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### THE FARMER IS KING.

Much is said nowadays of the vast mineral wealth of this country, and of huge fortunes in iron, steel, gold, copper, and oil. But when it comes to a sheer aggregate in annual earnings the American farmer outranks all other industries, in this country or in the world.

The gross earnings of the great steel trust are about \$500,000,000 a year, and the independent concerns have an income of about \$250,000,000 more, making a total of about \$750,000,000 as the entire volume of business per year in the iron and steel trade.

During the past year the farmers of the United States raised products valued at something over the sum of \$3,700,000,000. They shipped to foreign countries nearly nine hundred million dollars' worth, of which about \$300,000,000 was in cotton.

Secretary Wilson in his recent annual report, puts it correctly when he says that it is the farmer who has paid the foreign bondholder. For during the past 14 years, taken as a single period, the balance of trade in articles other than farm products has been against us to the extent of \$85,000,000. The farmer not only cancelled this unfavorable balance, but placed \$3,910,000,000 to the credit of this country on the international ledger.

America is primarily an agricultural country, and it is on her agricultural products that she must rely for her prosperity and greatness, as they are now the principal sources of her wealth.—Atlanta Journal.

### MODERN PAUL REVERE UNDER SURGEON'S KNIFE.

At Manitou, Colorado, on the 5th of August, 1892, Leo L. Loeb gained fame by a wonderful "Paul Revere ride" that saved the lives of 2,000 people threatened by a mighty flood of water rushing down upon their homes. Loeb is to undergo a serious operation at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago. Many incisions will be made to separate corals that have grown together, and the young man will be put into a plaster cast that will be worn for four months.

Loeb discovered a cloud burst and saw three dams and a reservoir go out before the flood. When about a mile from Manitou, galloping ahead of the torrents, his horse stumbled and threw him to the ground with a terrible jolt, but bearing his pains he caught his horse and made his famous ride, since which time he has many times been under the surgeon's knife. He expects to be able to discard crutches when he leaves the hospital and take a government position offered him by President Roosevelt.

### AD TO LAD LUCK.

It is the worst luck imaginable to get a bill collector the day after payday.

By keen observation I have learned that it is the worst of luck possible to die on Friday.

It is very bad luck to have the smallpox, the measles and the shingles at one and the same time.

It is very bad luck to get married if your wife's mother is alive, and you are taking chances, anyhow.

To break both legs and an arm on Tuesday is bad luck, but to break both arms and both legs on Wednesday is worse luck.

Avoid, if possible, street car accidents on Wednesday. It is tough fortune, indeed, to fall under a cable car on Thursday.

It is horrible luck to commit suicide on Saturday, and it is also pretty bad luck to cut your throat on Sunday or drink carbonic acid on Monday.

There are so many people who believe in luck and place faith in signs that I have decided to offer a few observations in regard to the matter.

Some people believe in signs and some do not. There was a man once who did not believe in them and he walked on the grass and got pinched.

It is unfortunate to fall down a steep stairway on any day of the week, especially if there is a bucket of coal or a pail of soft soap at the bottom.

It is most unfortunate to go broke on Monday. It is also bad luck to be without money on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

It is bad luck to lose five cents, but of course, it is worse to lose twenty-five cents. Some people think it is very bad luck to lose a meal ticket. But of course, all depends where a man is boarding.—"S. M. Arty," in Chicago Chronicle.

### NEW MATRIMONIAL GAME.

A new swindling game was recently worked on a farmer north of Washington, Ind., who entertained a stranger that claimed to be a minister. He played the part. In the morning a young couple appeared and asked the way to the minister's saying they wanted to get married. The farmer thought of the minister who was staying with him and suggested that the couple be married there. The supposed minister performed the ceremony. The farmer and his wife were called upon to sign the certificate as witnesses. Some time afterwards the farmer was notified that a note for \$1,000 was due. He had signed a note instead of a marriage certificate, and the swindlers had discounted and got cash on the note.

### NOW EDITORS DIE IN OKLAHOMA.

Another name has been dropped from our territorial exchange list. The validity of the editor of the defunct paper is as follows:

"With this issue, the Herald-Banner folds its lily-white hands upon its bosom and turns its pink toes to the daisies, and Milburn, I. T., U. S. A., is without a paper, having witnessed the death of two. It has cost the present firm \$263 to advertise the town, the beautiful blue and fertile soils, and we now throw up the sponge and vassie to make room for another sucker. Ta, ta, au revoir, good-by. We are going to do something for you that the devil will never do—that is leave you."—Exchange.

### WOE IN KENTUCKY.

Men born in the wilds of Kentucky is of fond days and easy virtue. He fisheth, fiddlieth, cusseth and fighteth all the days of his life.

When he desireth to raise hell he pliantheth a neighbor, and lo, he repenteth twenty-fold.

He riseth even from the cradle to seek the scalp of his granddaddy's enemy and bringeth home in his carcass the ammunition of his neighbor's wife's cousin's uncle's father-in-law who avengeth the deed.

Yea, verily, his life is uncertain and he knoweth not the hour when he may be jerked hence.

He goeth forth on a journey half-shot and cometh back on a shutter, shot.

He riseth in the night to let the cat out and it taketh nine doctors three days to pick the buckshot from his person.

He goeth forth in joy and gladness and cometh back in scraps and fragments.

He calleth his fellowman a liar and getteth himself filled with scrap iron even to the fourth generation.

A cyclone bloweth him into the bosom of his neighbor's wife and his neighbor's wife's husband bloweth him into the bosom of Father Abraham before he hath time to explain.

