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By a vote of 212 to 35, the house of representatives in Washington Friday tabled all reference made by President Roosevelt to the secret service both in his first message to congress this session and in his second special message in answer to a house resolution. The vote followed seven hours of debate, replete with interest to crowded galleries, but on the whole, the assault on the president, except for the rebuke administered by the adoption of the report of the select committee, was considered mild by the membership.

## DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

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

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

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

For his part in the dispatching of the steamer Goldsboro to Honduras last spring with \$80,000 worth of goods said to have been obtained under false pretense, Albert W. Bailey, former secretary and treasurer of the defunct Export Shipping Company of New York, Tuesday was sentenced to States prison for not less than four years and six months or more than six years and eight months.

By the collapse of a scaffold at the Central Blast Furnace in Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday, fifteen Italian workmen were thrown to the ground. One man was killed and the others seriously injured, some probably fatally. The men were thirty feet in the air, engaged in tearing down a brick chimney.

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

Point-blank refusals to hear the Standard Oil case were made Wednesday by both Chicago Judges of the United States District Court.

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

The Emperor of Korea, accompanied by Marquis Ito of Japan and his Ministers, left Seoul Wednesday morning for a tour of the Empire it being his purpose to investigate conditions.

The city council of Kaufman passed an ordinance to issue \$6000 worth of waterworks bonds. It levied the tax for this year, which was the same as last year, \$1.10 on each \$100 valuation.

Carol Lockett, who resides about one mile west of Mullin, was found in her room Wednesday evening with her clothes burned from her body. She died from the effects of the burns Friday.

Fire Tuesday night destroyed practically the entire stock of the Bon Marche clothing and dry goods house. The stock was owned by Mistrot Brothers and Mr. Mistrot placed his loss at \$45,000.

In one of the prettiest wrestling matches ever seen in Dallas, Joe Kelley of that city sustained Friday night at Turner Hall his claims to the light-weight championship of Texas by throwing Frank Merlink of Germany two successive falls.

That the Waters-Pierce Oil Company intends to pay the \$50,000 fine recently assessed by the Missouri Supreme Court and abide by the State laws was evidenced Saturday, when it failed to file motion for a rehearing, or to have the judgment modified. The time limit for filing such motion expired Saturday.

The Mexican lines of the Southern Pacific System, now under construction, it is believed, will be of great importance to Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California, as the new railroad will open up a virgin territory, which has heretofore been without, or has had inadequate railroad facilities.

Mrs. M. Florence Erb, wife of J. Clayton Erb, who was well known in political circles all over Pennsylvania, and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, who were charged with the sensational murder of Capt. Erb on the night of October 6, 1908, Thursday walked from the Delaware County, Pa., court house free women.

The Railroad Commission Friday received a petition from the Galveston Chamber of Commerce asking that it hold a general hearing to consider the matter of readjusting rates into and out of Galveston on classes and commodities, the idea being to have the differential abolished, like the court ordered on the Brownsville line.

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

The jury in the noted Tennessee night riders' case, which has been on trial for several weeks, returned a verdict Thursday at Union City, Tenn., finding six of the defendants guilty of murder in the first degree, and leaving their punishment to be assessed by the court, and the rest of the men being tried on the same charge were found guilty and their punishment assessed at twenty years each in the penitentiary.

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

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

A draw was the decision at the end of a twelve-round bout between Jack (Twin) Sullivan of Cambridge and Bill McKinnon of Roxbury at the Armory club in Boston Tuesday.

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

Senator D. M. Alexander of Weatherford will offer in the Thirty-First Legislature a bill to establish a school of technology and agriculture in Weatherford.

Gustav H. Schwab, at the meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce Thursday, started a movement for the alteration of the Panama plan so as to provide a sea-level canal.

Two were killed and a score more others more or less seriously injured when a passenger and freight train on the Frisco road collided head on near Fisher, a small station near Tulsa, Okla.

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## WRIGHT ANSWERS FORAKER

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

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

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

## Big Ranch in Webb County Sold.

Laredo: A deal was closed Tuesday in which a syndicate, represented by Tom Coleman, a well known Texas stockman, purchased the Callaghan ranch in Webb county, containing 125,000 acres of grazing lands. The price is said to have been \$700,000, which does not include the large stock of goats, sheep and cattle belonging to the ranch. Albert Urban owned the property.

## New Braunfels Situation.

Austin: The impression is growing here that there may be happenings at New Braunfels next Sunday unless the officers assure Governor Campbell before that day that the saloons will be closed on the Sabbath. It is believed that the officers are to be given this week to come up with an assurance of some kind, and if they do not offer any, then the governor will take the situation in hand.

## President Sends Message.

Washington: President Roosevelt on Monday sent to the House of Representatives a special message, answering its resolution concerning that portion of his regular message relating to the Secret Service. The President reiterates in its entirety all that portion of his former message to which the house took exception, and emphatically declares that he meant what he said.

## Ranger Killed; Deputy Surrenders.

Amarillo: Doc Thomas, one of the Texas Rangers stationed here, belonging to Company A, is dead from the result of a bullet through the head received Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock. Thomas was in the office of the county attorney and he and Deputy Sheriff Keeton had been in conversation. After the shot was fired Keeton came from the room and surrendered to the sheriff.

## Southwestern Poultry Show.

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## Big Blaze at Texarkana

Texarkana: At 12 o'clock Wednesday night fire destroyed the Hayden Dry Goods Company and the J. L. Chatfield Hardware Company's establishments and Cassidy's saloon on East Broad street. The total loss is roughly estimated at \$200,000.

## Asks for Street Car Franchise.

Wichita Falls: Judge Edgar Scurry Wednesday asked the city council for a franchise for an electric street railway to the built within six months.

## Train Goes Through Bridge

Wills Point: Second No. 19, T. & P. westbound freight train, with Conductor Turner and Engineer Peck, went into a bridge two miles west of Fruitvale, eleven miles east of here, Wednesday night at 9:40 o'clock. Two negroes riding in a box car are reported killed.

At a meeting of the city council of Cleburne Wednesday Oak Grove addition was taken into the city limits, only one resident protesting against the order.

## To Approve Causeway Contract

Austin: The railroad commission will approve the Galveston causeway contract, when it is presented in due form, following its execution by the parties at interest. The opinion of Attorney General Davidson sustaining its validity was received by the commission Wednesday and Chairman Mayfield authorized the statement that the contract would be approved when presented.

## A Peculiar Accident.

Fort Worth: Miss Minnie Heager of North Fort Worth was the victim of a peculiar accident which may result in the loss of the use of her left arm. In company with a party of young people Miss Heager was walking in front of a building when her foot slipped and in attempting to prevent falling she ran her arm through a window. The broken glass inflicted a wound on the forearm, cutting across the muscles about an inch and a half deep.

## Will Ask Manamus.

San Antonio: At a meeting of the commissioner's court Tuesday the members decided to apply for a mandamus to compel County Auditor Ramsey to approve the per diem of the County Judge and Commissioners' Court. Because these officers had not been commissioned by the Governor the auditor refused to approve the warrants. This may take the whole matter into the courts.

## Bill in Behalf of Clerks.

Austin: It was learned that the Women's Federation of Clubs will attempt to have the next legislature pass a bill providing for the relief of clerks in stores. The proposed bill will require the managers of stores to equip such places with stools behind the counters so that the clerks may have an opportunity to rest and not have to stand the entire day.

## Millers Suits Compromised.

Austin: The millers suits are to be settled for \$35,000 and by necessary injunctions seeking to prevent the existence of the alleged unlawful organizations. The judgment was to have been entered Tuesday, but the district clerk claimed fees the defendants refused to pay, and the matter is to be further considered Wednesday.

## Fire Damage Near \$50,000.

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## Killing Near Greenville.

Greenville: J. H. Newby, a farmer of the Wagner community, six miles west of here, was shot and killed about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening near his home. As soon as the shooting was over, Izzy Thompson, who married Mollie Newby, daughter of J. H. Newby, on Christmas day, telephone to the officers and came in and surrendered.

## Big Day at Buckner's Home.

Dallas: Sunday was a great day at the Buckner Orphan's Home, located six miles east of Dallas. It marked the completion and dedication of the new two-story chapel and school building and also was in celebration of the seventy-sixth birthday of the founder and general manager, Rev. Robert Cook Buckner, D. D.

## Bill Can't Go to Africa.

Austin: Captain W. J. McDonald, State Revenue Agent, returned Monday morning from New York and Washington where he spent the holidays. While in Washington Captain McDonald advised the President that he would be unable to accompany him on the African trip because of the exactions of his official duties.

## Fort Worth-Cleburne Interurban.

Fort Worth: According to present plans a corps of engineers will begin Wednesday the preliminary survey of the Fort Worth-Cleburne interurban. The work will be under the direction of B. G. Leake and his assistant, S. H. Hartman, and it is expected the survey will be completed in two weeks. The work of construction will begin by the first of April.

A committee has been organized in Berlin, Germany, to assist the sufferers from the Italian earthquake.

## Bought by Dallas Man.

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

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By a vote of 212 to 35, the house of representatives in Washington Friday tabled all reference made by President Roosevelt to the secret service, both in his first message to congress this session and in his second special message in answer to a house resolution. The vote followed seven hours of debate, replete with interest to crowded galleries, but on the whole, the assault on the president, except for the rebuke administered by the adoption of the report of the select committee, was considered mild by the membership.

## DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

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

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

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

For his part in the dispatching of the steamer Goldsboro to Honduras last spring with \$80,000 worth of goods said to have been obtained under false pretense, Albert W. Bailey, former secretary and treasurer of the defunct Export Shipping Company of New York, Tuesday was sentenced to States prison for not less than four years and six months or more than six years and eight months.

By the collapse of a scaffold at the Central Blast Furnace in Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday, fifteen Italian workmen were thrown to the ground. One man was killed and the others seriously injured, some probably fatally. The men were thirty feet in the air, engaged in tearing down a brick chimney.

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

Point-blank refusals to hear the Standard Oil case were made Wednesday by both Chicago Judges of the United States District Court.

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

The Emperor of Korea, accompanied by Marquis Ito of Japan and his Ministers, left Seoul Wednesday morning for a tour of the Empire it being his purpose to investigate conditions.

