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THE BRIDE OF BANDERA PASS



Stand! Whence came you, and whither away, this hallowed night of the full May moon.

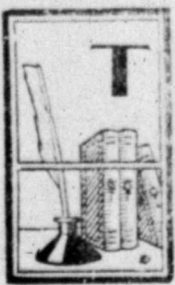
The above picture is one of the illustrations from "The Bride of Bandera Pass," by Geo. Bowles, a new serial story which will begin in the January 2 issue of the Kerrville Mountain Sun. "The Bride of Bandera Pass" is a story full of interest and ideal climaxes. It is a story of early frontier times in this country—the days of Jack Hayes, the ranger, and when Federal troops were stationed at Camp Ives. It is a romance pure and simple, having for its foundation the battles of Bandera Pass, one of which was fought by Spanish adventurers and Indians in the latter

part of the 17th century, the other by Texas rangers under the famed Jack Hayes, and the Mountain Comanches. The above picture is a very true reproduction of the famous pass, which is one of the most romantically beautiful spots in Texas. This advance notice of "The Bride of Bandera Pass" is for the purpose of calling attention to the fact that the story will be published so, those interested in the romantic life of "the hill country" can take advantage of subscribing for the Sun, or renewing their subscriptions.

The Kerrville Mountain Sun is only \$1.00 a year—the story alone is worth far more than that. In addition to the serial, other features will be added to the already well known high standard of the Sun, among them a series of "lay sermons" by Dr. Spottiswood Leighman. Don't wait. All subscriptions taken now will run to January 1, 1910. If you have a friend whom you would like to remember at Christmas time, send him the Sun for \$1. He will get the best weekly paper published in Southwest Texas and in addition, a story, that if in book form, would cost \$1.50.

GEORGE BOWLES

Talks About the Coming Yuletide, and Says the Fellow, that Don't Feel the Christmas Spirit Loses Much



THE same old jokes are usually sprung and the same old stories told at Christmas time. So, I guess I am excusable for taking the same old subject for a story just now that has been used by other writers ever since the days when the news papers were written with a quill pen from a buzzard's wing, and were called "news letters" instead of newspapers. We think we know a lot more than the people did then, but if we had no better chance to find things out than they had we would think were in a pretty bad fix. The Chinese are credited with the first printed newspaper, in 1340, using wood type. They have never missed an

issue since then. Just think of the good stories they could have told about Christmas in all those centuries, if they hadn't been beaten thus! The yellow rascals have been missing a lot by not feeling the Christmas spirit, just as every body else does who does not feel it. It's a mighty good thing to feel Christmas in your bones. I started out to tell this Christmas story and here I am hung up like a fellow I wrote a speech for one time. I guess I'll just tell you what an awful mix up Lige got into, and

then maybe I can "catch the thread of my discourse." Away back yonder, about 187—oh, it ain't no-body's business when it was, cause I have been trying to make myself believe that it was strange that as a young man as I am would have rheumatism so bad. Well, anyway Lige and I were pretty hard up for a little money that winter. The people where we lived had gotten just about sufficiently civilized to have dances and play a fiddle to dance by, instead beating a tom-tom and rattling gravel in tarrapin shells.

Dr. J. B. Love,
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Christmas was coming on and we had gotten a job of making about a million post oak boards for Old Man Loftis to cover his new barn. We were camped down in the Big Hickory bottom making the boards in the day time and sitting around the camp fire telling stories and exchanging confidences at night. One night, after we had eaten supper Lige got very much interested in the matter of seasoning a new dogwood glut in the camp fire. I knew there was some weighty matter on his mind, because Lige always became very industrious when he was in great "mental anguish." After a little while he threw the glut back by the water bucket, and I heard it clink against the tin cup. Then he filled his pipe, put a live coal on it and pulling his hat over his eyes to shade them from the fire light he said: "George, when Mister Loftis was here yistiddy did he seem to be satisfied with these here boards we air makin'?" "Now, I knew there was some serious thing on Lige's mind, because he had been present when Old Loftis said they were the finest lot of clapboards he ever "see riv" in that bottom, and he "lowed he had seen about a millyun." All I could say to my partner was, "you heard what he said." That quieted Lige for a while, but presently he said: "George, do you know Old Man Loftis' gal, Sareeny?" Lige and I had known Sareeny and each other, all the time, and he knew it as well as I did, so I just waited. Pretty soon the big sixfoot woodsman, who had a heart in him as big in proportion to his size as any man on earth, tried another tack: "Dad Gum it, George, I'm in

trouble, and I want you to help me out," he blurted. "What's the trouble, Lige," I queried. "That old run-over shoe skinned yer heel!" "No," hits wasser ner that George. I'm a likin' Sareeny powerful well. I went to singing with her the last time we was up home and I made a trade to come and see her again when we get back do you think we can get home by the Satterdy night before Christmas?" Lige handed me that bunch of talk in a lump like throwing frozen slop in a hog pen. And before I could make any kind of an answer, he went on; as if he were burning the bridges behind him: "You know I ain't been doin' much good, George, but I am goin' ter settle down an' quit bein' so wild."—The worst thing I had ever known Lige to do was when he and I had made a trip to the county seat we drank a glass of red sider a piece and bought one old Virginia Cherokee, which we cut in two and each smoked half of it—"I don't know jes how Sareeny is goin' ter take it, but, 'low to ask her to marry me Satterdy night 'fo' Christmas, and I want you to fix me up a little talk to make. I allers know what I mean, but I never had that ere gift ergab that you got." "I told Lige that I blushingly admitted my unusual abilities at fixing up "little" talks," but that as I had never asked any lady for her hand in wedlock, I was afraid I might not be right up on that particular line. Looking back over the matter at this late date I am impressed with the idea that if Lige had been a young man of (Continued on last page.)

LOCAL and PERSONAL

BY SUN REPORTERS.

Jas. Freeman, of Medina, was in Kerrville on business Wednesday.

Jas Carson, and daughter, Miss Jeppa, of Medina, were guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Comparette of this city last Saturday.

Frank Kring and Ed Pfefferling, San Antonio horse buyers, were in attendance at the Trade's Day busy times last week. They bought a number of animals.

