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\$1.50 A YEAR

First Monday.

The first Monday in each month is Sales Day in Big Springs and usually brings a good crowd to town, and a great deal of trading and selling of stock takes place. Last Monday the crowd was a great deal larger and the stock offered for sale was of better quality than usually offered on such occasions. In the forenoon the sales were a little slow but by noon the ball had fairly opened and a good many good sales were made. It is a noticeable fact that the interest in the first Monday sales is growing and more stock are brought in, and of a better class than formerly.

Sales Day is a benefit, not only to the town, but to the people who have stock to sell or want to buy horses or mules. There is always more or less trading on these occasions but usually the trading stock is of an inferior quality and only those who are experts in "swapping" horses engage in that kind of traffic.

Nothing better to break up a cold than Reagan's Cold Tablets.

Roster of 31st Legislature.

We have received a copy of the roster of the 31st Legislature which is compiled and sent out by the legislative committee of the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association. It contains the names of all members of the legislature, gives the number of district, the counties composing each district, the names of Commercial clubs of the state and a list of all newspapers published in the state and the district—senatorial and representative in which each paper is published.

A large number of country schools opened up since the holidays. Reagan says the school book trade almost swamped him. He says he managed to keep a supply of all books needed except one or two subjects which were out for a few days, but the books have since come in. This speaks well for Mr. Reagan, for many of the towns are having trouble getting school books.

Phone No. 1 is a drug store.

Double Service on T. & P.

Two passenger trains daily to El Paso from Fort Worth are not at all improbable. Only one train handles the traffic at present. This double service, however could be readily and easily secured by the extension of the Toyah train into El Paso.

The Orient is said to have forced this new service, if such is actually installed. Beginning this week, the Orient will run a through train from Kansas City to El Paso by way of Sweetwater. The Texas & Pacific tracks will be used between El Paso and Sweetwater.—Fort Worth Telegram.

B. Reagan has employed a boy to deliver packages of medicine from his store.

MOVED.—I have moved my stock of new and second-hand household goods into the Van Giesen building, opposite my former location, where I will be pleased to meet my customers, assuring them that I will be better prepared to meet their wants.

J. D. McDONALD.

A petition was circulated here last week and numproously signed asking the legislature to divide the 32nd judicial district, which is so large and business increasing so rapidly that the term of court for each county is too short in which to transact the business of the district court, and the only remedy is in creating a new district.

Jacob's candy, "made last night", at Reagan's drug store.

Mrs. W. O. Miller entertained Monday evening in honor of Miss Louise Hardison with a social party. There was vocal and instrumental music and merry conversation. A recitation by Mrs. E. S. Bledsoe was a very pleasing and entertaining feature of the evening. Light refreshments were served at the proper hour and all present agree in saying that it was a most delightful evening.

Post cards at Reagan's.

Lewter-Cauble.

Mr. Jno. Lewter and Miss Edna Cauble were united in marriage at home of the bride Sunday morning by L. A. Dale. It was a pretty home wedding, only the relatives of the contracting parties being present. Immediately after the ceremony all were invited to the spacious dining-room where an elegant luncheon was awaiting them.

The groom is an industrious young man of exemplary habits and the bride is the daughter of G. C. Cauble and wife and is a most charming and worthy young lady, well calculated to make any man happy through life. This paper joins their host of friends in extending best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity.

It is to your interest to trade at Reagan's. Try it for awhile and see.

The pulling of the beard of President Fallies was certainly an insult and an ungentlemanly act, but it was a vast improvement over the common practice of blowing up presidents and kings with bombs or ending their career with the dagger.

Have you noticed how busy the clerks are at Reagan's? It is because he gives the square deal and treats people right. If you are not trading with him it will pay you to go there.

School re-opened Monday after a two week's vacation, with all teachers at their posts and the scholars bright and fresh from their vacation, and soon everything in the school was running as smooth as if no break in the work had occurred.

J. D. McDonald has moved his stock of new and second-hand goods into the Van Giesen building. J. C. Baumgarten will move his undertaking establishment into that building.

Don't forget the man who is furnishing you your school books. He wants your trade. Reagan's Drug Store.

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The CASE AND THE CANTON LINES
HIGHEST STANDARD IMPLEMENTS
The Most Work With the Least Power

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SUCCESSFUL PLOWING

Can always be accomplished, in all sections and under all conditions, by the **Success Plow**. It is a frameless plow that will last a lifetime. It has been on the market for years, has been tried and proved, and is, beyond question, the simplest, most perfect and most popular riding plow of its class now in use.

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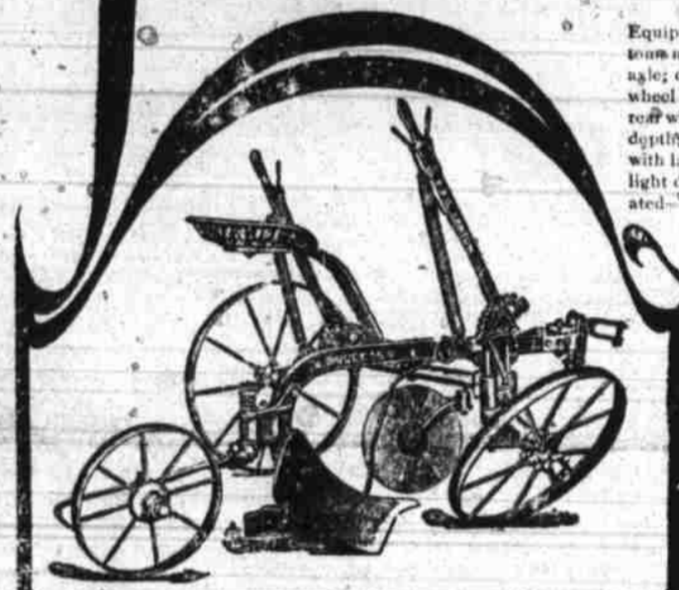
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Plows get out of order because they are complicated. The **Success** isn't complicated—it's very simple. A plow that won't get out of order is what you want, isn't it? You would call such a plow **strong and durable**.

That's why the **Success Plow** is named "**SUCCESS**".

Being less expensive than others, doing first-class work, possessing the essential qualities of strength and durability, the **Success** deserves all we claim for it. That is why it is the cheapest. **The best is always the cheapest.**

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Equipped with the best bottom made, adjustable front angle; dust-proof removable wheel boxes; adjustable rear wheels; easily set for any depth; works equally well with large or small horses; light draft and easily operated—a perfect plow.

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Canton STALK CUTTERS
CLIPPER PLOWS
DOUBLE DISKS

Cupid's Capers

Since our last issue the following couples have been licensed to marry:

C. W. Farthing and Miss Mary L. Robertson.

Jno. Lewter and Miss Edna Cauble.

Newel Lucas and Miss Minnie Horten.

W. F. Goff of Salt Fork, Oklahoma, and Miss Mattie Caughey of Howard county.

Henry Herrington of Coahoma, and Miss Minnie Aston of Big Springs.

The largest stock and the best equipment—Reagan's.

Important Meeting.

Next Wednesday afternoon is the regular time of the Commercial Club and it is important that all members be present as on that day new officers are to be elected. If you are not a member be there and put in your membership and resolve to do all you can to help build up your town and county. There is lots to be done along that line and the Commercial Club needs all the assistance it can get.

Headquarters for papers and magazines at Reagan's.

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage between Third and Fourth streets, two blocks east of Main street. Inquire of Mrs. H. A. Elliott.

Railroad Prospects Looking Good.

Upon his return from Lubbock and Amarillo the past week Mr. O'Donnell notified the citizens of Lamesa that by Jan. 8 the bonus of \$50,000 must be raised and deposited in the local banks. He has authorized the banks to return the bonus notes to the makers if within 30 days he does not submit proof that he can complete the road to Lamesa within the time specified.

Talking to the News man, Mr. O'Donnell stated that within ninety days after the bonus is secured he will begin laying steel at Stanton and will have available material to complete and put this road to Lamesa.

The fact that the grade from Stanton to Lamesa will be completed within sixty days makes it possible to complete and put this road in operation to Lamesa by early summer and such is the intention of those behind the project.

An organized effort will be made to secure the bonus by the citizens of Lamesa and there is no doubt but they will meet with success.—Dawson County News.

It is not too late to make and keep good resolutions even if New Year Day has come and gone. Some things are always seasonable and good resolutions honestly made are of the number.

If it is kept in a drug store you will find it a Reagan's.

Jewelry Made Over

One of the things we do in our jewelry repair department is to make any alterations desired in jewelry or make over your old jewelry into something new and stylish.

Nearly every person has jewelry that has been discarded because out of style or broken.

Please remember that we can transform or make new all such articles. Bring them in and talk it over.

WARD'S WATCH REPAIRING.

Send your prescriptions to Reagan's. He will fill and deliver them.

Rev. Geo. R. Stewart, who is working under the direction of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas, will make speeches at several towns in West Texas next week. He will be at Midland on the 18th and El Paso on the 19th.

In Jewelry you should always consider quality above everything. We stand behind everything we sell. A well selected and up-to-date line always in stock.

Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.

Let's begin the new year by resolving to give our trade to the people who are working to build up Big Springs. That's what Reagan is doing.

Wholesale and Retail

Groceries for Everybody

We are now in our new store, and are loaded for business

If to eat, we have it

Car of Cotton Seed Meal and Cake, Oats, Bran, Chops, Alfalfa Hay. Look for our sign. Next door to Rix & Co.

Pool Bros.

Wholesale and Retail

THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. BEVIN, Pub.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

We appear to have taken the doom of China off its hinges altogether.

The camel, says an investigator, originated in America. Probably in a "dry" county.

The statistics show no evidence of any increasing demand for the divorcee less marriage.

Another boy loses out in the attempt to keep up a record of 50 cigarettes a day. The coroner wins.

A local physician announces that he can transplant kidneys. Now is your time to set out your summer crop.

And now it is suspected that there is a mistake in the "Who cares?" The girls can find something just as good to stand under.

England is not yet converting its Dreadnoughts into dirigible balloons, though Sir Hiram Maxim cannot help wondering why.

A New York preacher who might be in better business in preaching against Christmas trees. It takes all kinds of people to make a world.

The number of youth in the land who decide that the work of being president is too hard to attract them, is said to be increasing.

Raise in money is not world-wide. In Australia there is a manifest tendency toward stringency, and little money is available for fresh investment.

The Rockefeller Bible class needs more funds to carry on its work. We sincerely hope that some wealthy man will bear of this and contribute.

