

PROPOSES BILL TO FORCE ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOLS

Weatherford, Tex., Dec. 23.—Following is the draft of the bill for compulsory education in Texas I intend to try to secure the passage of during the session of the State Legislature, which convenes in January," remarked Representative Bonna Ridgway this afternoon. "I have worked a number of months on it and am willing for my defects to be pointed out. Some people say a compulsory school law is paternalistic and undemocratic, but thirty or forty states in the United States are paternalistic and undemocratic and four or five of them are Southern States, if such is the case. "I have prepared as practical a bill as I could and hope to see the term lengthened after a test of the law. I know of no State that has ever tried a compulsory school law and repealed it. How are we going to reach the 138,000 children who never entered school last year? Texas has about the poorest school attendance in the United States. There is no use to appropriate money to pay teachers to teach empty benches. This law would place near 200,000 children in regular attendance who are not in school, and there is no other way to improve the attendance and efficiency of our schools, call the principle what you may."

An act to provide for and enforce the education of all children between the ages of 7 and 14, inclusive, in the State of Texas, and providing penalties to enforce same.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas That any person having control of any child of the age of 7 to 14, inclusive, shall cause such child to attend some public, private or parochial school where the common school branches of orthography, reading in English grammar, modern geography, composition, physiology and hygiene, Texas history, United States history, civil government and elementary agriculture, or attend upon equivalent instruction by a competent teacher elsewhere than school for at least fifty school days in each school term in all school districts except in cities of 2,000 or more inhabitants, where they shall be required to attend 100 days in each school term, provided the school terms are of the required length to allow

school or when the necessity for them terminates. Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, that wherein a child is in such a condition physically or morally to be unable to attend school, he may be excused upon proper proof being made to the trustees of his district, or before the City Board of Education and, further, that no child or children living more than three miles by the nearest road to any public school shall be subject to the provisions of this act, or when, in case of sickness or extreme poverty, the wages, time or labor of such child or children are essentially necessary for the support of a destitute parent, brother or sister in such indigent family to prevent them from becoming objects of charity, may, by making proof of same to the city board of education of officers in control of said school, or by affidavit of any person in control of such child or children, obtain a certificate of exemption signed by a majority of the trustees of said school, which must be filed with the county superintendent or ex-officio superintendent of public schools; provided, that if any child or children are of a family in extreme poverty and destitution, as aforesaid, the County Commissioners may make an allowance or appropriation to reimburse the family or indigent child for loss of time, work or wages during school attendance and to furnish such child or children necessary clothing, so as to enable such child or children to attend school for the time required without exemption on account of poverty and destitution aforesaid, which sum shall be paid out of any funds at their disposal; provided, further, that the district trustees, city boards or other officers having control of the public schools of the districts and cities may, with the consent of the city or county superintendent of public schools, buy and furnish, with the school funds or any funds at their disposal in their respective districts, for any such child who is of a family in extreme poverty and destitution, all necessary textbooks for use under the direction of the teacher in the school room during school hours by such indigent child or children, and no others, which books shall be delivered to the district trustees or city boards of education at the close of the

school or when the necessity for them terminates. Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That any person having control of any child between the ages of 7 and 14, inclusive, who fails to comply with the foregoing sections of this act, unless exempt or excused therefrom, as herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$25 for each offense, said fine and costs to be collected in the name of the State, as in other misdemeanor cases, and shall be paid into the county treasury and applied to the use of the public school of the district or city in which the offense was committed, said fund to be used, if necessary, to supply indigent children with books and clothing, as provided for in the preceding section of this act.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, that during the time of the year that the public schools of any district or city of this State are in operation, it shall be a misdemeanor punishable by fine for any person, firm or corporation to hire or use the services of any child, between the ages of 7 and 14 years of age inclusive, unless such child shall first have attended school during the year then current for the length of time required by this act, or unless such child has been excused from school attendance in the manner allowed and prescribed by this act; and a violation of this provision shall subject the offender to a fine of \$10 for each offense, said fine to be used as in the preceding section.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, that the principals or teachers of the public schools shall at the opening of the year bring to the attention of all parents and other custodians of any child or children between the ages, respectively, the provisions and penalties of this act, and they shall keep a record of the actual time of attendance of all children assigned to them or residing in the province of their respective schools; said teachers shall notify the parents or custodian of any child between the ages of 7 and 14 inclusive belonging to the school in his or her charge of the absence of such child, which notice shall be in person or in writing and within ten days after the absence occurs. At the close of each school month said teachers shall report in writing to the trustees or officers in charge of their school a list of all absentees of children between the ages of 7 and 14 years inclusive, which occurred during the month; provided that no warrants for teachers' salaries shall be issued or the salaries paid until such reports are made.

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Our Washington News Letter.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—The president's proclivities for stirring up trouble with congress are apparently as effective as ever. It now looks as if the dove of peace has migrated to stay and that Mr. Roosevelt and congress are preparing for such a battle as will be a fitting climax to a strenuous administration. The dogs of war are loose! And all because of a simple little paragraph in the president's annual message, which in part read as follows:

"Last year an amendment was incorporated in the measure providing for the Secret Service, which provided that there should be no detail from the Secret Service and no transfer therefrom. It is not too much to say that this amendment has been of benefit only, and could be of benefit only, to the criminal classes. If deliberately introduced for the purpose of diminishing the effectiveness of war against crime it could not have been better devised to this end. The chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen themselves did not wish to be investigated by secret service men. Very little of such investigation has been done in the past; but it is true that the work of the secret service agents was partly responsible for the indictment and conviction of a senator and congressman for land frauds in Oregon. I do not believe that it is in the public interest to protect criminals in any branch of the public service, and exactly as we have again and again during the past seven years prosecuted and convicted such criminals who were in the executive branch of the government, so in my belief we should be given ample means to prosecute them if found in the legislative branch. But if this is not considered desirable a special exception could be made in the law prohibiting the use of the secret service force in investigating members of congress. It would be far better to do this than to do what actually was done, and strive to prevent or at least to hamper effective action against criminals by the executive branch of the government."