The city council of Kaufman passed an ordinance to issue \$6000 worth of waterworks bonds. It levied the tax for this year, which was the same as last year, \$1.10 on each \$100 valuation.

Carol Lockett, who resides about one mile west of Mullin, was found in her room Wednesday evening with her clothes burned from her body. She died from the effects of the burns Friday.

Fire Tuesday night destroyed practically the entire stock of the Bon Marche clothing and dry goods house. The stock was owned by Mistrot Brothers and Mr. Mistrot placed his loss at \$45,000.

In one of the prettiest wrestling matches ever seen in Dallas, Joe Kelley of that city sustained Friday night at Turner Hall his claims to the light-weight championship of Texas by throwing Frank Merlink of Germany two successive falls.

That the Waters-Pierce Oil Company intends to pay the \$50,000 fine recently assessed by the Missouri Supreme Court and abide by the State laws was evidenced Saturday, when it failed to file motion for a rehearing, or to have the judgment modified. The time limit for filing such motion expired Saturday.

The Mexican lines of the Southern Pacific System, now under construction, it is believed, will be of great importance to Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California, as the new railroad will open up a virgin territory, which has heretofore been without, or had inadequate railroad facilities.

Mrs. M. Florence Erb, wife of J. Clayton Erb, who was well known in political circles all over Pennsylvania, and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, who were charged with the sensational murder of Capt. Erb on the night of October 6, 1908, Thursday walked from the Delaware County, Pa., court house free women.

The Railroad Commission Friday received a petition from the Galveston Chamber of Commerce asking that it hold a general hearing to consider the matter of readjusting rates into and out of Galveston on classes and commodities, the idea being to have the differential abolished, like the court ordered on the Brownsville line.

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

The jury in the noted Tennessee night riders' case, which has been on trial for several weeks, returned a verdict Thursday at Union City, Tenn., finding six of the defendants guilty of murder in the first degree, and leaving their punishment to be assessed by the court, and the rest of the men being tried on the same charge were found guilty and their punishment assessed at twenty years each in the penitentiary.

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

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

A draw was the decision at the end of a two-round bout between Jack (Twin) Sullivan of Cambridge and Bill McKinnon of Roxbury at the Armory club in Boston Tuesday.

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

Senator D. M. Alexander of Weatherford will offer in the Thirty-First Legislature a bill to establish a school of technology and agriculture in Weatherford.

Gustav H. Schwab, at the meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce Thursday, started a movement for the alteration of the Panama plan so as to provide a sea-level canal.

Two were killed and a score more others more or less seriously injured when a passenger and freight train on the Frisco road collided head on near Fisher, a small station near Tulsa, Okla.

## INQUIRY COSTS \$15,000

### GOVERNMENT SPENDS SUM IN EMPLOYMENT OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES.

## WRIGHT ANSWERS FORAKER

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

Washington, Jan. 11.—It has cost the government \$15,000 already in the employment of private detective agencies to investigate the Brownsville affair, and the contracts with these agencies are still in force. This information was received by the Senate Tuesday from Secretary Wright in response to the Foraker resolution inquiring when and by what authority of law Herbert J. Browne and W. C. Baldwin were employed. It was the report - Browne and Baldwin on which President Roosevelt based a recent message to Congress declaring that the guilt of certain of the discharged negro soldiers had been fixed beyond a shadow of a doubt and his report was attacked by Senator Foraker in a speech on the floor of the Senate.

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

## Big Ranch in Webb County Sold.

Laredo: A deal was closed Tuesday in which a syndicate, represented by Tom Coleman, a well known Texas stockman, purchased the Callaghan ranch in Webb county, containing 125,000 acres of grazing lands. The price is said to have been \$700,000, which does not include the large stock of goats, sheep and cattle belonging to the ranch. Albert Urban owned the property.

## New Braunfels Situation.

Austin: The impression is growing here that there may be happenings at New Braunfels next Sunday unless the officers assure Governor Campbell before that day that the saloons will be closed on the Sabbath. It is believed that the officers are to be given this week to come up with an assurance of some kind, and if they do not offer any, then the governor will take the situation in hand.

## President Sends Message.

Washington: President Roosevelt on Monday sent to the House of Representatives a special message, answering its resolution concerning that portion of his regular message relating to the Secret Service. The President reiterates in its entirety all that portion of his former message to which the house took exception, and emphatically declares that he meant what he said.

## Ranger Killed; Deputy Surrenders.

Amarillo: Doc Thomas, one of the Texas Rangers stationed here, belonging to Company A, is dead from the result of a bullet through the head received Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock. Thomas was in the office of the county attorney and he and Deputy Sheriff Keeton had been in conversation. After the shot was fired Keeton came from the room and surrendered to the sheriff.

## Southwestern Poultry Show.

Dallas: With the arrivals Sunday more than a thousand birds are in the Poultry Building at the State Fair Grounds ready for the show of the Southwestern Poultry Association which opens Tuesday.

## Big Blaze at Texarkana.

Texarkana: At 12 o'clock Wednesday night fire destroyed the Hayden Dry Goods Company and the J. L. Chatfield Hardware Company's establishments and Cassidy's saloon on East Broad street. The total loss is roughly estimated at \$200,000.

## Asks for Street Car Franchise.

Wichita Falls: Judge Edgar Scurry Wednesday asked the city council for a franchise for an electric street railway to the built within six months.

## Train Goes Through Bridge.

Wills Point: Second No. 19, T. & P. westbound freight train, with Conductor Turner and Engineer Peck, went into a bridge two miles west of Fruitvale, eleven miles east of here, Wednesday night at 9:40 o'clock. Two negroes riding in a box car are reported killed.

At a meeting of the city council of Cleburne Wednesday Oak Grove addition was taken into the city limits, only one resident protesting against the order.

## To Approve Causeway Contract

Austin: The railroad commission will approve the Galveston causeway contract, when it is presented in due form, following its execution by the parties at interest. The opinion of Attorney General Davidson sustaining its validity was received by the commission Wednesday and Chairman Mayfield authorized the statement that the contract would be approved when presented.

## A Peculiar Accident.

Fort Worth: Miss Minnie Heager of North Fort Worth was the victim of a peculiar accident which may result in the loss of the use of her left arm. In company with a party of young people Miss Heager was walking in front of a building when her foot slipped and in attempting to prevent falling she ran her arm through a window. The broken glass inflicted a wound on the forearm, cutting across the muscles about an inch and a half deep.

## Will Ask Manamus.

San Antonio: At a meeting of the commissioner's court Tuesday the members decided to apply for a mandamus to compel County Auditor Ramsey to approve the per diem of the County Judge and Commissioners' court. Because these officers had not been commissioned by the Governor the auditor refused to approve the warrants. This may take the whole matter into the courts.

## Bill in Behalf of Clerks.

Austin: It was learned that the Women's Federation of Clubs will attempt to have the next legislature pass a bill providing for the relief of clerks in stores. The proposed bill will require the managers of stores to equip such places with stools behind the counters so that the clerks may have an opportunity to rest and not have to stand the entire day.

## Millers Suits Compromised.

Austin: The millers suits are to be settled for \$35,000 and by necessary injunctions seeking to prevent the existence of the alleged unlawful organizations. The judgment was to have been entered Tuesday, but the district clerk claimed fees the defendants refused to pay, and the matter is to be further considered Wednesday.

## Fire Damage Near \$50,000.

Galveston: Fire Tuesday night destroyed practically the entire stock of the Bon Marche clothing and dry goods house. The stock was owned by Mistrot Brothers and Mr. Mistrot placed its valuation at \$45,000, covered by insurance. It is estimated that \$3,000 will cover the damage to the building.

## Killing Near Greenville.

Greenville: J. H. Newby, a farmer of the Wagner community, six miles west of here, was shot and killed about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening near his home. As soon as the shooting was over, Izzy Thompson, who married Mollie Newby, daughter of J. H. Newby, on Christmas day, telephone to the officers and came in and surrendered.

## Big Day at Buckner's Home.

Dallas: Sunday was a great day at the Buckner Orphan's Home, located six miles east of Dallas. It marked the completion and dedication of the new two-story chapel and school building and also was in celebration of the seventy-sixth birthday of the founder and general manager, Rev. Robert Cook Buckner, D. D.

## Bill Can't Go to Africa.

Austin: Captain W. J. McDonald, State Revenue Agent, returned Monday morning from New York and Washington where he spent the holidays. While in Washington Captain McDonald advised the President that he would be unable to accompany him on the African trip because of the exactions of his official duties.

## Fort Worth-Cleburne Interurban.

Fort Worth: According to present plans a corps of engineers will begin Wednesday the preliminary survey of the Fort Worth-Cleburne Interurban. The work will be under the direction of B. G. Leake and his assistant, S. H. Hartman, and it is expected the survey will be completed in two weeks. The work of construction will begin by the first of April.

A committee has been organized in Berlin, Germany, to assist the sufferers from the Italian earthquake.

## Bought by Dallas Man.

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

The contract was let Thursday for the Swisher county court house at Tulla. Contract price \$55,694.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

Entered Nov. 10, 1902, at the Sterling City postoffice as second class matter.

ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

J. A. Cannon called in the other day and said:

"Say, stop that ad I put in the paper about those horses for sale, for I have long since sold them; and could have sold forty more if I had had them. I find that if you want to sell anything, just put it in the paper and the buyers will do the rest."

Right you are, Brother Cannon, as you are, always. A man may have ever so many things to sell, and there may be ever so many people that want to buy, yet, if neither knows what the other wants, there will be but little business done. The man who advertises what he has to sell, has his neighbor, who does not advertise, skinned a country block.

Speaking of Union matters, the Big Springs Herald says:

"Now, boys, stop that night riding foolishness; the circle of our line is complete and we'll bring in the mavericks and put our brand on them without violating the law."

Well said, brother. "Night riding is not only foolishness," but it is cowardly and criminal. It represents a band of cowards, who, singly, wouldn't fight a jack rabbit, but collectively would enter a home, murder a woman and burn her house with her corpse. The night rider and his brother, the anarchist, must go—the sooner, the better. If there is a Union in Texas that advocates any such crimes against man and High God, it had better quit business right now before necktie parties become the fad with Texas sheriffs.