He emptieth a demijohn into himself and a shotgun into his enemy, and his enemy's son lieth in wait on election day and lo, the coroner ploppeth up a forty-acre field to bury that man.

Woe, woe in Kentucky, for her eyes are red with bad whisky and her soil is stained with the blood of damijits! Selah.—Maysville (Kentucky) Pledger.

### YOUTHFUL HIGHWAYMEN.

One day during Christmas week a number of boys, armed with toy pistols, held a boy up on our streets and robbed him of his toys and other Christmas tricks which he had purchased. No doubt these boys were in for a little innocent fun but they were on the wrong road and should have been looked after by their parents as such freedom might encourage them to indulge in crimes of much greater consequence.—Hereford Brand.

The Christian Party will probably be the first to hold a national convention—May 1st, at St. Louis—to nominate a presidential candidate. It consists of all who oppose war, and govern their lives by the Golden Rule. As a matter of economy we suggest they assemble under an umbrella.

In the meantime pay your poll tax.

Donley county's new \$9000 jail has been completed.

By failing to pay your poll tax you do not evade jury service.

St. Louis gets the next Democratic national convention. July 6th is the day fixed.

The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas will meet in annual convention at Ft. Worth in March.

The commissioners court of Dallam county have formally received their new brick court house.

Sterling P. Strong, county clerk of Montague county, announces as a candidate for State Treasurer.

Chillicothe is the first Panhandle town to secure rural free delivery of mail. The route is to supply 98 families.

Commercial agencies and leading financiers all say the financial outlook is bright, and another prosperous year is predicted.

Quannah is working to get an experiment station. The land has been donated and a petition presented to the A & M College.

Russia places another order with United States packeries for meat for her army. Beef 3,000,000 pounds and pork 2,000,000 pounds.

Ruth Cleveland, eldest child of former President Grover Cleveland, died at Princeton, N. J., on Thursday of last week, Jan. 7th, aged 15 years.

Pabst, the Milwaukee brewer died, and his millions couldn't buy him a cool seat in the great beyond. In fact, he couldn't take a dollar of the money with him.

The bill making original packages of liquor and beer subject to the laws of the state into which they are shipped is expected to be favorably reported by the House Judiciary Committee.

It is estimated that the Philippine friole has cost the United States up to the new year about \$627,000,000, including the bonds to be issued for the friar lands, and taking no account of the 10,000 deaths.

One day it is announced all preparations are being made for war between Russia and Japan; then the next day the matter has been brought distinctly within the lines of diplomatic adjustment, so it keeps the public guessing whether there will be war or not. Judging by the latest report there will be fighting tomorrow.

Texas as a whole is in good condition financially. The Dallas News published two pages of reports from every section of the state, outlining the financial condition of the people and banks and prospects for the coming season. The reports show the state to be in extraordinary good shape. The banks show a heavy increase in deposits over the same date last year.

With the turning of the new year the last two surviving lieutenant generals of the Confederacy have passed to their reward. On Jan. 2nd Gen. James Longstreet and on the 9th Gen. John B. Gordon. Gen. Longstreet, immediately on the close of the war, went into the Republican party and was kept in some federal office the rest of his life, being U. S. railway commissioner at the time of his death. He died under the shadow of Gen. Gordon's accusation that he disobeyed the orders of Gen. Lee at Gettysburg and caused Lee's defeat at that great battle, and for this Savannah Confederate veterans refused to send a wreath to the burial of Gen. Longstreet. Gen. Gordon died at his winter home at Miami, Florida, and was at time of his death 71 years old.

The dividends paid by the Standard Oil trust in 1893 amounted to \$44,000,000. This trust is the most powerful combination of capital in the world. It has gathered in every important oil field of the world, and has even brought the Russian government to its terms. When Schwab and his billion dollar steel trust defied the Standard Oil Company, they were crushed as easily as an egg shell, the steel stocks declining six hundred millions in a few weeks, and then the Standard Oil people bought a controlling interest and ousted Schwab.

Every prairie farm should have a timber lot, and some trees should be planted every year. This body of artificial timber should be in proportion to the size and requirements of the farm. Timber for post and wood for fuel are necessities, which are fully appreciated only when they must be bought. The common chin querry tree is well suited for this purpose, so is also the black locust, catalpa, and many others. These all furnish durable posts and excellent fuel.—Farm & Ranch.

Spare ribs will always be a popular dish with gallant men. Women was made of a "spare-rib" and any thing that's good enough to make a woman out of is too good to become unpopular.—Honey Grove Signal.

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The warship Captain Prat, has been ordered to proceed to dry dock and to embark full war equipment, says a Herald dispatch from Valparaiso, Chile.

Mrs. Mamie Bonds has filed suit for divorce because her husband refuses to permit her to be baptized, she having recently become a convert to the Baptist faith.

Ice floes in the Hudson River and New York Bay are more troublesome to navigation than for many years, river crafts being swept from their moorings in numerous cases.

Russel Sage has practically abandoned Wall Street, though visiting his office once or twice and to keep in touch with the things that have made up his very active life.

It is said that the Southern Pacific has abandoned the long contemplated tunnel under the Sierras and will use an electric cog line to climb the mountains, obtaining power from the Truckee River.

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H. L. Brinkley, for whom Brinkley, Ark., was named, died at Memphis, Tenn., under an operation for appendicitis. He pushed the construction of the Memphis and Little Rock Railway to completion.

It is estimated that by the end of this month over one thousand Japanese will have gone back from California to Japan, having been called by the edict of Japanese Council Mimos of San Francisco.

