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## B. L. BOYDSTUN SPECIAL.

It is with great pleasure we embrace this opportunity of extending to the people of Callahan Co., our sincere and cordial thanks for the most generous support they have given this house during the year just closed, and we especially invite you to be present at our January Clearance Sale, which begins next Tues. Jan. 2.

In Millinery Goods we offer

Choice of our Ladies \$5 Hats for - - \$2  
 " " " \$2.50 & \$3 hats for \$1  
 " " " Walking and Street  
 Hats for only - - 50c, 75c and \$1.

We have special bargains to offer you in Blankets, Outing, etc.

We will endeavor to make this sale to your interest to be with us. Be present and get some of the good things as they go.



RECORD BREAKING RUN.

To begin with, we offer you 20 per cent discount on men and boys clothing except black suits, this means \$5.00 suits for \$4.00, \$10.00 for \$8.00, or \$15.00 suit for \$12.00.

**IN SHOE TOGGERY**

We offer you 10 per cent discount on any and all shoes and boots. Shoe leather has advanced considerable and we are now selling the same shoe at about the wholesale price at the factory.

Do you know of the power, the care, the intelligence and experience it takes to make a record-breaking run, and did you ever stop to think of the many things that could spoil it? A misplaced switch a broken rail, a couple of loose spikes, a few bad ties the innumerable parts of the locomotive that might be out of tune, or a faulty telegraph service. "Things have to be right" to make records. Every year for many years, we have made the record run of the dry goods trade, while many a competitor has been put in the roundhouse for repairs by a faulty running system. Our "road bed" is as solid as the Rock of Ages and as clear as the azure sky. There are no "switches" on our track, no loose spikes, bad ties or faulty service. Our "locomotive" is "tuned up" with a full head of steam on, and we are off for the "great record run" in the history of the dry goods trade. Get on "our train" by buying your dry good from B. L. Boydston. We will carry you over the route safely and land you on time at the end of the season with a lot more money than when you started. We see to it that THINGS ARE RIGHT and we will make a record for selling dry goods this season that will break all previous records.

I have over \$40,000 still on my books that is now past due. I have been very lenient with you, and you know whether you owe me or not, and if you owe me I ask you kindly to come and settle up, as I am very much in need of money, in fact I must have it.

**PAY UP!**

T. E. POWELL.

## A GROCERY BILL OF \$11.00 FOR ONLY \$8 CASH ON JAN. 2.

Buy this bill and save \$3. We can't sell you any one article on the bill at the special price, but have made you a big bargain on this bill of family necessities. Be sure you buy this bill on Jan. 2, good for this day only. We can also save you money on anything else you need. Phone 4.

	Regular Price	Special Price
25lbs Granulated Sugar	\$1.25	\$1.00
8lbs Arbuckle or Bulk Coffee	1.35	1.00
1 Sack Belle of Wichita Flour	1.50	1.30
12 Cans Extra Good Corn	1.35	.90
12 Cans Little Chick Tomatoes	1.35	.90
1 Gal. Can Sugar Cane Syrup	.65	.40
1 5lb Banner Oat Meal	.30	.19
3lbs Arm & Hammer Soda	.25	.19
3lbs Best Rice	.25	.19
5lbs Navy Beans	.25	.18
1 Bottle Lemon Extract—Telmo.	.25	.18
1 Bottle Vanilla Extract—Telmo.	.25	.18
1 Can Jack Frost Baking Powder 1lb.	.25	.18
5 Bars Robin Soap	.25	.18
1 Peck Greely Irish Potatoes	.25	.18
3lbs Cold Water Starch	.25	.18
6 Boxes Matches	.25	.18
5lbs Battle Ax Washing Powder	.25	.18
1 Bottle Tomato Catsup	.25	.18
1 Can Argo Salmon	.20	.13
	\$11.00	\$8.00

