will open your Bible n to the tenth chapter of k of Genesis, which gives of the descendants of Noah will find the name of Nimd who, it is said, "began to be a mighty one in the earth. He was a mighty hunter before the Lord," wherefore it is said "even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the Lord."

Unfortunately we have no catalogue of Nimrod's trophies. There was no national museum in the neighborhood of Mount Ararat. The Smithsonian Institution did not exist in those days. Mesopotamia was entirely without magazines and newspapers. Therefore we have no means of comparison, but it is perfectly teachers wanting positions and safe to assert that, even if Nimrod was a mighty hunter before the Lord, there are others. Theodore Roosevelt, like Nimrod, the son of Cush, "began to be a mighty one in the earth" long before I am fileing away and requesthe went to Africa, and since he ing the applicants to forward started in pursuit of lions, hiptheir photos. popotami, giraffe and other beasts of the field and jungle, he has shown himself to be a mighty hunter before the Lord and has sent home more than 300 casks and bales of trophies and a me- I have resolved that I will let nagerie of living things to prove it.

The serious work of preparing the Roosevelt trophies for exhibition will begin next week. Scientific tanners of great skill and long experience are on their way to Washington, and the at The greedy ones shall in their mosphere around the basement of the Smithsonian Institution will be redolent of pungent odors such as arise from the contact of acids and other chemical agencies that are employed to arrest the forces of nature. It will be more than a year before anything will be ready for exhibition. The Roosevelt trophies will be set up in the new muse um building which is nearly completed and it will doubtless be open to visitors next fall. But it will take at least a year to tan and stuff the hides and mount and install the other trophies which have been received from Africa.-Exchange.

(Delayed)

On Christmas day some of the local sporty inclined pulled off a wolf chase on the "Danfair" ch. A lone wolf put up a we fight against two dogs. the battle was of short duration but very decisive as those who witnessed the sport can vouch for. Some who were present, C. L. Daniels, W. I. Boyd. Travis Shaw, C. M. Ackerman, Miles Ackerman, J. A. Wallace and son, Jeff, Mr. Gunter and son, John.

It's Catching

Smile and the world smiles with you, "knock" and you go alone; for the cheerful grin will let you in where the kicker is never known. Growl, and the way looks dreary; laught, and the path is bright; for a' wholesmile brings sunshine, while a frown shuts out the light. Sing and the world is harmonious; grumble and things go wrong, and all the time you are out of rhyme with the busy hustling A simple little one. throng. Kick and there's trouble brewing; whistle and life is gay, and the world's in tune like a day in June, and the clouds all melt And keep so very still away.-Exchange.

Mrs. P. D. Casey and children left on Tuesday for Kingston, Ga. where they were called to was here Tuesday of this week the bedside of their grandmoth. He reports that the work of his er who is very ill.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 4, '10. L. E. Cowling, Canyon City. Contract will be let January 29th. Letter follows.

R. B. Cousins.

Editor News; As our citizens are anxious for normal news, I herewith hand-you-a-telegram-just-r ceived from Hon. R. B. Cousins which is self explanitory. From talks with and personal letters from Mr. Cousins, I know that he is hurrying this matter all he can. Some of us do not appreciate the magnitude of this Normal building now but when the plans and drawings are seen then it will dawn upon us what we are getting. I want to say also that this school is certainly being advertised for I have received dozens of letters from they are all the way from Wisconsin to Maine. The male applicants I am referring to Mr. Cousins at Austin but the little envelopes with perfumed letters

> Yours trury, L. E. Cowling, Trustee

New Year Resolutions That Were not Made.

The public have a show at last I'll demonstrate that I regret The course I've held to in the

I'll be the people's friend inneed,

care:

greed Find me their scourge and their despair. -N·is-n W. Aldr-ch.

I'll give up trying to appear To hate the wealth in my possession;

I will not hesitate this year To make a clear and bold con

fession: I'll cease pretending for awhile

That wealth's a burden, heav en bless it! I'll not deny that I've a pile

Nor that I'm glad that I possess it.

-J. D. R-ck-f-l-r.

I'll strive to keep the nations quiet,

To strengthen peace and make it sure:

It may be hard, but I will try it And I will keep myself obscure; And furthermore I will endeavor With all my courage and my wits-

To never do a thing whatever To throw the English into fits. -Emp. W-ll-m.

My resolution for this year May or may not be interesting Far from the gumdrop I will in Canyon the first of the week

steer When in confections I'm investing;

I'll need no snow shoes nor tives.

toboggan; And hunt for other things to wear.

Than rose-wreaths made in Copenhagen. -F. A. C-k.

Before this day is done I wish to make a vow-And I will make it now; When I sail home I will Land quietly somewhere They'll never know I'm ther T.R.

Rev. O. Hoemann of Plainview church is progressing there.

Book Club Entertains.

The great social event of the Book Club New Years Eve-each united in marriage. member inviting one.

dition to white and yellow chrys- ciates. anthemums were an immense flowers and evergreens.

ings in outline of the individual Stream. states of the Union and mystified looks and puzzled brows gave evidence of how close the guesser was to the limit of his or her geographical knowledge when the proper name was to be given to the outline. In the library, the titles of a dozen or more books were represented in different ways and the guests had merry times naming the books. Partners for refreshments were found by matching illustrations from advertisements which had been cut in two parts, the cou-Their interests shall claim my ples thus brought together going to the dining room as the name of their advertisement was called. The club color white and yellow and cake of same colors. But the crowning glory of the whole entertainment was the prophecy pie. Each guest pulled a paper from the "pie" by a string and upon the paper was a prophecy for the coming year. Some of them were so apt that a gale of laugh-

> ter followed their reading. The guests took their depart ure just in time, as one express ed it, to see the Old Year pass followed quickly by the New.

Notice of Change.

We beg to announce that we have sold our business in Can yon to S. A. Shotwell and H. J Sevall who will take charge on Monday, January 10, 1910. We sincerely thank the public for their liberal patronage in the past and bespeak for the new firm a continuance of the same.

Those indebted to us will please call at the office at once and arrange settlement, either with cash or by note.

CROWDUS BROS & HUME CO.

E. Walffarth of Lubbock was appreciated. looking after business matters.

Sunday from Portales where turned home this week. I'll loiter in some climate where she spent Christmas with rela-

Amarillo were horrified to find day. their infant son, Pascal, dead in bed Dec. 28th. Mrs. Smith is a daughter of P. D. Casey of this

a New Year's caller at the News office. He informed us that his Canyon. company was figuring on purchasing the water & sewerage bonds of Canyon.

A woman worth \$125,000, b lieving in philanthropy, worked for years as a house serwhat the real philanthropic needs of the country are. -Fort Worth Record.

Be a News subscriber.

On Christmas Eve night at closing year was the entertain- the Christian Church, Rev. J. J. Cruikshank place, about seven- ter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Prichment of the husbands and Hutchison officiating, Miss Em- teen miles southwest of town, ard, was born Nov. 19, 1888. friends of the members of the ma Brandon and C. E. Coss were Louis Saltzman died from a died Jan. 5, 1810, her age thus

ter being thrown open for the more than six years during recover. pleasure of the company, was which time she has made for yellow, the club colors, with the for the past two years, been and has since resided in the Cen-

Mr. Coss came here some two News extends condolence. bouquet of American Beauty years ago and is among our most roses in the hall and an equally successful city school teachers. library. The refreshment table and generous spirit, made warm exa, Kansas for interment. was a dream of beauty in drawn friends who wish for him a work linen and centerpiece of share of the best things of this

Entertainment was furnished The News wishes for them a by pinning to the walls draw smooth journey down Time's

Social at Dr. Black's.