Mayor Borah of Tishomingo, I. T., has received notice from Indian Inspector Wright that the \$50,000 Tishomingo water works and school bonds have received the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

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A dispatch to the Patrie, a Paris paper says that Russia is negotiating with Turkey to permit her Black Sea fleet, said to consist of seventy-six ships, to pass through the straits of Dardanelles.

Four men were killed and several injured by an explosion at the nitroglycerin department of the National explosive works, near Penzance, Eng. The whole district was enveloped in a cloud of black smoke, and nearly every window at St. Ives, three miles from the scene of the explosion, was shattered.

In an opinion by Chief Justice Fuller the supreme court decided that citizens of Porto Rico are not aliens of the United States and that they are entitled to enter this country without obstructions.

At Salt Lake John Gleason, a motor-man on a street car, was shot and instantly killed, and Thomas Brighton, conductor fatally shot shortly after midnight by masked men who attempted to rob them.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wormley Larimer, the authoress, is dead at Baltimore. She was 81 years old, and had been in feeble health for some time. The shock of the death of her husband, Randolph Brandt Larimer, on Christmas eve, hastened her end.

Emil Freitag, a young farmer of Louisiana, was shot three times by an unknown Mexican at San Antonio. Freitag is dead and the Mexican escaped. The latter worked for Freitag and a dispute arose over grubbing a field.

School committees have inaugurated a crusade against Boston teachers chewing gum. The board will consider the advisability of posting a circular in all schools prohibiting the chewing of gum by either teachers or pupils.

An inmate of the Toronto jail, under the name of "Archibald Edward Stuart," has been identified as William Brown, the coachman, who, posing as a foreign prince in England not long ago, married the Countess Russell.

As the result of an alleged defalcation by a trusted employe the brokerage firm of Leighton and Foulke, New York, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. The liabilities are placed at \$83,000.

Mrs. Minnie Kappel has been arrested in Hoboken under charge of bigamy. She is charged with having married twice in Chicago, one of the men being dead, and once in Hoboken, the last husbands being still alive.

Peter Johnson was found dead in a snowbank on Staten Island. Another man was found unconscious from cold on Second avenue. Mrs. Francis Jeanette, aged seventy-five, will likely die as a result of exposure to the cold.

# Gen. J. B. Gordon Has Passed On.

### His Last Thoughts Are of The Battlefield, and His Last Words Full of an Unconquerable Hope.

Miami, Fla., Jan. 11.—Lieut. Gen. John B. Gordon, last of the great Paladins who fought under Robert E. Lee, died at his home near here at 10:05 o'clock Saturday night. All the members of his family were present when the illustrious soldier finally succumbed to death. The end was apparently without pain, the General passing away peacefully as though he were falling into a refreshing slumber.

The immediate cause of death was uramic poison, following a chill, accompanied by high fever, which attacked the General last Thursday.

During his illness, Gen. Gordon was delirious at frequent intervals. While in delirium, his mind seemed to revert to the stirring campaign of the Army of Northern Virginia. Time and again, he would shout, "prepare for action!" Only Saturday, while delirious, he spoke of "carrying the fort," presumably alluding to his daring attack on Fort Steadman during the siege of Petersburg.

About an hour before the end came he said in a whisper, so weak was he, "I hope Gen. Lee won't surrender. I can cut my way through the force in front."

Those present knew that the General's mind was dwelling on the last day of the Confederacy at Appomattox, when Sheridan had his legions in front of Lee's decimated and starving forces. The body left for Atlanta Sunday night.

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The death of Gen. Gordon will bring sorrow to thousands of his admirers the nation over. His high character and noble nature have drawn to him friends in blue as well as friends in gray. There is no section of this vast country in which the name of the hero and statesman of the South is not being repeated to-day with expressions of love and reverence.

Dr. George P. Hachenberg, an old citizen of Austin, died at his home. He was something of a scientist and years ago wrote an article for several magazines outlining what is said to be the present telephone system.

Wanted to Deliver Himself Up. Paris: Will Denny, a young farmer, unmarried, living alone two miles east of Paris, telephoned Sheriff Carpenter at 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning that he had killed a man and desired to surrender. The dead man was John Perry, who lived five miles east of the city, near Reno. Denny claims self-defense. He was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2500.

San Angelo: Charles Wolf of Travis County died for record in the county Clerk's office here a deed from one Sidon Harris, which makes claim to most of the real estate in San Angelo, including some 39,000 acres of land along the river front, taking in a good part of the town. The deed recites that the claim of title come from the original Fisher & Miller Colony grant, made by the Republic of Texas, in 1843.

L. M. Oppenheimer, chairman of the penitentiary board states that work the iron industry at Rusk is progressing satisfactorily and that all will be ready to start about the middle of March. No delays have occurred to retard the work on the furnace, he says.

Hipolito Garcia, a well-known butcher in New Laredo, accidentally killed himself by the discharge of a pistol he was handling.

Jack Bullock, a farmer residing near Clawson, killed himself Friday afternoon by shooting himself through the heart. Family troubles are assigned as a cause for the rash act.

Professor Berget, of Paris, has planned to balloon trip from the Azores to Mexico. His theory is that an ordinary balloon can drift with the trade winds and thus make the voyage.

Mike Algedez, a Mexican, was shot at Rosebud Saturday night and died Sunday.

Major E. C. Gordon, who is promoting the Amarillo, Plainview and Southern Railway, has returned from the East and says that the necessary capital has been raised to build the road, and that it will be built as soon as the necessary bonuses are subscribed.