**McGOWEN BROS.**

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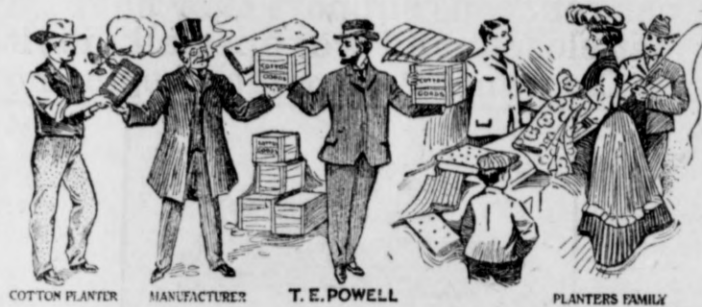


# MIDDLE-MEN OUT

.. AT ..

## T. E. POWELL'S.

No  
Trouble to  
show goods



We  
Have it  
For Less.

T. E. Powell buys his goods in large quantities direct from the manufacturer and no "brokers" or "jobbers" make a profit on the goods he handles, that why it takes 21 clerks in all departments to wait on the customers, in fact we are doing the biggest business we have ever done in Baird, from morning till night the house is crowded with customers and you constantly hear the cry "clerk," which means that there are more customers in that part of the house than clerks, while there are so many thousand finding Bargains there is a BARGAIN there for you. Every Man, Woman and Child that needs

**DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, SHOES, MILLINERY, ETC.**

If they are wise, should go to T. E. Powell's, where they will save at least 20 per cent on their purchases. Come and try us and see.

### "CIRCULAR SKIRT"

PROGRESS BRAND  
VERY BEST MAKE  
STYLE, FIT AND QUALITY  
GUARANTEED BY MAKERS.  
PUNCH BROS.  
St. LOUIS.



### CLOTHING.

We are especially strong on Clothing this year. In this department we have 1,000 suits of the very latest styles and the very best quality and at lower prices than any other house in the west. You know that you are always trying to save money and the only way to do this is to buy your goods from Powell, where it is no trouble to show goods.

### DRESS GOODS.

Our Dress Goods Department is loaded from end to end with bargains, of Silks, Wools Worsted or Cottons. You can find what you want if you go to the right place and that place is T. E. Powell's. We will please you.

### HAMILTON-BROWN SHOES

Are the best on earth, and every pair is warranted to give satisfaction or money refunded. You only pay for what you get. We are sole agents for these shoes and keep on hand an exceptionally large line of them.



*Hamilton-Brown*  
G. B. & Co.

To Prove all the Above.---We have more days this year that the sales run over \$1,000 per day than any year since we have been in business, and this means that we have REAL BARGAINS.

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW AND PRICE GOODS AT POWELLS.



WISHING YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR WE OFFER

# A GREAT JANUARY REDUCTION SALE

## H. SCHWARTZ

Which will be a Big Sacrifice Sale in every department. The public will find inducements which will compel them to buy. Cheaper Goods than what we offer means Inferior Quality. The following are just a few of the many bargains which we will offer Tuesday, January 2nd, 1906.

### LADIES ARTICLES.

Ladies all wool sweaters in Red, Blue and white, well worth \$2.25 this sale at only \$1.75.

Ladies Kid Gloves regular \$1.25 kind for \$1, and the \$1 at 75cts.

We also have a large line of wool golf gloves and mittens that will go regardless of value.

Heavy lined leggings, knee length for 75c., over-gaiters 25c.

Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, and all Novelty Goods for Ladies will be sold at a sacrifice.

All silk waist nicely trimmed latest in style, best in quality, worth \$5.50 going at \$4.50.

### GENTS FURNISHINGS.

Our line is the most complete and up-to-date.

Don't miss this opportunity of getting a genuine Moca Glove worth \$1.25 for only \$1.00. Our line of gloves are the strongest in Baird.

Tie to one of our 35c neckties for a quarter. 75c kind for 50c.

