antonio.
- Mrs. Adele B. Looscan, Houston.
- Mrs. John N. Gilbert, Houston.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers. Adv.

The "Mischief Quartette" and Its Work.

Each year the month of January numbers its list of victims from influenza, la grippe, bronchitis and pneumonia. The prompt use of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will check the onset of a cold and stop a cough, preventing the development of more serious conditions. Keep it on hand. W. A. King—Adv.

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TEXAN KILLED BY HIS FORMER WIFE'S SPOUSE

DAN DE VILLIERS' TWO LITTLE CHILDREN WATCHED THEIR FATHER DIE.

Saw Much Service in Boer War and Was Arrested but Acquitted on a Charge of Attempt to Incite Assassination of Madero.

Los Angeles, Cal., December 22.—The killing of Daniel de Villiers by Roy L. Glover in the doorway of the Glover home early today is puzzling the police, who have been seeking a cause for the shooting. De Villiers came here several days ago from San Antonio, Texas. Glover, a wealthy land agent, came here two months ago with his wife and two children.

From the little the police have been able to learn from Glover and Mrs. Glover, the woman formerly was the wife of De Villiers, and he was the father of the two children. Mrs. Glover secured a divorce from De Villiers and married Glover in October. She and Glover both asserted that De Villiers appeared at their house and that Glover shot him in self-defense.

Other than the foregoing the police have failed so far to gather any information about the tragedy.

The police assert that De Villiers was shot while trying to see Mrs. Glover, and that his two little children entered the room in time to see their father die.

According to reports from Texas received in answer to telegraphic inquiries, De Villiers was a veteran of the Boer war in South Africa. Mrs. Glover said he was a saloon-keeper who induced her to elope and marry him. Thereafter, she asserted, according to a statement by her attorney, De Villiers lived on an allowance provided by her father, who now is in Europe.

Through telegrams to San Antonio the police learned that Mrs. Glover had been divorced from De Villiers in October, 1912, and had been awarded custody of the two children, David, aged 4, and Margaret, aged 6, but no information could be obtained relative to her marriage to Glover, which she said occurred last October, just before Glover came here.

De Villiers' pistol was found undischarged. The shooting followed an attempt of De Villiers to see Mrs. Glover. In a note De Villiers referred to legal documents relating to a decree, presumably divorce, and declared, "I am dying to see you and my two darlings." The latter are De Villiers' two children, Margaret, aged 6, and Daniel, aged 4.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

"I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

Colds to be Taken Seriously.

Intelligent people realize that common colds should be treated promptly. If there is sneezing and chilliness with hoarseness, tickling throat and coughing, begin promptly the use of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It is effective, pleasant to take, checks a cold, and stops the cough which causes loss of sleep and lowers the vital resistance. W. A. King.—Adv.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the Unknown Heirs of Charles Miller, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in February A. D. 1914, the same being the ninth day of March, A. D. 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 13th day of November, A. D. 1913, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5489, wherein W. D. Ellis is plaintiff and the Unknown Heirs of Charles Miller, deceased, are defendants, said petition alleging that on or about the 1st day of November, 1913, the plaintiff was the owner in fee simple, being lawfully seized and possessed of the hereinafter described tract or survey of land, lying and being situated in Houston county, Texas, about 16 1/2 miles North 45 degrees West from the town of Crockett, being the Charles Miller Survey of 320 acres of land and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner of the Wm. Smith 320 acre survey a stake from which a Pin Oak 12 in. brs S 12 W 12 2-5 vrs. and P. O. bears S. 79 E. 1/4 v.

Thence S 75 W with said Smith's S Bdy 1544 vrs corner from which a B. J. 12 in. brs S 70 W 10 vrs. and P. O. brs N 86 E 14 vrs.

Thence S 15 E 1170 1/4 vrs corner from which P. O. 24 in brs N 30 E. 9 2-10 vrs. N. 34 W 5 vrs.

Thence N 75 E 1544 vrs corner from which P. O. 28 in. brs N 8 W 11 8-10 vrs. Do N 87 W 57 vrs.

Thence N 15 W passing R Whitley corner 1170 vrs. to the beginning by and through the following instruments and muniments of title:

(a) Patent from the State of Texas to Charles Miller, of date January 8, 1872, granting, by field notes, said survey of 320 acres of land. Patent No. 399, Vol. 39, recorded January 4, 1878, Book Z, page 329, Houston County Deed Records. This land located by virtue of unconditional Certificate No. 570, Third Class, issued by the Board of Land Commissioners, Bexar county, Texas, August 22, 1855.