Mr. Bryan Receives Ovation. New York: Representative Democrats of Greater New York turned out in force Saturday evening and extended a cordial welcome to William Jennings Bryan at the Hotel Victoria, on the occasion of his return from his tour abroad. An address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of New York was made by Judge Samuel Seabury, chairman of the reception committee that greeted Mr. Bryan. Mr. Bryan's reply was most felicitous.

He Gets Out, He Doer. Springfield, Mass.: William J. Reid, who is charged with swindling thirty-two hotels of about \$10,000 in 1902 and is now under sentences aggregating ten years, broke jail here and is still at large. To accomplish his escape he unlocked nine doors and sawed through three chains, visited six different rooms of the county jail, passed in front of several guards and finally climbed an eighteen-foot wall.

New Orleans, La.: In a general order issued by Lieut. Gen. Stephen D. Lee, commander of the Tennessee Department, United Confederate Veterans, Gen. Lee assumes the office of commander in chief of the United Confederate Veterans' Association, made vacant by the death of Gen. John B. Gordon. In his order Gen. Lee states that the staff of the late commander in chief is continued as the staff of the present commanding general.

Pittsburg, Pa.: Orders were issued on Saturday to use Edgar Thomson steel works and blast furnaces at Braddock, and the Carrie blast furnaces at Rankin and the Duquesne blast furnaces at Duquesne, to get the idle blast furnaces in shape for immediate resumption. The starting of the seven big stacks at Braddock within five days presages an early resumption of all the steel mills of the United States Steel Corporation in Western Pennsylvania with 1000 men.

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Four men were killed and several injured by an explosion at the nitroglycerin department of the National explosive works, near Penzance, Eng. The whole district was enveloped in a cloud of black smoke, and nearly every window at St. Ives, three miles from the scene of the explosion, was shattered.

In an opinion by Chief Justice Fuller the supreme court decided that citizens of Porto Rico are not aliens of the United States and that they are entitled to enter this country without obstructions.

At Salt Lake John Gleason, a motor-man on a street car, was shot and instantly killed, and Thomas Brighton, conductor fatally shot shortly after midnight by masked men who attempted to rob them.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wormley Larimer, the authoress, is dead at Baltimore. She was 81 years old, and had been in feeble health for some time. The shock of the death of her husband, Randolph Brandt Larimer, on Christmas eve, hastened her end.

Emil Freitag, a young farmer of Louisiana, was shot three times by an unknown Mexican at San Antonio. Freitag is dead and the Mexican escaped. The latter worked for Freitag and a dispute arose over grubbing a field.

School committees have inaugurated a crusade against Boston teachers chewing gum. The board will consider the advisability of posting a circular in all schools prohibiting the chewing of gum by either teachers or pupils.

An inmate of the Toronto jail, under the name of "Archibald Edward Stuart," has been identified as William Brown, the coachman, who, posing as a foreign prince in England not long ago, married the Countess Russell.

As the result of an alleged defalcation by a trusted employe the brokerage firm of Leighton and Foulke, New York, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. The liabilities are placed at \$83,000.

Mrs. Minnie Kappel has been arrested in Hoboken under charge of bigamy. She is charged with having married twice in Chicago, one of the men being dead, and once in Hoboken, the last husbands being still alive.

## THE SLEEPING BEAUTY.

Sleep on, and dream of heaven awhile—  
The shut so close thy languid eyes,  
Thy rosy lips still wear a smile,  
And move, and breathe the delicious sigh!

Ah, now soft blushes tinge her cheeks  
And mantle o'er her neck of snow,  
Ah, now she murmurs, now she speaks  
What I most wish—and fear to know!

She starts, she trembles, and she weeps!  
Her fair hands folded on her breast,  
And now, how like a saint she sleeps!  
A seraph in the realms of rest!

Sleep on secure! Above control  
Thy thoughts belong to heaven and  
And may the secret of thy soul  
Remain within its sanctuary!  
—Samuel Rogers.



boundless plains on one side, the mountains on the other, the winds of the desert whirling sand and snow against our little house and the moon looking coldly down at the spectacle of an engineer making love to his fireman.

"That night the Kid slept in the bed in the house and I stayed on the engine.

"When we got back to headquarters the Kid laid off to go home and I made a trip or two with another fireman and then I had to go to Illinois to fix up some family business—Kid and I arranged that.

"We met in St. Louis, the Kid hired a ball dress and we were married as quiet as possible. I had promised the Kid that, for the present, at least, she could stay on the road with me, and you know the year you were there I did most of the heavy fring, while the Kid did the running. We remained in the service for something like two years—a strange couple, but happy in each other's company and our work.

"I often talked to my wife about leaving the road and starting in new, where we were not known, as man and wife, she to remain at home, but she wouldn't hear of it, asking if I did most of the heavy fring, while the Kid did the running. We remained in the service for something like two years—a strange couple, but happy in each other's company and our work.

"One day as our 'hog' was drifting down the long hill the Kid said to me, 'Jim, you ain't get youn' Irishman; I'm going to quit this trip.'

"John, we both quit, and went South. I got a job in Texas and the Kid was lost sight of and Mrs. J. E. Wainwright appeared on the scene in tea-gown, train and bouffant. We furnished a neat little den and I was happy. I missed my Kid fireman, and did, indeed, have an Irishman. Kid had a struggle to wear petticoats again and did not take kindly to dish washing.

"Our little fellow arrived one spring day and then our skies were all sunshine for three long, happy years, until one day Kid and I followed a little white hearse out beyond the cypress grove and saw the earth covered over our darling, over our hopes, over our sunshine and over our hearts.

