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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY DEC. 28 1907

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Work Will Start as Soon as Bonus is Secured. Abilene Will Put Up.

mass meeting last Saturday, at part of the country now is from which the move was put on foot Fort Worth, The distance now to raise the required bonus for under consideration for the line the Ballinger-Abilene road, a is 250 miles and according to a committee is at work soliciting statement made by Mr. Dunham, the bonus. Judge J. W. Powell the country abounds in the most ers of the Sunday School and a and Secretary of the Commer- favorable conditions, despite the few others remained at the cial Club, Lee Maddox, have the matter in hand, and are pushing been very poor. The prospect es filled with things calculated renewals and increase subscription in several different ways, both the work, and it is stated that as soon as the bonus is secured the work of constructing the road will start.

Chief Engineer McDaniel writes from Abilene that he finds upon investigation that the Commercial club of that place is ready and willing to meet any reasonable demands from the Company, and that the bonus at that end of the line can be had for the will meet with the Abilene peo-

Ballinger must have this road, and if you have failed to subscrib to the bonus, and are able to do so you are neglecting run East of Ballinger.

LOCATING A NEW LINE. Fort Worth Tex., Dec. 23.-R. while representing a party of his last hours.

foreign capitalists, in looking SANTA CLAUS which will quite probably be extended from Abilene to Comfort, by way of Brady.

From directions north and south through the territory mentioned there are no railroad facil-As a result of an enthusiastic ties and the only access to that

that the conjecture will soon be- glad for the poor in Ballinger.

In our last issue our reporter P. B. Campbell, of Hill county our duty as a citizen. As has stated that Rev. E. P. Williams this week purchased from C. A. sen stated time and again if we and wife gave a six o'clock din- Doose & Co. 140 acres of land to get busy and secure ner to the Trustees and Board of out of the W. M. Forbus tract e road the line will be built Stewarts of the Methodist in the Norton country, paying for from Abilene to Brady and will church, when he should have same \$35 per acre cash. This is

Judge B. B. Stone, wife and M. Dunham of the contracting children returned from Dallas, firm of Coppage & Dunham has yesterday, where they were returned from Brady, where he called to be with Mrs. Stone's has spent the last two weeks, father, Judge Henderson, during

Sunday School Makes Substantial Gitts to Needy Families in Ballinger.

Sunday School.

An interesting program was carried out after which the teachfact that this year's crops have church and sent out sixteen box- linger and vicinity to look after Abilene and at Comfort the nat- those who were not financially magazine, on a salary and com- and the number missed. ural connections will be with the able to provide for themselves. mission basis. Experience de-The Texas and Pacific and ily and the contents of each box opportunity for right person. lene and Mr. Dunham appears pounds of coffee, 50c sugar, 1 tion O, New York. very enthusiastic over the pros- gallon syrup, 1 bucket lard, 3 pects. He states that he will cans corn, 1 can baking powder, continue his observation survey 50c bacon, apples, oranges, nuts, asking. As soon as the Ballinger be eenabled to make a report to ing, and the writer noticed in to pass by this year without go- from their course. bonus is secured a committee those financially interested in the one box a big fat hen and to ing to church. enterprise, and that, in his mind, another family a nice turkey was there is every reason to believe sent. Truly Christmas was made chance.

county land continues to grow in value despite a short crop and money panic.

Brownwood.

Fire Excitement Last Night,

At six-thirty last night a fire alarm was turned in from E. D. Walker's residence on Thirteenth Street. A ballon fell on the roof and set the shingles afire. Out of and the blaze had started up before the fire was discovered. The One of the most profitable fire company responded prompt-Christmas services was that of ly and made a fine run, a few the Eighth Street Presbyterian buckets of water put the

Local representative for Bal- gets and missed only nine.

The Last Sunday.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Court House.

Preaching at 7:30 p. m. at the man. Christian church.

E. P. Williams, Pastor.

Happy Xmas for Seven Boys.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. said to the Board of Stewards evidence sufficient that Runnels O'Kelley was a merry place on Xmas eve. A beautiful tree was arranged in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Brchie Allen and their little son, of Lock-Mr. and Mrs. Mike Boyd spent hart. Among those present were Christmas day with relatives in Dr. and Mrs. Blasdell, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. White, Rev. and Mrs. E. P, Williams and Santa Claus.

> The youngsters who furnished music with horns. drums, and pop-guns, and ate candy, fruit, nuts, and cake until a late hour, were: La Verne Allen, Jack Blasdell, Edmund and Erskine Williams, Archie, Rothal and Hammond O'Kelley.

Thad Thomson came in from yesterday.

George Lagrone is here from Johson County on a visit to his brother-in-law, Walter Knight.

M. D. Leslie, of the State University of Kansas, is spending Christmas with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Leslie.

house on Christmas eve. Rev. J. D. Leslie spoke the words that united in matrimony C. E. here from Midland spending the Slaughter and Miss Julia Thomp-

Moddox insurance agency went visiting relatives. over to Paint Rock with the adjusters last Friday and the losses which occured there a couple of weeks ago adjusted to the satisfaction of all parties con-

Mrs. E. L. Rasbury gave a dinner party last Friday evening at 7 o'clock in honor of her daugh- home from Itasca, to-day. She ter, Miss Bertha and her guest brought her sister, s two children Miss Kidd of Talpa. An elegant

BREAKS WORLD

Total of 72,500 Targets Only Nine Shots Were Missed.

San Antonio, Dec. 22.-The most remarkable shooting exhibition ever pulled off with firearms was concluded today when Ad Toepperwein completed a ten days' shooting series, during which time he shot at 72,500 tar-

This breaks the world's record tive terminal is scheduled for to make Christmas merry for tion list of a prominent monthly as to the number of targets shot Farmers generally have had a

Mr. Toepperwein closed his A box was delivered to each fam- sirable, but not necessary. Good wonderful exhibition in whirl- during 1907 has practically gone wind fashion, shooting at the into use, which leaves small or Wichita Valley also reach Abi- consisted of a sack of flour, 2 Address Publisher, Box 59, Sta- final 6,500 targets and scoring no stock on hand, and just as only one miss. This one miss was due to the wind, which was their normal condition the blowing strongly and made extremely unfavorable conditions buying movement to take care immediately after the holidays candies, toys and in several of Some who read this notice for rifle work. The blocks were the actual needs of the comi and within two weeks time will the boxes dry goods and cloth- have permitted fifty-one Sundays very light and were easily swept year."

> Mr. Toepperwein used a 22-Sunday will be your last caliber automatic rifle and the blocks were 2 1-4 inches thick, and were thrown into the air at Preaching at 11 a. m. at the a distance of twenty feet from the point where stood the marks-

> > Mr, Toepperwein's longest run was 14,540 without a miss and there were several runs that went over 13,000 without a miss. Mr. Toepperwein usually shot about eight hours a day, and conentire 72,500 targets.

When Mr. Toepperwein began to shoot he planned to break the world's record. He decided to days, making a total of 50,000. which is 10,000 over the record. His shoots, however, averaged about 7,000 a day, and he decided to shoot the full ten days, making the total of 72,500, with Santa Anna, last week. only nine misses.

two rifles loading himself and test by the City Drug Store and shooting 500 shots with each gun Miss Eleanor Kirk won the one alternately in order to keep them given away by the 5 & 10c Store.

There was a very large crowd Brownwood on the late train out at the shoot to witness the closing day's work in the making of the record. Mr. Toepperwein's work was widely applaud-

> Mrs. L. H. Bacon is visiting friends in Miles, this week.

Rev, G. W. Newman and wife At the Thompson boarding spent Christmas in Coleman with

> L. C. Proctor and family are holidays.

Lit Chastain, from Coleman Frank Maddox, of the Lee spent the holidays, this week

M. W. McGinnis and family

are here from Sweetwater visiting relatives. Nick Stallworth was in first of

the week to meet his daughter, who came in from school, Mrs. J. G. Douglass returned

home with her.

six course dinner was served and Among those who applied for thoroughly enjoyed after which license to wed this week are the guests played a number of Walter Bost and Eunice Matinteresting games of 42. The thews; Emil Salge and Augusta following were present: Misses Bredemeyer; C. E. Slaughter Mammie Kidd, Bertha Rasbury, and Julia Thompson; P. B. El-Minnie Lewis, Clara Malone, and liott and Peble Nesbit; Frank Messrs: Ralph Erwin, Scott Man- Corder and Laura Stovall, Vance gum, Everett Hardgrave and Wilson and Loula Moore; D. W. McShann and Elsie Hunt.

Signs of the Times.

Following is an excerpt from a letter from a wholesale and manufacturing house to a local firm. The letter, in a condense form, tells the true condition of business and financial matters gener-

"All danger of a financial panic is over. The soundness of our Banks has been fully established and they are fast resuming cash payments. Exports of Wheat and Cotton will be heavy, giving us large cash balances in Europe to draw against.

This is a great country. The underlying conditions are sound; prosperous year; The enormous amount of steel articles made soon as financial matters assur must necessarialy be a hea

All my lands which boarder Valley Creek are posted and I hereby warn all parties to keep out. No hunting, pecan gathering or trespassing allowed.

Alfred Luckett came down from Miles to spend Christmas day with relatives.

Will and Farrar Gressett are at sumed ten day's shooting at the home from a lengthy stay in New Mexico and other places.

W. A. Perry, editor of Sweetwater Reporter, accompanied by his family, are here visiting Mrs. shoot 5,000 targets a day for ten Perry's mother, Mrs. Cordill

> B. H. Melton, a citizen for long time of Santa Anna, and well known over this section of the state, died at his home in

Miss Erie Routh won the dell The wonderful marbsman used given away in the guessing con-

> The town is full of Christmas visitors and it is impossible for us to make mention of them all. The printers, like everybody else. wants a little Christmas vacation and the Leader force observed one day this week, and with the many changes to be made in advertising necessarily cuts reading

Adversity

Comes to all of us at some time in our lives. and when the proverbial 'rainy day' falls to your lot it is probable that some ready cash will be a great help over the troubulous time.

Why not open a bank account and lay aside a portion of your earnings as a safe-guard against the future. An account with this bank will relieve you of a lot of worry, will be a step in the right direction, and will help to put your business on a more systematic

BETTER COME IN TODAY AND OPEN AN ACCOUNT

First National Bank Ballinger, - Texas.

