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FOUR ARE KILLED IN TEXAS TORNADO

MAN, HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER
ARE KILLED NEAR HERMLEIGH
SCURRY COUNTY.

ANOTHER FATALLY INJURED

One Man Reported to Have Been
Killed at Dunn, in This
County.

Snyder, Tex., July 12.—W. B. Dowell, his wife and ten-year-old daughter were killed and another daughter, aged fourteen, fatally hurt in a cyclone which demolished their home three miles southwest of Hermleigh at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

The storm came as a bolt from a clear sky. Not a stick was left standing of the small frame house which was the home of Dowell and his family. After the destruction of the Dowell house, the cyclone dissipated and no other damage was done. Dowell's son, who was plowing in a field near the house, was injured.

The storm Friday was followed by another on Saturday evening, which swept across the south part of the county, both leaving the telephone wires demolished.

One member of the Carter family is reported killed and three persons are reported injured at Dunn, in the southern part of this county, and two others of the family badly crippled. A dozen houses were wrecked.

3,698 Births; 1,487 Deaths.

Austin: The Texas State Board of Health's vital statistic bulletin for June was made public Saturday. It shows 3,698 births reported for the past month and the number of deaths at 1,487. The bulletin says that in the past twelve months there has been an epidemic of yellow jaundice in South Texas, principally in Corpus Christi, Brownsville, Falfurrias and Alsea.

Illinois Town Wrecked.

Xenia, Ill.: A tornado wrecked this city Sunday night and injured a number of citizens. It struck here at 6 o'clock, coming from the west, lasted but thirty seconds and was followed by a cloudburst, and left many homeless here and timber and debris of homes is so thick over town people had difficulty in finding missing members of their families.

First Petroleum Buter.

Alton, Ill.: The first roll of petroleum butter, the Standard Oil Company's latest product, is to be turned out at the Wood River refinery, near Alton. Preparations are being made to manufacture the product here and machinery that will do to the milk cow what the automobile did to the horse has been shipped.

Tornado Kills Three.

Minneapolis: One of the worst tornadoes ever experienced in Western Minnesota struck Ortonville Sunday afternoon. It spent its force on a number of box cars standing on a side track and filled with twenty-six Italian laborers, three of whom were killed and nineteen probably fatally injured.

Outlaws Attack Texans.

El Paso: A dispatch from Afton, N. M., thirty-five miles west of here, says outlaws attacked ten Texas horse buyers in this camp Sunday night, and it is believed killed nine of them.

Rattlesnake Kills Child.

Olney, Tex.: The 4-year-old child of E. O. Cook, who resides nine miles northwest of Olney, was bitten by a rattlesnake Saturday and died Sunday morning.

Quarantine Suspended for Fair.

Washington: Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture announces a suspension of the fever tick quarantine so as to permit cattle from below the quarantine line to be sent to Oklahoma city for exhibition at the Oklahoma State Fair, to be held from September 29 to October 8, inclusive.

Severe Hurricane in Panama.

Panama: A hurricane of unusual severity occurred here Saturday night doing much damage to property.

Two Killed in Church.

Kansas City: Two men were killed, a third had both legs blown off and a number were seriously wounded at a celebration at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church here Sunday night, when a parcel of fireworks accidentally exploded.

Claude Bostick Drowned.

Pottsville: Claude Bostick, a young man, 22 years old, living five miles north of here, was drowned Sunday afternoon while bathing in Red River.

DOINGS OF A GREAT STATE

Harry Abney, of Roswell, N. M., arrived in Denton from Roswell, making the trip in his automobile in five days, including stops.

That Gen. Luke E. Wright of Tennessee, former Secretary of War, will be made Chief Justice of the Supreme Court when Chief Justice Fuller retires is the report here.

To the gratification of through passengers who have been detained in Laredo and Monterey for a week by washouts on the Mexican National, all traffic was resumed Wednesday.

The Wabash Railroad bridge across Grande River, at Chillicothe, Mo., went out Wednesday, carrying five men down. The men when last seen were floating down stream.

Announcements of definite plans for an expenditure of nearly \$17,000,000 upon additions to the cotton mills of the South have been made during the first half of this year.

Pushed by a sling of logs which he was endeavoring to guide into the hold of the vessel, Conrad Hahn, a longshoreman, Monday, was drowned in the bay at Galveston.

All records for this season in the number of visitors coming to Galveston during the course of a day were broken Sunday when 8,000 were shown on the registers of the Union Depot.

The National Government has just joined in a movement which is under way in Kansas City that has for its ultimate purpose the elimination of hog cholera in the United States.

Col. H. C. Thurston, aged seventy-nine, tallest man in the United States, died suddenly Saturday at his home near here. He was seven feet and one-half inches high, standing in his bare feet.

With work on the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient being pushed from the San Angelo and Sweetwater ends of the road, closing this gap of approximately forty miles by early September, now seems assured.

While the westbound local freight train was switching at Manor, Sunday, it ran over and killed Phillip Gonzales. He stepped in front of a moving car and was knocked down and killed instantly.

Miss Maud Williams, 17-year-old daughter of S. H. Williams of Chillicothe, while endeavoring to cross a track near the depot, got her left foot cut off near the ankle by a train which was switching in the yards.

Eight cars of melons were shipped through Terrell over the Texas Midland this week for Billings, Mont. There have been 250 cars of melons shipped through here so far this season for points north.

At his home near Mansfield, Thursday afternoon, J. S. Lamb, a prominent farmer, received knife wounds which caused his death before a physician arrived. About fifteen wounds were inflicted, two of them being through the heart.

Announcement of the incorporation of the Herrin Southern, capitalized at \$1,000,000, is said in New York to be the first step toward building a new line 600 miles long, connecting Chicago with the Gulf of Mexico by a direct route.

With a badly wounded hand, caused by a bayonet thrust inflicted by a Mexican jail guard, and suffering from blood poisoning, Frank Eden of San Antonio arrived at El Paso from Juarez Tuesday. Eden says he was arrested in Juarez eight days ago and thrown into a dark cell with another man. They came near suffocating, and after enduring for eight hours without water they kicked down the door and were attacked by a soldier on guard, who wounded Eden with his bayonet.

The first State convention of deaf and dumb mutes ever held in Texas assembled in the city hall in Houston Saturday afternoon with more than 100 delegates in attendance.

Dallas imported last year from foreign countries merchandise totaling in value the great sum of \$1,324,000. On this was paid \$328,400 in duties to Uncle Sam. Uncle Sam is now asked to make Dallas a port of entry.

The eighth annual encampment of the Baptist Young People's union of Texas will be held at Palacios, July 13 to 22.

A special meeting of farmers, planters and land owners of Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas will be held in Memphis on July 8. The meeting will be addressed on the subject of "Alfalfa Growing in the South."

Sunday morning, about 1 o'clock, some unknown party or parties entered the poolroom at Killen and placed dynamite on the pool tables, blowing them to pieces. The explosion shattered the glass front of the building and did considerable damage to other furniture.

DISPENSARY TROUBLE

SUPERINTENDENT STONE SERVED
WITH ORDER ISSUED AT OKLAHOMA CITY.

TRANSPORTATION OF LIQUOR

Injunction to Prevent State's Interference
With Delivering Shipments
of Booze to Residences.

Guthrie, Ok., July 10.—Acting Superintendent Stone of the State Dispensary has been served with a District Court injunction from Oklahoma City to prevent the State interfering in the transportation of liquors shipped into the State from depots, warehouses and express offices to residences.

Pigeons to Ohio.

Plano: Charles French, secretary of the National Federation of American Homing Pigeons, at Cleveland, Ohio, shipped D. L. Palmer, agent of the Cotton Belt Railway here, a coop of seventeen homing pigeons, and they were released at 12:01 p. m. Friday. They started in a northeast direction and stopped one-fourth of a mile distant, then rose and circled a few times and struck out again in a northeast direction. They are expected to arrive in Cleveland, 1,000 miles away, within twenty-four hours from the time they were liberated.

America's Tallest Man Dead.

Mt. Pleasant: Col. H. C. Thurston, aged seventy-nine, tallest man in the United States, died suddenly Saturday at his home near here. He was seven feet and one-half inches high, standing in his bare feet. He was widely known as a Confederate veteran and attended the Memphis reunion, where his great stature attracted much attention. The casket in which he was buried was eight and a half feet long and was especially constructed.

High Water in Missouri.

St. Joseph, Mo.: The Platte River, eight miles east of St. Joseph, is full of its banks and has covered the bottoms with five to six feet of water. At Agency, twelve miles southeast of St. Joseph, the flood has become so serious that practically everyone has deserted the town with the exception of a few business men who are working to store their stocks on upper shelves and workmen who are loading cars with coal, rock and any heavy available material, and rolling them on the Santa Fe bridge to anchor it.

Underground River Found.

Brownwood: Jack Smith, who lives two miles above town, claims to have made a discovery which will mean much to the city. While opening up a gravel pit on his place, he says he found an underground river of pure water as is found anywhere, the capacity of which is large enough to supply any size city. The underground current was discovered at a depth of twenty-seven feet and is said to be sixteen feet below the bed of the bayou.

Factories at Laredo.

Laredo: The Laredo Board of Trade has secured its victory in establishing factories at Laredo in the receipt of a letter from John Butcher that he would leave Vassar, Mich., in a few days for Laredo to commence actual work on the onion crate factory, which will put out 1,200,000 crates to supply the annual demand of this section.

New Factory for Sherman.