"After that the house was like a tomb, so still, so solemn, and at every turn were reminders of the little white hearse out beyond the cypress grove and saw the earth covered over our darling, over our hopes, over our sunshine and over our hearts.

"At every turn poor Kid was nutely reminded of her loss, and her heart was at the breaking point day by day, and while busy in the tank I felt the air go on full and the reverse lever come back, while the wheels ground and I stepped quickly toward the cab to see what was the matter, when the Kid sprang into the gangway and cried 'Jim!'

"I was in the left gangway in a second, but quick as a flash the Kid had my arm.

"The other side! Quick! The river!"

"We were almost side and side as she swung me toward the other side of the engine, and jumped as we crashed into a landslide. I felt Kid's hand on my shoulder as I left the deck—just in time to save my life, but not the Kid's.

"She was crushed between the tank and the boiler in the very act of keeping me from jumping to certain death on the rocks in the river below.

"When the crew came they found me with the crushed clay of my poor loved Kid in my arms, kissing her.

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## WHERE THE PAIN WAS.

Youngster's Ingenious but Rather Transparent Excuse. Joe Wilson lives out in the suburbs. He had put in a liberal supply of red fire, gunpowder, etc., in order to celebrate a certain anticipated victory during the recent election. Unfortunately, the election went the wrong way and his ammunition was stored carefully away in the garret closet.

The other day Joe's little boy Robert, decided to have a celebration of his own. He stuffed a lead pipe with a few spoonfuls of the black powder, and while dropping a lighted match into the end leaped over the apparatus to see that there would be no hitch in the operation. There was no hitch.

The thing went off beautifully, and so did little Robert, yelling madly as he ran toward the bed, his hair badly singed and his face and hands smeared with burnt powder. The little fellow suffered intensely, and his moans managed to carry as far as his father's ears down in the library.

Joe rushed upstairs to his son's room. One glance at the bed sheets, which were badly besmeared with the black blotches, told him that something was wrong.

"Robert, my son, what have you been doing?" asked the stern parent. Robert had covered his head with the sheet. Nothing but a low moan came as an answer.

"Robert, my son, what all you?" demanded the other, pulling down the sheet and revealing a horrible spectacle.

"Nothing, father," wailed the youngster, more frightened than hurt, "but I have a terrible stomach ache."

A SWISS JACK SHEPPARD. Prison Breaker and Author of Fifty-Two Burglaries. A modern Jack Sheppard named Vitali, a native of Verona, has been sentenced to ten years' penal servitude, and an accomplice named Baudry to two years, by the tribunal of Haute Savoy, Switzerland.

Vitali was accused of eleven thefts and burglaries, but in all he committed fifty-two before being captured. Twice he escaped from the police station, and a board he would never be taken alive. He always carried a loaded revolver and terrorized the inhabitants of the entire department.

The manner of his escape from Anney prison was sensational. With a bar of iron he fabricated a key which opened all the doors of the prison. One day he walked out, and with the aid of a rope which he made with bits of strings, climbed over the high wall. On gaining entrance to a house he ransacked the place. Nothing came amiss to him—money, bicycles, books, ties, corsets, table napkins, stockings, even postage stamps, were found in a barn where the burglar concealed his booty.

He was a great favorite with women, being a handsome man, and possessing winning ways. He received the long sentence with the greatest sangfroid, and asked a gendarme standing at his side for a drink.

The Home-Made Wedding. Me fur the home-made weddin'; the good, old-fashioned kind. Where love an' hope, an' not splendor, are uppermost in the mind, where there's jest the family preacher—the one we have known for years; Some honest spoken "O, bless you!" some smiles an' perhaps some tears. Where every word of the service has a meaning that's deep an' true, An' a promise is made that is strong enough to last for a while through.

Where there ain't no sneerin' envy that smiles an' mocks an' pretends; Where the flowers are the simple sort that bloom in the sunshine of home an' friends.

When "Mandy and me was married—the time is years away; Yet the memory of it stands as clear as if it was yesterday. There wasn't no crowd in waitin' to see us as we went past. It was jes' a home-made weddin' that was guaranteed to last. There wasn't no pomp an' glitter. The presents was rather few. But we spoke from our very inmost hearts when we uttered the words "I do."

As the skies was blue an' happy, an' the heat that shined in the sun, Is no more constant from year to year than the love in "Mandy's eyes." —Washington Star.

Had Nothing to Say. Prof. Simon Newcomb, in his autobiography, tells the following story of Prof. Joseph Winlock, former director of the Harvard university observatory: "While he was attached to the naval academy he was introduced one evening at a reception to a visiting lady. He looked at the lady for a decorous length of time and she looked at him; then they parted without saying a word. His introducer watched the scene and asked him: 'Why did you not talk to that lady?' 'I had no statement to make to her,' was the reply. Dr. Gould told me this story was founded on fact, but when after Winlock's death it was put off on me with some alterations, I felt less sure."

Somewhat Twisted. The average American in the Philippines makes sorry work of the Spanish language; but the Spaniards also have difficulty in mastering English. A Detroit woman opened a Manila paper the other day and saw the following advertisement of a prominent Spanish dry-goods house that caters to American trade:

"Importing goods receiving by all mails from Europe. The highest novelties in weavings of silks and linen. Hats, and all sorts of Adorning for ladies and children. A complete assortment of all kinds of goods for gentlemen."