(b) Transfer or conveyance of Charles Miller to Davis A. Calhoun, of said unconditional Headright Land Certificate No. 570, upon which said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres was afterwards located, the exact date of same not now known but it was some time prior to February 25, 1857, and such instrument has been lost or destroyed and secondary evidence of the contents thereof will be offered upon the trial of this case.

(c) Deed or transfer of Davis A. Calhoun to Zack Horn, of date February 25, 1857, reciting a consideration of One Hundred and Forty (\$140.00) Dollars and conveying said unconditional Headright Certificate of Charles Miller 320 acre survey of land, No. 570, Third Class, issued by the Board of Land Commissioners of Bexar county, on the 22nd day of August, 1855, recorded January 4, 1878, Book Z, page 327, Houston County Deed Records.

(d) Deed of W. L. Horn to Burke, Stewart & Company, of date December 11, 1889, reciting a consideration of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars, and conveying an undivided 1-3 interest in said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, recorded January 2, 1890, Book 12, page 77, Houston County Deed Records.

(e) Deed of J. D. Dupuy to Burke, Stewart & Company, of date January 31, 1890, reciting consideration of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars paid, and conveying an undivided 1-3 interest in said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, Recorded October 24, 1890, Book 13, page 77, Houston County Deed Records.

(f) Deed of R. E. Matthews and wife, M. E. Matthews, to Burke, Dupuy & Watkins, of date November 2, 1891, reciting consideration of One Hundred and Fifty

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For every five fountain pens you sell we will give you credit for 10,000 votes in the piano contest. Start now and sell your share, as this not only gives you a chance to earn the beautiful piano, but a chance to get the diamond ring. These pens sell for \$1.50 each. Contestants may buy these articles or sell them among their friends, and the person that sells the greater number will receive

The Beautiful Solitaire Diamond Ring

We take this opportunity of extending to our many friends and customers our best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. Our business during the past year, and especially just before the holidays, was very satisfactory, for which we are truly thankful.

THE RACKET STORE

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One (\$151.00) Dollars, and conveying an undivided 1-6 interest in said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, recorded January 27, 1893, Book 14, page 28, Houston County Deed Records.

(g) Deed of P. H. Horn to R. E. Matthews, of date May 29, 1891, reciting consideration of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars paid and conveying an undivided 1-6 interest in said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, recorded January 27, 1893, Book 14, page 430, Houston County Deed Records.

(h) Deed of Burke, Dupuy & Watkins to Goss, Shelton Hat Company, of date January 3, 1897, and conveying an undivided 1/2 interest in said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land.

(i) Certified Copy of Judgment of the Court in case Carrie Horn, by next friend, vs. W. L. Horn et al, No. 6426 on the docket of the District Court of Anderson county, Texas, rendered at the July Term 1901, and awarding to the Goss-Shelton Hat Company the said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land.

(j) Proof that Goss-Langenberg Hat Company is successor to Goss-Shelton Hat Company.

(k) Deed of Goss-Langenberg Hat Company to C. W. Kennedy, of date the 9th day October, A. D. 1913, conveying said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, recorded Book 70, page 289, Houston County Deed Records.

(l) Deed of C. W. Kennedy to W. D. Ellis, of date October 20, 1913, conveying said Charles Miller survey of 320 acres of land, recorded Book 69 page 235 Houston County Deed Records.

And plaintiff further alleging in his petition that on or about said date, viz: November 1st, 1913, the defendant unlawfully entered upon said premises, ejected plaintiff therefrom and now unlawfully withholds from plaintiff the possession thereof to his damage in the sum of One Thousand (\$1000.00) Dollars.

Herin fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return endorsed thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness John D. Morgan, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 13th day of November A. D. 1913.

John D. Morgan,
Clerk, District Court, Houston County Texas. Adv. 8t.



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PUBLICITY is not necessarily advertising. Publicity can be achieved in such a manner as to be harmful. Advertising can be done in such a way as to be worse than useless. The advertising that is successful must make and leave a good impression.

Thousands of people throughout the country object to billboard advertising. They are angered at disfigurements of a beautiful landscape, and if they remember the name of the article on the billboard it is with a feeling of resentment if not with the distinct resolve not to buy that particular object.

Circulars thrown into yards annoy neat householders. They give a bad impression instead of making friends. You would not expect good results from waking a man at 2 o'clock in the morning to tell him about the advantages of doing business with you, and you would not preface an argument for visiting your store with a slap in the face.

The billboard and the circular are often the equivalent of a slap in the face—not to every one perhaps, but to many. Why take chances of offending when the newspaper offers you an opportunity to reach possible customers cheaply, surely and quickly?

NEWSPAPERS OFFER MOST PROFITABLE WAY TO ADVERTISE.

