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Roswell, N. M., Dec., 2, 1907. W. E. GILLILAND, EDITOR STAR, BAIRD, TEXAS.

DEAR SIR :--- 1 see in THE STAR of the 28th, that you are in a predica-Baird. I also see that you suggest the idea of calling a mass meeting payer of your town I feel an interest in the welfare of the town and its prosperity in a financial way and its general prosperity and growth. But intellectual power the more they greater still is the developement of should be able to live with few laws. the intellectual training of the rising If education means more laws, let us have a mass meeting to consider that a false philosophy that the more we as being highly in favor of collect- they are of self-government." ing the tax. Would further state that I favor the collection of the full Democratic sermon is a dozen lines. 53 cts. Of course, if the people generally refuse to pay the tax and there is no way of making them pay, I would not voluntary jump in and advance mine. Very truly yours,

Central West Texas Commercial Club.

S. L. OGLE.

Texas:

ship while each succeeding monthly interest and enthusiasm.

It now appears to be an accepted more of real benefit and assistance toward legitimate agricultural development and industrial progress for sure that he is subject to fine and ever before attempted.

Our next meeting will be held in Cisco, Texas, on Tuesday December roads traversing this part of Texas.

It is the earnest desire of the Association that every town and city in this part of Texas be represented in the coming convention, that the people as a whole may more forceably realize the fuli character and scope of the work intended.

The Dallas News, Ft. Worth Texas Newspapers will each have for the country as a whole and es. too much, --- Waco Times-li crald. pecially something good for your own particular locality.

> POWELL, Pres. О. Р. Тномая, Secy.

Complaints about bad roads comes from every portion of the county. The late rains fell slowly which thoroughly soaked the road beds and caused the wheels to cut deep ruts which, together with the rough, uneven surface cut up by travel while and dried quickly makes the exceedingly rough A few log drags and road rollers would in fine on such roads, but then too busy talking Bailey, pro-

party can a thousand times better af- part about it is that the good-natur. ford to be defeated while fighting ed "faddist" and even those who for its principles than to succeed by pretend to be Democrats and to be surrendering its principles," said he ment in regard to the school tax in and so it is. Senator Bailey added: government, have committed them-"I am one of those old-fashioned Democrats who believe the world is of intolerant spite and bullphippery to see if you can collect the tax, or governed too much, and I am tired that comes of a savage human nature what arrangement you can make in of regulating everything by law, that would lord it over others whenregard to the matter. Being a tax from table manners to the length of ever it is permitted to do so. The a bed sheet. A fat statute book is a first thing for a free people to do, if sign of national decay. The more they would remain free, is to beware the people grow 'n education and ingeneration. I will say, if you do have less education. I denounce as or even a Judge on the bench. subject that you may put me down educate our children the less capable ranny .- State Press in Dallas News. This is nothing less than a masterful It is the apostles's doctrine.-Gal-

TIS NEITHER BIRTH NOR WRALTH, NOR STATE, BUT

veston-Dallas News. We give our cordial indorsement to what The News has said in the above. The curse of our county is meddlesome legislation. This is true in both Nation and State. Take the National Government. It meddles with trade rights and thus creates the oppressive trusts. It de-To the Financial, Commercial and nies to the States the privilege of Agricultural Interests of West creating a State bank currency. These are sample measures of op-

Gentlemen: The Association of pression on the part of the federal Central West Texas Commercial authority. Here in Texas we have Clubs is steadily growing in member. sought to regulate everything under the heavens. Our legislators have meeting shows increased attendance, acted on the assumption that the people are a lot of children who must be looked after with tender sofact that this movement promises licitude lest they get their feet wet and eatch cold. The ordinary citizen of good intentions can't make

our great section than any movement possibly the penitentiary unless he gets in a cage and stays there. Will a free people submit indefinitely to this sort of thing? Will they go on 17, 1907 for which occasion special choosing faddist to make their laws? rates have been secured on all rail. Senator Bailey uttered a great truth when he declared that "a fat statute book is a sign of national decay. And we agree with him most heartily when he says "if education means more laws, let us have less education." It is a great pity that the members of the Thirtieth Legislature were not imbued with such sentiments Unless a reaction comes; unless we Record, Star and Telegram, as well have a lean statute book; unless we as a number of the Central West are willing to trust the people with their own concerns, we may be sure special representatives in attendance that enterprise will halt and that tury. This is as high a tribute as on the meeting, and you are invited hypocrisy will be a prevalent malady to come prepared to say a good word Truly, truly, the world i- governed

The Timee-Herald is quite right and duly generous in setting it down as the fault of 'faddist." because the "faddist" have their full part in it, and some of them go about their

work of regulating everybody else with the very best intention. Their hearts are kind. The trouble is in their heads. But their are others. Human nature is not only conceited. put it is intolerant, combative and tyrannical. The vicious desire to lord it over, to clean up with a bullwhip somebody who refuses to conform, to utilize even the power of legislation, self-opinionated Jeffreys on the bench, the stocks, the jail, the penitentiary and even the gallows der to bring others around with

Senator Bailey indulged in some a sharp turn-such is the underlying wise and timely saying in his speech purpose of certain of our modern at San Antonio. "The Democratic masters in politics. The strange devoted to the institutions of free selves in some instances to that scrt of the tyrant in authority-whether he be a maker of laws to oppress others, a ruler with power of his own seeking to walk over the people, Beware of the very appearance of ty-

> They told us in 1893 that the fear of depreciated silver money caused the county court, and my executive the panic. Does any one believe ability tried. I shall bow humbly this now? Well hardly, as there was no more reason to fear a depre. mary. With profound respect, I am ciated currency under Cleveland than yours truly, under Harrison. The trouble dated back into Harrison's administration and no doubt the panic would have come just the same had Harrison been elected. What will the wiseacres. say about the panic now? No one to the people of Baird, and especially feared a depreciated money; we have had an unprecedented era of prosperity; most all commodities are high; labor well paid, and all at once we butt right into a panic unawares and probably without a parallel in the history of the country, though some claim the panic of '57 was similar- Rascally manipulation of great financial institutions by our so called "Captains of industry" probably has even better than we have in the past old and respected citizen of Eastland more to do with the panie than anything else. Graft and greed for "godless gold" is the curse of the age and at the bottom of this panic.

Judge J. T. Hammons, of Eastland, announces in this issue for try to promote the best interest of District Judge. More than thirty years ago we first knew him as a country school teacher at Desdemonia and he was a good one. Later he moved to Eastland, studied law and was admitted to the bar. In a memorable and bitter campaign he dian, who has been so popular with was elected county judge over Judge Black, "made good" and was reelected. Judge Hammons has been defeated in his asperations at times, "The Slow Poke." Mr. Patton is but he always had the loyal support one of the few high-class comedians of a majority of the people of his home precinct-those who have His first real success was "The known him for a quarter of a cencould be paid any man, and is one which will commend his claims to the favorable consideration of the voters of the 42d Judicial District.— Breckenridge Democrat.

Most of the Bailey organs say Bailey will not be an issue next year. Bailey himself, talks different. He has threatened the political extinction of every politician in best, and local theatregoers will look Wilson's Meat Market sign board. Texas that opposes him. No other forward to this as one of the real Pat was arrested. construction can be put upon his treats of the season, and the engage-Austin speech. He may change his notion about this, as he does sometimes.

Confidence is worth more than gold, silver, greenbacks, bank notes or money of any kind. Ninty-eight per cent of the business of the country is done with paper. Destroy up. I need the money to meet my obligations. H. H. RAMEY

Judge Hammons Announces. To the Voters of Eastland, Stephens, Callahan, Shackelford and

Taylor Counties: Judge at the July Democratic prima. Angelo's most popular young ladies.

In 1892 I was endorsed by a full Democratic county convention of my county for that office without a dissenting voice. By some strange fatuity the district convention was never called or I would have been nominated, no doubt, and elected. At the general election following my name was on the ticket of some of the then seven counties in the district, and my opponent was elected. I am emboldened to say that my competency cannot be questioned, having been near twenty-nine years an active practitioner of law, six years of which I was on the bench of dancing.-Stiles Journal. to you for your support in the pri-J. T. HAMMONS.

Eastland, Texas,

NOTICE.

MR. EDITOR: Please let me say to the Methodist, that I will always be glad to see them at the Methodist church, attending our services. My work will be efficient in proportion to the cooperation of the people ceive any other benefit from the I am glad to say that my reception schools. has been cordial-all that heart could wish, and we have made a good start. Let us not only continue to do well, but let us determine to do May I not look for a good attendance from time to time? I have one request to make: If I preach anything you don't like please let me know it first, and I think we can ad. portant office faithfully, creditably just the matter between us. I shall and inpartially. the people in all I do.

J. H. CHAMBLISS.

W. B. PATTON. COMING.

W. B. Patton, the peculiar comeour local theatregoers since his first expense. Price \$10 per acre. appearance here, will be seen this 52 season in his newest Western play, capable of writing his own plays. got into trouble. Pat and N. Circle Minister's Son." He appeared in and Pat went after a shot-gun and the title role of this play over one thousand times from coast to coast, Mahan's Music Store. He threw and has since written "The Little Homestead," "A Sly Old Fox," to take back what he had said about "Royal Rags", "The Last Rose of him, Pat. T. E. Powell was stand-Summer", "When We Were Friends" ing nearby and grabbed the gun and and "The Slow Poke", which is pro- threw it up. H. F. Foy was nearby nounced by critics to be the newest, and came to his assistance, and they brighest and best western play seen took the gun away from him or got in years. Nothing has been spared him to go away. He went down the to make this a little better than the street and shot a hole through Butch ment here is announced for Saturday December 14.

PAY UP.

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Long time-Low rate of interest Vendor's liens notes bought, taken up and extended. B. L. RUSSELL at First National Bank

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CUTBIRTH_RODGERS.

News reached here last Friday of the marriage of Mr. G. C. Cutbirth of this place to Miss Etta Rodgers. I am a candidate for District of San Angelo. The bride is of San The groom is one of Stiles prominent young business men. They arrived here Thursday night at nine o'clock at the home of the grooms parents where a large crowd of friends and relatives were awaiting their arrival.

Immediately after their arrival congratulations were extended, then the door leading into the dinning room was opened and the guests were ushered to a long table filled to overflowing with delicious eateables, After refreshments were served som time was spent in the parlor thence to the skating rink where the rest of the evening was spent in skating and

Cleve Cutbirth has many friends in Callahan county who with THE STAR extend to him and his bride congratulations and good wishes.