Sherman: Machinery is being placed in the plant of the Sherman Overall Manufacturing Company in the Birge block, East Houston street. The officers of the company, which is capitalized at \$15,000.

Floods in Missouri.

Kansas City: Swollen by unprecedented rains and by melted snows from the mountains, brought down through the Missouri Valley, the rivers have left their banks and caused damaging floods in many parts of Missouri and Kansas.

Stamford Roundhouse.

Stamford: Ground will soon be broken for the erection of the roundhouse that is to be built in this city by the Stamford Northwestern.

8,000 Visit Galveston.

Galveston: All records for this season in the number of visitors coming to Galveston during the course of a day were broken Sunday when 8,000 were shown on the registers at the Union Depot.

Killed by Falling Lumber.

Overton: Early Monday, Morgan Silvey, who conducted a sawmill two miles east of Overton, was instantly killed by a stack of lumber falling on him.

Georgia is Broke.

Atlanta, Ga.: The State of Georgia is not only broke, but face to face with a deficit of over half a million dollars. There are now excess appropriations for the year 1908 of \$180,000, and there has been an increased appropriation for 1909 of \$250,000. Should the revenue for 1909 fall short to the same extent it did this year, there will be \$180,000 more added to the shortage, making a total of \$610,000. This deficit is from lack of revenue on the liquor tax.

Naval Exhibit For Dallas.

Dallas: In case the War Department at Washington acts on a suggestion which will be made by Lieut. Adolphus Andrews, in charge of the navy recruiting station at this point, the Navy Department will have as large an exhibition at the Fair this year as was put on at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904.

Buffalo Robe Exhibited.

Snyder: A white buffalo robe taken from a buffalo that was killed on the head waters of Deep Creek, a few miles north of where Snyder is now located some thirty years ago, by J. W. Moor, is on exhibition. The robe is still in the possession of Mr. Moor, and on account of its rarity is very valuable, its value being placed at \$5,000.

Roosevelt Finding Game.

Naiyasha, East Africa: The Roosevelt expedition is enjoying good hunting. Mr. Roosevelt killed a splendidly maned lion, four lionesses and four rhinoceroses. The lion was brought down while in full charge, the bullet penetrating the middle of the beast's chest.

Colombians Fighting Reyes.

Colon: A revolution has broken out in the republic of Colombia, apparently against the Government of Reyes, the President of the Republic, who is now in London, according to the British steamer Median, just arrived from Savannah, Barranquilla, and its seaport, Savannah, seventeen miles away, are in the hands of the revolutionists.

Dynamite Pool Room.

Killeen: Sunday morning about 1 o'clock some unknown party or parties entered the poolroom and placed dynamite on the pool tables, blowing them to pieces. The explosion shattered the glass front of the building and did considerable damage to other furniture.

New Station for Brownwood.

Galveston: The contract for the building for the new brick passenger station at Brownwood by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway was let on Wednesday, July 7. There was quite a bit of rivalry in the bidding and the lucky bidder was H. D. McCoy of Cleburne, Texas.

Revolution in Colombia.

Guayaquil, Ecuador: A private cablegram from Buena Ventura, Colombia, states that a revolution has broken out at Barranquilla, the most important commercial city of Colombia, against Jorge Holguin, who is acting president in the absence of President Reyes, and in favor of Gonzales Valencia.

Gas For Brownwood.

Brownwood: The George W. Stone Company of Cleveland, Ohio, who recently asked a franchise of the city to erect and maintain a gas plant here, will evidently secure their franchise at the next regular meeting of the City Council, as it has passed the second reading.

Uncle Sam Well Paid.

Dallas: Dallas imported last year from foreign countries merchandise totaling in value the great sum of \$1,324,000. On this was paid \$328,400 in duties to Uncle Sam. Uncle Sam is now asked to make Dallas a port of entry.

Causeway Contract Let.

Galveston: At a meeting Monday, attended by representatives of the county, three railroads and interurban electric line, contracts for the construction of the causeway were let. For the roadway and concrete arch bridge, \$1,232,000; for the lift bridge, \$73,400.

Deaf and Dumb Mutes.

Houston: The first State convention of deaf and dumb mutes ever held in Texas assembled in the city hall Saturday afternoon with more than 100 delegates in attendance.

Kills Two Masked Robbers.

Torreon, Mexico: Four masked men broke into the apartment of Jose Santiago in North Torreon and demanded his valuables. Instead of complying with the demand Santiago opened fire with a revolver, killing two of the robbers.

To Work on Cut-off.

Sherman: A complete grading outfit for work on the Santa Fe cut-off was sent from this city for the west Friday.

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS
THAT ARE WORTH PASSING
NOTICE.

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

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

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The sessions of Congress will keep the Texas Senators and Representatives in Washington perhaps three weeks longer, but immediately upon adjournment nearly all of them will start for their homes.

The oil producers won their fight in the Senate Thursday for a duty on crude oil, when that body, by a vote of 44 to 31, adopted Senator Curtis' amendment providing for a duty on crude oil.

Concerned about what they suppose to be the possibility that negroes may be sent into the homes of white residents of the South as enumerators to gather information for the thirteenth decennial Federal census, Democratic members of Congress will urge President Taft to give instructions that only white enumerators shall be employed in districts south of the Mason and Dixon line.

Great Britain, Austria-Hungary and the United States have notified China that they do not recognize the preliminary agreement between Russia and China devised for the administration of the Russian Railroad area in Manchuria.

According to Government statistics, the estimated coal supply of the United States is put down at 3,135,708,000, 000 tons, while the output from the mines of the United States in 1907, the year of the largest production, was 429,000,000 tons.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

At Taylor, Tuesday, the 16-month-old child of Will White fell into a tub of water and was drowned.

John D. Rockefeller Friday increased his donations to the General Educational Board by a gift of \$10,000,000 and also released the board from the obligation to hold in perpetuity the funds contributed by him.

Eleven persons are believed to be dead, while scores of others are in danger of drowning in the floods that are sweeping northwestern Missouri and in which half a dozen towns and cities are endangered.

Closer on the heels of William L. Leon than the police have been since the discovery of the murder of Elsie Sigel, Capt. Carey, head of the Homicide Bureau of New York, learned Friday that the shrewd Chinaman left the vicinity only last Sunday, headed for New Orleans.

In response to persistent reports it was the purpose of the present Administration to abandon Fort McIntosh located at Laredo, the secretary of the Board of Trade received a letter from Senator Culberson Thursday stating that he was assured by high officials of the War Department at Washington that there was no intention of abandoning this important military post.

T. W. Larkin, secretary of the Texas Farmers' Congress, has issued an outline or preliminary program for the forthcoming session, to be held at the Agricultural and Mechanical College July 27-30. It is stated that the program for the separate sessions of the various affiliated organizations which will meet with the congress will be ready for publication in a few days, and that there will be a great array of talent and a feast of information for all who attend.

Announcement is made in financial circles that the First National and the Bankers' National Banks of Chicago are to be merged. Thus the second largest bank in the country will be created with deposits of \$177,000,000.

News was received Friday from St. Louis, which was to the effect that Little Rock capitalists, headed by the Kemper brothers, had acquired the Menard electric system and its appertaining properties from the Jones-Bomar interests of Fort Worth. This is regarded as meaning early reoperation of the line.

Early Monday, Morgan Silvey, who conducted a sawmill two miles east of Overton, was instantly killed by a stack of lumber falling on him.

Stanley Ketchel of Michigan is still the world's middle-weight champion. In a desperate, grueling battle, during which the champion was constantly on the aggressive, he was awarded the decision over Billy Papke of Illinois at the end of the twentieth round, the scheduled number, in San Francisco, Monday. Ketchel broke his right hand in the sixth round. His left thumb was also dislocated.

The Farmers' Union has started an agitation for a National campaign against rats.

The loss from the fire which destroyed the Labor Temple, in Houston Tuesday, was about \$75,000.

The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Texas Bar association met in Austin Tuesday.

Roy Sigel, the 21-year-old son of C. F. Sigel, of Hyde Park, Houston, was drowned at noon Friday at Galveston, about four miles from Richmond.

In a riot in the National stock yards in East St. Louis, Tuesday, one man was killed and two others seriously injured by being shot in the hips.

In a desperate fight near Patian, on Jolo Island, P. I., Monday, Jikiri, the famous Moro outlaw chief, was killed and his entire band exterminated.

H. A. Strange, aged 74, a Confederate veteran, and five children of S. E. Hamlet, were burned to death in the home of Hamlet at Richmond, Va., Monday.

Exceeding by 3 degrees the hottest day last year, the thermometer reached the highest point of the present year, registering 103 Friday, according to local Weather Bureau observations.

The board of control of the Epworth League of the United States and Canada, in convention in Seattle, decided to hold the next international convention in Boston on May 18, 1910.

Thermometer registered 103 Friday in Ardmore. According to local Weather Bureau this has been the hottest day since August 27, 1902. Breezes have blown all day and the heat was not oppressive.

That Cudahy is becoming interested in the establishment of a packing plant in Fort Worth is evidenced by the presence in the city of representatives of the Cudahy interests, investigating the situation.

Revised figures on the Fourth of July casualties for three days show 76 dead and 2,774 injured. After more complete reports are in, including picnics and other such celebrations, the list may reach 100.

The Latin quarter of Paris, that Mecca of American visitors in the French capital, has been doomed. Within another six months it is improbable that a trace of the picturesque section will remain.