America's New Year Message

FOR several years Uncle Sam has had the pleasant habit of sending New Year greetings not only to all parts of his own domains, but to the capitals of the leading nations of the world. The message is flashed out at exactly midnight, Washington time, and requires about ten seconds to go around the earth, since it has to be relayed several times.

The scheme for simultaneously greeting the peoples of all lands and climes is an invention of the officials at Washington, and in practice the electric greeting must, of course, set out from the naval observatory, which is the only time factory on our continent.

The message travels over 1,180,000 miles of wire and cable ere it returns in the space of one-sixth of a minute, to Miss Columbia's seat of government. Of this achievement in globe trotting an aggregate more than 350,000 miles, or nearly one-third of the journey, is traveled in the United States. To explain an apparent discrepancy it may be pointed out that, whereas the United States is only about 3,000 miles in width, it must be remembered that it is traversed by a perfect network of telegraph wires, and in the aggregate these represent the total given.

Whereas ten seconds are required for encircling the globe, only about one-fifth of a second is needed to carry the time signal to every point in the United States where there is a telegraph station.

After traversing our own continent it jumps across the Pacific to Uncle Sam's new possessions, and in the far east, owing to the fact that in the middle of the ocean the signal crosses the international date line, where each new year is born, it arrives in Manila on the afternoon of New Year's day to find our soldiers and sailors and the other Americans in the Philippines just finishing their New Year's dinner. Continuing on its flight it crosses Asia and Europe and thence traverses the Atlantic back to its starting point.

Although it takes such a short time to make its journey, the New Year greeting from Uncle Sam does not merely make a bee line around the globe. Instead it makes long "side trips" up and down the coast of Asia, digresses into India, shoots off to republics in South America and apprises them that their big brother of the north has not forgotten them; runs down to Egypt and South Africa to say "Howdy!" The signal reaches some parts of the world at unusual hours, as, for instance, its happening into Rome at 6 o'clock in the morning and at London an hour earlier, but at every foreign capital the arrival of the American message is acknowledged by the dropping of the time ball, the dipping of a flag, the booming of cannon or some other compliment to Uncle Sam.

The times at which Uncle Sam's

New Year greeting is received in various parts of the world are shown by the following table:

Washington	12 midnight
Chicago	11 p. m. New Year's eve
San Francisco	9 p. m. New Year's eve
Honolulu	7 p. m. New Year's eve
Midway Island	5 p. m. New Year's eve
Guam	3 p. m. New Year's day
Manila	2 p. m. New Year's day
Siam	1 p. m. New Year's day
Calcutta	11 a. m. New Year's day
Bombay	10 a. m. New Year's day
Mauritius	9 a. m. New Year's day
Aden, Arabia	8 a. m. New Year's day
Alexandria	7 a. m. New Year's day
Rome	6 a. m. New Year's day
London	5 a. m. New Year's day
Canary Islands	4 a. m. New Year's day
Eastern Brazil	3 a. m. New Year's day
Guiana	2 a. m. New Year's day
South America	1 a. m. New Year's day
Washington	12:10 a. m. New Year's day

PRETTY WATCH PARTY.

Suggestions For Novel Entertainment For New Year's Eve.

In order to give an appropriate party on New Year's day send out invitations for a "watch night" party or "remembrance" party. If you can sketch draw an hourglass, a Father Time or a clock face with the hands at midnight or the last leaf on the calendar with Dec. 31 done in scarlet. Ask each one to tell of the happiest day in the year that is past and in what month it happened. You may play cards, dance or "reminiscence," just as suits you best.

Have a cake with twelve candles, surrounded by a wreath of holly and mistletoe and the favors symbolic of the year's special days—for instance, a calendar for January, a cupid or heart for February, a kite for March, a tiny umbrella for April, a posy or bouquet or artificial flowers or a wee May pole for May, a doll bride or a basket of roses for June, a firecracker for July, a golf set or picnic basket for August, a bunch of grapes or a tiny wash tub for September, the latter signifying Labor day. Represent October with a wee jack lantern cut from an orange, a pumpkin or football for November, or a turkey, and for December a miniature Christmas tree. These articles could be procured in duplicate and be used to find partners, or they may be placed in a Jack Horner pie made to represent the face of a clock, red ribbons going to each plate.

Fortune nuts may be made by taking perfect English walnuts and removing the meats, inserting a narrow strip of paper bearing a pleasant prophecy for the coming season and then gluing the shells closely together. These may be gilded and passed at the table. A wise hostess who knows her guests well will be clever in making these forecasts just right.