On Thursday the House adopted unanimously the following resolution in answer to this challenge:

"Resolved, That the president be requested to transmit to the House any evidence upon which he based his statement that the chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men, and also to transmit to the House any evidence connecting any member of the House of Representatives of the Sixtieth Congress with corrupt action in his official capacity and to inform the House whether he has instituted proceedings for the punishment of any such individual by the courts or has reported any such alleged delinquencies to the House of Representatives."

Not to outdone by the House in resenting this statement, the Senate responded by a declaration of war which was couched in the following language:

"Resolved, That that portion of the annual message of the president relating to the secret service is hereby referred to the committee on appropriations, who are instructed to inquire whether the legislation referred to in the message has impaired the efficiency or sufficiency of the force employed in the secret service; and such committee is further directed to ascertain what persons other than those included in the secret service were paid from the public treasury during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908, for services in connection with the enforcement of the laws or for work in the detection or investigation of possible crimes or criminal acts or violations of law, including all special attorneys, special agents, inspectors or other employees of any department of the government or any branch of the public service, to include all persons whose employment was authorized by indefinite or general appropriations; the information to contain the names of all persons so employed or paid; their previous occupation, the nature of the work in which they were engaged, by whom they were appointed and upon whose suggestion or recommendation."

It is the general opinion that this resolution made by the Senate means that it will put up a determined fight. Its evident aim is first to fully expose the business in which the secret service is now engaged, and to then draw up such legislation as will once for all put a stop to the system of espionage that has been maintained over persons in public life through officers of the secret service.

As soon as a copy of the resolutions reached the White House Friday, a force of clerks were put to work on tabulating the information in the possession of the government, for a reply which the president may be expected to come back with will make as soon as congress convenes after the holidays. The president may be expected to come back with his heaviest artillery. There is every reason to believe that the fur will fly when all hands get down to business.

The anti-saloon league has abandoned its fight for prohibition in the District of Columbia and will support a local option bill.

In a statement before the ways and means committee Friday, Mr. E. H. Gary of the United States Steel Com-

pany, in speaking of the cost of pig iron, said that the trust could produce pig at \$15.00 per ton, which he says is \$2.00 per ton less than it can be made by competitors.

In a special message to congress, the president recommends the passage of a bill creating the office of governor of the District of Columbia; the position to be filled by appointment of the president with the approval of congress. The district is now governed by a board of commissioners.

On Thursday President Roosevelt telephoned Mr. Taft in New York to return to Washington for a special conference. It is believed that the president wished to consult Mr. Taft with reference to his fight with congress over the secret service.

Representative Hull of Iowa has recently introduced a bill in the house, under the provisions of which, if it becomes a law, a force of 2,000,000 men may be organized so as to be quickly available in time of war. It is known that the president favors the measure, and Mr. Hull believes it very probable that it will become a law during the present session.

Indications now are that Mr. Taft's cabinet will be about as follows: Secretary of State, Philander P. Knox of Pennsylvania; secretary of the treasury, Myron T. Herrick of Ohio; attorney general, Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota; secretary of war, Governor Maugood; secretary of the navy, William Loeb of New York, or Charles A. Thompson of New York; secretary of the interior, Arthur I. Vorys of Ohio; postmaster general, Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts; secretary of agriculture, the present secretary, James M. Wilson; secretary of commerce and labor, George A. Knight of California.

Mr. Taft has withdrawn his tender of a cabinet position to Representative Theodore Burton of Ohio. Mr. Burton early declared himself a candidate for the senate to succeed Mr. Foraker. Mr. Charles P. Taft is also a candidate for that office. It is believed that the president-elect offered Mr. Burton the cabinet position in order to eliminate him from the senatorial contest, since his withdrawal would virtually leave the field to Mr. C. P. Taft and that because Mr. Burton refused to give up his aspirations in that direction he was dropped as a cabinet possibility. It will be interesting to see how this little tangle will work out. It is a pretty safe bet, however, that there will be a Taft in the senate and that Mr. Burton will be left with the bag to hold.

During the fiscal year of 1908 manufacturers' exports amounted to 750 millions of dollars. Of this sum, iron and steel furnished about 210 millions, copper and oil each about 103 millions, and wood 100 millions, making a total for these four articles of about 516 millions of dollars. The significance in the above figures is in the fact that these four articles in their crude state, belong to that class of our natural resources which are rapidly becoming exhausted, and when once exhausted can never be replaced. We know definitely that there is not enough iron ore left in the United States to last more than three or four generations at the best. At the present rate of cutting there is not enough standing timber in the country to last twenty years. Why then does the nation permit the exportation of such enormous quantities of those articles, which we shall soon need so badly at home? Will they be cheaper when our supply in this country is exhausted and we are compelled to import them from foreign countries? We are in reality permitting the exploitation of our natural resources by a few huge combinations of capital for greed. The theft of our descendants' birthright is being done under cover of the cry that we need a world's commerce. Our children's children will curse us as short sighted fools for wantonly wasting that of which they shall be in such desperate need to maintain their individual and national existence.