RISSER'S RISSER'S RISSER'S RISSER'S RISSER'S

Great Slaughter Cost Sale of Merchandise Of Merit

A combination of circumstances compels us to unload our large stock of new, up-to-date, seasonable Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Millinery, etc. Absolutely no article in the stock is reserved everything goes in this sale at

Wholesale Gost--or Less.

Staples at Cost	Shoes at Gost	Dry Goods at Cost
Clothing at Cost	Hats at Cosf	Underwear at Cost
Blankets at Cost	Ladies Suits at Cost	Ladies Skirts at Cost
Ladies Hats at Cost	Dress Goeds at Cost	Everything at Cost

We offer a complete new stock of Merchandise bought directly from manufactures at prices that befy competition.

Positively no Goods Charged or Sold on Approbation During this Sale

Come and examine our stock. You will find goods cheaper than you ever though you could buy them.

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Texas.

J. W. Bone and wife are here from Bronte spending Christmas from Hamilton, Monday, to with home folks.

Raymond Davis and Lewis Baker came in from Waxahache,

R. B. Griffith, of Winters, passed through last Saturday, en route to Cooper to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mrs. R. G. Griggs was called to Gatesville, last : aturday, on Waco, where he has been attendaccount of the illness of his ing school, Sunday. mother.

Judge C. O. Harris went to San Angelo on legal business on the delayed train, Monday morn-

Miss Minnie Maud Stone returned from a visit to Hillsboro and Itasca, on the delayed train Monday morning.

E. Alexander came in spend the holidays with homefolks.

H. G. Hays and daughter Saturday, to spend holidays at came down from Bronte, Montives in Ballinger.

> David Guion, who has been attending school in Illinois, is at Ben F. Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their home for the holidays.

Oscar Miller came in from

H. Giesecke and little son J. M. Watkins came in from went to San Antonio, and other be a newspaper published therein, but Young county, Laturday to spend places in the South Texas, Mon- if not, then in any newspaper publishthe holidays with his parents. day, on a pleasure and business ed in the 35 Judicial District; but if trip combined.

> left last Monday for Tennessee to said 35 Judicial District, to appear on a Christmas visit to their old at the next regular term of the Dis-

H. Z. Parrett, formerly of this county, is here from Demitt county.

The Time to Plow is Now

Plow to Use is

Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of

Runnels County-Greeting:-You are Hereby Commanded to summon Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown heirs of Elisha day to spend Christmas with rela- Floyd, Rodney Wheeler and T. J. Lee, deceased, whose names and place of residence are unknown to plaintiffs, and Jno. E. Clark, and wife C. E. Clark, unknown heirs, herein styled defendants, whose names and residence are unknown to Plaintiffs, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof. in some newspaper published in your County, if there said Judicial District, then in a news-John Ballew and brother F. O. paper published in the nearest District trict Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in March A. D. 1908, the same being the 2nd day of March A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 13th, day of December A. D. 1907. in a suit, number on the docket of said Court No. 896, wherein A. J. & D. Reeder, are Plaintiffs, and Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown heirs of Elisha Floyd, Rodney Wheeler and J. T. Lee deceaswhose names and place of residence are unknown to plaintiffs, and Jno. E. Clark, and wife, C. E. Clark, Ben F. Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their unknown heirs, are Defendants, and said petition

> A. J. & D. Reeder | In the District Court Thomas Pratt & of Runnels County, his Unknown A D 1997 A. D. 1907. Heirs et al.

To The Hon. Judge Of Said Court:

A. J. & D. Reeder who reside in Runnels County, Texas, herein styled plaintiffs, complaining of Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown and place of residence are unknown to Robert B. Green. Among those laintiffs, and Jno. E. Clark, and wife, C. E. Clark, Ben F. Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their unknown heirs, herein styled defendants, whose names and residences are unknown to plain- known men and either would day of July 1907, they were and are now lawfully seized and possessed, holding same by fee simple title, the following described tract of land in Runnels County, Texas. to wit: 620 acres originally granted to Thomas Pratt known as survey number 365 1-2, Abstract number 397, Certificate 16-22, patent number 276, Volume 9:

That plaintiffs and those under whom they claim have been seized and possessed of said land under deeds duly recorded, paying all taxes due thereon up to the filing of this suit, and have had peaceable and adverse possession thereof under fence, cultivating, using and enjoying same for more than five years next preceding the filling of this suit, and that plaintiff's title thereto has long since been perfected by the five years statute of limitation, herein asserted and pleaded.

Plaintiffs further allege that they have had actual, peaceable, and adverse possession of said land, having same fenced, cultivating, using and enjoying same for more than ten years next preceeding the filing of this suit and plaintiff' title thereto has long since been perfected by the ten years statute of imitation, herein pleaded and asserted.

That on the date last aforesaid, when plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land holding same under titles herein pleaded and asserted, defendants asserted, and are now asserting some pretended title to said land, the nature of which is unknown to plaintiffs which is a cloud upon their title thereto, and disturbing their peaceable possession thereof, to their dam-

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray, that defendants be cited by publication in the manner as required by law, to answer herein; that on final hearing they have judgment against said defendants for the title to said land; that the cloud on their title be removed; that they be quieted in their possession thereof, and all costs of suit and general releif.

Harris & Shepherd, Attorney for Plaintifis.

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

Witness, R. A, Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels county. Given Under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas this the 13th day of December A

R. A. Terry Clerk, District Court Runnels County, By J. Shields Deputy. A true copy of the original I hereby

R. P. Kirk, Sheriff Runnels County. 14-8-t f.

-The Leader sells old papers.

SALOON MEN IN POLITICS

San Antonio, Texas Dec. 23.-With the prosecutions following the enforcement of the Baskin-McGregor law and other measures that are now on the statue books, which they claim curtail personal liberty, the liquor interests of the city are making preparations to wage a hot fight in the next political campaign. It is understood that the Retail Liquor there be no newspaper published in and Malt Dealers' Association of Texas, which has its headquarters in this city, is quietly planning an active campaign for the election of members to the state legislature to repeal the so-called Ballinger, on the First Monday in obnoxious measures which are now on the books.

> It is said that the breweries will take part in the fight and that in this manner it is hoped to deal the cause of prohibition a death blow. It is generally conceded that the anti-saloonists are making steady inroads on the liquor traffic and the breweries and saloon men are waking up the fact that they must get a move on themselves or go out of business.

For this reason the brewery interests are getting ready for a hot campaign and they are already busy lining up their forces to make the fight an effective one. They are at present giving their attention to the candidate to be named for the office of heirs of Elisha Floyd, Rodney Wheeler state senator to fill the vacancy and J. T. Lee, deceased, whose names caused by the death of Judge prominently mentioned for this office are W. A. Wurzbach and Carlos Bee. Both are well tiffs, represent that on the 1st. stand an excellent chance of being elected. In the meantime the Republicans are active and they will put out a platform denouncing prohibition. They have not yet announced their probable candidate for the office of state senator.

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Old States

Southeast

Very Low This Year

If you expect to make a



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W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A. GALVESTON.

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Those who have visited our store can vouch for the low prices and the high class of goods. Our sale is no bogus take sale, nor our goods of a cheap John class. Every item new and fresh. Every price is

It is your duty as well as your privilege to buy where you can do the best for youtself. Investigate our prices and inspect our goods.

Beware of Frequent Colds

Why not try Chamberlains Cough ger whatever of croup. Remedy? It is highly recommended. Mrs. M, White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several a trip to Fort Wort, last Saturyears ago I was bothered with day, where he had been on catmy throat and lungs. Someone tle business. told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once, Now my throat and lungs are sound and

Bakery.

Choked to Death

A succession of colds or a pro- is commonly said of babies who tracted cold is almost cartain to have died of the croup. How end in chronic catarrh, from unnecessary this is. No child which few persons ever wholly ever had the croup without havrecover. Give every cold the ing a cold or cough at the start. attention it deserves and you If you will stop the first sympmay avoid this disagreeable dis- tom of the cough with Ballard's ease. How can you cure a cold? Horehound Syrup there is no dan-

J. P. Maddox returned from

Miss Willie Allen is at home from college, Waxahachie, to spend the holidays with her parwell." For sale by Walker Drug ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.

Miss Amelia Johnson came in from Missouri where she is at-Eggs are high. So order your tending school, last Saturday, to cakes already made from Schawe spend Christmas with home

Wedding Presents Christmas **Presents**

CEE our line of Cut Glass-Nothing Better, Nothing more Appropriate. We have other things in Chinaware and Novelty Lines that will make nice presents Prices cut no figure, we are going to sell the goods and will let you help make the prices.

IMPLEMENTS Oliver Steel Beam Walking Plows Sulky " Old Cassidy STANDARD Disc Plows Triple Single Double

We carry a complete up-

to-date line of practical

farming

All time tried and field tested. Don't over look the best when selecting Implements.

Plumbing and pipe work our specialty.

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS



The Seal of Approval

Is tamped on every fire insurance policy we issue. When you insure with us and the policy is "signed sealed and delivered," you can rest assured you have done a good

Deed and that you're safe. A Fire Insurance Policy

that bears our seal is evidence of its solidity. In case of fire we adjust your loss promptly and

without vexatious delay as often happens with some companies.

Lee Maddox

That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.

Experience

We have had years of exeperience in the grocery, business and know how to buy so we can sell right. A month's tryal will convince you.

Your Hauling

Who Does It?

Allison & Cobb would be pleased to do your work.

Prompt service and courteous treatment.

Y. Pearce.

Allison & Gobb (Successors to Stubbs & Dorsey)

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Never Disappoints

about yourself when you're "Many extensively advertised remecrippled with rheumatism or dies are failures when put to the test. stiff joints-of course you've Hunt's Lightning Oil is an exception. tried lots of things and they Confidence in it is never misplacedfailed. Try Ballard's Snow Lin- disappointment never follows its use. iment-it will drive away all It is surely the grandest emergency aches, pains and stiffness and remedy now obtainable. For cuts, stiffness and leave you as well burns, sprains, aches and pains, I know as you ever were. Sold by J. no equal." George E. Paddock,

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 23, -Judge dence at 10 o'clock this morning.

Washington county, where he grew to manhood.