FATHER TIME AT NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

A long time ago it used to be the custom to open the door a few minutes before midnight to allow the old year to make his exit and the new year his entrance. If you wish to add a dramatic finish to your party on New Year's eve have some one impersonate Father Time, keep it secret and have him enter and shake hands regretfully with each one. He must wear a long white beard, carry a scythe and hourglass and have on black satin breeches, silk hose and slippers—in fact, a Revolutionary costume is good to copy. As the hour strikes he waves a solemn farewell, and as the stroke finishes the white and gold glad new year enters, with garlands and favors for each, which are smilingly bestowed amid the cries of "Happy New Year!" All will circle round, singing "Auld Lang Syne."

Ended the Agony.

The late Count de Lesseps never seemed to lose sight of the education of his children, even in the smallest detail. One morning at breakfast a beautiful Dresden teacup was broken. "Ah!" cried the countess, "a disaster! Two more of that set will now be broken. It always happens so." "Are you so superstitious," asked the count, "as really to believe that two more will be broken?" "I know it." "Then let us get it off our minds." And, taking two of the cups by the handles, he dashed them together. The anger and dismay of the countess proved conclusively that she had not seriously held to her superstition. It also loosened any hold the absurd idea may have had on the minds of the children.

Lending a Hand.

Little Ella heard the cook say she was going to have green peas for dinner, so she went to the kitchen to offer her services in preparing them. While deeply engaged in this fascinating occupation, her brother came and wanted her to go and play with him.

"I can't go now," said Ella. "Cause I'm helping cook unbutton the peas."—Woman's Home Companion.

NEW ZEALAND IS FIRST TO CELEBRATE

1914 Will Arrive There Hours Before It Reaches U. S.

THE birth of a new year, as we are all aware, is variously celebrated, but how many people know the manner in which that momentous date is set? Do you know that the new year is really hours old before the bulk of the civilized world is able to celebrate it?

Priority in rejoicing over the event is actually given to the untutored inhabitants of the islands of the south Pacific. The first of the civilized world that will greet 1914 will be the people of faraway New Zealand. Sweeping westward, the change of date crosses Asia and then the old world of Europe and Africa before starting over the Atlantic to America. Onward it speeds at the rate of a thousand miles an hour until the first day of the new year dies away in the middle of the Pacific.

In the United States the idea of announcing broadcast over the land the birth of the new year originated with the officers in charge of the Naval observatory in Washington. Ten years ago it was suggested, that the telegraph companies dispatch at midnight from Washington a series of signals proclaiming the exact moment of the new year's beginning. The idea was taken up, and signals were sent out at midnight and at 1, 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning following in order that each great time division of the United States should receive its own appropriate midnight signal from the nation's capital.

Since the beginning of this service other telegraph and most of the cable companies have lent their co-operation, and signals are now sent covering both North and South America, all our colonial possessions, Australia, Japan and the principal nations of Europe. Some idea of the speed with which these New Year greetings are flashed from Washington to distant points can be gathered from the fact that it takes less than four-tenths of a second to reach the Manila observatory, five-tenths of a second to reach Lick observatory, California; 2.25 seconds to cover the distance between Washington and the coast survey station in Alaska (this includes relaying) and four seconds to let the Wellington observatory in New Zealand know that the new year has reached us after the celebration there has been hours old and folks are in bed.

Generals and Admirals.

The generals in chief of the army have been: Washington; Arthur St. Clair, March, 1791, to March, 1792; James Wilkinson, 1800 to 1812; Henry Dearborn, 1812 to 1815; Jacob Brown, 1821 to 1828; Alexander Macomb, 1828 to 1841; Winfield Scott, 1841 to 1861; George B. McClellan, Nov. 1, 1861, to March 11, 1862; H. W. Halleck, 1862 to 1864; U. S. Grant, 1864 to 1869; W. T. Sherman, 1869 to 1883; P. H. Sheridan, 1883 to 1888.

Esek Hopkins was the first commander of the navy, and Commodore Isaac Chauncey was ranking officer of the navy in the war of 1812. David G. Farragut was created admiral July 25, 1864; David A. Porter, Oct. 17, 1870; George Dewey, March 3, 1899. The last three are the only naval officers to hold the rank of admiral.—Magazine of American History.

AS DIES THE YEAR.

The old year knocks at the farmhouse door. October, come with your matron gazo. From the fruit you are storing for winter days. And prop him up on the granary floor. Where the straw lies thrashed and the corn stands heaped. Let him eat of the bread he reaped. He is feeble and faint and can work no more.

Weaker he waneth and weaker yet November, shower your harvest down. Chestnut and mast and acorn brown. For you he labored, and pay the debt. Make him a pallet—he cannot speak—And a pillow of moss for his pinched cheek.

He is numb to touch; he is deaf to call December, hither with muffled tread And gaze on the year, for the year is dead.