We call attention to a communication from S. L. Ogle in this issue. Mr. Ogle believes good schools will enhance the value of his property here and favors the bond and school tax. Mr. Ogle is a shrewd business man and is more than willing to pay the tax because he believes it will help the town and make his property more valuable though he will not re-

We call attention to Judge J. T. Hammon's announcement for District Judge. Judge Hammons is an where he has lived for many years. If the people should honor him with the office his friends are confident he will discharge the duties of that im-

FOR SALE.

East half of the McManis Ranch on Pecan Bayou. About 400 acres, 100 acres tillible land, 25 acres in cultivation. Plenty of water, good pecan timber and good three room house. Can fix to irrigate at small MCMANIS BROS.

Pat Murphy made a gun play last Friday night on Market Street and had had a few words prior to this found Circle in front of C. H. the gun down on Circle and told him

R. J. Harris, of Admiral, was in town Saturday and renewed his subscription to THE STAR for the twentyfirst year for him. Among those who have been regular subscriber for twenty years and who renew aga for the 21st year last week were Joh Laird, Ed Coppins, John Couch 's Phillip Tost.

Big Ad.

We call attention to the double page ad of B. L. Boydstun. This is as large an ad and the handsomest ever published in the county. Jim Walker, foreman of THE STAR office, deserves credit for his artistic skill displayed in getting up the ad. A fine lot of large display type and border was purchased especially for this ad and used for the first time. "B. L." is putting on a "Rock Bottom Sale" to begin tomorrow morning. Read the ad and note prices. Several thousand circulars were printed from the ad before it was published in THE STAR.

Cotton Receipts.

Cotton receipts this week up to

date have been good; 125 bales Monday; 137 Tuesday; 78 yesterday. Price yesterday 11 to 11.50.

DEATHS.

Mrs. M. J. Arvin, wife of A. J. (Nuff) Arvin, died at her home near Cottonwood last Saturday. We extend sincere sympathy to our old friend and his children in their hour of sorrow.

Births.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Barphill Nov. 27th, a boy.

Work on the Home National Bank building is progressing nicely this week. They are now well up into the second story with the brick work. This will be the handsomest business house in town when completed. It certainly is a great contrast to the old ramshackle wooden building that stood so long on one of the best business corners in town.

Miss Chambliss came up from Cisco to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Chambliss

Miss Jennie Harris spent Thanksgiving with Baird friends.

Henry Pratt, of Stamford, spent Thanksgiving in Barrd with friends.

Little Miss Florence Austin, of Olyde, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. A. G. Webb.

Frank Miller and wife returned from Waco Friday

Mrs. Joe Harris, who came up from Ft. Worth to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tisdale, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. T. B. Keblinger, of Eagle Cove, was shopping in Baird Friday.

Rev. Joiner, the new pastor of the Baptist Church, has moved with his family to Baird from Cisco.

L. D. Boyd spent Sunday with his

uncle, Dr. Thaxton, at Eula. Miss Bernice Foy has returned

from Stamford.

Cyrus Bowmann was down from Clyde Sunday.

T. E. Thornton of Abilene, spent Sunday with friends in Baird.

A Good Ending

Old people are especially prone to

BURIED NEAR JASPER. Remains **Revolutionary Was**

Hero Interred In Texas. Austin, Nov. 30.-The Daughters of the American Revolution decided to meet at Gainesville next year. Mrs. Snyder of Houston was re-elected Snyder of Houston was re-elected state regent. Mrs. Swayne of Fort Worth was elected vice regent. Other present officers were re-elected, there being no cont-st. Reports were read from sixteen chapters in Texas, showing a total membership of over 100, which is more than that of the Ohio division. It was disclosed during the meeting that the grave of a Revolutionary hero named Stephen Williams is located near Jasper. Beaumont chapter will mark his grave.

CLEVELAND WRITES LOVE. Invites Commissioner to Attend Meet

ing of Life Insurance Presidents. Austin, Nov. 30 .- Insurance Com missioner Love, has received an auto graph letter from former President graph letter from former President Cleveland inviting him to attend the first annual meeting of the Associa-tion of Life Insurance Presidents to be held at New York city Dec. 6. Mr. Love said that would be impossible for him to attend. The writer says that among the subjects to be dis-cussed will be the proper method of valuation of fixed term securities held by life insurance companies; also dis-tribution of surplus considered with tribution of surplus, considered with special reference to statutory limita-tions of contingent reserves.

TRICE RESIGNS.

Vice President of International Soon to Retire.

St. Louis, Nov. 30 .- Leroy vice president of the International and Great Northern Railway company, has tendered his resignation effective Jan. 1. Horace W. Clarke, brother of Vice President Clarke of the Missouri Pa-clfic-Iron Mountain system, will suc-ceed him. Mr. Trice took this action after a conference held at New York with President George J. Gould.

"HERE GOES NOTHING."

Blew Off the Top of His Head With a Shotgun.

Appleton, Wis., Nov. 29.—"I have lived thirty-six Thanksgivings, and ful for, so here goes nothing."

That was the note left by Joseph Meislin, proprietor of the Manitowoo hotel, who blew off the top of his head with a double-barreled shotgun. Before committing suicide Meislin or-dered all of the boarders out of the place, telling them that he intended quitting the hotel business.

SPECTACULAR SUICIDE.

After Shooting Himself In Heart Calls

Family to See Him Die.

Chattanooga, Nov. 29 .- A special to the Times from Lafayette, Ga., says: John Massey, a farmer near here, shot himself with a Winchester rifle the bullet piercing the heart. After he had shot himself he placed the gun against the house, took off his coat and called to his family to witness what he had done. He then expired.

COSTLY CUTTING.

Deed of Negro Gives Him Ten Years In the Penitentiary.

Lufkin, Tex., Nov. 30 .- Sam Veas. who cut Mr. Butler, a section foreman, with a knife a few days ago on acof trouble that arose over the count negro refusing to go to work, was given a trial in the district court here, and the jury returned a verdict giving him ten years in the penitentiary.

CAR OVERTURNS.

C. C. Gibson Killed and Five Other Passengers Injured.

Fort Worth, Nov. 29 .- A Polytechnic electre car jumped the track on a curve and overturned. In attempting to get out of a window Charles C. Gib-son, a railway mail employe, was crushed to death and five other passengers injured.

bers dynamited the rafe of the Now Franklyn bank, rankacked the vaults and escaped with \$4,000 in coin and currency.

Short Wages, Short Shovels. Bedford, Ind., Dec. 2.—Because their wages were cut 2 1-2 cents per hour angry laborers at a quarry have cut their shovels two and a half inches

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Thirteen Cars Ditched.

Omaha, Tex., Dec. 2.-Thirteen freight cars were ditched near here. Nobody was hurt.

Three Drown.

Amoy, China, Dec. 2.—A launch from the German cruiser Arconia col-lided with a native boat off the Ling Tow jetty. One German and two na-tives were drowned.

Two Killed, Six Injured.

Chicago, Dec 2.—In the store of Eidenheimer, Stein & Co. an eleva-tor fell ten stories. Two persons were killed and six injured.

Succumbs to Injury. Houston, Nov. 29.—Ed Reilly, who had his head crushed at Humble, died at an infirmary here.

Postoffice Robbed.

Palo Pinto, Tex., Dec. 2.-The postoffice at Oram, this county, was robbed of \$100.

Williamson County Goes Anti.

Georgetown, Tex., Dec. 3.-With three small boxes to hear from anti majority is 275 majority is 375.

Slew Four Bears.

Ashland, Wis., Nov. 30-In the pineries William Markmiller slew four bears.

All the new cloaks at Schwartz' Prices absolutely the lowest.

Mrs. Northup, Quincy, Ill.

Mothers should be greatful to know of a remedy for their own stomach, bowel and liver troubles as well as for those of their children. Mrs. Alice Nortup of Quincy Ill., after trying many methods is free to admit that that the best one is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which she uses herself and gives to her family. have never had anything to be thank- This grand laxative and tonic is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you want to try it before buying, send your name and address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., 119 Caldwell Bldg-, Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

> Prof. Smith, Prof. Settle, Misses Pearl Birmingham, Maude Austin, Stella James, Jennie Beck Bonham, teachers in the Baird Public Schools actended the Teachers' Institute at Big Springs last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Fenbee of Tennessee.

The stomach is such an easy organ to get out of order. One is troubled with it in the form of indigestion, another constipation, another heartburn, flatulency, etc. Mrs. Fenbee of Cumberland Furnace, Tenn., suffered for seventeen years from sour stomach. Natually she tried "everything," and she says nothing ever benefited her until she took Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and that cured her. It is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you want to try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1 a bottle.



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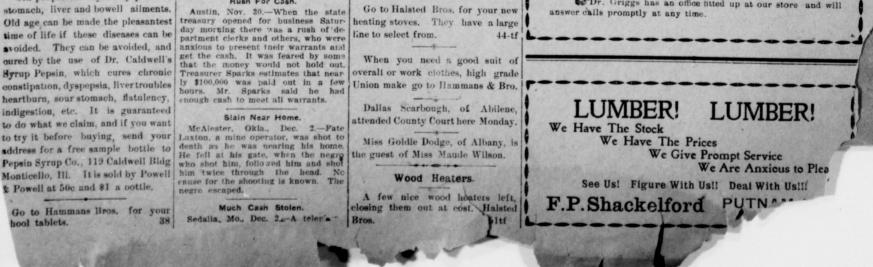
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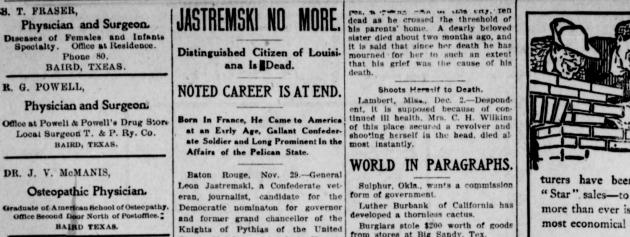
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States, died here of paralysis. He was States, died here of paralysis. He was one of the most prominent makers of gulf states history. He was sixty-four years old and a native of France. When once formerly a candidate for governor he was defeated on a plat-form embodying the reforms upon which all candidates for governor are making their fight in the present cam-paign.

making their fight in the president paign. Mr. Jastremski was appointed con-sul to Callao, Peru, by President Cleveland in 1893. He rose from a private to a captain in the Louislana troops in the Confederate army and was prominent in state militla work. Both senate and house adjourned at the o'clock Friday morning until 8

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AGA'NST RACING

Prominent Clergyman Inaugurates a

Crusade In Louisiana. New Orleans, Nov. 30 .- In his Thanksgiving day sermon at Trinity Protestant Episcopal church the pastor, Rev. Dr. Beverly D. Warner, inaugurated a crusade against racing in Louislana, declaring that it is ruin-ing the morals of her citizens, and that

there should be no juggling with the issue. Race track gambling, by prom-inent New Orleans men, and perform-ances which he charges as "vile and lewd" were the subjects of his ser-Attorney - at - Law Dr. Warner is one of the most prom-inent Episcopal ministers in the south, and his church here is one of the most fashionable in the city. He has also held charges in Philadeiphia and else-

During the yellow fever epidemic here two years ago he headed a citi-zens' committee which undertook to stamp out the pest. IN COMPANY' FAVOR.