Oklahoma City is in the throes of an ice famine and manufacturers Friday advanced the price to 40c per hundred pounds. Ice is being shipped into this city from various sections of the State, but not enough to supply the demand.

The broom corn crop in Oklahoma promises better than for any season since it has been grown in the State. In the immediate vicinity of Waurika, about 500 acres were planted to the crop this year and will mature earlier than in any other part of the State.

For the purchase of a downtown site and the erection thereon of a large office building in Dallas, the whole to represent an expenditure of \$500,000, a stock company has been formed, known as the Dallas Surgical and Medical Building Association.

The persistent charges of favoritism in the Civil Service and of the alleged disregard of the law in the matter of making appointment of residents of Washington and charging them up to different States, will probably lead to an immediate investigation of the administration of the Civil Service law.

The Rio Grande continues to rise slowly and the western suburban part of Brownsville is under water and a large portion of West Brownsville. On the west side of town the water is being held back by the railroad embankment, but only a few inches more water will put it over the track and into a portion of the residence district.

Mail advices received from Colombia report a very critical condition of affairs in the Republic as the result of the departure of President Reyes for Europe. The various political parties, which a few months ago seemed to be united, are now completely disorganized, and there are indications that Colombia is on the verge of a great revolution.

Chief Engineer Leake of the Fort Worth-Cleburne Interurban says the right of way had been secured for the line between these cities.

Tobacco growers of Western Kentucky and also the men who buy the product in that section of the State, have received warning from the Night Rider element that if they fail to join the association this year they will be waited upon by a committee with hemp and bullets and not only will they be summarily dealt with personally, but their homes and tobacco barns will be visited by fire.

Joseph Corridon of Lowell, Mass., 23 years old, an aeronaut, was killed by falling two hundred feet from a parachute in Portland, Me., Monday.

The crop reporting board of the Bureau of Statistics of the United States Department of Agriculture estimates, in Washington, from the reports of the correspondents and agents of the bureau, that the condition of the cotton crop on June 25 was 74.6 per cent of a normal, as compared with 81.1 on May 25, 1909, 81.2 on June 25, 1908, 72 on June 25, 1907, and 80.8, the average of the past ten years, on June 25.

W. F. Kellis,
Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

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

An ice plant, electric lights and waterworks for Sterling—that's what she will have before we quit writing 1910.

The News-Record is boosting the town; therefore, let the town boost the News-Record and the score will be balanced.

We have been accused of using "queer English," but no one has ever complained that he misunderstood what the News-Record man was trying to tell him.

"Sterling City" may sound all right now, but you just wait till we drop the "city" from the name and make "city" a condition and then you will see things.

Our people, last Saturday, showed their good judgment by voting to levy a 50c tax for school maintenance.—Not that we need that much at present, but an emergency may arise when we will need it, perhaps for a season, and then we will be glad that we acted wisely. Religion and education seem to be the chief attributes of the average Sterlingleite.

When a man reaches a stage where he thinks he does not need friends, the devil has got him and gone with him. He may have money, lands and goods, but unless he has friends all these things are no better than so many curses. If I had neither of these and were allowed to choose one of them, I would choose friends first of all, because the others would quickly follow.

The inexhaustible beds of sand, gravel and building stone within two miles of town, should count something in the way of building fine houses in Sterling. Not only have we this advantage, but a fine quality of lime can be made here at a nominal cost. For cheaper building material, the best grade of adobe brick can be made very cheap. With a railroad in sight, coupled with these advantages on the ground, Sterling is going to be heard from in the near future.

Sterling is the center of six towns—42 miles to San Angelo, 40 to Robert Lee, 46 to Colorado, 44 to Big Springs, 35 to Garden City and 49 to Sherwood. Watervally at 19 miles and Carlsbad at 28 miles are the only towns that intervene. When the railroad is built, Sterling will be one of the big things of West Texas. Situated in the heart of the best stock farming regions in the world where grass, water and fuel are in abundance, coupled with a climate that is unrivaled anywhere, Sterling is bound to be one of the great commercial centers of the West.

Overzealous Officers.

New York customs officials are in a row over the detention of the luggage of women arriving at that port from Europe, on the ground that it is the property of dressmakers, and that the elaborate costumes contained therein are not articles of personal belonging or apparel, but merchandise, intended for sale. In not a few instances the owners of the luggage thus detained have proved to the ultimate satisfaction of the customs officials that they are not dressmakers, and that their wardrobes are no more extensive than any lady of fashion finds necessary for her use and adornment.

HALLELUJAH--'TIS DONE

THE RAILROAD CONTRACT WITH LANIN IS BEING SIGNED TODAY ENTHUSIASM RUNS VERY HIGH

Perhaps in the history of Sterling City, there never occurred an event where her fate hung in the balance as it did last night at a big mass meeting at the court house.

The contract between J. J. Lanin and seven of our citizens as trustees, had been drawn so as to make the trustees wholly responsible for the railroad bonus and right of way. Mr. Lanin had already signed the instrument; but the trustees, while they had great confidence in those who subscribed to the bonus, yet they felt they were taking great risk in signing the contract without any backing. When this became known, a resolution was unanimously adopted to back up the trustees in all the risks they

took, and bear their part of all the burdens that might come up. The contract is being circulated today, and scores of names have been added and by the noon hour tomorrow, it will be delivered.

A good deal of money is yet to be raised, to bear the expense of getting the right of way and deposit grounds; but, so far as Sterling is concerned, it is now a settled fact that she will get the road.

We have all along refrained from saying anything that would raise false hopes; but now we have not the slightest doubt but that Sterling will hear the snort of the iron horse in less than two hundred days.

IN A TIGHT PLACE

A Big Rattlesnake in Front of Him and Three Hundred Feet Beneath

A. J. Kellis, who is a mine operator in Arizona, had a most thrilling experience not long since and but for his steady nerve and presence of mind, he would have lost his life. The inspection of a mine caused him to descend into an old shaft, 300 feet deep, and down an old rickety ladder. He and his companion, a Mr. Short, began the descent, cautiously feeling their way down the dark cavern, and landed safely at the bottom. After finishing their inspection of the mine, they started up on the ladders for the upper world again, Gus in the lead. When they had climbed within a few feet of the top, a big black rattlesnake, which was lying on a little shelf in the wall, struck out almost his full length—barely missing Gus' head. Seeing his danger, he told Mr. Short to retreat further down the hole, but Short told him that he was almost exhausted and could go no further.

Seeing his predicament, he realized that he must pass the snake if he ever expected to reach the top alive. So he approached the snake and began to make passes at him with his hat. At first, the snake struck out viciously, but after a time he became quiet and finally settled himself calmly in his little shelf of rock. Taking advantage of this, Mr. Kellis slowly made his way past the snake and reached the top in safety. He instructed Mr. Short to follow the same tactics, and he also managed to pass the deadly reptile in safety and reached the top, where he had an opportunity to realize that he had had one of the closest calls of his life.

CALL OF THE WILD.



"My woman is awfully jealous." "Is that so?" "Yes, she wouldn't speak to me for three days after I hugged that hunter's wife."

AN EXCITING RUNAWAY

A Thrilling Experience With A Pair of Half-wild Horses—A Daring Rescue

Last week, in giving an account of the run-away in which H. Q. Lyles sustained painful injuries and W. L. Foster and a colored man were slightly injured, we did not tell it all. We have been asked why Mr. Foster indulged in the luxury of a colored driver when he is one of the most expert horsemen in West Texas. The fact is, it was what happened before the run-away was the reason why the colored man was driving.

On that morning of the evening to which we have referred, Mr. Foster hooked a pair of spirited black horses to his buggy, and the team having been on the range for several months, was disposed to be "snaky." When Mr. Foster had taken his seat in the buggy, the horses ran away with him. Over hill and plain, and through mesquite flats they fairly flew, while their driver pulled on the reins with might and main, but with only the effect of steering them clear of obstacles and keeping them running in a circle. It was a fight for life with the odds against the driver; for, though he is a strong man, the continued strain was fast telling on his strength, and but for the timely aid of Waller Allen on a good mount there is no telling what would have happened. Seeing Mr. Foster's predicament, Waller put his horse out after the runaways, and after the manner of the cowboys, he "laid to 'em" and was soon by their sides, reaching for a rein which he soon caught and began to pull on it, but so determined were the runaways to get free, his pulling had but little effect. Then he wrapped the rein about his saddle horn and reached over and hooked his fingers in the eye of one of the big blacks and pulled so hard on his "peeper" that he soon gave up the battle and came to a stand still, and Mr. Foster was relieved of his dangerous predicament.

When Mr. Foster dismounted from the buggy he was so exhausted that he could not raise his hand to his head. Being determined that the unruly blacks should pay for their capers, he had them hitched to a surrey and had his colored man to drive, and all went well until they reached the Divide, where the team again ran away with the result previously given our readers.

Don't Buy What You Don't Want; or You May Want What You Can't Buy.

If you are in the market for a Stove, and are not certain what you want, don't waste time and money experimenting with inferior stoves, but buy a Garland—a Stove with a Reputation, a Stove that we guarantee to give perfect satisfaction. Of course, you may pay a little more for a Garland than some makes of stoves, but then you get something dependable. You don't have to buy stoves often, so what is the use of taking chances? Let us take the chance. We have just gotten in a lot of these stoves and we would be glad to have you see them.

LOWE & DURHAM

PROGRAM FOR THE B. Y. P. U. FOR SUNDAY JULY 18.