THREE YEARS AFTER. Eugene E. Larie, of 751 Twentieth avenue, ticket seller in the Union Station, Denver, Col., says: "You are at liberty to repeat what I first stated through our Denver papers about Doan's Kidney Pills in the summer of 1899, for I have had no reason in the interval why I should change my opinion of the change my opinion of the severe attacks of backache, always aggravated if I sat long at a desk. Doan's Kidney Pills absolutely stopped my backache. I have never had a pain or twinge since."

Had Eaten the Bones. During the siege of Mafeking one of the officers organized a concert, or "singsong," to keep up the spirits of the men. He discovered, according to the story as it is told in "V. C.," that the men had cause enough for low spirits. Hearing of a sergeant in the Highlanders who was a good performer, he asked the man to contribute to the concert. "I'm sorry, sir, but I cannot," "Why?" asked the officer. "You play some instrument, don't you?" "I did, sir." "What was it?" "The bones, sir; but I've eaten 'em."

A Physician's Statement. Yorktown, Ark., Jan. 11.—Leland Williamson, M. D., one of our cleverest physicians, has made a statement, endorsing Dodd's Kidney Pills and saying that he uses them in his daily practice in preference to any other kidney medicine. His statement has created a profound sensation, as it is somewhat unusual for a physician to publicly endorse anything in the shape of a patent medicine. Dr. Williamson says:

"After twenty years' practice in a sickly and malarious country I have come to the conclusion that it is always best to use the remedy that will relieve and cure my patients, whether ethical or not.

"I have used Dodd's Kidney Pills with uniform success in the various forms of Kidney Disease, Pain in the Back, Gout, Rheumatism, Inflammation and Congestion of the Kidneys and all kindred diseases; I always prescribe Dodd's Kidney Pills in such cases and can testify that they invariably restore the Kidneys to their normal state and thereby relieve the blood of accumulated poisons, producing prompt and effective cures."

The Japanese Heil. The Japanese language has no equivalent for our word "hell," but has the word "Jikoku" instead. Jikoku consists of, first, eight immense hot hells, ranging one beneath the other in tiers. Each of these hells has sixteen additional hells outside its gates, like so many antechambers, so that there are in all 136 hot hells. Second, there are eight large cold hells, each with its sixteen antechambers, making the same number of cold hells. There are of hot hells. Besides these 272 hot and cold hells for offenders of the common sort the wily Japs have twenty nammo "hells of utter darkness," into which will be consigned the spirits of children who take the name of Dai Butsu, or Great Buddha, in vain.

If you would avoid temptation busy yourself with your own affairs. Doing good by example is a very slow way of instituting reforms. There are lots of people who are really proud of their weaknesses. The paper bills of the United States printing offices amount to \$750,000 a year.

The people who are always looking for bargains seldom get rich as quickly as those who offer them. A large bronze eagle with one wing broken and drooping is the main feature of the French national monument which is to be erected on the field of Waterloo.

GIVES "GO" Food That Carries One Along. It's nice to know of food that not only tastes delicious but that puts the snap and go into one and supplies staying power for the day. A woman says: "I have taken enough medicine in my time to furnish a drug store, but in later and wiser years I have taken none, but have depended for the health I now enjoy, on suitable and sustaining food of which I keep on hand a tested variety, plain but nourishing.

"Of these my main dependence is Grape-Nuts, especially if I have been a day of unusual effort either mental or physical. In this case I fortify myself the first thing in the morning with about 4 teaspoonfuls of Grape-Nuts moistened with cream and not much else for breakfast, and the amount of work I can then carry through successfully without fatigue or exhaustion is a wonder to those about me and even to myself.



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A short time ago, by request, Isaac came to Waco, and sat for his picture. In his hand he held a stick cut from the grave of General Andrew Jackson, which has been carried by him ever since. Mr. Brock is a dignified old gentleman, showing few signs of decrepitude. His family Bible is still preserved, and it shows that the date of his birth was written 115 years ago.

"I had several long sieges with the grip. At first I did not know that Pe-ru-na was a remedy for this disease. When I heard that the grip was epidemic catarrh, I tried Pe-ru-na for a catarrh and found it to be just the thing."

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### THE DUKE OF MARMELADE.

It is not generally known that there is a Haytian nobility. When, many years ago, a negro general made himself dictator of Hayti, under the title of Emperor Faustin, the First, he created numerous nobilities. Their descendants claim to be nobles to this day, though they are not acknowledged by the Haytian government. Among these come opera noblemen are the Duke of Marmelade and the Duke of Limonade, who take the titles from the places with those names in Hayti.—N. Y. Sun.

### A Highland Dinner.

"The highland dinner is a very smart affair, and it is never seen south of the Tweed," says the London Queen. "The laird wears his full dress kilt every night, and every one with any claim to a clan does the same, so that often there are more kilts men around the table than black coats.

### THE TAMING OF A TIGER.

How Clever Showman Got the Best of Feroocious Man-Eater.

"The trainers of wild beasts," said John Lover of the Zoo, "sometimes show a good deal of originality in devising means to subdue intractable animals. For instance, there was a showman I used to know named Melchior. He once bought for a song a magnificent Bengal tiger, getting it so cheap because it had already killed two men. This tiger had a ferocious nature. Melchior at first would put his foot or his hand into the cage, but from the way it next leapt at him he knew that to put himself entirely in its power would be suicide. Nothing he could do would establish a friendly relation between himself and the tiger. Some originality was needed, and Melchior showed it by taking some old clothes, stuffing them with rags and throwing them in the cage. The tiger in a jiffy tore the old clothes to pieces, thinking them a human being. Next day, and the next day, and the next, Melchior continued to throw in to the tiger stuffed figures, and the tiger continued to destroy them; only, as time passed, the animal ceased to put heat into its work, and in the end, to make a long story short, it gave up altogether these attacks on the scarecrows—it would just play with them or else not notice them at all. Now was Melchior's time. He opened the cage door one morning, walked in boldly and slipped the tiger familiarly on the back. It gave him a friendly look and purred. It took him, you see, for another mannikin. It lived seven years with Melchior and finally died of heart trouble, and through all those seven years it was as gentle as a kitten. A child could have handled it."—Philadelphia Record.