United States Supreme Court Desides

an Interesting Case.

Washington, Dec. 3-The suprem court of the United States decided the case of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company vs. Marcus K. Bit-

Railroad company vs. Marcus K. Bit-terman and others, involving the right of defendants to engage in scalp-ing tickets of the sailroad company, in favor of the company, the decision being handed down by Justice White. The suit was originally instituted by the railroad company in the United States' circuit court for the Eastern district of Louisiana, which was asked to enjoin Bitterman and other scalp-ers from dealing in non-negotiable re-duced fare tickets of the Louisville and Nashville.

FRENCH ACQUITTED.

Ends One of the Most Noted Kentucky Feud Cases.

Lexington, Nov. 29 .- A special from Beattyville, Ky., says that the jury in the case of B. Fulton French, accused of compileity in the assassination of James B. Marcum, returned a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out forty-time refuter.

BARREL STAVE PLANT

One to Be Establish Eight I'lles From

Fort Towson. for barrel staves. A plant will be erected in the woods to saw up the timber. The plant will be put in and started to operating at the beginning of next year

Bills by Texans.

Bills by Texans. Washington, Dec. 3.—Following bills were introduced in the house by Tex-as members: By Moore, for sub-treasury at Houston; by Garner, re-serve city in Texas, without designat-ing city; by Henry, for 2-cent inter-state passenger fare. Mr. Henry said he paid \$9 less for his trip to Wash-ing by buying three tickets and re-checking his baggage than if he had bought a through licket.

Serrew Causes Brother's Death. Monterey, Mez., Dec. 2.--Vial Lo

Burglars stole \$200 worth of goods from stores at Big Sandy, Tex.

In a street car collision at Atlanta five passengers were seriously hurt. Nancy Hanks, the former famous trotter, sold at New York for \$1,500.

Two rangers confiscated some whis ty near Alvord, Wise county, Texas ky Twelve miles from Caddo, Okla., W. Askew had a foot cut off by a L train

Guadalupe Montez, a Mexican boy, drowned near Brownsville, Tex., in a lagoon

A Frenchman expects soon to flash photographs across the Atlantic ocean by cable.

Union rice mill at Crowley, La. was sold at auction. It was bid in by the Crowley State bank.

Santa Fe depot at Tecumseh, Okla., was destroyed by fire. A minstrel show car also burned.

Paris, Tex., school children celebrated Thanksgiving by planting trees on the high school grounds.

The Union Central Life Insurance company of Cincinuati will continue to do business in Texas.

to do business in Texas. At a negro dance i-ear McAlester, Okla., Will McNary and a woman were seriously wounded. The Gordon Country club of Paris, Tex., has received from Salem, Ore., four steel duck hunting boats.

Practorian building at Dallas is to be ready for occupancy March 1, says superintendent of construction. be

At Johnson County (Texas) Poul-try association show, held at Cleburne, nearly 400 fowls were exhibited.

Walter Carr, a young man, found in a dying condition at the railway passenger station in Ardmore, died. in Three negroes, while walking along the Southern rallway near Lynchburg, Va., were struck by a train and were killed.

Lee Cooper, for 'ifteen years a por-ter on the Iron Mour tain railway, died at Texarkana from the effects of car bolic acid.

Rev. F. J. Mundy, pastor of the Sec-and Presbyterian church of Dallas, has accepted charge of a church at Los Angeles.

A wagon bridge, to cost \$13,500, is to be built across the Brazos river be-tween Glenrose and Cleburne, in Somervell county, Texas.

A farmer near Brazil, Ind., drew \$500 out of a bank and buried it in a hog pen. The porkers dug up the cash and tore it into bits.

Complaint has been made against W. E. D. Stokes, proprietor of the An-sonia hotel, New York. He is charged with kteping hogs and geese on his roof.

Tony Sasbini, four years old, fell from the root of a five-story New York building into a push cart loaded with bananas. The little fellow was not badly hurt.

At Pensacola, Fla., Thomas and J. 5, Graham, naval store operators of outh Alabama, were convicted of eonage. Jim McCants, a négro, was compainent B. south peonage. Ji complainant.

After making four attempts at sui-cide—by poison, knife, blows on head and eating powdered glass—Charles Scarlock of Glenrose, Tex., has been adjudged insane.

D. T. Dewell, a dealer at Pawhuska Okla. Okla., in dry goods, millinery and clothing, has filed a bankruptey peti-tion. Assets are placed at \$30,000 and habilities at \$20,000.

Three Lost Their Lives

Plaquemine, La., Dec. 2.—A gaso-line launch containing eleven persons, while making a sharp turn in a small bayou near here upsct. Joseph Tre-pagnier, its owner; Joseph Landry and Moses Blumenthal drwonde. The oth-ers escaped by swimming to shore.

Convicts Burned to Death.

Little Rock, Ded 2.—Two convicts, Dad Ware and Albert Bunch, were burned to death in a fire which de-stroyed a stockade at the state con-vict farm in Lincoln county. During the excitement three other convicts escaped.

Catholic Priest Burned to Death. Covington, La., Dec. 2.—St. Jo-seph's academy, monastery, church and convent burn. Rev. Joseph Buck was roasted to death.

Fell Overboard and Drowned. Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 2—Two men drowned in St. Francis river. Frank McAffery fell from a pier here and John Peer fell overboard near Doctor's Lake.



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rive minutes. The acquittal of French ends one of the most noted feud trials in the Kentucky mountairs. Judge James Hargis, Edward Callahan, former sher-iff of Jackson, who were charged with being implicated in the murder, have also been acquitted.

Fort Towson, Okla., Nov. 30 .- W. B. Williams and associates, S. G. Holland and Pitt Henslee of Nashville and Dickson, Tenn., have purchased the timber on 6,000 acres of land east of here, and will cut the white oak on it

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of THE STAR, which has continued under the same management without change since the day it was founded twenty years ago. - We have only misssed one issue in all that time that in January 1888. How many papers in Texas can say this? Through good times, bad times, panics, drouths, rain or shine, hot or cold, sickness, breakdowns, bursting boilers, (had two slight accidents of the latter) THE STAR has come out regularly every week. We have made many mistakes but in looking cause of good schools. back over the past twenty years we would not change the main policy of THE STAR if we had to tracel over the same road again. We have always tried to publish a fair and impartial paper. On public questions our readers know THE STAR never straddles the fence. Some times, perhaps, we use rather blunt words to express our thoughts. but if we believe a thing is a humbug we say so; if we do not endorse the views of the biggest man in the country we say so. We ask no odds of any one politically or otherwise. Some say we are too independent. We can't help it we were born that way and have no apologies to make in that line. In politics THE STAR has been democratic, as allour readers know, but no man or set of men living or dead have ever been able to dictate the policy of THE STAR except the owner and editor who writes his own editorials.

One thing we can truthfully say and it is this; we have never knowingly wounded the feelings or injured any one by anything published in the paper. Many things have Callahan County leads all others in perhaps, that the present owners

All things come to him who waits Baird is going to build that school house-some day-somehow. Anyhow the pros carried the Jonah

precinct in Williamson County, if they did lose the County. Senator Bailey probably found out

that young Cowart was not so easily defeated as he imagined, hence decided not to oppose him, after announcing that he was inclined to do so. Cowart was elected to a Clerkship allowed the Democrats.

A constitutional amendment will be submitted to the people of Texas With this issue we begin Vol. 21 at the next general election permitting a majority in place of twothirds vote to adopt a school tax, and to make the maximum rate fifty cent in place of twenty cents as at present. The amendment ought to carry and if the people of Texas are afive to their own interest it will. Here is a real live subject that is of vital interest to the people of Texas and the press of Texas ought to keep the matter before the people. Some who are tearing their pants over prohibition might use a part of their surplus energy in helping along the

> Senator Danial is right. Many things have gotten into the National Democratic platform of late years that sound strange to old time democrats. Senator Bailey uttered a great truth at San Antonio when he said, "The Democratic party can a thousand times better afford to be defeated while fighting for its principles than to succeed by surrendering its principles." Let us quit catering to the disgruntled elements in the country and stand squarely for old time Democracy. Let Hearst and his disgrantled crowd go to hades where they belong. We have followed the party flag to national defeat six time out of eight since we were old enough to vote and would prefer. to continue to do so batteling for old time democratic principles than to purchase success by surrending one single Democratic tenet or endorse one of the confounded new fads that seem to be so popular with a lot of cracked-brained politicians.

Baird people are paying all the way from \$7:50 to \$9. per ton for to be published that some times coal hauled from Oklahoma while causes pain but we never maliciously there is every reason to believe there following sandidates for office subdid this and never will. Many a is plenty of coal right under the good news item where it could be con- town. Geologist say it is here. We sistently be done has been left out know that there is a four inch vein because it would injure some one. of Cannel coal only 18 feet below We have worked for what we believed the surface, yet we cannot get up to be the best interests of Baird and enough interest to sink a shaft a tew Callahan County and we believe the hundred feet to find out whether or work has not been in vain. Take not the coal is there in a paving the Connty and we have the most law quantity. We prefer to haul our abiding people in Texas, the Court coal three to four hundred miles and records prove it. If THE STAR had pay three prices for it when perhaps been as vicious as its enemies some- we have the finest coal in Texas a times claim this state of affairs might few hundred feet below our streets. have been different. THE STAR has A coal vein three to five feet thick always upheld the laws, though not would be worth thousands of dollars always endorsing all of them; it has to Callahan county. We believe the tried to advance the educational in- coal is there, but the only way to terests of the County; improve the prove it is to sink a shaft, but men morals of the public; worked for who own the land, the ones most ingood roads and honest Democratic terested, seem to be indifferent. government. May you all continue Sometime someone will hunt for the to prosper in every good work until coal down there and make a fortune,



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FOR DISTRICT JUDGE." 42d District composed of the counties of Callahan, Eastland, Stephens

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not prepared, but they fooled the years ago. So, like Bell, Williamson The First National Bank of Baird Capital Stock \$50,000.00 If we are strangers to you, call and let us get acquainted,

