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Local and Personal

Xmas tomorrow!

Hang up your stocking.

J. D. Hurley and Mr. Gee made a business trip to Elida this week.

McGee & Co's for best grade COAL.

Mr. Jones and family of Floyd were in town this week.

Slover, the Blacksmith, will pay cash for your second hand plow tools.

J. H. Messer has been clerking in Neer's Drug store this week.

Park Hotel, Roswell, is the place to stop.

Call at White's Drug Store for Xmas presents at very close prices.

Lewis Pinkerton and wife returned from an extended trip to northern Texas and Oklahoma this week.

If you have a good, second hand plow, wagon or buggy to sell, take it to Slover, the blacksmith.

A. H. Covington, former pastor of the Baptist church, was in town Thursday.

McGee & Co., will trade you coal or mill feed for maize heads. See them.

For a piece of toothsome Breakfast Bacon or Dried Beef try Wooding's make.

Maps of New Mexico, for 15 cents while they last. Call at TIMES office.

Turner's Cautic Liniment is guaranteed by Ed J. Neer, my druggist, to cure sweency.

Porter Graves, who formerly worked in the depot at this place, was here a day or so this week.

When in Roswell, stop at the Park Hotel. Centrally located and just like home.

The Xmas Bazaar given by the ladies of the M. E. church Dec. 13th and 14th realized about \$30.00.

TREES! TREES! TREES!

Plains grown. Write for catalogue. Hereford Nursery, Hereford, Texas.

Miss Bevrows accompanied Mrs. Hightower as far as Amarillo. She postponed her return to some future date.

Christmas Holiday Rates cheap to all points. See H. F. Fearman, Agt., for dates, etc.

Take your Turkeys, Chickens and eggs to Newsom's Restaurant, for highest prices.

Mrs. Geo. Henderson left for Estelita, Texas, yesterday to spend the holidays with her parents.

Slover, the blacksmith, has just received a large stock of shop material.

A surprise breakfast at the Vendome Xmas morning from 8 to 11 o'clock. Lunch at noon.

Regular Xmas dinner at six. Come and bring your friends.

L. C. Cain, of Oklahoma, who has been stopping here a few days with J. P. Henderson, has gone to Artesia, where he has a place.

We are agents for the genuine Pictos Maitland Coal, the best on the market. Jones & Morrison's Grain Store.

Will Breeding returned Sunday from Ft. Worth, where he has been attending college, to spend the holidays with his parents.

Marriage Certificates at TIMES Office for 15c each. These are printed especially for Roosevelt county. Don't "batch" any longer but come running with three nickles.

The Woman's Home Mission Society will have a Tea at the home of Mrs. G. W. Carr, Dec. 30th, in afternoon and evening, beginning at 2:30 p. m. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Jeff Hightower and little daughter, Mattie Doss, left Thursday for Mineral Wells. Mrs. Hightower was called to the bedside of her father, who is not expected to live.

Now Is The Time.

To buy Neer's toilet cream for chapped hands and face, made and guaranteed by Ed J. Neer, my druggist.

For Sale—A very gentle pony, mare, for children and ladies to ride, will drive to a buggy also. Apply to Mrs. P. B. Johnson.

W. K. Breeding and family will spend Christmas with Mr. Breeding's mother at Hereford, Texas. Will and Alice Breeding left for Canyon City Thursday, and will join their parents in Hereford Sunday.

A brass band was organized in Artesia last week, and practice work will begin soon. Carlbad extends her best wishes to the citizens of Artesia.

"Buster Brown" collars for ladies and Misses at Warren, Foosee & Co.

Mr. Meeker will visit in Roswell next week.

The school closed yesterday for a vacation of two weeks.

Mrs. G. L. Reese clerking in The City Drug Store yesterday and today.

Horse shoes 20cts around at Slover's shop.

There were Christmas trees in some of the rooms at the public school Friday.

See those Xmas goods at Warren, Foosee & Co's.

Little William Bryan Woodcock bought a rattle and rubber man for his stocking.

Big line of Boys clothing and caps at Warren, Foosee & Co's.

N. S. McGee, of Amarillo came down Thursday to superintend work on the artesian well a few days.

Get your wagon and buggy repair material from Slover, the blacksmith.

S. P. Wooding has a nice display of meats in his market and he keeps busy cutting steaks and roasts he advertises, see?

Dallas Green and family and Mrs. Geo. Scott were in from the Neal district this week.

A big line of Holiday goods at Warren, Foosee & Co's.

The Singing School conducted by Mr. Meeker will likely open Jan. 10. It will not be a free school as last winter.

Use Neer's Carbolated Zinc Salve. Guaranteed to cure old sores, cuts, burns, etc.

R. W. Jones, the photographer, wants wood and feed stuff on pictures.

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bank of Portales, and place your deposits with them, they will treat you right.

We are reliably informed that at least one Portales wedding is slated for next week, and not later than Tuesday. It will be a noon church wedding, and the contracting parties having a host of friends the ceremony will undoubtedly draw a large house. We suspect that several other couples are fixing dates for the not distant future.

Farm for Sale.

160 acres near town, all good tillable land, and a snap for only \$75 for the relinquishment if sold by Dec. 31, 1904.—Address X. Y. Z., care of TIMES, Portales, N. M.

Why buy old bedsteads when you can get a new iron bedstead for \$2.75 and good springs cheap. Portales Furniture Store. Also Undertaker's Goods, in stone building, next door to Neer's drug store.

