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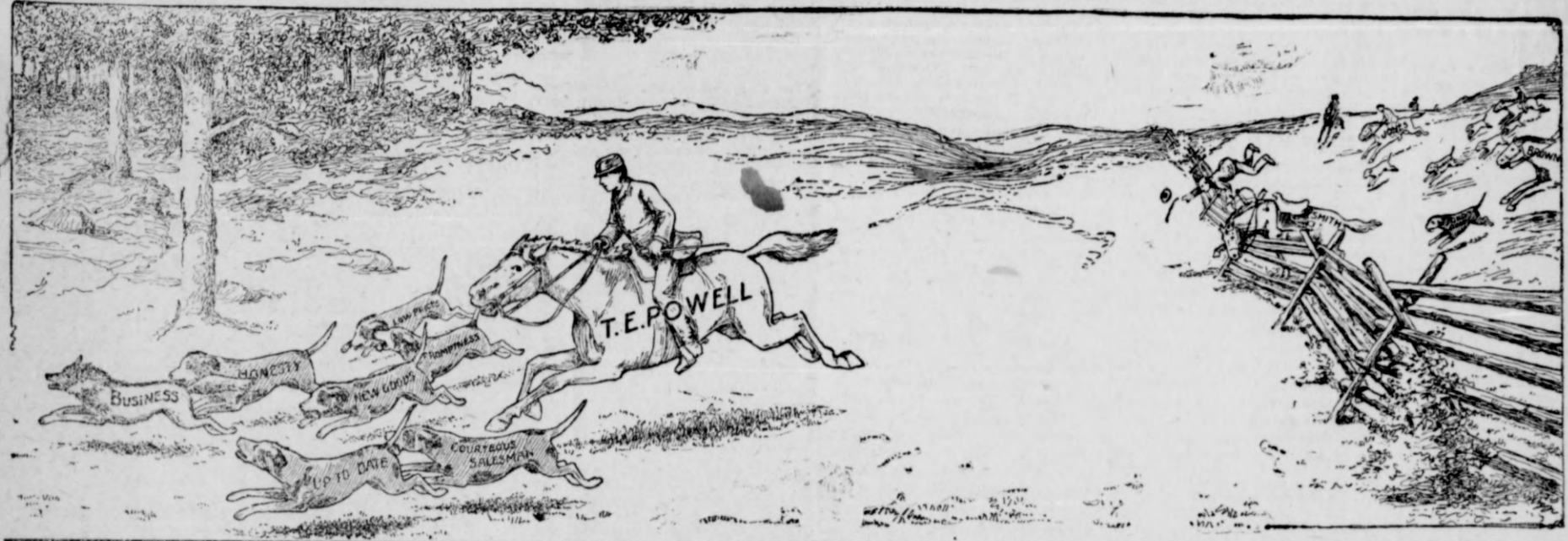
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"IT IS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

What Did You Pay For it?
T. E. POWELL,
Has it for Less!
WHAT IS IT
Dry Goods, Clothing, Ec.

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The above cut is an actual reproduction of the way T.E. Powell conducts his business. Business is always in the lead, a very close second is Honesty, third Up-to-date, and in the same group will be found New Goods, Low Prices, Promptness and Courteous Salesman. For it is by Honest treatment, Up-To-Date business methods, a large line of New Goods, and Low Prices, together with Promptness and Courteous Salesmen that we have captured the immense Business in the past. Far in the rear comes competition, results is too plain to need comment. It makes little difference how large an up-to-date business man gets his business he always wants it larger. Far in front, like the Fox, business is leading him, for it makes no odds how well it is done it may be better. In the last three years our business has run over \$350,000, and in this same strain we hope and believe we can exceed this amount this year. On hand to-day we have the largest line ever come to Baird, over \$60,000 in New and Up-to-Date Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Millinery, Etc. We kindly ask that you inspect this immense stock and see if all the above statements are not true. Thanking you for past favors and soliciting a continuance of the same, we are yours to please,
T. E. POWELL, Baird, Texas.



Free! ABSOLUTELY Free!
WE WILL GIVE AWAY ABSOLUTELY FREE
A \$100 BLUE RIBBON RUBBER TIRED BUGGY.

You will receive a ticket with every \$1 cash purchase, also for every dollar paid on account (no matter how long the account has been running) you will receive a ticket for each dollar paid. The buggy is on exhibition at our store come and see it. Don't forget that we have a large stock of

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Whips, Winter Lap Robes, Bridles, Bits.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE WE HAVE ADDED A STOCK OF
Guns Rifles Pistols
Gun Cases, Pistol
Scabards, Cartridges
and Loaded Shells.

ALL KINDS OF SPORTING - GOODS.

We are closing out our Buggies at Cost as long as the present stock lasts. We will save you \$15 to \$20 on a Buggy or Hack. If you owe me anything it is now due.
COME PAY UP. Yours for business,
C. S. BOYLES.

ADMIRAL LETTER.
Nov. 10—I will try and write a few lines to THE STAR although news is scarce in this part of the country, but every farmer is in very good spirits now since the rain. Some little damage was done the cotton in this neighborhood. The weather is fine at this time and the cotton picking and feed cutting is the order of the day until the farmers get the cotton and feed saved.
There was a good congregation at Shilo Church the 2nd Saturday and Sunday, although brother Mays could not fill his appointment. Brother Mays always tries to do things as near right as he can so he sent us a preacher to fill his appointment and he filled it to a dot.
The business men of Admiral are still in the ring. They ring around many ways to keep the business rolling. We have a hustling physician here. He responds promptly to all his calls and makes two or three extra ones a week. That is all right I believe the doctor means business.
There was an alarm raised over a report of Spring Gap Mountains have a band of outlaws hidden in the bushes but no trace of them could be found. I guess they have left the country.
Our school is to begin next Monday with Prof. Riley as teacher. We wish him success. Mr. Riley is a pleasant young man and one of Callahan Co. boys, and we wish him well.
Capt. W. J. Maltby left Monday night in company with Mr. Bill Richardson for the Double Mountain country. X X

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County—GREETING:
J. M. Bryant, Administrator of the Estate of W. T. Claiborn deceased, having filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said W. T. Claiborn deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.
You Are Hereby Commended, That by publication of this writ for at least twenty days prior to the return day hereof in a newspaper regularly published in the County of Callahan Texas, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account of Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest said account, if they see proper, at the December Term, 1902, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said county, in the City of Baird Texas, on the 1st Monday in December A. D. 1902, when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 7 day of Nov. 1902. 50
W. P. COCHRAN,
Clerk Co. Court of Callahan Co., Tex.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.
The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at Baird, Texas for the week ending Nov. 8, 1902. Parties calling for same please say advertised.
Mr. W. C. Pope.
Mr. Cleero Payne.
Mr. Tom Young.
Wm. McMANIS, P. M.

The Selmore Oil Light Heaters are the best. Call and see them, at Harry Meyer's. 50H

CHURCH NOTICE.
Preaching in the church East of the Court House, on November 16th at 11 a m and at 7 p m. Usual Prayermeeting and Reading Room on Wednesday's. Prayermeeting at 7:30. Everybody welcome.
M. E. CHAPIN.

SALESMEN WANTED to look after our interests in Callahan and adjacent counties. Salary or commission. Address LINCOLN OIL CO., Cleveland, Ohio. 502t

FOR SALE.
My house and lot in the Eastern portion of Baird, known as the Peters property. For prices and terms apply to Jno W. Woods or my self.
49-4
A. A. CALLAHAN.

If you want to read THE STAR after January 1st 1903 pay your past due subscription. This appeal is to delinquents only.

SEED WHEAT
Clear of Johnson grass at my place near Admiral.
49.2t
A. A. CALLAHAN.

School Books, College Books, Tablets, Pencils,
PENS, INKS, PENHOLDERS, ERASERS, ETC.
We are the Agents for all the School Books.
We Carry a full line of Drugs, Paints, Oils, Wall Paper, Jewelry, Clocks, Stationery, Etc.
We Solicit Your Patronage. Respect. Yours.
POWELL & POWELL.

Startling, But True.
"If ever one knew what a grand medicine Dr. King's New Life Pills is," writes D. H. Turner, Dempseytown, Pa. "you'd sell all you have in a day. Two weeks use has made a new man of me." Infallible for constipation, stomach and liver troubles. 25c at Powell & Powell drug store, Baird Texas and Y. A. Orr drug store, Putnam Tex.

CANE SEED.
I will thrash cane seed, milo maize, and kafir corn at my ranch on Pecan Bayou, on Tuesday, Nov. 18th.
49-2t
ALEXANDER OGILVY.

BIG BARGAINS.
Oil Pictures. Second Hand Piano. Call at once to see
44-4t
MISS MITTIE JONES

School Supplies
Books, Slates, Pencils, Tablets Et.
We carry and Excellent Line of **DRUGS** and druggist sundries, call and see.
R. PHILLIPS & SON.

A Startling Surprise.
Very few could believe in looking at A. T. Hoadley, a healthy, robust blacksmith of Tilden, Ind., that for ten years he suffered such tortures from Rheumatism as few could endure and live. But a wonderful change followed his taking Electric Bitters. "Two bottles wholly cured me," he writes, and I have not felt a twinge in over a year. They regulate the Kidneys, purify the blood and cure Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Nervousness, improves digestion and gives perfect health. Try them. Only 50c at Powell & Powell drug store, Baird Tex. and Y. A. Orr drug store Putnam Tex.

A SURE CANCER CURE.
I have a certain cancer cure. It has never failed and never will fail. Cancers taken out by the roots from any portion of the body without pain. No knife used. I will cure any and all cancers at a very reasonable price. No cure, no pay. I also guarantee the cancer to never return. If you suffer with cancer, suffer no longer. Testimonials sent on application. Address
THOS. J. FREEMAN,
Mineola, Texas.
When writing please mention that you saw this notice in THE BAIRD STAR. 284t

ACT DUE TO POLITICS

Internal Revenue Collector Bingham Removed from Office.

REASON FOR SAME.

Postmaster General Payne Says Late Incumbent Is Partly Responsible for the Exclusion of Colored Republicans.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Julian H. Bingham, collector of internal revenue for the district of Alabama, has been removed from his office and J. O. Thompson appointed to succeed him. The change was made as the result of a political condition which recently arose in Alabama. Colored Republicans were excluded from participating in the Republican state convention and Collector Bingham was held responsible, at least in a measure, for their exclusion.

Postmaster General Payne visited the white house Monday, and as he left the executive offices made public a statement defining the reason for the removal:

"The change in the office of collector of internal revenue for the district of Alabama in no wise reflects upon the integrity or ability of Mr. Bingham, the incumbent. It is one of those things which occasionally happens in politics. The position taken by Republicans of Alabama in their recent state convention as understood by the Republicans of the north is looked upon as a perversion of the fundamental principles of the Republican party, and Mr. Bingham is in a measure held responsible for that action; hence the change.

"Neither the administration nor the Republican party of the north will stand for the exclusion of any section of our people by reason of their race or color, when in other respects such persons have complied with the laws and are eligible under the law to full and free participation in political action, and are of a high standard of personal character. In other words, there are not 100 colored men in Alabama who come up to the requirements of the recently adopted state constitution and are eligible for participation in political affairs and the action of the Republicans state convention referred to in arbitrarily excluding them is not approved any more than such action would be approved if it were taken in Ohio or Indiana."

Mr. Thompson, the appointee, is a brother of Representative Thompson of Alabama. He is a Republican, although his brother represents a Democratic district.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The president has appointed John S. Webb, postmaster at Tuskegee, Ala. vice Joseph O. Thompson, appointed collector of internal revenue of Alabama.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Secretary Hay was in conference with Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and also with Senator Morzan, the senior member of the minority of the same committee. Canal matters were under discussion, and the secretary was able to show that substantial progress is making toward the completion of a treaty with the Colombian government conveying the necessary rights for the construction of a canal across the isthmus of Panama. In fact, so well have the negotiations progressed lately between Secretary Hay and Senator Concha, the Colombian minister, that it is now expected by the end of the present year all of the phases of the preparation will have been disclosed and little will remain to be done to conclude the convention. It can be stated that the attitude of the Colombian negotiations presents no insurmountable obstacle, and that a treaty can be framed acceptable to both sides, yet in strict conformity with the spirit of the Spooner act.

Washington, Nov. 11.—A motion to advance the case of Robert L. Wineberger vs. Edw. C. Forney was made in the United States supreme court Monday. Forney was a land entryman in the Cherokee outlet in 1893, and went to that territory from an adjoining Indian reservation, on which account the legality of this entry is questioned. The Oklahoma court dockets are said to contain a number of similar cases; hence the motion to advance.

Washington, Nov. 11.—While the Cuban reciprocity treaty remains in Havana President Palma has supplied Senator Quesada, the Cuban minister here, full instructions as to the representations to be made to the United States government respecting it, and these have already been made known to Secretary Hay.

Rome, Nov. 11.—The arrest of Mascagni, the Italian composer, at Boston, has caused an unpleasant impression and much indignant comment is heard. The papers ask if, in view of the personality of Mascagni, his arrest could not have been avoided, and inquire what would have been said in the United States if Mark Twain had been arrested in Rome for law-breaking through ignorance.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 11.—Congressman Moody, Republican, who was defeated by James H. Gudger, Democrat, in this district, has filed a notice that he will contest Gudger's election.

WARNED TO LEAVE.

Negroes Declined to Do So and Some Shots Were Exchanged. Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 11.—Late Sunday night a gang of white men went to a negro settlement near the oil field known as Little Arfica, for the purpose of warning the negroes to leave. They arrived there, warned the negroes that they must leave at once or be killed. The negroes thought differently about it, and when a shot was fired by the attacking party it was returned at once. From the number of shots fired it appeared that was a battle in the dark, but the net result was the wounding of one man and the waste of a lot of ammunition. Max Weyrich of San Antonio, the wounded, who is not badly hurt, said:

"The whole trouble is caused by the negroes' cutting wages in the oil field. We determined not to stand it any longer and went there to drive them out. There was a fight and I got a load of buckshot in the leg. I was the only man who was injured." The sheriff's department were on the outlook all day, Monday, but Weyrich is the only man who admits that he was present. The negroes expect further trouble and are prepared for it, it is said.