Dr. Jas. Richey, the Fredericksburg veterinarian and auctioneer, who was here on Friday and Saturday of last week, did a very good business in his veterinary line, and also sold, at auction, thirty head of horses.

J. J. Denton, of Ingram, was in the city last Saturday, in attendance at the special session of the commissioners' court and to hand over his toga of office to Mr. R. A. Sproul, who succeeds him as commissioner of the fourth precinct.

Let Us Give You A Beautiful Doll

We will give, away absolutely free, a very large and handsome doll. See it in our show window. A ticket will be given with every \$1.00 purchase, beginning on Trade's Day and will continue until the Holidays. The person holding the proper ticket will receive the doll on Christmas Eve.

The Rock Drug Store

J. F. Davenport and his two daughters, Misses Josephine and Polly Ware, were among the shoppers in Kerrville on Saturday last. Mr. Davenport says recent good rains have been beneficial to young grain, and the general outlook in the Elm Pass community, where he lives, is very promising.

Ask about our club offers on leading Magazines.

CHAS REAL, P. M.

Herman Schulze, of the Cypress creek community, was in Kerrville last Saturday to attend the special session of the commissioners' court, and to relinquish his office to Mr. Wiedenfeld, his successor as commissioner. Mr Schulze retired from the office of his own accord after a service of four years.

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'GOLDEN CROWN'

FLOUR

THE CHEAPEST AND THE BEST FLOUR IN TEXAS.

Kerr county loses a most estimable citizen in the removal of H. C. Griffin of Center Point, to Elgin, this state. Mr. Griffin has been engaged for several years past in the monument and iron fence business. He has a wide circle of friends and acquaintances in this section who will learn of his removal with regret. Elgin is to be congratulated upon the acquisition of this good citizen and his estimable family.

The Story of a Key.

It was just a plain, little, unostentatious key, lying upon an old faded capias warrant blank on the desk of the new county clerk, Mr. A. H. Moore, but it had a story to tell, and in the solitude of the office it said:

"This seems kinder queer to me. I have been in the possession of Jack Hamilton for fourteen years and have never been lost or misplaced a single time. I was handed over to Mr. Hamilton by McFarland just fourteen years ago. During that time I have locked the door at night and unlocked it at morning. I have turned the lock upon the archives of the county, and upon the valuable records that safeguarded the property of the people."

"Now, here I am, lying on this old capias writ. I guess that means for Moore to 'take my body,' so I'll just snuggle down in his pocket for, perhaps, another fourteen years of locking and unlocking."

The above is a figurative recital of the true story of the Key to the county clerks office of Kerr county. The Key is probably the one that was fitted to the door when the court house was built. Certain it is that during the fourteen years of Mr. Hamilton's incumbency the little old key was never lost nor misplaced a single time.

Notice!

We will run our gin only on Mondays and Fridays in future, until further notice.

Chas. Schreiner

For Sale

Or will trade for wealing or yearling colts one of the best bred Polled Durham bunch of cattle in the State. 10 head registered, 20 head good grades. All solid red and muleys. See or address.

Geo. E. MEERS, Center Point Texas.

Commends the Sun.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 2, '08.
Mr. J. E. Grinstead,
Kerrville, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose another of my little poems which you can perhaps use as a space filler in the Mt. Sun. I also wish to say that your paper is the best sheet in the Lone Star State, fearless in all its editorials, always telling the truth, no matter whom it helps or hurts. And if our eastern papers would do the same, Democracy and the people would soon regain their lost power.

Again thanking you for the favours of the past, I wish to remain,
Yours truly,
A. L. BERNARD.

Fresh Home-Made Bread.

My home-made light bread may be had at my home, also at the Palace of Sweets and at Hardin Bros' grocery store.

MRS. H. RUFF.

IN MEMORY OF

John F. Ferris, who was killed by lightning October 22, 1908. Mr. Ferris was born in Wilson county, Texas, November 18, 1885, and with his parents removed to Kerr county, and later to Kerrville, where they still reside.

On June 27, 1907, he married Miss Mary Goss, and few wedded lives were happier than theirs.

Reared by christian parents, he ever entertained a high regard for religion, and last June he was baptized into Christ and became a member of the Christain church at Kerrville. He entered upon the duties of this new life with the same earnestness and conscientiousness that characterized his daily life, manifesting a great eagerness to learn more and more of the truths of God's word, and rejoicing in the blessed fellowship of His people.

In his death the church suffers irreparable loss, as he gave promise of great usefulness in the Master's service.

He went about his daily tasks with a cheerfulness and earnestness of purpose that made work a pleasure. Only a few minutes before his death, while about his labor, he was heard singing the dear old songs he loved so well. His devotion to the cause he loved, his appreciation of the truth, his loyalty to Christ filled the soul of the man to overflowing, and bursting its temporal confines, that soul went to receive the crown of life and to the realm where there is room for infinite growth.

It was the writer's privilege to live for a time in his home, and I can testify to his bright hope and joy in the future reign with Christ. He has entered into that rest that "remaineth for the people of God," and we who loved him and were the better for his living, must feel the loss till we meet him whither he has gone.

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to his father and mother and his dear young wife. I, who enjoyed his confidence and affection, share with these loved ones a sense of personal loss in his death.

In the little family cemetery we laid him to rest, and with hearts bowed down commended ourselves unto Him who said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

HIS PASTOR.

A Card of Thanks.

Words cannot express my sincere thanks and gratitude to each of the friends who so kindly assisted at the death of my departed loved one and for all the beautiful floral offerings. May God reward you all.

MRS. JOHN FERRIS.

Off on Surveying Trip.

W. H. Bonnell, of Camp Verde, was in Kerrville Monday. Mr. Bonnell was on the way to Edwards county, where he is engaged in surveying a large tract of land comprising about 35 sections, recently purchased by Capt. Chas. Schreiner from the Ames estate. The land was formerly known as the J. J. Marsh tract.

Mr. Bonnell had just returned from San Antonio, where he had been summoned on the Federal grand jury, for the special term that had been called for December 1, to investigate the Mexican border troubles, but owing to Judge Maxey's illness the jury was excused and the investigation postponed until the regular term, which convenes January 5.

Trespass Notice.