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**LOCAL NOTES.**

Light bread at the R. E. LeFors meat market.  
 F. P. Hoare called around replenished our coffers Tuesday.  
 F. P. Reid of Wheeler county made a visit to Miami Wednesday.  
 Butter and chickens for sale at the R. E. LeFors meat market.  
 Feed your horse on kaffir corn chops if you want him fat and sleek.  
 Fresh Fruit, Candies and Nuts, at the G. M. Black Confectionery Stand.  
 Rev. Emmons will fill the pulpit at the Presbyterian church tomorrow.  
 Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Coconuts, at the G. M. Black Confectionery.  
 Thos. O'Loughlin made his annual substantial call at this office this week.  
 Drs. Dodson & Lewis, Dentists, front rooms, Smith building, Amarillo.  
 L. P. Smith sends THE CHIEF to a friend at Roano, Texas, for a year.  
 A. L. Purvis and wife of Adobe Walls were trading in Miami Wednesday.  
 Woods Coffee kindly remembered this office with cash on subscription this week.  
 J. W. Harris, of the Chicken creek ballwick, was trading in the county capital Thursday.  
 Miss Thompson and Mrs. Pender have returned from a visit to relatives in central Texas.  
 Jim Talley and wife of Wheeler county visited relatives in Miami the latter part of last week.  
 The law has been amended so that the failure to pay poll tax does not exempt a person from jury service.  
 Lee Cunningham was in from his ranch Monday and remembered this office with cash on subscription.  
 Kaffir corn chops for sale at Johnston Bros. store in Miami and at the Jackson Bros. ranch.  
 Cashier O. P. Jones and wife expect to leave Monday for several weeks visit to relatives at Cason and other points.  
 Attorney Harry Hendricks of Amarillo was down on a visit to his ranch near Miami the former part of this week.  
 Fish and oysters, sausage and all reasonable lunch goods, kept in stock and served at the G. M. Black Short-Order-Lunch-Room.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Rawlings left the former part of this week for their home in Donley county, after a visit in Miami to their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Rainey.  
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 An old negro, on seeing a automobile go down the street, exclaimed: "Dem Yankoes sho am smart people; dere feed de nigger, an' now dey am goin' to free de mule."  
 Send your orders for boots and shoes to W. T. Gardner & Co., Canadian, Texas. Order blanks furnished upon application.  
 Commissioners court was in session Monday and Tuesday, with Judge Locke, presiding, and Commissioners Sengans, Byrd and Chisum, present. Only routine work was before the body.  
 Monday afternoon late snow began to fall thick and fast and the people predicted a bad storm. Shortly after dusk it ceased snowing and on the following morning the sun rose bright and clear.  
 If you want milk and butter feed your cow on kaffir corn chops.  
 F. L. Renfro, a very promising young stockman and one of our society boys, becomes a regular reader of THE CHIEF and also sends the paper to his mother at Gainesville.  
 Roberts County District Court convenes in Miami on the first Monday in February—which happens to be the first day of the month. The court will have a lengthy docket.  
 Blackberry Cider, Apple Cider, Orange Cider and Soda Pop at Black's.  
 Our townsman, Rev. DE. Baker, has been called as pastor by the Baptist church at Higgins. Rev. Whately who has been filling monthly appointments at Higley, with the beginning of the new year will give two Sundays to Canadian in each month.  
 Miss Kate Kivlehen accompanied Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Cunningham on their visit to El Paso, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Houston and other points. The party left last Saturday and Mrs. Dan Kivlehen and children accompanied them as far as Amarillo.  
 The cotton acreage around this town will be doubled next year. Farmers that had no cotton this year have said that they would put in a large acreage next year. You may kick about raising cotton in the Panhandle, but the cotton crop was the salvation of Childress county farmers this year.—Childress Index.

In publishing the Treasurer's quarterly report we made a typographical error in giving the balance in the General County Fund, putting a 4 where there should have been a 3. How ever, this mistake was in the balance given aside from the main column of figures where it was placed that the balance in each fund might be seen at a glance. In the main column where the balance figured up in the total the figures were correct.

If Jesus had left nothing but the Parables, His name would have been imperishable in literature; if He had bequeathed to posterity nothing but the simplicity of His speech and irresistible logic of His argument, He would have had a permanent place among the orators of the world; if he had given to the world nothing but the commandment: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," enforced as it was by His own example this one gift would have been sufficient to outweigh all the wealth of the world; if he had left no record but the sermon on the Mount, it alone would have made His natal day worthy of perpetual celebrations and all these added to the matchless majesty of a perfect life and the inspiring influence of an all-prevailing love, are turning the eyes of an ever increasing number to the path that he trod from the manger to the cross.—Commoner.

J. B. Baird was in from his Gray county ranch Wednesday and made this office a substantial call. Mr. Baird has sold four sections of his ranch to Mr. White of Henrietta. Consideration \$5,200. The sale was made through Jackson Bros., real estate agents, Miami. Mr. White will send a party out from Henrietta to take charge of the place at once and begin to improve it. Mr. White will probably not move to the Panhandle till next fall, and will then likely make his home in Miami. He is a man of means, has a large and estimable family and will be a valuable acquisition to our town.