MORE SCHOOL ROOM NEEDED

About five years ago, we built what we thought a large stone school building. We thought then it would suffice for at least ten years; but, more than a year ago, we found that if all the children were accommodated there would have to be a lot of "scrapping" done; and now it is found that not less than two more rooms are needed to accommodate the children, and we must soon "dig" to meet this necessity.

Our present building was constructed with a view to this very thing. With a very modest outlay of money, we can easily build a nice addition by the time the fall term opens. Let us all pull together in this matter as we have done in the past, and we shall be proud of ourselves.

THANK YOU

We have just passed out of a very successful year's business, and take this means of making public our gratitude to our customers for their generous patronage.

We are making preparations to carry in stock everything needed in our line, and respectfully solicit a continuance of your trade.

We trust that the new year will bring to all an abundance of good cheer, peace and plenty.

Yours to please, Fisher Bros.

SIBBY PIG

I have taken up a black pig, about three months old. Owner can have same by proving it and paying for its keep.

W. R. Davis, Sterling City, Texas.

STUNG AGAIN

Some people have an idea that by sending off after their stationery and printing they can do better than getting it from home people. As an illustration of how this thing works, one of our newly installed county officials gave the Dorsey Printing Co., of Dallas, an order for some envelopes for use in his office; and, of course to be paid for by the county. As The News-Record had been furnishing the county with stationery for the last ten years with this, with a single exception, we were anxious to compare our prices with this big Dallas firm; so we requested Clerk Cole to show us the bill, which he did, and here it is in substance:

"Sterling County by —, Dr To Dorsey Printing Company.

To 500 6 3 4 Envelopes \$7.75 " 250 10 " 5.50 " Express .55 Total \$8.30

We have filed hundreds of such bills for the county with the same class of goods, if not better, and our bills read like this:

"Sterling County, Dr., To News-Record

To 500 6 3 4 Envelopes \$2.50 " 250 10 1.50 Total \$4.00

Had we possessed the gall to have charged the taxpayers of Sterling County \$6.30 for every bill like that, instead of \$4.00, darned if we wouldn't be a "rich country editor" sure enough. But instead of this, the taxpayers of this county will have to "dig" that extra \$4.30 and shove it into the maw of a big concern that never paid a nickel of taxes here, help build your church or school house sat up with your sick neighbor or help bury him when he was dead. This shows what the big concerns are doing for the taxpayers when they get a whack at them, and also shows that it is better to give the man who lives here and helps to bear the public burdens a chance for his existence.

It is far from our wish to offend anyone, and we earnestly hope that no one will take offense, for none is meant. But if there be one fellow citizen in the county who can give one good reason why the county's patronage should go to other towns when it can be served as well by its own people, we would like to publish his reason in these columns—we reserving the right to reply.

Of course, we would liked to have had that order, in fact we needed it badly on account of the dilapidated condition of our ancient trowsers and the near approach of the last day of tax paying time; but missing the order don't hurt like the thought of having to help pay that extra \$4.30 to a darned outfit that looks upon us as so many revenue bearing animals and suckers who wouldn't know the price of beans when it is printed on the sack in box car letters.

ENTERTAINED OLD TIMERS

On Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Sam Callen entertained a number of their father's old time friends with an elaborate dinner at their home in south Lorraine. The day was one of pleasure and reminiscences of happy days spent together and many a story of good times made the day pass quickly, for happiness flies with swiftest wings. The guests were J. J. Westmoreland, of Midland; D. C. Bellows, of Seymour; O. C. Robertson, of Iowa Park, Texas; A. Winn and family, of Colorado; J. C. Boone, of West, Texas; Jasper McGee and family, John Mahoney, Ed Leggott and John Templeton and family.—Colorado Record.

NO FEAR OF PIRATES.

Giggles—What do you think of my new joke book, old man? Criticus—Well, I can't understand why you took the trouble to copyright it.

AT THE MARRIAGE ALTAR

What is there in the vale of life Half so delightful as a wife? When friendship, love and peace combined To stamp the marriage-bond divine? —Cowper.

At the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Mickle, Sunday afternoon was solemnized the marriage of their daughter, Johnnie May, to Mr. C. F. Dunbar. At the appointed hour, the couple took their place in the parlor unattended, where Rev. R. B. Bonner, pastor of the Methodist church, pronounced the ceremony in a most beautiful and impressive manner. At the close of the ceremony congratulations were extended.

The bride is one of our choicest young ladies and is honored and respected by young and old alike. She has ever been a bright star in her home circle, and now she

will breathe, straight from an honest heart, a good wish for dear old "Ribs," as he was most affectionately called, and the girl of his choice. And the News-Record joins in them all.

PRAETORIANS ENTERTAIN

The concert, given by the dramatic team of the Praetorians, of Watervalley last Friday night, was largely attended and enjoyed by our people.

We congratulate our neighbors on their enterprise, and they have our standing invitation to come again. As a result of their coming, some of our boys want to take up board at Watervalley. The gentlemanly and ladylike bearing of each member of the company won the hearts of all Sterling, and we feel that good came of their coming.

1909 THE NEW YEAR 1909

We have finished taking stock and our balance is on the right side of the ledger: Notwithstanding the general business depression for the past two years, our business has made a substantial gain. We appreciate the fact that this increase has only been made possible by the loyalty of our good friends and customers. We thank you for your share of this business, and sincerely hope that our service has been so satisfactory that you will be glad to favor us with your patronage this year.

OUR VEHICLES

Most of you know that we handle the old reliable Peter Schuttler Wagons—than which there is none better. We have also added to this line, the Racine wagon, which we think as good as any bearing the Peter Schuttler

We have different grades of buggies, and if you think of buying one, it might pay you to see us. If you want to pay cash, money talks with us. If you want time, we are in a good position to give you good terms. We guarantee our vehicles for a year, and no responsible concern does better.

In this connection, we want to say that every dollar spent with us helps you as well as us. The more business we do the better business we can do. We endeavor to advance the interests of our customers; and in so doing, our motives may seem somewhat selfish, but our experience has taught us that

Upon the prosperity of our customers hinges the success of our business.

LOWE & DURHAM

THE BLIZZARD

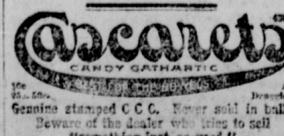
The blizzard that came last Sunday evening was the severest that has been for several years. The thermometer at the time the freeze came stood at 70 degrees: By morning at 6 o'clock, the mercury stood at 8 degrees above zero, a fall of 62 degrees in less than 12 hours. Most all the water pipes in town were frozen, and for a while there was almost a water famine.

Livestock on the range stood the storm bravely, and, so far, we have not heard of a single animal being lost. The severe cold will do much good in the way of destroying insect pests and putting the ground in good condition for plant life.

C. F. Dunbar was for several years one of our young business men, and was very popular with all who knew him. Many an old boy, when he reads the above,

DRESSED BEEF

Our new 1909 catalog with 128 finely illustrated pages is now ready and will be sent free upon request. It fully describes the best seeds and plants for the Southern Grower. High bred Cotton Seed, Alfalfa Seed, Watermelon Seed, Seed Corn, Roses and all kinds of plants for House and Lawn are our specialties. Oldest seed house in Southwest, 26 years of successful seedling. Write tonight for catalog. Robinson Seed & Plant Company, 216 PACIFIC AVE., Dallas, Texas.



GONE TO SAN ANGELO

Ex-Sheriff S. T. Wood and family moved to San Angelo this week, where they will reside in the future. Sterling lost some mighty good people when they moved away. We congratulate San Angelo on this valuable acquisition. It seems as if Sterling ever loses a good citizen, San Angelo is sure to catch him. But if we must lose these good people, we had rather San Angelo would have them than most any other town.

Tom Wood has been our sheriff for the last eight years, and during all that time we had a most efficient officer—in fact we doubt if there is a sheriff in all Texas that made a better record than Tom Wood. Whenever a crime was committed in the county, he was "Johnny on the spot," and the result was that somebody broke into jail. Some of Mr. Wood's experience in man hunting would read like fiction.

We learn Mr. Wood will engage in the livery and transfer business in San Angelo. Our best wishes go with these good people to their new home.

NARROW ESCAPE

Only for the presence of mind of Mrs. Alice Foster, one of the teachers in our public school, little Miss Alma Crawford would have probably been seriously if not fatally burned last Monday morning.

Alma was standing near a red hot stove when her dress caught on fire, and in a moment was in flames. Mrs. Foster promptly seized the frightened child and coolly smothered out the fire before any harm, other than burning Alma's dress and singeing her hair, was done. We learn Mrs. Foster was burned about the hands while putting out the fire.

NOTICE

By virtue of authority vested in me by law, notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of February, 1909, at a regular term of the Commissioners Court of Sterling County, Texas, bids will be received by said Court from any incorporation, association or individual banker as the depository of the funds of said Sterling county. Any banking corporation, association or individual banker desiring to bid for said depository shall deliver to me, on or before the first day of said term of said commissioners court, a sealed proposal, stating the rate of interest which said bidder offers to pay on the funds of said county for the next two years. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one half of one per cent of the county revenues of the preceeding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder.

The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

It is hereby ordered that this notice be published in the News-Record, a paper published in Sterling county, once a week for at least 20 days before the commencement of said term of said Commissioners Court.

A. V. PATTERSON, Judge, Sterling Co.

HEROD'S OCCUPATION GONE.

Twentieth Century Death Rate of Babies Would Satisfy Him. In one summer there were 52,837 infants' deaths in the large towns of England, the rate being 275 in 1,000 for the same period. Frequently during summer the hospitals for children in London are taxed beyond their capacity. In Birmingham more than 3,000 babies die annually.

Germany has a record which is astounding for that domestic country, where all young women are supposedly learned in the domestic arts. Two million children are born in one year, and yet as many as 400,000 die before one year old, making the rate for the German empire 200. In pretty Munich, where it would seem that conditions are favorable for public hygiene, the death rate has been as high as 419, an average of 324 in 1,000.

Our own country makes little better record, for in the District of Columbia the rate in 1900 was over 275, other states being a little lower, but still too high. In Massachusetts eight cities averaged 186 to 361, and New York was about 159, almost all the New England states being higher.