Leader: Miss Vera Kellis.
Song 65.
Prayer.
Hymn.
Scripture reading by the leader John 2:12-17.
Quotations on anger by the audience.
Paper: "Two Kinds of Anger" Miss Elma Austin.
Special music.
Paper: "How Anger Expresses Itself and The Harm It Does." Miss Carrie Roberts.
"How to Subdue Anger." B. F. Roberts
Pray for self mastery.
Song No. 57.
Dismission.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Sterling
Public notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Tom Green county, Texas on the 10th day of June, A. D. 1909, in Cause No. 1858, Frank Ritter and wife, Mrs. Hie Ritter and H. G. Trotter and wife, Mrs. Kate Trotter, Plaintiffs, against L. N. Pennock, Defendant, I have this day levied upon the following described real estate, situated in Sterling County Texas, to-wit:
Six hundred and forty (640) acres of land, the whole of Survey No. 4, in Block No. 15, in the name of the Houston & Texas Central Railway Company, originally made for the State School Fund, by virtue of Certificate No. 41-5888, and I will proceed to sell said real estate to the highest bidder for cash before the Court House door of Sterling County, Texas, on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, the same being the 3rd day of said month, for the purpose of enforcing collection of the judgment rendered in said cause, in favor of Plaintiffs against said Defendant, for the sum of Three Thousand Eighty-one and 35/100 (\$3801.35 Dollars, with interest thereon from the 24th day of May, 1909, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, and all costs of suit. Witness my official signature this 12th day of June, A. D. 1909.
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THE BOJIB HAD SLIPPED OVER THE FLUMJACKET

Coming up from San Angelo last Tuesday night, J. L. Glass' automobile threw a chain off a sprocket and he was out of the car making repairs, and Wally Allen was assisting him. Just at that moment a cowboy rode up, dismounted and asked what was the matter with the machine. Waller informed him that "the piven had slipped on the eskema wouldn't suboborate." He also informed the inquirer that "the occipital planes of the gislam crank had become lambusticated and created nervous distraction." "Gee," said the puncher as he crawled on his horse, "I'll hope down to Watervally and tell them folks what has happened."

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It is not the thought of monetary loss which is alarming the people, but the idea that stealing is possible.

Small boys will call down blessings on any administration that makes it easy for them to go in swimming.

Murder will out. It is folly for a man to commit a crime with the expectation that he will never be detected.

Tired chauffeurs are causing many of the accidents in Vienna. Over here the fresh chauffeur makes the rest of us tired.

Under German laws a man is legally dead when he fails to report for ten years. In some instances at least it is a painless death.

The high gods laugh when freshmen and sophomores threaten to "strike" if discipline is administered. Such things always peter out so pitifully.

Japan continues to increase her navy, while Nevada, as far as we can see, hasn't anything more than a few old rowboats somewhere around Reno.

Though European hotelkeepers are adding to the price of board, hardly any American tourists will take along their lunches when they cross the ocean.

Patrons of the nickel theaters can testify that in most cases the atmosphere in those places is fully up to the bottled samples shown by the health authorities.

Astronomers are looking for another planet in the solar system. As if they did not have trouble enough on their hands now trying to get into communication with Mars.

A candidate for the ministry in the east told the examiners he does not believe in original sin. Well, there is nothing original, any more, particularly along the sin line.

An expedition is going to Alaska to study the big glaciers. Most of us, however, must be content to remain at home at ponder over the little glaciers the ice man leaves.

We never knew of a country that thought itself so big on an 8,000,000 population as Canada. And the way she just "sasses" the mother country, sometimes, is perfectly terrible.

Contrary to the generally accepted belief, many young men who are being graduated from college know perfectly well that they still have much to learn and are entirely willing to learn it.

A wealthy Chicago woman was saved from the sudden knife thrust of a would-be assassin by her diamond sunburst. The moral of this is plain: In these days of Black Hand attacks always wear a diamond sunburst.

Only a year ago the Wrights were called dreamers and were without honor in their own country. Now we honor them as pioneers in aerial navigation. Thus have science and fame moved swiftly hand in hand.

China reports a notable increase in the customs revenue, especially as a result of trade extension in Manchuria. Another feature is the decrease in the opium traffic. These are significant points. Doing more business with other nations and cutting down the opium consumption mean substantial gain in various ways for China.

Technically, Gen. Stossel and Admiral Negobattoff may have failed in strict military duty, says the New York Tribune, but in the light of subsequent disclosures of their circumstances the world will be glad that they have not been subjected to the full penalty of what was their misfortune at least as much as their fault.

The London Lancet expresses the opinion that in time there will be "a much larger employment of the medical profession in the service of the state than has hitherto been customary." The time spoken of seems to be approaching rapidly and will probably be here before the world has made up its mind that the socialization of the medical industry will prove a real benefit to mankind.

There will be no international disturbance as a result of the fight between the captain of an American fishing schooner and the commander of a French steam trawler, on Quercy Bank. The trouble reported from Cape Breton is simply a personal "kick" against the steam trawler and not against the French. But the steam trawler will continue to do business, while spunky opponents of power fishing are kept within the pale of the law by closer patrol of the fishing banks.

The installation of a seismograph at Marquette university will give Milwaukee prominence as a source of information whenever earthquake waves make the circuit of the earth. That this is a phenomenon of greater frequency than is generally suspected is well known to scientists. Usually the motion is so slight that it is not noticed, but the delicate instrument constructed for the purpose will record all movements of this sort, great or small, and may furnish data that when tabulated will form a basis for important deductions.

MEDAL FOR BRAVERY

TRIBUTE FROM NATION TO FIRE-MAN LYNCH OF NEW YORK.

Saved Forty-Five Lives During Burning of the Excursion Boat Gen. Slocum in New York Harbor on June 15, 1904.

New York.—None but a fireman can understand with what pride Engineer Patrick Lynch of the New York fire department wears the gold medal presented to him by the congress of the United States. It was a tribute from the nation in recognition of his bravery during the burning of the excursion boat Gen. Slocum on June 15, 1904, that Congressman Joseph A. Golden pinned on Lynch's breast the medal from congress.

The Slocum disaster was by no means the first occasion when Lynch risked his life in order to save that of others. No. 80 Cannon street was the scene of one of his first heroic acts. It was on November 14, 1879, when only a private that Lynch rushed into the burning building and tried to save those within. He was so persistent in his efforts that for eight months afterward he lay in Bellevue hospital suffering from the burns and smoke.

Through the 29 years that Lynch has been a member of the fire department his record has been punctuated with acts of bravery, and he has never had a single charge marked against his name. He has been to the hospital three times, has been carried out of fires as dead several times, and as for being overcome by smoke, that is a common occurrence.

The day of the Gen. Slocum disaster it happened to be Lynch's day off duty. Being an able swimmer, he was going for a dip off East One Hundred and Forty-first street, when he spied the steamer Gen. Slocum coming upstream ablaze from stem to stern.

"I saw the sand schooner John T. Russell tied up to the pier," said Lynch in telling about it. "I rushed aboard and was about to loosen one of the boats, when a deckhand ran up and threatened me. I convinced him that I was a fireman and wanted to try to save those on the burning excursion boat. Only after this explanation was I permitted to use the rowboat.

"There were five tugboats in the river, but all were afraid to go near



Patrick J. Lynch and Medal Presented to Him by Congress.

the burning ship. When I arrived near enough to the Gen. Slocum to render assistance women and children jumped for my boat, which, being but a small one could not possibly hold all who wanted to get in. The result was that most of those who jumped the first time fell into the water. Then Capt. John L. Wade of the tug Wade came to my assistance and the refugees in my boat were transferred to the tug.

"There was so much assistance needed that a hundred men with boats would not have been too many to render help. When I returned to the burning boat from the tug Wade I spied, near the paddle wheel, half a hundred women and children holding on. The flames had almost reached them. I rowed nearer and yelled to them to hold fast and I would try to save them. I got a boat full of women and children and rowed them out to the tug Wade. The crew pulled them aboard, while I recovered breath enough to go back for another boat full."

Again and again Lynch repeated his trips between the rapidly burning Slocum and the tug, each time carrying a boat load of mothers and their little ones. Detective Sergeant Henry C. Firnisen owes to Lynch the safety of his wife and two children. When Firnisen heard that the Slocum was ablaze he rushed almost hysterically to the scene and, to his joy, found Lynch had saved those dearest to him.

Desiring to express his gratitude to Lynch for saving his family, Firnisen presented to him a gold watch, chain and locket. On the watch is inscribed the following: "Presented by Henry C. Firnisen for heroic conduct in saving the lives of his wife and two children from drowning at the burning of the steamboat Gen. Slocum on June 15, 1904."

The American League of Honor and the United States Volunteer Life-Saving society, Station No. 1, of Port Morris, also gave him medals.

Potatoes from Sprouts. The British agricultural colleges have been testing the growing of potatoes from sprouts with great success. The yield and quality have both been increased, and the disease-resisting powers strengthened.

FIRST BLOW FOR FREEDOM.

Part Played by Town of Alamance, N. C., in the Struggle for American Independence.

Baltimore, Md.—School children generally are taught that the first clash of arms in the American revolution was at Lexington in 1775. As a matter of fact, the first meeting of British and American forces was at Alamance, N. C., May 16, 1771. There an organization of colonists, known as the Regulators and pledged to resist excessive taxation, came to blows with a force of British troops under the command of Gov. Tryon. In the engagement the British numbered 1,100, their killed and wounded 81.