Senator Jonathan Bourne, the "Original second elective term" admirer of President Roosevelt, makes a bid for the friendship of the powers that shall be, by hobbing up with a bill to increase the president's salary from \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year. Mr. Bourne also throws a kiss at the vice president elect (who will be chairman of the senate) by striving to increase his salary from a paltry \$12,000 to \$25,000. His grave concern over the possibilities of his new-found lords becoming bankrupt because of their rash patriotism in accepting these offices, is most touching! Mr. Bourne will exercise his magnificent powers to the utmost in an endeavor to rush this emergency bill through the present session so that Mr. Taft and Mr. Sherman will not be under the necessity of organizing a rabbit hunt for sustenance, when their term shall have expired. Some of the mathematically inclined members of congress have figured out that if Mr. Roosevelt is as full of hunting torques as he is of presidential messages, at the price of \$1.00 per word which he has contracted to receive, for the description of his African hunting experiences, he can make more in a month than his presidential job pays in a whole term! But perhaps Mr. Taft and Mr. Sherman are not hunt-



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DASHIELL SPEAKS.

Mt. Pleasant Review.

The Commercial Secretaries' Association with headquarters at Fort Worth has been worrying itself mightily for some time about the tax laws of Texas, which levy, what we believe to be, just taxes on railroads and other corporations in this State. The association has a way peculiarly its own for figuring out how unjust these taxes are. The plan should have a patent on it, for it is such as the brain of man never conceived before, especially its way of figuring railroad values. It has been sending out articles to the newspapers and to a certain favored class of individuals which have, in this peculiar and unheard of fashion, explained just exactly how terribly down-trodden the railroads are in this State. Not long ago the Times Review received from this organization a big chart, all trimmed off and printed in variegated colors, with enough figures on it to make the proverbial Philadelphia lawyer sit up and take notice. According to the figures on the thing, the railroads in Texas are paying taxes on more than 31 per cent over value, while farmers and business men are paying on far less than full value. The Times Review looked the chart over carefully and was about to enter upon a series of special pleas for the relief of the railroads for fear that such taxation kept up trains would cease to run, and locomotives cease to "toot" in the greatest State in the Union. But about that time Hon. L. T. Dashiell, State tax commissioner, addressed the Commercial Secretaries, and knocked their beautiful chart into a cocked hat. The stammer which Mr. Dashiell drove into the robust form of the Commercial Secretaries, follows:

"In a recent circular issued by your organization 12,500 miles of railroad in Texas are estimated, or guessed to be worth \$250,000,000. And when the statement is made that they are assessed and taxed at 31 per cent of their true value in Texas. That statement, if true, is calculated to scare more railroad investors out of the State than your organization can bring back in a decade. If it is true that Texas is taxing railroad companies at 31 per cent more than their value, then we have, indeed, forfeited all right to urge future railroad development as long as

such conditions exist. A statement reflecting so seriously upon the equity of our tax laws and upon the public sense of justice in dealing with railroad companies should not be made and circulated without first exhausting every possible source of information, and establishing beyond doubt its correctness. The assessed values of the railway companies of Texas, operating 13,620.24 miles of railroad for 1908, is \$321,142,681. This includes both tangible and intangible values. It is an assessed valuation of the railway companies of Texas, and embraces every kind and element of property, which combined give commercial value to such companies.

"From what sources was the information obtained that the commercial value of Texas railway companies is \$250,000,000 or \$81,142,684 less than their assessed value?

"If you reply to the above inquiry that the information was received from railroad officials, I answer that such an opinion as to Texas railway values, if expressed at all, must have been a street corner opinion, because the sworn reports, prepared by proper railway officials and filed in the department over which I preside in 1908, show that the railroad companies themselves claim a physical valuation alone of more than \$350,000,000.

"The total value of a railway is the value of its physical property plus its non-physical value." (page 20, bulletin 21, Department of Commerce, etc.) Both physical and non-physical values are subject to taxation in Texas. The State Tax Board, in 1908, estimated the physical and non-physical value of all Texas railway companies to be \$409,766,044. Is that valuation excessive? Mr. Yoakum, president of the Frisco system, in addressing an audience in Fort Worth on February 15, 1908, insisted that the value of the railway companies of Texas is equal to the amount of their stock and bond issues, which in 1908 amounted to \$413,643,082. If Mr. Yoakum is correct in his opinion, then the statistician of the commercial secretaries has missed the truth in his guess at railway values more than \$160,000,000.

"Judge Stedman and Mr. Askew, attorney and statistician for sixteen years of the largest railway companies in Texas, in a pamphlet issued in 1906 on the passenger rate question, declare that the capitalization of Texas railroads is less than the value of their properties; that the total cost of construction and equipment of Texas railroads on June 30, 1907, was \$44,430,499.78, and that railroad properties net value kept pace with the general advances due to development, but, by virtue of the accessions to value resulting from continuous repairs, renewals and replacements and improvements they are more valuable in a matured condition than they were in a new state."

"If these eminent railway officials are correct in their opinion, then the statistician of the commercial secretaries has missed the truth more than \$190,000,000. In both instances a value is given the railway companies of Texas by men eminent and capable in railway management in excess of the true value found by the State Tax Board."

"If it is intended to strafe down the law providing for the proper valuation and taxation of railway values if a general effort is to be made to impose upon the general property owners of Texas taxes which are now being paid by railroads, private and public corporations, and other special interests; if

the intended policy is a general return to an excessive ad valorem tax for the support of our government; then a most earnest protest is now entered against such a program. Such a retrogressive course would be fruitful of injustice to the general property taxpayers of the State and antagonistic to the progress already made toward the solution of the problem of distributing tax burdens with equality and uniformity. Do not understand me as insinuating that our tax laws are perfect. They are not, but changes should be made along progressive lines and in conformity with those modern principles of taxation now generally recognized and being adopted throughout the world."