SLEW HER SPOUSE.

He Chased the Woman With a Knife and She Used a Shotgun. Binghamton, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Mrs. Enoc Hinck shot and killed her husband at their home, about three miles above Port Dickinson Sunday morning about 4 o'clock. Mrs. Hinck was 53 years old. They had been married 23 years. For some time Hinck has been jealous of a nephew, Frank Hinck, who has boarded at the Hinck home. Saturday Mrs. Hinck and Mr. Hinck and Frank Hinck came to Binghamton. Mrs. Hinck and Frank drove home alone. About 2 o'clock Sunday morning Hinck, who had arrived at some time previously in an intoxicated condition, quarrelled with his wife and made an assault upon her. She ran out of doors in her night dress, barefooted and pursued by her husband, ran down the road. He was armed with a clasp knife. Finally in the darkness, Mrs. Hinck eluded him and going back to the house barricaded her bedroom. Hinck went back and when he tried to open the door to renew the assault, the woman took up a shot gun and pointed it at her husband. It was discharged, the charge entering Hinck's breast just above the heart. He died in a few minutes.

SINGLE STATEHOOD.

Convention at Ardmore Requested the Granting of Self-Government. Ardmore, L. T., Nov. 11.—About 100 delegates, representing nearly every section of the Chickasaw nation, met in convention Monday to perfect an organization to be maintained for the purpose of interesting congress to lessen the burdens of citizenship by providing adequate legislation to meet conditions. S. W. Hayes of Ryan was chosen chairman and F. Finis Fox of Ardmore secretary. A resolution declaring for union with Oklahoma was voted down. The sentiment among the delegates was that statehood at present was impossible. Practically the only fight that came up in the convention was the statehood issue. The majority of the committee on resolutions favored single statehood. A minority report, however, signed by W. H. Campbell of Ada, was adopted, after which the convention adjourned. This report called for local self-government.

Begin His Fight. Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 11.—W. M. Cross, the Democratic candidate for delegate to congress from Oklahoma, has commenced his fight to contest the election of H. S. McGuire. His attorneys have brought mandamus proceedings against the election commissioners of Comanche county to compel them to count several hundred alleged mutilated ballots, which, if counted, Cross says will result in giving him a majority of 111 over McGuire. The ballots in question, it is alleged, were each voted twice for Cross, the circle being stamped opposite his names in both the Populist and Democratic tickets.

Headed by Child's Father. Mobile, Ala., Nov. 11.—A mob gathered about the central police station Sunday with the intention of lynching Lewis Wyatt, a negro, who that day assaulted Maria Constance, a little white girl of 6 years. The child's father headed the mob. The chief of police assured the crowd that the negro would be punished, but told them they must let the law take its course. The mob dispersed.

All Walked Out. Steubenville, O., Nov. 11.—The machinists at the National Steel company's mill at Mingo Junction are out on a strike. They have just organized and presented their scale, but it was not signed and one member of the committee was discharged, so all walked out.

Site Selected. Washington, Nov. 11.—Assistant Secretary Taylor of the treasury department has selected a site for the Federal building at Laredo, Tex., on the square bounded by Salinas and Juarez avenues and Matamoros and Houston streets; price, \$10,500.

Big Blaze. Rogers, Tex., Nov. 11.—The dry goods store of Culberson and Lagrone was destroyed by fire Monday morning. The combined losses will aggregate over \$25,000.

TEXAS BAPTISTS.

Two Notable Gavel Presentations to President of the Convention. Waco, Nov. 10.—The Texas Baptist convention elected the following officers: R. C. Buckner of Dallas, president; G. W. Carroll of Beaumont, W. B. Denson of Gainesville and J. C. Burkhardt of Midland, first, second and third vice presidents; F. M. McConnell of Brownwood and A. E. Baten of Amarillo secretaries.

Rev. Dr. B. H. Carroll, during his address of welcome, presented the president with a gavel manufactured from the old live oak tree under which the Baptists first met at Waco. "Beneath that oak," Dr. Carroll said, "the earliest Christian anthems sounded when its leaves no longer trembled with the chanting of the red men, their squaws and their papooses." In accepting the gavel President Buckner told the story of another one presented by Rev. Dr. A. J. Holt, made from an olive tree that grew in Palestine on soil so often pressed by the feet of the Savior.

The feature was a quartette of Mexican Baptists singing a Spanish hymn. At Friday night's meeting nearly \$100,000 was raised as an endowment for Baylor university. The First Baptist church of Waco and the First Baptist church of Dallas each gave \$5000. Baptists Adjourn. Waco, Nov. 11.—The chief business of the last day's session of the Baptist convention was the reading of reports of the Baptist Women's Mission Workers of Texas. Rev. B. R. Womack read the report of the committee on negro population. It recommended that aid be extended to the colored race, and in all things seek to elevate negroes religiously and morally. Much discussion ensued, during which lynching was deprecated.

ALMOST ANARCHISTIC.

Startling Sermon Preached by an Episcopal Bishop in Indiana. Chicago, Nov. 11.—Conditions almost anarchistic prevail in the United States, according to John H. White, Episcopal bishop of Northern Indiana. In a sermon at Grace church Sunday he declared that the American people had forgotten their duties in a mad rush for wealth and fame. "It is every man for himself," he declared. "The typical American is heedless of how he achieves his end. Those that come in his way are trampled upon or pushed aside. It is this lack of respect for the wishes and rights of others that has brought about conditions in this country that border upon the anarchistic." Irreverence, declared Bishop White, was responsible for the existing evil conditions. He declared that the American education tended to create irreverence, and that the strenuousness of American life had the effect of increasing the irreverent spirit. "Our institutions," said the bishop, "have had such a rapid growth and our progress has been so wonderful that we are filled with an admiration of ourselves that surpasses our admiration for anything else."

TRIUMPHAL ENTRY.

President Castro Goes into Caracas With the Ringing of Bells. Caracas, Nov. 11.—President Castro made a triumphal official entry into Caracas Sunday at the head of 3200 troops amidst the ringing of bells and a display of fire works. President Castro reached Los Teques from La Victoria Saturday without having encountered revolutionists on the way there and left Los Teques Sunday for Caracas by train over the German railroad, the bridges along the line, which have been destroyed by the revolutionists, having been repaired.

Pleaded Guilty to Incest.

Greenville, Tex., Nov. 11.—Tom Summers, who was convicted in the district court last Friday and given an eight-year sentence in the penitentiary on a charge of incest, pleaded guilty Monday in five cases of incest and was given two years in each case. The eight-year sentence was reduced to two years, the case in which he received this sentence being included in the plea of guilty. The case of criminal assault against defendant was dismissed.

Mitchell Does Not Want It.

Wilkesbarre, Nov. 11.—John Mitchell, the mine workers' president, announced that he appreciated the honor of being mentioned for the office of president of the American Federation of Labor, but believes he would be more useful at the head of the miners' association, therefore will not allow his name to go before the convention and will not accept the presidency if elected.

First Blind and Deaf Sister.

New York, Nov. 11.—Madeline G. Wallace, the first blind and deaf woman ever admitted to the cloister of a Roman Catholic order, has taken her final vows as a sister of St. Dominic at the convent in Newark, N. J. Two hundred friends of the young woman and clergymen from many cities were present.

Went to Jamaica.

Port au Prince, Hayti, Nov. 11.—Gen. Jumeau, the leading supporter of M. Firmin, the exiled revolutionary leader, accompanied by persons who had sought refuge in the consulate at Consivas, started for Jamaica on board the Cuban steamer Paloma.

Went Dry.

Liano, Tex., Nov. 11.—Local option has carried at Castell, a German settlement in this county, by four majority. Liano is now the only precinct in the county that remains wet.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Okemah, I. T., grows fast. Jeff Smith was fatally shot in Lamar county, Texas. A Mr. Lee of Brenham, either lost or was robbed of \$500. Half a block of business houses burned at Mangum, Okla. An immense peat deposit has been found near Kokomo, Ind.

There are over \$15,000 in the treasury of the Cherokee nation. A bill to prevent dueling has been introduced in French senate. A six-story candy factory building is to be at once erected in Dallas.

Lightning struck a house at Beaumont, Tex., but no one was hurt. Chicago business men were handsomely entertained at Fort Worth. An unknown man met his death by jumping from the Brooklyn bridge.

Civil service commission reports a reclassification in all departments. There were fifty conversions during the Haie revival at Texarkana, Tex. One hundred pennies were stolen from the union depot at Paris, Tex.

Eleven freight cars were wrecked on the Central road near Hempstead, Tex. Leroy English, a brakeman, was run over and killed near San Antonio, Tex.

The Chapman & Dewey box factory at Jonesboro, Ark., burned. Loss \$150,000. Conductor English fell into the San Marcos river at San Marcos and was drowned.

D. W. Hogan of Yukon was elected president of the Oklahoma Bankers' association. Jerry Johnson, 105 years old, the oldest man in Oklahoma, died at Oklahoma City.

Four free rural mail delivery routes will be established in Cooke county, Texas, Dec. 1. Mrs. Thomas Henderson was shot through the heart and robbed near Carlock, Tenn.

G. W. Lane was called to his door near Shirley, Dewey county, Okla., and shot dead. C. D. Thompson of Lincoln, Neb., has accepted his appointment as minister to Brazil.

Walsh Swader, 76 years old, was run over and killed by a train at Hubbard City, Tex. A wagon ran over the 4-year-old daughter of New Deason near Vinita, I. T., killing her.

An unknown man was shot from ambush and killed while crossing Red river near Paris, Tex. Col. L. Q. Washington, the well known newspaper correspondent, died at the national capital.

E. D. Steger of Bonham, Tex., has been elected president of the Bankers' Trust company of St. Louis. Last spike to be driven in the International railway extension to Fort Worth will be of pure gold.

Jay Verforth, 14 years old, was run over by a train at Brownwood, Tex., and probably fatally injured. The left arm of Frank Garvin was caught in a conveyor at the Corsicana cotton mill and badly lacerated.

Joseph Farrow and Marion Dun fought with pistols on the street at Grandin, Mo. Both were killed. Thomas A. Homer, steward of the steamer J. M. Guffey, fell overboard at Port Arthur, Tex., and was drowned.

A woman named Jennie Sanderson, 50 years old, was arrested at Denver, Col., charged with "repeating" at the polls. Twelve miles north of Bonham, Tex., Charles Cobb of Ladonia, one of a hunting party, was accidentally shot and killed.

"Take care of her and treat her good," was written on a note found with a baby in a valise left on a train at Chicago. King of Siam thanks President Roosevelt for kindly reception accorded the crown prince by citizens of the United States.

Articles of incorporation of the Metropolitan Street Railway company at Dallas, capital stock \$4,500,000 have been filed at Austin. Rev. George Wilson, a noted Presbyterian clergyman and author of several religious works, died at Bloomington, Ill., aged 85 years.

Several freight cars were ditched on the International railway between Troupe and Longview, Tex., and a brakeman named Crutchfield hurt. Senor Arano, on trial at Bilbao, Spain, charged with sending a congratulatory letter to President Roosevelt over Cuba's independence, was acquitted.

Safe in the H. S. Lundy bank at Rock Island, Tex., was blown to atoms by burglars. Amount stolen could not be ascertained. Burglar insurance was carried. John H. Costom died suddenly at Enloe, Tex. He is thought to have been poisoned. His stomach has been sent to Fort Worth to be analyzed.

George Gant, colored, assaulted Mrs. Irene Watson not far from Millersport, O., while she was milking. A mob shot the negro fatally. Mob was composed of men and women. Three shots were fired at Oscar Slay, a Nacogdoches, Tex., business man, none taking effect. Miss Maud Culby was arrested and placed under \$150 bond.

Leslie Robertson, colored, was convicted at Paducah, Ky., of insulting Miss Alma Rose, a white girl, fined \$100 and given 90 days in jail. He was convicted 20 minutes after the offense was done. Eight Acres Burned Out. London, Nov. 11.—A special dispatch from Cape Town announces that an area of eight acres at Eastland, Cape Colony, has been destroyed by fire. Thirty large buildings in the center of the town were destroyed.

Traversed Petticoat Lane. London, Nov. 11.—For the first time the mayor's procession traversed the unfashionable thoroughfare of Petticoat Lane.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

A. E. LANKFORD, Physician and Surgeon. Chronic Diseases a Specialty. Office at Terrell's Drug Store. Res. Phone 119.

E. G. SENTER, LAWYER. General Attorney Texas Press Association. Notary Public. 205 Main St., Second Floor. DALLAS, TEXAS.

S. T. FRASER, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Diseases of Females and Infants a Specialty. Office at R. A. Speer's Drug Store. Baird, Texas.

R. G. POWELL, Physician and Surgeon. Office over Powell & Powell's Drug Store. Local Surgeon T. & P. Ry. Co. BAIRD, TEXAS.

E. R. SARTOR, Physician and Surgeon. Office at R. Phillips' Drug Store. BAIRD, TEXAS.

NOTARY PUBLIC. W. J. MCGOWEN, Notary Public. Office at H. L. Boydston's Dry Goods Store.

H. H. RAMSEY, DENTIST. I have the 20th Century Apparatus, the latest and best for Painless Extractions. All other work pertaining to Dentistry. Office over Powell & Powell's Drug Store. Baird, Texas.

MARTIN BARNHILL, Boot and Shoemaker. Repairing Promptly and Neatly Executed. Prices to Suit the Times. Market Street, [6] Baird, Texas.