We have a large assortment of men's and boys clothing which we will give a big cash discount on. Come and look through our line and get the prices and if you are a good judge of goods you will buy.

### BOYS CLOTHING.

After climbing fences, playing foot ball, riding, etc., their pants look like the tattered coat of a hobo, not so with the pants that Schwartz sells for boys at 50c and 75cts per pair.

Also the best line of Stockings that can be had anywhere can be found at Schwartz store and the price is low.

We have a big assortment of Hats and Caps—the kind that looks well and the kind that will wear well and at a low price.

### STAPLE ARTICLES.

Best grade calico, fast colors beautiful designs at 5c per yard.

Apron check gingham worth 7c will go in this sale at 5c.

36 inch brown sea island domestic for 7c well worth 8.

A few bolts of outing left which will go at 8 1-3c per yard as long as it lasts.

Star Shoes for men and women are better than many other makes and do not cost as much and fit, feel and wear better. Try them and you will wear no others.

Don't Fail To See What We Can Sell it For.

### TRESPASS NOTICE.

All fishing, hunting or gathering pecans on land owned or controlled by me is positively forbidden.

42-1f JASPER MCCOY.

Mr. J. N. Patterson, of Content, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. D. Green.

I have bought G. A. Clement's interest in the meat market and will collect all accounts. All who know themselves indebted to us will please call and settle at once.

491f L. A. Waters.

Ladies and men's overshoes, any size, at Schwartz' 521f

Mrs. M. P. Burrell and daughter, Miss Mamie, of Oxford, Ohio, arrived last Saturday and will spend a few days here visiting old friends. Mrs. Burrell and daughter lived here many years ago. Some years after Mr. Burrell's death they moved to Ohio where they have since resided. Mrs. Burrell and daughter speak of spending the winter at El Paso, but the snows out there the past few days may cause them to change their plans.

### FOR CRACKED HANDS.

Rough skin and cracked hands are not only cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve, but an occasional application will keep the skin soft and smooth. Best for Eczema, Cuts, Burns, Boils, etc. The genuine De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve affords immediate relief in all forms of Blind Bleeding; Itching and Protruding Piles. Sold by R. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker and children, Dee Walker, Misses Clara and Johnnie Gilliland visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walker at Putnam, Sunday. Mrs. Walker and children stayed over and the others returned on the delayed evening train.

Misses Commora and Lillie and Montie Moon are at home spending the holidays with their mother.

Master Robert Estes spent Christmas with Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones on the ranch.

See Vaughn's special ad on furniture. They are offering specially low price for cash. 3-2

### MARRIED.

MAULDIN—RAMSEY.—Married at the home of the bride's parents in Cottonwood, Sunday, Dec. 17th, at 11 o'clock a. m. Mr. L. B. Mauldin, of Abilene, and Miss Edna Ramsey, of Cottonwood, Elder R. D. Carter officiating. Only a few of the relatives and possibly a friend or two witnessed the ceremony.

Mr. Mauldin is a thriving young farmer of the Abilene country and Miss Edna is an accomplished young lady of our town. They leave for the Abilene country in a few days, where they will make their future home.

We offer congratulations and hope that not a cloud of discord will ever arise on the horizon of their fond hopes.—Cottonwood Fax.

I have \$45,000 worth of the best goods that the factories can produce, strictly from factory to consumer, no middleman. In this way they are cheaper than any other man can afford to show you, bargains only found at T. E. Powell's. 11f

Manager Crook, of the Light Co. got the stubborn dynamo to go to work last Friday night, and the lights are burning again as usual to the relief of all who depend upon the lights. It was an unfortunate and costly break down to the Light Company, but such things will happen to any machinery occasionally. Besides the actual cost by reason of the breaking of the dynamo, pulley, and belt, the Company lost about twelve days service, which makes the loss rather heavy.