After receiving his elementary instruction in the neighborhood schools, he, at the age of fifteen years, entered Baylor University at Independence, where he had for preceptor the veteran educator, Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, until interrupted by the war between How to Cure the states. At the age of seventeen he volunteered as a private in the "Dixie Blues," John D. Rogers (now of Galveston), cap-O(N tain. Proceeding to Virginia, the company was attached to Hood's Brigade.

He was in the baptism of blood cured the piles disappear. at Gains Mill and in the other Crossing the Potomac with Lee, he lost an arm in the terrible battle of Sharpsburg. After recovering from the amputation of his My arm he re-entered the service. with the rank of captain, and during the remainder of the war R. Robertson.

Complies with all requirements of the National Pure Food Law, Guarantee No. 2041, filed at Washington.

Judge Jno. N. Henderson.

John N. Henderson, assistant judge of the court of criminal appeals, died at 10 o'clock Sunday night at his home, 307 Ross avenue. Judge Henderson's health began to fail about a year ago, but it was not until about thirty days before his death that he could be persuaded to quit work. After that his decline was very rapid. Two weeks ago his family became alarmed. For more than a week he had taken no nourishment. His death had been expected at any time since last Sunday. He had been unconscious since Friday. The funeral took place from the resi-

John Nathaniel Henderson, oldest of the seven children of Thomas S. and Harriet Reed Henderson, was born in Abbyville district, South Carolina, on February 26, 1843. He came to Texas with his father's family in 1846, settled on a farm in

At the close of the war he returned to Baylor and completed is law course, being admitted the use of this wonderful remedy. It brings about a permanent home cure at a minimum of the bar in 1867. He opened expense an office at Bryan with two of his old college mates, A. Bledsoe and J. S. Ferry, the firm continuing for several years. In 1874 Judge Henderson was elected district attorney of the Bryan district. composed of Brazos county and adjoining counties. This office he held until 1880, when he was elected state senator from the Bryan district. He served one term as state senator and declined a re-election. In 1883 he was appointed district judge of the Bryan district by Governor Ross to fill a vacancy, and was elected to the same office ductory Remarks by Leader by the people in 1809. While he was elected as judge of the circuit court of criminal appeals. again in 1906. He was conse-

quently in the thirteenth year of TU his service on that bench at the time of his death.

Judge Henderson was an accomplished writer and public speaker. He delivered addresses on commeecement occasions at Baylor University. Before the state democrftic convention at Galveston he nominated Gen. L. S. Ross for governor. He often spoke at Confederate reunions and on other notabe occasions. He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Hester Hubert of Bryan, who dying in 1871. left one daughter now Mrs. W. M. Foster, of Waco. His second wife, who was Miss Kate Evans of Bryan, survives him.

Their children are: Mrs. B. B. Stone of Ballinger, Mrs. Russell C. Watkins of Houston and John sisters and brothers are: Mrs. George L. Chandler of Anderson, Mrs. T. C. Fowler of Lampasas, Mrs. J. W. Rhodes, of Navasota. Miss Ada Henderson, Sam R. Henderson of Bryan and T. S. Henderson of Cameron.

Judge Henderson moved his family to Dallas about six months before his death, establishing his home at 307 Ross avenue, where he died.

If sufferers from piles and rectal diseases would first try a reliable laxative like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin instead of using external salves and supposi-tories, or having an operation performed, the Fifth Texas infantry, forming an original constitute of is that in nine cases out of ten piles are the result of habitual constipation, and

Piles are to constipation what pimples are to bad blood, simply an outgreat battles around Richmond. ward symptom. And just as face lotions aren't half as good for pimples as a good blood medicine, so salves and suppositories blood medicine, so salves and suppositories aren't half as good for piles as a reliable laxative like Dr. Caldwell's SyrupPepsin.

A 50 cent of \$1 bottle will prove these claims, and every druggist is authorized to guarantee results. Hundreds of people have written us that Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pensin is the best pile.

results. Hundreds of people have written us that Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the best pile cure they know of, and it is surely worth a trial from you. Not only will it cure the piles but it will permanently correct bowel trouble so that you will have regular movements. It will tone the stomach and make digestion easy for you. was on the staff of Gen. Jerome

R Robertson

Or. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the best remedy for constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, flatulency, and all resultant troubles, such as piles, arising from disordered stomach, liver or are too weak to stand purgative waters, salts and griping powders and tablets. A physic is

> ing can have a free sample bottle sent to their home by addressing the company. This offer is to prove that the remedy will do as we claim, and is only open to those who have never taken it. Send for it if you have any symptoms of stomach, liver or bowel disease, Gentlest yet most effective laxative for children, worken and old folks. A guaranteed, permanent home cure. THE PUBLIC VERDICT: "No Laxative So Good and Sure as DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN." This product bears purity guarantee No. 17, Washington, D. C, PEPSIN SYRUP CO. 119 Galdwell Bidg., Monticello, III.

> > B. Y. P. U. Program

Sunday Dec., 29 at 7:30 p. m. Edward S. McCarver, Leader.

Hymn. Invocation.

Belle McGinnis.

Scripture Reading, and Intro-The Missionary Outlook in

was still district judge in 1894 he China, Address by Wylie Barbee. What the Missionary Charac-

He was re-elected in 1900 and ter of the Union should be? Address by Frank Maddox.

Duett, by Miss Oma Harris,

Mrs. M. C. Cobb. The Work of the Southern Baptists in China, Paper by Miss

How the Union should co-operate with the Church in Missionary work, Paper by Miss Oma

The Missionary Opportunity of the Union, Address by J. B. Harris.

Quartett: Messrs Gustavus, Wilburn, Menshew, Alvis. Conclusion, by Rev. M. E.

Hudson. Hymn: "Stand Up for Jesus." Prayer.

The Correct Time

to stop a cough or cold is just as soon as it starts, then there will be no danger of pneumonia or consumption. Just a few doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken at the start will stop the cough. If it has been running on for sometime the treatment will be longer, but the cure is sure. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Victims Here Sould Mix This Simple. Helpful Recipe at Rome and Try It Anyway

Get from any prescription pharmacist the following:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, onehalf ounce: Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

a teaspoonful dose after each day to visit Waco. meal and at bedtime.

eminent authority, who writes in guaranteed and made good if a New York daily paper, as the you should find a bad sack at finest prescription ever written to relieve Backache, Kidney Trouble, Weak Bladder and all here visiting her father, W. A. Thurston Henderson. Surviving forms of Urinary difficulties. Gustavus for the holidays. This mixture acts promptly on the eliminative tissues of the Kidneys, enabling them to filter and strain the uric acid and tonal Bank of Ballinger and you other waste matter from the blood which causes Rheumatism.

Some persons who suffer with the afflictions may not feel inclin- here from their Fort Chadborne ed to place much confidence in ranch to visit their daughter this simple mixture, yet those Mrs. J. F. Currie. who have tried it say the results are simply surprising the relief being effected without the slightest injury to the stomach orther organs.

Mix some and give it a trial It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation it is said was established by it.

A druggist here at home when asked stated that he could either supply the ingredients or when once the constipation is thoroughly mix the prescription for our reoders also recommends it as harmless.

> Old Papers 20c hundred at the Banner-Leader Office.

J. Ford Ivy left Tuesday for San Marcos to visit his father.

"Go you one better" 15 bars soap 25 cents at M. D. Chastains. 52 tf.

Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie came in from San Angelo Tues-

The small depositor is just as welcome as the large and the same courteous treatment will be extended him at the Citizens National Bank.

Mr. Robinson, Sec., of the Shake well in a bottle and take Missouri Milling Co., left Tues-

FreshLive Oak and mill flour The above is considered by an on hand all the time, each kind Miller mer. Co

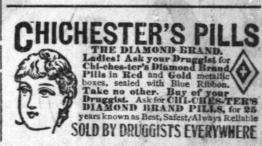
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Judge J. W. Powell makes it a specialty to draw and probate wills, settle up estates, act guardian of minors, trustee in bankruptcy and closing up finantial affairs.

Miss Woodward, the competent stenographer of the Bennett Abstract Co., left Monday for Brownwood to spend Christmas with her parents.



Progressive Procession.

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situated oposite the Opera House on the corner. Staple and Fancy Groceries, Fruits and Viegetables, Also Feed Supplies.

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You Lose If Don't See Us Before buying Hardware.

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A Happy New Year.

We extend to all our customers and friends our sincere thanks for patronage and favors through 1907, and wish for one and all a Happy New Year and prosperous 1908.

Jas. E. Brewer

N. B. Remember we can supply you with dependable jewelry and give you first-class repair work.

Drink the old original Arbuckles'

ARIOSA Coffee, the blend of Brazilian coffees, most wholesome and stimulating, as well as most peptics with fashionable nerves les' ARIOSA Coffee for 37

economical. Anything dearer who take vacations in Sanitariums, than Arbuckles' ARIOSA is on featherweight rations, but the extravagant, and no one can sell healthy vigorous manhood and as good coffee for the same price. womanhood that constitute the People who drink Arbuckles' useful majority. The first roasted ARIOSA Coffee are not dys- packaged coffee; sales of Arbuck-

years, exceed the combined sales of all the other packaged coffees. In sealed packages only for

your protection. Don't buy loose coffee out of a bag, bin or tin that the roaster is ashamed to seal in a package with his name on it.

If your grocer won't supply write to

ARBUCKLE BROS. New York City. lously low figures.

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PRIGES

Bad Symptoms.

The woman who has periodical headaches, backache, sees imaginary dark spots or specks floating or dancing before her eyes, has gnawing distress or heavy full feeling in stomach, faint spells, drag-ging-down feeling in lower abdominal or pelvic region, easily startled or excited, irregular or painful periods, with or with-out pelvic catarrh, is suffering from weaknesses and derangements that should have early attention. Not all of above symptoms are likely to be present in any case at one time.