Monument Commemorating First Battle of Revolution.

Regulators, 2,000, their total loss about 200. The Regulators were short of arms and ammunition, and after two hours of fighting were compelled to disperse to escape capture and execution. Several were arrested and executed later, among them James Pugh, who just before his death declared: "Our blood will be as good seed in good ground, that will soon produce one hundred fold."

North Carolina citizens have organized an "Alamance Battle Ground Company," for the purpose of preserving and adorning the ground on which the first struggle took place. The monument marking the spot was erected in 1880.

NEW INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Robert G. Valentine Promoted to Post Held by Francis E. Leupp—Career of the Official.

Washington.—The resignation of Francis E. Leupp as commissioner of Indian affairs, which had been pending for nearly four months, was accepted the other day by President Taft, and Robert G. Valentine, assistant commissioner, was named to succeed him. Mr. Leupp was wanted to retire for some time on account of ill health.

Mr. Valentine, the new commissioner, is only 36 years old. After leaving the Boston Institute of Technology, was engaged for a time in banking, and later in the railroad business. He was obliged to give up his railroad work and go south for his health.



Robert G. Valentine.

His doctor warned him against going back farther north than Washington, so he settled in this city and took up newspaper work with one of the correspondents of a New York paper. While thus engaged he fitted himself for a position, and was later made private secretary to Commissioner Leupp.

In his spare moments he made a systematic study of the Indian bureau and was soon thoroughly conversant with its affairs. It was this special knowledge that prompted Commissioner Leupp to recommend him for appointment as deputy commissioner.

Mr. Valentine is regarded by those who have come in contact with him as a man of exceptional ability and untiring industry, a close student of affairs and one who is not daunted by obstacles.

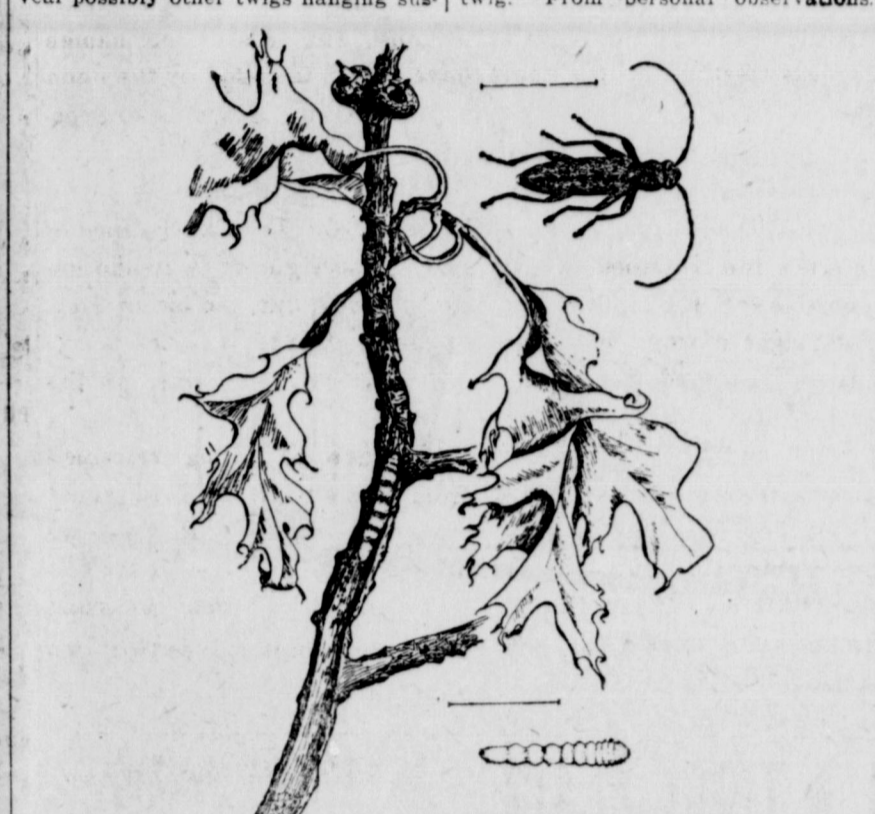
Mrs. Sage Helps Boys' School. Mrs. Russell Sage has given \$25,000 as an endowment fund to Miss Martha Berry's school for boys near Rome, Ga. The school was founded several years ago by Miss Berry to help boys whose parents were not able to give them an education. It is conducted on a small farm and the boys do most of the work on the place in payment for their tuition and board.

RAVAGES OF BLACK BEETLE AMONG SHADE TREES

Watchful Care in Summer When Destructive Insects Are Laying Their Eggs May Save Our Orchards and Timber.

However desirable it may be to have a judicious pruning of our oaks, we can hardly trust to beetles to do the work as we wish it done, and during the summer of 1908 Elaphidion certainly exceeded the limit and caused much anxiety to owners of oak trees in various parts of the country. Further, since it sometimes attacks the apple and other quite valuable trees, it calls for some attention.

During July one may observe beneath oak trees many fallen twigs and in some instances small branches, with leaves still attached and generally withered, though sometimes still green. A glance into the tree will reveal possibly other twigs hanging sus-



The Oak Pruner Beetle. Larva and Larva in Burrow.

pended with wilting or wilted leaves, not yet dislodged by the wind. The pieces on the ground, when examined, exhibit a clean cut or break at the large end, and if one cuts into the twig with a knife a whitish worm is disclosed lying in the burrow thus opened. This is the larva of the oak pruner, which when full grown is a little more than one-half inch long, and transforms into a blackish or brownish beetle of about the same length.

The life history of this pest is such, evidencing apparently marvelous instinct, that it commands our admiration. The female beetle, according to Fitch, normally lays her eggs in spring or summer on a green succulent twig in an angle between leaf twig and leaf stalk. This action affords the young tender food of the right nature, easily obtained. As the larva grows older it works into the

PROTECTING WELL FROM INFECTION USING CEMENT TO SAVE TREES

Former Method Was Never Successful for Several Reasons.

A sketch of a plan for fixing an ordinary well curb so as to afford good covering for the well is given by Nell McLean in Prairie Farmer. The ordinary well curb can be made into one of the very best of well coverings if only a little time and money is expended on it. It is just as important that the curb be built so as to prevent a roosting place for sparrows,



A Well Curb Cover.

and to ward off leaves and trash blown about by the wind, as it is to give attention to location and surface conditions when choosing a place for the house well. Make a screen door for the old well curb and cover the remaining sides with ordinary screen wire.

Timothy Hay Well settled timothy hay measures about 250 cubic feet to the ton, while new hay occupies nearly twice that space. In sale of new hay it is customary to take off about 15 per cent for shrinkage in weight, as compared with barn cured hay.

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Decollete. Wu Ting Fang, at a dance in Washington, criticised the modern ballroom belle.

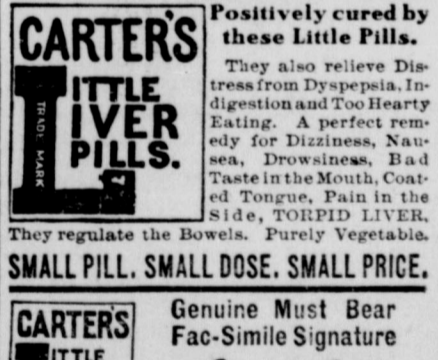
"Like the ancient Briton, who dressed in blue wood," he said, "the belle's idea of a magnificent toilet seems to be plenty of paint and very little clothing."

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FUN AND WOE OF THE ARMY CADET

By EDWARD B. CLARK



WASHINGTON.—Much has been written of the severity of the discipline at the United States Military academy. The Washington officials of the war department, acting on the advice of the old graduates of the academy, have kept the disciplinary regulations at the government's school pretty much as they were in the early days, when the thought was that leniency had no place in military affairs. The judgment of the army is that the old rule is still the best rule.

At West Point there are demerits and punishments for offenses. Pains and penalties, however, do not prevent, or at least did not prevent in the elder day, the cadets from having on occasion "the time of their lives."

When any serious breach of the regulations is contemplated the boys in gray use the lessons that are given them for another purpose: to outwit, outflank and outgeneral the enemy—the tactical officer in charge.

The cadet at West Point who was found with a crust of bread in his quarters, or, if luck has been running his way, an orange, or some other luxury almost unknown to the cadet palate, his punishment is, or was, ten hours of extra guard duty, to be performed during the time that otherwise he might have been walking through "Flirtation Walk" with some one not a cadet, or possibly spending a part of the 25 cents a week which he is allowed for extravagances—if he doesn't owe the government anything—in buying a plate of ice cream or a delicious bite of cake in the goodies-shop, which the cadets in the old days dubbed "Delmonico's."

Once upon a time a cadet received a letter on the day before Christmas, and from it he learned that a cousin living in New York had shipped a box, due to arrive that afternoon, and filled with absolutely unspeakably good things. The letter told him that the box had been addressed to a certain kind-hearted army officer's wife—here and forever nameless—and that it were better to call for it when the officer himself was on duty elsewhere.

Just after supper that Christmas eve, during the half-hour interval between mess and the bugler's call to quarters, two cadets stole down the road in the rear of the hospital, scaled the fence, and dropped into the yard in the rear of the kindhearted army woman's quarters. They found the box, and carried it to the barracks, getting it in through a window, and storing it under a bunk in a dark corner.