If it turns out that the Baird In. formed. This thought made the sides put up a magnificent fight and the pros seemed to have the best of it as it was believed the antis were unless the Supreme Court reverses no assurance that others would not bretheren by swinging old William- the decision of the Court of Civil have done the same thing. Whethson back into the anti column by a Appeals; with anything like a full er correct or not many who favor the larger majority than it went pro two rendition the District can build a ff. school and bond tax believe that teen a fifteen thousand dollar school whatever is gained will be at the end became disgusted with local option house and maintain the schools with of a law suit as any tax paver has

dependent School District can only trustees loath to ask for any change levy 20 cents (the higher courts so in the law after it was adopted, as after a two years trial. Taylor the largest town in the county went over-tax say they will bring other suits to and no kind of an agreement can of

good schools and good roads. We are not quite keeping pace with other not cost a great deal to try it. Why counties in the latter. Let us, in renot do it now.

viewing the past, resolve to have schools and better roads. better United we can do anything, divided we retrograde. This applies as much o one town or community as another Ve need to wake up on the road and chool question. We are doing fairweil, and THE STAR would not sinuate that we are not doing anyaing in these lines, but we can do ttdr. Good roads and good hools make a people great, pros. rous and contented.

the pros potted Potter county sday by 30 majority.

could secure. At any rate it would whelmingly anti. The provote fell

So the pros lost every county fight nally that the District is legal and Williamson, Witchita and Tom last week. They carried the Coolege even if they hold we cannot levy the Green counties all went wet last week precinct in Limestone county dry be- amout of tax voted this year, tax-The hardest fight was made in fore we believe. The result is a net payers can vote a twenty cent tax Williamson County, which had been dry since 1895. The antis intended to have an election next spring but it is reported the pros got up a petition and had the election ordered. Leaves of time weith the struck to the second the prosent spring but it is reported the prosent spring but its pring the prosent spring but its pring the prosent spring but its pring the prosent spring the pring the petition and had the election ordered Texas. In course of time with prothat is serious enough as it will crip-The best pro speakers in Texas, per regulations and higher licenses ple the schools badly. If any mostly preachers, canvassed the most of the larger towns will pro- kind of a reasonable compromise mostly preachers. canvassed the county. The antis also had the best speakers they could get. The cam-paign was red hot and all joint de-bates were called off on account of the ill feeling engendered. Both mostly preachers, canvassed the

and prevent the collection of the tax bind every one. It is an unfortun off nearly one third in that town and The people cannot prevent suits be. ate state of affairs, but how can the antis show a corresponding gain. ing filed, but if the Court holds fi- be helped?

CHURCH BAZAAR. The ladies of the Methodist Church cakes and pies in Mr. Mahan's build to see the ladies before buying Christmas presents. They wil

something suitable for man, and child. Buy your Chris

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w erect, every fibe and expectant.

fn song! A great ilkily mellow voice; y, not to say ghostly from the heart of this stone and iron. The Faust, too! How the soared again with in-of sound! What per-I stood there, a ess! as far as I knew, art beating hard and

ny hunger. Med upon one of my Had Romance sud as a coquette some For a space I knew Then, with a shrugen accused of lacking ried once more, by the to locate a bell. There nothing; and the beat ng crop on the panels of or would have been as feather. I grasped the or opened without so Be d into the hallway, which

rful voice went on. hands outstretched. Sup mped into something! forward, another and an ug my erop in a half cir-vacancy. I took another vacancy. I took another ne in the direction of the tarted back with a smoth-Bang-ang! I had run into armor, the shield of which d to the stone floor. As I ed, I am not a coward, but ould do to keep my le stirrup-weary, anyhow ing under me

died. All over that great ructure not even the reas o of a cricket! I stood per What the deuce should I As I formed thi my mind a draft of wind the door shut. I was in for nough; I was positive that I ver find that door again. nothing to do but walt, and straining ears. Here were s inhabitants-they might be lists, conspirators, counter-

knows how long I waited. heard a laugh, light, infec-less! Then I heard a voice,

go: in mercy's name, don't You may be killed! I had actually heard a

eak my native tongue ense, Betty! I am not afraid

ghost that ever walked, rode oate

st? It may be a burglar!" Steinbock! We shall find noth-Dr Steinbock!

ing but a rat, bugling about in r." The laughter came again. not afraid, Betty?" di

cautious. But how can you A rat?" cried a voice rather at?" eried a voice rather "Why, they are as big as

But arrant cowards."

one of these voices spoke Eng as its birthright; the other spoke an accent, that is to say, by adop-. Into what had I fallen? Whither hunger brought me? n to learn.

There came a faint thread of light one side of the hall, such as may loned to that which filters under por-sil. Presently this was followed y the sound of jangling brass rings, heavy velvet portiere—which I, being in darkness, had not discovered-slipped back. My glance, rather blind was first directed toward the flame the candle. Then I lowered it-

of the candle. Then I lowered it— and surrendered for ever and for ever! I beheld two faces in profile, as it were, one side in darkness, the other tinted and glowing like ancient ivory. we wanderings and they have been pia I ho my

"That is my affair, sir. I have f right here, now and at all times." Her voice was cold and authoritative. There is an inn six miles farther down the road; this is a private resi-dence. Certainly you can not remain have ever ploth " here over night.

"Six miles?" I echoed dismally. "Madam, if I have seemed impertinent, pardon me. I have been in the saddle six hours. I have ridden nearly 30 miles since noon. I am dead with fatigue. At least give me time to rest a bit before taking up the way again, a bit before taking up the of my en-I admit that the manner of my en-trance was informal; but how was I to know? There was not even a to know? There was not even a knocker on the door by which to make known my presence to you." The truth is, I did not want to go at once. No one likes to stumble into an adven-ture-enchanting as this promised to be-and immediately pop out of it. An idea came to me, serviceable rather than brilliant. "I am an American. My German is poor. I speak no French. I have lost my way, it would seem: I am hungry and tired. To ride six miles farther now is a physical im-possibility; and I am very fond of my horse."

"He says he is hungry, Gretchen," said the English girl, dropping easily into the French language as a vehicle but I simply could not help telling that he; I didn't want to go; and they "Basides" might be conspirators.) "Besides," went on the girl, "he looks like a gentleman.

We can not always tell a gentleman Gretch in the candle-light," replied hen, eyeing me critically and shrewdly and suspiciously.

As for me, I gazed from one to the other, inquiringly, after the manner of one who hears a tongue not under-

"He's rather nice," was the English ght's comment; "and his eyes strike me as being too steady to be dishon-est."

I had the decency to burn in the ars. I had taken the step, so now I could not draw back. I sincerely hoped that they would not exchange any em-barrassing confidences. When alone women converse upon many peculiar topics; and conversing in a tongue which they supposed to be unknown to me, these two were virtually alone. "But, my dear child," the other re-

turned argumentatively, "we can not offer hospitality to a strange man this night of all nights. Think of what is to be accomplished."

(So something was to be accomplished? I was right, then, in deceiv-ing them. To accomplish something ing them. on a night like this, far from habita-

tion, had all the air of a conspiracy "Feed him and his horse, and indertake to get rid of him before that detestable Steinbock comes. Besides, he might prove a valuable witness in drawing up the papers

(Papers?)

"I never thought of that. It will not do to trust Steinbock wholly." Gretch-en turned her searching eyes onco more upon me. I confess that I had some difficulty in steadying my own. There are some persons to whe can not lie successfully; one of them But I rather fancy I stood before me. But I rather fancy I passed through the ordeal with at least half a victory. "Will you go your way after an hour's rest?" she asked, speak "Will you go your way ing in the familiar tongue

"I promise." It was easy to make this promise. I wasn't a diplomat for "Follow me," Gretchen commanded

briefly. (Who was she? What was going

on?)

We passed through the gloomy salon. salon. A damp, musty odor struck my sense of smell. I was positive that the castle was uninhabited, save for this night. Three candles burned on the mantel, giving to the gloom a myste-The room oom, richly rlous, palpitating effect. The beyond was the dining-room, paneled in wine-colored mahogany. This was better; it was cheerful. log crackled in the fireplace. Th A There were plenty of candles. There was a plano, too. This belonged to the cas-There was a

The this gentleman's horse to the stables and feed him," said Gretchen. "You will find the animal by the gate." With a questioning glance at me the old fellow bowed and made off.

I sat down, and the two brought the various plates and placed them within reach. Their beautiful hands flashed before my eyes and now and then a sleeve brushed my should

der. "Thank you," I murmured. "I will eat first, and then make my apologies." This remark caught the fancy of Gretchen. She laughed. It was the same laughter I had heard while stand ing in the great hall.

Will you drink tea, or would you prefer to finish this Bordeaux? asked pleasantly.

"The wine, if you please; otherwise the effect of the meal and the long hours in the wind will produce sleep iness. And it would be frightfully dis-courteous on my part to fall asleep in

my chair. I am very hard to awake The English girl poured out fi wine and passed the goblet to me. the touched my lips to the glass, and bent my head politely. Then I resolutely proceeded to attack the pheasant and ham. I must prove to these women that at least I was honest in regard to my hunger. I succeeded in causing a formidable portion of the food to dis appear.

And then I noticed that neither of the young women seated herself while ate. I understood. There was no nostility in this action; nothing hostinty in this action; hotning formality. They declined to sit i presence of an unwelcome stra thus denying his equality from clal point of view. I readily accep-this decision on their part. Th didn't know who I was. They sto conscious by the Grandice and camp The together by the fireplace and carried on a conversation in low tones.

How shall I describe them?-lder of the two, the one who see The to possess all the authority, could not have been more than 20. Her figure was rather matured, yet it was dellcate. Her hair was tawny, her skin elive in shade and richly tinted at the cheekbones. Her eyes, half framed by thick, black-arching brows, remind-ed me of woodland pools in the dusk of the evening,-dapths unknown, cool, refreshing in repose. The chin was resolute, the mouth was large but and brilliant, the nose posshapely shapely and brilliant, the nose pos-sessed the delicate nostrils character-istic of all sensitive beings—that is to say, thoroughbreds; altogether a con-fusing, bewildering beauty. At one oment I believed her to be Latin, at the next I was positive that she was Teutonic. I could not discover a single weak point, unless impulsiveness shall be called weakness; this sign of

impulsiveness was visible in the lips. The other-well, I couldn't help i It was Kismet, fate, the turn in the road, what you will. I fell heels over road, what you will. I fell heels head in love with her at once. She was charming, exquisite, one of those delicate creatures who always appear in enchantments; a Bouguereau child grown into womanhood, made to fit the protecting frame of a man's arms. Love steals into the heart when we least expect him; and before we are aware, the sly little god has unpacked his trunk and taken possession!

Eyes she had as blue as the Ægean sea on windy da, s, blue as the cloud winnowed sky of a winter's twilight, blue as sapphires—Irish eyes! Her hair was as dark and silken as a plume from the wings of night. (Did I not say that I had some poetry in my sys-tem?) The shape of her mouth-Never mind; I can recall only the mad desire to kiss it. A graceful figure, a proud head, a slender hand, a foot so small that I wondered if it really sman that a wondered, if it reality polsed, balanced or supported her young body. Tender she must be, and loving, enclicial rather than erect like her authoritative companion. She was describe adorable.