Neglected or badly treated and such
cases often run into maladies which dethe surgeon's knife if they do not

No medicine has such a stron known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments enter into its composition. No alcohol, harmful, or habit-forming drug is to be found in the list of its ingredients printed on each bottle-wrapper and attested under oath. In any condition of the female system Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription can do only good-never harm. Its whole effect is to strengthen, invigorate and regulate the whole female system and especially the pelvic organs. When these are de-ranged in function or affected by disease, the stomach and other organs of digestion become sympathetically deranged, the nerves are weakened, and a long list of bad, unpleasant symptoms follow. much must not be expected of this "Favorite Prescription." It will not perform miracles; will not cure tumors—no medicine will. It will often prevent them, if taken in time, and thus the operating table and the surgeon's knife may be

Women suffering from diseases of long Women suffering from diseases of long standing, are invited to consult Doctor Pierce by letter, free. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser (1000 pages) is sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound copy. Address as above.

W. J. Kirk Abilene.

months.

R. P. and B. C. Kirk, of Ballinger are nephews of deceased, and J. B. Kirk, who formerly lived South of Ballinger, a son.

Stop That Cough

If you have a cough, cold, sore throat or chest, don't delay a moment sure remedy. It makes you well.

UNCLE JOHNIE'S

Tells What "Git Up and Git" Will Do for the Farmers of Runnels County.

the results of my experience and say that I have made more monexperiments with cotton here ey here in Runnels County in the been benefited by coming higher come. this year. As I am winding up four years I have been here than up and closer to heaven, let them the crop and the old year is go- I ever made all put together be- exert their influence with their ing out into the radius of memory fore in my life and I have been friends and kindred in trying to I will give an approximate state- raising cotton over forty years. get them to make the same move. or small. Citizens National Bank. ment of what the boys and old We have a cotton country. There man have done with the differ- is no longer any doubt of this. ent varities of cotton. We have The soil is adapted to cotton and gathered thirty-five bales and the altitude precludes the possihave something like five bales bility of the boll weevil living easy and profitable. Stay with yet in the field making forty here. bales in all.

results prove that "no man fails seen on the cotton. gratifying. A man would have proved tools and the land being best and brightest of them all. been considered a candidate for free from weeds and grass, one

on my crop even at picking time. I ever saw. the fruit was exceedingly heavy in a malarial district among grass small one. Abile, Texas. Dec 21-W. J. "turned to cotton," as one pick- the clean prairies where health ers wont think hard of us if we Kirk, an old and respected citi- er remarked. Four of the boys is good and farming easy and I keep it and make the price come zen residing four miles southwest ranging from 20 down to 11 am fully persuaded that I can across the briny deep, Bless of Abilene, died Thursday night years old picked 1750 pounds of not devote my spare time in a your soul it can be done if we at 11:25 o'clock of cancer of the seed cotton in one short day nobler effort. stomach, aged 67 years and 8 and this amount turned out 634 Those who have acted on this time. pounds of lint.

ferent kinds.

row as white as snow and I am We can't afford to live for our- come experts in our own busisurprised that the enterprising selves alone. Now if uncle John- ness. farmers of Runnels Co. have not nie has said, in his letters during Let us take our own businessin # Dr. C. S. Jackson,

The name Higginbotham-Currie Co. wherever it is known stands for

We always have what we advertise and advertise what

We are sacrificing our entire \$100,000.00 stock on a basis of the

No limit on amount as long as they last.

staple goods and attempts to make up the loss on other goods y

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Don't confuse us with the average advertiser who throws out a

on the market. I promised to give the people If I may be pardoned I will help it.

Of course this little pest has At one time in the Spring I been shipped in here from year thought I had made a rash prom- to year by immigrants coming in ise and it looked like there would and bringing their household be no crop to report but we kept goods and cotton seed but they is of the best type and they never up courage knowing that we had perish as fast as they arrive and an honorable cause and now the the effects of one has never been Now, gentlemen, as the old year

The stalks are very small but I have advised people who live free from debt if it has to be a

This was the Rowena cotton time and slap me on the shoulder raise hogs, mule colts, red heifers and I may say the best and big- and thank me for being instru- big fields of golden grain, potatogest bolled varity out of six dif- mental in getting them up near es, big gardens-everything that We tried the Harville, Nichol- there is pleasure and profit in ing on the farm. Keep out of sons big boll, Russels big boll living. If uncle Johnnie has the cotton field some and educate prolific, so called, Mebanes Tri- done any good along this meridian the boys and girls, We must umph, Berry's Big Boll and long the knowlege of the fact and educate. If we don't we are -cure it. Simmon's Cough Syrup is a staple cotton. The long staple the acknowledgement of those gone. We can't compete with variety is still standing in the benefited is remmeration enough. expert financiers unless we be-

Choice of our entire line of Calicoes worth 7 and 8c while it lasts

Remnants of all kinds and prices

Good heavy Co and 12 1-

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Full size Huck Towels while they last

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Good Cotton Checks full width good weight worth 8 1-2c while it lasts

1 car load double cane Chairs best quality worth 65c while they last

New wide Emb

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Best grade Bleached Domestic worth 15c while it lasts

90 coil black steel Bed Spring \$2.00 while they last

worth

Mens' and Boys'

\$1.00

10c

Best Table Oil Cloth worth 20 and 25c while it lasts

1 1-4 full size heavy Cotton Blankets \$1.25 pair while they last pair

Childrens'

worth 25c

75c

10c

Life is too short to live it out taking pills and powder. Come up where the air is pure and thinking is easy and farming is the country and it will stay with But one thing we do know-and know you at harvest time. That is the it twenty years' worth-Hunt's Cure time for the crops to loom up.

We make a small weed but the fruit is heavy. Our citizenship allow a good man to suffer. is dying and a bright and bran except the one who falters." Our land being smooth and new one is being born let us The results are altogether very level is adapted to the use of im- touch shoulders to make it the

We can do it. Let's plant less the assylum to have predicted man can cultivate more acres and cotton, boys. For heaven's sake forty bales worth, over \$2000,00. make more bales than any place lets keep out of debt. Let's raise one cotton crop in Runnels county

and the "whole business" almost grubs to get up and get out on Then our merchants and Bankwill start in time and now is the

> advice come to me from time to "Reduction" is the word the "norry blue skies" where makes for higher and better liv-

raised this cotton extensively as the good old dead year, anything our own hands and transact it it produces nearly if not equally that sounded harsh and cutting along business lines. To do this we as much as the short staple vari- he is sorry in his heart but the must steer clear of obligations. eties and brings twice as much truth must prevail and each of If we have bought supplies and us should do his part in trying to eaten them up and worn them out we should pay for them "on If there are those who have demand" and let this lesson be one for good and all time to

Uncle Johnnie.

We want your accounts large

Might Have Been

When Shakespeare said: "Aye, there's the rub," we do not know for pecan gathering or trespassing certain he was thinking of the itch. will absolutely, infallibly and immediately cure any itching trouble that ever happened to the human cuticle. It's

the Brownwood Veterinery Surgeon, visits Ballinger once a month and will treat your sick or diseased stock.

Notice--Keep Out.

All my lands on Valley creek are posted, and here-by warn parties to keep out. No hunting in any manner will be allowed. J. W. Raby.

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Ladies' Tailored and trimmed Hats while they last at

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Mens' Beaver Overcoats worth \$7.50 while they last

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MINUTES OF TEACH-

Names of Those Who Attended and Number of Days Present.

nels county met on the morning tant reasons. In response to made and unanimously carried, a law giving the local board of of Dec. 15, 1907. Prof. Hagan the request of the Institute, Rev, The regular work of the program examiners greater latitude in called the meeting to order, and Leslie made a short talk which was then taken up and success- conducting examinations. It after a few well directed words was highly appreciated. The fully carried out. A motion was was carried. We also had the to the teachers introuduced to regular programme was then then made that we meet at 8 pleasure to have with us Mr. E. them Judge Guion and Mayor commenced, but as we had the o'clock and adjourn at 3 o'clock S. McCarver, an enterprising Hoffer, who both extended to honor to have with us Rev. Hud- on Friday. The motion was car- young lawyer of Ballinger who the teachers a hearty welcome son a motion was carried extend- ried, and the Institute adjourned has taught school not long ago. to Ballinger.

of officers. Supt., R. W. Wilson phazing the importance of the of Miles was elected president; moral character of the teachers Prof. Skinner of Ballinger, vice and the great responsibility that president; Max Krvener of Row- rests upon them. His words ena, secretary, assisted by Miss were well chosen and inspiring. Jenney Bennett Maude Sheldon. He was highly appreciated and The regular program was then loudly applauded. The regular successfully carried out, and the program was then taken up following committee appointed: again. Every subject had been Committee on daily programme, well treated by those to whom it J. M. Skinner, C. D. Garrett, was assigned, and the day was a Miss Ethel Truly, E. L. Hagan; Committee on resolutions, J. H. Beard, Miss Ida White, and Miss Maggie Cockrell.

TUESDAY. Institute.

WEDNESDAY.

ing the floor to him. He made an Next in order was the election eloquent address, strongly emcomplete success.

that

THURSDAY. called to order by President Wil- tee on resolutions was heard. son and Rev. E. P. Williams con- The resolutions were amended The Institute was promptly ducted the devotional exercises. and unanimously adopted. A called to order at 9, o'clock. Rev. Supt. Byrd then moved that we motion was made that the chair exercises. The roll was called. give the floor to Rev. E. P. Wil- in connection with Supt. Hagan, Two were absent, none were hams. He made a very inter- were to appoint another three, tardy. The programe of the day esting talk in behalf of Christian- making it a committee of five, was then carried out with great ity. We also had the honor whose duty it is to select a conzeal and efficiency. Every one to have with us Rev. ductor for the Summer Normal to on duty had his subject well pre- Grimes, who contributed to the be held in Ballinger. The Presipared. The talks and essays success of the day by good sug-dent appointed T. H. Dyer and were all concise, interesting and gestions and advice. The regular and W. W. Wooten, who met instructive, The work of the program was than taken up, 'It with Supt. Hagan and appointed day was closed by a few words was carried out most successfully W. M. Berry, Tom Martin and to the teachers by County Supt., Many lively discussions ensued J. H. Beard. In the afternoon Hagan. He expressed his satis- and great interest and earnest- we had the honor to have with faction with the success of the ness was shown. In the after- us Prof. Hughes who was sent noon we had the honor to have by the Teachers Institute of Tom with us Supt. W. H. Carpenter Green County to extend to this After the meeting had been of Brownwood. The regular Institute an invitation to join called to order, Rev. Leslie con- programe was suspended and their Summer Normal. A motion ducted the devotional exercises. the floor given to the Supt. after was made that we authorize our

The roll was called, and every being introduced by Supt. Hagan committee to meet with that of one responded, excepting one he made an eloquent address in Tom Green county and select the who was absent for important favor of the amendment and teachers and the place for the reason. In response to the re- education in general. In response Summer Normal that is to be quest of the Institute, Rev. Leslie Supt. Hagan made an eloquent held in the neighboring counties conducted the devotional exer- and effective address. A motion next summer, A motion was cises. The roll was called and that we appreciate Supt. Carpen- made that we authorize Supt. every one responded, excepting ter's address and that we are in Hagan to write to the State The Teachers Institute of Run- one who was absent for impor- favor of the amendment was then Board of Education that we favor

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The meeting was called to order promptly at 8 o'clock. Prof. Dyer lead in prayer. The committee on resolutions was then excused from the meeting to make their report and the reglar work taken up. Mr. Harris an able newspaper man with the Ballinger Ledger, was present and delivered a short address, strongly emphasing the importance of the newspapers and the cooperation of preachers, teachers, and newspaper men. After The Institute was promptly recess, the report of the commit-Grimes conducted the devotional suspend the regular program and appoint a committee of two, who ett.