And over him lay a wan white pall. Take down the mattock and ply the spade, And deep in the clay let his clay be laid And snowflakes fall at his funeral.

Thus may I die, since it must be. My wage well earned and my workdays done.

And the seasons following one by one. To the slow, sweet end that the wise foresee.

Fed from the store of my ripened sheaves, Laid to rest on my fallen leaves And with snow white souls to weep for me. —Alfred Austin.

You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

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Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

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Sneffels, Col.—A. J. Walsh was badly done up with rheumatism and sent for Foley Kidney Pills which was the only thing that would cure him. Geo. Potter of Pontiac, Mo., was down on his back with kidney and bladder trouble and Foley Kidney Pills made him well and able to work. It is a splendid medicine and always helps. Just try it. W. A. King.—Adv.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS FOR BACKACHE, KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

WE take this means of thanking you for your many courtesies of last year, and wish you all a happy and prosperous 1914. May it be your best year from every standpoint. Promising all our patrons the very best service at our command, we ask for your 1914 business.

The McLean Drug Company
The Rexall Store

Local News.

Date it 1914.
A happy new year.
3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, at King's. It.
Miss Grace Denny left Sunday night for Groveton.
Miss Susie Hall visited friends in Palestine last week.
Will Eastham of Huntsville was here Christmas week.
Norris' candy is simply good as the best—King has it. It.
Roy Arledge was a visitor to Fort Worth last week.
Herman Howard of Grapeland was here Christmas day.
Miss Leita Lawrence visited in Tatum during the holidays.
Miss Thelma Ross of Bellville is the guest of Miss Myrie Haring.
A complete, up-to-date abstract. Aldrich & Crook. tf-adv
Miss Norma Frels spent her holiday vacation at home in New Ulm.
Mrs. Minette Satterwhite of Groveton visited friends here this week.
Miss Gladys Dupuy of Palestine is visiting Mrs. M. C. Dupuy in this city.
Matt Welch was a visitor to Palestine during the Christmas holidays.
Come to the special sale December 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8, at King's Drug Store. It.
Judge and Mrs. John Conley of Beaumont were visitors here last week.
Donald G. Moore of Beaumont visited his parents in this city last week.
Thomas Self has returned from a business trip to Houston and Fort Worth.
Miss Winnie Ellis of Lufkin is visiting Misses Ethel and Helen Phillips.
C. W. Shepherd of Dallas spent Christmas here with H. A. Fisher and family.
Phone 315 for anything in the building line; prompt delivery.—Box & Leediker. tf.
Less Than Half Price.
Gin, grist mill and shingle mill. In good condition. Easy terms. Hail and Wilson, Crockett State Bank. tf.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wootters and little daughter spent Christmas in Huntsville.
Mrs. George E. Darsey and children of Grapeland visited relatives here last week.
Miss Bee Denny will leave Sunday for Carthage to resume her duties as teacher.
An extensive addition is being built to the Hurt boarding house on Houston street.
Mrs. Huberta Nunn of Houston is visiting Mrs. D. A. Nunn and family in this city.
H. M. Smith of Weldon took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Edmiston.
Miss Reba Rich of Lovelady is being entertained by Misses Otice and Maude McConnell.
Mrs. Frank Harris of San Antonio is visiting relatives and friends in this city and county.
Miss Willie May Patton was at home from the University of Texas for the holiday festivities.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard and children of Grapeland visited relatives in this city last week.
The Pickwick Barber Shop for first-class work. Cleanliness our hobby. Hot and cold baths.—Adv
Joe John, a Houston county boy now living in Dallas, was shaking hands with friends here this week.
Ed Lockey, Alfred Parish and Howard Jordan, in school at Dallas, were at home Christmas week.
Ladies, the big piano, diamond ring and sewing machine contest is now on, get in it at the Big Store.—Adv.
New and modern fronts are being placed in the Page buildings on the east side of Court House square.
A. H. Wootters returned last week from San Antonio to be with his family during the Christmas holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Downes of Dallas spent last week with Mrs. Downes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Warfield.
Frank Craddock of San Antonio was here Sunday to attend the funeral obsequies of his mother, Mrs. H. F. Craddock.
Rooms for rent—house equipped with water, electric lights, telephone and bath. Apply at the Courier office for particulars. Rooms close in. tf.

Mose Bromberg of the Brownsville country was here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bromberg.

Let us figure on your lumber bill. Orders filled promptly and delivered to any part of the city. Phone 315.—Box & Leediker. tf.

Miss Elizabeth Howard of Houston came up Christmas day to take dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Howard.

Ladies, do you want a piano, diamond ring or sewing machine free? If so, enter the great contest at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.—Adv.