All this inventory of feminine charms was taken by furtive glances, sometimes caught-or were they taking an inventory of myself? Presently my appetite became singularly submissive. Hung feeding of Hunger often is satisfied by the feeding of the eyes. I dropped my napkin on the table and pushed back chair. My hostesses ceased con-

"With you- kind permission," said 1 scefully. I hadn't had a smoke in four hours.

I owned a single good cigar, the last of my importation. I lighted it and blew forth a snowy billow of heavenly aroma. I know something about hu-man nature, even the feminine side of it. A presentable young man with a roll of aromatic tobacco seldom fails to win the confidence of those about him. With that cloud of smoke the raw edge of formality smoothed down. "Had you any particular destina-tion?" asked Gretchen.

"None at all. The road took my fancy, and I simply followed it." "Ah! that is one of the pleasures of dataset is a superserve the belowing the

riding-to go wherever the inclination bids. I ride." We were getting on famously.

"Do you take long journeys?" I inquired.

"Often. It is the most exhilarating of sports," said the Enchantment. "The scenery changes; there are so many things that charm and engage our interest: the mountains, the wa-erways, the old ruins. Have you ever whistled to the horses afield and watched them come galloping down to the wall? It is fine. In England--" But her mouth closed suddenly. She was talking to a stranger.

I love enthusiasm in a woman. It colors her checks and makes her eyes sparkle. I grew a bit bolder. It

"I heard a wonderful voice as I ap-oached the castle," said I.

Gretchen shrugged.

"I haven't heard its equal outside Berlin or Parls," I went on. "Parls," said Gretchen, laying a neat little trap for me into which my conceit was soon to tumble me. "Parls is a marvelous city."

There is no city to equal it. Inas much as we three shall never meet again, will you not do me the honor to repeat that jewel song from Faust?" Mv audacity did not impress her in the least.

"You can scarcely expect me to give a supper to a stranger and then sing for him, besides," said Gretchen, a chill again stealing into her tones. "These Amoricans!" she her companion in French. she observed to

I laid aside my clgar, approached the piano, and sat down. I struck a few chords and found the instrument to be in remarkable good order. I played a Chopin "Polonaise," I tinkled Grieg's "Papillon," then I ceased.

That is to pay for my supper," I explained.

Next I played Le Courier, and when I had finished that I turned again, ris That is pay for my horse's suping

For, 1 said. Gretchen's good humor returned. "Wheever you are, sir," her tone no longer repellent, "you are amusing. Pray, tell us whom we have the honor to enterstata?" to entertain

"I haven't the vaguest idea who my stess is,"-evasively. "It is guite out of the question. You

are the intruder

'Call me Mr. Intruder, then," said I. It was, you will agree, a novel ad-repture. 1 was beginning to enjoy it

"Who do you suppose this fellow " Gretchen asked. "He says he is an American, and I

believe he is. What Americans are in Barscheit?" 'I know of none at all. What shall

e do to get rid of him?" All this was carried on with un-

studied rudeness. They were women of high and noble quality; and as I was an interloper, I could take no exception to a conversation in a lan-guage I had stated I did not under-stand. If they were rude, I had acted in a manner unbecoming a gentleman. Still, I was somewhat on the defen-sive. I took out my watch. My hour was up

I regret that I must be "," I said fully. "It is much pleas er here ruefully. "It is much please er here than on the road." "I can not ask you to remain here

You will find the inn a very com ort-able place for the night," was Gretch-en's suggestion.

"Before I go, may I ask in what manner I might serve as a witness?"

th.anguage you speak of witnessed of papers, of the coming of a man you do not trust. It looks very much like a conspiracy." I gathered up man

do not trust. It looks very much lifts a conspiracy." I gathered up mrs gloves and riding-crop. I believed that, I had extricated myself rather well. "This is my castie," said Gretchen, gently shaking off the warning hands of her companion. "If I desire to op-cupy it for a night, who shall gainsay, me? If I leave the latches down, that is due to the fact that I have no one the is due to the fact that I have no one to is due to the fact that I have no one to fear. Now, sir, you have eaten the bread of my table, and I demand in know who you are. If you do not tell me at once, I shall be forced to con-fine you here till I am ready to leave." "Confine me!"---nonplussed. This was more than I had reckoned on. "Yes." She reached ont to strike

"Yes." She reached out to strike the gong. (I can not be blamed for surrendering so tamely. I didn't know that the old servitor was the only man around.)

am the American consul at Barscheit."

The two women drew together insinctively, as if one desired to pro-tect the other from some unknown calamity. What the deuce was it all about? All at once Gretchen threast aside her friend and approached. The table was between us, and she rested, her hands upon it. Our glances met and clashed.

"Did the duke send you here?" abe

"The duke ?" I was getting deeper than ever. "The duke?" "Yes. I am the Princess Hildegard."

CHAPTER III. The Princess Hildegards of Bar-scheit! My gloves and riding-crop alipped from my nerveless fingers to the floor. A numbing, wilting sensa-tion wrinkled my spine. The Princess Hildegarde of Bascheit! She stood Hildegarde of Bascheit! She stood opposite me, the woman-ought I not to say girl?-for whom I had bean seeking, after a fashion, all these took the duchy by the ears, every now and then, and tweaked them! princess herself, here in this lonely, old castle into which I had so caro-lessly stumbled! Romance, enchant-ment! Oddly enough, the picture of The ment! Oddly enough, the picture of her riding a bicycle flashed through my brain, and this was followed by another, equally engaging, of the hus-sar who rode cross-country, to the horror of the conservative e

"The Princess Hildegarde!" I mm mured stupidly. "Yes. I have asked you a question,

sir. Or shall I put the question French?"-ironically. "Was it duke who sent you here?" tion in

There was a look in her superb eyes which told me that it would have been to her infinite pleasure to run a sword through my black and vil sword through my black and v inous heart. Presently I recover lainous heart. With forced calm I stooped and col-lected my gloves and crop.

Your highness, what the deuce ha the duke to do with my affairs, or a with his? As an American, you would scarcely expect me to meddle with your private affairs. You are the last person in the world I thought to meet this night. I represent the United States in this country, and though is am inordinately young. I have an quired the habit of attending to may own affairs."

From the angry face in front of m I turned to the dis mayed face







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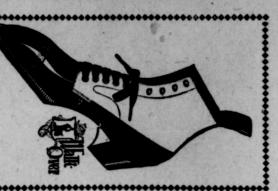
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CHAPTER I. It is rather difficult in these days for a man who takes such scant interest in foreign affairs—trust a whilom diplomat for that!—to follow the continual geographical disturbances of European surfaces. Thus, I can not distinctly recall the exact location of the Grand Duchy of Barscheit or of the neighboring principality of Dopkinn. It meets my needs and pur-es, however, to say that Berlin and pelkinn. poses, however, to say that solve, and Vienna were easily accessible, and that a three hours' journey would bring you under the shadow of the bring thing range where, in my diplo-Carpathian range, where, in my diplo-matic days, I used often to hunt the "bear that walks flike a man."

Barscheit was known among her sis-er states as "the meddler," the 'maker of trouble," and the duke as "Old Grumpy"-Brummbar. To use a familiar Yankee expression, Barscheit had a finger in every pie. Whenever there was a political broth making whether in Italy, Germany or Austria Whenever whether in Italy, Germany or Austria, Barsceit would snatch up a ladle and start in. She took care of her own affairs so easily that she had plenty of time to concern herself with the af-fairs of her neighbors. This is not to advance the opinion that Barscheit was wholly modern; far from it. The fault of Barscheit may be traced back to a certain bliscrical willar of salt to a certain bistorical pillar of salt, caslly recalled by all those who at kended Sunday school. "Rubbering" is a vulgar phrase, and I disdain to use it.

When a woman looks around it is invariably a portent of trouble; the man forgets his important engagement, and runs amuck, knocking over people, principles and principalities. If Aspasia had not observed Pericles that memorable day; if there had not been an oblique slant to Calypso's eyes as Ulysses passed her way; if eyes as Ujysses passed her way; if the eager Delilah had not offered fa-vorable comment on Samson's ring-lets; in fact, if all the women in his-tory and romance had gone about their affairs as they should have done, what uninteresting reading history would be to-day!

Now, this is a story of a woman who looked around, and of a man who di-not keep his appointment on time did out of a grain of sand, a mountain. Of course there might have been other Of course there might have been famil-causes, but with these I'm not famil-

This Duchy of Barscheit is worth looking into. Imagine a country with telegraph and telephone and medieval customs, a country with electric lights, looking into. railways, surface cars, hotel elevators and ancient laws! Something of the customs of the duchy must be told in customs of the duchy mass the passing, though, for my part. I am-visorously against explanatory pas-hereachedit sages in stories of action. Barscheit bristled with militarism; the little man always initates the big one, but lacks the big man's excuses. Mili-tarism entered into and overshadowed the solid laws the civic laws.

the civic laws. There were three things you might do without offense: you might bathe, eat and sleep, cally you must not sleep out loud. The citizen of Barschelt was hermingd in by a set of laws which had their bight in the dark dungeons of the lowing time. They conscaled the had their blyth in the dark dungeons of the inquisition. They congealed the blood of a man born and bred in a commercial country. If you broke a haw, you were relentlessly punished; there was no mercy. In America we make laws and then hide them in dul-looking volumes which the multic here looking volumes which the public have neither the time nor the inclination to read. In this duchy of mine it was different; you ran into a law on every things you can do are not worth

hang in the doing. As soon as a per rson learned to read he or she began life by reading these s. If you could not read, so much worse for you; you had to pay a the

the worse for you; you had to pay a guide who charged you almost as much as the full cost of the fine. The opposition political party in the United States is always howling mili-tarism, without the slightest idea of phot militarism really is. One side photon different states are shown an officer when an offi the consequent

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ar "THE DAN ON THE BOX" HEARTS AND MASKS" ETC. sage or said cub neutenants—Than all the magistrates put together. How they used to swagger up and down the Konigsstrasse, around the Platz, in and out of the restaurants! I remember doing some side-stepping my-self, and I was a diplomat, supposed to be immune from the rank discourte-sies of the military. But that was early in my career.