I will prosecute any persons found hunting or otherwise trespassing in my pastures on head of Turtle creek and West Creek.

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WALTER REAL.

Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have leased the hunting right in my pastures to Mr. L. A. Schreiner. All promises heretofore made to persons in regard to hunting in same are hereby repealed, and trespassers will be prosecuted.

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Representative Wm. Gilson, of Hayes county, who is one of the most conservative men in the Texas legislature, is quoted as saying there are too many laws on our statutes, and that the next legislature should saw wood and let law-making alone.

You owe it to yourself and to the county to think about the road bond proposition. If you know a good reason why the step should not be taken tell your neighbor; on the other hand, if you do not think it wise, come out openly and say so. "Come, let us reason together!"

There is no county in southwest Texas that is ahead of Kerr in the matter of progressiveness. Let us have the permanent roads and we will have them all bested for years to come. We will not only be at the head of the procession, but we will be traveling on roads that will make it easy for us to stay in front.

President Roosevelt foams at the mouth and threatens dire vengeance upon the author of an article insinuating that he, the president, was mixed up in some kind of a scandalous proceeding in the Panama canal matter. While the famous hunter, guide and scout is vilifying the wielder of that trenchant pen, Fire Alarm Foraker, who was "not dead, but sleeping," comes out with a statement that he is going to give away a lot of juicy scandal relating to Mr. Roosevelt's part in the Standard Oil imbroglio. Oh, joy! Maybe the gang will do like the Kilkenny cats!

Great Diversity.

A man at Comfort, Tex., is advertising in the Kerrville Mountain Sun to pay the best price for armadillos. Do not dispose of your armadillos until you get late quotations.—Dallas News.

Col. Bill seems to be surprised at the armadillo industry. In the same issue of the Sun there was a news item in regard to a big order from Germany for the product of this somewhat unique resource of Kerr county.

QUARTERS AND HALVES.

"These apartments used to be called 'bachelor quarters,'" remarked the caller. "Where are the occupants?"

"They don't need bachelor quarters now, sir," laughed the janitor. "And why not?"

"Because they all have better halves."

THE FICKLE SHOPPER.

"That woman always keeps me guessing," said the grocery clerk, as she went out. "I never can tell till the last minute what she is going to buy. Just now she priced the coffee. I gave her the prices—25 cents, 28, 30, 35, 40.

"Is your 25-cent coffee any good?" she asked me.

"Yes," said I. "bang-up."

"Then," said she, "give me a pound of your 40-cent, ground fine."

MEN AT AUCTION SALES.

A woman slipped into an auction sale the other day, where certain wares were being sold, and she said that it was amusing to see what foolish things the men did who were in attendance. They seemed to think of the auction as an affair of the two or more persons who might be offering prices and seemed to be utterly oblivious of the value of the article, once having entered into the competition. No woman, she declared, would ever be so foolish.

WONDERFUL HATCHERY RECORD.

Undoubtedly the most wonderful record ever made by a salmon hatchery is that of Fortmann. In the season of 1905-6 this hatchery took 68,715,000 eggs of Alaska Red, the most important salmon of northern waters, and in the spring of 1906 liberated 67,643,000 young salmon in the Naha stream, Alaska, on which it is located, the loss being only 1,072,000, or 1.5 per cent. By natural propagation the loss on the same number of eggs would have been about 90 per cent., or, in other words, of the 68,000,000 salmon fry only about 6,800,000 would have been successfully hatched into young salmon.—Outing.

TRIAL BY JURY IN ENGLAND.

Trial by jury is not a popular institution in the county courts. Of the 836,529 actions determined last year only 867 were tried by juries. On three of the most important circuits—the Manchester, the Leeds and the Bolton circuits—not a single case was tried by a jury all through the year. On the Cardiff circuit the jury box was occupied but once, and on the Newcastle and the Carlisle circuits not more than twice. Curiously enough, the demand for the services of jurymen is diminished as the business of the county courts has increased. Twenty years ago, when the number of actions determined was 211,969 less, the number tried by juries was 322 more.—London Globe.

IN A CLASS BY HIMSELF.

Gen. Sir Beauchamp Duff is generally understood to be the most probable successor to Lord Kitchener in the supreme command in India, and this will be a fitting reward for one who has a very fine military record for hard, unremitting work. A short time ago another officer was trying hard to find out Gen. Duff's recreations. "Do you play bridge?" he asked. "Not much," replied the general. "Billiards, perhaps?" "Very little." "Chess?" "Badly." "Any outdoor sports?" "At rare intervals." The interrogator then lost his patience. "Then what on earth do you do?" "The rarest thing possible in the British army," was Duff's reply; "I work."



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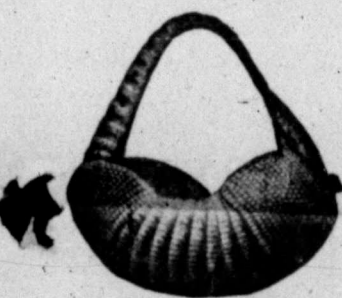
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WOMAN'S BEST AGE.

A writer in a woman's paper says that all the heroines of fiction are mere children and discusses the most attractive age for a woman. Twenty-three she thinks the ideal time of life, unless the woman happens to be college-bred. She is then top-heavy at that age and her attractive age will be delayed ten years. The bachelor girl is at her best at 30 and has reached the limit at 35, when she can play upon the weaknesses of mankind as "upon a harp of a thousand strings."

CIRCULATED BY THE ENVIOUS

Two Almost Unbelievable Stories Reflecting on the Erudition of the Pretenses.

Boston children are sometimes credited with vast stores of knowledge, but one 12-year-old girl of that city has apparently neglected her opportunities. A traveling circus was putting up its tents in the environs of Boston, when a young girl approached the leopard's cage, put her hand between the bars to stroke the animal's head, and as a result was badly scratched and bitten. One of her companions hurried home to tell of the accident, and concluded her story with:

"O mother, do you suppose Annie will have leprosy now?"

Another story is told of an elderly woman, also of Boston, who told her neighbor that she had suffered from gastritis for nearly a year, and that the only way that she could account for it was that the sitting-room coal stove leaked gas in a dreadful way.—Youth's Companion.