Prof. Hagan moved that we extend the floor to the ex-teacher. The motion was carried and the young lawyer made an eloquent address. He was highly appreciated and loudly applauded. The

Institute then adjourned. LADIES. Nellie S. Fergerson, Ballinger. Daisy Butt, Ballinger. Alma Padgett, Bowman. Inez Butler, Winters. Ethel V. Truly Ballinger. Avis Chamberlain, Winters. Maude Shelton, Winters. Coral Clark, Ballinger. Katie Belle Gregory, Ballinger. Corrie Lynn, Ballinger. Minnie Perrieman, Ballinger. Mrs. Maud Carmichael, Puck-

Etta Farra, Norton. Lora Ritch, Puckett. Valera Griffith, Elm Creek. Martisha Andrews, Cochran, Lynette Brown, Goolsby. Leta Dickinson, Antelope. Arnie Smith, Miles. Bowers May, Meadows. Louise Cato, Miles. Lula Townsend, Bell. Minnie Rider, Goolsby. Mrs. Frances Knox, Miles. Eula Jones, Ballinger. Gertrude Phelps Pearce School Nettie Mills, Miles. Pearl Brown, Truitt. Ida White, Miles. Mrs. R. N. Wilson, Miles,

Maggie Cockrell, Norwood. Mrs. Williams, Winters. Idras Sharp, Miller School. Lena Parker, Franklin School. Mrs. Maude Newberry, Kerby, Daisy M. Robin, Crossrods. Pauline Bohac, Rowena, Cora Shelton, Kristaff. Della Lesovsky, Gronewald. Minnie L. Lewis Ballinger. Josie Glenn, Maverick. Margaret Cofer, Ballinger. Alphie Caperton, Ballinger. Jennie M. Bennett, Ballinger. Edith Davis, Barnett. Susana Jackson, Pony Creek, Lola K. Brown, Mustang. Maude Lankford, Wingate. Jennie Haire, Miles, Johnnie Mixon, Center Point. Angie Butler, Ballinger. May Stephens, Runnels. Stella Routh, Eagle Branch. Annie Jeans, Pumphrey. Mary B. Mckenzie, Ballinger, Maude Cartledge.

Prof. J. H. Beard, Supt. Wir ters school. Prof. H. D. Griffith, Davis. J. T. Henderson Lone Prof. W. W. Wooten, Crews.

Fuchsia Hobbs, Crews.

Prof. T. L. Huggins, Stone. S. J. Holder, Norton. S. S. Latimore, Wingate

G. C. Beard, Baldwin. C. D. Garret, Truitt. A. L. Brantley, Watkins. Tom P. Martin, New

Prof. L. S. Hobbs, Deitz. " W. C. McCarver, Maizeland. Prof. J. M. Skinner, Dry

Home.

Ridge. Prof. W. M. Berry, Miles. J. A. Siedel, Fuzzy Creek.

Prof. L. C. Fowler, Walthall. D. D. Morse, Springhill.

T. H. Dyer, Maverick. R. N. Wilson, Miles.

Max Kroener, Rowena. ·G. R. Adkins.

LACE CURTAINS S. M. Byrd, Arthur Byers.

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All of the above teachers were present the full term, five days, except Miss Minnie Rider who attended four and half days, Miss Annie Morgan two days and G. R. Adkins four and half days.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the School Board of Ballinger has tendered us to the use of their attractive anditori-

um and heating facilities. Whereas, the Basket Ball team and the High School teachers have entertained us with a game of ball at the close of our day's

work on Wednesday; Whereas, County Supt. Hagan has been very attentive to the Institute and helpful to the teachers;

Whereas, the proposed amendment to the State Constitution is necessary for the uplifting of Texas schools:

Whereas, there should be a Summer Normal held next summer with Concho, Coke, Tom Green and Runnels counties

united. Therefore be it resolved, that we extend to the School Board, to the people Ballinger, visiting ministers and others, to the Basket Ball team and High School teachers, to Supt. Hagan our sincere thanks for their

courtesy towards us; Resolved further, that every teacher do his utmost to bring about the adoption of the proposed amendment to the constitution at the next general election in Nov. 1908.

Resolved further, that the teachers petition the State Department of Education to recognize a Sammer Normal to be held at Ballinger with—————
as conductor and the above
named counties join us.

Be it further resolved, that

these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Institute and published in the county papers, in the Texas School Magazine and in the Texas School Journal.

Subscription \$1.00 per annum.

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A. W. SLEDGE, Editor. C. P. SHEPHERD, Bus. Mgr.

Entered at the postoffice at Ballinger, Texas as second-class matter.

If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us and if necessary we will send our reporter ot get data.

Did Santa Claus come to see you?

As usual, black eyes were conspicious during the holidays, and fights and drinks made business for the officers.

Did vou spend Christmas like a decent man should, or did you try to drink all the booze you could get? We do not understand why a man should make a hog of himself on Christmas.

Midland, Texas, -- Gentleman: --Enclosed find check for two dollars to pay for our reading matter, and keep the paper of papers coming. We are well pleased with Midland and like her people, but will never forget grand old Runnels and our friends there, T. A. Fannin. Mr. Fannin is a mighty good man, and we lost a good citizen when he left Runnels County.

Gov. Campbell announced that upon his return from his Health is Worth Saving, and hunting trip with W. J. Bryan he would appoint William F. Ramsey of Cleburne, at present chairman of the penitentiary board, associate justice of the court of criminal appeals, to succeed Judge J. N. Henderson. John M. Duncan, of Tyler, and Chas. H. Jenkins, of Brownwood were applicants for the place. Both good men personally, but Tom Campbell is a Democrat and perhaps he thinks public offices filled by Democratic officers.

The towns of this section are all progresive and wide-awake. Some of them do not acomplish things as rapidly as the citizens would like, but this is not due to a lack of progressiveness, but to lack of means. A town, like a manufacturing business, grow so fast that it cannot keep up with itself. That is the case with many places in this part of Texas. But this paragraph is written to commend the town of Ballinger for the advance step it has taken in contracting for a drainage system for the business part of the town. That place is always progressive and as consequece is attractiting much attention to its public spirit. -Brownwood Bulletin.

Gov. Campbell appears to be the United States. exhibiting some haste in making the appointments which fall to his lot to make. In naming a successor to Judge Henderson he did not wait until the dead justice was buried. Evidently he did not desire to hear from the people before taking action. - Brown- to write the METROPOLITAN wood Bulletin.

wait until the dead justice was METROPOLITAN is k n o w n buried before it was boosting a candidate for the place. Judge Henderson died Monday night; South-its leadership in Texas is Tuesday the Bulletin was out in a strong appeal for the place to be given to their man. The Bulletin has been saying some nice things about Gov. Campbell, and him just because he facors a pains in the instep of my foot," Democrat in preference to others.

from one of the local Sunday For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Schools was sent out to see if there were any homes in Ballinger where Santa Claus was needed. There are people who deserve help in every town of any size, and here are people willing and ready to give when the matter is brought to their attention. The proper authorties should organize and appoint a committee to systematically look after such work and then charity cause would not be subject to abuse as it often is.

Have You! a Friend?

Then tell him about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Tell him how it cured your hard cough. Tell him why you always keep it in the house. Tell him to ask his doctor about it. Doctors use a great deal of it for throat and lung troubles.

"I had a terrible cold and cough and was threatened with pneumonia. I tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and it gave me quick and per-fect relief. It is certainly a most wonderful cough medicine."—RENA E. WHITMAN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass Also manufacturers of SARSAPARILLA. One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime will

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hasten recovery. Cently laxative.

For fresh sweet milk phone, No. 159. Three rings. The New Silver Moon Dairy.

THE KIDNEYS WELL

Some Ballinger People Know How to Save It.

Many Ballinger people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Sick kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and ill health, but there is no need to suffer nor to remain in danger when all diseases and aches and pains due to weak kidneys can in a Democratic State should be be quickly and permanently cured by the use of Doan's Kidney

> Will Bynum, Brownwood, Tex. Bellman. says: "I /think Doan's Kidney Pills are a splendid remedy. They were called to my attention some time ago and as I had been annoyed for sometime with a too frequent action of the kidney secretions, I concluded to to give them a trial. They seemed to suit my case and I had only taken them a few days when I was cured of the trouble. There the children are taught games, such emphatic fashions, and yet it was a pain and lameness in the painting, boxing, toymaking and is a pleasure to note that there are small of my back which also dis- old-time pastimes. The majority of certainly no more young men called appeared. I have had no return the poor do not take kindly to the Alf and Gus as were the young men of the above symptoms since I settlement house idea, but a "club- who walked with the crinoline in discontinued the use of Doan's room," where there is no organized the days of Leech. Good is the Kidney Pills. I do not hesitate in play, but opportunity for a real sound of John, through all changes. recommending them as being a good time, would naturally attract. reliable remedy."

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If you think of attending business college, it would be well BUSINESS COLLEGE, Dallas, Or neither did the Bulletin Texas for full information. The everywhere as one of the foremost business colleges of the unquestioned.