And now they say Paul, Reverse never did it. But how do they know? "Sincerely a man is now alive who resembles that famous day and year."

The new name of the new emperor of China, said three, is-Hsion Tsing. Is it proper to advise his guardians that as the twig is bent so is the tree inclined?

A Chinese girl grabbed a hoodlum who was robbing her and held him until the police came. Perfectly simple—why didn't we think of that method before?

Ibels Roosevelt, who prefers her horse and dog to society, wouldn't have to submit records from nearly six boxes to prove herself a member of that family.

Now that we are to have two-cent postage to Germany how unbecky it is for the German magazines that so few of our American authors can write in that language.

A \$20,000,000 airplane has just left New York in her native land. There must be some heartaches over this news in noble European families who missed such a prize.

A French admiral has been relieved of his command for talking too much. The general revolutionary tendencies of the times seem to be working havoc with the talking habit in high places.

The British Columbian government has passed regulations curtailing the use of net used in salmon fishing, also enforcing the regulation that no fish should be caught from Saturday to Monday.

Those who deplore the modernity of substituting "X" Ambrose Chapin—II" for Sunday took light may yet take comfort in the thought that the new title connotes the old historic minister show.

It is proposed now to shorten speeches in parliament. Orators not getting full satisfaction can go home and get the remainder of their speeches out of their rooms behind the wood shed.

Wrens neither did not approve of the election, or else they thought the new "possibility" entitled them to a road, for, contrary to our expectations, they are not putting in any night-bear day by the eggs just now.

The Japanese governing authorities are now devoting careful attention to the improvement of their postage. Experiments in Japan have shown that Japanese and Americans use the best stamps suited to their purpose.

Patents on the processes of reducing and manufacturing aluminum, which will run out soon, are expected to make the metal much cheaper and cause a greater demand for it. As it is very costly aluminum is a satisfactory substitute for copper. The reduction in its price may, it is thought, be an important factor in separating the price of copper. Incidentally, mention the Indianapolis Scrapier. It is worth while in this connection to recall the fact that, since the invention of aluminum was made in America, Japan is a leader.

No American owned a Nobel prize this year. Taking down guns on the grounds of peace is the courtesy from a new military tendency is not thought worthy of the great world of most.

School authorities in a Massachusetts city have proposed to the parents of high school pupils to support in conducting the business of some institutions. It would be better to be granted in the American, generally, that parents will support any proper measure of school discipline. Government is to the school, and

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Judge Hardy introduced bills in congress Monday for the erection of public buildings for Mexico and Teague. Fifty thousand dollars is the appropriation provided for in each case.

President Roosevelt, and over 6000 people, representing every land and every state and territory in the Union Friday exchanged happy New Year greetings at the White House.

President Roosevelt on Monday sent to the House of Representatives a special message answering its resolution concerning that portion of his regular message relating to the Secret Service.

The men who boss Congress resolved before the gavels fell that it should do nothing during this session, aside from passing the supply bills and it is likely that their decree of inaction will be obeyed. The bill to institute a system of postoffice banking offers the only possibility of exception.

President Roosevelt has named six eminent engineers to accompany Judge Taft to Panama, and his decision will largely determine whether the plan which is now being followed in digging the canal shall be persisted in or whether it shall be abandoned, and preparations made to dig a sea-level waterway.

Senator Hale, acting chairman of the committee on appropriations, which has in charge the investigations of the method of the secret service, said Thursday there is no intention, so far as he knows, of summoning President Roosevelt before the committee after his retirement on the 4th of March, as intimated in some published reports.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

That the Waters-Pierce Oil Company intends to pay the \$10,000 fine recently assessed by the Missouri Supreme Court and abide by the State laws was evidenced Saturday, when it failed to file motion for a rehearing, or to have the judgment modified. The time limit for filing such motion expired Saturday.

Lively interest has been created by the new invention of Mark Anthony of New York, by which a dirigible balloon is operated by use of a wireless apparatus which has been perfected to a point where a balloon can be operated entirely at the will of the operator who remains on the ground and merely manipulates an electric keyboard.

According to plans which have been announced in New York immense stock yards rivaling in capacity those of the West are to be constructed on the Hackensack Meadows in New Jersey. In connection with the yards there will be modern slaughter houses designed to supply cheaper and fresher meat for Greater New York and vicinity.

Captain A. E. Waldron, engineer in charge of the government work on Texas rivers, said Monday he would probably leave for the lower Trinity Tuesday for the purpose of withdrawing the snagboat now operating there. Captain Waldron says the boat will be sent over to the Brazos. It can not be kept longer on the Trinity, he says because there is no further money in the appropriation for its operation.

While the through train to the City of Mexico, which left Laredo Thursday night, was crossing the tunnel at Sabin Coman, just beyond Monterrey, a fire started in the toilet room of the first-class coach and spread rapidly. Before the train could be stopped outside the tunnel, two passengers, a man and a woman, had been burned to death.

A strong movement is being made by a number of prominent citizens of Plano for the city to own its own light plant and light up the streets of the city.

Jansury 21 has been decided upon as quibus die for Tyler.

Friday the 3c postage rate agreement recently arranged between the United States and the German postal authorities went into effect. But it should be borne in mind by correspondents wishing to send themselves or the cheaper postage that their letters must be marked as intended for immediate mailing direct from New York by German ports, otherwise their letters will be sent to New York and France.

Under review of the new incident in the welcome of the new year, and between Texas and the big sale of the People's Lumber Company at Fort Worth Thursday night and found the 10. It they left the money.

The Jack also of the English Chronicle of 1846 in the great number of unemployed and the increasing prevalence of destitution and suffering. This is seen particularly in London and at Chicago and along the Texas and other neighboring coasts, where many establishments have been closed, and thousands of men are out of work.

Frank A. Hitchcock will be Judge Taft's postmaster general. John Gonzalez was shot and killed at Eagle Lake Sunday morning by Dennis Montana. Both are Mexicans. Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was Tuesday sentenced to fourteen years in the State penitentiary at San Quentin.

A violent earthquake shock lasting three seconds and during which Stromboli volcano began eruption, occurred on Stromboli Island Sunday.

The arrival of the American fleet at the Suez Canal was announced by a telegram received by the Navy Department in Washington Sunday.

Al Kaufman won in the prize fight Wednesday against Barry of Chicago. Barry's seconds threw up the sponge, calling it off. Kaufman is willing to fight Johnson.

The latest news received from the scene of the mine disaster at Lick Branch, Va. a few days ago, is to the effect that twenty-two dead bodies have been taken out of the ruins of the mine.

Mrs. Lou Hall, of Rome, Ga., who went to sleep at noon on Christmas day, was still in the arms of Morpheus Friday morning, repeated efforts of physicians during the past six days having failed to awaken her.

"Bob" Fitzsimmons, former heavyweight champion of the world, and Jack (Twin) Sullivan have issued challenges to Jack Thompson, the conqueror of Tommy Burns, for a fight for the heavyweight title.

E. A. Blake, the contractor convicted of attempting to bribe J. M. Kelly, a prospective juror in the Ruef bribery trial in San Francisco to vote for acquittal, was sentenced by Judge Dunne Thursday to four years' imprisonment at San Quentin.

Dr. E. M. C. Neyman of El Reno, Okla., died Monday at Saltville, Washington County, Indiana, aged 101 years. He claimed to be a son of Marshal Ney Napoleon Bonaparte's field marshal, and that he changed his name to Neyman eighty years ago.

The American gumbout Helena has arrived at Canton, China, in consequence of the anti-foreign movement and the excitement among the natives as a result of a Portuguese seaman on the British steamship Pithaham having kicked a coolie to death.

The Galveston case-way contract has been signed by E. H. Harriman in New York, and is now on the way back to Texas. The contract has been signed by the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio, the Interurban and the Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railroad. It now remains to be signed by the Santa Fe and Galveston County.

With fire eating through her cargo of paper and carboys, the new freight steamer Texas, Captain Peterson, bound from Christiansa, Norway, to Havana, Cuba, put into the Savannah river Friday morning, and throughout the day chemical engines of the Savannah fire department and fire fighting tug-boat to save the vessel from a total loss.

The earthquake which has devastated the Italian States of Calabria and Sicily has wrought the greatest disaster which ever has befallen the Christian world. Its measures can not yet be calculated. It is known in general terms that of a population of 1,100,000 in the devastated district at least 125,000 perished. Latest reports bear state that 6000 soldiers in the barracks at Messina were buried under the ruins.

The great American battleship fleet built for purposes of destruction may after all have to go down in history as one of the greatest humanitarian efforts in modern times. Not content with the outpouring of private charity it is probable the American government will direct this great fleet away from the sea into the program to ward home to the stricken city of Messina and to other Italian ports where devastation beyond the unaided efforts of the Italian people themselves to repair has been wrought by earthquake and tidal wave.

Judge Charles E. Fosker, general attorney for the Frisco railroad and one of the prominent jurists of the state, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home in Fort Worth on New Year's day.

According to an announcement just made some but unannounced men will be assigned by the Government in future to serve as officers in the consular force in the Philippine islands, and officers already in the service will not be permitted temporary without the consent of the Government until they have attained to their captaincies.

The First State Bank of Edgewood opened its doors for business Saturday with capital stock of \$1,000,000.

Reports of expeditionary movements in Central America have led to a close watch of the situation by the Washington Government, and setting under orders from the Navy Department, at the request of Secretary Root, the battleships will watch at Key West for supplies. Her presence in the neighborhood of Nicaraguan territory will have a reassuring effect, in the event that any trouble occurs in that section.

The \$20,000,000 due to the case of the Standard Oil Company will not be reviewed by the Supreme Court of the United States. The decision of the court in this case was announced by Chief Justice Fuller soon after the court adjourned Monday in Washington.

In the collapse of a wall at the Central Bank, Panama in Central America, Sunday, three Italian workmen were known to be present. One man was killed and the others seriously injured, some probably fatally. The men were trying to lay in the air, engaged in unloading down a large baggage.

INQUIRY COSTS \$15,000

GOVERNMENT SPENDS SUM IN EMPLOYMENT OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES.

WRIGHT ANSWERS FORAKER

Resolution from Senate Asking for Information Brings Forth Response from War Department.