FULTONS BARBER SHOP. For An Easy Shave and Stylish Hair Cut, SHAMPOOING, HAIR DYEING. 22 N. 1st St. Clean place, 2nd door South of Scott & McFarlane's store. Courteous treatment and Satisfaction Guaranteed. Agent Mader Steam Laundry. For I am now running two chairs and am prepared to serve you promptly. Hot and Cold Baths.

Fortune Knocks Once, AND EVERY MAN'S DOOR, and this may be the rap that will tempt you to court the fair goddess that rules the world. The days of '49 were a wild scramble of the adventurer to find the yellow metal that has brought prosperity in its wake wherever found and made more millionaires than any other one industry. Mining for precious metals has been gradually narrowing down to a science until to-day it is considered the safest avenue for the investment of money with almost surely the largest returns.

INTELLIGENT INVESTMENT of small sums in the co-operative plan of mining has put not a few men and women on the road to prosperity. The company doing this advertising has four undeveloped but promising claims in a proven mining district and offers an attractive proposition to secure the co-operation of money to be used in the development of its property. It is now placing the first installment of treasury stock on the market at a nominal figure, and if you are interested, write for prospectus and other information. Address Spanish Gulch Gold Mining Co. THE DALLES, ORE.

DR. T. S. BOLLIS, DENTIST. Over Harris New Drug Store, South side. Hours 8:30 to 6:30. Phone 225. Abilene, Tex.

THE FACTS IN THE CASE.

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RELIGION OF THE BLANKET

How the Navajo Squaw Prays as She Spins and Weaves.

It is a religion to make a Navajo blanket. Through the kinky, bristling twine of the warp are woven the hopes and aspirations of an immortal soul. In the warm colors are expressed the ardors of passionate hearts, the sandstorms they have faced, the cloudbursts under which their backs have bent, the smiling sunshine that has dried their wool; all the adverse and the good fortunes that have befallen are wrought into the intricate designs. The squaw prays as she pushes the wool card, and she prays as she twirls the distaff in her hand or rolls it on her thigh; she prays as she arranges the beads; she prays as she justly pounds down the strands with her scrub oak bat-

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"Blanket, wall a prayer, a human document a biography bright with the joy tints of canary yellow, dark with the olive green of pain. One is drawn to it because one's heart is moved by its ineffable, intangible humanness. One is strangely moved to both laughter and tears by its exquisitely variant colors, each expressing an emotion by its warmth of blended fibers, each throbbing to a note of triumph or of woe.—Southern Workman.

His Compromise.
Mr. Potter was giving his son a few words of fatherly counsel as to his treatment of his young wife. "Now, when you have any little differences of opinion," said Mr. Potter in his most judicial manner, "if you can't persuade Margaret that you are in the right, you must compromise, my boy—compromise with a good grace."

"I'll try to," said the son respectfully.
"I will remember a little experience I had with your mother the summer after we were married," continued Mr. Potter. "I wanted to spend six weeks at Saratoga, and your mother preferred to spend the time in taking a trip through Canada. It's thirty odd years ago, but I will remember the arguments we had before I compromised."

"How did you do it?" asked the son.
"We spent five weeks and a half in Canada," said Mr. Potter, "and from Friday night till Monday morning in Saratoga."

No Need to Adjourn.
The legislature of a certain state was tardy in adjourning one session, although there seemed to be no important business under consideration.

Judge Jones, one of the legislators, was met by a friend in the street one hot morning, and the two stopped to talk under the shade of an awning.
"Goin' to clear out pretty soon, Judge?"

"I suppose so," answered the statesman, mopping his brow.
"Anything much goin' on down at the capitol?"

"No."
"Why don't they wind up, then?"
"Well, that's just the trouble. There's nothing but a lot of petty business to bother us, and we don't mind that. I wish something important would come up, and then the motion to adjourn would be in order."

English in England.
"You must learn the shop language before you can go shopping in England," says a girl who has just returned from there and has many stories to tell of the difficulties met in the shops. "Shoes are not shoes unless they are slippers, all boots are high, and you can't to save your life get a spool of thread because there is no such thing as a reel of cotton. If you wish cotton, sheeting for instance, you ask for calico, and the tape needle to run the ribbons in your gowns is a bodkin. There is not such a thing as a skirt waist to be had in all England, for they have nothing but blouses, and one would go continually with wet feet if she did not learn to ask for galoches."

Chemical Effects of Lightning.
Lightning works chemically. It has the power of developing a peculiar odor which has been variously compared to that of phosphorus, nitrous gas and most frequently burning sulphur. Wafen mentions a storm on the isthmus of Darien which diffused such a sulphurous stench through the atmosphere that he and his marauding companions could scarcely breathe, particularly when they plunged into the wood.—Numbers' Journal.

His Mistake.
"Is this a commission house?" asked the tall man.
"Yes, sir," said the commission merchant. "What can we do for you?"
"Well, if you sell commissions I'd like to buy one, if they're not too dear, for my son. I want a lieutenant's commission in the army, for my son wants to be a soldier, and he's too lazy to go to West Point."—Baltimore Herald.

The Branch of Peace.
"How did you come to select Olive as a name for your baby?"
"Well, you see, my wife's father objected to our marriage, and when the little one came he forgave us, so we thought it was no more than right to let her have proper credit."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Not Niggardly.
"You asked her father for her hand?"
"Yes."
"And he refused you?"
"No, he didn't. He said I could have both of 'em."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It is easy to discourage a man who realizes that he gets all the trouble in sight.—Chicago News.

Prussian blue paint is made from the ashes of the burned hoofs of horses.

ALMACK'S OF LONDON.

A Famous Woman's Club of a Century or So Ago.

About a century ago the seventh heaven of the fashionable world of London was a club known as Almack's, of which the patronesses were Lady Castlereagh, Lady Jersey, Lady Cowper (afterward Lady Palmerston), Lady Sefton, Mrs. Drummond Burrell (afterward Lady Willoughby), the Princess Esterhazy and the Countess Lieven. Their smiles or frowns consigned men and women to happiness or despair. It is hard for us to conceive the importance which was attached to getting admission to Almack's. Of the 300 officers of the Foot guards not more than half a dozen were honored with cards to this temple of the beau monde. The government was a pure despotism, as every government by woman is bound to be, and a host of intrigues was set in motion to get an invitation.

Very often persons of rank who had the entree anywhere were excluded from the club. Such as were admitted had to dress in conformity with the edict of the tyrants, no gentleman being allowed to appear at the assemblies except in knee breeches, white cravat and crush hat. On one occasion the Duke of Wellington was about to ascend the stairs to the ballroom dressed in black trousers when the guardian of the establishment stepped forward and said, "Your grace cannot be admitted in trousers," whereupon the duke, who had a great respect for orders, quietly walked away.—New York Press.

A Pun That Failed.
At a public dinner a careless waiter stumbled when bringing in a boiled tongue. The tongue slipped over the edge of the dish upon the tablecloth.

"Never mind," said the chairman cheerfully, "it's only a lapsus lingue."

The joke was received with a burst of laughter. A gentleman present, who had no knowledge of Latin, yet saw what boisterous merriment it caused, secretly determined that he would repeat the whole performance at his next little dinner party at home and give his guests a great laugh at his wit.

The occasion arrived. There was to be a leg of mutton, and the host had instructed the waiter to let it fall when coming in. The waiter did so, to the great dismay of the guests.

"Oh, never mind," cried the host cheerfully, "it's only a lapsus lingue."

To his great disgust and astonishment, however, nobody seemed to see it, and now he is suspicious that something must have gone wrong somewhere.—Pearson's.

Appealed to the Powers.
The late Joseph Medill, editor of the Chicago Tribune, besides being an indefatigable editor, had a decided vein of humor in his composition.

During the last years of his life, as his strength permitted, he watched over his paper as zealously as in his younger days, and it was his custom to scan the columns of certain favorite exchanges and clip from them extensively, marking them on the margins, "J. M.—Must," meaning that the extracts must go in. It was one of his great griefs that there was not always room for all of them, even when columns of live editorial matter had been crowded out, as they were sometimes, to make room for them.

One night he went up to the room of the night editor with a bundle of clippings in his hand.
"Mr. Ransom," he said to that official, with a twinkle in his eye, "I wish you would use your influence to have these printed in the paper tomorrow morning."—Youth's Companion.

A Nourishing Drink.
The whites of raw eggs are very nourishing. A good way to prepare the drink, according to one who knows, is to break the white into a jar with what milk is desired and shake the two thoroughly together. A pinch of salt should be added. An English specialist recommends to adult patients suffering from anemic condition the daily consumption of eight or ten egg whites. They can be taken clear and with ease if the eggs are kept very cold, broken into a cold glass and used at once. Another excellent drink is made by beating the white of an egg to a froth and adding a tablespoonful of rich cream and a spoonful of brandy. This is a very nourishing cordial for an invalid.

Economical.
Farmer Skindint (reading sign)—"Eyesight Tested Free of Charge." Gracious! Mandy, in I go an' find out if it's hurtin' my eyesight tew read the paper.
Mandy—An' if it is are yew goin' tew squander good money on spectacles?
Farmer Skindint—No; I'm goin' tew give up the paper.

Gold Only For Royalty.
It is a notable fact that in Abyssinia none but those who are related to the monarch is permitted to wear gold in any form. They may deck themselves with diamonds and other precious stones, but the jewels must not be set in gold. The penalty for infringement of this law is death by decapitation.

Thanked.
She—Yes, I told you I'd always be a sister to you, and I'll be glad to hear anything you have to say to me.
He—Six months ago you told me I'd thank you some day for refusing me. Let me do so at once. You can't hold a candle to the girl I'm engaged to now.

His Embittered Existence.
Checks—You're the sourest, worst tempered man in town.
Black—Well, you see, I live next door to a public school.—Chicago News.

WORKING IN THE DARK.

Discomforts of Mining Before the Davy Lamp Was Lit.

The difficulties under which coal mining operations were carried on before the scientist Davy had invented his safety lamp must have been very great. In many times the only alternative the medieval miner had to pitch darkness was the phosphorescent gleam from dried fish. The miner's implements, originally of stone or hard oak, gradually improved, but he was forced to work in almost complete darkness until Sir Humphry Davy by his remarkable invention enabled him to light his way through the tunnels he had excavated with comparative safety.

Agricola, an author who wrote about the middle of the sixteenth century, has left an elaborate treatise on coal mining as it was practiced during the middle ages. From this we learn that the horse gin, which survives to the present day in some of the mining districts of Great Britain and northern Europe, was the engine chiefly employed both for lifting the coal and for getting rid of the water. This latter object was also sometimes effected by means of pumps turned by windmills or by tunnels driven with great labor to an outlet at a lower level.

Tombs of the Ancient Prophets.

There exist in parts of Islam many tombs of the prophet Daniel. Of these one of the most celebrated is at Cairo. This fact need not astonish us. The Mussulmans admit without hesitation the duplication or even indefinite multiplication of the bodies of holy persons without their veneration for each of the remains being diminished in the least. It is worth noting that the nature of the honorary qualifications accorded to the same saint varies in different countries. Thus, for example, Daniel has at Cairo the name of Nebi-Daniel—that is, they give him the title of prophet, as being at the same time that which suits him best and is the most honorable they can confer. In Algeria or Morocco—feudal countries—the title they give to saints is sidi, which signifies lord, which is also the title of military and political chiefs. In central Asia they give to those canonized persons whom they respect most, as to the prophet Daniel, the title of khodja, which means in Arabic writer or lettered.

Making Marble Out of Chalk.

In nature marble is made out of chalk by water which percolates through the chalky deposits, dissolves the chalk particle by parties and crystallizes it, mountain pressure solidifying it. It has been found that similar results may be accomplished by chemical means. First slices of chalk are dipped in a color bath, staining them with tints that will imitate any kind of marble known. For this purpose the same mineral stains are used as are employed in nature. For example, to produce counterfeited "verde antique" oxide of copper is utilized. In like manner green, pink, black and other colorings are obtained. Next the chalk slices go into another bath, by which they are hardened and crystallized, coming out to all intents and purposes real marble.

A Good Polley.

The Dry Goods Economist says of one store with which it is familiar: "Every employee in it seems to be good natured. Why should there be any difference in this respect between this establishment and the average store? Is not human nature about the same the world over? True, but there is a difference. The proprietor of this store is not only a merchant, but a gentleman. He treats his employees with marked courtesy and consideration. As a consequence they feel so kindly disposed toward him and his business that their good will is reflected in their treatment of his customers." Some storekeepers never find out why it is that so few of their casual customers become regulars.

Leigh Hunt's Breakfast Bonquets.

Leigh Hunt, that early day aesthete, declared breakfast to be the meal of all others when the poetic influence of a table posy was to be desired. He would bring in a few clover heads or sprigs of grass culled from beneath the protecting bars of a park railing; or city square if he could find nothing more beautiful, and with these to look at his fancy took him roaming out into boundless green fields and pastures new.

Gave Him a Start.

"Now, then," said the auctioneer, holding up a pair of antique silver candlesticks, "give me a start."
"Twenty-five cents," came from a voice at the back of the room.
"What?" exclaimed the horrified auctioneer.
"Ah," said the bidder in an undertone and with a chuckle, "I thought that would give him a start!"

Signs of Prosperity.

"How do you get the reputation of being so much richer than you are?" asked the intimate friend. "Very easily. I wear my old clothes as long as possible and never admit that I have any money that I could lend. People take it for granted that I must be prosperous."—Washington Star.

How He Felt About It.

"I wish I could give up work and take a long rest."
"You'd do it if you could, would you?"
"Well, I'm not sure I'd do it if I could. It's one of those things you'd like to do when you can't."—Brooklyn Life.

It is agreed by medical authorities that the virulence of an epidemic may be increased by the element of fear in the public mind.

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Tom Johnson went down with a whoop in Ohio.

The Republican and allied, alias pop party, did not cut much ice.

The poll tax amendment only had 75 majority in Callahan County. Just eight hundred less than it should have been.

That coal plank doubtless scared the up country folks in New York, but lined them up in great shape before the Bronx.