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PERMANENT ROADS FOR KERR COUNTY.

Members of the Commissioners' Court
Express Themselves in Favor
of the Sun's Bond Issue
Propaganda.

In the issue of the SUN of September 12, there appeared an editorial upon the matter of good roads and their importance to communities and to commonwealths. There has never been any doubt in the minds of those interested in the good roads problem in Kerr county, that the citizens of the county would be almost unanimously in favor of a bond issue for the purpose of building permanent roads if the matter was placed before them. In matters of this kind it is always necessary for some one to make a start. This publication believes strongly in the theory that it is the duty of a reputable newspaper to become a public conveyor of the opinions of prominent men upon important topics.

To that end, a representative of the Sun gave special attention to the matter of getting the opinion of the members of the Kerr county commissioners' court, at its sitting last Saturday. Each member was approached upon the matter of permanent road building. The first interviewed was Judge Lee Wallace, who said:

"Yes, I am heartily in favor of a bond issue for a sufficient amount to build permanent roads throughout the county. Had bonds been floated twenty years ago for that purpose, increased values would long since have repaid the amount invested. Had the money that has been spent in repair work; in building wooden culverts, and grading places that "get mighty bad when it rains," in the last twenty years, been spent in a lump in building permanent roads, the returns to the people would be almost incalculable.

"Permanent roads, roads that weather does not effect, can only be had by the outlay of a large amount of money, but there is no one thing that can be done that is of greater benefit to the whole people than the building of permanent roads. I am in favor of issuing bonds for the purpose of making Kerr county roads as good as any roads in the state, and I am in favor of doing it now."

Commissioner Karger was the next approached. Mr. Karger said:

"The matter of roads, and road building, is simple the solution of the local transportation problem. We have an abundance of material for roadbuilding at almost any point in Kerr county. It will require machinery to handle it in some places, to be sure, but on the whole I know of no place where real good, permanent roads can be built at less cost. To float bonds and build good roads will not, as many people have an idea, place a burden upon our children and all those who come after us, for the property will be enhanced in value by the building of such

roads, far more than the amount of the original outlay.

"So far as I am personally concerned," continued Mr. Karger. "I do not feel that the burden of the bond issue will be heavy for the people compared to the good that will result. The men who are bearing the burdens of the county's affairs now are, in the main, the men who developed it, and made road building possible. We have invested much labor and all the money we could make in the country, and good roads, the best that can be built, are, in my opinion, no more than a fair recompense for the investment we have made. I think that by all means we should have good, permanent roads, and that every day we do without them is a loss to the people of the county."

Commissioner Rees, who has recently had some experience in the matter of building macadam road, said:

"I have just completed the building of half a mile of macadam road in my precinct, near the railroad station at Ganahl. This piece of road has an eighteen-foot road bed, and in my judgement is permanent for many years to come. This road was constructed of a kind of "doby" clay and gravel. The material was dug out of the bank, hauled and put on the road at a cost of \$250 for the half-mile. There are some places in the county perhaps, where the material would be more convenient that it was there, and the cost less; while at other places the building matter might be less convenient, and the cost greater; but on the whole, I am sure that permanent roads can be built in this county for an average cost of \$600 per mile. By this I do not mean roads that are merely passable, but I mean roads that will be as good when completed as any block of street in Kerrville, and will last for generations to come, with very little repairing.

"I am," continued Mr. Rees, "heartily in accord with the idea of road building that the Sun has advocated it, not merely because that publication does advocate it, but because the building of roads, every yard of which a farmer can pull a full load over, is, in my judgement the greatest step of progress any country can make. I am for the bond issue, personally, and I believe there is no doubt that such a measure would carry by a large majority in my precinct."

Commissioner Wiedenfield discussed the matter from a business viewpoint, and while he had not given the matter very much consideration, considered it the only feasible means of securing thoroughfares that will be commensurate with the strides of progress that are being made in other directions. Mr. Wiedenfield said:

"There is nothing more essential to the well being of any community than good roads. It is impossible that we can ever build good roads from the proceeds of the small amount of road tax that we can now levy under the law. Certainly, if we would save all this money and put it out at interest for the next quarter of a century the amount would be sufficient to build good roads, but this we can not do. The road apportionment for the various precincts, as it now is, barely keeps the road in a passable condition, and no effort can be made at permanent road making.

"By issuing bond," Mr. Wiedenfield went on to say, "we can build road equal to any in the country, and at the same time so enhance the value of all the property in the county that it will be a

case of "eating our cake, and keeping at the same time. There is no doubt in my mind that the bond issue matter is the only feasible road building plan."

Commissioner Sproull said:
"I am a new member of the court, and am averse to making any statement in regard to public matters just at this time, but the time has come when something must be done for the roads in the upper part of the county. The divide country is in a deplorable condition in the matter of public thoroughfares. What would be the best means of attaining the desired end I am, at this time unable to say, but every citizen of my precinct is agreed upon the matter that roads of a better character are much needed.

"As to the matter of building permanent macadam roads, it can be done cheaper in that country perhaps than in any other part of the county, because the material is convenient, and with proper crushing and grading machinery could be handled at the minimum cost of road building."

Thus we found the entire court in favor of the enterprise. Since the publication of the editorial referred to at the beginning of this article we have discussed the problem with many citizens of the county, and up to this time have heard no word of dissent. If there is a good thing to be had Kerr county wants it and should have it. Acting upon the opinions expressed by the members of the court the Sun will circulate a petition between this date and the regular February term of the court requesting the calling of an election to determine whether or not a bond issue shall be made.

Everything that is done for the good of the county should be thoroughly discussed by all the people of the county before the attempt is made. To this end the columns of the Sun are open for the publication of articles discussing the bond issue, pro and con. Our slogan in this matter is: "Come, let us reason to gether."

Have a reason for what you do. The fellow who does things "just because," usually don't get them finished.

The sudden death of the aged proctor of the State University, J. B. Clark, will cause sadness in the hearts of many university men throughout the state, as he held that position for many years.

A dispatch states that the Emperor of Germany is now "afraid to talk to his family." That's nothing, there are plenty of men in this country who are afraid to "talk back" to their wives."