### A FEARFUL FATE.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at Powell & Powell, druggists

W. J. Glenn, the blacksmith, is visiting relatives in "Old Alabama." He expects to be gone about a month.

### LET YOUR STOMACH HAVE ITS WAY.

Buy your beef and pork and lard at "Butch" Wilson's

### FAILED.

All efforts have failed to find a better remedy for coughs, colds and lung troubles than Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. J. N. Patterson, Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." Powell & Powell

Fred Speer is at home from the Peacock Military school, San Antonio for the holidays.

### FURIOUS FIGHTING.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under guarantee to do the same for you, by Powell & Powell druggist, at 50c. a bottle. Try them today.

Dan Click, of Oplin, came in the first of the week.

Miss Ada Powell came home from Kid-Key College, Sherman, to spend Christmas.

### LAND FOR SALE

At a bargain, 52 acres good sandy land, 8 miles south of Baird. Good well of water. Small improvements 1-4 mile from good school, \$600, \$200 cash, balance on easy terms. 491f WRISTEN & JOHNSON.

Hugo and Fred Foy are at home from the A. & M. College for the holidays.

The Genuine Hawks specks are for sale only by Powell & Powell. 231f

Three men met on the streets Tuesday and in counting up it was found that the three men had 38 children living. Two of the men live in town and one in the country. Guess who they are.

### THE SECRET OF SUCCESS



"No, Sir! You cannot palm off any substitutes on me. I've been using August Flower since I was a boy, and I'll have no other."

Forty million bottles of August Flower sold in the United States alone since its introduction! And the demand for it is still growing. Isn't that a fine showing of success? Don't it prove that August Flower has had unfailing success in the cure of indigestion and dyspepsia—the worst enemies of health and happiness? Does it not afford the best evidence that August Flower is a sure specific for all stomach and intestinal disorders?—that it is the best of all liver regulators? August Flower has a matchless record of over 35 years in curing the ailing millions of these distressing complaints. Two sizes, 25c and 75c. All druggists.

Remember every subscription two years or more past due on THE STAR will be discontinued without notice unless some arrangements are made before hand. 491f.

### THE SEASON OF INDIGESTION.

The season of indigestion is upon us. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure for Indigestion and Dyspepsia will do everything for the stomach that an over-loaded or over-worked stomach can not do for its self. Kodol digests what you eat—gives the stomach a rest—relieves sour stomach, belching, heart-burn, indigestion, etc. Sold by R. Phillips.

### ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Some parties who only subscribed for service to 10 p. m. are burning lights all night. This is to notify all persons that hereafter bills will be made out for all night service unless lights are turned off according to contract. This refers particularly to business houses. We do not agree to give all night service unless parties pay for same. It is hoped that all patrons will conform to their contracts without further notice. 50 BAIRD ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.

Best 25c meal in Baird at Emil Lowe's. 3

### LA GRIPPE AND PNEUMONIA.

Pneumonia often follows la grippe but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar. It cures la grippe coughs and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Mr. G. Vacher, of 157 Osgood St., Chicago, writes: "My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago, and it left her with a terrible cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. A 50 cent bottle cured her cough entirely." Refuse substitutes. Powell & Powell.

Misses Eliza, Willie and Master Haynie Gilliland spent Christmas day with Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones on the ranch on Clear Creek.

Tablets, Pencils, ink, etc at Powell & Powell's. 40

"Memories of the Lost Cause" by Capt. J. M. Polk, 25 cents per copy, at THE STAR office. 48.

### DOCTORS COULD NOT HELP HER.

"I had kidney trouble for years," writes Mrs. Raymond Connor of Shelton, Wash., "and the doctors could not help me. I tried Foley's Kidney Cure, and the very first dose gave me relief and I am now cured. I cannot say too much for Foley's Kidney Cure." It makes the diseased kidneys sound so they will eliminate the poisons from the blood. Unless they do this, good health is impossible Powell & Powell.

Prof. R. D. Green left Monday for San Antonio where he goes to attend a State meeting of the teachers.