Beyond any question of doubt, the year 1908 has been the most prosperous in the history of Wichita Falls. During the twelve months just coming to a close more than 2900 has been added to her population; a pressed brick and tile plant costing in the neighborhood of \$75,000, has been secured and is now in operation, turning as fine a quality of brick as can be manufactured anywhere; an extension to our sewer system has been put in at a cost of between \$25,000 and \$40,000; a new City Hall is now nearing completion which will cost \$15,000; a \$40,000 opera house has just been completed and opened; several miles of additional cement sidewalks has been constructed; and more than a dozen one and two story brick business houses have been built and are now occupied by tenants. Although more than half a million dollars has been expended since last Christmas. For the new year, it is safe to predict that fully one million dollars will be expended in the construction of new residences and business blocks. This good work could not have been accomplished without a united effort on the part of all citizens. Wichita Falls is fortunate in having as citizens so many people who are town builders, who, in building Wichita Falls, have, naturally enough, added greatly to their own private possessions, which is only a just reward for the faith they had in the future of this city. It also illustrates that those who are unwilling to take chances and invest while property can be obtained at a small price are not likely to add much to their possessions by becoming "tight wads." Fortunately for Wichita Falls, however, is the fact that every man who is a business man is in the live-wire class and are ever ready to join forces to land any new enterprises for which there is any prospect at all of securing. Some big things have been secured during the past year, bigger than even some of our leading promoters had but small hopes of landing—among them being the \$50,000 government building. But all went to work and by well directed efforts the authorities at Washington were made to see the necessity of a government building at Wichita Falls, and congress made the appropriation. Without an active organization but few towns manage even to prosper.

As this is our last issue until after Christmas the Times takes the opportunity to wish all its readers a "Merry Christmas" and trusts the season will not pass without your feeling the inspiration of the message of "good will to men" brought by Him whose natal day we celebrate. Every heart in this land of ours should open on Christmas morn to the abounding Christmas cheer, then it matters not whether prosperous and rich or poor and in want, the glad some Christmas tide will make all equal before the Prince of Peace and the King of Kings. Again we wish all of you a "Merry Christmas."

The good housewives of Wichita Falls may not be permitted to cook the new year's goose on a gas range, but a few weeks hence gas will be in many homes in the city and the people will be wondering how they have gotten along heretofore without such a convenient necessity. Work on the pipe line between this city and Petrolia is reported to be progressing nicely and within a few days it is expected that the laying of the gas main will begin within the city limits.

Natural gas and coal are nature's Christmas gifts to Wichita Falls this year. These with many other new industries, enterprises that have located here recently along with the new theater, a sewer system and many other substantial improvements fill the stocking comfortably full.

San Antonio, Galveston and New Braunfels had just as well get ready to be good. Governor Campbell, from all indications, means to enforce the law, and the laws of the State were made for those towns as well as others.

The belated Christmas shoppers will be out in full force tonight in the last mad rush about the counters where holiday goods have been well trimmed out.

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Only the Truth.
 A virtue carried to excess may become ridiculous. To such action one may well preach. "Be temperate in all things," even in virtue. Amelia Opie, the English authoress, was not content with any half measures, as is shown in a letter from her quoted in "Quaker Pictures," by Wilfred Whittien. Mrs. Opie's course of conduct is to be respected as proceeding from her conscientious nature, but fiction readers may congratulate themselves that her opinions are not universal.

Before she became a Quaker she wrote fiction. After her conversion she was asked to contribute a story to a magazine. Her answer to the editor ran as follows:
 "Thou knowest or ought to know that since I became a Friend, I am not free to what is called to make a story. I will write a fact for thy perusal or any little matter of history or truth or a poem if thou wishest, but I must not lie and say such and such a thing took place when it did not. Dost thou understand?"

A Famous Story.
 Every section has its famous story. A famous story that is being retold in Oregon is about a very rich banker who got his start by doing work for the government. His bill was \$5,000, and it had to be submitted to congress. Congress has a habit of cutting its bills in two. To make allowance for this he jumped his bill to \$10,000. He sent the bill to the governor for his approval. The governor, having also heard that congress generally appropriated only half as much as was asked, jumped it to \$20,000. The bill was then sent to one of the congressmen. Being friendly to the contractor, he jumped it to \$40,000 and sent it to another Oregon congressman for his approval. The second congressman jumped it to \$80,000. Congress allowed the whole \$80,000, although the contractor was entitled to only \$5,000. This is told as a fact in Oregon. The man who got the \$80,000 got his start on it and is now a millionaire.—Athlison Globe.

A "Lady" in Pepsy's Time.
 There were worse terrors than the matinee hat for the man who sat behind a lady in the seventeenth century theater, as recalled by the London Chronicle. At least, we may suppose so from Mr. Pepsy's experience on Jan. 28, 1661, when he saw "The Lost Lady" for the second time. Nine days earlier that play had not pleased him much, partly perhaps because he was "troubled to be seen by four of our office clerks, which sat in the half crown box and I in the 1s. 6d." But on the second occasion the play did "please me better than before, and here, I sitting behind in a dark place, a lady spit backward upon me by a mistake, not seeing me." However, it was all right for, "after seeing her to be a very pretty lady, I was not troubled at it at all."

In Different Sets.
 It is but seldom, one imagines, that a good joke is made about an oyster. Edmund Yates, however, in his "Recollections and Experiences," relates one. "I was walking with Thackeray one evening from the club," writes Yates, "and, passing a fish shop in New street, he noticed two different tubs of oysters, one marked 'I shilling a dozen' and the other '1s. 3d. a dozen.' 'How they must hate each other!' said Thackeray."

London's Bridges.
 Few people are aware of the extent to which the city of London is bridged over. In all, it seems, there are no fewer than seventy-five bridges. Of these nineteen are railway bridges, three are bridges over roads (such as Holborn viaduct), and fifty-three are bridges which connect private premises.—Fall Mail Gazette.