Washington, Jan. 6.—It has cost the government \$15,000 already in the employment of private detective agencies to investigate the Brownsville affair, and the contracts with these agencies are still in force. This information was received by the Senate Tuesday from Secretary Wright in response to the Foraker resolution inquiring when and by what authority of law Herbert J. Browne and W. C. Baldwin were employed. It was the report Browne and Baldwin on which President Roosevelt based a recent message to Congress declaring that the guilt of certain of the discharged negro soldiers had been fixed beyond a shadow of a doubt and his report was attacked by Senator Foraker in a speech on the floor of the Senate.

Attached to Secretary Wright's communication were copies of the various contracts entered into between responsible officers of the war department and the detective agencies. There was also a confidential letter from Judge Taft, then secretary, urging the president to make the original contract with Browne and Baldwin.

Sentenced to the Penitentiary.

New York: For his part in the dispatching of the steamer Goldsboro to Honduras last spring with \$50,000 worth of goods said to have been obtained under false pretenses Albert W. Bailey, former secretary and treasurer of the Export Shipping Company, was sentenced to the penitentiary for four years Tuesday.

Bought by Dallas Man.

Bay City: Col. John N. Simpson, received for the Palacios Canal Company, Tuesday sold at public outcry the property of the company. The consideration was \$125,000, of which \$25,000 was cash, and the balance as the court orders it. Royal A. Ferris of Dallas was the purchaser of the property.

Belt Breaks; Two Killed.

El Paso: Arcadio Gallares, chief mechanic, and Juan Reina, his assistant, were instantly killed and several workmen injured at Terreon, Mex., last night when the main belt propelling the machinery in the large cotton mill broke. The machinery of the plant was wrecked.

To Go After Standard Again.

Chicago: District Attorney Sims, aided by the United States Supreme Court in his efforts to exact a \$250,000 fine from the Standard Oil Company, announces that there is still opportunity for a \$60,000,000 fine against Rockefeller's corporation.

Stock Causes Panic at Reggio.

Reggio: Earthquakes have occurred here Tuesday at intervals of twenty minutes. At noon a stronger quake than the others caused a number of the standing walls to collapse and created a condition of panic among the survivors. It is thought that there were any casualties.

Killing Near Greenville.

Greenville: J. H. Newby, a partner of the Wagner community, six miles west of here, was shot and killed about 4 o'clock Tuesday evening near his home. As soon as the shooting was over, Ray Thompson, who married Nellie Newby, daughter of J. H. Newby, on Christmas day, telephoned to the officers and came in and surrendered.

Fame of Print to Law.

St. Petersburg: The cousin of Father John of Krasnak, the prominent Russian priest, were injured in this city Tuesday. A series of mishaps have already been announced in connection with the burial. A mild man is described as having received his slight from having pulled his eyes in a public view of water over which the coffin was carried. A cab driver is said to have repulsed the use of a related arm.

The Patrick Case Again.

New York: John T. Hillman, the millionaire brother-in-law of Albert T. Patrick, now serving a life sentence in Sing Sing for the slaying of William M. Hiss, started for Texas Tuesday to take what is reported to be a qualified confession of Charles F. Jones, the valet, revealing the confusion which surrounded Patrick's murder and offered freedom for the valet. Jones is doing with voluntary time.

Urges Test of Cotton Weeds.

Washington: Dr. Shippert, upon invitation of the House Committee on Agriculture Tuesday morning in advocacy of his bill to appropriate \$500,000 to enable the agricultural department to experiment in testing sugar cane and cotton weeds. He said such experiments have not already been made enough to enable that other statute could be made in comparable relation for sugar cane.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, ARE YOU INSURED? If not, do you think it would be wise to have us issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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For Good Lumber at Moderate Prices, Give us a call before buying elsewhere.

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Chili, Sandwiches, Cakes and Desserts.
And the famous savory Chili.
100,000 of Green Tea.

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It is not unusual by doing things as well as others. We have for years been making our name and reputation in this city and we are proud of it. We have a reputation for doing things as well as others. We have a reputation for doing things as well as others. We have a reputation for doing things as well as others.

PATENTS

For information of the public, the undersigned has this day received the following patents for inventions:

JOHN H. BROWN
Patented January 6, 1914.

W. H. BROWN
Patented January 6, 1914.

Local and Personal

Ledgers at Ward's.
Phone No. 1 is Reagan's drug store.
Ike Cox of Coahoma, was here Monday.
Hot drinks at Reagan's fountain.
J. W. Neill of Auto was in town yesterday.
Cold drinks at Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
J. J. Curlee of Lamesa, was here Monday.
Watches on easy payments at Reagan's.
F. E. Abney of Borden county was here Tuesday.
Smoke a Watt cigar at Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
E. R. Bainbridge of Lamesa, was here this week.
Pipes—all kinds of pipes—at Reagan's.
C. C. Connell was here this week from Fort Worth.
Handsome wedding presents at Reagan's.
D. M. Waters of Morris, was here Saturday.
One dollar razors—guaranteed at Reagan's.
Mrs. R. B. Flynt is on the sick list this week, but is improving.
Try those hot drinks at Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
Mrs. W. R. Settles of North Concho, was shopping here Monday.
An immense line of tablets and school supplies at Reagan's.
Resolved to be a Big Springs booster during the entire year of 1909.
Strychnine and Cyanide—Dog Poison, at Reagan's.
The C. S. Wagon and Feed Yard has an ad in this paper. Read it.
Try those hot drinks at Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
W. R. Creighton and daughter, Miss Pearl, of Vincent, were here Monday.

Hot drinks at Reagan's.
Sheriff Mobley has moved his office into the new court house.
Dog Poison—Strychnine and Carbon, at Reagan's Drug Store.
J. C. Smith is here from Terrell county on a visit to his family.
Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, cure colds, at Ward's. 12-11
Help those who help you by building up your town and county.
To cure a cold in one day get Reagan's cold tablets.
J. P. Inman and family went to Midland Wednesday and will make their home there.
It is quality that counts. You get it at Reagan's.
R. N. Gresham, of Stanton, district attorney of the 32nd judicial district, was here Saturday.
A swell grocery store, the new home of Pool Bros., next to Rix & Co.
Miss Eva Batchler of Ferris came in Wednesday morning on a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. S. Jordan.
Pool Bros. invite you to call at their new store, next to Rix & Co.
If you want to vote this year you must pay your poll tax before the first day of February. Don't be disfranchised.
The three-weeks-old infant of Z. V. Perryman and wife died Wednesday and was buried yesterday afternoon.
Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-11
Dr. J. G. Wright returned yesterday morning from Brownwood where he had been called by the illness of his brother-in-law.
Ledgers at Ward's.
J. B. Winn received two fine hogs last week from Waco, that were sent him as a Christmas present by his brother.
The prettiest drug store in West Texas—Reagan's—If you don't believe it come and see.
Wm. Matthiers of Gay Hill community was in town Saturday, and while here paid this office an appreciated visit.

Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's. 12-11
J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing. 22-11
WANTED—A PLACE TO LIVE. Any person having a four or five room house for rent, at once or in the near future, call up 297 or inquire at this office.
If it's carried by drug stores you will find it at Reagan's.
W. M. Fletcher, living on rural route one, was in town Saturday and had his date moved ahead on our subscription list.
H. A. Carpenter, Deputy Grand Commander, of El. Paso, was here Wednesday night and inspected Big Springs' Commandery.
Gall cure at Reagan's.
Hats! Hats!! Having sold the stock down and gotten the new ones in enables us to show all the latest colors and shapes. See them.
A. P. McDonald & Co.
The railroad company are having the trees that were killed by fire when the hotel burned out down and removed from the lot.
Rogers' silverware at Reagan's.
We understand the Baptist brethren will soon be ready to receive bids for the construction of their new church building which is to be built of brick.
Phone No. 1—Reagan's Drug Store, and he will send you the package.
We have replenished our stock which is now more complete than ever, and we are making prices that will attract. A. P. McDonald & Co., the shoe and Gents' Furnishers. Opposite postoffice.
T. W. Branon of Morris was in town Tuesday. He had just returned from a visit to Southern Texas and said the weather was unusually warm while he was there.
Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-11
W. S. Willis of Lamesa was here Tuesday on his way east on a business trip. He says there is \$150,000 worth of feed in his county if the farmers were only in reach of a good market.
Miss Louise Hardison, who has been a pleasant visitor at the home of E. S. Bledsoe and wife several weeks, left Wednesday morning for her home at Dublin.
We filled nearly seven-thousand prescriptions last year—our first year. This shows that the people know where they can get their prescriptions filled accurately and promptly.
Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
J. L. Coffee of Dawson county came in Sunday accompanied by his daughter, Miss Stella, who left Monday evening for Waco where she is a student in Texas Christian University.
The Gem City Furniture Co. have moved into the building recently vacated by Sneed Brothers, which gives them much better location and also gives them one of the nicest store rooms in town.
Journals at Ward's.
W. T. Roberts and J. D. Williams returned Wednesday from Carlsbad, New Mexico, where they were called by the illness of their mother. She was some better when they left there but is quite feeble.
We are better prepared to serve you this year than ever before and ask you to give us a trial. We feel sure you will always be satisfied if you trade with us.
Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.
Fire destroyed the telephone office at Rising Star one night last week and the plucky operator made a shelf on a telephone pole, connected her transmitter to the wire and stood on a ladder while she sent out news of the fire.

Our Busy Week

We are too busy this week to write an ad, but will find time to supply your wants in hardware, etc. if you will let us know them. In fact, we are always ready to show you through our immense stock and to quote you our prices, which are the very lowest in town

The Western Windmill Co.

MOVING

We are moving into the building formerly occupied by Sneed Bros. and will be pleased to have our friends and customers call on us in our new quarters

The Gem City Furniture Comp'y

Don't forget we handle a finer line of dress shirts than have been carried in Big Springs before. A. P. McDonald & Co.
Dr. Ellington, a dentist of Henderson, Texas, is here on a visit to his brother-in-law, Oscar Lacy, and prospecting for a location.
D. A. Baird, a wholesale hay and grain man of Bonham, who had been to Midland to attend the marriage of his son, spent Tuesday here.

Just received another shipment of the celebrated Nettleton shoes, the best you can buy. A. P. McDonald & Co.
Call on Pool Bros in their new store, next to Rix & Co.
S. W. Moore of Fort Worth was looking after his land interests here this week.
Have you seen Pool Bros. new store?
Stock food at Reagan's.
Prairie Dog Poison—Reagan's.