Muscular Pains Cured

"During the summer of 1903 we hope it will not fall out with I was troubled with muscular considerable industrial importance. says Mr. C Pedlar, Toronto, Ont. "At times it was so painful I could hardly walk. Chamber-The fact that Ballinger needs lain's Pain Balm was recommenda charity organization to collect ed to me, so I tried it and was and dispense funds when the case demands it, was clearly brought out when a committee all of whom another bright and was in a great variety of tones and shades. In laboratories, apparatus ed it to reveral of my friends, made of smelted quartz has become brought out when a committee all of whom speak highly of il."

THE END OF HIS ROUTE

Unfortunate Man Displayed Sense of Humor Under Embarrassing Circumstances.

One cold wintry morning a man of tall and angular build was walking down a steep hill at a quick pace. A treacherous piece of ice under the snow caused him to lose control of his feet; he began to slide and was unable to stop.

At a cross street half-way down the decline he encountered a large. heavy woman, with her arms full of bundles. The meeting was sudden, and before either realized it a collision ensued and both were sliding down hill, a grand ensemblethe thin man underneath, the fat woman and bundles on top. When the bottom was reached and the woman was trying in vain to recover her breath and her feet, these words were borne to her:

"Pardon me, madam, but you will have to get off here. This is as far as I go."

BEWITCHED KITCHEN TOOLS.

"I don't believe anybody in the world has such deadly, kitchen utensils as I have," the woman complained. "I never go into my kitchen, and it's a pretty little kitchen, too, that something doesn't fly up and hit me. There's my toasting fork. It has an awful grudge against me. It will fall every chance it gets from wherever put it and stick in my toe. And the tea kettle! That is a frightful enemy of mine. I never reach my arm over it that it doesn't bob its top up and leave a bright red mark from its terrible steam. The kettle I boil the potatoes in does the same thing, and as for the irons! If I make the slightest attempt to iron any little thing, a towel or a handkerchief, they just try to see if they can't burn me to death."

GREAT CAFE D'ARMENONVILLE.

The Parisian men are not likely to grumble at being asked to dine in dress clothes in any particular London restaurant, for they have in Paris one dining place where this unwritten law has always been enforced. No man ever goes to dine at the Armenonville, in the Bois de Boulogne, without putting on his pinned to it. The note read: dress clothes. Why fashion has decreed that a Frenchman may dine at any of the boulevard restaurants in tenue de ville, but must wear a swallowtail coat when he drives to the big park of Paris to dine, no one knows; it is the custom, and there, to a Parisian, is the end of it .-

HELP CHILDREN PLAY.

There is in London a Children's Happy Evening association and the were christened Sophia and Caromembers of it are young men and line; in the early nineteenth, Emma women of means and social standing and Jane; a little later, Laura and who give gratuitously their time and Clara; then came a crop of Doromoney to provide enjoyment for thys and Marjories, who are now children in the congested districts. all calling their own babies (in a re-The municipality provides a club- action against the "quaint") Elizaroom in the school buildings and beth. The names of men suffer no



"Sir, your dog tried to bite me." "Ah, madam, he always had such

THE NEW QUARTZ INDUSTRY.

In the last few years the smelting of quartz, to be cast into a great variety of vases, capsules, crucibles, hollow balls, tubes, etc., has assumed Quartz melted in the electric furnace forms a glass of iridescent brilliance, with which many kinds of jewels and ornaments are made. It can be colored with great ease, and practically indispensable.—Youth's Companion.

ALL MET THE SAME END

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L. V. Harkness, the Standard Oil magnate of New York, was complimented at a recent banquet upon the tremendous earnings of his com-

"But at this season," said Mr. Harkness, "the earnings of the seaside hotel man seem to me much more impressive. With their hotels closed out till next June, our seaside hotel men are starting, with maids and valets and couriers and enormous letters of credit, for the Riviera and Sicily and Egypt-traveling veritably like princes.

"It all reminds me of a rich hotel man I once met at Atlantic City. "'Splendid surf you have here,' said I.

"He smiled complacently.

"'Yes,' he answered, 'like everybody else here, the waves reach our town in great style, but they all go away broke."

NEW PENNSYLVANIA INDUSTRY.

Paul Firman has bought a 110acre tract on which is the largest grove of wild persimmon trees in these mountains. He is now fencing in the tract as a protection for the 'possum, with which he will stock it. He says he will own the only

'possum farm in the world. The opossum does not reach the height of his glory until persimmons are ripe and the layers of white fat take on the spicy flavor of the fruit. Mr. Firman intends to develop the best variety of persimmon and the finest breed of opossum, and by next fall he expects to sell several hundred animals at fancy prices. of the sources of revenue from the farm will be the sale of skins to fur titles, etc. dealers. This fur is rapidly becoming popular.-Caledonia Letter to Philadelphia Record.

HER INTENTIONS WERE GOOD.

Late one evening Mrs. Aldercott gave a tramp an old hat of her husband's, feeling glad that she could help a needy one with something. The next morning her husband found the hat on the front steps with a note, written in a rude hand, "Ef the hat had ben as good as

yure intenshuns I'd have kept it." Grinning all over, Mr. Aldercott carried note and hat in to his wife, with the comment:

"I suppose this is like bread cast upon the waters," etc.

She is still looking for the vag-

POPULAR NAMES FOR GIRLS.

In the eighteenth century girls

THE GIRLS DID IT.

In France, a few weeks ago, at a private school where 30 young girls were being boarded and educated, the meals became so poor that the girls protested. This did no good, and one evening they made a raid on the pantry and captured everything eatable. When the mistress went to punish the leader she was set upon by all, her hair pulled out, her clothing torn and her face scratched, and she had to finally call in the police to quell the riot. If anybody thinks a girl hasin't an appetite as well as as other folks, they will find they have made a big mistake.

NEW DROWNING THEORY.

An Illinois physician has revived the idea of resusticating drowned people by first immersing them in a hot bath for twenty minutes or longer and then resorting to the old and ordinary methods of restoration. He says the lungs of a drowned person do not contain water, a spasm of the larynx occurring which prevents the entrance of water for a period of nine days. Drowning, so-called, Genito, Urinary, Rectal and is merely suspended animation, and not death. By this process life may All calls promptly attended. be saved if the body has not been submerged more than six hours.

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"The Square-deal firm."

Frank Hall and sister, Miss Willie returned from Brown- been making her home with her wood, last Saturday, where they Aunt Mrs. Abe Millar for the had been astending Daniel Baker past year, left last Monday for College. Their father, W. W. her home at Odessa. Miss Clara

Miss Clara Malone who has Hall, came in from Winters to has a host of friends in Ballin- see him back and know that he ger who wish for her return.

school at Waxahachie.

Miss Maurice Truly came home | Second Tract, -One Hundred

Howell Knight is here from Waco to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Knight, of South Ballinger.

Misses Alva and Bertha Van Pelt, Lucile Reeder and Kate Guion came in from school at Milford, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm, Cliff, of Fort Chadbourne, passed through last Saturday en route to their Survey; old home in Tennessee on a visit,

D. E. and Mrs. Faubion came in from Killeen last Sunday to spend the holidays with Mrs. F's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Norris.

here from Illinois to spend the \$13,034.52 in favor of Jo. Wilmeth and holidays with Mrs. Haberkorns cost of suit. parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. December 1907.

Miss Annie Van Doren, stenographer for the Citizens National Bank, is taking a Christmas vacation and spending the time with relatives at Belton.

Tennessee last Friday. He has been away from home nearly a year and his friends are glad to come to stay.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY of ed Property, situated in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit:

First Tract. - Forty Five (45) acres of land out of Survey No. 589, originally granted to Wm. Bryan by virtue of Certificate No. 101, known as Abstract Horald Tucker is at home from No. 60, patented to Joseph Kopman, assignee, on May 29, 1879, by virtue of Patent No. 456, Volume No. 23;

or, Monday, to visit during the (605) acres of land out of Survey No. 233, originally granted to R. M. Williamson by virtue of Certificate No. 3, known as Abstract No. 494, and patented to Philip J. Weaver, assignee, on May 16, 1849, Patent No. 947, Volume No. 6;-said three above described tracts of land aggregating 880 acres of land described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stone mound in the east line of said Williamson Survey 3701 varas south of its n. e. corner;

Thence south 1560 varas to the s. e. corner of the N. 1-2 of said Williamson

Thence W. 2566 varas; Thence N. 888.8 varas; Thence W. 1121 varas; Thence N. 30 E. 1544 varas; Thence E. 350 varas;

Thence South 365 varas; Thence E. 2565 varas to the place of beginning.-levied on as the property Prof. and Mrs. Haberkorn are of G. T. Martin and wife, M. S. Martin,

Given under my hand, this 10 day of

R. P. Kirk, Sheriff. T. J. Gardner Deputy

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY Runnels. By virtue of an order of sale, of Runnels By virtue of an Execution, issued out of the Honorable District issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 9th day of Court of Runnels County, on 10th day December, 1907, by the Clerk thereof, of December A. D. 1907, by the Clerk in the case of Jo Wilmeth versus G. T. thereof, in the case of Rasbury & Bruce Martin and wife, M. S. Martin, No. versus Louis Pavlicek et al, the defend-883 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and ants being Louis Pavlicek and R. Michna delivered, I will proceed to sell, within No. 872 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and the hours prescribed by law for Sher- delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, iff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in Jan- within the hours prescribed by law for uary A. D. 1908, it being the 7th day of Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in said month, before the Court House January A. D. 1908, it being the 7th door of said Runnels County, in the day of said month, before the Court town of Ballinger, the followin describ- House door of said Runnels county, in the City of Ballinger the following described land situated in Runnels county, Texas to-wit:

530 6-10 acres, a part of the Dillard Cooper Survey No. 166 1-4 described by metes and bounds as follows: Begining at a point in N. B. line of said Dilliard Cooper survey, 1900 varas E. of its N. W. corner, at N. E. corner of Otto Klause, 400 acres; Thence E. 321 varas from school last Saturday to be with home folks during the holidays.

Mrs. W. W. Embry and some of the children went to McGreg
Thirty (130) acres of land out of Survey No. 588, originally granted to J. W. Bryan by virtue of Certificate No. 311, Abstract No. 486, and patented to the said J. W. Bryan on May 10th, 1876, by Patent No. 257, Volume No. 23.