Placing Him.
 "May I ask you what your profession is?"
 "Certainly. I cure people of the blues by hypnotic power."
 "Oh, I see. You're what you might call a cheerupologist."

Mean.
 Maud (before the laughing hyena's cage)—How provoking! Here we're been twenty minutes, and the hyena hasn't laughed once. Ella—Strange, and he's been cying your new hat too!

His Great Love.
 She—Darling, do you love me? He (kissing her rapturously and repeatedly)—Do I? I wish you were a two headed girl. That's all I can say.—London Tit-Bits.

ADROITLY TURNED.
 It Was a Small Hole, but the Englishman Crawled Out.
 "I was watching a number of young Englishmen shooting at a target recently while I was on the other side," remarked an American army officer, "and at my elbow was a pompous Britisher of the old school, who, after shaking his head impatiently at the frequent misses that were made, at length said to me: 'That only goes to show how the young men of England are degenerating. All this sort of thing reflects on the British nation.'"
 "It certainly is mighty poor shooting," I agreed.
 "At that the old gentleman flared up and exclaimed: 'I say! Perhaps you can do better, sir?'"
 "If I couldn't shoot better than that, I'd be ashamed to eat breakfast," I answered.
 "Thereupon I was handed a rifle and told to show what I could do. I shot, and the first time I missed the target completely, so the laugh was on me, but before they could laugh twice I plugged the bullseye six times in rapid succession. At this the old gentleman was a trifle disconcerted, but he complimented me by saying: 'Really, now, you can shoot a bit, can't you? I say, there's nothing like a Yankee marksman with an English gun, is there, old chap?'—Los Angeles Times.

A GREAT COMBINATION.
 When Husband, Wife and Mother-in-law Co-operate.
 Shortly after his marriage, which took place in 1880, John Burns, the British labor leader, settled down as a journeyman engineer in Battersea and twenty years after confessed that he was the first engineer to make with his own hands an electric tram car in Great Britain. In those days, however, people did not believe that electric traction was possible, and Burns had to take the dynamo and tram to the Crystal palace and run the latter round the grounds for six months before people could be induced to believe in the novelty.
 But the people were so nervous that, although the charge was only sixpence, none of them would venture in the newfangled invention. Then Burns was struck with a brilliant idea. He said to his wife, "You have got to come down to the palace three times a week and get into the first electric tram car as a decoy duck for the others." This was only temporarily successful. So Burns brought along his mother-in-law. "and," said the energetic labor leader when relating the incident, "when a husband, a wife and a mother-in-law co-operate success is assured."—London Tit-Bits.

Towers.
 The patient architect had just succeeded in getting Mrs. Drippinggold to decide between the charms of renaissance, classic and Queen Anne for the plans of her magnificent new country house.
 "The only details I ain't goin' to leave to your discretion," said the wealthy lady, "is the matter of towers. I want plenty of towers that folks can see for a long way off when they're ridin' by."
 "But what kind of towers do you want?" inquired the unfortunate architect—"Norman, Gothic?"
 Mrs. Drippinggold closed the English novel of high life on which her soul had been feeding.
 "Why, ancestral towers, of-course,"—Puck.

Friendly Advice.
 A very matter of fact Scotchwoman called to see a neighbor, an elderly woman, who had been ailing for some time.
 "And how do you find yourself today, Janet?" was the greeting.
 "Ah, Martha, I'm very bad. This cold, damp weather 'll be the end of me. I'll be a dead woman before very long."
 "Hoots, toots, woman! You've been saying that any time these last twenty years. I've no patience with you. I'll tell you what it is. You want firmness of mind. Fix a day for your dying—and stick to it."

Had Poor Sight.
 New Boy (rather inquisitive)—What did the other lad leave for, sir?
 Master—For having defective eye sight at times, my boy.
 New Boy—Why, sir, I have seen him since. Apparently, then, his eyesight was all right. It seems rather curious, sir.
 Master—Well, my boy, at various times when taking money from customers he could not see the bill.—London Answers.

Time to Stop.
 Mrs. Benham—Henry, I am more than glad that you don't drink now, but how did you come to leave off?
 Benham—You remember the last time your mother was here? Mrs. Benham—Yes. Benham—Well, one night while she was here I came home in pretty bad shape and saw three of her. That settled it.

An Easy Task.
 "Johnny, I will give you a quarter if you can get me a lock of your sister's hair."
 "Gimme 4 bits, an' I'll git you de whole bunch. I know where she hangs it nights."—Houston Post.

The Outcomes.
 The Doctor—Now that you are going to school, Johnny, perhaps you can tell me what happens when an irresistible force strikes an immovable object.
 "People send for you, doctor."—Life.
 As money increases the love of it increases.—German Proverb.



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The nest is built in the hollow of a tree through an opening in the bark. As soon as it is completed the mother bird enters carefully and fearfully and settles down in it. Then papa walls up the opening, leaving only just space enough for air and food to pass through. He keeps faithful guard and brings food at regular intervals without fail. The female thrives under her enforced retirement. But if the prison bird is killed or in any other way prevented from fulfilling his duties the mother and her little ones must die of starvation, for she cannot free herself from bondage.

Normally the imprisonment lasts until the chicks are old enough to fly. Then the male bird destroys the barrier with his beak and liberates his family. "It is charming," writes Livingstone, "to see the joy with which the little prisoners greet the light and the unknown world."

THE NORMAN "OYEZ."

A Legacy of William the Conqueror to the Courts.

Everybody who has ever been in a United States courtroom knows that when the judge walks out of his chambers and ascends the bench the court errier drones out:

"Oyez, oyez, the honorable court of the (whatever district it may be) is now in session."