Sporadic scribunda is the technical name given the frightful case of masagitis the President has just developed. The message will perhaps be preserved in the Smithsonian institute as the biggest bunch of talk that has ever been used to say so little.

In Champ Clark, of Missouri, the Democrats have the ablest minority leader that has been in the national House of Representatives in the last half century. A man of sterling worth, of the highest character, of great ability. One who, while absolutely fearless, cannot be led into any kind of unseemly behavior on account of partisan feeling. Under Mr. Clark's leadership the minority in the House will, without doubt, have more weight than it would have had under the direction of any other Democratic member of that body.

The Man Who Starts

an account with THIS bank, no matter how small his start if he keeps at it, will not only accumulate money and increase his credit but will also build up in force of character, in energy, in inspiration and ability to accomplish what he sets out to do, in capacity to earn money and command a place with the leaders of his community. YOU need a bank account—we shall be pleased to have you with us and to extend to you all the courtesies and help consistent with safe, sound banking.

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YOU "GRAND FATHERS" KNEW PAUL
JONES, SOME DRANK IT
EVERY DROP GUARANTEED BY THE
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ABSOLUTELY A TRUE DISTILLATION
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HOME NEWS.

Interesting Items From Town and County.

A. C. Schreiner made a business trip to San Antonio the first of the week.

Signet Rings now. K. P. rings next week. SELF.

Bob Fresenius, of San Antonio, was a visitor in Kerrville Tuesday.

Photographs for Xmas presents. Have them made today by Mrs. O'Neal, next door to Book store.

Herbert C. Ford, of San Antonio, was in Kerrville Monday.

Masonic, K. P., Eastern Star Woodmen emblems. SELF.

Sam'l J. Merz and wife, of San Antonio, were among the guests at the St. Charles Sunday.

Suits Cleaned and Pressed.

All kinds of altering and repair work promptly done. Ladies' skirts cleaned.

S. FRIEDMAN, Tailor.
KERRVILLE, TEXAS
Mountain Street, Opp. Court House
Kerrville, Texas.

Dr. Edward Galbraith,



Dentist

Office Next to Rawson's Drug Store
Kerrville, Texas.

J. W. Rogers and wife, of San Antonio, were registered at the St. Charles Sunday.

We have just received a complete line of perfumes, toilet articles etc. Special holiday goods. It will pay you to see them.

W. H. RAWSON.

Mrs. J. W. Nelson, of Center Point, was in Kerrville Tuesday to attend the meeting of the musical club.

Chas. Morris, of Morris Ranch, was a guest of his brother, George Morris, at the St. Charles Wednesday.

Cigars for Xmas. We have them, packed 25 to the box. \$1.00 per box. W. H. RAWSON.

Ladies of Episcopal church will have a sale of work and refreshments on Tuesday, December 15, from 3 to 10 p. m., at the parish house, St. Peter's church. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. W. J. Greer, of Rock Springs, who had been away on a visit, was a guest at the St. Charles Monday. Mrs. Greer left the following day for her home.

A Gang of Indians.

The famous hunter guide and scout, A. C. Baldwin, of Austin accompanied by the well known whale fisher, and Harpoonist K. Lamity Bonner and Joe Corwin, arrived in Kerrville Tuesday morning about 3 g. m. They picked up the Hon. Will A. Morris, who kills lions by proxy, at San Antonio and used him for ballast.

The bunch were on their way to Frank Ragland's ranch to join Jack Hamilton and B. M. Hixson, who went out there Tuesday to tie a blind deer Frank caught, so they could kill something.

Baldwin had an old flint-lock musket with a broken mainspring that Danial Boone traded the Indians. Corwin had a bow and arrow, and Bonner had a tomahawk. Morris was armed with a "pair of bolas" that he stole from a native of Patagonia the last time he was in that country.

None of the party made any threats as to what they would do to the game. That was perhaps due to the fact that they were too full for utterance—having eaten a very heavy breakfast.

Hat Pins, belt buckles. SELF.

The Laugh Tonic.

It has long been a popular belief that laughing was a fine tonic. If that is true persons who attended the two performances of "Railroad Jack," at Pampell's Opera House on Wednesday and Thursday nights of this week, should gain flesh rapidly. It was a roaring farce comedy from start to finish, replete with the newest jokes and stories. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King and their able supporters made a great hit with Kerrville play goers.

This trip into "She hill country," was a side trip for a part of Mr. King's company, but he was so well pleased that he returned to San Antonio Friday morning and will bring the remainder of the troupe and property to Kerrville, to spend a few days here in rehearsal for the big holiday run. While here, on Thursday night of next week they will play, "A Son's Inheritance," a strong melodrama, which will afford the people of this section an opportunity to see a class of entertainment not often seen in towns of this size.

J. W. Ellis and son, stockmen from Menardville, were among the guest at the St. Charles Monday.

The Kerrville Buggy & Machinery Co. has removed to the old Central Hotel building.

TRADE'S DAYS.

THE SECOND EVENT IN THE KERRVILLE TRYSTS A GREAT SUCCESS, DESPITE THE UNFAVORABLE WEATHER OF THE LAST DAY.

First Saturday is Permanent Date For Trade's Day.

BUSINESS MEN'S CLUB HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER NEXT EVENT WILL COMPRISE ONE OR TWO DAYS.

The second periodical trade meeting for the people of Kerrville and adjoining country was pulled off according to program on Friday and Saturday of last week. The attendance was good, and merchants had all the business they could conveniently handle. The horse buyers were in attendance this time as promised, and a large number of animals were sold. Hog buyers were also on the market, and all hogs offered were taken.

The prize winners in the various contests were as follows:

For best bale of cotton on the market on that day, the first prize went to Otto Pankratz; second prize, E. Stieler; third prize, P. Dugosh.

For best horse colt: First prize; J. J. Sublett, second prize, J. M. Harris; third prize, J. F. Surber.

For best mule colt: First, W. W. Dollahite; second prize, Jos. Rotge; third prize, S. Eastland.

There was nothing to mar the success of the event, except that the weather was rather threatening on the second day, and the attendance was doubtless somewhat smaller than it otherwise would have been.

All merchants whom we have approached upon the matter state that the result was satisfactory in every respect.