(Delayed)

Dr. and Mrs. Black entertained at their elegant home on Wednesday night in honor of those who took part in the en- in this part of the country. tertainment on Thanksgiving night under the auspices of the Ladies' Missionary society.

In a contest on Bibical char acters, Sadie Winkleman and well are to be included in the The body was shipped this foreprize, a box of home-made can- points, Mr. Murphy says, have M. Eakle establishment. Fudies, which Mr. Moore, on re- replied favorably with the excep- neral from the family home this ceiving, very generously passed tion of Wichita Falls and Roswell afternoon. Miss Prichard was around. Dr. Black and C. C. no reply having yet been receive in a desperate condition and was Miller drew for the booby and ed from those two towns. scheme was carried out in the Mr. Miller, being winner, was refreshments, brick icecream of given a small mirror framed in rrmarkably good for the best The case was so extreme, howgreen. Games were played, league work ever witnessed in ever, that treatment was defer piano music was furnished by this portion of the country. - red. - Wednesday's Daily Pan-Miss Word and Mrs. Ecker and Amarillo Daily Panhandle. Miss Grace Winkleman gave a reading for the further entertainment of the company after served. Aside from those before mentioned, the following were present, Rev. and Mrs. Groves, Dr. and Mrs. Ingham, Dr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Cowling, Mr. and Mrs. Muldrow, Mrs. Hoff, Misses Susie and Drusilla Knight, Ellen Donald, Pearl Black, May Cowling Helen Carter and They say it's wrong to hint for Messrs. Joe Black, J. H. Monger, Earl Monger and Will Word.

> O. E. Stewart was in town Tuesday from Fort Worth.

Dr. Barr made us a short visit the first of the week from Plain-

S. H. Heyser returned yesterday morning from a trip to San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

We are indebted to a number our friends for "personals" this week. Your kindness is much

T. F. Reid and wife who have been visiting a son at Ft. Worth Miss Minta Gilliam returned during the holiday season, re-

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith of among our business callers Mon-

Grady Holland returned yesterday to Fort Worth where he will resume his studies in the Medical College. E. F. Swensen of Denver was been spending the Christmas Fer her to menshun it, an, so

sume its study of King Lear on An' then he said: "You bet I do Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 12th, If she'll have mel" An' sis said On account of the absence from She'd tell him when I'd got to the city of a number of the members and the general rush of They say I hinted then, but still vant. She had the right idea of the Christmas season, the regu- My pa gave me a dollar bill. lar mettings were suspended for a time but the work will now be taken up with renewed energy.

Louis Saltzman Dead.

On Sunday at his home, the stroke of paralysis. He had being 21 years, 2 months and 16 The bride is a daughter of our just recently recovered from a days. She professed faith in The spacious and commodious citizen Geo. A. Brandon and has stroke when the second came on Christ, in the year 1900, and home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Les- been a resident of this place for Sunday from which he did not was baptised into the first Bap-

beautifully decorated by the ap- herself an enviable reputation as United States from Germany consistent member of this pointed committee in white and a model young lady. She has, when about sixteen years of age church until her death. exception of the reception hall clerking in the Canyon Mercan- tral states until about three daughter and the third child of which was hung with numbers tile where she was a prime fa- years ago when he moved to a family of nine children. Two of of red Christmas bells. In ad- vorite with all her business asso- Texas. He leaves a wife and her little brothers preceded several children to whom the her to the Good Land, one of

Saltzman and sons, William and Albert, acfine bunch of carnations in the He has, by his hearty manner companied the remains to Len-

Would Form Ball League on the Plains.

American baseball league, is wintering in Amarillo and interesting himself in the organization of a Panhandle league for the oncoming season.

Mr. Murphy is an enthusiast for the national game and states that there is every reason why agood league should be organized

According to a statement by Mr. Murphy, Amarillo, Clovis, Dalhart, Canyon City, Plainview, Mrs J. L. Prichard of Canyon Childress, Wichita Falls and Ros- City, died last night in Amarillo. Wallace Moore drew for first league. All of that number of noon to Canyon City by the O.

The Helping Hand.

which dainty refreshments were Now, Mister Brown's been comin' here

o see my sister fer a year-

things,

To take just what good fortune brings An' not be askin' folks, fer that

Is simple beggin', plain an' flat! But what I started out to tell Was how I helped sis out so well. You see, her beau kep' comin'

Till nearly every evenin' found Him sittin' in the parlor here With sis all dressed up, sittin' near-

An' I'd talk with 'em till they said 'Twas time fer boys to be in bed. Well, Mister Brown he hever said A thing about if they should wed tween the Boyds and other citi-An' pa he kicked 'most all the zens of that town. The affair is

About the big bills fer th' light, Horace Gooch and Samuel An' mashe vowed that in her day Samson, both of Amarillo were Th' men knowed how to say their

night

O'course, though, sis she could not speak

be cheek!

'Say, do you want to marry sis.' The Ladies' Book club will re- Well, he got red, an' sis did, too,

bed.

-Chicago Evening Post.

G. G. Foster went to Plainview Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Prichard Dead.

Miss Minnie Prichard, daughtist church of Canyon City the Mr. Saltzman came to the same year, hving a faithful and

> Miss Minnie was the second whom was Mr. and Mrs. Prichtwo ard's first born.

Miss Prichard had a long spell of typhoid fever during the fall months and after her recovery other things came up which ended in her death. Every attention was given and every ef-Pat Murphy of the St. Louis fort put forth by her parents for the restoration of her health, all to no avail.

She was one of the most devoted young ladies in the Baptist congregation.

May God's grace comfort the bereaved family.

J. M. Harder. Pastor Baptist Church.

Prichard-Miss Minnie Aarabella Pridhard, daughter of Mr. and brought to Amarillo a few days It is stated that the outlook is since for surgical treatment. handle.

While near Dimmitt on their way home from Hereford Saturday night. Arthur and James He stays each Sunday night fer Boyd were suddenly fired upon by two unknown assailants. An, sometimes has a dime for me. Several bullets were fired by the But I don't hint for dimes, no attacking party and the horses were shot from under the riders Because my folks they don't al- but neither of the Boyds were hit. When the horses fell, the assailants dissapeared as suddenly and mysteriously as they had appeared, and no intelligent view of them could be secured.

> Dimmitt is aroused to action by the dastardly deed and wild stories are being circulated about the affray, but no plausible cause for the attack can be learned. The Boyd's claim to have no idea of whom their assailants were nor why they were attacked. They did not return the fire, but took refuge behind their dead horses to save their lives.

It is generally believed in Dimmitt that the shooting was the outcome of previous trouble bebeing investigated and interesting developments will probably result. - Amarillo News.

Ladies' Aid will give Tea.

On next Tuesday, January 11, a tea will be given at the home of To Mister Brown-that would Mrs. A. H. Thompson, for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society Grady has It would be hintin', too, you know of the First Baptist Church. Ladies of the other churches will holidays with his home folks in Las' night I up an' ast him this: be entertained by the society from 3 to 5:30 p. m. while the society itself will enjoy the evening from 8 to 11 p. m.