The two cadets were roommates. They pried open the box, and having found that there were eight pies, eight cakes, two dozen oranges and four pounds of candy therein, concluded that there were just rations enough for four hungry cadets with the appetites that they could bring to the feast, about an hour after taps.

They invited two chums who lived in another part of the barracks to come to the spread as soon after "lights out" as it would be fairly safe to cross the area of barracks without the danger of being seen by the officer of the day.

Taps sounded. There was the usual dark-lantern inspection immediately thereafter, and from every room in the old stone building came the cry of "All in, sir," as the officers made their round and flashed their bull's-eye within. No sooner had the door closed on the inspecting officer than the two custodians of the box arose, jumped into trousers and shell jackets, and proceeded to blanket the window, throwing one end over the upper sash and then closing the frame, so as to hold the blanket tight. With their bayonets they pinned the lower end at the corners, and after placing a folded blanket over the transom, they lighted the gas and spread the feast.

About three-quarters of an hour after taps the two bidden ones stole in. Their hosts had resisted the mighty temptation to eat. They had lived for months on cadet rations, and their waiting for their comrades with that feast spread before their eyes proved them not only soldiers, but stoics.

They came, they saw, and they ate. The apple of Eden had not the flavor of those mince pies. It was before the days of angel cake, but those cakes must have come from paradise. How these youngsters did pitch in. Nothing has tasted so good since, and the one who writes speaks by the card.

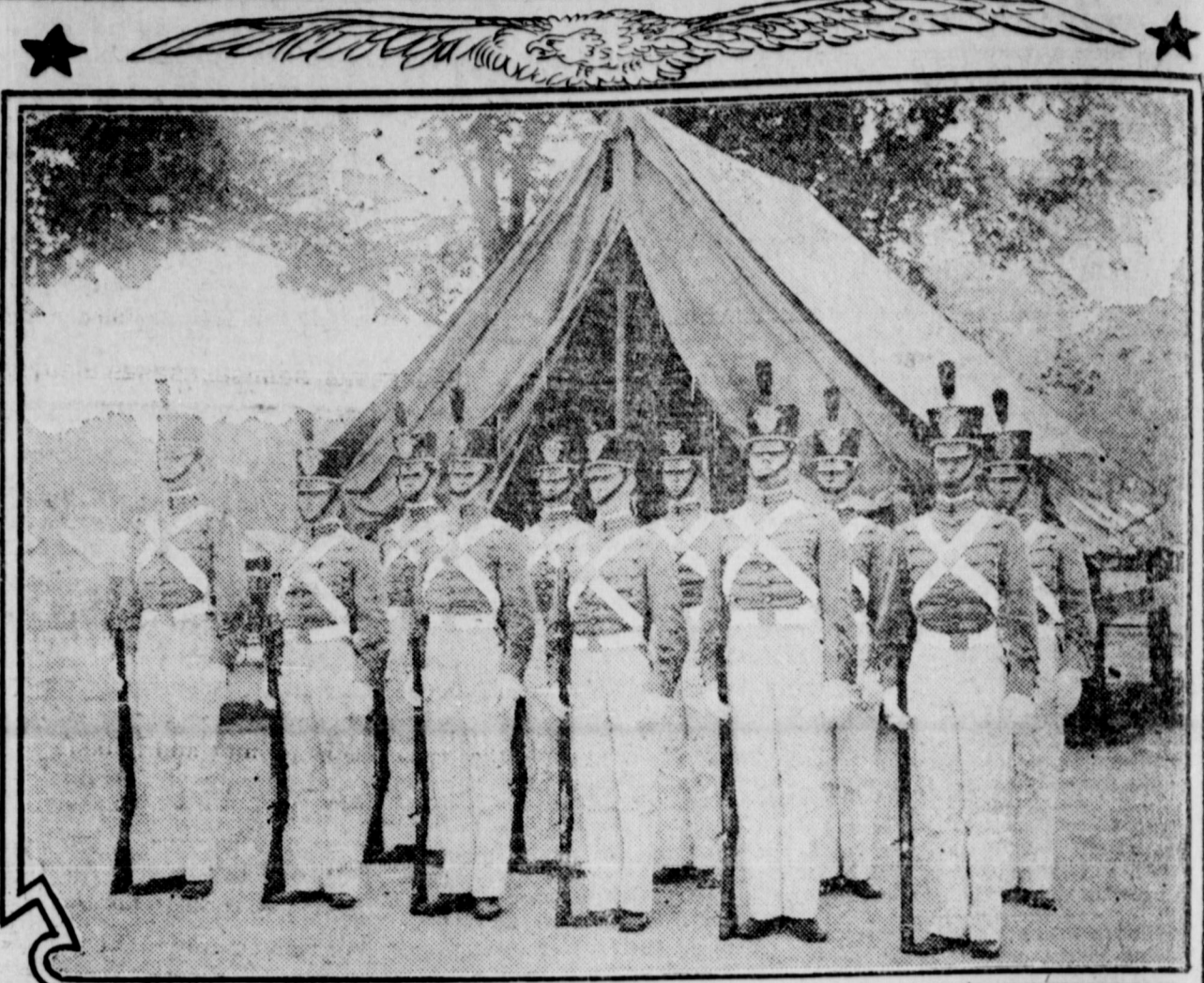
At 15 minutes before midnight everything had disappeared save one slender piece of mince pie, at which the smallest cadet present was looking lovingly, yet afraid. The game for him had reached its limit. Unlucky piece of pie. It was responsible for woes unnumbered.

The clink of a sword was heard on the ironbound stairway outside the door. The door of the room opposite was heard to open. An inspection was on. The light in the banquet-room was doused instantly. The two cadet hosts jumped into their bunks, one of them pulling the blanket from the window in his flight. One cadet guest sought refuge under one bunk and the second dove under the other. The two in bed were completely covered, and no eye could have told that they were clothed in snell jacket and trousers when night-gear was the proper raiment.

An officer of cavalry entered. He swept the beams of the dark lantern over the two bunks. The occupants were snoring peacefully, if somewhat suspiciously loud. The officer turned to leave. Woe is me!

The blanket pulled from the window and carried to the bunk had caught in its trail the small piece of unconsumed mince pie, and had dropped it just where the heel of the retiring officer caught it full and fair.

Down he went! He had had no such fall as that since he had taken a header at his first riding lesson, and this time he didn't hit his head. When he sat he sat solid, and the barracks shook.



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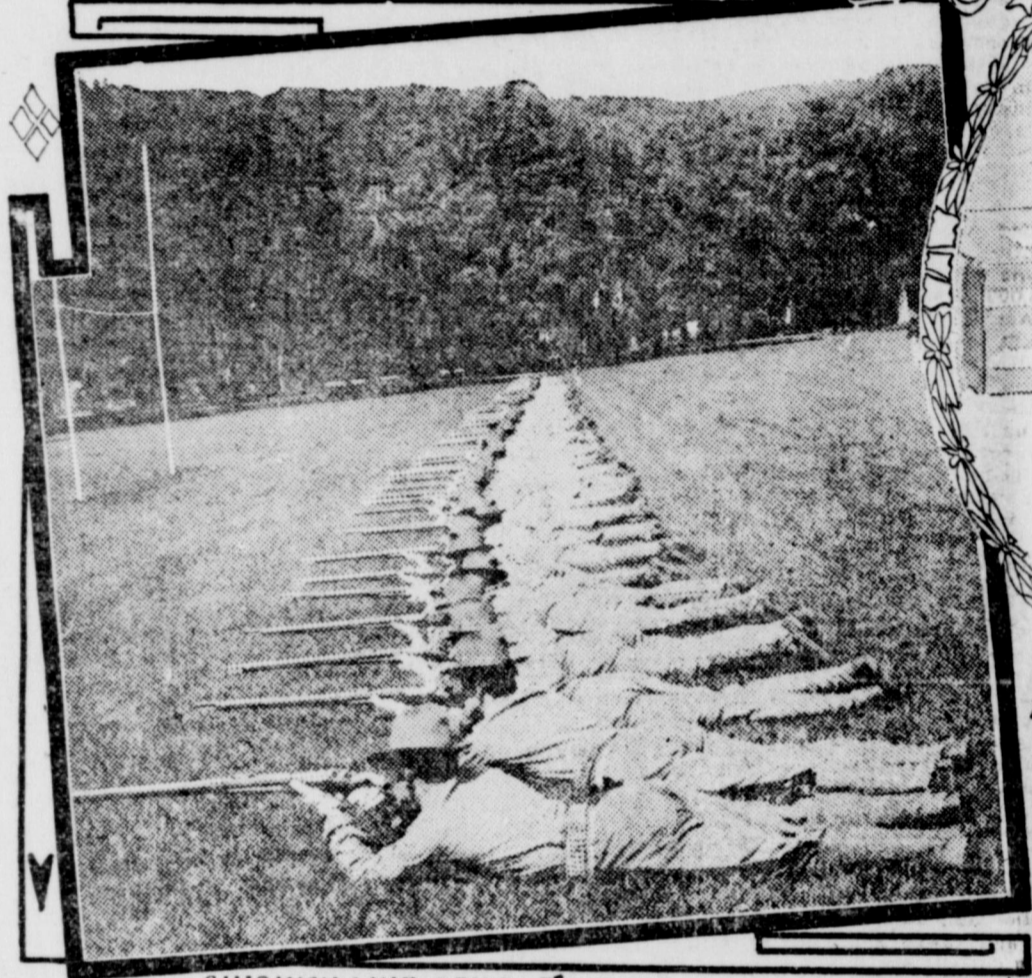
strife. Custer's sheepskin, it is said, remains unsigned by one West Point professor to this day.