TRADE'S DAY NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Meeks, of Center Point, were among the Trade's Day visitors in Kerrville last Saturday.

J. M. Bruff and wife, of Center Point, were among the busy throng of Trade's Day shoppers in the city last Saturday.

Kerrville leads the world for orderliness. There was not a single disturbance during the two days last week when the streets were crowded with people.

Capt. Bill Whorton had some good horses on the market on Trade's Day.

WIDOWS AT NEWPORT.

There will be a number of very wealthy widows at Newport next season; among them being Mrs. William B. Leeds, whose husband died a short time ago in Paris, leaving his wife something like \$29,000,000. Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont, formerly Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, and Mrs. James Henry Smith, formerly Mrs. Rhinelander Stewart, will be the other wealthy widows at that resort.

FROM FORCE OF HABIT.

"Mabel! I'm surprised at you, putting out your tongue at people." "It was all right, mother; it was the doctor going past."—Harper's Bazar.

**Ho! For the Pudding,
Ho! For the Plums.**

We have fitted up our store for a regular Kris Kringle Palace until after Christmas.

If it is to eat, to wear, to give away, or for the baby to play with, we have it.

Selling Christmas goods will not interfere with our ability to supply

Pure Fresh Groceries

and get them to you promptly.

The Famous,

OSCAR ROSENTHAL, Prop.

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FOR Fresh and Dependable Drugs
Accurately Filled Prescriptions
Patent Drugs and Sundries
Fine Cigars and Tobaccos
Everything Found in a High-Class Drug Store.

Pharmacist May be Found After Closing Hours at His Cottage in Rear of the Drug Store

For Reasonable Prices and Prompt Delivery Patronize

The Rock Drug Store.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

10c and up.

For more than five years I have been giving the people a "square deal" in Watches, Jewelry, etc. Many people now say, "I believe SELF will tell the truth about his goods."

Now, I am quite proud of that reputation, and intend to keep it by treating you right.

I have more goods this year than ever before. Come early while the stock is complete.

Your money back if goods are not just as represented.

SELF, Leading Jeweler and Optician,

Opposite Side Entrance to Schreiner's Store.



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RECREATION HALL

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BILLARDS, POOL AND BOX-BALLS

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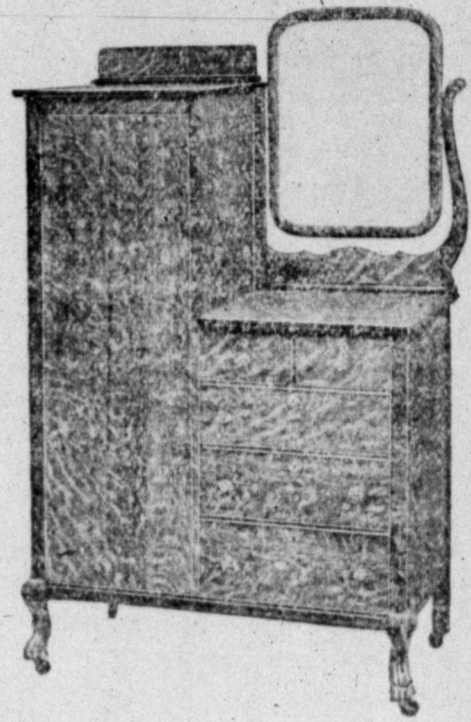
Christmas Presents



CHIFFONIER.

This handsome article of house furniture is not only useful, but highly ornamental to the home. We carry in stock a handsome line of these goods in different finishes. We sell them in regular sets, or single pieces to suit the purchaser. The best furniture at lowest prices is what we strive for.

You have been trying to think what would please your wife best for Christmas. Come to our store and let us help you figure it out.



THE WARDROBE DRESSER.

Modern furniture making has designed no more useful article than this. Whether for the lady's or gentleman's dressing room it is an article of great utility, combining all the features of an ordinary dresser with the compartment for hanging a lady's skirts or a gentleman's trousers.

W. A. Fawcett & Co.,

Dealers In

Furniture and Household Goods,
Carpets, Mattings, Linoleums, etc.

FUNNY THINGS

FROM THE PAPERS.

Editor Tells Truth and Leaves Town.

It is told of a Michigan editor that he grew tired of lying about people in obituary notices, and then have people call him a hypocrite; so he wrote up one well-known citizen. We have not been able to learn what became of the editor:

"DIED—Aged fifty-six years, six months and fifteen days. Deceased was a mildmannered pirate with a mouth for whiskey and an eye for boodle. He came here at night with another man's wife and joined the church at the first chance. He owed us seven dollars on the paper. You could hear him pray six blocks. He died singing, 'Jesus Paid It All,' and we think he is right, as he never paid anything himself. He was buried in an asbestos casket and his friends threw palm fans into his grave, as he may need them. His tombstone will be a favorite restingplace for hoot owls."—Ex.

One day the office-boy, went to the editor of the Soaring Eagle and said:

"There's a tramp at the door, and he says he has had nothing to eat for six days."

"Fetch him in," said the editor. "If we can find out how he does it, we can run this paper for another week!"—Ex.

Established Custom.

"What ails my hens? Every morning I find one or more keeled over to rise no more."

"The fowls are dead—it is an old complaint, and nothing can be done except to bury them."

A Lesson in Ornithology.

A Texan who recently returned from a northern trip tells an amusing story of the disposition of the people of the section he visited, to insist that there is nothing in this State that does not exist there. The story also illustrates that a certain branch of the Munchausen family settled there.

"While I was up north," said the traveler, "I got into a discussion one day with a farmer, about the native birds of that section.

"Yes," said the old fellow, "we have every kind of bird in the world here." "I thought to test the man's knowledge of ornithology. You know we have what we call a 'carrion crow,' in this country, which is a kind of a duck-billed buzzard. I knew that no such birds were found in the north," so I said:

"Have you any carrion crows in this section?"

"The old farmer was stumped for a little bit, but presently he brightened up and said:

"'Carryin' crows!' Oh yes, thousands of 'em. They call 'em carryn' crows 'cause they got a little pocket on the side of their neck to carry grub in. I've seen 'at could carry enough meat to run 'em a week.