From various British reports it is learned that improper feeding is the prime cause of the great mortality among infants under one year of age, and in a German record of investigation the statement is made that of the 4,075 deaths of infants which occurred in Munich in the year 1903, 3,395 were bottle fed, which would show conclusively that artificial feeding has its very serious side, largely because of the "unclean" milk given.—World To-Day.

"Uncle Tom" Brought Him Over.

William Voecke, the Chicago milk-bonaire, was born in Germany. While there his father read him a translation of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and this so impressed the lad that as soon as he heard slavery was to be fought he came to this country to lead his aid in ending it.

FOR SALE

40 head of graded angora goats, 1 double disk plow, 1, 94-tooth harrow—both good as new, 4 good work mules all at a bargain.

J. B. Buckner, Sterling City, Texas.

BULLS FOR SALE

I have ten or twelve, coming two's, high grade Hereford bulls for sale. Phone or write,

R. W. Foster, Sterling City, Tex.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

The Twice-a-Week Republic Now for 50 Cents Per Year.

The Twice a Week Republic, of St. Louis has reduced its subscription price from \$1 per year to 50 cents. This is one of the oldest and best semi-weekly news papers published in the United States, and at the price of 50 cents per year no one can afford to be without it. For 50 cents you receive two big eight page papers every week, 104 copies a year, at less than one-half cent per copy. Your friends and neighbors will surely take advantage of this opportunity. Don't fail to tell them all about it. Send all orders to the Republic, St. Louis, Mo.

FOR SALE

240 acres of good valley land for sale at \$10 per acre, cash. Apply at this office.

Advertisement for SEEDS SOLD ON HONOR, featuring a list of seeds and a small illustration of a person with a basket.

# SCENES OF HORROR IN MESSINA THAT BROUGHT MADNESS TO SURVIVORS



**N**APLES, Italy.—The horrors accompanying the earthquake, fire and tidal wave that devastated Sicily and Calabria almost defy description. Now that it is possible to obtain coherent accounts from the few that escaped from the stricken district with their lives—many were for a time without the light of reason—it is realized that certainly not for 20 centuries—perhaps never—have such scenes been enacted on the earth.

One of the first of the survivors that reached the steamship Therapie the day following the catastrophe thus described his experiences:

"I was asleep when the first shock woke me. I lit my lamp, but all was quiet, and I turned to sleep again. Suddenly fresh shocks occurred, violent and terrifying. I arose quickly but the house was swaying and my door was jammed. I tore the sheets from the bed and made a rope and lowered myself from the window to the street. An Italian family of five persons escaped from the house by the aid of my rope.

#### Wandered All Day.

"No sooner were we in the street than the house collapsed. I tried to assist in the work of rescue, but it was useless. The horror and confusion were indescribable. All day I wandered in the wrecked streets. No food could be secured. I had only a few nuts to eat. The prison was destroyed and the warders killed, but most of the convicts escaped. They prowled about the ruins, robbing and murdering. They cut off the fingers of the dead and wounded to get the rings. Some of them were singing songs of liberty as they plied the knife.

"A Russian vessel lying in the harbor was thrown into the street by the tidal wave. Railway lines were swallowed up. The square known as the Cas Campo Santo collapsed and sank. Only the summits of a few ruined buildings still emerged from the wreck."

Not one of the numerous hotels of the city remained standing. A fissure 60 feet deep opened near the Church of Santa Maria, and houses fell bodily into it.

During the voyage of the Therapie to Naples a child was born.

#### Houses Vanished Instantly.

A physician named Condo, a native of Messina, said he escaped by climbing over the fallen roofs. Houses vanished with the suddenness of a dream and daylight showed nearly two miles of ruins. Steamships put out to cross the straits for help after the first shock of the earthquake, but half way over they met vessels from the oppo-

site coast which carried the news that Reggio, too, had perished.

The wounded refugees that reached this city presented a sickening sight, some appeared hardly human; others among the fugitives had no apparent injuries, but were in such a deplorable mental condition that they seemed the worst of all. The horror of that tragic minute appeared to be ineradicably fixed upon their faces. On the relief ships the refugees were heaped everywhere. Some of them, appeared to be stricken with a kind of idiosyncrasy, looking aimlessly before them; others completely mad, howled wildly. The commander of the Therapie gave a thrilling description of the rescues effected by his men when his ship arrived at Messina. As the vessel drew up before the city it was surrounded by a flotilla of boats and tugs loaded to the gunwales with men and women who pitifully cried for food and drink, for they had nothing for 24 hours. On entering the port a tremendous clamor greeted their ears. It was the survivors screaming for help. From the water front Messina appeared to be intact, as the facades of the fine buildings along that line of streets still were standing, but behind was emptiness and ruin. The principal square presented an awe-inspiring aspect. Everywhere were enormous cracks into which the sea poured, whence clouds of steam and sulphurous vapors arose.

#### Corpses Heaped in Streets.

In all the streets—or what had once been streets—corpses were heaped, their desperate attitude and contorted features showing the horror of the death struggles.

The ruins of the buildings formed hillocks 30 feet high, under which thousands of persons were buried. The vessel was soon loaded down to its utmost capacity with survivors and then steamed to this city.

All along the way it was seen that the smiling villages on the Calabrian coast had disappeared. Both Scylla and Charybdis had vanished with them.

In Naples public buildings and private houses were thrown open to the refugees and everything possible was done for their comfort. The duchess of Aosta was indefatigable in her ministrations, going from steamship to steamship and bringing to the sufferers a word of comfort. The wounded were carried to the ambulances between two files of soldiers to protect them from the too expressive manifestations of sympathy from the crowd that had gathered at the piers. The means of transportation was augmented by strong arms of sympathizers, in which some of the more seriously wounded were carried in lieu of litters.

The commander of the Russian battleship Makharoff, who brought word of American Consul Cheney's death, described the fearful scenes at Messina. He declared that many of the residents of that place had been buried alive, as groans were heard coming from far down in the fissures of the earth, which could only be approached with the greatest precaution. At these points the tottering walls threatened further collapse. The anguished cries of the victims caused a half frenzy among the sailors, who in several cases excavated under dangerous places and rescued wounded people. In other cases they reached bodies that separated in parts when efforts were made to drag them from the wreckage.

For an entire day the Russian sailors, divided into squads, gave assistance wherever needed. Amid the ruins of the Bank of Sicily they found a safe containing many millions and delivered it aboard the warship. From one house alone they rescued ten persons alive.

#### Mother Killed, Child Saved.

A dispatch from Palermo described the experience of A. J. Ogston, British vice-consul at Messina, who arrived with his daughter at Palermo, he himself being injured.

"At the first shock," said the vice-consul, "my wife rushed to a cot and snatched up the child. We ran down stairs, and found the door blocked with wreckage. We clambered through a window, but as we were passing a building a balcony fell and killed my wife instantly. By a miracle the child escaped unhurt. I rushed to the municipal square, where 50 people had gathered, and we ran madly for the open country, balconies, columns and chimneys falling around us in a terrifying manner. The members of our party were struck down, sometimes singly and sometimes a half dozen at a time, and when we reached a place of safety only four of the party remained. The others undoubtedly were killed."

One tragic phase of the disaster was the fight for life made by the prisoners in the jail above Messina. There were nearly 1,000 of these, including 300 women. The building collapsed at the first shock and the inmates were caught like rats. Several rows of cells remained intact and those who were locked within them could be heard pounding the walls and crying aloud for help. Then came another shock which completed the destruction. All were killed with the exception of the few who had escaped after the first shock.

An artilleryman, Gaspare Valenti, says he was engaged in rescue work at Messina with his comrades when an enormous wave struck him and swept him off his feet. Like a piece of straw, he declares, he was whirled out to sea. Being a good swimmer, he kept up for a long time, becoming tired, however, and just as he was about to sink he was picked up by a fisherman, who landed him on the beach. Then, seized with terror, he ran blindly for 11 hours and dropped exhausted near Aeliheale, a distance of about 50 miles from Messina.

#### Searchers Killed at Reggio.

A refugee from Calabria stated that an express train on the road from Reggio to Naples was brought to a stop by the shock when about 18 miles along the road in its journey. The passengers demanded that they be taken back to Reggio, where they found a scene of desolation. While searching for friends fresh shocks occurred and practically all the passengers were killed.

At Messina, after rapid work of organization, progress was made in the work of securing the wounded survivors, but no attempt was at first made to remove the wreckage. The troops and sailors were obliged to shoot down robbers who persisted in looting. The entire local treasury of the Messina branch of the Bank of Italy, some \$2,000,000, was saved and placed on board an Italian warship.

Many of the people of Messina refused to leave the ruins of their houses. They clung to the sites of their homes, crying out that their only safety was in fidelity to the wrecks of their houses. Force often was necessary to get them to the ships in the harbor. There were large numbers in the suburbs of Messina who would not come back into the city for fear of a recurrence of the shocks.

#### Hopeless Search for Relatives.

The German steamer Serapin brought stories of heartrending separation of families, and the hopeless and frantic seeking of relatives one for the other. Shortly after the Serapin docked a gangplank was lowered and a few persons were allowed on board. The refugees were found sitting in isolated groups.

They gave evidence of great mental depression, and were utterly exhausted. They seemed scarcely conscious of their surroundings. Most of them were held in the thrall of their terrible experiences.

One old man was carrying a little girl in his arms. The child was covered with blood.

"Is that your child?" he was asked. "No," he replied. "I found her on the pavement in Messina. I picked her up and cared for her. No one claimed her and I could not abandon her. I have had her in my arms ever since."

With this touching explanation the old man became oblivious to his questioner and everything around him.

The Serapin brought into this port records of numberless tragedies. Families separated, mothers moaning and crying for their dead children, husbands and wives lost to each other, or

a sole survivor wishing that he had not been spared.

There was one girl on board the steamer, her clothing tattered and torn, who had saved a canary bird. She was a music hall singer and had clung to her pet throughout the terrible scenes of devastation. The bird was the only happy thing on the vessel.

#### Fell Five Floors; Uninjured.

The stories told by these unfortunate refugees are almost unbelievable. A soldier named Emilio de Castro, relates that on Sunday, the day before the disaster, he was taken sick and was sent to the military hospital. Early Monday morning he was awakened by a tremendous roaring sound.