The Galveston-Dallas News deserves great credit for the able manner in which they championed the poll tax amendment.

Judging by the returns already in Col. Lauman has carried the state about 3 to 1, and the poll tax amendment about 2 to 1.

From present indications the youngest children now living will all be dead before the Panama canal or any other canal is cut across the Isthmus.

The people looked at it about this way: because some tax payers dodge part of their taxes this was no reason why other men should not pay a poll tax.

Not a republican, pop, prohibitionist or social democrat has broken into the Texas Legislature this load of polls. Texas people always get right after a time.

Tariff for revenue only and sound money are old time cardinal principles that won battles, and are just as good to-day as they were a century ago. We had our differences about what constitute sound money but that is settled. Now all good democrats will line and be ready for the next battle with the republicans on the tariff and the trusts.

Gossip has made many a hell on earth. It has sullied the character of many a noble and innocent man and pure and respectable woman. It has made enemies of life long friends, parted lovers and divorced man and wife. It has filled with misery and unhappiness, enmity and hatred, mistrust and suspicion. The tongue of gossip drips a subtle poison, which slowly and secretly eats its way into the vital of man's or woman's character, and blights his or her regard for the truth, for honesty and forbearance, and any of the noble virtues that distinguish gentleman from a paltrone, a high bred lady from a haggling market woman. Gossip is the open door to slander, and slander is the murderer of character and good name. Take care then how you gossip.—Ex.

Is Bible Reading Neglected?

New York Sun. A woman, still a young woman, in Tiffin, Ohio, has read the Bible through twenty-three times in twenty-three years. The practice of reading the whole of the Bible every year used to be common enough. In Scotland and England almost every household had at least one Bible reader. The language of daily life was full of conscious or unconscious quotations from the book. Old men and placid old women were forever reading the Bible. Children were familiar with it. Every memory was enriched by that oriental imagery and noble English. But those were narrow days. People have tons of novels now. We might almost say that novels are written even by folks who can't write. So in this age of 'culture' the Bible is neglected.

The 'higher' criticism and the lower writing have thrust it out; and wise youths speak of it pityingly and patronizingly or recommend it for its folklore. Some of them are deep in Ibsen and reverend Materlinck, but how many of them know the Nineteenth Psalm? They can spout Omar Khayyam, but Ecclesiastes is unknown to them. They have read books about Nietzsche, and they don't know Isaiah and Job. Yet without the New Testament there would have been no Tolstol. They might be interested in tracing the sources of the 'masters' of to-day.

MEMORIAL.

MRS. ELLA VAUGHN.

Mrs. Ella Vaughn was born in Palo Pinto County, Texas, Feb. 12 1880. Daughter of John B. and Emma Hamilton, was married to Mr. A. L. Vaughn May 19 1901. She professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 14 and lived a consistent christian life until she was called from earth to heaven Oct. 23 1902. She leaves a young husband and babe with her father and mother, brothers and sister to mourn their loss. As a wife she was true and loving, as a daughter she was tender and kind, as a woman and neighbor she was honored and loved by all who knew her. Truly a good woman has gone from among us. We shall miss her in the church, in the home and in the community. But living as she lived and dying as she died we know where to find her. She has gone home, where her loved ones in Christ are going too, some day. 'Tis sweet to think of one so dear Whose love to us was given She's gone his crown to wear Around the throne in heaven.

A FRIEND.

MEANS OR MEANNESS.

'Brudren and sistahs,' sternly said good old Parson Woollimon, after the collection had been taken up upon a recent Sabbath morning, 'before de hat was done parsed I expounded de request dat de congregation contribute aocawdin' to deir means, and I sho expected dat yo' all would chip in magnanimously. But now upon examinin' de collection, I finds dat de concerted amount contributed by de whole entire posse ob yo' am only de significant and pusillanimous sum ob sixty-three cents. And at dis junction dar ain't no 'casion fer yo' all to look at Brudder Siewfoot, what done circumambulated de hat around, in no such auspicious manner, fer, in de first place, Brudder Siewfoot ain't dat kind ob a man; and, in de second place, I done watched him like a hawk all de time tuhself. No, sixty-three cents was all dat was dung in: an' I des wants to say dat, in my humble opinion, instead of contributed aocawdin' to yo' means, yo' all contributed aocawdin' to yo' meanness! De choir will now favor us wid deir reg'lar melodiousness.'—Selected.

Filtered and Unfiltered Water.

Providence Journal. Thyphoid fever is almost epidemic at West Philadelphia, while at Manayunk, which filters its water, only two cases are reported. It is criminal for a community to neglect the question of a pure water supply, and foolish for people to talk about the horrors of warfare if they stand idly by and let disease claim more victims than war when easily taken precautions might prevent its ravages.

Gen. Miles landed in the Philippines without creating any disturbance of the earth's equilibrium.

Four Thousand Godfathers.

London Tattler. Princess Irene of Prussia is better provided for in the matter of godfathers than any other woman in the world. She can boast of no fewer than 4,000 godpapas and how she came to obtain so many is a pretty story. When she was born the war of 1866 was drawing to an end, and peace being concluded just at the time of her christening her father, Prince Henry of Hesse, requested all the officers and men of the regiments under his command to stand godfathers of his little daughter, whom he named Irene (Peace) in commemoration of the end of the war.

DISTRICT COURT.

The entire week up to this time was taken up in the trial of Dr. J. H. Grace charged with the murder of Miss Mollie Lane. The case was tried in Jones county, defendant convicted and given a term of years in the penitentiary. The Criminal Court of Appeals reviewed the case, and Judge Lindsey transferred the case from Jones county to this county. The State is ably represented by District Attorney C. D. Spann, and S. P. Hardwicke, of Abilene. The defense just as efficiently by Steel & Stinson of Anson, and Mr. Langford, of Hico.

The case has attracted a great deal of attention on account of the vast number of witnesses brought here in the case and the prominence of the parties connected with the case.

Miss Lane (so the defense claims committed suicide) in Dr. Grace's office at Stamford some time ago. The state denies the theory of suicide and claims that Dr. Grace murdered the girl. Mr. Hardwicke closed the case for the state this morning. The case has been most stubbornly contested by both sides, and you can hear all sorts of opinions expressed by those attending the trial, but as we heard very little of the evidence we have no idea what the jury will do.

SPRING GAP LOCALS.

Nov. 11—The election passed off very quiet at Admiral. In passing no one could tell it was election day.

The new Callahan school house is nearly completed on the East side. It is a long wanted building in that district.

The first 'tacky' party no Deep Creek was at Joe Smart's, Tuesday night. Every one present saw a jolly time. Walter Sincumb add Miss Clarisa Street 'took off the cake.'

The young people enjoyed an all night dance at J. R. Finch Jr. Thursday night. This was the first dance in several years that was near Admiral. The over indulgent says that there will be more at an early date.

The interest still increases in our spelling club. We now have thirty members.

W. J. Rylee has been on the sick list. He is convalescent and will be out again soon.

Walter Weeks, nephew of Mr. G. Weeks, spent a few days with his uncle last week, then returned home.

R. A. Callahan can be found on his place any Sunday. Since he has enjoyed the fresh, invigorating air of the country one year, he cannot stay in town all the time.

Mrs. R. C. Dawkins returned Sunday from Mineral Wells where she has been about three weeks. She improved rapidly, but will still use the mineral water.

Miss Margie Richardson and brother, Otto, went to Seranton Saturday. They returned Sunday.

R. C. Dawkins returned from Moore County Tuesday. He says that is the garden spot of Texas.

DU BILL.

J. J. Preston is in town delivering fruit trees.

The K. P. Hotel has an ad in this issue. Read it. Mr. Burge says he has a fine trade.

James Randalls, from Cottonwood is in the city.

Don't forget the Fire Boy's play tomorrow night. Go or send someone.

Maj. G. E. Nelson, of Trenton, Tenn. for long years a citizen of Baird arrived on the train last night. Maj. Nelson appears to be in fine health, and we are glad to learn that Mrs. Nelson has fully regained her health since they moved back to Tennessee.

Mrs. W. A. McLaury and daughter Millie, of Stonewall county, are visiting in Baird.

LOST.

G. W. Miller paid a years subscription to THE STAR on Oct. 31st but the printer failed to get the address. If Mr. Miller will send us his address we will forward paper at once. 50¢

Religion of the Boers.

With but few exceptions the Boers of the Transvaal belong to the Dutch Reformed church or to some branch of that church. One of the branches or sects is known as the Doppers, being the most extreme and rigid of them all. Ex-President Kruger is a member of the Dopper church, and when he resided in Pretoria he used to preach regularly to a Dopper congregation.

Ancient Town of Damascus.

There may be older cities in China than Damascus, but we do not know of them, and we do know that there are none more venerable on this side of the world. Its origin is lost in the mist of the early ages. According to Moslem tradition the foundations were laid soon after the creation of the earth, and Adam was one of the original town-site owners.

K. P. HOTEL.

I have just received a shipment of fresh

Cat Fish, Oysters.

I can give you a better MEAL FOR 25c

Than any other house in West Texas, Come and be Convinced.

I have had 25 years experience in Hotel and Short Order business, Respectfully, H. B. BURGE, Prop.

A GOOD RECOMMENDATION.

We the the undersigned citizens of Callahan County, Texas, hereby certify that that we have known B. C. Clemmer for a number of years, and know that he is, and always has been a lawabiding citizen; that he is, and always has been, a man who believed in upholding and enforcing the law, both State and National; that his reputation for honesty in the community in which he has lived for the past twenty years is good.

- F. P. Shackelford, Merchant. A. L. Biggerstaff, Stockman. J. J. Sigler, Merchant. J. F. Clay. Y. A. Orr, Druggist. C. W. Conner, Merchant. T. F. Lyster, Stockman. W. D. Clinton, Stockman. L. D. Harwell, Stockman. A. L. Jobe, Farmer. S. W. Jobe, Constable. M. Kennedy. W. H. Jobe, Farmer. Jno. L. Woods, Stock & Farmer. F. L. Taber, Merchant. Luke Cather, Stock & Farmer. J. M. Cansingham, Ginmer. Gabe Smart, Farm & Ranch. Ed Coppins, havn known him for 21 years. F. W. James, Pres. 1st National Bank of Baird. W. C. Powell, Cashier 1st National Bank Baird. Otis Bowyer, Atty-at-law. B. L. Russell, Co. Judge. J. N. Rushing, Cattle. R. Phillips, Druggist. I. N. Jackson, Ex Co. and Dist. Clerk of Callahan Co. J. W. Merrick, Co. Com. F. S. Bell, Atty-at-law. W. E. Gilliland, Ed. BAIRD STAR, have known him for 15 years.

The press of the country is not weeping over Congressman Loud's defeat in California.

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation designating Thursday November 27th as a day of thanksgiving.

An old newspaper man who has lately gone in the photographing business says: "I find that photographers rarely ever advertise, but I'm too old a newspaper man not to believe in it for anything. I'd advertise if I was running a cemetery—quiet rooms, clean beds and plenty of free heat."—Ex.

The sweetest woman in Austin is the white goddess on top the capital dome. A hive of bees has taken possession of her ladyship and she is cuckoo full of honey. The fact that she stands perfectly still and allows 10,000 bees to creep in and out of her nose and never yells or sneezes, shows her to be a goddess of more than ordinary nerve.—Austin Statesman.

POSTED.—My ranch on the Bayou 15 miles south of Baird is posted and I forbid any one to fish or hunt on my ranch without my written permission. W. M. McMANIS.

John T. McCool was buried at Putnam Saturday by the Knights of Pythias. A number of the order from Baird attended the funeral. Mr. McCool was a brother of Mrs. J. S. Rogers of Baird.

Uncle Billy White, an old Texas veteran and one of the early settlers of Callahan County, died at his home near Baird, Tuesday evening. Uncle Billy White was a very old man just how old no one seems to know, but probably about 85 years of age. He was in the Texas army in 1836, but not in the battle of San Jacinto, being in a different part of the state at the time the battle was fought.

DEATHS.

It has been threatening rain for several days and early this morning a light rain began falling. The wind is in the North and we may have some cold weather before the spell breaks up.

FRUIT OF HIS FOLLY.

OPERA - HOUSE.

Friday, Nov. 14.

This magnificent play will be rendered by the Fire Boys, assisted by the best talent in Baird. The Fire Boys always entertain, be sure to be present. The proceeds go to

THE BAIRD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

'The Fruit of His Folly' is one of the best amateur plays ever attempted in Baird. It is full of excitement, fun, pathos,

and joy. The five acts will be interspersed with comical songs and sayings and sweet music by a fine Orchestra.

Admission 25, 35 and 50 cts.

Seats on sale at R. Phillips & Son.

CARTER & SPENCER,

ONE PRICE GROCERS.

Respectfully ask a share of your patronage. We have a complete line of Fresh Groceries and Feed. Give us a trial. Telephone 114.

One Minute Cough Cure.

Is the only harmless cough cure that gives quick relief. Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Pneumonia, Asthma, LaGrippe and all Throat, Chest and Lung Troubles. I got soaked by rain, says Gertrude E. Fenner, Munice, Ind., and contracted a severe cold and cough. I failed rapidly; lost 48 lbs. My druggist recommended One Minute Cough Cure. The first bottle brought relief; several cured me. I am back at my old weight, 148 lbs. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, relieves the cough at once, draws out inflammation, cures croup. An ideal remedy for children. Sold by Powell & Powell.

Best Liniment on Earth.

L. M. McHany, Greenville, Tex., writes, Nov. 2, 1900: "I had rheumatism last winter, was down in bed six weeks; tried everything, but got no relief, till a friend gave me a part of a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. I used it, and got two more bottles. It cured me and I haven't felt any rheumatism since. I can recommend Ballard's Snow Liniment to be the best liniment on earth for rheumatism or for rheumatism." For rheumatic, sciatic or neuralgic pains, rub in Ballard's Snow Liniment, you will not suffer long; but will be gratified with a speedy and effective cure. 25c. 50c and \$1.00 at R. Phillip & Son.