J. K. Rambo and family of Quanah, Texas, has rented the Commercial Hotel and will run it in an up-to-date manner. We are told that Mr. Rambo is a splendid hotel man, and speak for him a fair patronage.

Well improved cow ranch, 12 miles from Kenna shipping point. Grass and water for 1200 head of cattle. Price \$2500. Also other bargains. Address M. L. Moody, Real Estate Agt., Elida, N. M.

The test artesian well is now nearing 200 feet in depth, and work now has begun both day and night. Water in the old well is still at the top of the ground although the casing has been drawn. We hope to give our readers some interesting news soon in regard to this well proposition. Now is the time to subscribe for the TIMES and keep posted.

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Court Proceedings

Working Hard Day and Night, the Docket is Partially Cleared, and Court Adjourned Thursday Till Feb. 28, 1905.

A double motive has kept the Court under high pressure the past week—a limited court fund and the rapid approach of Christmas. Most of the cases have been jury trials and many of our noble citizens will never forget the happy hours spent within the confines of the jury box. Ask them about it. Herewith follows a condensed summary of the proceedings:

No. 7. Territory vs. J. A. Cockerell; Larceny of piece of well pipe from Linda Humphrey. Appealed from lower court,—trial by jury,—found guilty and recommended to the clemency of the Court. Sentenced to thirty days in jail and costs amounting to \$84.77.

No. 6. Territory vs. Joe Jobe. Same charge as No. 7. Appeal withdrawn and judgment of the lower court affirmed.

No. 8. Territory vs. R. F. Newam; Assault June 29, 1904 with knife on W. F. Hendrix. Defendant reconsidered his first plea of not guilty and was allowed to plead guilty and was second charge in the indictment. Sentenced in addition to the costs \$204.45 to eighteen months in the Santa Fe penitentiary, execution of the prison sentence to be deferred till further notice.

No. 9. Territory vs. Ben H. Brooksher; Assault Nov. 12, 1904 with gun on Louis B. Blair. Jury trial. Jury disagreed and mistrial declared. Action still pending.

No. 11. Territory vs. Cort Brooksher; Aiding prisoner, his father, to escape from Blair. Case goes over to next term.

No. 12. Territory vs. Ira Montgomery; Assault Dec. 7 1904 with knife on Walter Thompson. Trial by jury. Found guilty and sentenced to \$20 fine and costs \$50.30.

No. 20. Territory vs. J. H. Blackmore; Theft of 14 spoons fence wire from Horshoe Land and Cattle Co. Bond given for appearance at next term.

No. 33. Territory vs. G. C. Johnson; Violation of the minor gambling law. Defendant plead guilty and in addition to costs \$17.55 was given a suspended thirty days jail sentence.

No. 37. Trammell Bros. vs. M. J. and J. M. Eggard. The jurisdiction of a cow. Jury finds in favor of defendant and plaintiff gives notice for new trial.

No. 40. Donohoo Mer. Co. vs. A. Hagdale; For settlement of a survey purchase. Jury trial. Verdict to plaintiff to recover \$50.00 and \$7.29 interest and \$5.72 attorney fee and defendant to pay costs in court below as well as in this.

No. 31 and 32. Territory vs. Bill Boykin out on \$300 bond charged with larceny and defacing brand of two head of cattle, June 15, 1903, belonging to Samuel Davidson and James O. Curtis.

No. 29. Territory vs. Claude Lawrence; Larceny, May 1, 1903, sixteen head of cattle of Robert A. Farmer. Out on \$1000 bond.

No. 27 and 28. Territory vs. George and Landon Stockton; Charged with infamous crime and detained in custody of sheriff to await trial.

No. H. D. H. Hammond vs. Eggard; Replevy of a horse. Jury trial. Decided in favor of plaintiff.

NOTES—

Part of the suffering inflicted upon the Grand and Petit Jurors was due to the enterprising photographer. Have you seen the pictures?

The President's picture is a photo by Paeh Bros. of New York. The autograph inscription reads "with best wishes from Theodore Roosevelt, June 21st, 1904."

The audience at some of the night sessions has been large, particularly the night when the Newam case and several others were finally disposed of by Court sentences.

The witness stand was at times disgraced by the presence of a liar but the jury couldn't be bluff.

The first law of Heaven was enforced by the Court. When the sheriff said "the audience will please be quiet," the Court added, "there is no please about it, you must be quiet."

The court officials speak of the court house as being unusually commodious and convenient.

As usual the docket carried cases advertising alcohol as a prime factor in burdening the taxpayer with the costs of our judicial system.

We will publish the reports of the Grand Jury next week.

Christmas For The Poor.

London, Dec. 17.—Several newspapers have sponsored schemes designed to brighten the lot of the poor at Christmas time.

The most remarkable of these schemes are those which deal with children. The Standard, under the management of Mr. C. Arthur Pearson, initiated a "Christmas guest guild," by means of which poor children in London will be taken into the homes of well-to-do people for the festive season.

The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough are among those who are supporting the Standard's plan.

Sir Alfred Harmsworth's Evening News is providing 500,000 pairs of shoes for poor children in the metropolis, and the Daily Mail is working to insure that thousands of poor children, not in London merely, but throughout the country, will receive well-filled stockings from Santa Claus on Christmas eve.—Ex.

Restrictions on Hunters.

A bulletin just issued by the biological survey of the Department of Agriculture suggests some interesting thoughts. It is entitled, "Hunting Licenses, Their History, Objects and Limitations." Its appearance implies a general interest in the subject; if there were not such an interest the bulletin would not have been prepared. It also suggests how general nowadays is the requirements of a hunting license. The sportsman now takes risks who goes hunting without finding out the law, even in remote districts.