In a year not so remote as not to be readily recalled, the United States packed me off to Barscheit because I had an uncle who was a senator Some papers were given me, the per mission to hang out a shingle reading "American Consul," and the promise of my board and keep. My amuse-ments were to be paid out of my own pocket. Straightway I purchased three horses, found a capable Japanese valet, and selected a cozy house near valet, and selected a cozy house near the barracks, which stood west of the Volksgarten, on a pretty lake. A beau-tiful road ran around this body of wa-ter, and it wasn't long ere the officers began to pass comments on the riding of "that wild American." As I detest what is known as park riding, you may very well believe that I circled the lake at a clip which must have opened the eyes of the easy-going officers. I grew quite chummy with a few of grew quite chummy with a few of them, and I may speak of occasions when I did not step off the sidewalk as they came along. A man does more toward gaining the affection of foreigners by giving a good dinner now and then than by international law. I gained considerable fame by my little dinners at Muller's rathskeller, under the Continental hotel.

Six months passed, during which I rode, read, drove and dined, the actual labors of the consulate being cared for by a German clerk who knew more about the business than I did. By this you will observe that diplo-

macy has degenerated into the gentle art of exciting jaded palates and of scribbling one's name across pass-ports; I know of no better definition. F forget what the largess of my office

Presently there were terrible ings. The old reigning grand duke desired peace of mind; and moving de-terminedly toward this end, he declared in public that his niece, the young and tender Princess Hildegarde, should wed the Prince of Doppelkinn, should wed the Prince of Doppeldinn, whose vineyards gave him a fine in-come. This was finality; the avuncu-lar guardian had waited long enough for his willful ward to make up her mind as to the selection of a suitable husband; now he determined to take a hand in the matter. And you shall see how well he managed it.

It is scarcely necessary for me to state that her highness had her own ideas of what a husband should be fike, gathered, no doubt, from execra-ble translations from "Ouida" and the section Miss Bradion. A girl of 20 gentic Miss Bradion. A girl of 20 usually has a formidable regard for romance, and the princess was fully up to the manner of her kind. If she could not marry romantically, she re-

fused to marry at all. I can readily appreciate her nucle's perturbation. I do not know how many perturbation. I do not know how many princelings she thrust into utter dark-ness. She would never marry a man who wore glasses; this one was too tall, that one too short; and when one happened along who was without vis-fble earmarks or signs of being shop-worn her refusal was based upon just --Because!'--a weapon as invincible as the fabled spear of Parsifal. She had spurned the addresses of Prince Mischler, laughed at those of the Count of -------- (the short dash indicates the presence of a hyphen) and General Muerrisch, of the em-peror's body-guard, who was, I'm sure, peror's body-guard, who was, I'm sure, good enough—in his own opinion—for any woman. Every train brought to the scottal scotta suffer a consonated, hyphenated name and a per gree as long as a bore's idea, runny story. But the primers did care for pedigrees, that were so

pedigrees. But were squint-ewigged. One and all of cast aside as unworthy her ion. Then, like the ancient take turned. She should eyed or bow-lo them she case considerati worm. ppelkinn, who; having no the honors in his castle

do the honors in his holly agreeable. Prince of Doppelkinn reigned the neighboring principality. If bood in the middly of it and were aball player you could throw a across the frontier in any direc-ball player you could throw a across the frontier in any direc-ball they ineyards were among nest in Europe. The prince was owef, and among his own people effectionately styled "der Rot of which, I believe, designates an insted probasels. When he wasn' as for rainbow trout he was sleep in his cellars. He was often miss the monthly reviews, but, no



just as well sleep in his cellars as in his carriage, for he never rode a ho if he could get out of doing so. He was really good-natured and easy-going, so long as no one crossed him se-verely; and you could tell him a joke once and depend upon his understand-ing it immediately, which is more than I can say for the duke.

Years and years ago the prince had had a son; but at the tender age of three the boy had run away from the castle contines, and no one over heard of him again. The enemies of the prince whispered among themselves that the boy had run away to escape that the boy had run away to escape compulsory military service, but the boy's age precladed this accusation. The prince advertised, after the fash-ion of those times, sent out detectives and notified his various brothers; but his trouble went for nothing. Not the elicitate trace of the her would be slightest trace of the boy could be found. So he was mourned for a season, regretted and then forgotten; the

son, regreted and the grape arbor. I saw the prince once. I do not blame the Princess Hildegarde for her rebellion. The prince was not only old; he was fat and ugly, with little. elephant-like eyes that were always vein-shot, restless and full of mischief. were always He might have made a good father, but I have nothing to prove this. Those bottles of sparkling Moselle which he failed to appose of to the American trade he gave to his brother in Barrier and the set of the se in Barscheit or drank himself. He was 68 years old. A nephew, three times removed, was He

A nepnew, three times removed, was waiting for the day when he should wabble around in the prince's shoes. He was a lieutenant in the duke's body-guard, a quick-tempered, heady chap. Well, he never wabbled around in his uncle's shoes, for he never got the sheets.

e chance. I hadn't been in Barscheit **a** week I hadn't been in Barscheit a week before I heard a great deal about the princess. She was a famous horse-woman. This made me extremely anx-ious to meet her. Yet for nearly six months I never even got so much as a glimpse of her. Half of the six months she was traveling through Austria, and the other fail she kept out of my way, —not intentionally; she knew nothing of my existence; simply, fate moved us about blindly. At court she was in-variably indisposed, and at the first court ball she retired before I arrived. I got up at all times, galloped over all roads, but never did I see her. She rode alone, too, part of the time. The one picture of her which I was

The one picture of her which I was incky enough to see had been taken when she was six, and meant nothing to me in the way of identification. For all 1 knew 1 might have passed her on the road. She became to me Princess in the Invisible Cloak, pass-ing me often and doubtless deriding my efforts to discern her. My curiosity became alarming. I sleep for the thought of her. I couldn't er. Finally we met, but the meeting was a great surprise to us both. This meeting happened during the great hubbub of

which I have just written; and at the same time I met another who had great weight in my future affairs. The princess and I became rather well acquainted. I was not a gentle-man, according to her code, but, in the historie words of the drug clerk I the historic words of the drug clerk, I do not with a frank, disinterosted (cndship, which still exists. I have t among my fading souvenirs of plomatic service half a dozen notes diplomatic service half a dozen notes commanding me to get up at dawn and ride around the lakes, something like 16 miles. She was almost as reckless a rider as myself. She was truly a fa-mous rider, and a woman who sits well on a horse can never be aught but graceful. She was, in fact, youth-ful and charming, with the most mag-rifecent black eyes I ever beheld in a ful and charming, with the most mag-nificent black eyes I ever beheld in a Teutonic head; witty, besides, and a songstress of no ordinary talent. If I had been in love with her—which I solemnly vow I was not!--I should have called her beautiful and exhaust-ed my store of complimentary adjec-tives.

tives. The basic cause of all this turmoll, about which I am to sold my narra-tive, lay in her education. I hold that a German princess should never be educated save as a German. By this

I mean to convey that ne equ should not go beyend German litera-ture, German history, German venera-tion of laws, German manners and and German passivity and docility. The Princess Hildegardo had been edu-cated in England and France, which simplifies everything, or, I should say, to be exact, complicates everything. She passessed a benth

She possessed a healthy contempt for that what-d'-ye-call-it that hedges for that which be a set of the se grand duke whichever way he turned. His days were filled with horrors, his nights with mares which did not have box-stalls in his stables.

Never could he anticipate her in anything. On that day he placed guards around the palace she wrote verses or read modern fiction; the mo ment he relaxed his vigilance she was away on some heartrending escapade Didn't she scandalize the nobility by dressing up a hussar and riding her famous black Mecklenburg cross-country? Hadn't she flirted outrageously with the French attache and deliber-ately turned her back on the Russian minister, at the very moment, too, when negotiations were going on be-tween Russia and Barscheit relative a small piece of land in the Bal-ins? And, most terrible of all to rekans? late, hadn't she ridden a shining bicy-cle up the Konigsstrasse, in broad daylight, and in bifurcated skirts, be sides? I shall never forget the indig-nation of the press at the time of this last escapade, the stroke of apoplexy which threatened the duke, and the room with the barred window which the princess occupied one whole week. They burne the course hey burned the offensive bicycle in courtyard of the palace, ceremo,

niously, too, and the princess had wit-nessed this. clemn auto da fe from her barred window. It is no strain upon the imagination to conjure up the picture of her fine rage, her three ening hands, her compressed lips, her tearless, flashing eyes, as she saw her beautiful new wheel writhe and twist on the blazing fagots. But what the deuce was a poor duke to do with a niece like this?

For a time I feared that the United States and the Grand Duchy of Bar-scheit would sever diplomatic rela-tions. The bicycle was, unfortunately, of American make, and the manufacof American make, and the mannah the haven I was seeking. It was a turers wrote to me personally that the haven I was seeking. It was a they considered themselves grossly in-sulted over the action of the duke. Ing in the center of a cluster of firs; wildownile notes were exchanged, and and the tiles of the roofs and the ivy Diplomatic notes were exchanged, and 1 finally prevailed upon the duke to, state that he held the wheel harmless and that his anger had been directed solely against his niece. This letter was duly forwarded to the manufac-tures the other the sole of t turers, who, after the manner of their kind, carefully altered the phrasing and used it in their magazine adver-tisements. They were so far appeased that they offered me my selection from the private stock. Happily the duke never read anything but the Fliegende Blatter and Jugend, and thus war was

Later an automobile agent visited the town—at the secret bidding of her highness—but he was so uncereaso-niously hustled over the frontier that his teeth must have ratio like a great country for expeditionsness, as you will find, if you do me the honor to follow me to the end.

So the grand duke swore that his so the grand and solve solve and the nicce should wed Doppelkinn, and the princess vowed that she would not be one who had charge of my horses The man who had charge of my horses said that one of the palace maids had recounted to him a dialogue which had taken place between the duke and his niece. As I was anxious to be off on the road I was compelled to listen

to his gossip. The Grand Duke—In two months time you shall wed the Prince of Dop pelkinn

The Princess-What! that old red nose? Never! I shall marry only where I love. The Grand Duke—Only where you

love! (Sneers.) One would think, to hear you talk, that you were capable

of loving something. The Princess—You have yet to learn. I warn you not to force me. I promise to do something scandalous. I will marry one of the people—a man. The Grand Duka—Reh!_(Swears

(Swear oftly on his way to the stables.) But the princess had in her mind a plan which, had it gone through safely, would have added many gray hairs to the duke's scanty collection It was a mighty ingenious plan, too

for a woman to figure out In his attitude toward the girl the duke stood alone. Behind his back his ministers wore out their shoes in wait ing on the caprices of the girl, while the grand duchess, half-blind and half the grand duchess, half-blind and half-deaf, openly worshiped her willful but wholly adorable nece, and abetted her in all her escapades. So far as the populace was concerned, she was the daughter of the favorite son, dead these 18 years, and that was enough for them. Whatever she did was right and proper. But the hard-headed duke had the power to say what should be what, and he willed it that the Prin-cess Hildesarde should mary his old comrade in arms, the Prince of Dop-pelkina.