"It took me a whole week to recove from the suddenness of the shock and alacrity which people have to lie to even try to out shine Texas.

A Blanket Sheet!

"Waiter, get me a newspaper, so I can hide my yawns; this concert is so stupid!"

"Yes, miss; I'll bring the largest I can find."—Fliegende Blaetter

Editors—An Essay.

A little boy in town was given the stunt by his father to write an essay on Editors, and here is the result:

"I don't know how newspapers come to be in the world. I don't think God does for he haint got nothing to say about them and editors in the Bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links you read of, and stayed in the bushes until after the flood; and then came out and wrote the thing up, and has been here ever since. I don't think he ever dies. I never saw a dead one and never heard of one getting licked. Our paper is a mighty good one; but the editor goes without underclothes all winter and don't wear any socks and paw ain't paid his subscription since the paper started. I ask paw if that was why the editor had to suck the juice out of snowballs in winter and go to bed when he had a shirt washed in summer. And then paw took me out into the woodshed and he licked me awful hard. It the editor makes a mistake folks say he ought to be hung; but if a doctor makes any mistakes he buries them and people dassent say nothing because doctors can read and write lattin. When the editor makes a mistake there is law suits, and swearing and a big fuss; but if a doctor makes one there is a funeral, cut flowers and perfek silence. A doctor can use a word a yard long without him or anybody else knowing what it means; but if the editor uses one he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another man's wife he charges for the visit; but if the editor goes he gets a charge of buckshot. When the doctor gets drunk it is a case of being overcome by the heat and if he dies its from heart trouble; when a editor gets drunk its a case of two much booze and if he dies its the jim-jams."—Rapid River Hustler.

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Fresh Beef, Mutton,
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Good Cough Medicine for Children.

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and two much care cannot be used to protect the children. A child is much more lively to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he has a cold. The quicker you cure his cold the less the risk. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers and few of those who have tried it are willing to use any other. Mrs. F. F. Stracher, of Ripley, W. Va., says: "I have never used anything other than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by all drug stores

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No Evidence.

It is said that over in Blanco county, the boys and girls go barefooted until they are grown and the country is so rocky that the feet of the young people become very tough. A traveler reports that he recently stayed over night at a cabin up in the "Backbone" section.

A girl about twenty years old was cooking corn dodgers in an old fashioned skillet, at an open fire place. As she moved the lid a live red coal fell upon the hearth and she set her foot down on it. The old man who sat near said:

"Sal, yer foots on a coal 'er fire.

The girl, without moving either foot, said:

"Say I did, pap? Which foot am it?"

"Publisher Beaten in a Fight!" is the headline in a Western newspaper. Well he was foolish to go into a fight, anyway. Sure to get licked. It is the public's privilege to "beat" the publisher. Ask the delinquents.—Ex.

THE HOME OF SANTA CLAUS!

Fine
China,
Dolls,
Toys,
Books,
Jewelery
Games,
Fancy
Articles.
Useful
Gifts
Of
All
Kinds.
Japanese
Goods.

NOT GUSH,

But real facts, is what people want in an advertisement. So, here is just a plain, straightforward statement in regard to the line of Christmas presents, that we are now showing.

We have easily the largest stock of Holiday Goods shown by any one store in Southwest Texas, outside the city of San Antonio, and a close second to any in the city.

There can be no greater variety, or better quality of goods of this kind found anywhere. Our stock can only be excelled in quantity.

Speaking of quantity, we ask that the trade come in and buy early. If you see an article that you wish to give some one, buy it now and we will put it away for you. The stock is very complete, but as soon as the big rush begins popular lines are likely to be broken.

If We Know

In time we can re-order, but the distance from the jobbing houses and the crowded condition of the mails and express at this season of the year makes it doubtful if the present will reach you in time for Santa Claus, unless ordered at least a week before Christmas.

It is impossible for us to specialize on every line of this mammoth stock, but we invite your attention, especially to our line of Cut Glass and Decorated China. For those who wish to give valuable, and at the same time useful presents, there is nothing better. We also have Silverware, Jewelry, and like articles.

To sum up we have by far the biggest and best stock of Christmas goods we have ever had and we are ready right now to show you through.

Presents
For
Wife,
Mother,
Father,
Sister,
Brother,
Your Girl,
For the
Other
Fellow's
Girl,
For
Yourself.
We've
Got It.

Jno. C. Graves

W. G. Carpenter

Kerrville Mercantile Company.

Misses Beatrice Weir and Ruth Robinson visited in San Antonio last Saturday.

Dr. E. Galbraith returned last Saturday from Waco, where he had been attending the Masonic Grand Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Herzog went to San Antonio last Saturday to attend the concert given by the Maenner Chor, at Beethoven Hall, Saturday night, and at which their daughter sang.

T. H. Graham, of Junction, was in Kerrville Tuesday night. Mr. Graham was returning home from Del Rio, where he had been on a business trip. He left Wednesday morning for Junction.

Dr. H. C. Rees, of Mexico, is visiting his mother, Mrs. D. A. Rees, of this city.

Mrs. C. C. Lockett, who had been spending the past two weeks in San Antonio, guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Hadden, returned to her home in this city last Sunday, accompanied by her little grandson, Lockett Hadden.

Will Keep Open At Night.
From now until Christmas eve we will keep our holiday department open until 1:00 o'clock at night for the benefit of those who cannot do Christmas shopping in the day time.
KERRVILLE MERCANTILE CO.

Miss Herzog Sings.

Miss Clara Herzog spent the week in San Antonio. From the society columns of the San Antonio Express we clip the following:

Miss Clara Herzog of Kerrville will give a song number at the meeting of the Council of Jewish Women tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Sadie Lockett is in San Antonio, a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. A. Hadden.

Notice.

All members of Olive Grove, No. 293, Woodmen Circle, are requested to be present at the next regular meeting, Monday evening, December 14, 1908.

ELIZABETH MOSTY, Clerk.

An old gentleman walked up to a pretty girl attendant at the counting room of a daily newspaper office a few days ago and said:

"Miss, I would like to get copies of your paper for a week back."

"You had better try posons plasters," she abstractedly replied. "you can get them just across the street."—Ex.

Marked for Death.

Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctor failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery." says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bac, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored. This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at Rock drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Tom Phillips, the merchant and postmaster at Lima, was among the visitors in Kerrville Wednesday.

Chester Granville, of Harper, has secured a position in the dry goods department of the Chas. Schreiner Co's store.

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(Successors to B. M. Hixson & Co.)
LIVERY, FEED AND SALE STABLE

First-Class		Nice Gentle
Turnouts		Saddle
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Cater Especially to Drummers

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VETERINARIAN
Of San Antonio, Graduate of
The Kansas City Veterinary College,
Will Visit
KERRVILLE
MONDAY, DEC. 21
All diseases of domestic animals medically and surgically treated, At
Zimmermann's & Sons stable.
ONE DAY ONLY

The New Household Furniture Store

Has Doubled its Stock of Furniture in the last Month and is now offering Most Excellent Values on everything for Cash Money. Many Snap Bargains in both New and Secondhand Furniture.

Ten Per Cent Reduction
on all Trade's Days.

Will pay cash or exchange goods for clean secondhand furniture, stoves, etc.

Remember! Call! 2nd door from postoffice
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Charles Schreiner Co.,

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GENERAL MERCHANDISE

LEADERS IN LOW PRICES.

Christmas Shoppers

Will be pleased and surprised at the great quantity of

USEFUL PRESENTS

That may be had at our store for a little money.

The opening of the mid-winter season finds our stock complete.

Wearables for men, women and children are now our leading lines.

It is always bargain time with us. If it costs more here, it's better.

Charles Schreiner Company.

Pasteur's Vaccine for Blackleg Always in Stock.

GEORGE BOWLES.

more than ordinary discernment he would have discovered that my experience was not all that could have been wished. However, always willing to oblige, I under took the task, and though I had some misgivings, Lige was more than satisfied and set himself to learn the remarkable story that I had concocted for him to fire at the poor unsuspecting Sareeny. All went swimmingly, and by noon on the "Satterdy" before Christmas we had finished the boards, stacked them and put a lot of "knotty bolts" on them to take the "twist" out.

Then we hitched up the horses to go home. We thought we would go by old Man Loftis' and get our money, then Lige would go home with me, so he wouldn't have so far to walk back to see Sareeny. But it was the old story of "The best laid plans, etc." Lige had an old waul-eyed half Spanish horse that was the best puller on the Creek, when he pulled, but when he didn't pull he was the worst ever. That was Old Waul-eye's day off and he balked for about two hours, while we used all the remedies known to man, including trace chains and dogwood clubs. At last Lige gave up and sat down upon a big rock and began to recite his speech to Sareeny, I sat in the wagon "gritting" my teeth and trying to think of something else to call the old horse. After comparative quiet had reigned for a while, and nothing was disturbing the serenity of the hour except the droning monotone of Lige as he repeated, "I have no wealth, except a wealth of love, an' old Beck an' muley and the pup, but this I give, and would

give ten times more if I could make every day of your life like the second day of June an' a Sunday school picnic, etc, etc." a little thicket of plumbushes parted amidst, and an old grey sow peeped out. She stood for a moment in petrified surprise, then turning about she made for the thick brush with a loud oof! oof! That seemed to be an agreed signal between old Waul-eye and the sow. With a lurch that threw me flat of my back in the bottom of the wagon, we started home. Lige grabbed the end gate, crawled in and began pushing on the lines with both hands, yelling "Let him go" at the top of his voice. And he went, but the time had been lost, so, when we got to Old Loftis' about dark the old man made us put up the horses and stay all night. Lige hung back at first because he had a two weeks growth of whiskers on his face, and was not dressed in a manner becoming the occasion, but finally we got in the house and had supper.

After supper Sareeny was in the kitchen cleaning the dishes and Lige was stricken with a powerful thirst, such as could only be slaked by about a quart of water from the old gourd in the "kitchen bucket." He went into the kitchen and closed the door after him, but it was not more than a minute before old Mis' Loftis said she believed the "chimbly was smokin" and got up and opened it. Pretty soon Lige began to prime up for that talk. The old man was smoking, the old lady was knitting, and I had nothing to say, so what was going on in the kitchen could be pretty plainly heard. It was obvious that Lige was getting excited because I heard Sareeny say:

"Lige Larkum, what choo mean

a settin on that meal barrel?"

Presently Lige began on that speech. He made it pretty well until he came to a little "verse" that I had put into it, then he began to flounder: The lines started off—

"Sweet mentor of my dreams,
my own,

I'd seat thee on a regal throne,"

About the time Lige got to the poetry it drawed upon Sareeny that he was either drunk or crazy, and she began to laugh. The poor fellow floundered through the first line, but when he came to the second one he couldn't remember the word that rhymed with "own." The girl kept laughing, and Lige got mad. At last he said:

"Dad blame it, I can't remember what it was I was going to seat you on. Set down on that air churn, befo' I slap you down, an' let me tell you that I love you an' want you to marry me.

Then it was pretty quiet in the kitchen for a while until I heard something that sounded like the young folks might be uncorking a jug. About that time Mrs. Loftis says:

"S-a-rean-e-r, you and Lige better come on in ter the fire."

"Yeh-sum," answered Sareeny, in a tone that sounded like something had suddenly cut out her wind.

About two weeks later Lige told me confidentially that he and Sareeny were going to marry. "and George," he said, "I always will feel a kind of a queer good feelin' on Satterday night afore Christmas." Lige got the girl, and he got the very barn we made the boards to cover, because Sareeny was the only child.

Like my old friend I have gone a long way round to lead up to it, but there is something good in the feeling a fellow has "on the Satterdy night afore Christmas." I don't know whether it is the Christmas spirit or what it is, but there is a feeling that keeps a feller

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from wanting to kick the cat, and makes him give the pig one more ear of corn than usual. Somehow he notices the grey in his wife's hair and decides to buy her a new new "tucking comb." It's the feeling that makes you say to the fellow who is abusing some ne'er-

do-wuel, "yes, Jed is a orful liar, but he has some good traits."

The Christmas spirit is a good thing to have. It may be too expensive for a fellow to allow himself to be afflicted with it long at a time, but it "helps a little" to have it once a year. Let's all try to catch it.



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