> The News wishes to notify all citizens who have stables, sheds or any other property in the alleys within the sewerage zone that they will do well to remove the same, for when the contractor starts the ditching machine to put in sewer pipe, they will not stop to remove any buildings.

are matters that interest you very much just at this time. We are in a position to offer you some exceedingly low pri-ces in the lines of goods which we handle. Our expenses at Umbarger are small and we can therefore sell on a closer margin than other people.

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Particular attention is called to the prices on our dry goods, wearing apparel. They are well worth investigating.

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Our good stock of things to eat, bought at the right time and at low prices, gives us an opportunity to save you money which you musn't miss.

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ing given special attention.

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the people want and will have just the right kind of meat at all times. We are experienced butchers and know the business which is a great item in this line.; : : ; :

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ing of laying up some-

Miss Earline Garrison spent Wednesday in Amarillo.

Miss Susan Bechtel of Happy is visiting Miss Winna Brown this week.

Mr. Muldrow entertained the Year's Eve.

Miss Carrie Quirk entertained day evening.

Misses Law and Whitman and illo. Mr. Fish of Amarillo spent Sunday with Miss Ada Hawkins.

Guy Hoover has resigned hi position with Keiser Bros. Phillips and is preparing to return to his home in Iowa.

Miss Eleanor Rouse who has been visiting Miss Emma Harder returned to her home in Lubbock Tuesday morning:

M. L. Sweeny and niece, Cornelia Sweeny, left on No. 1 for a week's visit with M. L.'s daughter at Canyon, Texas. Bucklin (Kan.) Banner.

Henry F. Miller and family of Fall City, Nebraska arrived in Canyon Wednesday. They expect to move at once to their farm near town.

Miss Lena Wade of Rockwall, Texas arrived Saturday after noon to succeed as clerk at the Mercantile Mrs. C. E. Coss, nee Miss Emma Brandon.

With Zelaya added to Castro, Abdul Hamid and the Moroccan Abdul, the quartette takes the front place on the stage lately vacated by the concert of nations.

W. M. Brown and family from Ardmore, Okla., who visited Mrs. Brown's sisters, Mrs. Will Allison and Miss Prater, here during the holidays, left for a visit with relatives at Roswell.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a common, every-day cough mixture. It is a meritorious remedy for all the troublelesome and dangerous complications resulting from cold in the head, throat, chest or lungs. Sold by City Pharmacy.

Mrs. A. J. Jennings of Kansas City, Mo., who is a large holder of Randall county land, eturned to Canyon Tuesday evening from Happy where she has been on business matters in connection with her land in the vicinity of the last named town.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate coughs, colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivalled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by City Phar-

On New Years evening, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bennet entertained a merry crowd at six o'clock dinner. It was a sumptuous affiar and elegantly served. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Winkleman, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Keiser and Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Ingham.

Ben Terrill went to Happy home, Bucklin, Kansas. the latter part of 1909 and returned during the early part of 1910. He says there are a lot of attractions around and in Happy but that he doesn't want these Canyon boys to find out about it for fear they will "butt in". He requested that we not say anything about this or even mention that he had been down, so we won't.

Three million acres of petroleum lands in California, Oregon, Utah and Wyoming have been withdrawn from entry by the government. The government, it seems, having under construction battleships which will burn oil, has decided that the oil is needed for government use. All work guaranteed to give The public will not be greatly interested. Between having the Standard crowd get it and havhaw or phone 34 at the First ing it burned up running ships of a naval armament for which we have no need and which costs us millions upon millions to no a rainy day, Noah laid profit every year, there isn't a very wide margin of choice.

Edgar Money and family are visiting relatives in town.

J. F. Allison and, wife of Lub-

Mrs. A. J. Jennings started Plus Ultra" at his homeon New Wednesday on a trip to the Pacific Coast.

Mesdames J. S. Howell, Sr. a few friends informally Tues- and Jr., and Miss Edith Haw- ters, Misses Addie and Florence,

> Whenever a man emphasizes the fact that his wife is a good of the Santa Fe offices at Amar lows. She expects woman you may know that she illo, was a Sunday visitor with about a month. & is no \$10,000 beauty.

Master Guy Prater who has week for his home at Roswell.

Certainly Zelava is at liberty to return to Nicaragua if he wants to. We understand that Castro has the same view about

Mrs. Hoff, who has been clerking in the Mercantile, has taken Miss Grimes' place at the Canyon Supply while she is away on her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lark Newton of Midlothian and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook of Amarillo, cousins of Rev. M. E. Hawkins, spent Thursday with that relative.

The old saying that a prophet is not without honor save in his own country, applies to the lands of the state of Texas as she has a better name abroad than at home.

Mrs. Avercrombie, two sons and a daughter from Kansas City, friends of the W. W. Allison family, are here to spend some time for the benefit of Mrs. Avercrombie's health. They have rooms at Fred Luke's

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a very valuable medicine for throat and lung troubles, quickly relieves and cures painful breathing and a dangerously sounding cough which indicates congested lungs. Sold by City Pharmacy.

The Kansas City Journal thinks the world has never properly honored Noah. Since he is universally recognized as the one istorical instance in which man knew enough to get in out of the wet, what more should he

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Keiser en tained the young folks Monday evening in honor of Miss Grace Winkleman, the evening being spent in playing "42." These present we^Je Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cullum, Mr. and Mrs. D. Usery, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Keiser, Mrs. Hoff, and Misses Sadie and Grace Winkleman.

M. L. Sweeney and niece, Cornelia Sweeny; after a pleasant daughter, Mrs. W. E. Groendycke, and family enjoying some of the social pleasures of our courteous citizens including a picnic dinner given in their behalf among the big canyons east of our city, returned to their

Have you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treating too early. Each cold makes you more liable the harder to cure. If you take the outset you will be saved much trouble. Sold by City Pharmacy.

One difference between living in town and living in the country is, that what keeps one awake along about 11 at night in the country is the neighbor's worthless dog, and what keeps him awake in town is the neighbor's girl singing popular songs about maids and moons and a few other things to a worthless young man. Another difference between town and country is that what wakes you up at a perfectly unchristian hour in the morning in the country is the crowing af a fool rooster, and in town it's the milkman.

Be a News subscriber.

Mrs. C. A. Hitchcock made a business trip to Amarillo today, arillo Wednesday to visit her

J. Frank Smith has been sick bock are visiting W. W. Allison for several days but is now able

> W. J. Thomas and wife of Dalhart visited relatives here during the holidays. C. P. Money, wife and daugh-

kins spent Wednesday in Amar- went to Happy on a visit Thursday morning. J. D. Sweeney, manager of one

W. E. Groendyke and family.

Mrs. Fred Luke went to Am-

Bon to John Guthrie and wife

Mra, John Crawbord of Plainnew made a short visit to Canyon friends while on her way home from Fort Worth.

Miss Kittie Grimes left Mon-

A letter from Mrs. Jessie Flake Garner and wife of Douglas (nee Keiser) states that been here several months with Plainview have moved here the thermometer registers thirhis sister, Mrs. Allison, left last Mr. Garner will have charge of ty-two degrees below zero and Black and Word left Tuesday to the Thomas Bros. furniture that the snow is 18 inches on resume their school duties at the level in South Dakota

E. H. Ackley and wife of A

B. H. Kirk, teaching this edity an eight at Hamlin, spent Christ Canyon City.

> Bowen Pope and wife n Sunday from Tulia who spent the holidays. C. T. Word left Wed

for a business visit to his county ranch.