LAND FOR SALE.

I have 3000 acres of the best unimproved land in Callahan county that I will sell in any size tract from a quarter section up. This is fine agricultural land and can be bought very cheap. L. L. Blackburn, 45-46

COUPON CLIPPING CONTEST.

FOR GIRLS UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE.

A Buck's Junior Range to the little lady who cuts out and brings to our store the greatest number of our



Ads Containing this Trade Mark. Save every 'ad' until Dec 25, 1902.

Harry Meyer.



T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

EAST BOUND.
 No. 6. departs..... 1:20 a. m.
 No. 4. departs..... 10:15 a. m.

WEST BOUND.
 No. 5. departs..... 2:50 a. m.
 No. 3. departs..... 3:25 p. m.

J. B. HARMON, Agent.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night. Rev. W. W. Moss, Pastor.
 Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. T. E. Powell, Superintendent.

CHURCH. Preaching 2nd and 4th days at 11 a. m. and at night. Underwood, Pastor.
 School at 10 a. m. W. M. Coffey, Superintendent.

CHURCH. Services 2nd and 4th days at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. F. W. Student.

CH. Preaching every 2nd and 4th meeting at 2 p. m. every A. Barnhill, Elder.

LAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching 1st and 3rd Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night. W. F. Kirby, Pastor.
 Day school at 10 a. m. J. N. Rushing, apt.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching 1st and 3rd Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. S. S. Y. Underwood, Pastor. J. C. Gray, Superintendent. Meetings every Wednesday night 8:30. Pastors Reading Room at church, every Wednesday all day.
 REV. M. E. CHAPIN.

LOGGERS.

BAIRD LODGE, No. 522. A. F. & A. M. Meets every Saturday night on or before full moon at 7:30 p. m.
 J. W. Woods, W. M.
 J. H. Walker, Secretary.

BAIRD CHAPTER, R. A. M. No. 182. Meets 3rd Friday night in each month.
 J. B. Harmon, H. P.
 J. H. Walker, Secretary.

BAIRD LODGE No. 47. K. of P. Meets in Castle Hall Odd Fellows building every Thursday night at 8 p. m. Visiting Knights always welcome.
 Van Jones, C. C.
 H. Schwartz, K. of R. S.

BAIRD CAMP No. 508. W. O. W. Meets in the Odd Fellows Hall. 1st and 2nd Monday nights of each month.
 W. G. Boyles, C. C.
 Oris Phillips, Clerk.

BAIRD LODGE No. 271. I. O. O. F. Meets every Saturday night.
 J. J. Allen, N. G.
 H. Schwartz, Sec.

ABILENE COMMANDERY, K. of T. No. 27. Meets 2nd Monday of each month.
 J. H. Fickens, E. C.
 C. W. Robinson, Rec.

BAIRD LODGE No. 141. A. O. U. W. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Visiting brethren from daily invited and members expected to attend.
 J. A. Emmons, M. W.
 John J. Allen, Recorder.

BAIRD LODGE No. 806. BANKERS UNION of the World meets in the Odd Fellows hall 1st and 3rd Monday nights in each month at 8 p. m.
 I. L. Blackburn, President.
 J. H. Cochran, Sec.

CAMP ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON, No. 1. U. C. V. Meets at Baird at 1 p. m. 4th, Saturday in each month.
 J. S. Tarrant, Capt.
 J. E. W. Lane, Adj.

LOCAL NEWS

Rev. C. W. Young, of Putnam, was yesterday.

Sheriff Swan, of Jones County, was in town Monday.

J. F. Baston and H. C. Grantham, of Tecumseh, were in town Monday.

A. L. Biggerstaff, of Putnam, was in town last Saturday.

Jack Eastham and R. C. Dawkins, of Deep Creek, were in town Monday.

D. G. Hunt, of Eastland, late republican nominee for congress was in town the first of the week.

Tom Johnson, of Tecumseh, and R. M. Grantham, of Jim Ned, were in town last Saturday.

Dr. Manning, of Stamford, attended district court this week as a witness in the Dr. Gray murder case transferred from Jones County.

D. (Mat) Thomas, J. R. Harris, J. M. Adenhead, Ed Crawford and Steve Shelley, of Eagle Cove, were in town Monday.

Rev. W. W. Moss left Monday night for the annual conference of the M. E. Church, South, which convened yesterday, at Temple.

Skirts, waists and dress goods in patterns 25c to 50c per yard less than any others. Gold medal school shoe 75c worth \$1. Granite-ware less than any one. Xmas goods. Come and see. Dolls, Dolls.
 H. F. FOY.
 49th

Rev. I. C. Underwood, Pastor elect of the Baptist Church arrived Monday afternoon, ready to assume pastoral duties. He will preach every Sunday except the first, of each month. He desires to meet a large congregation Sunday.

See the handsome display ad of C. S. Boyles. He has some information of interest to the public.

We are going to give away A Fine Graphophone.

Come See About It.

B. L. BOYDSTUN.

OFFICIAL VOTE NOV. 4, 1902.

The Following is the Official Vote as Counted by the Commissioners Court, Nov. 10, 1902.

CANDIDATES.	Precincts											Majority			
	Baird	Belle Plaine	Cottonwood	Tecumseh	Clyde	Cross Plains	Callahan City	Putnam	Harris	Putnam	Putnam		Putnam		
Total Vote from Poll List	228	38	104	28	102	138	45	128	10	29	29	37	40	14	977
For Amendment	107	18	44	35	40	61	21	66	8	18	24	11	17	1	471
Against Amendment	105	16	51	11	47	42	25	52	1	10	15	21	13	3	396
For Governor:															
S. W. T. LANHAM, Dem.	218	33	59	36	92	79	38	98	10	18	23	26	29	14	771
GEO. W. CARROLL, Pro.	2	4	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	62
J. M. MALET, Pop.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
GEO. W. BURKETT, Rep.	4	1	19	2	8	17	4	14	1	10	1	1	1	1	85
For Congress, 10th District:															
W. R. SMITH	221	35	70	36	92	91	41	102	10	19	26	32	34	14	859
D. G. HUNT	3	2	19	1	8	6	4	14	1	10	1	2	3	1	73
For County Judge:															
L. N. JACKSON	225	37	97	38	99	115	44	117	10	28	29	35	38	14	914

As there was no opposition to County Democratic ticket the vote by precincts for County Judge only is given. There is little difference as to the vote of County Judge and other county candidates, so to save work we only give totals.

J. Y. (Cap) Gilliland, was in town yesterday.

Than Warren was able to get down on crutches Tuesday.

One of Joe Tisdale's daughters is reported ill with slow fever.

Dr. Met Remph. of Lytle, is a witness in a case in District Court.

See change in Harry Meyer ad. He has anything you need in hardware.

G. W. Slaughter, J. F. and Perry Barton, of Tecumseh, were in town this week.

Newt Smith, Steve Shelley, Hezie Smith and others from Eagle Cove are in town.

B. C. Clemmer was in town Monday and secured numerous signatures to a statement as to his previous good character by people many of whom have known him for more than twenty years. Those who know Mr. Clemmer best do not believe for a moment that he is guilty of the charge against him relating to the Montana bank bills, some of which were recently circulated at Clyde. Mr. Clemmer was arrested by the deputy U. S. Marshal and carried to Abilene last week where he was released on bond. Perry Klepper and Lum Woods were discharged. These arrests have caused considerable excitement at Clyde and Baird where the parties are well known.

Luck in Thirteen.
 By sending 13 miles Wm. Spirey, of Walton Furnace, Vt. got a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, that wholly cured a horrible Fever Sore on his leg. Nothing else could. Positively cures Bruises, Folons, Ulcers, Eruptions, Bolls, Burns, corns and Piles. Only 25c. Guaranteed by Powell & Powell, druggist Baird Tex. and Y. A. Orr, druggist Putnam Tex.

Asleep Amid Flames.
 Breaking into a blazing home, some firemen lately dragged the sleeping inmates from death. Fancied security and death near. It's that way when you neglect coughs and colds. Don't do it. Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption gives perfect protection against all Throat, Chest and Lung Troubles. Keep it near, and avoid suffering, death and doctor's bills. A teaspoonful stops a late cough persistent use the most stubborn. Harmless and nice tasting, it's guaranteed to satisfy by Powell & Powell, Baird Texas and Y. A. Orr Putnam Texas. Prices 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

Beautiful Clear Skin.
 Herbine exerts a direct influence on the bowels, liver and kidneys purifying and strengthening these organs, and maintaining them in normal condition of health; thus removing a common cause of yellow, mothy, greasy skin, and more or less of pimples, blotches and blackheads. 50c at R. R. Phillips & Son.

Think of it; this is the 13th day of November and no frost yet in Callahan county.

Worm Destroyer.
 White's Cream Vermifuge, not only kills worms, but removes the mucus and slime, in which they build their nests; it brings, and quickly, a healthy condition of the body where worms cannot exist. 25c at R. Phillips & Son.

We are short of help and cannot get up as much local news as we should. Miss Eliza Gilliland, our main printer has been ill with slow fever since the 3rd. She has a mild type of fever so far and it is hoped she will be up in a week or so.

A Dangerous Monte.
 This is the month of coughs, colds and acute catarrh. Do you catch cold easily? Find yourself hoarse, with a tickling in your throat and an annoying cough at night? Then, you should always have handy, a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. J. A. Anderson 354 West 5th St. Salt Lake City, writes: "We use Ballard's Horehound Syrup for coughs and colds. It gives immediate relief. We know it's the best remedy for these troubles. I write to induce other people to try this pleasant and efficient remedy." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at R. Phillips & Son.

L. Hearne, Mr. Hornsby, Lige Cutbirth, and other Belle Plainites were in town yesterday.



Mrs. Fred Unrath,
 President Country Club, Benton Harbor, Mich.

"After my first baby was born I did not seem to regain my strength although the doctor gave me a tonic which he considered very superior, but instead of getting better I grew weaker every day. My husband insisted that I take Wine of Cardui for a week and see what it would do for me. I did take the medicine and was very grateful to find my strength and health slowly returning. In two weeks I was out of bed and in a month I was able to take up my usual duties. I am very enthusiastic in its praise."

Wine of Cardui reinforces the organs of generation for the ordeal of pregnancy and childbirth. It prevents miscarriage. No woman who takes Wine of Cardui need fear the coming of her child. If Mrs. Unrath had taken Wine of Cardui before her baby came she would not have been weakened as she was. Her rapid recovery should commend this great remedy to every expectant mother. Wine of Cardui regulates the menstrual flow.

WINE OF CARDUI

ELECTION RETURNS.

The following is the total number of votes the county officers received, and the names of the officers elected in the different county precincts.

For County Attorney..... 893
 JOHN W. WOODS.

For County and District Clerk..... 896
 W. P. (Dick) COCHRAN.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector..... 928
 T. A. (Al) IRVIN.

For County Treasurer..... 921
 J. E. W. LANE.

For Tax Assessor..... 926
 T. J. NORRELL.

For County Surveyor..... 903
 T. H. FLOYD.

For Hide and Animal Inspector..... 887
 W. C. ASBURY.

For Public Weigher, Baird..... 796
 JOE MCGOWEN.

For Public Weigher, Putnam..... 796
 JOE SHACKLEFORD.

For County Commissioner Prec. No. 1.....
 W. A. HINDS.

For County Commissioner Prec. No. 2.....
 PHILLIP YOST.

For County Commissioner Prec. No. 3.....
 J. H. BURNHAM.

For County Commissioner Prec. No. 4.....
 JAS. RANDALS.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 1.....
 L. O. OLIVER.

For Constable Prec. No. 1.....
 JOE ALLPHIN.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 2.....
 J. L. RAWSON.

For Constable Prec. No. 2.....
 DAVE BORNBSBY.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 3.....
 C. J. WILLSON.

For Constable Prec. No. 3.....
 W. M. TATUM.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 4.....
 HUGH MOORE.

For Constable Prec. No. 4.....
 G. O. CRESSWELL.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 5.....
 ELI WINDHAM.

For Constable Prec. No. 5.....
 H. C. DARDEN.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 6.....
 W. O. FLEMING.

For Constable Prec. No. 6.....
 J. A. SUMMERS.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 7.....
 H. J. AUSTIN.

For Constable Prec. No. 7.....
 J. H. FINCH.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 8.....
 W. M. PEARCE.

For Constable Prec. No. 8.....
 F. S. ORMSBY.

For Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 9.....
 J. H. WILSON.

NOTICE.

I hold all the R. E. Hadley and M. Summers accounts and notes. They are now due and I must have the money on them at once. The notes are at the First Nat'l Bank and the accounts at Hadley Bros. store. Don't delay this as I have sold out everything and want to straighten up these accounts at once.
 Respt.
 M. SUMMERS.

FRESH BREAD.

Mrs. Kane bakes fresh bread daily.

MORPHINE

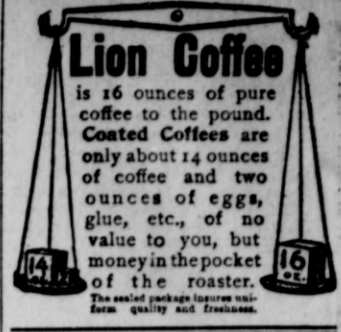
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 Habits cured at home. The Wilson Chemical Co., Dublin, Texas, incorporated 1902, capital \$5,000, guarantees to cure anyone of the above habits. No suffering, sure and harmless. Builds up the entire nervous system and restores youthful vigor. Can be taken at home or elsewhere without the knowledge of any one. No loss from business or work. No cure, no pay. Price 55c. Letters strictly confidential. Book of particulars, testimonials, references, etc. free. We also manufacture

TOBACCOLINE

A certain and permanent cure for chewing dipping, cigarette smoking. Price \$1 cure guaranteed. Agents wanted for Tobaccoline. Distributors: S. J. Weaver, Postmaster; J. J. Ray, Secretary. Texas State Orange; H. A. Boyz, pastor M. E. church; Dublin Nat'l Bank or any citizen of Dublin.