On December 20th, at the home of the bride's parents in Hutchinson county, Mr. T. J. O'Neal and Miss May Taylor were united in the sacred bonds of matrimony. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Champ Taylor and is well known among our people here, having made many friends while attending school at this place two years ago.

Christopher Brothers have their well drilling outfit at work putting down the well in the court house yard. The trees have been set out and in several years the court house yard will be a thing of beauty, the most attractive spot in town, and will be a monument to the wisdom of our present commissioners court which ordered the work done.

A scholar in a country school was asked to parse, "Mary milks the cow." The last word was disposed of thus: "Cow, a noun, feminine gender, third person, and stands for Mary." "Stands for Mary," said the teacher, "how do you make that out?" "Why," replied the intelligent pupil, "if the cow didn't stand for Mary, how could she milk her?"

**A Cereal Station on the XIT.**  
 I should perhaps say that our Panhandle Experiment Station was not established at Amarillo, but located at Channing, on the XIT ranch, in co-operation with Mr. A. G. Boyce, manager.—M. A. Carleton; Corralist, Washington, D. C.

**A Timely Thought.**  
 A man whose cardinal goal in life is to make money will stall. To such a man stealing is a fine art, upon the possession of which talent he congratulates himself. Getting more than belongs to him he considers thrifty; causing one man to fall that he may rise he calls self preservation. He is not exactly a highwayman—no he lacks the criminal chivalry and physical daring of that class of robber. He prefers to be a genteel scoundrel, and so works the way of his egotism into a being whom he esteems to be exempt from the ten commandments and immune from criticism. He is encouraged in his hallucination by his fellow townsmen and as his wealth expands he rises to a loftier plane in society, in commerce, in politics and in religion.—Schoolmaster.

**Chickens for Sale!**  
 "Chickens for Sale"—for further information call on or address  
 MRS. L. D. MILLER.

**ATTENTION, STOCKMEN!**  
 To the stockmen of Gray, Wheeler, Hemphill and Roberts counties: C. H. Tabl, the noted JA spayer, will be at my ranch April 10th, 1904. Parties wishing yearlings spey-ed send me the list and location and I will arrange to take you in turn. Tabl spayed some 2000 head last year and lost one. Also I have some young bulls for sale.  
 H. B. LOVETT, LeFors, Texas.

**LAND!**  
 Power of Attorney has been conferred upon the undersigned to sell direct to purchasers, and to execute deeds for lands in Block Number Three of the I. & G. N. R. R. Co. surveys, Gray County, Texas; also for lots in the new and promising town of Pampa.  
 The rich quality and fast rising value of the land are already too generally known to need much comment. Liberal terms and a low rate of interest.  
 I have also very excellent pastures to rent.  
 T. D. HOBART,  
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**Cured After Suffering 10 Years.**  
 B. F. Hars, Sup. Miami Cyoia & Mfg. Co. Middletown, O. suffered for ten years with dyspepsia. He spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and with doctors without receiving any permanent benefit. He says, "One night while feeling exceptionally bad I was about to throw down the evening paper when I saw an item in the paper regarding the merits of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I concluded to try it and while I had no faith in it I felt better after the second dose. After using two bottles I am stronger and better than I have been in years, and I recommend Kodol Dyspepsia Cure to my friends and acquaintances suffering from stomach troubles." Sold by The Miami Drug Co.

**Conditions Around Quannah**

A report from Quannah says the wheat outlook so far is a complete failure, owing to the long drought now on, and as a result a large per cent of the wheat land will be put in cotton the coming year. The cotton acreage will be more than doubled. The boll weevil is not known, and cotton is a sure crop in this country. Some all is beginning to be tried there for the first time. Irrigation is talked of a great deal by some of the more prominent farmers and there is no doubt that in a short while that country will be irrigated, for water is all the soil needs to produce the finest of fruit, vegetables, etc. Cattle are very poor for the time of year and will have to be fed to go through the winter, as there is no grass for them.—Exchange.

**The Question of Marriage.**

If these gay, light hearted girls, commonly called "boy-crazy," would give as much careful thought to the question of marriage as they give to a new gown and its trimmings, innumerable sad marriages would be avoided. It is the one thing that really counts in a girl's whole life. For most every thing else she may do there is a remedy; there is none for a lackless marriage. "Oh, yes," says one, "there is a divorce." Is a divorce a remedy? Is a girl's life as sweet and unspotted after living a miserable life with a miserable man as when she was a happy, care-free girl in her father's home? Are her name and reputation unscathed after having dragged them through a divorce court? No, divorce is not a remedy. If a woman marries unhappy she has much more to lose than the man, and divorce is but the lesser of the two evils. Even divorce is often not to be thought of for the woman who has children; these commonly make her dependent on the husband for support, and there is nothing to do but bear the burden the best she can. There is but one thing more to a sensitive, pure minded woman than the continued living with a man for whom she has neither love nor respect; that one alternative is the divorce court, and a modest, pure minded woman shrinks from this as from nothing else.  
 It is well for the girl who wishes to marry to ponder well what she is about to do, and not marry the first man who asks her, whether good, bad or indifferent, merely for the sake of getting married. If she has been blessed with the proper training, and has a wise father and mother, she will look deeper than the mere surface matter, and will learn to regard marriage as the most grave and important step she will ever be called upon to take. Its influence for weal or woe is far reaching as life itself.—Selected.

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