R. E. Chambers of Umbai has gone to Chillicothe That naborhood regrets the loss

Misses Gober. Cowling and Word and Messrs. Waxahachie.

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You dont often have such a chance

HIS special season's clearing sale is such an opportunity as you seldom have for supplying yourself with good clothes at less than they're worth. If we can get you acquainted with our excellent merchandise in this way; demonstrate the merits of our Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes to you, we'll make more in your good-will than we lose in the prices. We can afford to make a little investment in your good-will, at the expense of profits.

A Hart Schaffner & Marx special sale

The fact is such clothes as Hart Schaffner & Marx make are seldom sold at less than the full price; it isn't necessary; they're always worth full price. But we buy more clothes than just enough; we cant tell in advance what we're going to want; we want to have more, anyway. And here they are.

They're just such clothes as we sold during the fall and early winter; fine, high-class Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes; suits that are worth and that sold for \$27.50, \$25.00, \$22.50, now marked to sell at \$18.75, 17.50, 15.85; overcoats week's visit with Mr. Sweeney's that are worth and brought \$22.50, 20.00, 15.00, now selling at \$15.85, 14.56 bra The difference in the price represents our desire not to carry over these winter goods until next fall; we offer you this difference to induce you to take the clothes now. You'll realize what a big inducement it is when you see the goods.

We also offer all of our ladies suits worth \$27.50, 25.00, 20.00 and 18.50 at \$13.75, 12.50, 10.00 and 9.25; ladies coats at the same reduction. Men's trousers to another and the last is always that were well worth the original prices, at 1-3 off or in plain figures, trousers worth Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at \$5.00, 4.00 and 3.00, at \$3.35, 2.70 and 2.00.

> Lots of people have taken advantage of this sale and have saved money. wait but come in early as you only have one day more to get these prices.

Reduction on everything.



Culinary apture

quel to Nanon's Birth-

GINIA TYLER HUDSON.

19w, by American Press

s along the keys, it must be ad-O'Biggins caused scarcely a flutter in ne busy camp life.

When old Jim O'Higgins carelessly remarked that he would not eat at the camp table, as he had his daughter with him and would take his share from the commissary to his shack, it was the cue of Anjer Regan and Peter Ingraham and Frenchy Despard to stroll casually over toward the O'Hig- at all. On arriving at her home unangins shack at the close of the first day's work. It was not because of a lack of welcome that they went no more-at least for some time.

"Not much for looks, sure." was the pronunciamento of Anjer Regan as they went back to the bunk boat down at the edge of the scraggly coral beach. "Her eyes gave me the creeps too. Looks as if she had a regular grouch at the world."

"Mos' probably," put in Frenchy. "she have-not with ze worl', but with ze old O'Higgins, who have name her tissement, it means, and when you see her, pouf: It vaneesh!"

One day Ingraham was stretched on the white sands when O'Higgins came then?" queried ingraham.

We want you and some of the boys to come up to the shack for dinner to- love him at all, but was doing it to birthday, and I thought"-

Ingraham hesitated. once won't burt me. The old chap's off deprecatingly. fond of the girl, I suppose, too, and he hates to see her neglected." So he answered as he rose, yawning: "All right,

O'Higgins, we'll be on deck." All three of the men knew what it ham was known as such an epicure goes back a long time. Once I had that it was a scanding joke with his everything I wanted, and then it the keys on the construction camp com- to do what I have to get a husband missary. Like all true Frenchmen, for Nanon. You hoys maybe thought Despard, too, knew the value of things | we didn't know what brought you here culinary. But each was compelled to so much, but we did. It was the cookadmit that never, even in the best clubs Ing. Nanou knew, but she only laugh-

on the necessarily limited fare. such a salad of cocoanuts. It was it. 'But I can't keep accounts,' I told

busy and hit him in the stomach. But while I kept the house and cooked. surely he don't expect to be without a "Cooking was the only thing I could rival. 1, too, monsienr, have these do, you see, but 1 can cook. French many years been in search of a good cooking has always been my hobby,

scornfully.

"Little beasts!" he muttered.

all right. Frenchy." said the some- finished, "and that's all. I've disgraced it?" he began as a feeler. He couldn't what discomitted Anjer. "May I hope my child, and we'll have to start all to have an occasional invitation to each over again somewhere else." at your house? I can't say but what, on the whole, I'm just as well satisfied. We'll at least have the cook in

the family, so to speak." Ingraham looked up with a frown. For the first time the girl's side of this occurred to him. She was to be sacrificed: But, with a shrug as if he would efface the thing, although the girl's dark eyes haunted him, he turned to his book.

Two days later Despard came in from the construction camp early. He was intrusted by the superintendent ith a message for O'Higgins to pree for a visit from one of the board directors whose yacht had been ghted. He went, therefore,-at once across the beach to the shack in the palm trees. With the freedom of the accepted lover be turned the corner of he house toward the little kitchen. "She will be preparing for me the rand dinner," he said to himself unc-

usly and leaned across the sill of window through which he could ar the rattle of pots and pans. The ight that met his eyes made his jaw p and stilled the greeting on his ips. More quietly than he had come he man withdrew and slunk across

e beach to the bunk boat. Only an idling darky boy was in ight when Despard reached the waiting motorboat, into which be hurriedy climbed, carrying a suit case and

the motor, "deliver these notes as soon as this boat is out of sight?" Out in the channel he turned in the opposite direction from Knight's key and headed for Miami. The negro hoy waited until a little promontory hid the honf from view and the chug-chug of the motor could no longer he heard and

When the men creates later lagra ham hurried to the O'Alignus shack Old O'Higglus, more bent and torion

"Despard?" queried the superintendent. "Has he been here? Leent him"—
"He was here—yes." answered the old man bitterly. "And has gone away, but if I live long enough to find him he will answer for this insult to

my little girl"—
"Insult?" cried Ingraham, astonished. "Who-Despard? Has Nanon"—
"Read these!" said O'Higgins, handing him Frenchy Despard's access
took the opened one of O'Eligins.

"You have deceived me gross have tried to foist your ugly daughter named O'Connor. A man named Anon the under false pretenses, and I reel. I have gone away-so far that you will never be able to find me to marry your daughter that cannot cook."

Bewildered, the man opened the oth-

"Dear M. Ingraham," It read, "I am forced to the flight, ignominious. Mile. Nanon, my flancee, I find is no cook nounced today I saw her father preparing those so elegant dishes we have thought she made. Of course I cannot marry ber, but fear they will try to force this so unpleasant state on me Your motorboat I return from Miami." Uncertain whether to laugh or join

the O'Higgins' lament, Ingraham stood staring at the epistles. Then the thought of the girl's sad eyes came to him. "And Nanon?" he asked somewhat awkwardly.

"Knows, and it will break her proud heart to see you all again. Oh, my Nanon. Parblieu! Such a mame for poor little girl, to think I brought this such a femme! Youth and beauty, cer- on you! And I thought I was doing it for your good." The old man's sobs broke out afresh.