The Wilson Chemical Co.
 Sept 11, 6 mos. Dublin, Tex.

Jack Jones,
Hotel Seay Barber Shop.
 YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED.



Lion Coffee
 is 16 ounces of pure coffee to the pound. Coated Coffees are only about 14 ounces of coffee and two ounces of eggs, glue, etc., of no value to you, but money in the pocket of the roaster. The sealed package insures uniform quality and freshness.

Brown Seay came in from El Paso last week and spent a few days in town. He has taken charge of the saloon in Hotel Seay. See change in ad. He is expected home sometime this week.

Work Horses For Sale.
 I have for sale some young Norman horses, two to five years old. They are good horses and will make fine farm teams. Reasonable terms.
 WM. MCMANIS,
 Baird Texas.

See large display ad of the Co-operative Premium Stamp Association. This firm is perfectly reliable and will do exactly what they promise. For further information see the merchants whose names appear in the quarter page ad on 3rd page.

Moore's Pills are a guaranteed cure for all forms of Malaria, Ague, Chills and Fever, Swamp Fever, Malarial Fever, Bilious Fever, Jaundice, Billiousness, fetid breath and a tired, listless feeling. They cure Rheumatism and the lassitude following blood poison produced from malarial poisoning. No Quinine. No Arsenic, Acids or Iron. Do not ruin stomach or teeth. Entirely tasteless. Price, 50c per box. Dr. C. C. Moore Co. No 310 North Main Street St. Louis Mo 8-4.

Mr. Chas. Schuworth who has the contract for putting in the electric light plant is in town. They are making all night runs now and getting things in good shape. Some few lights do not burn well but it requires time to get everything properly adjusted, so don't get impatient if your lights don't work properly at first.

For nice visiting cards go THE STAR office.

A Thanksgiving Dinner.

Heavy eating is usually the first cause of indigestion. Repeated attacks inflame the mucous membranes lining the stomach, exposes the nerves of the stomach, producing a swelling after eating, heartburn, headache, sour rising and finally catarrh of the stomach. Kodol relieves the inflammation, protects the nerves and cures the catarrh. Kodol cures indigestion, dyspepsia, all stomach troubles by cleansing and sweetening the glands of the stomach.
 Sold by Powell & Powell.

NOTICE.

All members of the U. D. C. are requested to meet me at the Odd Fellow's Hall, Friday Nov. 14, 1902, at 4:30 p. m.
 MRS. S. T. FRASER, Pres.
 Mrs. F. W. JAMES, Sec.

Cure of Piles After 40 Years.

Mr. C. Hauey, of Geneva, Ohio, had the piles for forty years. Doctors and dollars could do him no lasting good. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him permanently. Invaluable for cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, lacerations, eczema, tetter, salt rheum, and all other skin diseases. Look for name DeWitt on the package—all others are cheap, worthless counterfeits. Sold by Powell & Powell.

Tecumseh voted solidly for the amendment. The people out there pay their taxes and don't think it will hurt any one to pay a poll tax.

If you are bilious and seeking advisers. Take little DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Just before going to bed. You will find on the morrow. You are rid of your sorrow. That's all; just enough said. These famous pills do not gripe, but move the bowels gently and easily, cleansing the liver. Their tonic effect gives strength to the glands, preventing a return of the disorder. Sold by Powell & Powell.

I want your trade. T. E. Powell, 41

J. R. Hall, of Covington, Tenn. is visiting the family of A. G. Webb. Mr. Hall bought two carloads of mules from A. L. Biggerstaff, for the Memphis market.

Quite a crowd of Baird Camp No. 508 W. O. W. went up to Abilene last Sunday evening to attend the Woodman unveiling at that place. The boys say that it was one of the largest Woodman gatherings ever assembled in the West, and that Abilene Camp entertained them royally.

BESTED THE PARSON.

A Case Where the Wedding Ring Went on the Right Hand.

A clerical correspondent of the London Express tells of a wedding ceremony in which he officiated and in his zeal for ritual observances laid himself open to a comical and crushing rebuff.

"I was then curate of a small country parish in Somersetshire, and one day a couple presented themselves after due preliminaries for marriage in the village church.

"All went well until the moment came when it is directed by the rubric that the man shall place the ring upon the fourth finger of the woman's left hand, but then trouble began. The yokel, apparently from nervousness or ignorance, laid hold of the right hand of his expectant bride and placed the ring there resolutely.

"'No,' I said, with quiet firmness, 'you must put the ring on her left hand.' To this his only reply was a stolid stare. Thinking he had not understood me, I repeated my words, but with no better effect.

"With as much warmth and insistence as was justified by the occasion I now took firmer ground and said, 'If you do not put the ring on her left hand, I must stop the service.'

"And then the climax came. With a complacent smile, that seemed to show his satisfaction at having for the moment 'bested' the parson, the bridegroom settled the point for all time with the words, 'Please, sir, she ain't got none!'

How Billiards Were Invented.

The English are very fond of the game of billiards, and a letter in the British museum gives the origin of the sport. It was invented by a London pawnbroker, whose name was William Kew. Kew not only lent money, but he sold cloth, and for the latter purpose had a yard measure, with which he used to compute the amounts. One day to distract himself he took the three round balls which are the emblems of his trade—they may still be seen in front of certain shops in London—and, placing them on his counter, began to hit them about with his yard measure.

He found it made a pretty game. He got a kind of skill in making one ball glance off the other, and his friends who saw him thus employed called the game Bill's yard. It was soon shortened into billiards. But the yardstick was the instrument with which the balls were knocked about, and difficulty arose as to what to call it. They called it after the name of the pawnbroker—a Kew.—Paris Figaro.

Ten Men and a Safe.

In the submissiveness of one of our big life insurance companies is a safe so large that a theatrical company might perform therein. There are three doors, the combinations of whose locks are controlled by ten men. Each man, a high official of the company, is an integral part of the integral whole. In instance: Five men are required to open the outer door, each knowing a fifth part of the entire combination and no more. A, having set the gatings in his combination, is followed in turn by B, C, D and E, when the bolt may be moved. In the same manner the second door is opened by three men in combination and the third by two, in the latter case each being in combination with one or more of the other eight on the outer and second doors. The safe is regarded as safe.—New York Press.

Breaking Glass.

The following is an easy method of breaking glass to any required form: Make a small notch by means of a file on the edge of a piece of glass; then make the end of a tobacco pipe or a rod of iron of about the same size red hot in the fire. Apply the hot iron to the notch and draw it slowly along the surface of the glass in any direction you please. A crack will be made in the glass and will follow the direction of the iron.

Embarrassing For the Professor.

Professor (to his class)—Gentlemen, I have to apologize for a short delay in beginning this lecture. I have unfortunately left my manuscript at home, but my boy, whom I have sent for it, will be here shortly.

Professor's Son (audibly)—Mother couldn't find the manuscript, so she has sent the book you copied it from.—New York Times.

Brown's Sympathy.

Jones—Charley fell from a street car last evening.

Brown—Oh, I'm awfully sorry!

Jones—But he wasn't hurt at all.

Brown—I wasn't thinking about Charley. I was thinking of the sufferings of those who would be told about that fall for months to come.—Boston Transcript.

A Puzzler.

"Paw," said little Tommy Figg on being scolded. "I heard Mr. Watts say that great men's sons never did any good. I ain't a great man's son, am I?"

Up to a late hour Mr. Figg's mind had not found a sufficiently diplomatic answer.

Double Work.

First Decorator—I advised him to have his house decorated during his wife's absence as a surprise.

Second Decorator—Good! Then we'll have to do it all over again when she gets back.—Life.

Good Manners.

Good manners is the art of making those people easy with whom we converse. Whoever makes the fewest persons uneasy is the best bred in the company.

USE OF FALSE TEETH.

Two Millions Manufactured Annually in the United States.

Probably not less than 2,000,000 artificial teeth are manufactured in this country each year, and still the output goes on increasing. Never before was such great care manifested for teeth as has been exhibited during the past five years. In this respect Americans lead the world, not even the fastidious French excelling the people of the United States in their solicitude for the preservation of natural teeth and in their application of the arts of dental science when substitutes have to be provided for nature's molar.

Englishmen are notoriously careless about their teeth, although in late years great progress has been made in this matter.

A prominent dentist of New York declares that nearly every patient with a mouthful of decayed teeth is a foreigner. "They let things drift," he says, "and come only when pain drives them here. Americans, and especially southerners, hasten to their dentist immediately they detect even the slightest signs of coming trouble, and the result is that there are by far more 'saved' teeth in this country than in any other. Englishmen and Irishmen are remarkably apathetic about their molars and will go about for years with hopelessly decayed teeth."—New York Times.

Gluck in a Frenzy.

When Gluck composed his immortal works, a bottle of champagne was always placed on either side of the piano, and its effervescence helped to inspire the great arias of "Iphigenia," "Armida" and "Alceste." When the final rehearsals were held of the "Iphigenia," Gluck had not yet written the melody to the "Dance of the Scythians." Naverre, the ballet master, becoming uneasy over the delay, went to him one morning to urge him to hurry it up. As he entered the composer's anteroom he heard unusual and terrific noises emanating from Gluck's library. He approached stealthily and through a crack in the door saw Gluck in shirt sleeves, his face as red as fire and distorted by horrible grimaces, singing, gesticulating and jumping about like a madman. Naverre, frightened by the extraordinary spectacle, pushed the door open. "Ah, there you are," exclaimed Gluck. "I am just finishing your dance and will let you have it right away." It was then that Gluck had composed that grand orgy of the savages which created such a profound sensation on the stage.

Blind Men as Shampooers.

"I do pity these blind men so," said a stranger in the city who had been approached by so many "blind" men in walking down the avenue that he wondered how these beggars picked him out so readily.

"And yet," said his host, "there are many lines of work which they could do instead of begging. For example, most of the shampooers in Japan are blind men. Some are so well to do that they own their own houses, and their patrons go to them for treatment. Others who have not succeeded so well go from house to house, and the rest of the people from sympathy guide them from place to place. Some of them walk alone, blowing on bamboo whistles. There was a time when some of them were doctors as well as shampooers."—New York Tribune.

Mortar Tossers.

There is no hod carrying in Japan. The native builders have a method of transferring mortar which makes it seem more like play than work to the onlooker. The mortar is mixed up in a pile in the street. One man makes this up into balls of about six pounds weight, which he tosses to a man who stands on a ladder midway between the roof and the ball. This man deftly catches the ball and tosses it up to a man who stands on the roof. This plan would scarcely work for skyscrapers.

What Botanists Do Not Know.

How water, commonly called sap, necessary to the life of a tree, passes from the roots to the topmost leaf and evaporates is a problem not yet solved by botanists. It is known that the ascent is made chiefly in cavities in the sapwood only, the heart and bark serving other purposes. That is the extent of our knowledge of the matter. Beyond is mere conjecture, and every theory yet advanced has failed to stand the test of experiment.

The Cast Was Made.

"Do you cast things here?" inquired a smart youth the other day as he sauntered into a foundry and addressed the proprietor.

"Yes, we do."

"You cast all kinds of things in iron, eh?"

"Certainly. Don't you see that is our business?"

"Ah, well, cast a shadow, will you?"

He was cast out.

Intellectual.

"Just fancy, Weginald, I've forgotten ma cahrd case."

"Nevah mind, deah boy, I'll lend you some of mine."

"But—ah—the name would be different, you know."

"Bah Jove, so it would! What a head you have. Algy!"

Discontent.

Most men spend one-third of their lives trying to make the world different, another third in learning to live in it as it is, and the remainder in explaining how much better it used to be.—Washington Times.

An Old Family.

He—Miss Bellocour claims to belong to a very old family.

She—Well, she's justified. There are six thousand girls, and the youngest of them must be at least thirty.

THREE GREAT CANYONS.

Yosemite, Yellowstone and Grand Canyon of the Colorado Compared.

The justly famous Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone is, like the Colorado, gorgeously colored and abruptly countersunk in a plateau, and both are mainly the work of water. But the Colorado's canyon is more than 1,000 times larger, and as a score or two new buildings of ordinary size would not appreciably change the general view of a great city so hundreds of Yellowstones might be eroded in the sides of the Colorado canyon without noticeably augmenting its size or the richness of its sculpture. But it is not true that the great Yosemite rocks would be thus lost or hidden. Nothing of their kind in the world, so far as I know, rivals El Capitan and Tassajack, much less dwarfs or in any way belittles them. None of the sandstone or limestone precipices of the canyon that I have seen or heard of approaches in smooth, flawless strength and grandeur the granite face of El Capitan or the Tenaya side of Cloud's Rest. These colossal cliffs, types of permanence, are about 3,000 and 6,000 feet high; those of the canyon that are sheer are about half as high and are types of fleeting change, while glorious domed Tassajack, noblest of mountain buildings, far from being overshadowed or lost in this rosy, spiry canyon company, would draw every eye and in serene majesty "aboom them a" she would take her place—castle, temple, palace or tower. Nevertheless a noted writer, comparing the Grand canyon in a general way with the glacial Yosemite, says: "And the Yosemite—ah, the lovely Yosemite! Dumped down into the wilderness of gorges and mountains, it would take a guide who knew of its existence a long time to find it." This is striking and shows up well above the levels of commonplace description, but it is confusing and has the fatal fault of not being true.—John Muir in Century.

Sympathetic Inks.