Office supplies at Ward's.
Get your 1909 office supplies at Ward's.
A. P. McDonald & Co. Opposite postoffice.
Fisher Tynes, who is suffering from a severe attack of appendicitis, is still very sick.
They appreciate your trade at Pool Bros. Next to Rix & Co.
J. S. Winslow was here this week from his home in the north-west part of the county.
When you want to buy jewelry or cut-glass, come to see us. Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.

Money

Coal and Wood is money. It takes this for us to get it and we are not allowed to touch it until we pay for it, and therefore, we have got to sell for CASH, and all orders for coal or wood in dollar lots will be charged 25 cents drayage extra. Please bear this in mind and pay drivers on delivery.
STONE & CARPENTER. ABNEY & WRIGHT.

Victor Phonographs, Reagan's.
Reflections of a Bachelor.
A woman never loses faith in a man unless he is to be trusted.
The usual way for a man to learn how to propose a girl is for her to teach him.
The only difference between an old fool and a young fool is that he has had more practice.
The kind of a girl a mother picks out for her son to marry makes him want to stay a bachelor.

Mr Wage Earner

Do you believe with President Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland and Andrew Carnegie, that the safest investment for your money is real estate in the West?
Do you believe it is wise to hold some town property in a town fastly becoming (on account of its natural advantages, its strategic position, and the marvelous and diversified resources of the country surrounding it) the hub of our great southwest?
Have you realized that having worked for your money, you should let your money work for you, that an idle dollar is like an idle man, that the essential points of a good real estate investment are:
1. A sufficiently low price when you buy.
2. An increase of the value while you hold.
3. An ability to resell when you wish.
and that these three conditions mean absence of risk? You know that certain conditions will bring certain results; we will explain you in detail the conditions, but we will let you figure out what results these conditions must bring. Will you investigate the great opportunities offered the small and big investor alike in the coming metropolis of New Mexico—the town of Carlsbad.
Remember that all that glitters is not gold, and that the prospector is often rewarded for having investigated what seemed a common place brown stone.
Lots will sell in the town of Carlsbad, New Mexico, for \$50.00 and up on easy terms.
SAMARY EZZELL, Agent.
Cut out this coupon, mail it or bring it to the office for illustrated booklet. DO IT TO-DAY.

MISS EZZELL,
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Dear Madam:—Kindly mail me one of your illustrated booklets, and let me know how I can take advantage of your offer on Carlsbad lots. I am satisfied that Carlsbad property is a good investment, and that I am not, in asking such information, placing myself under obligations to buy.

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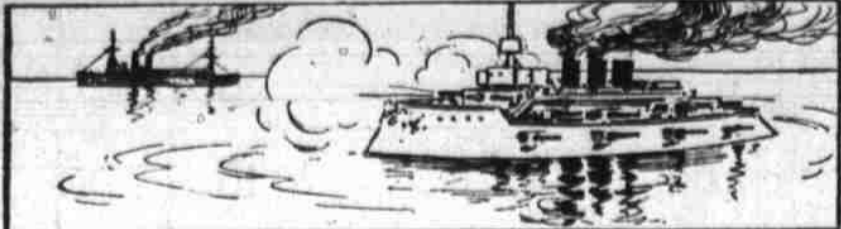
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The SEVENTH PERSON

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"Will You Stay with Me Until—Until Sunrise?"



"You Are a Prisoner in the Hands of the Uranian Government."

Marina Bostos was 21 years of age. She was the daughter of a Philadelphia concessionaire, who went to Urania to seek his fortune when the population of that country was less than 50,000; Fernandez Bostos had come to Urania from Madrid a year before Philip Bolton's arrival. Bolton had been in the country barely a year when he was stricken with fever and died. A few months later his widow died of the same fever. The Boltons were the parents of a year-old daughter—Mary. Bostos and Bolton had joined hands in building up their fortunes and had become inseparable friends. When Bolton knew that he must die and that his wife, who had been dangerously ill for many weeks, could not recover, he asked Bostos to adopt his little daughter. Immediately after Mrs. Bolton's death Bostos became the foster-father of little Mary, whom he had rechristened Marina, and to whom he gave his own surname.

CHAPTER IX.
 To the Forest of the Somber Shadows.

Marina was at Jerry's side very early the next morning, and her heart quickened when she saw that his spirits were much brighter and that his general condition was improved. Jerry, the honest gratitude bringing films of moisture to his eyes, held out both hands when she entered the cell. He was very weak, but there was strength in his grasp.

"I should have died if you had not come to me," he said, earnestly. "You saved my life yesterday—saved it—and the gloom of hopelessness clouded his features—saved it for them to take. Ah, but I appreciate what you have done for me, what relief you have given me, and my last words shall be of you. I should like to call you 'sister,' for your solicitude has been that of a sister—that of one who can share the suffering of another. You never can feel sorry for what you have done for me."

"No—no, I cannot feel sorry," she exclaimed, unconsciously pressing his hand as she looked into his eyes; "I wish I could do more for you." Her voice trembled slightly and she swallowed two or three times in her successful effort to keep back the tears. "But you must bear up," she went on. "The worst may not—cannot come. God in heaven, it cannot come! She half cried in a tone of agony, and Jerry's eyes opened wide in surprise. "You will bear up—be brave—"

"Yes, little sister," he whispered in a smile, but the hopelessness in his eyes told her that he was speaking only for her; that little word "sister" reached her heart, but it awakened a new sensation in her bosom—a sensation that began to take shape when his eyes first met hers.

"You shall not be put to death," she whispered, her eyes flashing. "You are too young—too good—too—you must not die!"

At this juncture one of the officers came to the cell door and announced: "Senorita, we have just received word from your father, Gen. Bostos, to the effect that he will reach this camp within three days. He will remain at Pandaro with the president a day longer. He conveys his love to you." "My father coming within three days!" she half murmured, with bated breath, quickly bringing a hand to her mouth. The arrival of Gen. Bostos would mark the beginning of Jerry Chambers' court-martial.

For fully two minutes after the message-bearer's departure Marina sat in silence, her brain burning with contemplation. Jerry simply stared at her, unable to speak. The announcement of the general's coming shocked him with its significance.

"Won't you smile?" he said, bravely. "A smile from you, senorita—no, little sister, is better than medicine to me."

She did smile, and with it came a soft blush.

"Senor—"

"Call me 'Jerry,'" he interrupted. "It sounds so much as though we have known each other a long time. And besides, it is what a sister would call me."

"Shall I call you Brother Jerry?"

"No—just Jerry," said he, and he pressed her hand slightly.

Capt. Miguel Pilaro was desperately in love with Marina Bostos. On the night of the president's inaugural ball at Pandaro, three years before, she had rejected his offer of marriage, and although she never had given him the slightest encouragement, he continued to press his suit tactfully and diplomatically. He had kept near her much of the time since her arrival at the camp, and her pronounced interest in Jerry Chambers aroused the spirit of jealousy within him, although he could not bring himself to believe that her interest in the handsome prisoner was more than that inspired by her natural solicitude and pity.

In a moment of his wildest jealousy, after he had heard Marina call the prisoner "Jerry," he thought: "If she does love him, the love will count for naught. He is to die within the week, and then—"

But his human nature checked the thought and he blushed for shame.

Under Marina's care and treatment Jerry improved rapidly. The swelling in his leg was greatly reduced and the inflammation began to disappear. He felt that he could stand on the injured limb, but Marina would not permit him to put it to such a test.

lain," she went on after a little thought. "Senor Chambers does not deserve to die. He is a victim of circumstances. You are a man, Capt. Pilaro, and as such you must have a heart that beats in sympathy for him."

"Marina," he pleaded, "I wish I could prove to you that I have a heart—a heart that beats only in thought of you. I love you with a love that is consuming my very life. Still, with discouragement, you will not—"

"You still love me?" she half whispered, excitedly. Her trembling hand touched his arm and her sparkling eyes came close to his.

"Marina," he cried, desperately, "my life is yours! I love you better than all the world—better than heaven!"

"My captain, my—yes, yes, my love is for you!" she said, rapidly, her voice choking. "Senor Chambers must not die!" Capt. Pilaro trembled as her meaning became plain to him.

"He shall not die, my adored angel!" he cried, dropping to a knee and taking her hand into his. "Senor Chambers, as you wish, shall live!"

In her misery she tried to look away from him, but he drew her close to him and pressed a kiss to her lips.

Toward ten o'clock the following morning Gen. Bostos and his staff arrived at the camp, and the old warrior's fatigue had nettled his humor. Within the fortnight the forces of the government had suffered three defeats at the hands of the desperate revolutionists, and the results of the conflicts clouded Gen. Bostos' heart with keenest despair and apprehension. What humanity was left in him was almost snuffed out, and he had determined that no quarter, no mercy, should be shown to the "rebels" that fell into his hands.

Marina had intended to plead with the general for Jerry's life, but she knew it would be useless in view of his gloom and desperation. Capt. Pilaro recoiled to Gen. Bostos the story of Jerry's capture, and the grizzled old warrior became fiery red in the face as he listened.

"The dog!" he said, in a curse so bitter that even the captain quailed. "Let his trial be speedy, let his punishment be quick!"

At two o'clock that afternoon Capt. Pilaro and two guards carried Jerry Chambers to Gen. Bostos' headquarters on a stretcher. Bostos sat as sole judge, and it was evident that his mind already was made up as to the young man's fate. He had heard the full story of the capture, and he displayed but little interest in the formalities of the trial.

Jerry was permitted to testify in his own behalf, and he spoke only the truth. He had expected Marina to intercede for him, and when she remained in the background, her head cast down so that her eyes could not meet his, his heart became chilled.

"The punishment shall fit the crime," said the general, sternly. "Let the prisoner be shot at sunrise to-morrow! He shall have one night in which to make peace with his God. Capt. Pilaro, I place the prisoner into your hands, to be delivered to the colored commanding here at sunrise to-morrow. Take him back to his cell."

Within half an hour Jerry Chambers was in the cell of the doomed. Pilaro stationed a death-watch at his grating door. Marina did not accompany the prisoner from the trial, and to Jerry's surprise and indignantly increased despair, she did not appear at any time that afternoon. At last, after the fall of dusk, Capt. Pilaro came to the cell, for the first time since he had established the death-watch. His face was white and he could not conceal the excitement that was raging within him.

SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy importer and a student at an eastern college, was awarded a membership in the Cluster of the Gemini, a secret organization, founded by Rodney Graves. The society was exclusive, only seven being admitted. The members were known as Persons. A meeting was held and each member was awarded the "call of destiny," which amounted to an assignment to test his metal. Chambers read his destiny. He was told to pass a period as a sailor and not set foot in North America for a year. Then he was directed to go to Mexico for further instructions which were to assign him to another year's exile, during which time he must make his own living unaided, and keep everything a secret. Jerry then told his father of his duty. He gained his father's consent. He also acquainted Marsylla Bayless, his father's choice for his wife, with the fact that he would be away two years. She left him angrily. Young Chambers had a fery interview with his father, who sought again to prevent the boy's departure. Jerry obtained a berth as supercargo on an ocean freighter. His father tried to obtain his promise that he would seek the hand of Miss Bayless. Jerry sailed the following morning on the Sister Mary. After the ship left New York Capt. Bulger told him that the boat was bound for Urania, South America, loaded with arms for enemies of that government. Sister Mary put in at Havana for final orders regarding the landing of guns. Jerry, given opportunity to desert, passed it up. Jerry landed the guns as a Uranian cruiser hove in view. As first Sister Mary was chased, but escaped, Chambers being made the object of the chase.

CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

Brought to a shocking realization of his position, Jerry started towards the nearest thicket, which was fully 50 yards away. He had gone less than 40 feet when he felt a tingling sensation in the calf of his right leg. He ran a few feet farther, and then the leg seemed to become paralyzed. It would serve him no longer. Exhausted, he sank to the ground and tried to drag himself along. Then his eyes closed and his senses were gone.

When he regained consciousness he was surrounded by a half dozen swarthy-looking men in the soiled white clothing of the Uranian marines, all talking at the same time in the most excited manner. It was a long time before he could appreciate his situation. At the first thought of the awful reality, he asked:

"Where am I?" His words were in English, and those about him simply stared blankly at him. Then he put the question in Spanish.

"You are a prisoner in the hands of the Uranian government—on board the gunboat Cristobal," snapped a fierce-eyed man in the uniform of an officer. "Your trick failed, as we knew it would fail, and now you will pay the penalty."

"What will they do to me?" Jerry asked.

"You will get a trial," said the officer, laughing heartlessly. "and then—well, you'll find out soon enough that the Uranian government is not to be trifled with. We are not slow in acting with such as you. It's too bad—you're so young, so strong—such a good-looking fellow, too," he added with a laugh that was almost diabolical. Jerry's eyes flashed anger, and for an instant he forgot his pain.

"I suppose you will be promoted for this," said the captive, with a sneer

born of absolute desperation. He felt that there was no hope for him; he had read about the "justice" of Spanish court-martials.

The captain of the Cristobal had enough heart to do what he could to alleviate the suffering of the young collegian, turning him over to the surgeon, who hurriedly dressed the wound. It was very dark and very foggy when the vessel steamed towards the mainland with all the guns that had been landed from the Sister Mary. The boat sped along cautiously, and it was in the middle of the next morning when she drew up at one of the government's camps.

Jerry was taken to the headquarters of the general commanding, where he was subjected to heartless questioning.

Gen. Fernandez Bostos, the leader of the government's forces in the field, was on his way to Pandaro, the capital, where he was to consult with President Cardovaz, and he probably would not reach the coast camp until the elapse of a week. Jerry was ordered confined in a dungeon cell on the outskirts of the camp, near a running stream, where his rations should consist of only bread and water. The cell was not more than six feet square and it was unfurnished save for some damp straw that was to serve him as a bed.

CHAPTER VIII.

The Little Saint of Urania.

At the outset of the Uranian rebellion a dozen or more young women high in the social life at Pandaro met at the president's palace and inaugurated what had come to be known as the "humane movement." The organizers were: a daughter of the president, a daughter of the vice-president, a niece of the minister of justice, and the adopted daughter of Gen. Fernandez Bostos. They issued a call to the "loyalist" young women for volunteers as nurses to serve on the field and in the hospitals. While the movement was distinctly a "loyalist" one, it was the purpose of the organization to extend the spirit of humanity to helpless and suffering insurrectionists as well as to the sick and wounded in the service of the Cardovaz government. The president's daughter was chosen chief officer, and she appointed six of the other organizers to assume charge of the half dozen departments under which the work was to be carried on. Marina Bostos, the general's adopted daughter, was placed in charge of the department of the north, which included much of the territory north of the capital, where the revolutionists had numerous strongholds and where the heaviest fighting was expected to take place. The camp in which Jerry Chambers was held prisoner was within the territory of the department of the north.

Two days after Jerry's capture Marina Bostos arrived in camp at the head of a score of nurses, fatigued from duty for weeks inland, where fever had wrought havoc in the ranks of both sides.

She said not a word, but in her heart there was a feeling that Jerry had spoken truthfully. Through her efforts the prisoner was taken to a more comfortable cell, although not in the hospital, where she tried to have him confined.

Even this improvement in his surroundings was welcomed by young Chambers, and he inwardly blessed the "little saint of Urania" who made the change possible. Installed in his more comfortable quarters, he soon felt a change for the better in his condition and gratitude swelled his feelings.

In her room that night Marina Bostos slept not a wink—not a wink of the sleep that her worn-out body so badly needed. Her mind seemed riveted to the handsome young prisoner in the dungeon cell. She well knew the heartlessness of a court-martial such as must come to Jerry, and she

KNEW THE PIG'S WEAK POINT.
Youngster Was Confident of His Ability to "Stump" Him.

It is an interesting fact that the two studies of arithmetic and geography seem to be diametrically opposed to each other in the affections of school children. Pupils who are particularly proficient in one are apt to be backward in the other. A story is told of a little boy who was slow in arithmetic, and whose apparent stupidity in this field was a great source of grief to his father, who had been a mathematician.

One day, when the father and son were walking out, they passed a place where a "learned pig" was on exhibition, and the father took the boy to see this porcine prodigy.

"Just look at that," said the father. "Why, there's a pig that can count and add up numbers! Don't you wish you were as smart as he?"

"Ha!" answered the boy. "Just let me ask him a few questions in geography!"—Ideas.

HIS IDEA OF GETTING WORK.



Kind Old Lady—Have you ever made an effort to get work?
"Beggars, yes, ma'am. Last month I got work for two members of my family, but neither of them would take it."

Supporting the Aristocracy.
Senator Tillman, discussing international marriages the other day, said pertinently:

"What are we coming to? A friend of mine, an ardent foe to monarchies roared out in a speech last week: 'Down-trodden as they are abroad, I still fall to understand how they can endure to be taxed to support idle, extravagant and dissolute royal families.' Then my friend wiped his heated brow, and, hurrying home, sent in a stock assessment of \$10,000 in order to help the president of the Dash railroad purchase a titled son-in-law."

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To plead that anything is excusable is to admit that it is wrong.—Plautus.

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Scene of Ruin and Death

TWENTY ITALIAN TOWNS DESTROYED
Reggio, the Seaport, Wiped Out—Congress Votes \$800,000 Relief Fund.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Following a special message from the President, urging an appropriation for the relief of the Italian earthquake sufferers, both the house and senate joined in appropriating a fund of \$800,000 or immediate use.

Messina, Jan. 5.—There is reason to believe that the devastation by earthquake of Calabria and Sicily is not yet at an end. Scientists declare that the shocks still more severe should be expected Jan. 7 and 8, when the relative position of the sun and moon will produce the greatest strain on the crust of the earth. Several minor shocks were experienced Saturday and many tottering walls were thrown down, but it is not known that any persons were killed. The new quakes are starting the fires afresh and the people are in a condition bordering on panic.

Sues, Jan. 4.—The converted cruiser Yankton entered the canal this afternoon and the supply ship Culgon probably will pass in tonight. The former has a number of doctors aboard and the latter a large supply of provisions and stores. Both will go to Messina at full speed. All arrangements were made by wireless for the ships of the fleet to pass through the canal as quickly as possible and to coal at Port Said, where 25,000 tons are stored.

Reggio, Jan. 2.—Rain adds to the desolation of the scene and the difficulties attending the work of rescue, while the continuance of intermittent shocks keeps the population in a state of agitation which is pitiable to see. In their terrible condition they are unable to lend a hand with the rescuing parties. Rich and poor alike are suffering from hunger which comes close to starvation. There are no more distinctions of class. From time to time ruins crumble and crash to the earth, rendering the search for dead and injured very dangerous.

Reggio, Jan. 2.—A state of most frightful anarchy prevails. Mobs of ruffians roam among the ruins, giving full vent to their vilest instincts. They are pillaging the wrecked jewelry stores and banks and do not hesitate to shed the blood of those opposing them. A few soldiers who escaped unhurt have been impelled by an admirable spirit of discipline to organize patrols on their own initiative.

Rome, Jan. 2.—The figures telegraphed you two days ago of the catastrophe in Sicily and Calabria, which made the number of victims 200,000, are now confirmed to the Argentinia Stefani and Italian News Agency by Prof. Picco, director of the observatory on Mount Aetna. He denies, however, that the earthquakes had a volcanic origin.

New York, Jan. 2.—Spontaneous action throughout the country to succor the distress of Italy has assumed the character of a National movement. Reports from all sections of the country show cities, individuals, religious bodies, Red-Cross organizations, private corporations, commercial bodies and all branches of public and private life joining in the humane and practical expression of the American people in behalf of the afflicted nation. Already more than \$500,000 in cash is in hand and most of this has been cabled, or is on its way to Italy.

Rome, Jan. 2.—To the destruction of Messina, Reggio, Santa Eufemia, Bagnara, Palmi and Seminara must be added these towns and villages: Castella, Pollista, Cengueprondi, Hamertina, Sempoli, San Procopio, Pizzicotti, Stefanocino, Catena, Resaio and Scylla. These places are no more.

Rome, Jan. 1.—Signor Cipriani, correspondent for the Tribune at Reggio, who has been saved with his wife and three daughters, telegraphs from Reggio that the number of victims is twenty thousand. He says two thousand bodies and three thousand wounded have been already taken from the ruins. Twenty villages in the province have been destroyed and seven thousand persons killed.

Telegrams from Bagnara state that not a single house remains standing. Even the churches collapsed. Four hundred bodies and eight hundred wounded have been taken from the ruins. The number of troops now on the spot is not sufficient for the work of rescue. The same holds true at Palmi.

At Reggio Italian and Russian sailors are working night and day, but their numbers are insufficient for the task. The few dispatches which arrive from the city ask pressingly for

Everything comes in fashion if you only wait long enough. The latest news from New York is that it is no longer stylish to have one's letter-paper adorned with a monogram. It must be marked with a thumb print. The new style differs from the old only in that the thumb print must be engraved and printed in gold or silver about half an inch from the top of the page. It would be much more distinctive and individual, thinks Youth's Companion, if each person marked his own paper by the actual print of his thumb.

spades, lime and sulphur and other disinfectants. The odor from decaying bodies is already insupportable.