Not many persons, however, realize that the errier says "oyez, oyez, oyez," instead of "harken, harken, harken," because of a chance visit that William the Conqueror made to an English court almost 900 years ago.

William had overrun England, seized the government and placed himself at its head. Happening to enter a courtroom, he heard the errier call the assemblage to order in English. William rebuked him and on the spot decreed that the business of all English courts should be transacted in Norman French, his native tongue. Afterward the courts went back to English, but to this day "oyez, oyez, oyez," clings to court customs wherever the English language is spoken as a reminder of the great Norman who whipped King Harold in the battle of Hastings.—Scrap Book.

One of Life's Tragedies.

He had expected a feaster embrace from his sweetheart, but her greeting of him was cold. He could not understand it.

"Darling," he exclaimed in agony, "what is the matter?"

But she remained silent, her lips tightly closed, and motioned him from her.

He fell upon his knees.

"My love," he cried, "tell me what I have done to offend you? I swear I have done nothing wrong! I confess I kissed the Simpson girl last night at the party, but on my oath I—I thought she was you."

Her lips closed even tighter, but she uttered not a syllable, and, in despair, her unheeding demeanor, he fled from the place, he knew not whither.

"Would you know, oh, reader, the reason of the conduct by which a woman slighted two young lives? 'Twas simply this: She had left her false teeth in her bathroom.

Probably She Meant It.

Lucille, a carefully brought up little girl of five years, returned from her first party in great gloe.

"I was a good girl, mamma," she announced and talked nice all the time.

"Did you remember to say something pleasant to Mrs. Townsend just before leaving?" her mother asked.

"Oh, yes, I did," was the enthusiastic reply. "I smiled and said: 'I enjoyed myself, Mrs. Townsend, I had a lot better dinner than I thought I'd have.'"—Dellheator.

One on the Judge.

"Here you are," said the judge to the colored prisoner, "complaining that you can't get along with one wife, and yet Solomon had hundreds of 'em."

"Yes, yer honor," was the reply, "but you must rickollect dat de last testimony he give in wuz dat dey wuz all vanity an' vexation of spirit!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Still Holds Good.

"There was a time," exclaimed young Spenders, who had gone through a fortune, "when people used to say I had more money than brains. They can't say it now."

"No," queried the caustic cad.

"No, I'm down to my last penny."

"Ah, but you have the penny."—Philadelphia Press.

Awkward.

A pretty schoolteacher, noticing one of her little charges idle, said sharply: "John, the devil always finds something for idle hands to do. Come up here and let me give you some work."—Judge's Library.

A New Sensation.

Mrs. Bullion—I wish I knew something to do that would provide me with an absolutely new sensation. Mr. Bullion—Go out and pay cash for something.—Life.

Windmills.

Windmills were invented and used by the Saracens.

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Wichita Valley.
West Bound Trains—
No. 1 Leaves 2:10 p. m.
No. 5 Leaves 12:05 a. m.
No. 7 Arrives 12:05 p. m.
No. 9 Arrives 6:25 p. m.

East Bound Trains—
No. 2 Arrives 1:00 p. m.
No. 6 Arrives 3:15 a. m.
No. 8 Leaves 8:00 a. m.
No. 10 Leaves 2:40 p. m.

M. K. and T. Railway.
Arrive
No. 271, From Dallas 10:15 p. m.
No. 9, From Denison 12:50 p. m.
Leaves
No. 272, To Dallas 6:30 a. m.
No. 10, To Denison 3:00 p. m.

Fort Worth and Denver City.
Northbound— Arrives Leaves
No. 1 2 p. m. 2:10 p. m.
No. 3 12:45 p. m. 1:05 p. m.
No. 5 11:45 p. m. 12:05 a. m.
No. 7 2:05 a. m. 2:15 a. m.
Southbound— Arrives Leaves
No. 2 11:35 a. m. 11:45 a. m.
No. 4 12:55 p. m. 1:15 p. m.
No. 6 3:15 a. m. 3:25 a. m.
No. 8 2:15 a. m. 2:25 a. m.

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Fashion Notes.

Plaids are very prominent for school girl dresses.

The scanty skirt is said to be the Paris vogue.

The most fashionable fur stoles are very long and wide.

Every hat to be fashionable must show a strong touch of black.

One of the season's chiefest characteristics is the combination of soft tones.

Flowers play a small part in the really fashionable millinery of the season.

Many of the handsome flowered sash ribbons show a broad stripe of gold running through.

Braided cheviot and serge have retained their popularity for separate coats and suits.

Bangs are coming strongly into fashion since pompadours and puffs have been frowned upon.

Marabout is as popular as ever and is used for making some of the prettiest of turbans.

The Cream Bakery is headquarters for everything in the line of Christmas Candies, Fruits, Nuts and Christmas-tree Supplies.

Jewelry for Christmas Gift. Our stock of solid gold jewelry is well selected and our prices the lowest.

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For the Housewife. Combs soon warp and break if washed with water. A good stiff nailbrush cleans them well.

Charcoal absorbs all dampness, for which reason it should be kept in boxes with silverware to prevent rust.

One housekeeper even uses a big piece of old velvet to rub her stoves to a high polish after it has been blackened.

If you scorch a garment when ironing it rub a lump of dry starch on the mark, then sponge it off. Repeat it until the yellow disappears.

The oven door should be shut as gently as possible. Much of the heavy cake and bread is the result of its being banged in closing.

An India rubber hot water bottle is easily cleaned. Wash it well with luke warm water and soap, rubbing on the soap with a piece of flannel.

For dusting a felt hat there is nothing better than a piece of chiffon velvet. It is also good to keep the bottom of a silk dress free from dust.