Rabelais compiled a curious list of inks of a sympathetic nature, which were largely in vogue in his days. In his book entitled "Pantagruel" he makes his readers acquainted with Panurge's exploits in trying to decipher the invisible characters of a letter which a Parisian female had written to Pantagruel. "He held it up before a fire," says Rabelais, "to see if it was written with spirits of ammonia mixed with water. Then he placed it in water to discover if the writing had not been done with sirup of thymal. When this would not work, he held it over a candle, which would have brought out the characters had they been written with the juice of white onions. By rubbing a part of it with nut oil he tried to find whether it had not been written with the sap of a fir tree. And if frog's blood had been used in the place of ink the milk from the breast of a woman suckling her firstborn daughter would have betrayed the secrets of that letter."

Two of a Kind.

An old woman recently entered an optician's shop and asked to look at some spectacles. Choosing a pair, she asked the price.

"Five shillings," was the answer.

"And how much are they without the case?"

"I could not sell them for less than 4s. 10d.," said the tradesman, who was determined to get all he could.

"Do you take off twopence for the case?" queried the woman.

"That is all. The case is worth no more than twopence," was the reply.

"That is good news!" ejaculated the old lady, with a sigh of relief. "It's the case for mine which I have lost."

So saying she laid down the twopence and marched off with the coveted case before the astonished shopkeeper had time to interfere.—London Answers.

Origin of the Red Cap of Liberty.

The red cap of liberty had a very prosaic origin. Instead of being the "Phrygian bonnet" it is just the galley slave's headgear. The Swiss of the Chateauroux regiment sent to the galleys for their share in the Nancy riots were released and came into Paris with the red caps still on their heads. "They are the victims of despotism," said the people, forgetting the circumstances of the riot, and so the red cap became the favorite with the extreme party.

Toothache.

If one has a toothache and can't reach the dentist, try this method of temporarily allaying the pain: Cleanse and dry the hollow tooth with a bit of cotton. Then put in a small cotton plug dipped in creosote or oil of cloves. Cover this with another bit of dry cotton, or, still better, a little beeswax and cotton kneaded together. This keeps out the air and downs the "misery" until a dentist can be reached.

Cockney.

"That Englishman Simkins is very well fixed, isn't he?" inquired Polk.

"Well," replied Jolk, "some people think so, but I know he hasn't a bit of property he can call his own."

"Nonsense! He lives in his own house."

"That may be, but he calls it 'his hown.'"—Philadelphia Press.

Disenchantment.

"How did you enjoy your visit to the Bermudas, Uncle Jed?"

"I was a good deal disappointed. The onions didn't come up to my expectations. Why, I've eat better Bermuda onions right here."—Chicago Tribune.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VII, FOURTH QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, NOV. 16.

Text of the Lesson, Judg. II, 7-19. Memory Verses, 18, 19—Golden Text, Ps. cvii, 19—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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7. And the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua.

So it is also written in Josh. xxiv, 31, and it seems to be given as a reason for this that they had seen all the great works of the Lord that He did for Israel. But now we come to a different story. The book of Joshua tells of victory in the land. This book tells of sin, judgment, repentance and deliverance. Their sin was disobedience in making a league with the heathen rather than manifesting the true God, the God of Israel to them. The great sin of those who bear the name of Christ today is that instead of being separated unto Him and honoring Him they are in league with the world lying in the wicked one (I John v, 19; Rom. xii, 1, 2).

8-10. There arose another generation after them which knew not the Lord nor yet the works which He had done for Israel.

Joshua and all that generation having passed away from this present scene, their successors must have known of the Lord, who brought their fathers into the promised land, but they had no heart for Him. They did not like His ways, His righteousness, His dominion over them. Like their descendants long afterward, they acted as if their hearts said, "Speak unto us smooth things; prophesy deceits; cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us" (Isa. xxx, 10, 11). They are represented today by a vast multitude of churchgoers, many of them church members, who will not endure sound doctrine (II Tim. iv, 3), yet profess loyalty to Christ. They profess that they know God, yet in works they deny Him.

11-12. They forsook the Lord and served Baal and Asherah.

The Lord God who brought them out of the land of Egypt, who led them through the Red sea on dry land, who overthrew the host of the Egyptians, their enemies, who fed them with manna all through the wilderness journey, who divided Jordan before them and gave them the good land with vineyards and olive yards and homes for which they labored not—God, who did all this for them and gave them life and breath and all things, Him they forsook and fell into the idolatry of the people round about them, who knew not God. Thus they worship demons and not God (I Cor. x, 20; Deut. xxxii, 17), for it is the devil who turned Adam and Eve from God and even asked the Son of God to worship him, who is back of all this turning away from God and His truth and His worship and who is working so hard in our day in many theological seminaries and pulpits to turn people away from God.

13. Whithersoever they went out the hand of the Lord was against them for evil, as the Lord had said, * * * and they were greatly distressed.

The testimony of one of their rulers about a thousand years after this was, "The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek Him, but His power and His wrath is against all them that forsake Him" (Ex. viii, 22). In Lev. xxvi and Deut. xxviii God gave an abundant warning as to what He would do if they forsook Him, but for all this they sinned still and believed not for His wondrous works. They believed not in God and trusted not in His salvation (Ps. lxxviii, 22, 23). The whole Bible teaches that since sin entered the carnal mind is enmity against God; the heart is deceitful and desperately wicked; every imagination of his heart is only evil continually (Rom. viii, 7; Jer. xvii, 9; Gen. vi, 5).

14. Nevertheless the Lord raised up judges which delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.

We have just referred to the wonderful sinfulness of man and his rebellion against God, but the Bible is full of the more wonderful love of God, who loved us even when we were dead in sins, who commended His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us (Eph. ii, 4, 5; Rom. v, 8). That "God is Love" is the great foundation truth of Scripture, and, being such, He is not willing that any should perish (I John iv, 8, 10; II Pet. iii, 9). Many a time He turned His anger away from this people, and, being full of compassion, He forgave their iniquity and destroyed them not (Ps. lxxviii, 38). He sought and found Adam and Eve when in their sin they turned away from Him, and He has ever since been seeking and saving the lost.

15. They ceased not from their own doings nor from their stubborn way.

With many sinnings and repentings they went from bad to worse. "They mocked the messengers of God and despised His words and misused His prophets until the wrath of the Lord arose against His people (III there was no remedy" (II Chron. xxxvi, 16). Very long He bore with them, but finally He sent them into captivity for seventy years. After He restored them from Babylon and they again became a people, though not as before, He sent to them His own Son, but they rejected Him and crucified Him, and now they are scattered among all nations until He shall come again in His glory, and then they will receive Him and be a righteous nation from that time forth. They will blossom and bud and fill the face of the earth with fruit (Matt. xxiii, 38, 39; Isa. xxv, 8; xxvii, 6; Ix, 21). How wonderful is the purpose of God and how sure of fulfillment (Isa. xlv, 24; Ps. xxxiii, 11). How much of heaven upon earth every child of God might have if only willing to walk humbly with Him! (Deut. xi, 21; Ps. lxxxii, 13-16). We enter into rest when we cease from our own works.

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TAYLOR ON THE NAVY

What He Terms the Most Crying Requirement of That Department.

MORE MEN NEEDED

The Admiral Declares That Additional Officers Are Necessary to Handle Our Warships and Are Behind Others.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The most crying need of the navy, according to the annual report of Admiral H. C. Taylor, chief of the bureau of navigation, is more officers to man our warships. He declares preparations now on for mobilization of the fleet for maneuvers in the West Indies brought department to face a critical condition, due to officers, which, he says, is a point as to the danger of the fleet.

Number of other officers is less than the number of other navies, although, as a matter of fact, our ships are manned by more than other navies, and are compelled to man our own green crews, having little experience of sea life.

Table showing the present status of the naval service. It will require 1600 officers, while the number now on duty, including midshipmen, is 1024, or 577 short. This table is based upon the lowest possible number of officers needed on our battleships.

He figures that vessels now authorized by congress, but not completed, will require 498 additional officers, to which is to be added 25 per cent for officers sick or on shore duty, and 160 for casualties during the next four years, or a total for vessels now building of 783. This number, added to the present shortage of 577, will give 1360. Graduates from the naval academy during the next four years will be 358, leaving the total deficit July 1, 1906, of 1005, not counting the officers for in the house and each senator, for the event of hostilities.

In addition to the increase of midshipmen provided for by the last congress, Admiral Taylor, therefore, recommends further increase of midshipmen for each member and delegate.

He also recommends that the number of lieutenants be increased to 350, lieutenants (senior grade) 50, and lieutenants (junior grade) and ensigns 350.

YOAKUM'S STATEMENT.

President of Frisco Line Submits His Annual Report to Stockholders.

St. Louis, Nov. 11.—The annual meeting of stockholders of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad company was held at the general offices in this city. President Yoakum's annual report for the year ending June 30, 1902, compared with the previous year, makes the following showing:

Gross earnings from operations \$21,620,882; increase \$2,296,603.

Operating expenses \$12,472,476; increase, \$2,062,583.

Net earnings for the operation \$8,148,411; increase, \$234,020.

Miscellaneous income, making total net income, \$8,345,572; increase \$342,561.

Surplus, less interest, rentals, taxes, improvement and dividends, etc., \$1,472,197; decrease \$524,961.

Former Texas.

Lometa, Tex., Nov. 11.—All the old-time stockmen of Texas are rejoicing over the election of John Sparks as governor of Nevada. Gov. Sparks is a native of Lampasas county, Texas, and is the first Texan that was ever elected governor of another state.

Years ago Governor Sparks was a cowboy and teamster in this county and used to haul freight with an ox team from Houston and Austin to Lampasas and other towns in this part of Texas. For the last twenty years he has been one of the largest and most successful ranchmen in all of the United States and is rated as several times a millionaire.

Governor Sparks has a brother and many other relatives living in this county.

Saw the President.

Knoxville, Nov. 11.—A special to the Sentinel from Asheville, N. C., says: Senator Pritchard leaves for Washington, where he will discuss with President Roosevelt a statement he is preparing to send out regarding the recent election and his attitude toward the negro in southern politics. Senator Pritchard expressed himself as far from discouraged by the result in North Carolina, but claims that his party made a large gain. Senator Pritchard has agreed to appear with Hon. Thos. Settle as representatives of Congressman Moody in the contest against Congressman-elect Guder of the Asheville district.

Mascagni Retaliates.

Boston, Nov. 11.—Pietro Mascagni, the composer, who was arrested Saturday night on a process in a suit brought by his former managers, Mitchell Bros., was released after a hearing in the superior court Monday on \$4000 bond, which he himself furnished. Mascagni immediately retaliated by suing the Mitchell brothers for \$50,000 damages for false arrest.

Chaffee and Wright Arrive.

San Francisco, Nov. 11.—The transport Sumner, with General Chaffee and Vice Governor Wright aboard, arrived Monday night.

CHICAGOANS' GREETING.

Three Cities of Central Texas Extend to Them the Glad Hand.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 10.—Members of the Chicago delegation of business men touring the state of Texas made their debut in southern society Friday and vied with one another in gallantry to the maids and matrons of two cities. Their first appearance was at Ennis, where the special stopped for an hour unexpectedly, and the entire party paid a visit to a chrysanthemum show and bazaar in progress there.

They were cordially received by the young women in charge and buttonholes were pinned upon each. Two beautiful bunches of chrysanthemums were then presented with appropriate words by Mrs. J. P. Mann and received, in behalf of the delegation, by Paul Morton.

At this point, where the final stop for the day was made, they were first conducted through a cotton seed oil mill and cotton compress, and the methods employed explained at length. Later they were escorted to the Commercial club, where for two hours they mingled and exchanged compliments with the wives and daughters of Corsicana's citizens. A dinner was then partaken of as the guests of the Commercial club and a season of speech making followed.

The run through the cotton belt elicited more than ordinary interest on the part of the Chicagoans, and at Waxahachie oratory was omitted from the programme, and a lecture on cotton and its products, together with an exhibit, substituted.

SAW CANE AND RICE.

The Chicago Business Men on Monday Witnessed the Novel Sight.

Houston, Nov. 11.—The Chicago business men put in most of Monday looking over the cane and rice country in the coast district. They left San Antonio early Monday morning and the first stop was at Victoria, where they were given a reception and told all about the country. They spent some little time at Wharton, where the usual reception was accorded them and they were given their first sight of the rice country, which spreads over many thousands of acres. At El Campo there was an exhibition of rice and a hearty welcome awaiting them. They were shown rice in all its stages and had rice to eat as well. At Sugarland they put in a short time watching the harvest of the cane crop and the operations of the sugar mills and paper mill, thence they were escorted to Houston by a party of business men. They departed at 4 o'clock for Galveston, where they spent the remainder of the afternoon. The party is very enthusiastic over its tour.

Galveston's Greeting.

Galveston, Nov. 11.—The Galveston Clearing House association gave a smoker for the entertainment of the Chicago bankers and business men at Harmony Club hall Monday night. A short reception in the parlors of the Tremont hotel preceded the event.

THE NEW MUSKET.

Gen. Crozier Says It Has Not Been Tried With Satisfactory Results.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Gen. Crozier, chief of the bureau of ordnance, in his annual report to the secretary of war, says that the improved musket has been completed and tried with very satisfactory results, the various changes not only improving the weapon, but cheapening and accelerating the production.

The rod bayonet is a feature of the new rifle. Its advantage is said to be in the fact that it lightens the weight of the gun and dispenses with the bayonet and bayonet scabbard now in use, and in their place trenching tools may be carried by the soldier. The new piece weighs but little less than 9-12 pounds, is considerably lighter than the German and Mauser, yet of greater velocity and greater penetration.

Due to Hysteria.

New York, Nov. 11.—Details concerning the autopsy performed on the body of Nellie Corcoran, the 19-year-old girl who died Saturday after a trance of 20 days, are interpreted as confirming the theory that her condition was due to hysteria. No sign of disease was found in any organ. The physicians believe the girl's original sleep was caused by self-hypnotism and that hysteria followed.

Shot Sweetheart and Self.

Columbus, O., Nov. 10.—Homer Cramer attempted to murder Miss Almada Burk, former landlady, with whom he was in love. Then he blew out his own brains. The crimes were committed at Miss Burk's residence. Cramer fired two shots, one grazing her cheek, the other taking effect in the left breast. The ball glanced and passed out under an arm. She will recover.