His bed struck the floor below, and he was still on it. It paused a moment, and was again precipitated. He struck the next floor, but this gave way at once, and thus man and bed came down from the fifth floor of the hospital to the ground. The soldier was not injured.

#### Imprisoned with the Dead.

Prof. Palermo of the University of Messina lost two sons.

"I was sleeping in my bed," he said, "when I was thrown out of bed, which fell on top of me. The ceiling collapsed, the floor opened and I was thrown into the first floor apartment of Mme. Pernici. She was reaching for her sister and son, whom we found dead. We remained all day and night alone without help, keeping the rain off with planks.

"Thus we were without food or drink among the screams of the buried. The latter ceased somewhat at night. No one came with assistance and we were as if in a tomb alongside the bodies. Children, wounded, were around us, but invisible under the ruins and weeping in despair or bursting into piercing cries at every sound heard without. When we finally escaped from the ruins we were taken by sailors to the Cristoforo Colombo, which brought us to Naples.

"We passed through streets that felt as if they were the bottoms of valleys or climbed heights which were all that remained of the finest palaces of Messina. I will never forget it as long as I live."

#### Royal Couple Assist Rescuers.

The king and queen of Italy went to Messina in the battleship Vittorio Emanuele, and his majesty grasped the situation and set to work all the powers he controlled to alleviate the horrors of the situation. He participated actively in the work of actual rescue.

Immediately on his arrival at Messina the king joined a rescue party and labored as unremittingly as the others. He personally extricated several injured persons pinned under the ruins.

The queen also took active part in the work. She rescued with her own hand a boy of three years, who was bleeding from many cuts, and herself carried him over to members of the hospital corps. She devoted her attention principally to the little children and labored long amid the scenes of horror.

Those who brought news here from Catania of the visit of the king and queen said that the horrors of the ruined city were added to by the countless number of bodies lying all about. Such a force of laborers as it would be impossible to gather, equip and sent to Messina would have been needed to bury the dead. The task was regarded as beyond human power of accomplishment within the period which would make such disposal of the bodies effective.

#### Lime Spread Over the City.

So it was arranged to have tons of thousands of tons of lime taken to Messina in ships and carried over the city and spread everywhere.

The messengers from Messina could not find words of sufficiently high praise for the conduct of the king and queen. They said that their majesties left the battle ship and hurried into the ruins of the city as if their own near and dear ones lay amid the wreckage.

Owing to the overwhelming character of the disaster, the hastily established hospital and relief corps were woefully inadequate to the work. So it was that before their majesties had gone more than a few rods from the dock they found themselves among the ruins with the dead all about them. Even the dying pined beneath walls and masonry heard the wild cries of welcome mingled with the chorus of wailing as a great mob of half-distracted men and women crowded about the royal couple and followed them as their guards made a way into the ruins.

The king made himself dear to all his subjects, especially to those in the earthquake zone, by his prompt and personal aid in times of disaster. This makes plausible a story told by his companions, who said that as the royal pair and the crowd surrounding them made their way through the ruins a man pinned under a great block of stone and supposed to be dead raised his head, repeated the cries of acclaim and dropped back dead.

There was a deep coating of mud all over and their majesties walked through it in their work. The queen was frequently affected to tears by the sight of the homeless, helpless women who followed her crying for pity, half-crazed by their misfortunes. If she looked upon them they threw themselves upon their knees in the mire and with clasped hands prayed for her help.

## WOMAN'S SPHERE



### SERVING AT TABLE

**CORRECT WAY IS SIMPLE THING TO REMEMBER.**

**Fundamental Points of Importance, Though Customs Vary at Different Times and in Different Localities.**

Hostesses are sometimes puzzled as to the correct way of serving at table. Custom varies somewhat at different times and in different localities, but the accepted way at present is to have a bare table for breakfast and luncheon and a cloth for dinner only.

Table mats for the family meal are usually of heavy linen finished in a scallop or monogram, or of heavy crochet. For formal entertaining lace mats are preferred or an entire set done in colors match either the china or the floral decoration.

Most housekeepers prefer service "à la Russe"; that is, to have everything passed from a side table. Sometimes the meat is placed before the host, but more often it is carved in the pantry and the platter is passed.

Small side dishes, once so numerous, are now used for nothing save, perhaps, a thin apple or rhubarb sauce. Rarely more than two vegetables are served with the meat course.

Serving is done to the left side of each guest, and a tray is rarely used. The serving dish is held flat on the palm of the hand over a folded napkin. Occasionally a dish is passed in each hand of the waitress.

The table is not allowed to be bare at any time, except when the board is cleared for dessert. The service plate is lifted as the filled one is put down.

### FROCK OF MIST BLUE CLOTH.

Designed Primarily to Be Worn by Young Girls.

Dress garnitures are as popular for young girls as they are for their elder sisters. The frock illustrated is of a



simple character, having a full blouse with a round yoke and a circular skirt, the lower edge of which may be trimmed either with folds or ruffles, as shown by the dotted lines on the working drawing. The sash that encircles the waist and is knotted low

### COMBINATION THAT IS GOOD.

Wedgewood Blue Effective with a Putty-Colored Wall.

There is just a certain wedgewood blue that is exquisite with a putty-colored wall. It is not well to use this combination in a north light, which needs the warmer colonial yellow, but it may be held in reserve for the room having a southern or western exposure, with its softer light.

The putty color is colder and less yellow than the colonial shades—as if a touch of gray had been dashed in—but there is still enough of the creamy tone left to blend with the wedgewood blue of the hangings.

These curtain goods may be found in such inexpensive materials as galatea, cotton poplin and Japanese crepe—all of which are more recent arrivals on the decorator's counter than denim and burlap.

Several pieces of old mahogany, a peacock screen and a bowl of polished brass are the needed touches in this chaste little room.

### Scarfs Now a Necessity.

Taken up first as a fad, scarfs have become a necessity to protect the shoulders and arms from the cold, for even gowns for afternoon wear show only transparent tulle for the gumples and long sleeves. The painted scarfs are adorable, and the expense not being great, it is possible to order them to match favorite gowns. Neck ruches are of infinite variety. The modish woman seeks to mark her own by some individual touch; in its thickness, its height, the disposition of the bow that fastens it, or in the length of the ribbon ends. Often the last hang nearly to the hem of the skirt.

When all the plates and small dishes are removed for dessert the cloth is brushed with a clean napkin and a tray.

The silver is placed with the forks to the left of each plate and the knife and soup spoon to the right; use from the outside in.

Bread and butter plates are no longer used on formal occasions, but are too convenient to be dispensed with at family meals. They go to the left of each plate above the plates, and the glass of water to the right.

The napkin, folded in squares with the monogram on top, lies to the right of each plate beyond the knives. If there is nothing on the service plate for the first course the napkin sometimes rises in the center of the plate, with the square of bread for the soup folded in.

Finger bowls are passed on the dessert plates and removed with the doily before the dessert is passed; or more formally, they are passed on their own plate as the dessert plate is removed.

Coffee for dinner or formal luncheons is served in the drawing room. For breakfast and luncheon the tray for coffee and tea is put before the hostess. She brews the tea herself, and frequently makes coffee as well when a begone or French coffee pot is used.

Candy, fruit and nuts are used on the table as decoration and passed at the close of the meal. Nuts are passed during the meal, and olives with the soup. Cheese and crackers for salad are served from a side table.

Dishes are usually passed first to the guest at the right of the host, but the English custom of serving the hostess first is rapidly gaining headway. It often relieves embarrassment when new and complicated dishes are served.

on the left side of the skirt can be either of the dress material or of soft silk. The waist garniture is made of the skirt material. The square piece is cut and either ornamented with heavy hand embroidery or applique. The same sort of a piece is arranged both back and front, and they are held in place by three straps arranged over the shoulders.

### AFTERNOON GOWNS OF VOILE.

Supple Thin Stuffs That Can Be Used with Splendid Effect.

Throughout the winter voiles and silk cachemire and liberty fabrics and other supple thin stuffs will be worn for afternoon, to allow of these draped effects, the front of a gown being sometimes draped in flat, others only about the knees and ankles, others still in long lines from shoulder to knee and down one side of the back from the high belt. Very cleverly are these done, so that the line of the figure is not concealed, but rather intensified, and always the hip and under arm line is scrupulously preserved. With semi-transparent fabrics, such as voiles, even when of wool, silver or gold gauze bands are laid inside hems, as well as under the laces of the corsage, while the heaviest kind of raised bullion flowers embroidered on bullion tussies, and sometimes studded with cabochon gems, will be used for tiny waistcoats, for bands inside the open corsage either under or over the tulle gumples and above all as a part of rich fur garments.—From a Paris Letter to Vogue.

### SMART CLOTH COAT.



Here is a practical and good looking cloth coat which may be built of some dark fabric for day wear or in a delicate shade for evening. The design is appropriate for either and especially charming for the latter, where one could use either pale pink or blue cloth with silver or gold braid. It is worthy of consideration by the girl needing an evening coat for winter functions.

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Horse Breeding to Type.

Farmers, and others, for that matter, as well, must breed to type. They must know what kind of horses they wish to produce and strive to that end, declares John Gilmer Speed in Century magazine. To do this, they should know what kind of material is at hand, and how it can be used. Here is something that the United States department of agriculture should do. And the war department might also assist, for proper cavalry remounts are difficult to secure. In European countries, where great standing armies are maintained, there are not only government breeding farms, but the farmers are encouraged to breed army horses by the giving of prizes, and by permitting government-owned stallions of proper breeding to stand to approved stock at merely nominal fees. In Austria I have seen a whole regiment of cavalry mounted on horses so true to type that it would take study and acquaintance to tell one horse from another. In Germany the government has been breeding for the cavalry since the time of Frederick the Great, and with most satisfactory results. In these continental countries much enterprise is shown in securing the best blood that may be had in other countries, not omitting the Desert of Arabia, whence comes the best and purest equine blood in all the world. In this matter of horse-breeding the Italians are not the least enterprising, nor, by the way, are the Italians by any means inferior in their horsemanship.