Let the Cream Bakery fill your Christmas orders for nuts, candies and fruits. If you do you will get the best goods on the market.

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Presents for Everybody. Don't let this Christmas go by without looking at our beautiful line of holiday goods. Our prices the lowest.

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The Moray Stock Company. The Moray Stock Company, that most excellent organization, which will appear at the Opera House next Monday night for a week's engagement, boasts the reputation of including nothing but standard plays in their repertoire.

The following list of successes establishes such to be a fact: In Spite of All, Michael Strogoff, Hearts of the Blue Ridge, Our Strategists, Anna Karenina, On the Frontier, and The Whole Damn Family. All the plays are tried successes, having had their final presentation in some metropolitan theater of the country. Their production at the hands of this company is exactly as they were staged originally, nothing being omitted. A pleasing line of entertaining specialties will be given between acts each evening. Their opening play will be "In Spite of All." Prices 25c, 35c and 50c.

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The most disgusted man in Georgia last Wednesday was W. F. Driver, vice president of a big Chicago tent company, who went to West Point that his would-be customer fit to a man with whom he had an extensive correspondence covering the same. He found on his arrival at West Point that his would-be customer was a negro school boy 12 years old, who could not buy a ticket to the circus, to say nothing of the outfit, and the Chicago man caught the first train out of that town.

Young County Coal. Marietta Coal Co. has just received a car of Young County coal. If you want to try it phone your order to 487. Stonecipher stand.

193-2tc

One Cause of Divorce.

Much of the unhappiness which sometimes attends married life owes its origin to a lack of the amenities and courtesies which were so assiduously practiced by both parties before marriage. The feeling that it is not worth while to keep them up is answerable for much of the loss of respect and want of civility and indifference which gradually lead to the decay of affection. In the same way brothers and sisters rub off the bloom of fraternal regard by the absence of those gentle and respectful manners with which they greet all outside friends. Insensibly they become careless, indifferent, and rude, and black looks, harsh words and sharp answers poison the home which might have been the haven of peace and happiness had not the respect for one another's personality been broken down.—Bowie Cross Timbers.

Just received a fresh shipment of Bayle's chip potatoes. Sherrod & Co. Phone 177.

Pure apple cider, sixty cents per gallon. King & White have it. Phone 261.

178-1t

There is an open-air school for consumptive children in Providence, R. I., that is looked upon as an experiment and much interest is felt in the result. Dr. Ellen Stone of that city has charge of the school. A barn had one side knocked out, making it perfectly open to the air and at the same time protected by an overhead covering. Dr. Stone has about twenty afflicted children in the school. They have recesses at frequent intervals, and every hour a bowl of hot soup is given to them. At intervals of an hour the children to go to another house and get warm. Under the feet of each child is a foot-warmer, and the children are warmly clad. Already a decided turn for the better is noticeable in the children.

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Wishes were different in the days when Governor Bob Taylor of Tennessee declared in a burst of eloquence that "we laid more eggs than any other nation on earth." The hens in that time had not joined the union, and rose on a strike. Just now every hen seems to be holding a card and refuses to compromise, even on an eight-hour a week schedule, notwithstanding the lovers of eggnog are willing to pay any price for that necessary ingredient known as hen fruit.—Gainesville Messenger.

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Even though the dulcet iciness in her voice ought to be more effective than a shriek of warning, a man will go right on telling his stout, blonde wife that she ought to dress like the slim brunette next door.

For Christmas presents for gentlemen, see

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Personal Mention.

Miss Edith Blackstock of Petrolia was visiting friends in the city today. Ed Bradley left this afternoon for Quannah to spend the holidays with relatives.

Lon Bennett, a prominent business man of Seymour, was here on business today.

Mrs. Wiley Wyatt and children of San Antonio are in the city visiting Mr. Wyatt.

T. J. Waggoner and family left this afternoon to spend the holidays with relatives in Decatur.

W. F. Woodrum, a prominent citizen of Seymour, was transacting business here today.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bowncr of Waxahachie are in the city visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Giddings.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Riley left today for McLean, Texas, to spend the holidays with relatives.

C. Mendel, a prominent business man of Taylor, is in the city visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Huff.

Miss Kate LaVelle left last night for Sulphur Springs to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. Estelle Darnell of Denison is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. L. A. Albritton of this city.

We are requested to state that there will be a Christmas tree and services at the Episcopal church, at 7:30 tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Thatcher will leave tomorrow for Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of Mr. Thatcher's health.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Featherston of Petrolia were among the many visitors doing Christmas shopping in the city today.

Miss Lucy Barwise of Electra, who is attending school in Fort Worth, came in this afternoon and is the guest of Miss Annie Carrigan.

Attorney Alex Britain, of the firm of Montgomery & Britain, left this afternoon for Seymour to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Amy Mann, who is teaching school in Archer county, was in the city today en route to Stamford to visit relatives.

Mrs. Lillian Earnest of Graham, who has been visiting Mrs. J. A. Giddings of this city, left this afternoon for Goree to visit relatives.

Dr. R. L. Miller of Wichita Falls is in the city visiting his father, Captain Will A. Miller, and his family.—Amarillo Posthandle.

Miss Frances Allen has arrived home from Troupe, Texas, where she is attending the Add Ran-Jarvis college, to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Patterson of Petrolia were in the city today. Mrs. Patterson and children continued their journey to Rice, Texas, where they will spend the holidays visiting relatives.

Messrs. J. D. Meredith of Petrolia and William Meredith of Sabo, Oklahoma, were in the city today en route to the Lake Creek neighborhood to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Meredith.

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Bright Prospects at Newcastle.

L. H. Miller, editor and publisher of the Newcastle News was a visitor in Wichita Falls yesterday and made the Times office a pleasant call.