Third Tract.—Six Hundred and Five E. 521 values to a fence corner, on S. B. line of River Survey No. 413, in name of Valentine Rice, Thence S. 60 E with said S. line 205 variation of the said J. W. Bryan on May 10th, 1876, by Patent No. 257, Volume No. 23.

Third Tract.—Six Hundred and Five E. 521 values to a fence corner, on S. B. line of River Survey No. 413, in name of Valentine Properties of the said J. W. Bryan on May 10th, 1876, by Patent No. 257, Volume No. 23.

Third Tract.—Six Hundred and Five E. 521 values to a fence corner, on S. B. line of River Properties of the said J. W. Bryan on May 10th, 1876, by Patent No. 257, Volume No. 23.

Third Tract.—Six Hundred and Five E. 521 values to a fence corner, on S. B. line of River Properties of River Propert line of said Dillard Cooper Survey; thence E. with said N. line 130 vrs to fence corner on S. B. line of survey No 414, in name of Geo. Lochausen; Thence S. 60, E. 760 vrs. to corner of fence, the N. E. corner of said Dillard Cooper Survey, Tence S. with fence on E. B. of said Dillard Cooper Survey, 1941 1-2 vrs. to stake in said E. line for N. E. corner of the R. Michna 200 acre-tract, and S. E. corner of this tract, Thence W. I350 vrs to stake in center of public road for S. W. corner of this tract and N. W. corner of the said Michna tract, thence N. with center of public road at 1536 1-2 vrs, center of bridge spanning Indian Creek, at 2321 1-2 vrs place of begining levied on as the property of R. Michna to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$992.00 in favor of Rasbury & Bruce and costs of he has a cold. The quicker you

Given under my hand, this 10th day of December A. D. 1907.

R. P. Kirk, Sheriff. T. J. Gardner, Deputy.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Runnels. By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 9th day of December, 1907, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of John Marbach et al, me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, absolutely guaranteed to cure any one on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1908, it being the 7th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described Property situated in Runnels Co., Texas, to-wit:

Being 114.86 acres of land known as Block No. 12, a subdivision of the H. L. Bays League and Labor Survey No. 444, Abstract No. 17, Certificate 917-1916, patented Nov. 1, 1855 by Patent No. 297, Volume No. 12, -said 114.86 acre tract being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning in the bed of Valley Creek at the n. w. corner of Block No, 7, another subdivision of said Survey, said beginning point being N.63 E. 20 varas from a stake from which a double elm, each trunk of which is 12 inches in diameter, bears S. 3 W. 41-5 varas;

meanders as follows: S. 15 1-2 E. 100 varas, S. 42 3-4 E. 180 varas, S. 4 1-2 W. 160 varas, S. 56 W, 50 varas, N. 12 W. I60 varas, S. 76 1-2 W. 17 varas, S. 9 1-2 W. 128 varas S. 47 10 E. 109.7 varas to a point in said Creek being the s. e. corner of

Thence down Valley Creek with its

said Survey. Thence N. 60 E. 155.88 varas to a pile of rock under fence on West line Dear friend: of Ballinger-Wingate Public Road;

Block No. 1I, another subdivision of

Thence with said fence N. 28 49 E. 500. 13 varas to pile of rock under fence, being the n. e. corner of Block

Thence with the s. e. line of said worry over a hot stove Block No; 27 S. 60 W. 1128.44 varas to place of beginning. -levied on as the property of J. T. Burns, C. W. Sanders, Jesse Sanders, Carl Sanders and Etta She can buy it cheaper Sanders, to satisfy a judgment amount- than she can make it ing to \$1507,14 in favor of John Mar- and just as good. Do hach, George Knoke and Henry D.

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Jacob .-

to himself alone and be happy. It takes the companionship, the association and the co-operation of individuals to make life pleasant and remunerative. Suppose you cut yourself off, entirely form everything and everybody. Take your gold and silver and bury it. Do not even trust the government by depositing it and taking United States currency instead; you are unknown financially speaking, and unloved. This co-operation in money matter is the 'very foundation of the government's prosperity. In lieu of the gold and silver deposited in the treasury, paper money is issued instead. It circulates freely and when worn out, can

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New Year Day The World Around...

By DANIEL CLEVERTON.



the day in the United States that it is in foreign countries. In early New England days it received quite a setback by the Pilgrims, who believed that its observance was a recognition

of veneration of the Roman god, Janus, he of the two faces-the one looking back in retrospect and the other looking forward in hope and anticipation. Yet the mythology of the new world of Father Time, falling and dying and a newborn personification rising out of his decreptitude, is no less pagan in its essentials. Both are nevertheless beautiful and expressive and worthy of perpetuity.

"Watch night" is probably the most distinctive feature of the coming of the new year. Religious services are held in almost every church and sometimes three or four sermons are preached. There are also many gatherings in clubs and homes "to watch the old year out" and they are occasions of much revelry and the repeating in humorous ways the superstitions believed in in olden times. Much of the social prestige of the day remains, such as calling and exchanging gifts, is due to the early Dutch settlers, who kept the old customs alive until the middle of the last century.

FRANCE.



N EUROPE it was the custom, until the time of Oliver Cromwell, of exchanging presents on New Year's day. But in the western world generally the practice has been absorbed by the Christmas festival.

There is, however, a striking exception to this rule in France. New Year's is the chief festival of the year, and the "gift" is the chief feature of the festival. It is believed that the French observance of the day combines the ancient customs of the Druids, Romans and Christians, since it involves the highest homage to womanhood, a saturnalian effect in liberties to bondsmen, and the gala day of romping freedom to children. New Year's day is everybody's day. Each one of these features has its special history which would require the space of a special story to tell.

SCOTLAND.



S IN France, so in Scotland, New Year's is the chief festival of the year. The eve of the day and the day itself are called "Daft Days," or crazy days. And the eve separated from its "daft" associate is

called "Hogma-

nay." But what this means, no one seems to know. The application of the term is in a custom of children to enrobe themselves in a street and go the rounds of houses on New Year's eve, knocking at the doors and crying "Hogmanay." In response they always get an oat cake, rich with fruit, and sometimes, in addition, some cheese and goodies. This is their "Hogmanay." Housewives are kept busy days in advance preparing little cakes for their ghost-like visitors and it is regarded as something of a bad omen to run short and not be able to supply the demand. While "Hogmanay" is the usual cry it is often supplemented by "trollolay" and the more daring will add the privileged rhyme: Rise up, gude wife, and shake your fea-

Dinna think that we are beggars; We are bairns come to play And to seek our Hogmanay.

ENGLAND.



USTOMS in England are very similar and in many cases interchangeable with those of Scotland. Even to this day the ancient salutation, "Wass hael," or "To your, health," is jovially given

and this song is sung: Wassail! Wassail over the town Our toast it is white; our ale it is brown; Our bowl it is made of the maplin tree, We be good fellows all: I drink to thee.

In parts of England the old year is "swept out" by men and boys who black their faces to resemble sweeps, and in other places it is "rung out" by muffled bells until the midnight hour, then allowing the clear notes to sound thereafter. The "hot pint" of the wassail drink at the midnight hour is still quite common. The front and back doors are opened at 12 o'clock also, to let the bad spirits out and the good spirits in, while all peacock feathers are thrown away before this event lest ill luck follow during the year. Also bundles of bits of money, bread, wood, coal and salt, are placed on the door steps and if any one calls whose initials may be formed by straight lines, reasons for smashing his pledge a few like A or F, he is admitted, given a days hence.

present and passed out the back door. To admit one having curved initials, like C or O, means bad luck for a

GERMANY.



N MANY German cities, and especially in Berlin, New Year's eve, or otherwise known as Sylvester's Nacht, is the occasion of a rough yet ludicrous onslaught upon innocent and unwary persons who are

caught wearing a tall silk hat. The victim is greeted by the cry, "Hut ab, Hut ab," and ere he is aware his fine hat is smashed down over his ears by a crowd of jokers who surround him. This custom had its origin in the riots on Sylvester's day, 1848, when the lower classes resorted to this method of displaying their hostility to the bourgeoisie, most of whom wore the high hat.

The salutation, "Prosit Neujahr," however, is more universal and better characteristic of the New Year celebration by the Germans. Thus greeted, one is made a captive by custom and must pay a ransom, not, however, until he has acknowledged his captor's sovereignty by the answer, "Meister."

RUSSIA.



N THE country town of Russia New Year's is the great feast day for the children. Boys fill their pockets with dried peas and wheat and go in bands from house to house. People they have any grudge against are

doused with the peas, while they shower the wheat upon their friends. A curious custom also is festooning the handsomest horse in the village and leading him to the house of a nobleman. The pea and wheat shooters follow in droves. Both guests and horse are admitted to the parlor of the lord and the guests receive presents of small coins. The origin of the custom is not known, but it is interpreted to mean a greeting of the peasants to their lord. While the horse is being entertained in the parlor, there comes to the house a drove of oxen, goats, hogs, etc., gayly decorated and led by the children. These are not admitted, but admired from the window by the lord. Next appear old women with barnyard fowls, decorated with evergreens and berries. These are given to the lord

TURKEY.



custom is observed in the Turkish orient, where the Greek subjects of the sultan live. It is the special event in Caesarea, where St. Basil was born. is more often called

St. Basil's eve. The city is decorated and the shops teem with toys, sweetmeats and festoons. Women, days before, squat and joke around a low table making St. Basil's cake, of which they bake great quantities. On New Year's eve the Rajah boys in droves go on the rounds of houses, knocking at doors, until the master of the house responds, according to the cus-

Let the boys in at once. Give them money, fruit and all that they can carry of St. Basil's cake. Come on, servants, fill their pockets while they give us their song. The boys then sing a customary song, ending by calling down blessings upon the household.

THE FAR EAST.



N JAPAN the New colors. Year's day of the Gregorian calendar is observed. It is a universal rule that all debts must be settled at the end of the year. But the feature of the day in Japan is

in calling on friends and the giving of "awabi," a kind of mussel shell, as emblem of times long ago when their of it, and then I learned that you had darts in my direction." forefathers were of necessity very frugal. This is also interpreted as a warning against luxury. In China the people meet in the streets on New Year's day and salute each other with: "Kung-h! Kung-hi!"--"I humbly wish you joy," or "Sin-hi!"—"May joy be yours." The cities are gayly decorated with lanterns and artificial flowers, with red paper mottoes on the houses. Where blue paper is seen it is a sign that there has been a death during the year.