The D. A. Nunn chapter U. D. C. will meet with Mrs. D. F. Arledge Saturday, January 3, at 3 p. m. A full attendance is urged.

Miss Helen Phillipps, a Texas University student, spent the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Phillipps.

Armistead Aldrich and Henry Arledge Jr., attending school in Sherman, spent their Christmas vacation at home in this city.

The great \$500 prize contest is creating widespread enthusiasm. Contestants are entering every day at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.—Adv.

Miss Emma Carter of Sewanee, Tenn., Miss Gladys Dawes' visitor, will leave Sunday for St. Louis to resume her studies in art school.

The great \$500 prize contest at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's. is creating widespread enthusiasm. Contestants are entering every day.—Adv.

Mrs. Walker Hollingsworth, formerly of San Antonio, was in this city for a few days' visit last week before going to Los Angeles, Cal., to live.

DeDaine's Music Store sells the Free Sewing Machine—insured against fire, floods, cyclone or breakage of any and all parts for five years. Adv.

Arthur Thomas and Sonley and Alton Lemay, students of the University of Texas, were at home with their parents during the holiday season.

C. H. Tabb, W. H. Edwards, Dr. S. T. Beasley, A. H. Wootters and J. C. Wootters are some of our friends remembering the Courier since last issue.

James Crawford of Fullerton, La., D. J. Cater of San Antonio and J. A. McClain of Kennard Route 2 are among Courier subscription renewals since last issue.

Miss Helen Cannon, who is teaching at Mission, in the Rio Grande valley, was at home Christmas week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cannon.

T. D. Cruce of Route 6, Mrs. Oliver Daniel of Carthage and F. B. Webb of Corpus Christi are among the number remembering the Courier since last issue.

Cary Spence had to have an arm amputated recently on account of blood poison. He received an injury to his hand about a week before that resulted in the blood poison.

A \$350 piano, a \$100 diamond ring and a \$50 sewing machine absolutely free to the three ladies receiving the highest number of votes in the big contest at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.—Adv.

Trappers caught two wild cats on Hurricane bayou, two miles north of Crockett, recently. The cats, which were killed in the traps, were exhibited in Crockett and were of immense size.

Will Lend Money on Real Estate
or take up your note and give you a lower rate of interest. We will buy your land or find a buyer. See or write Hail & Wilson, Crockett State Bank building, Crockett, Texas. Adv.

Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

Warfield Bros.

Office North Side Public Square. CROCKETT, TEXAS

Stray Mules.

Two mules—one a brown mare mule and the other a sorrel—have been taken up by Tom Bryant, five miles south of Crockett. Mules must be identified and all costs paid before release. tf 1t*

Sam H. Kyle of Durant, Okla., paid the Courier a call Tuesday. The Courier is glad to know that Sam is doing well in the Oklahoma law practice. He has been spending the holidays with relatives and friends in this county.

A freight wreck near Latexo Monday night delayed the north-bound passenger train at Crockett about eight hours and the south-bound about six hours. Both trains left Crockett at half past four Tuesday morning.

New Lumber Yard.

We handle everything in the building line; rough and dressed lumber, mouldings, shingles, brick, lime, cement, crushed rock, gravel, sewer pipe, etc. Box & Leediker. tf.

Hail & McLean, who have been operating two livery barns since buying out Smith Brothers, will operate only their barn on Main street after January 1. Ike Lansford will move his blacksmith and wagon repair shop into the other building.

C. L. Grounds of Valley Mills, Bosque county, in sending his subscription renewal to the Courier, writes: "Time after time my thoughts go back to bygone days, and I think of friends who live in the county in which I was raised. Things pass swiftly here."

Notice.

Mr. J. W. Arledge wishes to notify his friends and the public in general that he has severed his connection with the Crockett Steam Laundry and will resume his agency with the Ineeda Laundry of Houston, and will call for your bundles as usual on Monday and Tuesday mornings. He will make a specialty of shirts, collars, ladies' shirtwaists, dry cleaning and dye work. Ring 159 when you need him.—Adv. tf.

The pastors of the churches have agreed to hold prayer-meetings next week, beginning Monday night at the Presbyterian church, at 7:30; Tuesday night at the Methodist church, Wednesday night at the Baptist church, Thursday night at the Christian church, and Friday night at the Methodist church.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank our friends in and out of Crockett for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during the illness and at the death of our dear mother and wife. Words fail in a full and proper expression of our gratitude.

Adv. H. F. Craddock and Family.

Cotton Ginning Statistics.

According to the report of J. R. Sheridan, special agent for the national government, there were 28,698 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1913 prior to December 13 as compared with 29,861 bales ginned prior to December 13, 1912. Doesn't look much like a crop failure, does it?