Americans who have hesitated between the use of "Scotch" and "Scottish," not knowing which is preferable or correct, will be interested in knowing that others have felt the same doubt. The subject recently came up in the house of commons when a member from Dumfries urged that the name of the Scotch education department should be changed to "Scottish." Scotch, he said, was wrong, but when urged by his associates to prove this he could not do so satisfactorily. Facetious members insisted that his objections to the word "Scotch" grew out of his temperance proclivities and the fact that the word suggested other things than a race of people. The advocate of "Scottish" did not convince his English hearers, but as a matter of fact it is said that the word "Scottish" prevails in Scotland. It is a matter of custom, however, without special philological basis.

As if to supply a want before it exists, Paris is already supplied with a roof station for aeroplanes in the very center of the city. The house is situated at the corner of the Boulevard Bonne Nouvelle and belongs to a wealthy architect, M. Morin, who has taken time by the forelock. No flying machines are, of course, in the habit of landing on the top of this six-story house as yet, but the tenants are warned beforehand by a clause in their lease that they will not be entitled to any compensation if, in the near future, the roof is used as a station or garage for "aerial vehicles." Meanwhile the tenants are entitled to the use of the "terrace" as a roof garden.

Gen. Grant says that his father did not smoke to great excess until after the capture of Fort Donelson. The story went through the nation that Grant had fought the battle with a cigar in his mouth. Friends congratulating him on this, the first great victory in his life, accompanied their messages with boxes of cigars. The hero was thus encouraged to smoke more than was good for him. It is an extreme case of the damaging effect of the American treating habit.

That old adage, "The more haste the less speed," finds exemplification in the disaster in the Panama canal zone. The dynamite explosion is attributed to the desire on the part of some of the men to "make the dirt fly," which led to neglect of proper precautions in handling the explosive. Zeal is right and praiseworthy, but when dealing with deadly materials it should be properly tempered with prudence.

"The cheapest houses at Bournville, England, rent for only \$7.50 a month, which includes taxes and water rates. Such a house contains five rooms and a wonderful folding bath, which stands up like a cabinet when not in use. Clerks and artisans, however, generally pay about \$12.30 a month for seven rooms and an eighth of an acre."

President Hadley of Yale tells Harvard students that brain and not brawn should be the ideal of college men. It was noted on a recent occasion that some of the Harvard men had become too brawny to suit the Yale people.

Larger locomotives are being built by the Pennsylvania railroad to handle the traffic that is expected to come next year. The new machines are monsters that could not have been dreamed of 20 years ago.

BOYS' COURT IDEA

SYSTEM STARTED BY GOULD OF PORTLAND, ME.

Plan Inaugurated Years Before Judge Lindsey of Denver Was Named for Bench—Also Father of Probation System.

Portland, Me.—Years before Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver, who has won a world-wide reputation for his establishment of a juvenile court, was elevated to the bench, and before William Jeff Pollard, judge of the Second district police court of St. Louis, became known because of his system of administering pledges to men brought before him for intoxication, Portland had a judge who used both systems successfully. Judge George F. Gould fathered the plan, now in operation in Portland, which has been followed many years, of giving the "kids a show."

He was appointed as judge of the municipal court when he was but 25 years old by Gov. Robie, and he was not so far removed from play days that he didn't know just what it meant to be a boy. He had hardly assumed his judicial duties before he began to shock the matter-of-fact police officials by his treatment of juvenile cases. Judge Gould never would give a boy brought into his court a "record" if he could avoid doing so, and he was often accused of leaning too far on the side of mercy.

The first case brought to his notice as judge was that of boys accused of playing ball in the streets and breaking windows. The city marshal wanted to have the culprits punished according to the law.

"Henry, I am afraid you have forgotten how it feels to be a boy," said the judge to the police official. "Bring those boys, not into the court room,



JUDGE G. F. GOULD

but into my office, to talk it over with me." They trooped in, a frightened company, and faced the man who became known in Portland from that day out as "the judge who gives the kids a chance." Judge Gould listened to their side of the case with patience and sympathy. The boys had no other place to play. To throw a baseball in the streets didn't seem to them a great crime. Judge Gould having cautioned them as to their future conduct and won their regard and respect, sent them away without making any threats or imposing any punishment.

That was the beginning of the system in Portland, which has helped many a boy to do the right thing and has made many good citizens of those who under a different system might have become criminals. Few boys ever sat in the prisoners' dock while Judge Gould was on the bench, and he stayed for 12 years and retired at his own request.

Judge Lindsey has won an international reputation by his treatment of just such cases, but the police court judges of Portland from the time of Judge Gould to the present day have handled cases in that way.

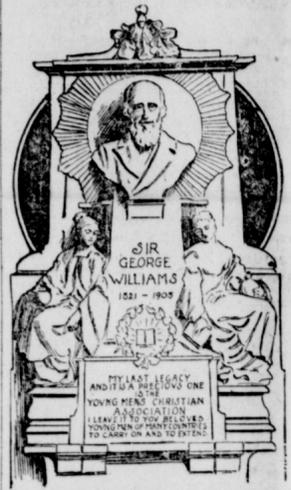
In the case of intoxicated men, scores of whom found their way into this court day after day in spite of the laws prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor in Portland, Judge Gould established a probation system. To-day the system he inaugurated is recognized by the law of the state and a probation officer takes in hand all such cases and deals with them as he thinks best. Judge Gould was his own probation officer. He exacted a pledge from every man who he thought might try to live up to it. Often he knew, and he did not hesitate to say so to the men themselves, that it was only one chance out of a thousand that they would live up to their pledge for more than a few days.

By giving such offenders a chance he claimed that he aided them in overcoming their appetite for liquor, and as their will power increased Judge Gould found that their appearance before him came to be less frequent, and in many cases ceased altogether. Judge Pollard of St. Louis, who began a similar system, was invited to England to explain it to parliament, and it was largely due to his efforts that the system was recognized by the English law. In Portland Judge Gould established his card pledge system years ago, and co-operated with the families of the men, with their clergymen and friends in aiding them to reform.

FOR FOUNDER OF Y. M. C. A.

Monument to Sir George Williams in St. Paul's Churchyard.

London.—Marked honor recently has been paid to the late Sir George Williams, founder of the Young Men's Christian association. A splendid monument erected to his memory now stands in the crypt of St. Paul's cathedral—a fitting site, as it was in close proximity to this spot that the original foundation of the Y. M. C. A. took place. The association, which began on a capital of \$3, to-day numbers



Monument Erected in London to the Memory of Sir George Williams.

\$20,643 members and controls buildings and real estate to the value of more than \$50,000,000. It is one of the most flourishing organizations in the world; despite the fact that hosts of other attempts on similar lines have proved utter failures.

To the personality of Sir George Williams himself is attributed a large part of the wonderful success of the Y. M. C. A., and yet, though his name is so widely known, he always kept the personal element in the background. After his death it was found that every particle of his correspondence had been destroyed as if he deprecated publishing his achievement to the world.

Though the Y. M. C. A. rests to-day on so solid a foundation it was not always in such an enviable position; and, had it not been for the personal self-sacrifices of its founder, it is very doubtful if the organization would have weathered many of the severe crises through which it passed. The scene of its beginning was an upper room of a big dry goods store—that of Hitchcock & Rogers—which stood in St. Paul's church yard in 1844. Young Williams was a clerk in that establishment and though but 20 years of age, he exerted a powerful religious influence on those with whom he came in contact. He persuaded several fellow clerks to join him in prayer once or twice a week in the dormitory of the establishment, most of the clerks in those days, as now, "sleeping in."

As to the actual founding of the Young Men's Christian association as such, it came into being at a meeting held on June 6, 1844, with a capital—collected on the spot—of \$3.12; and the first circular letter, addressed to young employes in London, was posted a few days later, young Williams and his friends scarcely having sufficient money even to pay for postage and stationery. However, the dominating personality of George Williams carried everything before it, and the Y. M. C. A. was launched in spite of all difficulties.

After "capturing" London, and then the rest of England, the Y. M. C. A. idea was taken up in the United States, and in 1876 Sir George Williams visited that country and was received with great demonstrations everywhere. It was after becoming firmly established in the United States that the Christian associations became a world-wide movement. For his work in connection with this organization Queen Victoria conferred a knighthood on the founder during her jubilee year, 1897.

Fire Fighters. "While the people of the United States were fighting the forest fires," writes a man from Tampico, Mexico, "I have been in charge of efforts to save oil which was running away into the lake at the rate of 100,000 barrels per day. We had 500 Mexican troops, the whole Sappers' and Miners' regiment, and about 500 mules in the work. The boiling salt water coming out with the oil increased ten times in volume, decomposing all the oil and leaving only its base— asphalt. The gas from this well killed two men and 14 mules during one month. I had a horse drop from under me, pitching me into a barbed wire fence, though the gas did not seem very strong at the time. We live about three-quarters of a mile from the well, but often have to sit up all night when the wind is in our direction to keep from asphyxiation. We have oxygen tanks close at hand for resuscitating persons 'gassed.'"

Talking Clocks. In Switzerland they are making clocks which do not need hands and faces. The clock merely stands in the hall, and you press a button in its stomach, when, by means of the photographic internal arrangements, it calls out "Half-past six" or "Twenty-three minutes to eleven," as the case may be.

PATIENT SUFFERING.

Many Women Think They Are Doomed to Backache.

It is not right for women to be always ailing with backache, urinary ills, headache and other symptoms of kidney disease. There is a way to end these troubles quickly. Mrs. John H. Wright, 606 East First St., Mitchell, S. D., says: "I suffered ten years with kidney complaint and a doctor told me I would never get more than temporary relief. A dragging pain and lameness in my back almost disabled me. Dizzy spells came and went and the kidney secretions were irregular. Doan's Kidney Pills rid me of these troubles and I feel better than for years past."

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DOMESTIC REPARTEE.



Mr. Knagg—Before you met me you said you wouldn't marry the best man in the world.

Mrs. Knagg—And you are the only one who thinks that I broke my word.

DREADFUL DANDRUFF.

Girl's Head Encrusted—Feared Loss of All Her Hair—Baby Had Milk-Crust—Missionary's Wife Made

Two Perfect Cures by Cuticura.