The Happy Man. Happy is the man who has nothing to swear off and therefore swears off nothing. He will not have to invent





Dramatis Personae-A City Bachelor. Dan Cupid. James, the Butler. Scene—The living room of a wealthy bachelor's apartments.

THE Bachelor—How bright the fire. How cheery the crackling logs. Outside the Dying Year battles with the raging storm.

Time-New Year's Ebe.

"What has the Old Year brought to me that I should mourn its passing?

"Loves in plenty. But were they loves were they passing fantasies - bright spots of blue peeping through the stormy sky. 'Tis many a sorry trick Dan Cupid has played me during the past twelve months. Could I but have him here I'd hea. .. review him for his benefit.

foe has braved the elements and come to disturb my reveries of a New Year's Eve?"

(Enter Butler.)

The Bachelor — A wee, small gentlenan to see me, James, you say. But just a sweet-faced child. His card -Dan Cupid — Yes, I know him, and you nay show him up. But, James, you're not a judge of character. He's not a child, he's old as time, and as full of devilish pranks as that neighbor's brat of whom you so complain.

(James departs and returns ushering in Dan Cupid.)

Dan Cupid — Ha, ha, dear sir, 'tis not ove's night. Business is dull, and so I come to beg a chat with you and may, ngs of the year that is passing.

you down and let's turn back the pages of it." (Casts it into the fire.) of the passing year and see the record.

(Gets a volume from the shelf.)

"We'll start with January, and with played me false. Through February March and April I nursed the wound

caused by your treacherous dart, and it was not until the flowers of May began to bloom that it would heal. But three shorts months and yet they seemed like years, like centuries, to me,"

Dan Cupid—Good sir, the fault was yours, not mine. Across that page can you not read the promises you made the budding year? How did you keep them? Not at all. Had you but been the angel you started out to be, fair Eleanor would have had no grounds for the curt refusal she meted out to you.

The Bachelor-Ah, well, Dan, I was but human—that is, to err. She married, yes, and I suppose believed she had captured the one real matrimonial prize. But yesterday 'twas good to read the courts had cast asunder the bonds that bound, and set her free to wound another

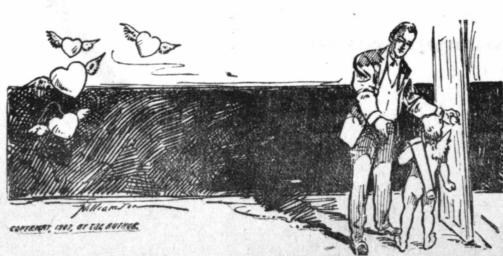
Dan Cupid—But you shall credit me "Ah, the bell rings! What friend or with other opportunities that I made for you-opportunities more in keeping with

> The Bachelor—Yes, Dan, there was Jessica, of the yachting party. The wound she left was not long in healing, but was painful at first. Then, later, there was Isabel. How I adored her. Your aim was sure, and the bow was strong that send that shaft into my heart. Never can I forget the tender words with which I wooed her at the seashore, nor the pulsations of my heart when she answered "Yes." But, Dan, you rascal, you know her. But once since those summer days have I seen her. She served me coffee and rolls in a quick lunch room in November. I did not ask her where I might redeem the ring.

"Yes, Dan, there were others. But perchance, revile you for the shortcom- why review them? And I'll forgive you, you imp. I'll lay not up against you a The Bachelor - Revile me, you imp single pang or dollar they have cost of Satan! Why, 'twas but a moment me—on one condition—that you shall before your ring that I wished for you not, for this next year, point your darts in hat I might review for your benefit the my direction. Do you agree? Then imes you've played me false. Now sit we'll burn the book, and think no more

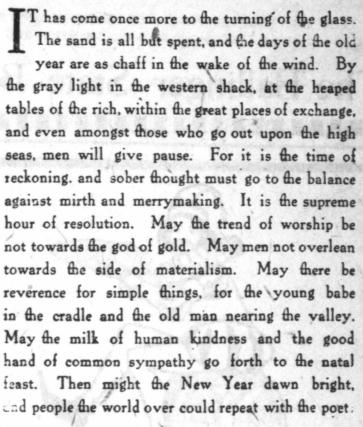
"And now, then, Dan, the year is dy-It surely will show you up in your true ing. A toast to it and its fond memories; to your escapades and my escapades; to the fair girls who caused the heart throbs of a season; to the broken promises that Eleanor. Dan, you rogue, you wounded saved me troubles; to the Old Year. there and in China ne for fair with her. I should not have And another, Dan, to the year just tared had time and eternity been made 'borning;' to the anticipations which it up of Januarys could I but have had brings. The bells are ringing; the Old Eleanor to sit beside me before the crack- Year is dead; the New Year lives, and ing fire throughout them all. I pleaded now, good night, but please remember well my case, but she would have none that you have promised not to aim your

> (Exit Dan Cupid and Curtain.) Wright A. Patterson.





The Turning of the Glass



Turn again the wasted glass. Kingly crown and warrior's crest Are not worth the blade of grass God fashions for the swallow's nest.

Newton MacTavish

THE NEW YEAR WHAT WE MAKE IT

By Ada C. Sweet

dead pessimist," but unfortunately there are a good many of these hapess brethren of ours alive. Never are they more active, and happily unhappy, than toward New Year's day, when all the rest of the world is looking hopefully and cheerfully forward, in expectation of good luck and kind fortune during the next 365.

The pessimist delights in derision of the good resolutions which mark the celebration of New Year in the minds of many people. Shame upon the man or woman who would dull the bright ambitions and desires for the better of any human being! But there is little time to give to habitual mourners and augurs of evil. The new year will be what we make it. so far as our individual lives are concerned, and the man or woman who resolves to be happy in a healthful, unselfish way, is taking the first road

toward happiness. We are all after happiness, in one way or another. Even the recluse, even the martyrs of bld, were on the endless search for happiness, though the joy of heaven rather than that of earth was the goal fixed upon in the eyes of those who sacrificed the present for the future. Eternal hap-

piness was what they desired. Unselfish happiness is always wait ing, right around the corner, if we will only take our eyes off the far distance and look nearer home. The resolve to make next year a happy one for those nearest us will bring a good deal of real joy and satisfaction to the maker of the resolution, if he holds

Silent resolve is a good thing, too. Sometimes one's enthusiasm evaporates when it is much spoken of. But don't let us allow the enemies of the race of man to discourage us in making good resolutions; and then don't let us fail to keep those that we make to the best of our ability.

There is room for improvement in all of us, and when we have acknowledged that, and set ourselves to improve, why, we are on the nearest road to success and happiness.

Noticed the Omission.

Some dramatic authors seem to regard construction as unnecessary frills. On the first night of the only drama that the novelist, Miss Bradden wrote, a scene was introduced in which a child was kidnaped from its mother. At the end, when all were made happy so much had been left to the general imagination that no pains had been taken to effect the restoration of the stolen child. Of course it was an unworkmanlike lapse on the part of the dramatist, and it seemed to have passed unnoticed until a god leaned over the gallery rail and solemnly inguired: "Hi! What about that kid?" The piece was swamped in a flood of inextinguishable laughter.

Fattening the Bride.

In Tunis, when a man wants to take another wife, he picks out a girl, and then carries to her father a pair of bracelets and a pair of anklets from one of the other ladies of his household. The bracelets and anklets are slipped on the young woman, and several months are allowed for her fattening. She must fatten until she completely fills the four ornaments, or otherwise the man has a right to refuse her. For in Tunis fat is beauty and a permanently slender girl has no chance of marriage.-Philadelphia Bulletin.

When The Year & Begins

first day of the year is the fact that it has been celebrated on many different dates. With us the year begins on January 1, according to the calendar prepared by order of Julius Caesar, and later revised from time to time as necessity seemed to require. Hardly a month in the year but what has been regarded at some time, by some people, as the first of the 12, and consequently the beginning of the new year. Sometimes the date was logical, determined by the position of the sun in the heavens.

Sometimes it was fixed by agricultural or industrial conditions, sometimes by a great historical event, and occasionally it was merely arbitrary, determined without any special reason being assigned. At one time the Greeks began their year September 1; at another on the first day of July. the beginning of the Olympian games. In what is called the Alexandrian era the year began on August 20. One Jewish chronology assigns October 1 as the date on which the creation of the world began, and consequently adopts that New Year's day. At one time the Romans began their year on April 24, at another on March 1, and finally as we do now.

According to the meteoric cycle, the year began on July 15. During the period of Alexander's empire the commencement of the year was on September 1; the era of the Maccabees was dated from November 24. The people of Tyre began their year on October 19, while the so-called Sidonian era commenced on October 1, and the Augustan era made February 14 the first day of the new year. The ancient Egyptians began their year with the overflow of the Nile, whenever that might occur, while in India the annual flood of the Ganges furnished a date for popular chronology. and the Mexicans, although they had a complicated system of calculating time, popularly reckoned their year to begin with the spring planting.

The Jewish rabbis had four beginnings of the year, the first of the month Nisan, supposed to be the date of the Exodus; the first of Tishri. which began the agricultural year: the first of Elu, the day on which the cattle were numbered, and the first of Shebat, which was called the new year for trees. Christmas day, Easter, the beginning of each solstice and many other dates have been observed at different times by various nations: even now in Russia the day of the new year is 12 days behind that of our calendar, the Russians having never adopted the Gregorian calendar. which, indeed, did not come into general use until about the middle of the eighteenth century.

X-Rays and Pearls.

An interesting application of the Xrays is for the detection of the pearl inside the closed shell of the mullusk. In a paper contributed to the Comptes Rendus of the Biological society of Paris R. Dubois gives an account of radiographs which he has made, showing a pearl inside a species of pearlbearing mussel. He notes also that a similar radiograph of a pearl inside a shell was made by Auguste Lumiere and exhibited at the Colonial exhibition at Marseilles in 1906.

The Morning After. Up to Date Child-Did you and papa enjoy the party last night, mamma? Mother-Yes, darling. Up to Date Child-Which of you

won the most?-Judge.