Stray Colts.

Strayed or stolen from the range on Tyler creek three mare colts—one black, 3 years old; one blaze-face brown, 2 years old; one dun or roan, 2 years old. No brands. Will pay \$25.00 reward for delivery at my place 10 miles southeast of Crockett on Pennington road.

John B. Satterwhite, 2t* Crockett Route 5.

Almost, But Not Absolutely, Sold Out.

I will have a five days' special sale beginning Saturday morning, January 3, lasting through the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, on all cut glass, hand painted china, dolls, books and all left over holiday goods. I will make a sacrifice price on all articles. With each dollar purchase I will give a nice cup and saucer as long as they last, and also serve you with something hot to drink. Come to the sale and see how cheap you can get something nice. Yours to command, 1t. King's Drug Store.

After the First of January

We will have all our livery and feed business in our building in front of the old jail. We have about two cars of horses and mules for sale cheap.

HAIL & McLEAN

Telephone 319

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V. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be printed for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

The tariff has been revised, the currency question is soon to be settled, but the question of bad roads—the greatest of them all—is still with us.

If it is impractical to build the gravel roads, then grade them, giving the proper drainage, and after this is done, apply the split log drag. Continue the use of this appliance and it will be shown that the more it is used the smoother and firmer the road will become.

Peter Radford, in discussing modern facilities for the farm, said: The telephone is one of the most profitable business agencies that the farmer can employ. It affords him facilities for keeping in constant communication with the market, provides a sitting room for the community where the families can assemble and discuss the events of the day without the inconvenience of travel or loss of time, and in sickness and emergencies, it renders a divine service. The farmers should encourage the building of telephone lines. Local co-operative companies can be formed and country lines built at small expense.

NEWSPAPERS BEST FOR BANK ADS.

Mr. Horace Anderson, advertising manager Title Guarantee and Trust company, New York, in a recent talk before the Bank Publicity association, made the following remarks regarding newspaper advertising:

"In my opinion the standard newspapers are the best medium to accomplish results. I mean just what I say—the standard newspapers. For the purpose of making a general impression I do not believe in using the religious or the business or trade publications, the theatrical or the funny papers, the fraternal, the financial or the local society papers, nor do I believe in using programs or billboards. These all have their use in the proper time and place, but not for the purpose of making a general, lasting impression.

"My reason for this is as follows: Every man who is likely to have money enough for a bank deposit reads a newspaper. He may not read the same paper every day, and some days he may read no paper. He may not read it with equal attention each day, but some time each day it is his intention to spend some time with one of the standard newspapers.

"If you advertise once a week in all of the standard newspapers ultimately you will reach that man. At first he will not be conscious of your advertisement at all. The first effect of your advertisement will be on his subconscious self. The advertisement will have an effect on him without his knowing it. At a later time it will penetrate to his subconscious self and in time may affect him to such an extent that he will begin to look for it and will take a definite, decided interest in it.

"It is your object to make a mental photograph on that man's mind that gradually will inspire him with an interest and a desire to use your bank. By the use of the newspapers continually you are sure to accomplish this result.

"Therefore it is unnecessary to

attack the man on any side line, such as his religious side, or his business side, or his amusement side, or the society side. You are only spreading your ammunition unnecessarily. If you do get him both times by using both papers you are really duplicating your advertisement, for if you get him the first time through his newspaper it is not necessary to get him the second time through another paper. It will be infinitely better to increase the number of advertisements in the standard newspapers than to try to reach the man from another standpoint as well as this one.

"The amount of space you use and the number of times you advertise vary according to the size of the bank and the amount of money that you want to spend. It is my advice that you say something in each one of the advertisements.

"I believe in using plenty of white space. If you are going to use fifty lines, single column, I think you will get better results, for the purpose of making a general impression, if you do not use more than 100 words in this space than you will if you use 200 words. I repeat that I think you ought to say something in every ad. The publication of your name, your address, your capital and surplus and the names of the officers and directors is all interesting to brother bankers, but does not influence the general public one-half as much as we think.

"There was a time when any kind of advertising seemed to pay, but nowadays, when things are so expertly done, the use of brains has become almost as important as the use of money."

Mail-Order Ten Commandments.