"Did she love this Despard so much,

"No, no." was the hasty answer. "Lately I've come to think she didn't night, Mr. Ingraham," said the old man please me. She knew I wanted her hesitatingly. "This is my little girl's to marry a Frenchman and thought this was her only chance, You know. my poor Nanon isn't exactly what "Oh, why not?" he thought. "This might be called beautiful," he broke

Ingraham's face broadened in a suppressed smile, but the 'ather went on. "I have a confession to make to you, Mr. Ingraham," he said, "something you should have known before, but Nawas to dine well. In the city lugra- non said I mustn't tell. The reason friends that he would starve down on wouldn't have been necessary for me and restaurants, had they sat down to ed and let me have my way. Always daigtier feast than that provided in she only had it in her mind to let me the little Florida shack. And that, too, have my way and please me. But, to "Mais oui!" exclaimed the delighted went wrong, and I lost all I had. I ward the beach. "Such soup! Such could do little, and there came a time an entree! Such sauce bernaise! It when we didn't know where to get our would appear that we have underrated next meal. Then came this chance

beautiful-enough to make Oscar turn her. 'Never mind,' sald she; 'we'll fix that so they'll never know.' And she At last be has been smitten with did. On account of my lameness I got the charms of Nanon," solemnly mur- permission to work here in the shack. mured Anjer. "The little god has got Now, don't you see? She did the work.

and I learned from some of the best Ingraham looked at his companions experts alive. Well, I began to think Nanon ought to get married, for I wanted some little children about in "I weesh to luform you," said my old age. She never attracted men, Frenchy Despard one night, after a though, if they knew how beautiful her longer visit than usual, when he and heart and mind are, instead of looking Nanon had gone for a walk along the at the face I would not have had to Well, you turned the trick on us. means. But I've failed, you see," he

> soberly. O'Higgins nodded at the pines. question, but realizing its truth. Seated on a dead tree trunk he found the girl, ber somber eyes gazing out through the vista of pine trees into the

patch of opal sea beyond.
"Nanon," he said, offering his hand, 'I've come to see if there isn't something I can say-something I can do"-"What is there to be said?" she answered, ruefully smiling. "Only-only

please don't say you'll bring him back." "Then you don't love-didn't love"-"I love my father," she said simply. "And he wanted me to marry."

As the man looked down into the deep eyes that told so much of self fallin off the car yistiddy?" he asked. "That's the idea," answered Andersacrifice and love, that would have made her even sacrifice her life to give an old man passing happiness, the slow dawn of a comprehension broke over him, a comprehension of what it meant to know a woman who knew only one law—the law of devotion. He had never been a man of impulse but as Ingraham gazed at her the one

that came to him was heeded.
"There are other men to marry, Nanon," he said, looking her squarely in the eyes. The girl winced a bit, but

"I'm looking for a woman," he said.

"and I think I've found her, I won't "Here, you." he called as he started on hurriedly. "I have only found my

The Bit of Good Luck That Over

Who Had Been Injured-The Sight That Greated Him and the Hasty Proposition He Handed Out.

amed McDonald were in business in derson then was claim agent for the street railway company that connected Halsted with Chicago

Barney O'Connor was a happy-go lucky chap who didn't worry much about anything. He was partial to his beer, had no kith or kin to be re sponsible for, cared little for clothes and worked only when it was absolutely essential which wasn't often. McDonald Bros. liked to have Bar-

ney around on account of the wit he had brought with him from the ould sod, and so they found little tasks for him to do. One day Barney was loafing around McDonald's about half illuminated and in an extremely rosy frame of mind when they decided they wanted some goods over in the city. Barney was delegated to go after them. He stopped at the corner buffet, hoisted another one and took a car for

The car was crowded fore and aft and Barney got on the aft. He didn't get much more than halfway on the step when there came a jolt. The crowd surged back on Barney, and be. with several others, was dumped into the street. Barney suffered worse than the rest, as he was underneath. But he wasn't burt badly. He was knocked unconscious, but after they carried him into a store and threw cold water on him be came out of it in good ter. shape. All that remained were a few

The conductor, however, was excited. He was new at the business, and when he took the names and addresses of the victims of the crash he got considerably balled up. Perhaps be made Barney's injuries a little

more grave than they really were. After O'Connor got over his dizziness he went on uptown and bought his stuff for the McDonalds. He also visited a drinking place on Randotph street. It was there that he learned of a clam bake that was to be held that night at a saloon on lower Haf sted. Celebrations of this sort appealed to Barney, and he resolved to

He was. They had a lovely time Along about 12 o'clock the festivities became superjoyous, and arguments go back, after my wife died things arose. Barney was in the midst of went wrong, and I tost all I had. I these. Fisticuffs followed forensic Frenchman as together they strolled to had never been taught to work, so froth, and O'Connor was numbered among the slain.

How he got to his room he couldn't explain coherently. He sure was some wouldn't take long to tell. It was the completest walloping he ever had

He slept late. When he woke up he wished he could have slept later. He found moving undesirable after an attempt or two at it, so he stayed in bed. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon the landlord of the rooming house came up and told Barney a man wanted to see him. Seldon had Barney bad visitors, and his curiosity was aroused. But it wasn't strong enough to induce him to get up He told the landlord to have the man sent up to the room. Anderson, out to settle early and avoid the rush, came in and took a look at Barney. He nearly fainted.

"It kind o' bunged you up, didn't say less, for he had a conscience.

"Well, some." acknowledged Barney. "Where is the girl?" asked Ingraham not grasping the pertinence of the "You know, a suit always involves

a lot of delay and trouble, and the company has better facilities, and it's better for the plaintiff to settle"-"Wot are yez talkin' about?" Barney broke in.

"Why. I'm from the street railway. and we want to see if we can't fix this up for you for getting hurt. We want to do what's right; but, of course, you understand".— Barney saw a great light. It made

him forget his woes.

"Well, here I am," said Barney.
"How much am I offered?" Anderson hesitated.

"Uh-er-I think-er-how'd two fifty strike you?"
"I think it's worth at least five." he

"Now, look here," explained Anderson, "If you fight this case it'll cost you at least \$100 for a lawyer. You might get \$300 in a trial, and still again you might get nothing. It's always a good idea"—
"D' yez mean ye'll give me \$250?"

ted O'Connor, sitting up quick-

Cavet Will So to I. I. I. League.

In our last week's issue we stated that "Pug" Cavet would play ball with the Little Rock Club but this is a mistake. On last Saturday Pug received a notification from the managers of the Detroit Club which had signed him, that he had been released to the Rock Island Club in the big Three I League. This is one one of the best aggregation of base ball clubs in the middle North and comprises three states; imnois, lowa and Indiana .from

whence it gets its name. Several of the local baseball fans thought that probably they would have a chance to see, with their own eyes, Cavet make good in the pitching ranks of the south but Pug will have better chances to become one of the best in the

Last Monday night Robert Dunn, one of Texas' best and distinguished impersonators, gave an entertainment at the local opera house. The weather was very bad and stormy and only a few turned out to enjoy such an evening of genuine pleasure. His readings were comic dramatic and pathetic, holding his audience in spell bound attention while in the next instant bringing forth a ripple of langhter and those who were afraid to brave the weather missed one of the most charming entertainments given in our city this win-

Toney Begrin, who has been spending the holidays with his parents in Canyon, returned to Amarilio Wednesday.