Both Legs Crushed.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 11.—Josh Jones, colored, was found on the Southern Pacific railway track Sunday night with both legs crushed. He said he had been shot by a brakeman and fell from a moving train. He died soon after being found.

Nearly Bled to Death.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 11.—District Attorney Hightower nearly bled to death from a wound accidentally inflicted with a knife while hunting bear.

Was Asleep Under a Car.

San Antonio, Nov. 11.—Houston McGinnis, 15 years old, had both legs cut off Sunday night. He was sleeping under a Southern Pacific car. He died.

Sagasta Resigns.

Madrid, Nov. 11.—Premier Sagasta has tendered his resignation to King Alfonso. The king will consider it. He has informed the cortes.

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A Little Child's Loneliness.

Little Mabel says the Woman's Journal had been put to bed alone. Presently she appeared in her nightgown at the head of the stairs, saying plaintively, "I'm lonesome!" Her mother gave her a favorite rubber doll named Happy to take to bed with her and for a few minutes she was quiet. Then she reappeared with her plaint of loneliness. This time her mother reminded her that God was with her and sent her back to bed with a rooftop. Soon she was heard weeping bitterly, and when her mother went to her little Mabel summoned up her sense of misery by exclaiming, "I don't want Happy, and I don't want God; I want somebody with a skin face!"

More Maiden Timidity.

"Well, mum," said the cook as she entered the parlor with her bundle in her hand, "I must be after goin' away this mornin'."

"What do you mean? Why are you going?" asked her astonished mistress.

"I am goin' to be married next week."

"But surely, Bridget, you won't leave me so suddenly? You must ask him to wait for a few days."

"Oh, I couldn't, mum."

"Why not, pray?"

"Sure, mum, I'd like to oblige you, but I don't feel well enough acquainted with him to ask such a thing."—Philadelphia Press.

A New Piece of Music.

General Horace Porter, the American soldier, once asked Li Hung Chang for his photograph for his daughter. The Chinese statesman kindly complied with his request and, getting his paint pot and pencil, drew queer looking figures up and down the portrait. Handing it then to the general, he explained that the left hand column contained a list of his titles, while the right hand side bore a list of the posts he had held. When he reached home, Porter gave the photograph to his little girl, saying: "Here's what you wanted. If you can't read it, probably you can play it on the piano!"

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LESSON X, FOURTH QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, DEC. 7.

Text of the Lesson, Ruth 1, 10-22. Memory Verses, 16, 17—Golden Text, Rom. xii, 10—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

[Copyright, 1902, by American Press Association.] 16, 17. And Ruth said: Entreat me not to leave thee or to return from following after thee, for whither thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge. Thy people shall be my people and thy God my God.

This and the next verse give the declaration of Ruth concerning her determination to cling to the God and people of Naomi. It is somewhat paralleled by the declaration of Ittai to David in II Sam. xv, 21, "As the Lord liveth and as my lord the king liveth surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be." That these words should be the utterances of gentiles to Jews is all the more interesting. The whole of this book of Ruth, written by the Spirit of God, as were all other portions of the Bible, is a beautiful and most attractive setting forth of the story of the kingdom when those who are now the weary gleaners shall possess the field (the world, Matt. xiii, 38), having become the bride of Him who owns the field, our kinsman Redeemer, the mighty man of wealth. Every name and incident in the book is most suggestive and has an inexhaustible mine of wealth for anointed eyes and ears. Having but one brief lesson in it, we can only hint at the riches herein.

18, 19. When she saw that she was steadfastly minded to go with her, then she left, speaking unto her. So they two went until they came to Bethlehem.

We are reminded of the way Elisha clung to Elijah and how "they two went on," "they two stood by Jordan," "they two went over on dry ground" (II Kings ii, 1-15). We think also of Barnabas, who exhorted the believers at Antioch to cleave unto the Lord with purpose of heart, and of Stephen, who looked up steadfastly into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus (Acts xi, 23; vii, 55). It is this that we so much need, this cleaving to the Lord, this steadfastness, this seeing only and always God and Jesus. In the last lesson it was the Lord and Gideon. May it ever be in the case of each of us "my Lord and I," for "the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth to show Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him" (II Chron. xvi, 9). In I Cor. xv, 58, we are exhorted to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that our labor is not in vain in the Lord.

20. And she said unto them: Call me not Naomi. Call me Mara, for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

As her townspeople looked upon her after her ten years' absence (verse 4) she said, Is this Naomi? And thus she replied to them. As one has said, She blamed the Almighty when all He did was graciously to bring her home again. For her troubles she had no one to blame but herself. It is good that Moab proves a Mara to the wanderer, else the wanderers might like to die and be buried there. Almighty is El-shaddai, the mighty God who is all sufficient (Gen. xvi, 1), and had they known Him as they should they would never have left Bethlehem to sojourn in Moab. When the Lord allows bitterness to come to His people, it is always to win them back to Himself. "Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now have I kept thy word" (Ps. cxix, 67).

21. I went out full, and the Lord hath brought me home again empty.

She is right this time. I went out; the Lord brought me home. The sheep wandered, but the Shepherd sought and found. Wandering always costs us dear. If any who read have wandered, let them return quickly, for He cries, Return, thou backsliding Israel, and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you (Jer. iii, 12). Before we can know His fullness we must learn our emptiness. The name "Almighty" is found more times in the book of Job than in all the rest of the Bible, and it was only after Job was thoroughly emptied of himself that he was filled as never before (Job xlii, 5-17). It was after the disciples confessed that they had nothing with which to feed the 5,000 that the Lord abundantly filled them all with the lad's loaves and fishes, and it was after the disciples confessed that they had taken nothing, though they had toiled all night, that He sent to their nets 153 great fishes.

22. So Naomi returned and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter-in-law, and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of barley harvest.

The Moabites came from drunkenness and crime. Bethlehem suggests God's house of bread. It is better far to come from Moab to Bethlehem than to go from Bethlehem to Moab. If any have in the least degree wandered from God, let all such return quickly and whole heartedly to Him and henceforth follow fully, making the words of Ruth in verse 16 their hearts' motto. In addition to all the precious and comforting words of this book, such as are found in ii, 12, 16; iii, 11, 18, etc., the book is most important as showing the ancestry of David, whose throne the Lord Jesus is yet to establish and occupy at Jerusalem (Isa. ix, 7; Luke i, 32, 33). The title, "Son of David," is the first and one of the last given to Christ in the New Testament (Matt. i, 1; Rev. xxii, 16), and Ruth is one of the four women mentioned in His genealogy in the first chapter of Matthew. Known unto God are all His works from the foundation of the world. All purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord and sure of fulfillment, for every purpose of the Lord shall be performed, both for His people and against His enemies (Acts xv, 18; Eph. iii, 11; Jer. ii, 29).

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LITTLE BROTHER HAD NAME WRONG

But Otherwise His Story Did Not Deviate from the Truth.

Eight-year-old Harry, in revenge for some act of sisterly tyranny on the part of 16-year-old Margaret, conveyed the intelligence to their mother that Charlie Robbins had kissed the girl under the stairs in the main hall of the school building. The young lady stoutly denied the charge, declaring her small brother to be guilty of a mean falsehood. "Don't you believe him, mamma! He is just a tell-tale, and it's a story—so there!" "It isn't a story, mamma. He did, and I seen her—way back behind the stairs." "He never, mamma! Kissed me, indeed! I wouldn't let him." "My dear," said the judicious parent, "what occurred behind the stairs when Harry saw you there?" "Well, anyway," was the reluctant reply, "it wasn't Charlie Robbins at all. It was Willie Summers."

Floor Coverings.

In the last twenty-five years a considerable change has been effected in the treatment and furnishings of floors. This seems a short period in which to reckon, when the history of floor coverings dates from far back before the Christian era, even to the ancient days of Egyptian splendor. Prior to this time primitive ages had adopted the fur skins of wild beasts to make a comfortable foothold in their habitations, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. The Babylonians were renowned for their weaving of rugs and the ornamentation they introduced. From them the art was passed on to the Persians and the people of India, and so through Asia and eastern Europe, and after the Renaissance, into France and England. In this country rugs are becoming more and more in demand in place of carpets. From a hygienic viewpoint they are much to be preferred.

He Bought the Ticket.

A tattered, forlorn miss of fifteen summers entered the office of a young real estate man the other day. Ordinarily he is the politest of individuals, say the Milwaukee Sentinel, but this day he was so busy that he didn't know "where he was at." So, with a swift glance out of the corner of his eye, he said rather sharply: "Well, what do you want?" "P-p-please, mister, won't you buy a ticket on our cuckoo clock?" replied the girl, hesitatingly. "Buy a ticket on your cuckoo clock? What the deuce would I do with a cuckoo clock even if I should get it?" "Oh, you won't get it, mister. Please buy a ticket." He bought.

Rich Soil of the Everglades.

Scientists claim that the soil of the Everglades in Florida is the richest in the world, and would, if drained, produce marvelous crops of nearly anything planted. It is proposed to reclaim this immense tract, which covers nearly 4,000 square miles, by building drainage canals to take off the water, and at the same time serves as a means of transportation between plantations. Contrary to the general belief, the Everglades are healthful, the water is sweet and pure, and there is almost a total absence of fevers and epidemic diseases. The cost of preparing these lands for cultivation will be about \$2.75 per acre.

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LESSON IX, FOURTH QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, NOV. 30.

Text of the Lesson, Judg. vii, 1-8, 10-21—Memory Verses, 19-21—Golden Text, Pa. cxviii, 8—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

[Copyright, 1902, by American Press Association.] 1, 2. And the Lord said unto Gideon, The people that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.

Gideon, the son of Joash the Ablezrite, was one of those whom God raised up to deliver Israel from her oppressors. The story is found in chapter vi, 11-16, where we learn his own estimate of himself and see his strength in these words from the Lord: "Go in this thy might. Have I not sent thee? Surely I will be with thee." Then in chapter vi, 37, in the revised version may be seen Spirit clothed himself with a garment that whatever was done in the Spirit through Gideon, it must be exalted, and no man may glory in His presence (Isa. xlii, 8; xlviii, 11; I Cor. i, 31, 23, 24).

3. Whosoever is fearful of him return. By this proclamation the Lord tested and sifted Gideon's army of men, and it must have been great. Gideon's amazement when 22,000 warriors returned home. Can it be possible that among the professed followers of Christ today two-thirds or more are cowards, afraid to confess it before the world, afraid to acknowledge their firm faith in His promises, afraid to follow Him fully, afraid of the cost of being whole-hearted disciples, afraid of the call to go forth in His name to some distant land with the glad tidings of His salvation? It is greatly to be feared that it is even so.

4-7. And the Lord said unto Gideon, The people are yet too many. Bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there.

From this test only 300 of the remaining 10,000 came forth as qualified in the sight of the Lord. What a sifting! It is the Lord's own searching of hearts, and He finds but 300 out of 32,000 whom He can use. It is not a tenth and scarcely a hundredth part that the Lord gets as His own. The first test took out the fearful, the people who were afraid. But who are these 3,700 who are asked to return home? They are not afraid. What is their trouble? They bowed down upon their knees to drink, while the 300 lapped of the water as a dog lappeth. Just a little self-indulgence, a little of their own pleasure rather than zeal in His service. What a very little thing! And yet it was their test. It decided whether they should go or stay. He is ever testing us in the little, ordinary things of our daily life, and we are not apt to think of it.

8, 16. And he divided the 300 men into three companies, and he put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers and lamps within the pitchers.

As to the rest it is written in verse 7 that he let them all go, "every man unto his place." The fearful went to their place of safety and the self-indulgent to their ease. But the 300, with food, trumpets and torches, are ready for service. As we go against the enemy day by day we must be strong, our testimony must be clear and our light brightly shining, for the trumpet suggests testimony and the lamp or torch (margin) a light. It is necessary that the leader be a man of great courage, calm, confident, fearless. In addition to all that the Lord had said to Gideon and had shown him He further encourages him by causing him to hear some things that their enemies are saying among themselves (verses 9-15). It is not safe or wise to listen to what others say of you unless you have as clear guidance to do so as Gideon had.

17. And he said unto them, Look on me and do likewise, and behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be that as I do so shall ye do.

So also said Abimelech in chapter ix, 48, "What ye have seen me do make haste and do as I have done." Our leader whom we follow is the Lord of Hosts, the Son of God, the Great Head of the Church, the King of Israel, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and it is written of Him, "He shall not fall nor be discouraged" (Isa. xlii, 4). We are to follow Him, to walk as He walked, to run with patience, looking unto Jesus, to see no man save Jesus only and to let His mind be in us, humble, self-empty, seeking only the glory of God (Matt. xvi, 24; I John ii, 6; Heb. xii, 1, 2; Mark ix, 8; Phil. ii, 5-8).

18-21. And the three companies blew the trumpets and brake the pitchers and held the lamps in their right hands to blow withal, and they cried, The sword of the Lord and of Gideon.

The result was that the Lord set every man's sword against his fellow throughout all the host of the enemy, and the Lord wrought a great victory for Israel. As the redeemed of the Lord we are in the world, but not of it. We are not to be in any way conformed to it, for the whole world lieth in the wicked one (John xvii, 14, 16; Rom. xii, 1, 2; I John v, 19, R. V.); but we are to be overcomers by the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony and by faith in our Captain, manifesting His life in these mortal bodies to the glory of God the Father (Rev. xii, 11; I John v, 4; II Cor. iv, 11; Phil. ii, 11). When in fellowship with the world and overcome by it, we are, like Israel by the Midianites, oppressed and enslaved; but when by a consistent life and a clear, ringing testimony to the blood of the Lamb (torch and trumpet) we honor God we are then like Gideon's 300. Remember it is the Lord and Gideon, the Lord being always pre-eminent.

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