CHAPTER II.

As I have already remarked, I us As I have already remarked, I need frequently to take long rides into the country, and sometimes I did not re-turn till the following day. My clerk was always on duty, and the work never appeared to make him round-shouldered.

I had ridden horses for years, but to throw a leg over a good mount was to me one of the greatest pleasures in world. I delighted in stopping at old feudal inns, of studying the the world. stolld German peasant, of drinking from steins uncracked these hundred years, of inspecting ancient armor and gathering trifling romances attached thereto. And often I have had the courage to stop at some quaint, crumbling Schloss or castle and ask for a night's lodging for myself and horse. Seldom, if ever, did I meet. with a refusal.

I possessed the whimsical habit of picking out strange roads and riding on till night swooped down from the snow-capped mountains. I had a bit of poetry in my system that had never been completely worked out, and I was always imagining that at the very next Schloss or inn I was to hit upon some delectable adventure. I was only 28, and inordinately fond of m

I rode in gray whipcord breech I rode in gray wnipcord breech tan boots, a blue serge coat, wh stock, and never a hat or cap till t snow blew. I used to laugh when the peasants asked leave to lend me a cap or to run back and find the one I had umably lost.

One night the delectable adventure for which I was always seeking came my way, and I was wholly unprepared for it

for it. I had taken the south highway: that which seeks the valley beyond the lake. The moonfilm lay misty upon everythins: on the far-off lake, on the great upheavals of stone and glacier above me, on the long white road that stretched out before me, ribbon-wise. High up the snow on the mountains resembled huge onal, set in amethyst resembled huge opals set in amethyst. I was easily 25 miles from the city; that is to say, I had been in the saddle some six hours. Nobody but a king's messenger will ride a horse more than five miles an hour. I cast about for a place to spend the night. There was no tavern in sight, and the hovels I had passed during the last hour offer-

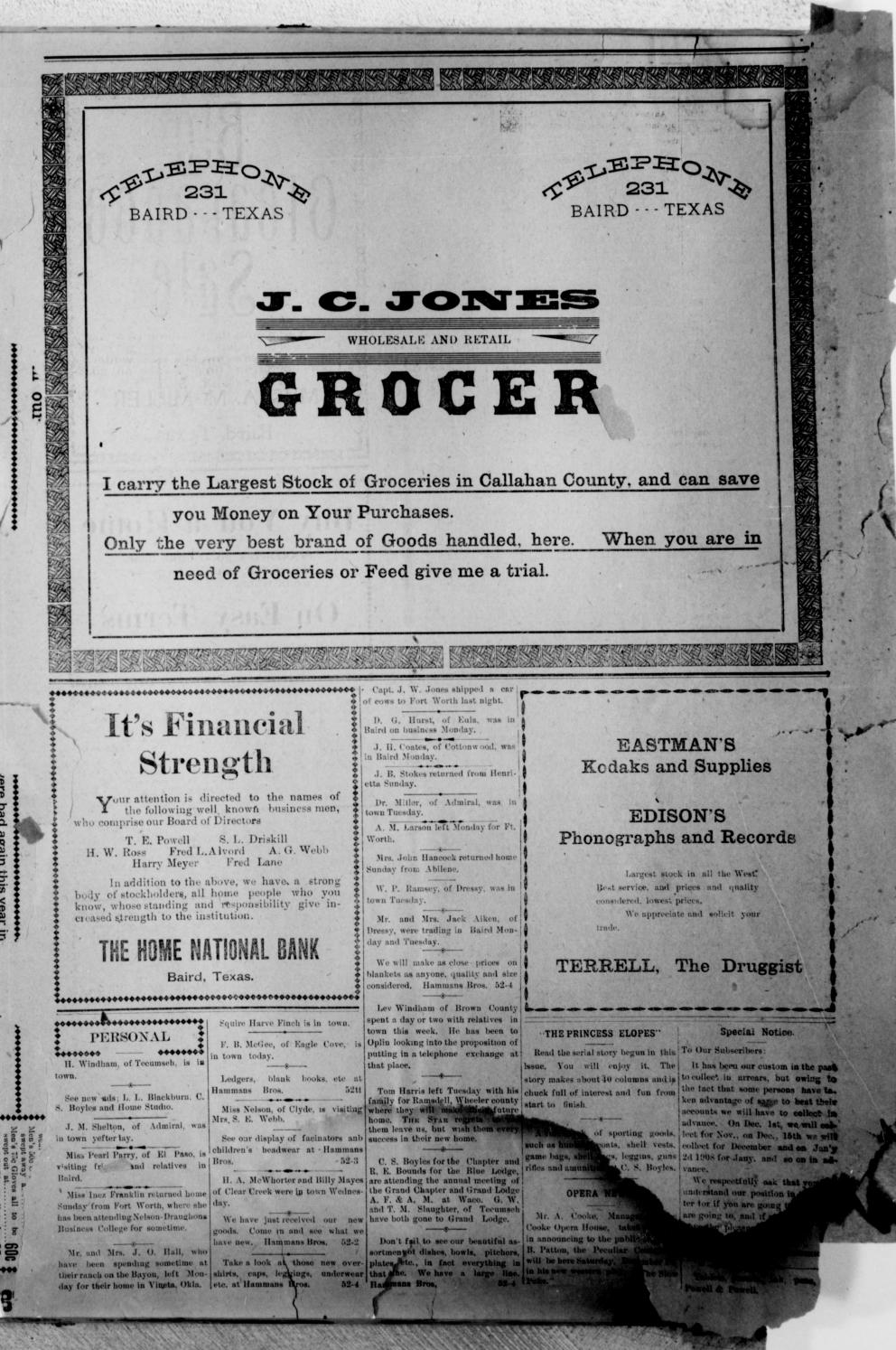
ed no shelter for my horse. Sudden ly, around a bend in the road, I saw the haven I was seeking. It was a of the towers were shining silver with the heavy fall of dew.

the heavy fall of dew. Lady Chloe sniffed her kind, whip-nied, and broke into a trot. She knew sooner than I that there was the be-road, the turn. We rode up to the sooner than I that there was the be-sooner than I that there was the be-gate, and I dismounted and stretched myself. I tried the gate. The lock hung loose, like a parhitle hand. Evidently those inside had nothing to fear from these outside. I grasped an iron bar and unshed in the gate Chlose fear from those outside. I grasped a iron bar and pushed in the rate, Chk following knowingly at my heels could feel the crumbling rost of gloves. Chloe whinnied again. there came an answering whim omewhere in the rear of the ca Somebody must be inside, I reasoned There were lights in the left win ut this part of the castle was su but rounded by an empty moat, damp at



weedy. This was not to be enter save by a ladder. There was a gr central door, however, which had central door, however, whit modern appearance. The a was a broad graveled walk. appro Lady Chloe to a tree, knotted th bridle-reins above her neck to preve her from putting her restless feet into

them, and proceeded toward the door. Of all the nights this was the one on Of all the nights this was the one on which my usually lively imagination reposed. I was hungry and tired, and I dare say my little mare was. I wasn't looking for an adventure; I didn't want any adventure; I wanted obthing in the world but a meal and a bed. But for the chill of the night air —the breath of the mountain is cold at night—I should have been perfect-ly willing to sleep in the open. Down drawbridge, up portcullis! I boldly climbed the steps and groped around for the knocker. It was broken and useless, like the lock on the gate.



SIXTIETH SESSION IS ON

National Lawmakers Assemble at Washington.

CANNON AGAIN SPEAKER.

enate Soon Adjourned Monday Out of Respect to the Memory of Late Senators Morgan and Pettus, Who Passed Away During Recess.

Washington, Dec. 3 .- So far as the rst session of the Sixtleth congress is concerned the house of representaes conveyed amid similar scenes that have been witnessed in years cone by. The galleries were crowded no early in the expectation of witme exciting scenes. Their fickets had been provided weeks in edvance. Those unfortunates who were unable to secure admission to the galleries were compelled to stand in long lines in the corridors hoping for an opportunity to secure a much crysted seat. The diplomatic galleries were made emapleious by the presence of Senor

The diplomatic galleries were made completions by the presence of Senor Mayer des Planches, dean of the corps in full state uniform; Ambassador Tames Bryce of Great Britain, con-ventional dress, who attracted more chan ordinary attention. Mrs. Nicholas Congworth, daughter of the president end wife of the member from the Cin-chnati district, and the new Persian minister in a variegated uniform. The biennial lottery for seats were conducted after the sucal fashion as cas been the custom for years. Rep-resentative Bingham of Philadedphia, dither of the house, was allowed to cotala his old seat, which is directly in front of the speaker's desk. John Kherp Williams, minority leader, was doso given the privilege of choosing

the given the privilege of choosing diss given the privilege of choosing his seat on the Democratic side. Both the and Speaker Cannon were given Gallons when they made their ap-pertance. But the occupants of the articles did not confine their ap-plause of the confine their ap-plause of the confine their ap-many others coming in for recogni-tion.

Those members who expected the president's message to be read were disappointed. The fact that the spaste adjourned immediately after spaste adjourned immediately after

crattening out of respect to the mem-ary of Senators Pettus and Morgan of Allbama, who died during the recess. Greehaded the presentation of this al-ways much anticipated communica-tion from chief executive. The house, too, is in mourning by the Joss of two of its members-Rep-resentatives Slemp of Virginia and Representative Smith of Illionis, the latter having died only Saturday. At 12 o'clock prompt Clerk Mc-Dowell declared the house of repre-tentatives duly in session. Chaplain Cudden immediately offered prayer, after which roll was called. Roll call croupled twenty minates and showed dis members present. Amid great ap-plause on the Republican side, Repre-gentative Hepburn of lowa nominated Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois for speak eff. Equally demonstrative were the Equally demonstrative were the ocrats when Representative Clay of Alabama but in nomination resentative John Sharp Williams Representative of Mississippi. resulted: Cannon, 207:

vote

The vote resulted: Cannon, 207; Williams, 154. After Mr. Cannon was escorted to the speaker's desk he expressed his thanks for being three times elected presiding officer.

MURRAY CHOSEN.

Republicans Name Douglass and Jones For United States Senators.

Guthrie, Dec. 3 .- Hon. W. H. Murray of Tishomingo, Democrat, was effected speaker of the house. Other Democratic caucus nominees for of

Democratic caucus nominees for of-fices wore also chosen. A caucus of Republican members Chronce E. Douglass of Muskoger and C. G. Jones of Oklahoma City wore named for candidates for United Entes senators. The senate was called to order by Hentenant Governor Bellamy. The Steatenant Governor Bellamy. The fuentenate of which carried a message of greeting to the speaker of the house and president of the sen-fe in Washington from the new state, the other appointing committees to grange for the election of United States senators.

compelled to register, that foreign compelled to register, that foreign corporations be forbidden to remove cases from state to Federal courts; that a code of state banking laws be enacted; that incomes, inheritances and franchises be taxed.