Animals Commit Suicide When Alone in Circus

"Do animals commit suicide?" was asked of a man who for 30 years was head animal man of the zoo of a great circus.

"Yes, animals do commit suicide," he replied, "and often for the same reasons that cause humans to take their own lives. Probably the most pronounced of these are loneliness, homesickness, loss of mates or children, and ill health. There are animals that periodically have a return of the suicidal mania, and which can only be saved from self-destruction by the most careful treatment."

"As a rule, however, when the animal



SKIRMISH LINE DRILL



DOWN HE WENT

him to keep the position of manager, instead of having it "rotate," as was the custom.

When the southerner was relieved from duty at the academy the members of the mess decided to have his portrait painted and hung in the dining-hall. This was done, and the picture stayed untouched all through the dark days of the war.

In the year 1865 there was sent to West Point as a tactical officer a soldier who had won the stars of a brigadier-general of volunteers on the battlefield. This story in fact is told of Gen. Marcus A. Reno, who had gone back to his rank of captain of regulars at the close of hostilities. He was a graduate of the military academy, as was Johnston. Reno had been at West Point on duty only a few days, as the story goes, when the picture of the southern officer caught his eye. War passions were still high—though another excuse was given for Reno's conduct. He was officer of the day, and wore his side arms. He drew his saber in front of Johnston's picture. "A traitor has no place on these walls," he said. There was a "right cut" from a practiced hand, and the encircling frame and the picture of the confederate general were cut in twain.

It was Reno who was with Custer's command a few days prior to the battle with the Sioux, in which "the yellow-haired chieftain" and his command of the Seventh cavalry were wiped out by the hand of Sitting Bull. Reno was at a distance with another part of the Seventh cavalry. He had a fierce fight of his own.

Reno was criticized for not having advanced to the relief of Custer. He demanded a court of inquiry, and he was cleared, for no one ever doubted his courage. Later he was dismissed from the service. At West Point to-day, where "time's effacing finger" has removed the last trace of bitterness, the portrait of Lee will hang honored and in safety.

Maj.-Gen. George A. Custer, whose record of rapid promotions for gallantry on the battlefield reads like a romance, had troubles of his own when he was a cadet. Custer entered the academy at the lowest age limit—17 years. When he was 24 years old he was a major-general, commanding a division. One may search history, and even fiction, and have the hardest kind of a time to find a parallel case. One beauty of the matter is that no one has yet been found to deny that Custer won every step on the road to his preferences. Yet this man, who was Sheridan's right arm in the campaigns of 1864-5, came near being lost to the service of his country through inability to master thoroughly one of the branches at Uncle Sam's school.

It is told at the academy that when Custer graduated it was found that one of the members of the academic board had declined to sign his "sheepskin." When, four years later, Custer paid a visit to the school with the stars of a major-general in the field of his shoulder knots, the professor whose signature to the sheepskin was lacking, offered to affix his name thereto.

There ensued a moment or two of silence, broken only by a few picturesque expressions from a yellow-haired soldier who had just seen some four years of



TEN HOURS EXTRA GUARD DUTY

has made up its mind to die nothing can prevent it, and the keeper, not only for humane reasons, but also because an animal in that condition is extremely dangerous, is often compelled to end the animal's sufferings by hastening its death. The suicidal mania in the lion is often developed after his mate has been taken away.

"When the tiger attempts self-murder it is necessary to tie him down, but even this is not always effective. The mania for self-destruction often continues for days, though apparently subdued by enforced helplessness, and the creature is crafty, and while pretending to be weak and resigned to existence, will watch for the first opportunity after being released to inflict wounds that will be fatal.

"One would scarcely imagine that such a seemingly senseless animal as the hippopotamus would ever be guilty of suicidal mania, but it is a fact that a 'hippo,' captured wild and confined in a cage will give every evidence of homesickness, and the only way to prevent the beast from committing 'hari-kari' is to keep him well fed and to surround him with animal company.

"We never had but one hippopotamus that was guilty of suicide. Having injured his leg, he was replaced on the road by another specimen and left behind at the winter quarters. The loneliness was too much for the animal and he resisted all efforts to make him cheer up or take his food. He literally starved himself to death.

"I have known of several instances where giraffes die away with themselves by starvation, and my impression is that loneliness is the usual cause for it. Each case that came under my observation was where only one of the animals was owned by the zoo. It is an absolute cruelty to exhibit one of these sensitive animals alone. They must have company of their own kind to be contented.

"Extreme care is taken with their diet. Nothing but the best clover hay will they touch, and you can't feed them with alfalfa, as we tried to last season upon the coast. They are very fond of a vegetable mash, and we give them large quantities of condensed milk."

"No, there is nothing phenomenal about this suicidal mania in animals. It is simply another proof of a fact that I have always maintained, that, in their general characteristics, there is mighty little difference between some animals and many men—except the power of speech."

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 ry, May, August and November.

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 and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and
 7:30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p.
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 Sunday.
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 every Sunday at 9 o'clock p. m.
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 Sunday on each month at 11 o'clock a. m.
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 & A. M., meets Saturday nights on or
 before the full moon in each month.
 N. L. Douglass Secretary
 W. L. Foster W. M.

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 3 o'clock on or before the full moon
 each month.
 Mrs. B. F. Brown W. M.
 B. F. Brown Secretary.

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Comr. Pre. No. 1—M. Black
 " " " " 2—E. P. Atkinson
 " " " " 3—D. D. Davis
 " " " " 4—J. S. Johnston

Judicial Court.

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A full line of jewelry at B. F.
 Roberts'.
 Fresh potatoes and onions at
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 Meals, the best in town, for
 25c at Central Hotel.
 Savell Bros. can get you to the
 train on time.
 Miss Etta Doss, of Colorado,
 is visiting the Misses Foster.
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 Angelo, is visiting friends here.
 O. J. King and family, of
 Lockney, are visiting S. M. King.
 For first-class fancy groceries
 at living prices, go to Roberts'.
 Try Welch's Grape Juice, in
 4 oz. bottles, at Fisher Bros. 2t
 A line of up-to-date gents suits
 at Roberts' going at hard time
 prices.
 Frank Kinney, of Brooklyn,
 N. Y., is visiting his uncle, James
 Daly.
 Judge and Mrs. A. V. Patter-
 son are visiting relatives at
 Goldthwaite.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Coulson,
 of Robert Lee, visited relatives
 here this week.
 The paint season is now at
 hand, and Fisher Bros have the
 goods. See them. 2t

Meals 25c at Central Hotel.
 We are headquarters for dip-
 ping materials. Get our prices.
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 Ask the man who has been a
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We can give you the News-
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 ly Republic for \$1.50 cash.

The special school tax election
 last Saturday resulted in 20 votes
 for the tax and 6 against.

Have your property insured in
 an "Old Line" company—the
 kind that insures. Ask "Bert"
 about it.

See R. H. Patterson for live-
 stock insurance. He represents
 the oldest company of the kind
 in the world.

We are informed that B. Allen,
 this week, sold his place, two
 miles west of town, to J. H. Han-
 ning for \$2500.

Homer Murray, who has been
 working in the clerk's office for
 some time past, returned to Wa-
 ter Valley Thursday.

Fisher's Worm Killer is still
 killing worms. Try it on a guar-
 antee that it is the best to be
 had. 3t

Charley Roberts, who has been
 with his brother, Will Roberts,
 near Tucuman, N. M., return-
 ed home last Saturday.

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

W. L. Foster

Misses Pearl Sullivan and Eu-
 la Slaton, who have been attend-
 ing the summer normal at San
 Angelo, returned home last Mon-
 day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Aiken,
 who have been visiting relatives
 here for the past ten days, re-
 turned to their home in Gran-
 bury last Monday.

All persons are hereby notified
 that my pasture is posted accord-
 ing to law. Any person or per-
 sons who shall hunt, fish, cut or
 haul wood or otherwise trespass
 on lands owned or controlled by
 me, without my consent, will be
 prosecuted. 4-2-9 W. J. MANN

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 giving the skin the freshness of youth.

J. R. Cope, who has been under-
 massaging treatment at San An-
 gelo for the past two weeks, re-
 turned home this week greatly
 improved. We are glad to learn
 that our old friend John is once
 more on the road to health.

M. D. Sutherlin, who once re-
 sided here, but now of Stiles, is
 visiting here today. Mr. Suth-
 erlin says that from Stiles south
 good rains have fallen and the
 country is in fine shape; but for
 about sixteen miles north, no
 rain of consequence has fallen
 and the range is very poor.

C. M. Rawls was here this
 week, and in order to show his
 faith in the future of Sterling,
 he gave Emette Westbrook \$1000
 for the lots known as the Hallow-
 way property. We are willing
 to bet a years subscription that
 "Unelo" Charles made a good
 trade.

A delegation of Colorado citi-
 zens passed through here last
 Monday en route to San Angelo
 to confer with J. J. Lanin about
 building a railroad from Colora-
 do to Sterling. We learned that
 Mr. Lanin informed them that,
 in case San Angelo failed to raise
 her bonus, he would seriously
 consider a proposition from Col-
 orado.