It appears from the bulletin that there are States where non-residents can not hunt at all, though these States are out of the path of the ordinary sportsman. There are many States from which game can not be exported, or else in which a permit to export is required or certain classes of exportations are forbidden. There are many States in which a license is required for the killing of game, these license costing as high as \$50. In two States a guide must accompany the license. Penalties for breaking the game laws are imposed, ranging as high as a \$200 fine, 90 days imprisonment, and the forfeiture of gun and game.

Every sportsman knows of the existence of regulations in one or more States. It will surprise most sportsmen to discover, however, that the regulation of hunting is so general. The existence of such laws speaks of the fact that the wild game is being killed off. It also speaks of the fact that the people of today are determined, more intelligently than ever before in this country, to preserve the game, and to let succeeding generations have a share of the sport.—Buffalo Express.

Church and Lodge Directory

METHODIST EPISCOPAL SOUTH Services every Sunday, morning and evening. Sunday school at usual hour. League at 7:15 p.m.; prayer meeting Wednesday night. J. H. MESSER, Pastor

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SOCIETIES

A. O. U. W., Portales Lodge No. 14 Meets every Saturday night in hall over bank of Portales. Visiting brothers welcome. BRUCE KNIGHT, M. W. G. G. RAGLAND, Fin' P.

A. F. & A. M., Portales Lodge No. 26 Meets Saturday on or before the full moon of each month. P. W. PRICE, W. M. H. E. JOHNSON, Sec.

W. O. W., meets in hall over Bank of Portales 1 & 3 Monday nights Hamilton Camp No. 17. W. M. COX, C. C. G. W. CARR, Clerk

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To All Whom it may Concern: Be it known that I, A. J. Rutledge is a resident householder in the County of Roosevelt, Territory of New Mexico. I find a broken domesticated stray horse in the vicinity of my premises, the same has been about my premises twenty days or more. I have made diligent inquiry throughout the neighborhood of said premises and precinct to ascertain the ownership of said stray animal, to wit: One roan horse about 14 hands high, about 14 or 15 years old, branded thus: L on left side of neck and T on left hip, and I have been unable to ascertain such ownership and do not know to whom the same belongs. I live seven miles southwest from Portales, New Mexico. A. J. RUTLEDGE. Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. W. MORRIS, Justice of the Peace, in Precinct No. 1, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, this 22 day of November, 1904.

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Must Have Ten Cents And Will Reduce Crop

Texas Farmers Held 500,000 Bales at That Price.

Dallas, Dec. 19.—Sunday's Dallas Morning News published a very complete summary of cotton holdings and sentiment of the farmers, from which the following is an excerpt:

The News this morning publishes reports from ninety-six Texas counties showing the amount of cotton held in each for higher prices. The aggregate is from 520,000 to 585,000 bales. These counties in 1903 produced 1,821,316 bales, or nearly 75 per cent of the total crop of Texas.

Of the cotton being held about 77 per cent is shown to be in Northern Texas, many of the South Texas correspondents explaining that the crop in that section matured early and was sold before the prices declined.

Very nearly all the reports show that the cotton is being held for 10c. It is stated in several of the reports, however, that the farmers have fixed no arbitrary figure and that while they are holding for a higher price, they probably would let go at 8c or 9c. Others want even more than 10c.

The banks, as a rule, are shown to be willing to make liberal advances upon cotton, but it is stated quite generally that the farmers holding are able to carry their cotton without aid.

The letter of inquiry sent out by the News is as follows:

"In view of the extraordinary condition existing in the cotton market, we ask you to give us the information asked for below as promptly and as accurately as possible.

"1. How many bales of cotton are being held for higher prices in your county? (Give as close an estimate as you can.)

"2. Are the banks advancing money on cotton so held?

"3. If so, what per cent of the present market values are they advancing?"

"4. Do the cotton growers seem determined to hold until the prices go to 10c?"

The Mule Kicked a Lamp.

Eagle Pass: Fire broke out in the stable down in the coal mine of the Eagle Pass Coal and Coke Company Sunday morning and before effective help could be secured had made such headway that a dozen mules perished. The stable collapsed upon them. The flames spread along and old entry and at one time threatened the entire mine, but men worked heroically with pump and hose and finally got the mastery.

Horrible Death in an Oil Mill.

Jacksboro: Newt Hill, a 17-year-old boy, was in the oil mill where he had formerly worked, handling an idle belt. The belt ran over a pulley, caught in his clothing, and the boy was jerked to the ceiling and back again. Every bone in his body was broken and one foot and one hand torn off. Death was instantaneous. The clothing was torn completely from the body.

The Bridge Being Built across the Brazos River at Dark Valley, Palo Pinto County, has been completed at a cost of about \$17,000. The commissioners have received the bridge.

TIRED LAUMAKERS SEEK RECREATION.

After Arranging for Salaries, Mileage, Etc., Takes Holiday.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The Senate will adjourn on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays, and no business will be attempted previous to that time.

A large number of the Senators already have left for their homes to spend the holidays, and there is an understanding that immediately after being called to order on Monday the Senate will be confined to mere formalities. Soon after the Senate reconvenes in January the Committee on Appropriations will report the legislative and judicial appropriation bill. It will be the policy of the Senate to take up as soon as possible and to have other supplementary measures follow speedily.

The exodus of members of the House from the city since the approach of the holidays indicates that the lower branch of Congress will be without a quorum when it meets today, and should any member make the point on the floor of the chamber, the only thing that can be done is to adjourn from day to day until Wednesday, when the Christmas holiday recess will Jan. 4 begins.