"For several years my husband was a missionary in the Southwest. Every one in that high and dry atmosphere has more or less trouble with dandruff and my daughter's scalp became so encrusted with it that I was alarmed for fear she would lose all her hair. After trying various remedies, in desperation I bought a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. They left the scalp beautifully clean and free from dandruff, and I am happy to say that the Cuticura Remedies were a complete success. I have also used successfully the Cuticura Remedies for so-called 'milk-crust' on baby's head. Cuticura is a blessing. Mrs. J. A. Darling, 310 Fifth St., Carthage, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1908."

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

EASY FOR THE PAINTER.

Worthy Individual Had All the Details in His Mind.

A Chicago artist relates how a wealthy individual from Kansas City, with his wife and three sons and four daughters, once called upon him.

"Here we are!" exclaimed the head of the family. "Nearly a dozen of us, Mr. Painter. How much for a painting of the whole of us, discount for cash?"

"That will depend," answered the artist, hiding a smile with his hand, "upon the dimensions, style, etc."

"Oh, that's all fixed," responded the other breezily, with the air of a man who knows exactly what he wants. "We are to be dashed off in one piece as large as life, sitting on the lawn of my place just outside of Little old K. C., singing 'Hail Columbia!'"—Harper's Weekly.

She Was a Real Orator. Senator Beveridge during a recent visit to Portland talked about oratory. "The campaign," he said, "has given us oratory more remarkable for quantity than quality. True oratory is that which brings results, is that which converts an audience of supporters. Such oratory is rare."

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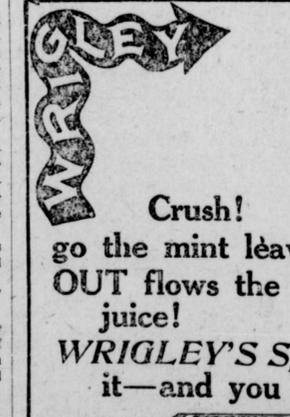
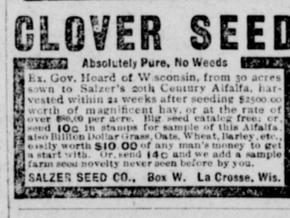
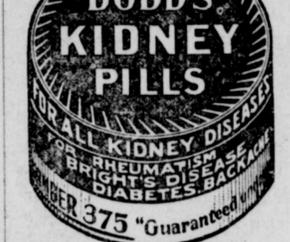
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Clerk—L. B. Cole  
Sheriff—Harry T. Edie  
Treasurer—E. L. Gilmore  
Assessor—D. C. Durham  
Inspector—W. T. Conger.  
Auditor—W. F. Kellis  
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ry, May, August and November.

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ond and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and  
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F. & A. M., meets Saturday nights on or  
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B. F. Brown, Secretary.

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Com'r, Prec. No. 1—M. Black.  
" " " 2—A. H. Allard  
" " " 3—D. D. Davis  
" " " 4—J. L. Glass.

**Justice Court.**  
Court, Precinct No. 1, meets 3rd Sat-  
urday in each month. Malcolm Black, J. P.

## LOCAL.

Meals 25c at Central Hotel.

W. L. Foster is on the sick list  
this week.

Dr. Carver made a business  
trip to San Angelo this week.

Meals, the best in town, for  
50c at Central Hotel.

George Conger made a busi-  
ness to San Angelo this week.

W. J. Jolly has rented Fisher  
Bros.' farm south of town and  
will move to the same soon.

The U outfit will soon have  
the new Big Springs road laned  
and opened up for travel.

Patrick Sullivan, of Wisconsin,  
brother of the late lamented M.  
T. Sullivan, is visiting Mrs. M.  
T. Sullivan and family.

John Stewart, a former resi-  
dent of this town but now of  
Mitchell county, visited relatives  
here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Allen,  
who have been visiting relatives  
at Brownwood, are expected to  
arrive here this afternoon.

A. A. Gamble sold his cold  
drunk outfit and stock of con-  
fections, this week, to H. H.  
Hooker and E. L. Gilmore, who  
will continue the business.

Ask the man who has been a  
guest at the Central Hotel where  
to stop.

We can give you the News-  
Record and St. Louis Semi-Week-  
ly Republic for \$1.50 cash.

Hunters:—All persons are  
forbidden to hunt on any lands  
owned or controlled by me.

W. L. Foster.

H. Q. Lyles and Scott Murray  
left this morning for St. Louis,  
where they go to buy the spring  
and summer stock of goods for  
the Lyles store.

Commissioners Court met last  
Saturday and received the bridge  
recently built across McKinzie  
draw by R. L. Henry.

The oyster supper and enter-  
tainment given by the Woodmen  
last Saturday night, is said by  
those who attended to have been  
a most enjoyable affair.

Your hands, lips and face are  
chapped and sore, are they?  
Fisher's Benzoin Cream will cure  
them and keep them well. Try  
it. For sale by Fisher Bros.

Lost:—At the Woodmen's sup-  
per Saturday night, 9th inst., a  
cream colored shawl. Finder  
will confer a favor by communi-  
cating with Mrs. H. Q. Lyles.

Born:—On Saturday the 9th,  
inst., to Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bur-  
rows, of San Angelo, a girl.  
Grandpa and grandma Slaton are  
joyful over the birth of their  
first grand child, and from the  
airs they put on about it, one  
would think they are about the  
only grandpa and grandma in the  
country—the old man, especially.

The attention of our readers is  
called to the advertisement in  
this issue of the Robinson Seed  
& Plant Company, Dallas, Texas,  
said to be the oldest seed house  
in the Southwest, and who will  
send their new 1909 Catalog to  
all who write for it describing  
the best seeds and plants for the  
Southern Grower.

LOST:—Dec 4 on Colorado  
road between Sterling City and  
the springs a gold watch, size 16  
with Elgin works, "A M S" cut  
in back of case. On return of  
watch, finder will receive a suit-  
able reward. T. S. Foster,  
Sterling City, Tex.

Notice:—Our west bound stage  
will continue to take dinner at  
Water Valley, while the east  
bound will take dinner at Hugh-  
es. This will enable east bound  
passengers to arrive in San An-  
gelo from one to two hours ear-  
lier each evening.  
Tom & Will Savell.

We have complied with every  
requirement of the law in order  
to protect ourselves against tres-  
passers. Anyone found hunting  
on any lands owned or controlled  
by us will be prosecuted to the  
full extent of the law.—Fisher  
Bros.

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Notice is hereby given that all  
parties hauling wood from Sec.  
4, 35, in the T. D. Reed pasture  
without permission will be prose-  
cuted to the full extent of the  
law.

J. L. Latham,  
L. M. Pennock,

### NOTICE

From now until the end of the  
season, the gin will run Fri-  
days and Saturdays of each week

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A Canton disc plow, good as  
new and in splendid running or-  
der. A bargain for \$35. Will  
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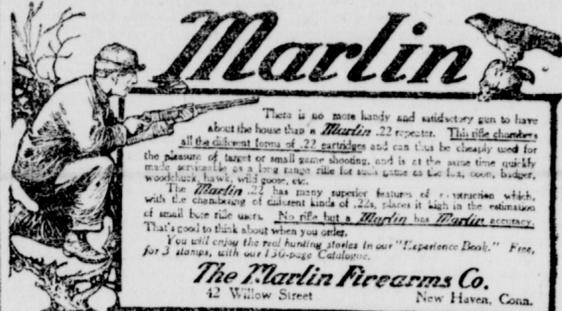
In the new system of therapeutics  
it is as essential that disease be pre-  
vented as that it be cured. Nature  
is the healer and if given proper en-  
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that she will right the wrongs com-  
mitted by ignorance and misunder-  
standing. If we know of no drug  
that can heal affected lungs we have  
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vent the lungs from becoming af-  
fected and we know that in the in-  
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ing, hunting or in any way tres-  
passing on any lands owned or  
controlled by me, will be prose-  
cuted. R. W. Foster

Notice to Trespassers  
Notice is hereby given, that any person,  
or persons who shall hunt, fish, cut  
or haul wood, work or drive stock, or  
otherwise trespass upon any land owned  
or controlled by us, or either of us  
without our permission, will be prose-  
cuted to the full extent of the law.  
Those driving stock down lane  
must keep in the lane until across Beal's  
creek.  
W. R. Felker  
By N. D. Thompson manager

TRESPASS NOTICE  
Notice is hereby given that any  
person who shall hunt, fish, cut  
or haul wood, or otherwise tres-  
pass on any of the lands owned  
or controlled by me will be prose-  
cuted to the full extent of the  
law. 4507  
A. P. JONES

POSTED.  
Our pasture is posted and all  
persons are hereby put upon  
legal notice that any one who  
shall hunt, cut or haul wood or  
otherwise trespass upon any of  
the lands owned or controlled  
by us will be prosecuted to the  
full extent of the law,  
10-26-'01 Fisher Bros.

Notice to Hunters.—Posted.  
My pasture is posted accord-  
ing to the law made and provided  
in such cases and all persons are  
hereby warned and forbidden to  
hunt, fish, or otherwise trespass  
upon any of the enclosed lands  
owned or controlled by me, under  
pain of prosecution to the full  
extent of the law. J. T. Davis  
5-6-'02 J. T. Davis

NOTICE—KEEP OUT.  
Notice is hereby given that any  
person who shall hunt, fish, cut  
or haul wood or otherwise tres-  
pass on any of the lands owned  
or controlled by me will be prose-  
cuted to the full extent of the  
law.  
G. W. Allard.

Posted.  
I have posted my pasture accord-  
ing to the laws made and provided in  
such cases, and all persons are hereby  
warned and put upon notice that any  
person who shall hunt, cut and haul  
wood or otherwise trespass upon any  
enclosed land owned or controlled by  
me, will be prosecuted to the full  
extent of the law  
J. S. Johnson.

TRESPASS NOTICE  
Any person hauling wood, fish-  
ing, hunting, or in any way tres-  
passing on any lands owned or  
controlled by us, will be Prose-  
cuted.  
W. R. McKENZIE & SON

NOTICE  
All persons having any interest  
in house known as the "Hillside  
School House," in my pasture  
southwest of my ranch on Sterling  
Creek will present their claims to  
me at an early date, as I intend to  
move said building away soon.  
W. L. Foster

# FARMING IN THE SOUTH

## PEANUT CULTURE.

Varieties—Soil—Time of Planting—Cultivation—Harvesting—Yield—Preparation for Market.