Thaw Case Postponed.

New York, Dec 3.—Thaw case was postponed until Jan. 6. A special panel of 250 talesmen will be summoned from which to select a jury.

Trading Resumed.

New Orleans, Dec. 2-New Orleans ock Exchange has resumed trading. PASSES QUICKLY.

Senator Green Dies In Pasture

on Sunday Night. -State Senator Antonio, Dec. Robert B. Green died very suddenly Sunday night of rheumatism of the heart. He was in the Hoffman nast ure, twenty-five imles northwest of the city, at the time, in camp with his brother-in-law, George Maverick. The two had gone out Sunday after-noon, and intended to be up bright and early Monday morning hunting deer.

About 8:30 Mr. Maverick noticed that Judge Green was breathing heavily. He evidently attempted to speak, but before he could say a word was dead

was dead. Judge Robert B. Green, had he lived until next May, would have been forty-three years old. Few men so young have ever received so much young have ever received so much honor. He was educated in the pub-lic schools of San Antonio, and after graduating from the agricultural and mechanical college returned to San Antonio and organized the famous Belknap Rifles, of which he was the first captain, and under whose di-first captain, and under whose di-first captain, and under whose di-first captain. He served for a time as private secretary to United States Senator Coke. He then went to the Lebanon. Tenn., law school and grad-uated. Taking up the practice of law in San Antonio, he was at once suc-cessful. ceasful.

When Judge Noo in was elected to congress young Bob Green was ap-pointed to succeed him as district judge. He was not thirty years of age at that time. The appointment was made by Gov. Culberson. He was elected to succeed himself and served a full four-year term. He was then elected county judge and served in that position for six years. His ad-ministration was a model one. At the last election he was a candidate for state scnator and was elected. He was one of the most prominent men in the senator and was elected. He was one of the most prominent men in the senator and was elected. He was one of the most prominent men in the senate during the last session. Judge Green is survived by a widow and four little children, a brother, At-torney N. O. Green, and sister, Mrs. Sallie Bartlett, who reside here. When Judge Nooman was elected to

GREEN MOURNED.

Regret Expressed and Flag on Capitol at Half Mast.

Austin, Dec. 3 .-- Governor Campbell received word by telephone of the death of Senator R. B. Green of San Antonio. The flag on the capitol was ordered hung at half mast in honor of one of the most useful men of Texas. His death came as a shock and sur-prise to his friends here, as he was supposed to have been in perfect health

Senator Green, It is said, was one of the ablest men in the senate of the last legislature. He took a prominent part in the discussion of all measlast legislature. He took a prominent part in the discussion of all meas-ures of importance and was one of the authors of the delinquent child bill and the dependent child bill. He was a member of the Bally investi-gation committee on the gross re-celpts tax law, and was regarded as one of the leaders in the senate. His term of office would not have expired for three years.

MASONS MEET.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter Is

In Session at Waco. Waco, Dec. 3 .- Capitular Masonry held full sway here Monday. In pursuance of a resolution passed at its fifty-seventh session, the most excellent grand Royal Arch chapter of Texas convened in the fifty-eighth an-nual convocation in the Masonic

ance investigations. From there he goes to New York. He will be absent some time. Great sorrow is expressed here over the death of State Senator Robert B. Green of San Antonio. He had many friends here, all of whom say the state has tost a valuable citizen invesugations. rrom' there he to New York. He will be absent

BURLESON'S BILL.

It Has the Honor of Being No. 1 In

the House.

Washington, Dec., 3 .- There was practically no rivalry among the representatives of the Sixtieth congress resentatives of the sixtien congress for the usually covered honor of in-troducing the first bill. The figure "1" at the bill clerk's desk, was placed on a bill re-introduced by Mr. Burle-son of Texas, pensioning the surviv-ing officers and enlisted men of the Texas volunteers employed in the de-fense of the Texas frontier in maran-ders in 1855-1860.

Ten to Two

San Antonio, Dec. 3 —In the case of Rufus Williams, charged with robbing Mrs. Sallie A. Gibson of \$61,000, the jury, which stood ten for acquittal, announced it could not agree and was announced discharged.

HOUSTON'S BIG BLAZE.

Costly Conflagration Occurs In

Business District. Houston, Dec. 2. -A fire originat ing in the upper story of the building belonging to Frank Dunn, 1010 Congress avenue, leaped from the root of the three-story building occupied on the ground floor by Sweeney & Fred-erick's jewelry store and upstairs by offices. It was aim at completely gut ted. The Dunn building is also a total leas total loss

total loss. From this building the flames swept into the next building, owned by Mrs. C. G. Seigling, and occupied by the S. L. Sam Dry Goods company. Next the fire spread across the al-ley into the roof of the Houston thea-ter building, and owing to its height no water could be thrown to the burn-ing portion. An imm-nse crowd watch-ed the fiery element eating it way ed the fiery element eating it way down story by story of this large build

Ing. The efforts of the firemen were di-rected toward saving the building lo cated on the southwest corner of the block

cated on the southwest corner of the block. The fire, which started about 11:30 o'clock Sunday night, was under con-trol at 2 o'clock Monday mornig. Burning embers large as hais were flying from the roof of the burning theater building and falling on sur-rounding property. Ithough the con-flagration was not expected to spread on this account, as nost of the roofs are protected. The damage worked by the conflagration is estimated at about \$400,000. The theater building. owned by Harvey T. D. Wilson and Henry Prince, is valued at \$120,000. Mr. Wilson stated hat it was insured for about half its value. The stock of dry goods owned by the S. L. Sam company, which is in bankruptey, is valued at about \$40,000 and carries insurance to an amount which could not be learned. The stock of jewelry owned by Fredericks & Sweeney was saved intact. Many law firms lost their libraries and he loss by dentists and physicians amounts to consider-able. Almost every building burned and physicians amounts to consider able. Almost every building burned was occupied above the ground floor by offices, and the effects of few of these were saved.

by offices, and the effects of few of these were saved. At 2:15 the falling walls of the the ater building crushed the two adja-cent buildings. Everything was destroyed in the block bounded by Fannin and Main streets and by Prearon and Congress avenues except the Leary building and the Fox building, bo h front on Main street. The destruction of the theater building was most spectacular. The lofty walls swayed after the building had been gutted and then tumbled with a mighty crush, which threw debris the length of the block.

THROAT CUT BY PATIENT

Attendant of North Texas Insane Asy

lum Receives Terrible Wound. Terrell, Tex., Dec. 2 .- A. A. Bouts

in charge of the dining room of the in charge of the dining room of the insane asylum, was attacked by a Mexican patient Sun iay afternoon and his throat cut. The assault occurred in the dining room, and the weapon was a large kuffe used in slicing bread. The wound begins under the right ear and extends some inches The wife of Mr. Bouts was in the room at the time, and is prostrated with grief. The wound Sunday night was thought fatal. The man assaulted was reared in



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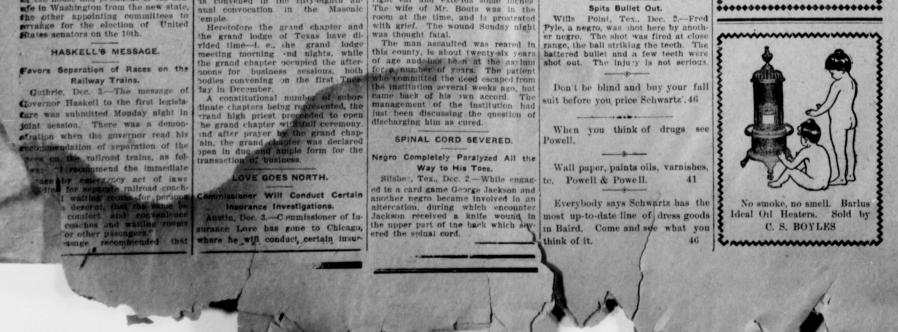
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> Maj. W. K. Davis, the old Mexican War and Confederate Veteran, of Admiral, was in town Tuesday. We beheve Maj. Davis is the only surviving Mexican War Veteran in the Connty, that served in Mexico.

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NOTICE



she is illogical and inconsistent as well," remarked a man of letters. "I was walking in the country one the theft or unlawful branding of day with a young woman. In a any horses or cattle belonging to grove we came upon a boy about to any member of this Association, in shin up a tree. There was a nest in good standing. J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres. the tree, and from a certain angle it A. G. WEBB, Secy. was possible to see in it three eggs "You wicked little boy,' said my companion, "are you going up there

to rob that nest?" "I am,' replied the boy.

"How can you?' she exclaimed. Think how the mother will grieve drugs. over the loss of her eggs."

"Oh, she won't care,' said the boy. 'She's up there in your hat."

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IN MEMORIAM.

Died ar the family residence, Nov. 16, 1907, George G. Norrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Norrell. His illness was of short duration,

being sick sixteen days and confined to his hed only nine days with typhoid fever, when stricken with heart failure and only lasted half an hour.

The next day we laid him to rest beside his two sisters and brother in the Cottonwood cemetery. Rev. R. D. Carter conducting the funeral services.

George was born April 19, 1888; age 19 years, 6 months and 27 days. His pare and spotless spirit has taken its flight to God who gave it.

George was a dutiful son, a kind and affectionate brother. His life was exemplary and his influence for good was great. He was steady in his habits, faithful to the interests of his employers and devoted to those he honored with friendship. He spent last year at Polytechnic College, Ft. Worth and intended to

complete his education at that institution. George was an honored and consist.

ent member of the Modern Woodmen of America and had just been elected Consul of the Lodge at Cottonwood. Besides his aged parents he leaves a sister, two brothers and a large circle of friends to mourn his loss. but we meekly bow to the will of Him "who doeth all things well," realizing that our loss is his eternal

Death has come with his sickle, And knocked once at the door, He's garnered unto him a flower To tread life's path nevermore,

George, that sweet appellation, How softly we whisper the name,

For the one we so often called that Shall hear it never again. Now broken is the family circle,

We can see his possessions, his chair:

We look for the dear one who loved us,

But alas! we find he is not there. We have only found recollection sweet face.

His hands showed traces of labor Yet to us they seemed fair. Weep not dear Father and

Mother, Thy son has fought a good fight. His work in this world is ended

He has gone to a home fair and bright,

And this is the message he sent you, Prepare for that Heavenly home

That we in the future, dear ones May meet around the White Throne.

His Loving Sister, MITTIE NORRELL.

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