All villages on the coasts and mountains send desperate appeals for aid and troops are being sent into the district and are undertaking the work of rescue everywhere.

One hundred bodies have been found in the village of San Grigorio, near Reggio. The villages of Miltano, Sharpe, Villa San Giovanni, Cannitello, Catone, Gallico, Villa San Giuseppe, Gallina, Campo Calabro, San Roberto, Santo Stefano di Aspromonte, Cataboro, Pellarò, Motta, San Giovanni, Montebello, Jonio and Maropati all have been completely destroyed.

Subscriptions have been voted by all the municipal councils in Italy. Sixty medical students left Rome yesterday evening for Messina. Students of other faculties are collecting money and clothing in artillery wagons which have been left by the military authorities.

The Italian Free Masons have contributed 100,000 francs.

The Russian battleship Magaroff has brought a second contingent of four hundred wounded from Messina. The rescued people are loud in their praise of the Russian sailors.

Correspondents of newspapers can not telegraph from Messina, but the government is going so rapidly and is well organized in such a manner as to cover the whole extent of the town. Merchant vessels are transporting the wounded to Naples and Palermo. Two or three trans-Atlantic liners have been sent to give shelter to those who escaped and act as floating hospitals.

Additional troops will leave this evening from Rome and other large towns. Medical students and engineers are also leaving for the scene of the catastrophe.

Government functionaries have offered to the prime minister to give a portion of their salaries to the fund for the victims. Rome and other cities have money boxes deposited at various points so every one can give offerings.

Rome, Dec. 31.—The immensity of the disaster in Southern Italy and Sicily can only be measured by the fact that it is now estimated that 110,000 people perished in Messina and Reggio alone.

A score of other towns have been devastated and thousands of victims in these places must be added to the toll. In the face of these awful totals Italy stands appalled. Nor has the full death list been reached. Shiploads of fugitives have arrived at Naples and other ports and the vast majority of these are severely injured. Other thousands remain near the ruins of their homes or wander half starved, half naked over the land.

The forces that on Monday overwhelmed the cities also destroyed the means of sustenance. Telegraphic communication has been re-established with Messina, the apparatus having been installed in a railway van. Messages which have come over the lines, though they have been meager in detail, show that hope is gone. Nothing remains of the city but a mass of ruins that have been swept by fire. A mere handful of survivors are being cared for by the rescuing forces, but their distress is great and it has been increased by the violent cold wind that followed the heavy rains. Destitution is everywhere and appalling. There is little food and less water.

Of Messina's 99,000 population it is believed that fully 70,000 perished. Forty thousand people died in Reggio.

Part of Fleet to Aid Victims.

Washington: The first division of Admiral Sperry's battleship fleet has been directed to go to Naples to assist the relief work. The remainder of the fleet is to be distributed at various points on the Mediterranean at Admiral Sperry's discretion. None of the other Italian ports are to be visited by the fleet.

Predicted Earthquake and Own Death.

Chicago: Dr. Cyrus H. Tweed died Monday. He predicted his own death and the destruction of Sicily at the same time. This was nearly four years ago. He said: "With the dissolution of my physical form there will be earthquake shocks and tidal waves, devastating life and property to an extent hitherto unknown in any age."

Emanuel Lasker, by his defeat of Dr. S. Tarrasch in Munich, last month, retained the chess championship of the world. Sixteen games were played. Lasker won eight, Tarrasch three, and five were drawn. Dr. Lasker has played chess since he was a boy, and won a tournament when he was 10. He has played in Russia, England, the United States and Germany. He recounts the Youth's Companion. He was pitted against Pillsbury, Steinitz and Teichgrin in St. Petersburg in 1895, and won two games more than his next highest opponent.

Farmers Educational Co-Operative Union Of America

Get Into the Game.
Gamblers play about as much for the excitement of the game as for the winnings. Even good men like to put up a quarter or half a dollar on a game or horse race "just to make it more interesting." We are all gamblers. Life is a game of chance and skill combined. We are either winning or losing a stake. Some put up money (speculators), some put up ambition (politicians), some put up their time and energy along with financial outlay (farmers). They all take chances on winning or losing. The speculator must play the game as stock gamblers play it. The politician must play the game as politicians play it. The "sports" must be "sporty" or get out of the game. The farmer must stake his all on the weather and insects and all that makes farming a chance, and play the game as the best farmers play it. Every business man takes his chances in competition with others in the same line. Farmers, see here, you are too absorbed in playing your own game to watch the others play theirs, but you are contributing to the jackpot in many another game and have no hand in the game that settles who is to pocket the winnings. Directly the situation is thus: You raise the grain and stock, the tobacco, cotton and wool for the other fellow to gamble over in boards of trade, they take your stuff at what figure they please and play with it as a cat plays with a mouse. You have some needs that cannot be home-grown or home-made. Nearly every one of these is controlled by a trust and you pay what they please to charge. You all know this. So you are demanding a remedy. Different societies of farmers are seeking to remedy the marketing end. Co-operation is the key. Why do you pay more than things are worth? Because the other fellows are bound together into associations that protect the trade. Why can't you sell at a profit too? Because you are not bound together. Follow natural laws. Backfire as when a prairie fire or forest fire is sweeping down on you. Fight fire with fire. Fight organization with organization. Let producers and consumers get closer together. It is the middlemen that are the key to the problem. When they quit fighting each other they have the situation clinched. You need coal. Your local dealers belong to the coal dealers' association. He is a slave of the coal trust; hence you pay \$1 to \$2 per ton more than coal is worth. "Co-operate." You need dry goods, shoes, etc. Your local dealer belongs to the mercantile association, hence you pay from 20 to 200 per cent more than goods are worth. "Co-operate." You need hardware, buggies, wagons, farming tools. Your local dealer is in the mercantile association, hence you pay from 10 to 50 per cent more than hardware is worth. "Co-operate." You need flour, meat, lard, sugar, coffee, etc. Your dealer is in the grocers' association, hence you pay from 10 to 40 per cent more than they are worth. "Co-operate."

"Well," says one, "it's easy to say that local dealers are robbing and getting more than goods are worth, but the whole shebang is operated by one trust and we can't get them from anyone not in the trust." Yes, you can. There is an independent dealer for all your needs. "Hunt them up." If you approach one of these "Can't help yourselves" fellows, I say to him I am making up a carload of coal, feedstuff, flour, salt, or a carload of coffee, barrel of sugar or syrup and can save you on coal \$1 to \$2 per ton or 25 cents per 100 pounds in feedstuff, 50 cents per 100 in flour, 50 cents per barrel on salt, 20 cents per gallon on syrup, etc. He will say I am "afraid" it is not good. Then tell him that it is guaranteed by the manufacturer, to you and he will say, "Yes, Mr. Jones (local dealer) guarantees his stuff and I haven't got the money now." Then tell him it does not take any money until the goods arrive and he will say, "I guess I'll not order any today." I do not need any just now. I bought some yesterday, etc. There is no competition in local dealers' associations and their game is a winning game. Let us get into the game of fighting "fire with fire" and it will revive the old adage "Competition is the life of trade." Get into the game and co-operate and the mortgage will be a sure thing of the past in an alarmingly short time. Get into the game and win.—H. A. Collins, in National Co-Operator.

Dry Rot of Corn.
The so-called "dry-rot" of ear corn which has long been recognized, owes its name to the manner in which the ear is affected in the field. In general the husks tend to turn prematurely yellow to sooty, and the ear becomes partially or wholly shriveled and much decreased in weight. Sometimes the ears remain upright with the husks closely adhering to them. In other cases the husks are weakened and the affected ears hang limp from their attachment, or the diseased condition may not be detected until the husk is removed. The loss from rot in Illinois alone in 1906 was not less than \$5,000,000 and last year about \$2,000,000. The disease perpetuates itself over winter on the old diseased ears or stalks. All diseased ears should be picked out and burned. In addition to this, in fields where any considerable amount of disease has been found, the stalks should also have the attention, whatever crop is to follow. Something may be gained by carefully plowing them under and leaving them well covered, but burning may be required even if this is otherwise had procedure. Such a field should not be replanted to corn for at least two years.—T. I. Furrill, Chief in Botany, Illinois College of Agriculture.

The question arises, if cotton certificates issued upon cotton stored in a great warehouse at New Orleans would be considered safe and would offer a good investment for capital, why are not certificates issued by local warehouses on the same cotton just as good?
Dwight Wheeler, a genius of Middleburg, Conn., boldly claims that he has solved the potato and is now growing a tri-bred variety, which requires no cooking and grows on vines like the tomato. Maybe!

The farmer used to work and not think, but not now, he mixes his brain and muscle.

RESOLUTIONS OF COTTON ASSOCIATION.

Passed at the Memphis Convention, November 10.
Moved that a permanent committee of three be appointed by the chair having power to fill vacancies therein, whose duties it shall be to secure all available state organization, and individual aid they can approve for the purposes below stated, and at their discretion to merge with similar committees from other organizations.
They shall establish headquarters and adopt such form of organization and such rules as may be required to canvass each cotton growing country in the South.
They shall procure pledges from the cotton farmer that they will produce sufficient food and feed or something other than cotton to exchange these necessities, publishing their names in their respective counties or otherwise as they deem best.
They shall procure all possible aid from the State and National Agricultural Institutions to aid our people in correctly and profitably utilizing every unit of human energy in the South.
They shall collect and disseminate available information and statistics that will further and protect our cotton interests on which depends our social and economic welfare.
They shall encourage the dealings in spot cotton instead of future contracts, if for no other reason than because low rates of interest, insurance and warehousing will enable the purchaser to carry approximately as much spot cotton as future contracts thereby stimulating instead of depressing the price of spot cotton.
They shall from time to time recommend to cotton growers such content of action as in their opinion will result in the common good.
This committee of three shall submit to this meeting plans for making this work effective.

Report of Committee Following Resolutions.