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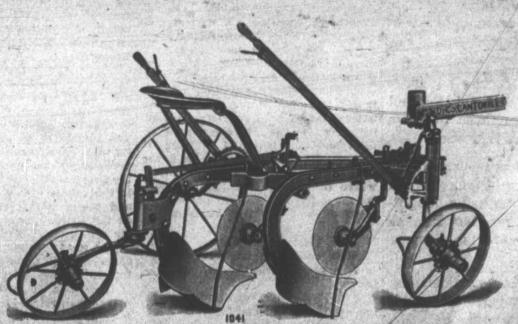
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Railway Time Table.

MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND.
No: 37 to Clovis
No. 113. to Carlsbad to:15 a. m. No. 73. Local Freight 0:00 a. m.
MAIN LINE, EAST BOUND.
No. 38. from Clovis
PLAINVIEW BRANCH, NORTH B'ND
No. 28, 20 Amerillo, 750 pm m. No. 28 Lucal Preight 600 p. m.
PLAINVIEW BRANCH, SO. BOUND.
No. 27, to Plainview to 20 u. m.
Trains No. 33 on the Main line leaving Can-
ren City at 200 t. m. is made up here, and fram No. 2, out to Main Line arriving from
Clovis at 10 a m, stor at this place.
Local freights and trains Nos. 37 and 35 don't

J. F. Ralliff of Amarillo was over on Tuesday.

Hotel Baltimore.

Miss Minnie Johnson of Happy is helping the Leader during century at Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, their sale.

friends.

Saturday night.

the last of the week to complete by a British man-of-war commanded some work he is doing there.

entertained at Dick Sanford's work, to chisel his (Holmes's head on Thursday evening by Miss Tay- the king's body. And so it stands to

A. Miller of Big Springs and fact accounts for the location of this Wilson Cape of Plainview were among Canyon's Tuesday visit-

and R. T. Miller, all of Roswell, purposes. Four hundred thousand tots were among the city's business callers this week.

Amarillo last evening to attend equally exaggerated. A perfect epithe wedding of a friend. She expects to be back today.

L. L. Hunt, formerly cashier of the Canyon National bank but that might draw a ten pound prizes. now of Lubbock, was in town lettery shoeblacks, lottery eating a day or more of this week.

Roy Wright has returned from his vacation trip to Greenville. where it was written that he who He reports having had a delight- bought a farthing's worth of sausage ful time while gone but Randall might realize a capital of 5 shillings. county seems more like home to him now.

John Anderson of Edelstein, Ill. arrived here yesterday and is staying with Bert Shane. Mr. Anderson expects to visit this the chairman introduced me to my ausection for two weeks before re- dience in the following way: You have turning to Illinois.

Dr. and Mrs. Griffin returned tended as a sincere compliment. home today from a pleasant visit "On another occasion a bluff old with relatives at Galveston dur- farmer who boasted of his ability to ing the holiday season. The nounced me as follows: This indy's come here to talk about her rights. She's hired the ball herself, and so

Canyon City for their help, prayers and sympathy during the illness and death of their daughter, Minnie.

Mrs. Dan Shane, and children, of Edelstein, Ill. arrived in Can-yon Wednesday afternoon and assures. The tower, which is about brother, Bert Shane. They are no records to show whether the incilmoving into the Panhandle coun-

Fort Worth. He has sold his Lake Arthur property and will probably move with his family to Fort Worth where he has business interests.

The Plainview college has been purchased by the Methodist denomination, the deeds made and the property transferred to the church trustees and will now be under the fostering care of the M. E. Church. The second term commences January 20th.

Turk, Armstrong Co. is the new firm who will occupy the new Lair building on the West Side. They are now purchasing their new goods and fixtures. We are informed that they expect to put in an up-to-date line of goods.

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The Hand Kiss.

The kiss of the hand is undoubtedly ancient and therefore is not derived from that of the fips, but probably the converse is true. The hand kiss is leosely asserted to be developed from servile obeisances in which the earth. ed, the hand and cheek sneceeding in order of time and approach to equality of rank But it is doubtful if that was the actual order, and it is certain that at the time when hand kissing began there were less numerous grada Hous of rank than at a later stage.

Kissing of the leads between men is mentioned in the Old Testament; atso by Bomer, Pliny and Lucian. The kiss was applied reverentially to sacred objects, such as statues of the gods, as is shown by ancient works of art, and also among numerous etymologies by that of the Latin Word "adoro," and it was also metaphorically applied by the inferior or worshiper kissing his Try a Sunday dinner at the own hand and throwing the salute to the superior or statue.

The Story of a Statue.

There was set up in the seventeenth what is probably the most curious plece of art extant, erected to the Miss Nell Johnson of Happy memory of Sir Robert Holmes, a Britspent last week with Canyon ish naval officer of that period. The odd circumstance is that the statue was not originally designed for Holmes at all, but for a very different personage, no other, indeed, than Louis XIV. tained some of her young friends of France. This statue, finished as to the figure, but in the rough as to the head, was being taken to France on N. E. Root left for Hereford an Italian vessel when it was captured by Holmes. Upon perceiving the unfinished condition of the statue A party of young folks were Holmes, with grim bumor, compelled the artist, who had accompanied his governor of the Isle of Wight, which

mongrel bit of artistry.

The Lottery Mania. The first lottery on record in England was drawn in London in 1569. C. E. Franeck, V. E. Williams the proceeds being devoted to public were drawn for the prizes of cash and silver plate, and for four months nothing else was thought or talked of, and the delight of the winners and the Miss Carrie Quirk went to despair of the unfortunates seemed demic of lotteries followed, there being no laws upon the subject, and soon there were lottery tailors, lottery tea merchants, lottery barbers (who with each shave at threepence gave a ticket houses where for sixpence a plate of meat and the chance of drawing 60 guineas were given, and so on down to a sausage stall in a narrow alley.

Trials of a Lecturer. A well known Englishwoman lecturer tells some stories at her own ex-

"I was," she says, "on a tour through the provinces, and one night as I appeared on the platform in a small town heard of Mr. Gladstone, the Grand Uld Man. Let me now introduce to you the grand old woman.' This was in-

look on all sides of a question an-Mr. and Mrs. Prichard extend she's got a right to be here, and if any of you don't like what she's got to say you've got an equal right to walk out in the middle on't."

Leaning Tower in England. The famous leaning tower of Pisa has a rival in the Temple tower of Bristol, in England. It is a square tower of early Gothic architecture. All ing at the home of her 115 feet high, is five feet out of perpendicular at the summit. There are J. L. Howell Jr. returned yes- inclination of the soil. For many take or of slow changes in the La Howell Jr. returned yes-years there has been no change in the play from a bussiness trip to slope of the tower. INSTINCT AND REASON.

yet seen an egg.

of them had ever seen. Baby Mono, ful tale to tell. On board the lugger descended from egg eating ancestors, had been an Englishman suffering handled his egg with all the inherited from an illness which soon proved faexpertness of a long developed in | tal. In his last moments of consciousstinct. He cracked it with his upper ness he had begged the captain not to teeth, making a hole in it, and sucked bury him at sea, but to keep his body out all its substance. Then, holding until a resting place could be found the eggshell up to the light and seeing there was no longer anything in |yard in his native land. Sympathy it, he threw it away. All this he did with his sad fate and the knowledge mechanically, automatically and just that the lugger was not far from the as well with the first egg as with any English coast had induced the captain other he afterward had. And all eggs to consent, and now he had sent the since given him he has treated in the body ashore for burial. In spite of

The monkey Bob took his egg for spokesman told his tale well. some kind of nut. He broke it with Both exclse men and beach menhis teeth and tried to pull off the shell, especially the latter-loudly expressed When the inside ran out and fell on their admiration of the captain's conthe ground be looked at it for a mo- duct. A parson was summoned, and ment in lewilderment, then with both in a little while a mournful procession hands scooped up the yolk and the made its way from the beach to the sand mixed with it and swallowed it. churchyard. Even the chief officer of Then he stuffed the shell into his the excise men was present and is st mouth. This act, was not instinct; it to have shed tears. was reason. He was not familiar by

ent his egg in much the same way glia," by W. A. Dutt, that Bob did; but, not liking the taste, he threw it away -St. Nicholas.