The question of indicating where the inaugural ball shall be held is the only matter of legislation in sight for the House for this week. This will come up under suspension of the rules on a motion from Representative Morrill of Pennsylvania. The Senate has proposed the Pension Office and the House the Congressional Library. There are indications that a deadlock has been reached on the matter and that when it is discussed again the capitol building will be proposed as a compromise.

Union Station Burned.

Fort Worth: Fire broke out in the Union Station here Saturday afternoon, badly damaging the Main part of the building. The waiting room, the offices above it and the dining room were burned out. The loss will reach some \$15,000 to \$20,000, and it will require some time to make repairs. The offices have been taken care of in other parts of the building, and traffic is going on without interruption, though at greater inconvenience on account of its holiday rush of travel and express.

Hill Dry; Caldwell Wet.

Hillsboro: The pros were victorious in the county election Saturday by a 500 majority or over. Hillsboro gave a pro majority of 404. The county went dry two years ago by 500 majority.

Another Victim of Rabies.

Charlotte, N. C.: Horace Hoffman, son of a wealthy citizen of Burke County, died at his home six miles from Morgantown Sunday morning from hydrophobia. Hoffman and his brother were both bitten November 8. They went to Baltimore and were given six weeks' treatment at the Pasteur Institute, returning home a few days ago. Saturday symptoms of rabies developed in the younger brother and death in a violent form ensued.

Nine Lives Lost.

New York: By the burning of the Starlin Line steamer Glen Island in Long Island sound Saturday nine lives were lost and property roughly estimated at a quarter million dollars was destroyed. That more lives were not sacrificed was due to the personal courage of the officers and the crew when a horrible death for all seemed almost a certainty. When the steamer was abandoned she was flameswept from stem to stern.

Joe Smith Had His Foot Mashed Off on the Dallas Branch of the Santa Fe Saturday Morning.

Lawton, Ok.: J. A. Walker, a merchant of Altus, had during the cotton season a standing offer of \$10 to the first person who found a boll weevil in Greer County. Recently J. N. Brooks, a farmer living in that locality, found an insect that proved to be a boll weevil, and the reward was paid. Secretary Thormun, a member of the Board of Agriculture, who examined the find, states that it was a genuine weevil.

Great Bridge Proposed.

New Orleans: A prominent official of the Southern Pacific states that the company proposes building a line from Lafayette to Baton Rouge, spanning the Mississippi River there with a bridge and then building deepwater outlets to Gulf Port, Miss., and Pensacola, Fla. The plan includes arrangements for the Texas and Pacific, the Frisco and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas to utilize the bridge at Eaton Rouge.

Dodge Finally Departs.

Galveston: The farewell of the celebrated prisoner, Charles F. Dodge, to Texas soil, Saturday, was devoid of theatrical display, although there were persistent rumors up to the last minute that an injunction would be served upon the United States Marshal's department, restraining the removal of Dodge from Texas. He stoutly maintains that he will prove his innocence of perjury and will soon return to Texas.

On Account of a Scarcity of Cotton Seed the Cotton Oil Company's Plant has Ceased Operations for the Present.

On account of a scarcity of cotton seed the Cotton Oil company's plant has ceased operations for the present.

DOGGED FIGHT GOES ON.

Burrow Against Cold; Japs Creep Closer and Closer.

Mukden, Dec. 20.—A correspondent of the Associated Press, covering one hundred miles along and around the frost-covered burrows of the soldiers from the Hun to the Shakte River. At all times there has been irregular cannonading all along the center, where, owing to the proximity of the lines, the corps commanders while inspecting the positions, have frequently been recognized and fired at with shells.

On the extreme right and left flanks the lines are separated by from five to eight miles and across these spaces on both sides occasionally march battalions, reconnoitering and making demonstrative attacks, during which each side has taken prisoners.

The object of both the Russians and Japanese in these operations is the same, namely, to prevent the molestation of the winter cantonments.

The position of both Russian and Japanese are similar to those held by them before the battle of Liao Yang and therefore the spring will find the two armies in the same relation at Liao Yang.

Gen. Rennenkampf's area beyond Da Pass is of great picturesque beauty, and owing to the extreme weather conditions, it is now considered as being inaccessible to the Japanese.

The feet of a number of Japanese infantrymen taken up by the Russians were frost bitten and their clothing was inadequate, but it is said that General Kuroki has now replaced his infantry with mounted troops, who are warmly clad.

Tokio, Dec. 19.—The Japanese fired an immense mine under portions of the north fort of East Keckwan Mountain at 2 o'clock yesterday (Sunday) afternoon.

The infantry immediately afterward charged and occupied the fort with a heavy force.

It is reported that the Japanese have seized a strong position about a thousand yards southwest of 203 Meter Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town and pushing between Liao T' Mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur.

The fighting against Sungshu Mountain continues.

McKinney's Fire Loss.

McKinney: A destructive fire in the business center of the city about midnight Monday night caused a loss estimated at \$25,000 with combined insurance running in the neighborhood of \$5,000, according to one of the losers. Five stores in the Johnson block, south of the square were completely destroyed, while others were more or less damaged in the vicinity. The five stores burned out were: Brannan Bros., bicycles; George Sullivan, general merchandise; Foreman's Restaurant; Model Bakery and J. B. Rhodes, grocery. The grocery of W. B. Rhodes was damaged, as was also the market of William Allen. The telegraph and telephone poles in the neighborhood were destroyed.