The following ten commandments are offered for the guidance of catalog house patrons:

1. You shall sell your farm products for cash whenever you can, but not to us. We do not buy from you.
2. You shall believe our statements and buy all you need from us, because we want to be good to you, although we are not personally acquainted with you.
3. You shall send the money in advance to give us a chance to get the goods from the factory with your money; meanwhile, you will have to wait patiently a few weeks, as that is our business method.
4. You shall apply to your nearest city to aid you in building good roads so you can conveniently get the goods from the depot, for we do not build country roads.
5. You shall buy church bells and church fixtures from us and forward the money in advance, for this is our business method, and you shall collect from the business men in your vicinity as much money as you can for the benefit of your churches as it is against our rules to donate for building country churches.
6. You shall buy your tools from us and be your own mechanic in order to drive the mechanics from your vicinity, for we wish it so.
7. You shall induce your neighbor to buy everything from us, as we have room for more money—the less money there is in your community, the sooner we can put your local merchants out of business and charge you any price we please.
8. You shall look often at the beautiful pictures in our catalog, so your wishes will increase, and so you will send in a big order, although you are not in immediate need of the goods, otherwise you might have some money left to buy some necessary goods from your local merchant.
9. You shall have the merchants who repair the goods you buy from us book the bills so you can send

the money for his labor to us for new goods, otherwise he will not notice our influence.

10. You shall, in case of sickness or need, apply to your local dealer for aid and credit, as we do not know you or care to.—Inland Grocer.

Covered With Gold, Gypsies Arrive.

Strange dark-skinned people of no nation and of a race of wanderers called Gypsies have been arriving in Galveston from Vera Cruz, driven to this country by the Mexican revolution. In all there are perhaps 100 persons in the band which is coming to this country. They are a band of coppersmiths and are wealthy enough to have shown the immigration authorities upwards of \$300,000 in gold.

Members of the band are of a very unusual type. They are much above the Gypsies ordinarily seen in the United States. They have visited many countries and speak the languages of all that they have visited. Besides Mexico, they have visited Russia and many other European nations. They intend to pass through the United States, with Canada as their final destination.

The chief is a man probably of 45 years. The picturesqueness of a patriarch of olden times is the first quality that calls attention to him. He wears a heavy beard, after the fashion of the followers of Israel.

His dress is most extraordinary. He wears a black uniform made from fine cloth. The trousers are covered to the knees by high boots. Down the sides of the trousers are strips of red, blue and green. His coat is decorated with figures in black braid. On each side of the front of the coat is a row of perhaps a dozen heavy silver bells. On his vest there are similar rows.

The women of the band are as unusual as the chief. Over their colored dresses they wear broad belts of gold, some of them as much as six inches in width. The belts are made of gold coins linked together by chains of gold. In their ear lobes are golden ear rings and on their fingers are costly rings.—Houston Chronicle.

New Year Greeting to School Children.

I hope you have had a fine time during the holiday vacation. Kiss big sister and brother goodbye—let them go away to their schools. Come to yours with a glad handshake and howdy-do to your teachers and school mates, be happy the whole year, study hard, make good grades, be good girls and boys. And listen, don't forget your tablet, pencil, penstaff and pen rulers, erasers, crayons, blotters, inks, book straps, music rolls and school bags. I have all these things for you and want you to ask mamma and papa to let you come get them at King's Drug Store. It.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers. Adv.

The "Mischief Quartette" and Its Work.

Each year the month of January numbers its list of victims from influenza, la grippe, bronchitis and pneumonia. The prompt use of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will check the onset of a cold and stop a cough, preventing the development of more serious conditions. Keep it on hand. W. A. King.—Adv.

New Year Greetings!

We thank each and every one of our friends and customers for the liberal patronage given us during the past year and respectfully solicit a continuance of the same during the year 1914. We sincerely wish you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Chamberlain & Woodall
The VAL DONA Store

For the Home Town

If the town has a lot of vacant stores, idle factories, mills running on half time, there can be no substantial value to property. Therefore, to keep the stores rented, the dwellings occupied and a general good tone to property values it is necessary that you give to your home people your entire support. Parronizing mail order houses is not altogether limited to poor people or to farmers or to people who do not know the hurt they are doing the home town, but it is a common practice among certain well-known, well-to-do men. I believe this is more the result of thoughtlessness and of being misled by embellished and highly exaggerated descriptions than through a spirit of antagonism to the home merchant. Moreover, I firmly believe that when you think over this matter seriously and carefully, analyzing it in every detail, hereafter you will give your home merchant your trade.—Modesto (Cal.) Evening News.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

"I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have

used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

A Happy New Year To All Our Friends

We extend you the compliments of the season—assuring you of our appreciation of the patronage given us the past year and respectfully solicit your business for 1914.

Crockett Steam Laundry

H. R. Mills, Mgr. Phone 314

New Year Greetings

We are largely what we are because of the loyal support of our many friends and patrons and we trust that in the future we may expect, as we hope to deserve, a continuance of this spirit of friendship, loyalty and co-operation. At this time, therefore, we desire to extend appreciative thanks and most cordial New Year greetings to all our friends and patrons.

J. D. Woodson
Grocer