EASY MONEY.

Picked Up by the Sharp Chap Who Bet on a Word.

is for some men to pick up a few dol- him that occasioned no comment lars by their wits a young fellow noon and, joining in conversation that tomer and asked: was being carried on by convivial spirits, declared he was the most "inimmediately began telling a story of way?" his personal troubles, but before he ed revising, since he should have used by get the significance." the word "unfortunate" instead of "in-

fortunate." nate was the correct word to use, and for oysters if they do come on the with a show of heat, the young man they have been opened fresh. Some

agers with him that he did not have In that way you get them fresh." money enough to meet all the demands, but he succeeded in putting up \$15 in separate small bets. The men who were certain that the garralous young man was wrong in the use of them standing opened in both ways. the word infortunate sent out for a dictionary only to find that they had been "stung" on a "sure thing" bet, the big book on spelling showing that infortunate is perfectly proper and means unfortunate.

"Yes," said the winner of the bets as he pocketed his new portion of wealth, "I have won money on that before. I collected \$10 this afternoon on a similar wager." - Philadelphia

> Flying Fishes. dazzling silvery splendor per-

vades the surface of the body of the best known species of the flying fish. The summit of its head, its back and its sides are of azure blue. This blue comes spotted upon the dorsal fin, the pectoral fin and the tail. This fish is the common prey of the sea birds and the more voracious fishes, such as the shark. Its enemies abound in air and water. If it succeeds in escaping the Charybdis of the water the chances are in favor of its meeting its fate in the Scylla of the atmo If it escapes the jaws of the shark it will probably fall to the share of the

Too Honest. Woggs-Young Smith has failed in business age is i'm sorry for the boy, but too clossisterence to high princies ruined him. Boggs - How so? Woggs-He advertised. "Our product is thoroughly tested before it leaves the factory," which is a very hard thing to live up to when you are man turing dynamite.—Puck.

Bacon—And did you feel at home traveling in Russia? Egbert—Oh, quite at home. When the brakemen called out the stations I couldn't under them any better than I can over here.

Thousand Dellar Illustration come, \$1,000; expenditure, \$909.90 Income, \$1.000; expenditure, \$1.000.90 Income, \$1,000; expenditure, \$1.500gay time.-Puck.

Madder Brown-There goes old Dauber. He's living on his rept

NOT BURILD AT SEA.

An Interesting Illustration of the Two The Humane French Boatman and the

An illustration showing the differ- A long expected French lugger was ence between instinct and reason in seen making for the roadstead, and monkeys came under the observation the Lowestoft free traders were on of David Starr Jordan, the famous the alert, anxiously seeking an oppornaturalist. At one time he had two tunity for communicating with her lively Macacus monkeys called Bob crew. While they waited for a lapse and Jocko. These were nut and fruit of vigilance on the part of the excise eating monkeys and instinctively knew | men a boat was lowered from the lugjust how to crack nuts and peel fruits. ger and rowed toward the shore. A At the same time he had a baby mon- curious crowd of beach men and exkey, Mono, of a kind that had the egg cise men assembled to meet her, and eating instinct. But Mono had never as she came in on the crest of a roller

his broken English the Frenchmen's

inherited justinct with eggs. He would lists" were busy, and at dawn the table one better next time, however, churchyard contained a desecrated Reason very often makes mistakes at grave. A little way inland, however, arst, but when it is trained it becomes in the midst of the marshes, a smag a means fur more vanuable and power- glers' store received the addition of a coffin filled with silks and lace .-The third moukey, Jocko, tried to "Highways and Byways In East An

ON THE FLAT SHELL

Oysters Opened That Way With a Purpose, the Waiter Said.

The waiter had taken a long time in getting the oysters, but as he was well Just by way of showing bow easy it known to his guests and his guests to When the oysters were brought the strolled into a cafe the other after. waiter set them down before his cus-

"Do you like them better that way?" The diner looked, but he didn't nofortunate" individual on earth. He tice any difference, so be asked, "What

"Why, on the flat shell," replied the had got the narrative well under way waiter. "Don't you see they aren't on there was a chorus of interruptions, the curved part of the shell, as usual?" and the talkative young man was po- "I see it now that you tell me about litely informed that his English need- it," said the diner, "but I don't exact

"Well, you see," said the waiter, "they always keep them upstairs or The newcomer insisted that infortu- the round shell, and when any one calls the argument waxed warm. Finally, round shell it isn't a certainty that who started the trouble declared that times they aren't good, just because while he had only a few dollars he they have been standing. When I call would wager them that he was cor- for them on the flat shell, as I do for some of my customers, then they have

> "Ah. I see!" remarked the dine But when he told the professional cynic about it the cynic said something about betting that they kept

"Besides, any one knows they took fatter on the fat shell, which is all the more reason they'd be likely to serve them to some folks that way. If they asked for extra large oysters they'd get them on the flat shell. The same oysters on the curved shell would go as ordinary sized oysters," remarked the cynic gloomily.-New York Sun

The Humble Librettist. In the history of opera there-are many curious anomalies, but perhaps the strangest is the role played by the librettist. For the most part obscure and unimportant and generally unrembered, his ranks have nevertheless been recruited from the ablest and most brilliant men of letters. Among those who have undertaken the part are such unlikely names as Voltaire, Goethe, Wieland, Addison and Fielding, while others of considerable poetic talent, as, for example, Metastasio, Calzabigi, Rinuccini, Boito and Coppee, have tried their hand at libretto writing with assurance, giving to it their best efforts. And yet the successful librettists are few-the merest handful out of a baryest of three cen-

How Sunshine Beats Down. It is a common thing on hot days to sear people say that "the sun beats, down." But few suspect that the rays of light actually do beat down upon the surface they strike. Light is a wave otion in the ether, and waves, whether of sound or water, press on bodies in their way, Clerk Maxwell calculated the pressure of light, and experiments of Herr Lebedew have shown that he was right. The pressure is very slight, as may be supposed, but it really ex-

Mamma-Johnny, you had hoy, you've been fighting again! Your clothes are so hadly torn that I'll probably have to get you a new suit. Johnny-That's nothing, mamma. You just ought to see Tommy Jones. I'll bet his mamma will have to get a new how. Chicago News.

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"Say, mother!" and Mollie tugged gently at a fold of her mother's dress to attract her attention. "Did you see that beau-ti-ful memorial window that the Staceys have had put into the church for their little girl who died last year?"

They were in the church porch as the child spoke, but her mother made no reply until they had walked some distance down the street, and then her words were few and hesitatingly spo-

"And," persisted Mollie, who was evidently a good deal exercised apon the subject, "the superintendent spoke of it in Sunday school and said that the window was placed there by the parents of our lost fellow pupil to be a constant reminder of her lovely life among us. She wasn't good a bit." Still Mrs. Mason made no comment.