Some Religious Figures.

New York: It is stated in the Presbyterian hand book for 1905 that the religions of the world have 1,430,000,000 adherents, divided as follows: Christianity, 477,080,153; Confucianism, 255,000,000; Hinduism, 199,000,000; Mohammedanism, 176,834,372; Taoism and Shintoism, 67,000,000; Judaism, 5,500,000; and various heathen faiths, 118,129,479.

Blaze at Pilot Point.

Pilot Point: Fire broke out in L. T. Martin's dry goods store on East Side Square this evening and completely gutted two brick business houses and several frame warehouses, entailing a loss on stocks and building of about \$30,000, only partially covered by insurance. The principal losers were L. T. Martin, Salmosa Jones & Co., Light Bros., S. I. Newton and Mrs. Atkins.

Two Former Texans Drop Dead.

Cordell, Ok.: Russell L. Cowan, probate Judge-elect of Washita County, dropped dead Monday as he arose from the table after eating a hearty meal. He formerly lived at Fort Worth, Texas, and recently married Miss Julia Leavitt of Fayetteville, Ark.

S. J. Dickey, also a former Texan, dropped dead at Olustee after eating Sunday dinner.

Lenz Gets Twenty Years.

Houston: Monday night at 9:20 o'clock the jury in the case of John Lenz, charged with the killing of William Hillendahl Aug. 3, at Eureka, after being out a short time, brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at twenty years in the penitentiary. The testimony showed that the killing took place in a little store kept by John Lenz, and grew out of some words about a bill that was owing to the store.

Under Shadow of the Gallows.

New Orleans: Unless Gov. Blanchard interferes, Lewis W. Lyons, who assassinated District Attorney Gurley last year, will hang. The Supreme Court has affirmed the decision of the lower court in his case. The court also affirmed the death sentence imposed on Sam Aspara, who murdered Antonio Luciano. Aspara is the first Italian ever convicted here with capital punishment of a crime growing out of the Mafia.

GINNERS ORGANIZE.

A National Association in Order to Collect Information.

Dallas, Dec. 20.—At a meeting of cotton ginner from the cotton states west of the Mississippi river, held at the Commercial Club yesterday afternoon the National Cotton Ginners Association of the United States was organized.

The primary object of this organization is to give reliable information concerning the amount of cotton production and the condition of the crop to the ginner in advance of the government report.

While the organization actually includes the ginner west of the Mississippi river only, it is intended to be the foundation for the association of all cotton ginner in the United States, and the work of organizing the States east of the Mississippi river and incorporating them in the National Association will be taken up next week.

The plan as promulgated contemplates the association of the 30,000 cotton ginner of the United States for the purpose of exchanging information with each other. General headquarters are to be established and only reports of the amount of cotton ginned by every gin in the United States will be sent to headquarters. These statistics will be compiled and sent out in code to every member of the association, who is sworn not to divulge this information.

The meeting was attended by more than 100 ginner from different parts of Texas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Arkansas and Louisiana. It was held in response to a call from J. A. Taylor of Wynnewood, I. T., a man of much prominence in the organization of fruit growers, truck growers and farmers' organizations.

Temporary organization was formed at 2 o'clock with J. A. Taylor as chairman and E. E. Griffin of Asasca as secretary. Before adjournment for the afternoon permanent organization had been effected, with Mr. Taylor as president and J. H. Connell of Dallas secretary and treasurer.

All of the ginner present were heartily in accord with the idea of organization, but many had their own ideas and a great deal of discussion resulted before organization could be effected.

Increase in Railway Accidents.

Washington: The article in the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission on railroad accidents opens with a table giving the principal totals for the years ending June 30, 1902, 1903 and 1904. There were 43,266 employees injured and 3,367 killed in 1904, as compared with 33,711 injured and 2,516 killed in 1902. The figures for 1903 are intermediate between those for 1902 and 1904. In 1894 there were 8,077 passengers injured and 321 killed; in 1902 6,089 injured and 203 killed; in 1903 there were 6,973 injured and 321 killed. The increase in the number of deaths of passengers in train accidents in 1904 compared with 1902 is 64.13 per cent.

Negro Kills Brother in Self-Defense.

McKinney: Ben Washington, a negro about 40 years old, was shot and killed at a negro restaurant Sunday night. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death by a pistol shot fired by Kirk Washington in self-defense. The two negroes were brothers. Kirk Washington gave himself up to the officers, waived examining trial and was bound over to the Grand Jury in the sum of \$300.

Cattle Feed Adulterations.

Austin: Information has been received by County Attorney John Brady that adulterated bran and other feed stuffs were being shipped into Travis County. Mr. Brady stated that handling adulterated feedstuff, whether by innocent parties or not, is a violation of the law. He desires to place on notice all those who are using adulterated bran, etc., that they will be held unless they desist in the practice.

A Rush into Oklahoma.

Lawton: Since the election there has been a large increase in immigration to the new counties of Southwest Oklahoma. To this the far famed climate has also lent a hand. Not since the early days have the real estate men had access to so many prospective investors, and more land is selling now, and at higher prices, than has been paid since the first excitement of the rush.

World-Wearry Wayfarer.

Shreveport, La.: Tom Milam, a stranger and out of work, committed suicide in an empty box car Monday morning by shooting. To those attracted to the car by the pistol shot he explained, with his brain oozing from a hole in his head, that he was tired of living. Prior to his removal to the hospital, where he died shortly afterwards, he managed to give his name and state that his home was Bridgeport, Conn.