The Louisiana State Board of Agriculture and Immigration and the Experiment Station has issued the following on peanut culture, prepared by W. R. Dodson, Director, Agricultural Experiment Stations:

In view of the frequent inquiries regarding the cultivation of peanuts, the following condensed statement has been prepared giving the most pertinent facts secured from the Louisiana Experiment Stations and other experiment stations in the South:

**Varieties**—The large peanuts usually seen at the confectioneries are the "Virginia" or "Tennessee" "red" or "white" varieties. The Virginia or Tennessee red is more popular on the market and these seem to be better suited to Louisiana conditions than the two white varieties. The "Spanish" peanut has a smaller pea and has a more erect habit of growth, and the peas adhere to the vines with greater tenacity in the harvest than is characteristic with the other varieties. The Spanish peanut is, therefore, easier to harvest for forage or market than the other varieties. The Spanish variety is not quite as rich in oil as some of the large varieties. The so-called "Mammoth" varieties are not desirable so far as the indications of the experiments at the Louisiana Stations go. The yields are small and many of the pods are not well filled. The Spanish is generally preferred for forage and possibly for other purposes, on account of less labor involved in harvesting.

**Soil**—Almost any well drained soil in Louisiana will produce a fair crop of peanuts. The sandy soil with a moderate amount of humus is preferred. Stiff soils frequently produce good crops, but it is difficult to harvest the pea satisfactorily and free it from dirt. Red soils, containing a large quantity of iron, color the pods and injure the market qualities. Soils containing a large amount of stable manure or decomposing vegetable matter are liable to produce excessive vines and a small yield of peanuts.

**Time of Planting**—Peanuts should not be planted until all danger of frost has passed. They may be planted as late as the middle of June and a good crop made.

**Preparation of the Soil**—Prepare the soil as for ordinary staple crops. As clean culture is desirable, land that is comparatively free of weed and grass seeds is to be preferred.

**Planting**—Very slight ridges should be prepared in ordinary soils, in the more sandy soils, the flat row should be used. The rows may be arranged from two and a half to three feet apart. The closer rows have been found to give the largest yields. The hills in the row should be from six inches to a foot and a half apart. Usually the short distance is used with the small varieties and the poor land and the maximum distance with the large varieties and the richer land. Generally two peas are planted to the hill. In early planting cover somewhat deeper. It is the general practice to shell the peas before planting. Good results are secured by simply breaking the pods, but they do not come up as quickly when planted this way as when shelled before planting. Planting the whole pods delays germination and generally prevents securing a first-class stand. It will require from one to two bushels of peas in the hull to plant an acre.

**Cultivation**—Frequent shallow cultivation up to the time that the vines begin to bloom gives the most satisfactory results. No special precautions are necessary in the cultivation of the crop. After the blooms begin to appear the vines should be disturbed as little as possible, though the middles may still be cultivated lightly with any implement most convenient.

**Harvesting**—Harvesting should begin as soon as a large per cent of the peas have matured. If the work is delayed and unfavorable weather prevails there will be greater loss from the germination of the peas as they mature than will be compensated for by the maturity of the later formed peas. The common method of harvesting is to offset the row with a turnplow. Then lift out each hill separately with a ground fork, shaking the bunch to release the adhering dirt. Two or three rows are bunched together and curing is very much after the order commonly followed in windrowing hay. When a considerable crop is produced they are shocked in small shocks around a stick driven in the ground, making the shocks

Judge MacFarlane of Pittsburg has decided that a shipper who loses his produce while in the hands of express or railroad companies cannot recover damages if he fails to state the true value of the article shipped.

The American hen produced in fowls and eggs more than \$600,000,000 in 1907.

The customs service of China estimates the total population of that country at 433,311,000.

three to four feet in diameter and five to six feet high, capping the shock with grass. The shock is allowed to stand until the peas and vines are thoroughly cured.

**Yield**—A good crop in any portion of Louisiana should yield from sixty-five to 100 bushels per acre. The Experiment Stations have produced a little over 100 bushels per acre on a good crop. The Arkansas Station reports yields of from ninety-five to 172 bushels per acre. Reports from small farmers in north Louisiana indicate yields in that section of from eighty to 100 bushels per acre.

**Preparation for Market**—To be prepared for the market the peas must be separated from the vines and thoroughly ridged of the adhering dirt. Various mechanical devices are helpful in this work. Peanut threshers are on the market and are said to do satisfactory work.

**Price**—The price per bushel of twenty-two pounds varies from 50 to 85 cents. The average price for ten years at Norfolk, Va., is said to be 65 cents per bushel.

**Peanuts for Oil Production**—Peanuts contain from 35 to 50 per cent oil. Prime oil is said to be worth 65 cents per gallon. The lower grades used for soap stock would bring a much lower price, as they would come into competition with the soap stock in the form of cotton seed oil. The residue after the oil is extracted is a valuable stock feed and should bring from \$20 to \$25 per ton when the meats and hulls are mixed, or from \$25 to \$30 per ton when the hulls are separated before the oil is extracted.

**Peanut Hay**—Peanut hay, when well cured is a most excellent forage. The Louisiana Stations have shown that peanuts are most excellent for fattening hogs. The Arkansas Station found that one-fourth acre in peanuts produced 313 pounds of pork, while the same amount of land in corn produced only 109 pounds of pork. The Alabama Station found that hogs pasturing on a peanut field made much cheaper gains than on cowpeas, sweet potatoes or sorghum.

### How Prize Lambs Were Fed.

F. E. Bryant of the Pecos valley, New Mexico, exhibited a load of lambs at the recent international stock show and took first prize on them, demonstrating to his countrymen that he knows how to grow good ones. The lambs were dropped early in March, the mothers being cull ewes past their usefulness on the range. They had been put on alfalfa pasture in the fall before. Through the summer the lambs were on pasture with the ewes until they were weaned August 15. From that time on they were fed green cow peas and other green feeds and alfalfa hay in the feed lot. They were finished on corn, alfalfa, hay, beets and other root crops. Mr. Bryant gave the feeding his personal attention and the result shows that he knew his business. The lambs were eight days on the trip to Chicago and won first out of sixteen entries. They averaged 116 pounds.

### Slaughter of Birds.

By killing insect-eating birds Americans are robbing posterity and permitting an annual crop loss of \$800,000,000 according to William Dutcher, president of the National Association of Audubon Societies. If we permit the heritage of wild birds that still exist to be further wasted and destroyed, we are robbing our children, declared Mr. Dutcher. The people, as trustees, are in honor bound to preserve these wild birds for those that follow us. We do not wish our children to feel about us as we do about our fathers, who permitted the wanton and useless extinction of the bison and the wild pigeon. In the matter of bird legislation there is no resting place; the only price of satisfactory bird protection is eternal watching of legislatures, for in an unguarded moment an amendment may be passed that will undo the work of years.

### A Valuable Tree.

There is a tree in Cheapside, London, that may be described literally as the most expensive of its kind on earth. If \$5 gold pieces filled the entire trunk and \$5 bills fluttered in place of every one of the leaves, it would not buy the terra firma it occupies. For the land on which it stands, the northwest corner of Wood street and Cheapside, is worth 4 1/2 million dollars an acre. The tree has stood on this spot for over 200 years, while its site has augmented in value to almost fabulous proportions.

### A Variety of Crops.

It is profitable to grow a variety of crops rather than one, as this gives crops to be marketed at different times of year. This increases the regularity of the farmer's income and distributes it over a greater period. This in turn enables him to do business on a smaller capital.

Leave apples out in a cool house till it begins to be cold. They will keep longer.

When it looks like rain, draw in a load or two of corn for husking on the big barn floor.

Box a few apples done up in soft paper and see how they will come out next spring.

Better clean out all surplus stock. Do not winter any stock that will not give profit.

### BREAKS A COLD PROMPTLY

The following formula is a never failing remedy for colds: One ounce of Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla, one ounce Toris Compound and one-half pint of good whiskey, mix and shake thoroughly each time and use in doses of a tablespoonful every four hours. This if followed up will cure an acute cold in 24 hours. The ingredients can be gotten at any drug store.

### Opposed to Toll Roads.

Maryland, following the recent lead of Pennsylvania, is moving to abolish toll roads. Gov. Crothers has expressed the hope that before his term is ended every tollgate in the state will be abolished and every road free. He believes that the work of the good roads commission will ultimately result in wiping out the gates. "The tollgate," says the governor, "is not of this age and has no proper place in this time. It is ridiculous to think of charging people money for coming to your city."

### Deafness Cannot Be Cured

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hunt's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

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### Warmth and Illumination Needed.

A philosophy without heart and a faith without intellect are abstractions from the true life and being of knowledge and faith. The man whom philosophy leaves cold, and the man whom real faith does not illumine, may be assured that the fault lies in themselves, not in knowledge and faith. The former is still an alien from philosophy, the latter an alien from faith.—Hegel.

### It's Dangerous.

To neglect a cold the results are too often very serious. Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the consequences. Upon the appearance of a cold, sore throat or chest, use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm and promptly cures you.

### Sure Sign.

Mrs. Murphy—Arrah! 'Tis Saterdah night an' th' faeth'ry is closin' down an' Timmy don't know whether he'll git his pay or not.

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### "We Have Many Similar."

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers of Stuttgart, Ark.: "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Millidgeville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there, in whom I am much concerned, and I understand the Oil is not kept there. I can recommend it as the best medicine I ever had in my house. It cured me of a bad case of the Bloody Flux in less than one-half hour, and it cured my grand-daughter of a bad case of Cholera Morbus in a very short time."

### Rather Hard.

The messenger entered the palace with the dispatches. "Brimstone and asphalt!" ejaculated Castro, as he read the yellow slip. "Holland threatens to spank us." "Well, what of it, your excellency?" responded the secretary. "Other nations have threatened to do the same." "Yes, but, confound it, this is a spanking that will hurt. The Dutch wear wooden shoes."

### "Nails."

"Nails are a mighty good thing—particularly finger nails—but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I used mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do. One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely."

J. M. WARD, Index, Texas.

### Rapid Transit.

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