We, your committee appointed to perfect an organization for the purpose of procuring pledges and other matters pertaining to cotton interests as well as plans for making this work effective, submit the following report and suggestions related to this work:
It is apparent that financial support to carry forward this work is immediately necessary. We are convinced that if this matter is properly brought before our people there will be true loyal sons of the South who will consider it a pleasure and a privilege to thus aid in this vital undertaking.
Therefore, we recommend that those present at this meeting are hereby requested to make such liberal contributions to this cause that it will be a credit to this meeting and an example worthy of being followed.
The press of the South is hereby requested to lend their valuable services in giving publicity to these needs.
Each paper in the South is urged to at once institute a campaign to raise money to sustain this movement. We also recommend the chair appoint a committee of three from each cotton state to act with and under instructions from this committee to solicit aid and otherwise develop in sympathy with this task.
We also request our board of directors to aid this work with such financial support as may be available or needed to insure efficiency of this important campaign.

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In the eighteenth century the Londoner could look at royalty on Sunday for a modest fee. In a guide to London, published in 1787, it was said: "At St. James' chapel royal by knocking at the side door and slipping a shilling for each person into the hand of the vergier who opens it, you may have admittance and stand during divine service in presence of their majesties; and for one shilling each person more, you may sit in your royal presence, not in pews, but in turn-up seats on the side of them."

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

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Ask your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1909.

WHY WELLS WAS WRATHY.

All Things Considered, He Had Some Excuse for Anger.

Charles E. Wells, who has been called the groundhog senator of West Virginia, because he once introduced a bill advocating the changing of groundhog day from February 2 to July 4, was staying over night at the Grand hotel of a budding West Virginia village not long ago.

He was awakened in the morning by heavy pounding on his door, and the voice of the old man night clerk saying "Five o'clock! Better get up or you'll miss your train."

Mr. Wells didn't intend to catch a morning train and hadn't given any instructions that he should be called at the unearthly hour of five o'clock, so he paid no attention to the old man's early morning greeting and was asleep again almost immediately.

In about 15 minutes he was again awakened by the pounding on his door and heard the voice of the old man saying apologetically: "Don't get up. I rapped on the wrong door."—Lippincott's.

"CALLING" THE PITCHER.



The captain—See here, you've give seventeen men bases on balls! Dis here's a ball game, not no six-day walkin' match!

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Sweet Charity of Country Editor

Did you ever stop to think that a country newspaper is a charitable institution? There are, however, times when the charity of the country editor seems to have been wasted on barren soil, and on such occasions he is justified in refusing to again extend the same charity to the same persons who fail to appreciate his efforts. Such cases have come to almost every editor in his career. How many of them have sat up nights studying how to assist some candidate to land the office he is seeking? How many have spent column after column of their paper telling of the virtues of certain lodges, societies, churches or individuals in an effort to assist them over rough places in their journey? How many have donated space and advertising to the successful accomplishment of some public enterprise only to have that same church, society, individual or officers of the enterprise as soon as their ends were obtained rush off to another printing house or go to the city to have all their printing done? This is too often the case, and though it is hard to kill the charity of a country newspaper man, such treatment is the surest way to do so. Yes, the charity of the country editor for his fellows is surely great, but even this may be overworked and abused sometimes.—Elgin (Ill.) Press.

Phone No. 1 for your drug store wants.

Iron for the new bank building, the Currie building and the Sparenberg building has been received and the contractors say they will be pushed rapidly to completion.

The prairie dog law requires you to kill your dogs. Get the poison from Reagan.

The Farmer of this Day

Some people have ridiculed farmers and the names, "hayseed," "Reuben," "slow poke," "don't read," "Mr. Late," have been used. Unfortunately there were a few who gave occasion for fun making, but it has always been that the mass of those interested in agriculture have been a reading, thinking and progressive people. Conditions over which they had no control made them slower in securing information, and hence slower in action, than the brother who lived in the city. But this is largely of the past, and there are now no more wide-awake and progressive people than those who live in the country.

Good roads, schools, churches, rural delivery, telephones and other conveniences and advantages have altered country life for the better, and still changes come.

And from earliest days farmers have been reading and thinking people. They read now as in the past with intelligence and discrimination. The city brother gets his morning paper and hastily scans a few headlines and then carefully examines the department in which he is interested. The farmer receives his semi-weekly or weekly paper, and reads it carefully and thoughtfully. The agricultural journals he studies thoughtfully and takes new ideas with discrimination and caution. In the end he is better informed.

"The 'don't reads' are of another day, and farmers are readers and careful students. Each year adds to the comfort and convenience of country life. This is so true that men of wealth now find it pleasant to have country homes free from the dust, smoke, noise, foul odors and inconveniences of city life.

Within a decade we shall have farm homes with conveniences of city and without the disadvantages. Among changes is to be concentration of schools, so that there may be full faculties and long terms, and the children will be transported to the schools. This is a chapter in the work of road building.—Farm and Ranch

Dog poison at Reagan's.

The Street-Fakir

Every town has its dull days—days when the streets are practically deserted. Even Big Springs has such a day occasionally. A casual observer wouldn't think there were a dozen idle men on the streets. Not so of the street-fakir. He mounts a soap box, cups his hands over his mouth and lets out a few yells that would cause a Comanche Indian to forget he had a voice, and in fifteen minutes the street is alive with "bargain hunters," all going in the direction of that soap box and the man who has "something to give away." As a crowd gatherer, he is a wonder. And that's not all he gathers, either. It is a lamentable fact that people will buy an inferior article from a street fakir and pay a bigger price for it than they would have to pay for high class goods from the home merchants. The street-fakir unloads his shoddy goods on the hypnotized crowd, catches the first train out and is gone to the next town before his victims realize they have been duped. But the strange part of it is, one lesson is not enough. The fact that they have been cheated by one peddler does not lessen the business of the next fakir that comes through.

Our home merchants have stocks of dependable merchandise. They are here every day in the year, and when they sell you an article and that article is unsatisfactory you know where to find the man that sold it to you and you also know he will make it good.

When people withhold their patronage from mail order houses and street fakirs and spend their money with the home merchant fifteen-cent-cotton won't be necessary to produce good times.

Kill your prairie dogs. Reagan has the article that gets them every time.

Doc Thomas Killed.

Amarillo, Tex., Jan. 5.—Doc Thomas, a member of the Texas rangers, was shot and killed by Jim Keeton today. The men had talked about the removal of Arthur Bannister from the Potter county jail to Arkansas. A shot was fired at close range. It entered above the left eye and ranged downward through the head. Death came after an hour of intense suffering. Keeton is jailer and chief deputy to Sheriff Hughes.

Keeton, in a statement, says he has been evading Thomas for two years. It is believed the immediate cause of the trouble is the alleged kidnapping of Arthur Bannister, wanted in Hot Springs in connection with the killing of Mrs. Ada Riecher in Hot Springs July 6, from the Potter county jail.

It pays to kill the dogs off your land. The poison can be had at Reagan's.

Notice.

Having purchased the coal and wood business from W. B. Allen, together with his good will, we are now anxious to serve our friends with the best coal and wood in the city. We cater after both city and country trade. We will not give you a stick of wood or pound of coal that you do not buy, but we will give you every pound of coal and every stick of wood that you pay for. Get the habit and trade with the old reliable. Yours for business.

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Keep your grocery account separate. You can do this with Pool Bros.

A Life Contract.

Senator Johnston of Alabama, owns a beautiful home in Birmingham, and takes great pleasure in donning a pair of overalls and a split hickory hat and working in the garden. One day, shortly after the expiration of his last term as Governor a fashionable dressed woman, who had resided in Birmingham only a short time, and never seen Johnston, called on his wife. No one answered the bell, so she walked out among the flower beds where the ex-Governor was hoeing some geraniums. He bowed and she asked him how long he had worked for the Johnstons.

"A good many years madam," he replied.

"Do they pay well?"

"About all I get out of it is my clothes and keep."

"Why, come and work for me," she said. "I'll do that and pay you so much a month besides."

"I thank you madam," he replied, bowing very low, "but I signed up with Mrs. Johnston for life."

"Why, no such contract is binding. That is peonage."

"Some may call it that, but I have always called it marriage."

—Ex.

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As Many of Big Springs Reader Knows Too Well.

When the kidneys are sick, Nature tells you all about it. The urine is nature's calendar. Infrequent or too frequent action. Any urinary trouble tells of kidney ill.

Doan's Kidney Pills cause all kidney ill.

Big Springs people testify to this.

Theodore Sobole, living in the northern part of Big Springs, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of a severe and chronic case of backache and kidney trouble after everything else had failed to even give me relief. The kidney secretions were altogether too frequent any annoying. I would get up six or seven times during the night. In doing work about the house my back would get so painful and hurt so badly I would have to give up. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills which I got at J. L. Ward's drug store made a complete cure in my case and do not see any reason why they would not do the same for others, providing the people will give them a fair trial."

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Watchmakers and Jewellers.

City Council.

At its meeting Tuesday night the City Council extended the time for the paying of the city taxes without penalty until January 31st.

The council extended the fire limits to the center of the T. & P. right-of-way.

The best line of cigars in the city. Arnold-Tankersley Drug Company.

The Woman's Missionary Social Union held their quarterly meeting at the Methodist church yesterday afternoon. The attendance was good and a very interesting program had been prepared for the occasion. The next meeting will be held in May.

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NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Work is progressing rapidly on the female annex of the insane asylum in Terrell.

Texas has become the third State in the Union in point of corn acreage. In point of production it is only fifth. Thursday at Jack Creek Lumber Company at Lufkin while tripping logs for the carriage, Porter Martin was crushed to death.

The total acreage of Texas is nearly 17,000,000. Of this more than four-fifths is susceptible of cultivation by any means or another.

Eugene Johnson of Eureka, who accidentally shot himself in the leg below the knee a few days ago, died Thursday night of lockjaw.

The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe is exempted from the commission's 50-cent emergency rate on cement from Harveys to Houston and Galveston.

Some time Tuesday night the safe of Dr. Snodgrass of Deadman, a small town, was blown open by burglars and quite a sum of money secured.

Tuesday morning about 4 o'clock the entire brick block, known as the old postoffice block, at the southeast corner of the square, was burned at Cooper.

Regular passenger and freight service was started between Wichita, Kan., and Sweetwater, Texas, on the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad Sunday.

At least 3500 turkeys have been shipped from Ladonia this season at prices ranging from 7c to 9c. Better prices are offered now, but there are few for sale.

R. D. Farker of Ennis has received official notice that he has been appointed engineer for the State Railroad Commission, and it is understood that he will accept.

John M. Luther of Memphis has forwarded his resignation to Controller of the Treasury as National bank examiner for the State of Texas with headquarters at Fort Worth.