Died of Gangrene.

Paris: S. E. Clark, a oung farmer died at an infirmary from gangrene and blood poison caused by an injury received a week before. While in the woods loading a wagon his foot tripped, and in stumbling he grasped a sappling to prevent falling. The log he was carrying rolled off his shoulder and down on his arm and forced his hand to slide along the bark of the tree. The flesh was torn from the palm of his hand.

FORCED TO BE CLEAN.

Administering Baths in New York Municipal Lodging House.

In "Six Weeks in Beggardom," Everybody's Magazine, Theodore Waters begins an account of his investigation of the beggar problem for that magazine. The following is a partial description of his experiences, disguised as a destitute workman, in the Municipal Lodging House of New York:

"After the medical examination we filed through the outer office, where we gave over our pedigrees and the envelopes, in which we had been obliged to put our trinkets, to the bookkeeper; and after that we went down a flight of steps to the basement where hundreds of dirty men were being made clean. Every man was instructed to remove his clothing and place it in a net bag given him for the purpose. The garments were then hung in a great oven and subjected to a temperature of 230 degrees F. The men meantime were compelled to take a handful of green soap and rub it upon their heads, and then to stand under a very Niagara of water which descended from taps in the ceiling. There was no escaping this drenching process. A big attendant armed with a mop handle inspected each man as he went under the water, and never failed to object vigorously when any attempt to escape while the slightest particle of grime remained upon him. I saw what I felt sure must be the dirtiest man in New York give up his clothes and go under the shower grudgingly, and after determined urging on the part of the attendant, come out clean. There were many such in the City Lodging House that night, but the majority of them welcomed the bath, the spotless night-gown, the comfortable slippers, and finally the repose on the cleanliness of beds."

SEE MONEY IN INVENTION.

Artificial Diamonds Occupying Attention of French Investigators.

The reward of the inventor who can produce artificial diamonds is so tempting that the Molsson experiments with the electric furnace which were inaugurated some eight or ten years ago, have been continued until the present day. They are now being carried on in the laboratory of the Sorbonne, in Paris, with ever-increasing success. The first diamonds made by the electric furnace were of microscopic size and few in number. In fact, they were so minute and uncommon that it took a great deal of repeated experimenting to secure enough specimens to demonstrate beyond a doubt that the brilliant crystals were actually diamonds.

As the work continued various modifications were worked out, as the experience of the investigators became greater, until now success seems imminent. The crystals are positively known to partake of all the characteristic of the diamond in its crystalline structure, hardness and chemical composition, as demonstrated by combustion experiments. The latest crystal yet obtained is only one-half a millimeter in length, and while this is only a spark, it indicates that the process is capable of yielding diamonds of good quality, and that some day in the not distant future the laboratory process of Mother Nature, as exemplified in The Rand, may be duplicated in man's laboratory and in a commercial way.

Up-to-Date Costume.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell, famous for her dramatic art and her pet dog Pinky Panky Foo, a Japanese spaniel of high culture, while in Washington recently went dining one day and in the air was chilly, in fact cold, and Mrs. Campbell wore a long coat of Russian sable. Pinky or Panky or Foo was in a warm spot underneath the coat, his shaggy little head, his eyes, and white teeth peering out.

"Oh, what a lovely coat that is," exclaimed Mrs. Campbell's hostess as she stroked it; "and what an odd frog you've got there at the button." As she took hold of Pinky's head, Pinky repulsed the gentle squeeze with a snap.

"My heavens!" exclaimed the actress's friend. "What is that?"

"Oh!" exclaimed the actress laughingly. "It's just a little Jap that got under a Russian's hide."—New York Times.

Poor Croesus.

If I were rich as Croesus—
But out on riches, dear!
For I have you and love to-day,
And just to-day is here!
If I were rich as Croesus—
I'd beg again and laugh
The half the joy of you and love—
Wealth could not buy the half!

If I were rich as Croesus—
I wonder if the fame
Of out who leaves would be as red,
If riches would look the same!

If I were rich as Croesus—
I'd beg heart, I turn to you
Would you hold me dearer than then,
Love me more than you do?

If I were rich as Croesus—
Dear heart, there's naught I lack,
And if I lost what now I have,
No wealth could bring it back!

If I were rich as Croesus—
And I were left alone,
Could golden dress bring back thy heart
To beat against my own?

Nay, I am rich as Croesus.
Far richer, too, I ween.
For there are hearts so close to mine
That naught may come between.
Aye, I am rich as Croesus.
I've held your hands in mine!
He never clasp'd you in his arms,
Nor saw your dear eyes shine.
—J. M. Lewis in Boston Post.

Lock Your Jag in the Bottle.

Large locked corks, original in design, are being shown in the shops for Christmas presents. All of them have about as much silver, or nickel, as cork, but they fit in the average sized whiskey bottle all right, and are really a decoration. Small Yale keys, only one for each cork, lock the bottle as tight as an office safe. If a man doesn't happen to leave his bunch of keys lying around loose his whiskey is perfectly safe from prying servants. If he loses his keys he must break the neck of the bottle to get at his tippie. No duplicate key can be made for him.

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The Bill Was Not Paid.

In the days when Mark Twain was an editor out West he was not so well off as of late years. One morning the mail brought a bill from his tailor, not an unusual occurrence. The boy who went through the mail called the future humorist's attention to it. "And," added the boy, "he has written on the back that he wants a settlement at once." "You should know what to do with such copy without asking," said Mr. Twain. "Enclose it with the regular printed slip stating that all manuscript written on both sides of the paper is unavailable."