Mollie made a wry face, which her mother was too wise to see, and as the two walked slow's homeward Mrs. Mason tried to divert the fittle girl's mind from the subject of her dead mate's imperfections by describing for her benefit another "memorial" that she had seen in a visit to the City hospital a few days before. This was a "free bed." contributed by the bereaved parents of another little lost one, and Mollie listened with glistening eyes to the story of the little street boy who had been run over by a heavy dray and had both legs broken.

"And there he tay," she said, her own kind eyes full of tender tears. "his little white, pinched face bright with a contented smile and his feeble hands toying with a few rose geranium leaves that some kind visitor had dropped on the coverlid for him, so cheerful and happy that I wondered at him. I asked him if he was comfortable, and you should have seen his pale face light up and heard him pipe in his thin, shrill voice:

'Comfirtable is it, ma'am? Why, it's jist hivin itsilf afther the dirt an' the coold an' the boonger an' the batin's. Faith, an' it's well paid I am for the loss of me two spindle tigs."

"And he laughed aloud, such a merry little cackle that I really forgot for the moment that he was a helpless, bedridden cripple for life and only thought of him as a petted child, lying in state in a soft, white, clean bed, tended and cared for as tenderly as if he had been the heir to a dukedom." "What a beautiful memorial!" cried Mollie, with childish delight.

Her mother nodded approvingly. Yes, it was a beautiful thought, and the fund that supports that bed is called by the dead child's name, the 'Ida Lewis fund,' so that every sick and suffering one who is comforted and nursed back to health in that bed will bless the name of the giver, whom they can never thank on earth."

Mollie was silent for a little time, and then she said softly, while a great tear rolled down her cheek and dropped unheeded upon the soft fur of her tippet. "How I wish we could have a memorial' like that for our little

The mother's lip quivered, and for a moment she could not control her voice to reply to the child's suggestion. Little Beth had gone to heaven only a few short months ago, and the wound in her mother's breast was yet too sensitive to bear without shrinking the tenderest touch, but with an effort she kept back her tears and re-

"It costs a great deal of money for memorials of that kind, and only wealthy people or those with a large income can afford these noble and beautiful charities. Some of the grandest churches, hospitals and asylums in the world have been founded and endowed to keep alive the memory of those who were can to be great or rich ones of earth." Mollie sighed.

"All the same, I do wish we could have some kind of a 'memorial' for Beth. She was such a dear, sweet little thing," she half whispered as they paused a moment upon the steps of their modest but comfortable home. and, futile as seemed the wish, her mother's heart could not but re-echo it. That night after the young folks were all in bed and silence had fallen upon the merry, noisy household Mrs. Mason sat with unwontedly idle hands watching the fast decaying brands in the fireplace and thinking of the dear little life that only a few months be-fore had passed away from among them. How she yearned for the touch of those baby fingers, the kisses of those baby lips, now still and silent in this world forever!

She would not have had the lives of her other children saddened for always by this bereavement that must than to them, and yet they were all run over and whose leg planning gayly and eagerly for the fast approaching Christmas, carefully

As the mother gladly ing up their hoarded pennies and full of all sorts of pleasant little mys-

she beer to have her darling forin the household of which she of the sunshine, to have her sons and daughters in future years

"There are five of us," without a word or thought of the little sister gone before? Then Mollie's words came back to her with another and tenderer significance; "I do wish we could have some kind of a 'memerial'.

world, but one that would keep alive in the hearts of her children the memory of that dear lost one. It might not be an impossibility, after all, and the unfolding, and as the last spark died out in its bed of somber gray ashes and the clock counted out, loud and clear in the stillness, the twelve strokes of midnight she rose to her feet with moist eyes, but a hopeful smile upon

"In that way they will be sure to remember her," she murmured to herself, "and the little charities given in her name will be twice blessed

It had always been a custom in the Mason family for the children to hang up their stockings the night before Christmas-a custom that, as Mrs. Muson declared, owed its popularity to the one extravagance in that economically ordered household-an open fire in the family sitting room. When Christmas eve came there was brought forth for the occasion the usual array of stockings of various sizes and hues, from Mollie's, of conventional black liste thread, down to little Ben's, of courser, home knit gray, and there was a great dear of clutter and fuss and good untured rivalry over a choice of places and the finding of plus targe and strong enough to-sustain the exper ted-builden.

"I'm going to my mine out here at the very end" proclaimed Ben, with a flourish of the article in question and a desperare dive for the biggest pin in the cushion, but his mother taid her hard gently upon his shoulder with the softly spoken reminder:

"Not there, dear. That's where little. Beth's stocking always bung, you

The merry babel of voices suddenly ceased, and the children turned to look at their mother in a kind of awestruck wonder as, taking from her work basket a pair of pretty scarlet stockings-baby's favorite pair-she carefully fastened them in the accustomed place with the low voiced explana-

"We have no money to build grand memorial windows or to endow hospitals in the name of our lost darling, but we can keep her memory alive in our own hearts at least in a humbler

way. Now I am going to hang up her stockings just as she did on her last stores that will make some poor children more comfortable and happy on this the world's great gift day."

Mollie slipped her hand into her mother's and laid her cheek tenderly against her mother's shoulder while she whispered, with a half suppressed

"Oh, mother, dear, that's a beautiful thought, and we'll all be so glad to give something toward dear little Beth's memorial stocking."

The morning saw this promise faithfully fulfilled, and it was wonderful when each one set his or her brains to work what a number of poor, neglected children were remembered and provided for out of little Beth's gift stock-

Charlie found that with a new pair of skates he could spare his old ones for a poor little lad round the corner who never had so much as a top or ball that he could call his own. Kitty was glad to give a paint box almost as good as new to the crippled girt who always sat in her invalid's chair by the window and watched longingly the gay groups of children as they trooped past to school. Outgrown picture books, caps and boots, a pair of warm mittens and a knitted scarf for the ragged little fellow who shoveled snow for the neighborhood and several lace bags filled with candy and nuts contributed from the private store that each had found in his own stocking. It was wonderful how much and what a variety of things that pair of stockings held, for whatever was given in their name was supposed to have come from their diminutive depths.

Every one gave freely, and no one felt poorer for the lack of what went to comfort those who were needy. In Mollie's pretty new portmonnaie was a two dollar bill with a slip attached on which was written, "For the new gloves that Mollie thinks 'will make her perfectly happy."

The little lass laughed good naturedly at this merry reminder of her own words and for a few minutes was full of happiness over her mother's gift, but suddenly a thoughtful expression came over her bright face, and she went silently to her room. Half an hour later she came to her mother with a grave face and the question: "Can I do as I please with the money

"Certainly." was the ready reply, and Mollie's grave face was lightened by a bright and sunny smile.

"I can buy a cheaper pair of gloves," she said confidentially, "and so save out enough to buy some grapes for the little sick boy in the hospital who was

As the mother giadly gave her con-sent to this generous plan a joy too deep for words filled her heart. Her teries and merry deceptions, without a thought apparently of the little sister who had in her baby fashion only one short year ago joined so gleefully in their preparations for the coming feeters. Here deep for words diled her heart. Here determination was strengthened to make little Beth's memorial stocking a lasting institution in her household and thus to keep alive the name of the dear little lost alster in many a gratetheir preparations for the coming fes-tival.

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