In the year that has just ended Dallas was the distributing place for flour and for the by-products from the flour mills to an aggregate of \$2,850,000, according to estimates believed to be fair.

With the arrivals of Sunday, more than a thousand birds are in the Poultry Building at the State Fair Grounds in Dallas, ready for the show of the Southwest Poultry Association to begin Monday.

The first good news to reach Childress after the purchase of the Denver road by the Bullington system was that the big shops located in that city will begin working ten hours a day, commencing this week.

A phone message from Anderson states that four white men had been shot down by one man with a Winchester at Ulmer, a sawmill camp on the Trinity and Brasos Valley railroad near the old Post mill.

In the eighteenth biennial report of the board of regents of the University of Texas, special attention is called to the urgent needs of the university, the principal being a new heating plant and a new library building.

At Grand Prairie New Year's day an organization was formed, the purpose of which is to take steps toward discouraging large real estate holdings by governmental restrictions, which, however would not affect present titles.

R. C. Duff, personal representative of B. F. Youkum in Texas, has purchased the Beaumont and Great Northern and 160,000 acres of timberland in Polk County, Texas, from the Carlisle-Fennell Lumber company of Aichison, Kan. The deal involves about \$5,000,000 and it is believed that Mr. Duff is acting for a syndicate, of which Mr. Youkum is the head.

The annual meeting of the Southwestern Poultry Association will be held in Dallas January 5, 6 and 7. H. B. Blake of New Orleans, who was employed to judge the poultry, has cancelled his engagement and Mr. Keeler of Indiana will take his place.

Young W. E. Shields of San Angelo has the distinction of bringing down a large golden eagle, which measures seven feet and nine inches from its wing tips. The bird was killed on Spring Creek, the mate escaping when the shot was fired that brought down the aerial monster.

Governor Campbell Wednesday promulgated a special proclamation, offering a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of persons exhibiting gaming devices or those who knowingly permit gaming on their premises.

At a largely attended joint meeting of the fruit and truck growers' associations heretofore existing in Smith county, it was decided to consolidate the two into one organization having for its purpose a uniform system of packing and inspecting truck products.

County Judge C. R. Pearman of Gainesville met with a very painful accident Tuesday afternoon while out hunting with C. J. McCullum near Valley View, when he received a load of bird shot in the face and head from the gun of his companion.

Leather stay in the direction of protecting a large body of Ellis County's fertile acres from overflow was issued Tuesday when the commission's court ordered that an election should be held within said territory to establish the district, issue bonds and to authorize the necessary tax.

Grease from Wall Paper. Grease may be removed from wall paper, also marble and wood, by rubbing gently with a soft cloth dipped in gasoline. Care must be taken not to use too much gasoline on the paper and spotting it.

ABOUT PERFECTION IN SOUP.

Fry the French Method of Preparing it with Vegetables.

While this has been given before in these columns, it is such a satisfactory soup that I want every housekeeper, young or old, to add it to her stock recipes, and pass the secret of its making on to her friends, says a writer in the Chicago Inter Ocean. The ingredients required are: Two cupfuls each white turnip cut in cubes and potatoes cut in cubes, one cupful carrot cut in cubes, one cupful leeks (the white part), one large onion, a clove of garlic, one eschalon, a tablespoonful salt, three tablespoonfuls butter, one teaspoonful sugar, a third teaspoonful of pepper, and two quarts of water. Cut the onion fine and cook in the butter for half an hour. This must be done slowly, protecting from scorch. Then add the boiling water and carrots and cook half an hour longer. Add turnips, potatoes and seasoning and cook an hour. If you have parsley or cauliflower add a tablespoonful minced about ten minutes before serving. This soup is improved if some bone or trimmings of meat be added, but this is not essential. A most delicious cream vegetable soup is made by rubbing a portion of the soup and a little salt to season. Let come just to the boiling point and serve with fried or toasted bread.

The Home.

Keep tacks in bottles. It saves opening many boxes to find a particular kind.

When cleaning house use plenty of turpentine in the scrub water. It means certain death to moths.

Left-over cereals need not be wasted. They are excellent fried like mush and eaten with sirup or honey.

Covering the pan when fish is frying is apt to make the fish soft. A solid, firm meat, that is at the same time flaky, is what the good cook likes.

Ammonia should not be used in the evening or near a fire, nor should the bottle be allowed to remain uncorked. It is inflammable and its fumes are not specially healthful.

A loaf of bread will keep fresh much longer if placed in a covered stone crock. Wrap in a large cloth to exclude air and keep the crock in a cool place. It is nicer than a tin vessel and much better than keeping bread in the refrigerator.

Peruvian National Dish. Take half a dozen onions, chop and fry till brown; take half a dozen dry red peppers, soak two hours, then chop peppers fine and run through a colander; but peppers in with fried onions, add about a quarter of a pound of cheese (sliced), good lump of butter, size of an egg; take two slices bread, cut off crust and soak in one pint milk and put all in with onions and peppers; salt to taste, let simmer half an hour and keep stirring. Then boil half a dozen eggs 20 minutes, cut eggs in half and garnish dish. Serve with boiled potatoes, and you will have a delicious dish.

A little garlic will improve it.

Gumbo Soup. Use a chicken, which need not be young, and one-half pound of bacon cut into small slices. Put the bacon in the bottom of the kettle, add the cut up chicken and fry to a nice brown. Add three quarts of water, one finely cut onion, and any sweet herb that may be preferred; boil slowly for three or four hours; strain off the liquor; skim off the fat; cut the meat into small pieces, and boil half and hour longer with a teaspoonful of boiled rice and a half teaspoonful of okra. Just before serving add a dozen oysters, cut in halves, and their juice.

To Diss Children. Pills and tablets may be easily swallowed if encased in a little snow. The average child will think it fun to swallow a tiny snowball. Before giving him a nauseating remedy like castor oil let the child hold ice in his mouth for a moment. The cold blunts the bulbs of taste and lets the medicine go down with greater ease. Teach the little tots to gargle their throats with plain water when they are well. It will not be necessary to teach them the trick when their throats are sore and need to employ gargle.

Mustard-Mustard. In making mustard it is a good plan to add a pinch of salt before mixing in the water. A spoonful of vinegar should always be used to moisten the dry mustard in the first instance, while a better result can be attained by stirring in warm water instead of cold when the mustard is not required in haste.

Honey Muffins. Sift together 1 1/2 pint flour, two teaspoonfuls salt. Work in two tablespoonfuls butter; beat and add three eggs, one teaspoonful honey and half a pint of sweet milk. Pour in hot buttered muffin pans and bake in a hot oven.

Rub Off Feathers. An easy way to remove down from a duck or pin feathers from a chicken is, after the fowl has been well scalded, to take a rough towel and rub the fowl. This method saves much time and a tedious task.

Grease from Wall Paper. Grease may be removed from wall paper, also marble and wood, by rubbing gently with a soft cloth dipped in gasoline. Care must be taken not to use too much gasoline on the paper and spotting it.

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Kidneys Badly Injured and Health Seriously Impaired.

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Prepared for the Worst. Gov. John A. Johnson of Minnesota, who had many supporters for the Democratic nomination for president, was asked what his attitude on the matter was.

"Why," he said, "I can best explain my attitude by telling you about a man I knew out west who went to town one night and imbibed very freely at the various bars."

"He was weaving an uncertain way homeward along the road when he almost ran into a large rattlesnake that was coiled in the road and rattled ominously. He looked at the snake for a moment and then drew himself up as well as he could. If you are going to strike, strike, drat you, he said. You will never find me better prepared."

Saturday Evening Post.

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Dr. Gilbert of Colchester, physician to Queen Elizabeth (1540-1573) may be considered the founder of the science, as he appears to have been the first philosopher who carefully repeated the observations of the ancients and applied to them the principles of philosophical investigation.

Mean Insinuation. He was a brand-new milkman, and, lacking the wisdom of more experienced members of the species, knew not that on certain subjects he should at all times maintain a frigid silence.

"It looks like rain this morning, mum," he said pleasantly, gazing skyward, as he poured the milk into his customer's Jug. "It always does," was the curt reply. And the milkman was so satisfied with the remark that he strode away and savagely kicked a lamp post.

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Misses Birdie and Leatha, and Master George Cauble, who were home to spend the holidays with their parents, G. C. Cauble and wife, returned to Stanton Sunday where they are attending school at the Convent of Mercy.

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It is a significant fact that while a speedy conviction was obtained of the labor leaders for alleged violation of the law, no conviction of millionaires, who in their business have systematically and frequently practiced illegal methods, has yet been secured. This fact combined with the vexatious technicalities with which our laws are burdened, and of which rich culprits have hitherto been able to take advantage and escape punishment, points to an injustice that should at once be remedied. The only way to remove discontent is to have just laws and make them apply impartially to all classes.

Z. T. Joyner and wife of Martin county were here Tuesday on their way home from spending the holidays in Alabama. Mr. Joyner says lots of people in that state have their eyes on West Texas.

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(Baird Star.)
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Willis Windham and Will Thompson, of Tecumseh, were in town the latter part of last week. Bee Estes visited his sister, Mrs. P. C. Caylor, at Big Springs the first of the week.

Miss West of Austin, who is teaching school at Big Springs, is the guest of Miss Hallie Powell during the holidays.

John Lones, who is attending school at Big Springs, came down to spend Christmas with the home folks.

Mrs. Ed Enoch and little daughter, Ressa Fay, left yesterday for Big Springs to visit Mr. and Mrs. Van Jones a few days before returning to their home at Ft. Paso. Miss Bess Franklin went as far as Abilene with them.

We hope to see the next Legislature pass a law that will stop the practice of "raffing" in Texas. It is only a cheap subterfuge for gambling, in fact we believe that open betting is the more preferable, because in ordinary games of chance a person has many more chances to win than he would in a raffle.

Again, the raffle is open to young and old alike and has a demoralizing effect on public morals, because of its openness to the world, while gambling is done as much as possible away from public gaze. As a choice between the two evils we would prefer the latter. In legislating against games of chance, or rather to prohibit gambling, we see no reason why a discrimination should be made in favor of raffing.—Roscoe Times.

Life is something like a walk along the sea side where bays, inlets and head-lands vary the scene and produce changing emotions. We walk along meeting with experiences of many kinds until we reach land's end and see before us nothing but the boundless ocean.

What wonderful achievements some people think they would do if they were only some one else. The sensible thing is for every one to do the best he can with what he has, big or little, and not waste his time in idle dreaming about the impossible.

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