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A delegation composed of A.
 A. Rutherford, Emette West-
 brook, Tom Kellis, O. H. Gra-
 ham, B. F. Roberts, N. A. Aus-
 tin, H. Q. Lyles, Leonce Cole,
 Geo. Allard, Jr., J. L. Glass,
 R. W. Foster and Dr. Carver
 went to San Angelo last Monday
 to confer with the citizens of that
 town in the matter of raising San
 Angelo's part of the railroad
 bonus. We learn the trip was a
 most pleasant and profitable one.

No need of that pain in the stomach,
 why writhe, groan and suffer? Take
GRAND MA'S DIARRHEA CURE. It
 affords quick relief and is a positive cure
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 Flux and relieves vomiting and purging.

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 home; and my first volume of
 Brann, and my Rubaiyat of Omar
 and my March and April num-
 bers of Watson's Magazine. If
 not through with the other things
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 need these.

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 citizen of the United States. He
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 tained his citizenship there to pre-
 vent forfeiting a large property
 which was bequeathed him on con-
 dition that he remain a British sub-
 ject.

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Notice is hereby given that any
 person who shall hunt, fish, cut
 or haul wood, or otherwise tresp-
 ass on any of the lands owned or
 controlled by me will be prose-
 cuted by the full extent of the
 law.
 4-5-07
 A. F. JONES

POSTED.

Our pasture is posted and all
 persons are hereby put upon
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 by us will be prosecuted to the
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 passing on any lands owned or
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 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 J. D. Lane, agr.

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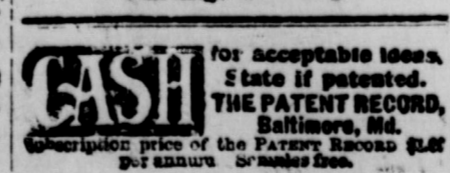
Any person hauling wood, fish-
 ing, hunting, or in any way tres-
 passing on any lands owned or
 controlled by me, will be prose-
 cuted.
 W. L. Foster.

TRESPASS NOTICE

All persons having any interest
 in house known as the "Hillside
 School House," in my pasture
 southeast 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.
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FALLIERES IN STAINED GLASS, NEW SENSATION FOR DOBBIN

Portrait of French President That Comes to Think of It, He Would Have Felt Funny Sitting in the Position Indicated.

Paris.—Charlemagne once visited the city of Le Mans and was so delighted with it that he nominated himself honorary canon of the cathedral, an appointment which Pope Clement VII in 1882 conferred on his successors forever.

A Le Mans artist, Mr. Echivard, a designer of stained glass windows, was reminded of this fact one day by reading an account of a stained glass window in the Church of St. John at Louebourg in which the Kaiser is depicted. He decided that the French president should no longer lack an honor that had been paid to the German emperor, and set to work on a design showing M. Fallieres, the president of the republic, and therefore, according to the artist's belief, successor to the kings as honorary canon, clothed in a canon's cope and kneeling on a devotional chair.

The modern and the archaic are allied in the design. The cope is thrown back sufficiently to show that M. Fallieres is wearing evening dress and the grand cross of the Legion of Honor. The arms of the cathedral chapter, three flour-de-lis and three keys, are balanced by an escutcheon ornamented with the Legion of Honor and the Gallic cock.

Below is the inscription in Gothic characters: "According to tradition, Messire Armand Fallieres, eighth president of the French republic, takes



President Fallieres of France in Stained Glass.

in his quality of chief of state the title of canon of Saint-Julien de Le Mans." Long months of work went into making the glass after the design and now that it is finished it has met with only a cold welcome. The spectacle of the president, during his term of office church and state were definitely separated, figuring as a canon seems to give pleasure to no party or section. A local art society even refused to admit the window to its exhibition, although the skill of its execution is generally admitted.

NEW NAVY YARD COMMANDER

Capt. J. B. Murdock, Former Chief of Battleship Rhode Island, Succeeds Admiral Goodrich.

New York.—Rear Admiral Caspar F. Goodrich, retired, who has been commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard since June 1, 1907, relinquished his command recently and was succeeded by Capt. Joseph B. Murdock, who commanded the battleship Rhode Island in the cruise of the fleet around the world. Capt. Murdock is the first



Capt. J. B. Murdock.

officer of his rank to be placed in command of the navy yard since 1889, when Capt. Francis M. Ramsey was the commandant.

Capt. Murdock was born at Hartford in 1851 and is a graduate of the United States naval academy. He served as executive officer on the U. S. S. Panther during the Spanish-American war. He has written a number of articles on electricity and magnetism. Rear Admiral Goodrich was born in Philadelphia in 1847 and is a graduate of the United States naval academy.

Wound in Heart Not Fatal. A Geneva (Switzerland) boy, aged 15, who accidentally lodged the bullet of an air-gun in his heart, was taken to the hospital, where Dr. Girard opened the wound, extracted the ball and sewed up the heart. The victim is now out of danger.

The family horse, who rejoiced in the eminently proper equine name of Dobbin, had earned a rest by long service, and was accordingly sent away to the country to spend his declining years in the broad pastures of a farmer friend of his owner. The distance being somewhat excessive for his rheumatic legs, he was shipped to his new home by rail.

Little Edna, the family four-year-old, viewed the passing of Dobbin with unfeigned sorrow. She sat for a long time gazing disconsolately out of the window. At last, after a deep sigh, she turned with a more cheerful expression, and said:

"Did old Dobbin go on the choo-choo cars, mamma?"

"Yes, dear," answered her mother.

A broad grin spread over the little girl's face. "I was just thinking," she said, "how funny he must feel sitting up on the push cushions."—Woman's Home Companion.

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."

Sex in Cromwells. Of course with the sexes on a footing of equality as regarded opportunity, it would not be long until a female Cromwell made her appearance, and, having made her appearance, was getting her portrait painted.

The painter, once more a fawning, courtly fellow, would have the picture a flattery; but she rebuked him in words that became historic: "Paint in the hips!" she commanded, sternly, showing that she could be more rigidly devoted to the truth than Oliver himself.—Puck.

Hospitals a Benefit to Property. The National association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis has recently concluded an investigation, which shows that 67.5 per cent. of the tuberculosis sanatoria and hospitals of the United States have been a benefit to the property and health of the communities in which they are located. In the case of more than 62 per cent. of the sanatoria the presence of the institutions has helped to increase the assessed value of surrounding property.

Crime. She—I can't bind myself until I'm sure. Give me time to decide, and if, six months hence I feel as I do now, I will be yours.

Ardent Adorer—I could never wait that long, darling. Besides, the courts without the actual delivery of the goods, is gambling pure and simple.—Puck.

ORIGIN
Of a Famous Human Food.

The story of the great discoveries or inventions is always of interest.

An active brain worker who found himself hampered by lack of bodily strength and vigor and could not carry out the plans and enterprises he knew how to conduct, was led to study various foods and their effects upon the human system. In other words, before he could carry out his plans he had to find a food that would carry him along and renew his physical and mental strength.

He knew that a food which was a brain and nerve builder (rather than a mere fat maker) was universally needed. He knew that meat with the average man does not accomplish the desired results. He knew that the soft gray substance in brain and nerve centers is made from Albumen and Phosphate of Potash obtained from food. Then he started to solve the problem.

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The result of eating Grape-Nuts daily is easily seen in a marked sturdiness and marked activity of the brain and nervous system, making it a pleasure for one to carry on the daily duties without fatigue or exhaustion. Grape-Nuts food is in no sense a stimulant but is simply food which renews and replaces the daily waste of brain and nerves.

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WELL DEFINED.



Do Quiz—What's your idea of the difference between optimism and pessimism?

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Teach Care of Home and Family. An interesting experiment is being made in the higher education of women at King's college, London. The idea is that there is just as much educational value in a careful study of the principles of managing the home and young children as in the course usually read for the taking of a degree.

Best in Existence. "I sincerely believe, all things considered, Hunt's Lightning Oil is the most useful and valuable household remedy in existence. For Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Insect Bites it has no equal so far as my experience goes." G. E. Huntington, Eufala, Ala.

Caste Below Stairs. "Are there degrees of rank in the servants' hall?" "To be sure, Maids who have charge of dogs won't associate with maids who take care of children."—Pittsburg Post.

W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 29-1909.

Another Step Needed. "I like my house all right," said Luschman, "except for one thing. I guess you'll have to fix that." "What is it?" asked the architect. "Several times lately I've nearly broken my neck reaching for another step at the head of the stairs when I got home late, so I guess you'd better put another step there."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Royal Great-Great-Grandmother. The birth of a son to the youthful duke and duchess of Sudermania gives to royal Europe what it has not had for more than ten years, namely, a great-great-grandmother. The lady to whom this honor has come is the Grand Duchess Constantine Nicolaievitch, who was, before her marriage, Princess Alexandra of Saxe Altenburg.

They Should. "My honest conviction, based upon my own experience and that of my friends, is that 'Hunt's Cure' will cure a larger per cent. of skin troubles, especially of an itching variety, than any other remedy. Certainly those afflicted with any form of itch should try it."

J. O. Monroe, Atchison, Kas.

Her Dilemma. Bessie—Oh, Mabel! I am in an awful dilemma. I've quarreled with Harry, and he wants me to send his ring back.

Mabel—That's too bad. Bessie—But that isn't the point. I've forgotten which is his ring.

Hard to Convince Him. "So you're going to marry old Gotrox' daughter, eh? Well, you know two can live cheaper than one."

Attend to Your Liver. No organ in the human body can give as many different kinds of trouble as the liver when it is not right. Simmons' Liver Purifier makes it right and keeps it so.

True eloquence I find to be none but the serious and hearty love of truth.—Ibid.

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