Doing Great Work.

Flourish No. 10, Dec. 19th.—(Special)—That Dodd's Kidney Pills are doing a great work in curing the more terrible forms of Kidney Disease, such as Bright's Disease, Dropsy and Diabetes, everybody knows. But it must also be noted that they are doing a still greater work in wiping out thousands of cases of the earlier stages of Kidney Disease. Take for instance, Mrs. Peter Barbeau of this place. She says:

"I have been subject to pains in my back and knees for about three years, but since I have been taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I have been entirely cured."

Others here tell similar stories. In fact, in this part of Missouri there are scores of people who have cured the early symptoms of Kidney Disease with Dodd's Kidney Pills. The use of the Great American Kidney Remedy thus saved not only the lives of Kidney Disease victims, but thousands of other Americans from years of suffering.

A Joker's First Joke.

Brian G. Hughes, the New York practical joker, began his career in that capacity by "putting up a job" on a number of unsuspecting friends some time ago. He went to the trouble to box up a harmless little powder, which was labeled "Poison to Roaches," and this he distributed widely among his friends. Each package contained a slip announcing that the second box of the preparation would be infallible. A number of people were led to ask for this box. The second box contained the following directions: "First catch the roach, then hold it firmly and tickle it with a feather—'till it laughs, then drop some of the powder down its throat and choke it."

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Provisions of the Joint Statehood Bill

Constitutional Convention Will Be Held Early Next Fall

OFFICERS ELECTED THE NEXT WEEK

Busy Times in Arizona and New Mexico During the Next Year Should This Bill Become a Law,

From the Phoenix-Republican.

Now that the probability of the passage of the joint statehood bill is greater than ever, it is interesting to note the principal provisions of the measure as it passed the house. By keeping these provisions in mind our readers will better understand such amendments as may be made by the senate committee on territories. The first portion of the bill—sections one to eighteen inclusive—relate to the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state.

Section 19 provides that "the inhabitants of all that part of the area of the United States now constituting the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, as at present described may become the state of Arizona, as hereinafter provided."

Section 20 is comprehensive. It provides that all the qualified electors of the two territories, respectively, shall be entitled to vote for and choose delegates to form a constitutional convention for said territories. The convention is to select 110 delegates, seventy of whom shall be selected from New Mexico and forty from Arizona. The governor, chief justice, and secretary of each territory are to appoint the delegates for the same, "as nearly as may be equitable among the several counties thereof." In accordance with the approval of the bill by the president, the governor of each territory shall issue a proclamation ordering and election of delegates to the constitutional convention. The election of delegates must take place on the tenth Tuesday after the approval of the act. In other words, the election for delegates to the constitutional convention will be held about three months after congress passes the bill. There must be a general registration of voters. Citizens in order to vote must have resided in the territory one year, in the county six months, and thirty days in the precinct where they are to vote. This registration is to be held for the subsequent election to be held for the ratification of the constitution and the election of state officers.

Section 21 provides that the delegates to the constitutional convention shall meet at Santa Fe on the fifth Monday after their election. They are not to receive compensation for more than sixty days of service in the convention. The convention must form a constitution, republican in form which shall contain the following provisions:

First. That perfect protection of religious sentiment shall be secured, and that no inhabitants of the state shall ever be molested in person or property on account of his or her mode of religious worship; and that polygamous marriages are forever prohibited.

Second. That the people inhabiting the proposed state do agree and declare that they forever disclaim all right and title to the unappropriated and ungranted public lands lying within the boundaries thereof, and to all lands owned or held by Indians. The paragraph goes into details as to the manner in which the rights of the Indians must be protected.

Third. That all the debts of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico are to be assumed and paid by the state.

Fourth. There must be provisions for the establishment and maintenance of a system of public schools, free from sectarian control and conducted in English; although the teaching of other languages is not prohibited in the public schools.

Fifth. That the state shall never enact any law abridging or restricting the right of suffrage on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude, or on account of any other conditions or qualifications save and except on account of illiteracy, minority, sex, conviction of felony, mental condition, or residence.

Sixth. That the capital of the state shall be at Santa Fe, and shall not be changed therefrom until 1910. After that year the location of the capital may be permanently fixed by a majority vote.

Section 22 provides that if a constitution is formed by the convention in compliance with the terms of the enabling act, the convention must provide by ordinance for submitting the constitution to the people for their ratification or rejection at an election to be held at a time fixed in said ordinance. But the

election must be not less than sixty days nor more than six months after the adjournment of the convention. At this election the registered voters are to vote directly for or against any provision there of that may be separately submitted. The governor and chief justices of the two territories, or any three of them, are to meet at Santa Fe on the third Monday after the election and canvass the vote. If a majority of the legal votes cast on that question shall be for the constitution, the canvassing board are to certify the result to the president of the United States. Then if the president finds that the constitution adopted is republican in form and complies with the provisions of this act, he will issue his proclamation announcing the result of the election, and thereupon the proposed state shall be deemed admitted by congress into the union, "under the name of Arizona, on an equal footing with the original states from and at the date of said proclamation."

Section 23 provides that until the next general census, or until otherwise provided by law, the state shall be entitled to two representatives in congress (in addition to two United States senators). The congressmen and state officers are to be voted for on the same day of the election for the adoption of the constitution; and until the state officers are elected and qualified under the provisions of the constitution, and the state is admitted into the union, the territorial officers of the two territories, respectively, shall continue to discharge the duties of their respective offices.

Sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 of the bill grant public lands to the proposed state, for various purposes. Four sections of land in each township are given for the support of the public schools. Two hundred sections of non-mineral land are granted for the purpose of erecting public buildings, and for the payment of the bonds heretofore or hereafter issued therefor. Former grants of land for university and other purposes are confirmed, and in addition thereto three hundred sections are given for the maintenance of the university. In addition to these grants, 200,000 acres are given for insane asylums; 200,000 acres for penitentiaries; 200,000 acres for deaf, dumb and blind asylums; 100,000 acres for hospitals for disabled miners; 200,000 acres for normal schools; 200,000 acres for charitable, penal and reformatory institutions; 300,000 acres for agricultural and mechanical colleges; 200,000 acres for schools of mines, and 200,000 acres for military institutions. Section 31 and 32 prescribes the methods for selecting the land, and exempt all mineral lands.

Section 33 provides that the state shall comprise two United States judicial districts, to be named, respectively, the eastern and western districts of Arizona. This, of course, will call for the appointment of two federal judges to life positions. The boundaries of the two judicial districts are to be the same as the boundaries of the two territories. Federal courts, district and circuit are to be held at Albuquerque and Phoenix. For each district, in addition to a judge, the bill provides for a United States district attorney and a United States marshal. Sections 34 and 35 relate to procedure in these federal courts.

Section 36 requires that the constitutional convention shall by ordinance provide for the election of officers for a full state government, including members of the legislature and two representatives in congress, at the time for the election for the ratification or rejection of the constitution. The two congressional districts are to have the boundaries of the two territories, respectively, so that the people of the present territory of Arizona, for example, will elect a congressman, and the people of New Mexico will elect a congressman. The constitution being ratified and a legislature elected, the legislature is to meet at Santa Fe and elect two United States senators. All laws of the territories in force at the time of their admission into the union shall remain in force in the respective portions of said state until changed by the legislature of the state.

Section 37 appropriates one hundred thousand dollars for defraying all and every kind and character of expense incident to the conventions and elections provided for in this act. It is provided that the members of the constitutional convention are to draw the same mileage and salary that are paid to the members of the legislature at present.

From this digest of the pending bill it is seen that if it is enacted into law, next year will be a busy one in Arizona and New Mexico, politically. The call for the election of members of the constitutional convention, the proceedings of the convention, the subsequent campaign and the general election to follow, followed by the canvassing of the returns and the proclamation of the president—if the people vote to enter the union—will consume practically all the year. And if there is to be a state composed of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico it will begin its existence about one year from this date.

The various county officers of the two territories will be anxious, of course, to know something about their tenure of office in case the new deal goes through. Naturally, this is a matter which will be determined in constitutional convention. It may provide that the incumbents shall serve the terms for which they were elected. Indeed, this would be the logical course to pursue.

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Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Dec. 1, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before United States Commissioner, at his office in Portales, New Mexico, on January 9, 1905, viz: Frank E. Gordon, upon Homestead application No. 4566, for the W 1/2, N W 1/2, and W 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec 32, Twp 18 N, R 34 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert W. Hughes, Bradford B. Barr, J. J. Wilford and Josh E. Morrison, all of Portales, N. M.

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Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Dec. 3, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, New Mexico, on January 19, 1905, viz: William Leander Wright, upon Homestead application No. 2415, for the South East Quarter of Sec. 22 T. 28 N, R. 35 E.

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The South in anticipation of the President's visit in May, is already warming towards him in a very agreeable manner.

There is at least one Englishman, Sir Alfred Moseley, who after an exhaustive study of conditions in this country, does not hesitate to say that the prosperity of the United States is wonderful. Her progress he adds, will be steadily and rapidly upward, and he predicts that during the next generation the commercial and idealistic achievements of America may fairly stagger humanity. All this is largely owing to a free Republican form of government supplemented by a scientific and practical system of education. Give the people a square deal and an equal opportunity, and progress will take care of itself.

Nothing indicates better the growth and popularity of free institutions, under a wise Republican administration of the Government, than the enormous increase in schools and colleges during the last decade, and the great influx of pupils of both sexes, all anxious to secure the best possible education. Within ten years in Pennsylvania, the attendance at colleges has doubled; standards have been raised and course of studies lengthened; the number of high schools has risen from 122 to 630; the normal schools have been filled to overflowing, and in many instances palatial structures have taken place of old school houses. The state now has in its schools 1,200,530 pupils, who are instructed by 32,225 teachers. What is true of the progress of education in the Key Stone state is largely true of all other states.

The romantic farce of Mrs. Chadwick came to the press just in time to head off the tragedy and sin of Nau Patterson, which was deluging the land with unsavory details. "Laugh and the world laughs with you," and Mrs. Chadwick is now having her innings? How long she must have been laughing up her sleeve at the scheme she devised for getting other people's money without committing an indictable offence. Only she knows and she declines to take the public into her confidence. Silence with her is golden—so golden that it is expected she must have settled some two or three millions of dollars upon her husband, who is doing Europe, and telegraphing home that he stands by his wife! What with fashionable gowns, automobiles, costly entertainments, and all the rest of the outside show of wealth and respectability, she cut a wide swath in her Cleveland circle of society. It was very fine while it lasted. She danced, but others paid the fiddler. There is a hazard in new friends as Ira Reynolds has discovered. "Money talks," and with plenty of it there is little difficulty in sailing with the 400.

The Charge.
Your friend Topkins was arrested yesterday, and on the way to the station-house he stepped on an electric wire and was badly shocked.

What was he charged with?
Electricity, of course.