Mr. Miller is very jubilant over the future of Newcastle. He says that much-building activity will start with the new year and that the town is certain to have 2000 or 2000 population in a very short time.

The Belknap Coal Company are arranging to build, as a starter, says Brother Miller, thirty houses near shaft No. 2 for their employes. The company will from time to time have more residence houses erected, as the mines are being rapidly developed and more workmen are being employed every day. In just a few months several hundred men will be kept busy both day and night taking out the "black diamond" from the thickest vein, as well as the best coal to be found anywhere in the Lone Star State and homes for them will be erected accordingly. Nowhere can there be found a town and country surrounding with greater possibilities than Newcastle.

Nice meals three times a day at Smith's cafe, 25c. 193-1f

Christmas PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY

We have anything you want. Let us sell you your Fire Works. We have plenty for every one. Just received a fresh shipment of swell box candies, also Holiday Wreaths, Loose Holly and all kind of Christmas tree decorations.

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Robert Huff Entertains.

Robert Huff Jr. delightfully entertained a crowd of his young friends at the home of his parents on Brooke avenue. Numerous games were indulged in, among which was the needle and thread contest. Gerald Pond received the prize, a nice box of candy, for having threaded the needle in the shortest time.

Delicious refreshments were served during the evening. At a late hour the party broke up and all reported having a most enjoyable time. From the appearance of the house the next morning this report seemed to be true. Those present were: Willie Ceell, Francis Ceell, Edith Mathis, Blanche Kaha, Kathleen Blair, Mena Waits, Cathleen Coffield, "Bess" Keil, Bertha May Kemp, Ethel Frieze, Maybelle Jackson, Ruby Moore, Marie Barnette, Wiley Blair, Alva Avio, Alphonse Boger, Leonard Smith, "Babe" Wilson, Gerald Pond, Harold Murph, Harry Jourdan, Guy Huychoert, Cliff Bullock, Eustace Ingram, Ned Murray and Clyde Heath.

If every person who actually practices the following advice by John Wesley were to stand up there would not be a vacant chair in the room. Condemn no man for not thinking as you think. Let everyone enjoy the free and full liberty of thinking for himself. Let every man use his own judgment, since every man must give an account of himself to God. Abhor every approach in every kind of degree, to the spirit of persecution. If you cannot reason or persuade men into the truth, never attempt to force them into it. If love will not compel them to come leave them to God, the Judge of all.

Shipments of coal from the mines at Newcastle are beginning to come in and the Young county black diamonds are being utilized for domestic and manufacturing purposes here. The coal is said to be of excellent quality and the development of the mines in the new field promises for all uses in the very near future.

Tomorrow is Christmas, and as previously announced, the Times will miss publication on that day. To its patrons and friends it wishes a Happy and Merry Christmas.

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Automobile gloves, \$3.50 to \$5.00 at 189-6t WALSH & CLASBEY.

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Nothing else does quite so well for a Man's or Boys' Christmas as something he can wear. What he wears he'll appreciate. Man or Boy—what makes so satisfactory a Christmas Gift as a Suit, Overcoat or Rain Coat? If you do not care to invest so much then a Hat, a Cap or any of the many things in our Toggery department. We've a host of things that are just right.



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K A H N - THE CLOTHIER

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.

The republican members of the Illinois delegation in the house have unanimously endorsed Joseph G. Cannon for re-election as speaker.

The recent admission of Senator Gore of Oklahoma to practice in the supreme court of the United States is believed to be the first instance of the admission of a sightless man at that bar.

Congressman Charles Landis, who was defeated for re-election in the Ninth Indiana district, has been selected by Senator Beveridge for collector of revenues in the Terre Haute district, which, next to Peoria, is the largest in the country.

United States Senator McLaurin of Mississippi, whose term will expire March 4, 1913, will be opposed for re-election by ex-Governor Vardaman. The nomination, which is equivalent to election, will be made in the primary election of 1913.

Friends of Governor R. B. Glenn of

North Carolina believe that he may become a candidate for the nomination for congress in the Fifth district two years hence. The democratic nominee was defeated there this year by John M. Morehead, a republican.

At its recent meeting in Washington the National League of Democratic Clubs selected as temporary officers Representative Sulzer of New York, president; William C. Liller of New York, secretary; and Cotter T. Bride, of Washington, D. C., treasurer.

Congressman George L. Lilley, governor-elect of Connecticut, who has been called upon to answer charges of violating the election laws in distributing money among saloon keepers for campaign purposes, has been a member of the national house of representatives since 1903. He is fifty years old and a native of Massachusetts.

The democratic nomination for United States senator in New York, which will be an empty honor, this year, may be made the test of leadership between "Boss" Murphy of Tammany Hall and Chairman Connors of the State committee. The former's candidate is Lewis Nixon, the shipbuilder, while Chairman Connors favors W. Carlyl

Ely, a Buffalo traction man, who was mentioned for the gubernatorial nomination last summer.

The entire country will watch with interest the proceedings of the Oregon legislature when it meets next month to select a successor to United States Senator Fulton. The legislature is at most unanimously republican. Of the ninety members, fifty-one voluntarily signed a pledge before election to elect as United States senator the popular choice. The choice proved to be Governor Chamberlain, a democrat. The question now is will the legislature stand by their pledge.

A peculiar situation has developed in Missouri regarding the United States senatorship. Senator William J. Stone is the democratic candidate for re-election and his party has a present majority in the legislature of seven votes on joint ballot. The republican managers have announced that ten contests will be filed when the legislature meets. If four of these contests are decided adversely to the democrats the political complexion of the legislature will be changed and Lieutenant Governor McKinley, who carried the senatorial primary probably will succeed Senator Stone.

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