### TORTURE OF A PREACHER.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At Powell & Powell, druggists; price 50c and \$1. guaranteed. Trial bottle free.



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W. E. GILLILAND,  
Editor and Proprietor.

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2 inches Double Column, 1 month.....	2 50
2 inches Double Column, 3 months.....	6 00
1/2 Page, 1 month.....	12 00
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One year.....	\$1 00
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12 PAGES THIS WEEK.

PAY UP.

There is no excuse for any one not paying their subscription this year, because cotton has brought a good price all the fall, but in looking over our subscription list we see very little evidence of it. Pay up. We need the money to pay the fellows that are crowding us for the little and big amounts due them.

Write it 1906.

What has become of the road around that hill west of town?

Don't formulate good resolutions if you don't intend to stand by them.

The money has been flying out of all proportion to the amount of dirt that has been made to fly down on the Isthmus.

If you have been bad the past year, turn over a new leaf and 'be good for one year and it might become a habit.

The deeper they go into the affairs of the large insurance companies the more corruption and rotten rascality is uncovered.

The two New York senators, Platt and Depew, are disgraced in the estimation of the public, but it is not likely they will resign.

Christmas and the 4th of July celebrations in the United States cause more deaths every year than a half dozen revolutions in South America.

The list of the dead and wounded from Christmas celebration over the land is growing larger as the reports come in. Toy pistols, target rifles and cannon crackers seem to be holding their own with blind tiger whiskey pretty well.

Pay your poll tax before it is too late. You will have about half a dozen chances to vote the coming year, but without your poll tax receipt your name is Dennis, whether you are a democrat, republican or prohibitionist.

The old year will soon be gone. It has been a very good year for Baird, Clyde, Putnam, Cottonwood and Cross Plains and the county generally. Our people, as a whole, have reason to be thankful for the favors the old year has bestowed upon them. Some have met with misfortune, in different forms, but the great majority have been prosperous and the county perhaps is in a more prosperous condition than ever before. There is more money in circulation than ever before. (the editors are all excepted of course). May the New Year treat you all kindly is the wish of THE STAR.

BAIRD'S SALE DAY.

The business men are extensively advertising a Special Bargain Sale Day for January 2d. The object is to sell goods, of course, but the main object is to get the people to come to town and see what we have and get acquainted with our merchants, if not already acquainted. It will pay any one to come to Baird on that day. Come, and if our merchants don't treat you royally tell THE STAR about it and we will round them up. But THE STAR is willing to guarantee that every one who comes to Baird on Jan. 2d will be royally treated by our business men. Remember the date, Jan. 2d. THE STAR has no special bargains to offer, but we will be glad to greet all our friends on that day.

LUCKY NUMBERS.

Ticket No 103,474 held by Joe Tisdale drew the watch.

Ticket No. 104,430 drew the doll. The holder is requested to present ticket and get doll at Terrell's Drug Store.

CONFEDERATE COLUMN.

The local Confederate Camp has arranged to publish a Confederate Column each week in THE STAR. A short sketch of each member is desired, to be sent to Capt. W. C. Powell, Historian of the Camp, who will revise them and furnish same to THE STAR. Further announcement next week.

Remember Jan. 2d. You want to be here.

Bowyer Bell is at home from the A. & M. College for the holidays.

Misses Maria and Aurelia Bowyer are at home, from St. Marys College, Dallas, for the holidays.

Mrs. Thos. Brigrance and Miss Cora McDermott, of Fort Worth, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McDermott.

Andy Vaughn and bride, nee Miss Willie Chick, are visiting Mr. Vaughn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Vaughn.

Mrs. L. M. Hadley received a telegram yesterday that her father, M. Summers, was dangerously ill in Louisiana, and that her brother, Walter Summers was accidentally shot. Mr. and Mrs. Hadley left on the first train for Louisiana. A telegram from Mr. Hadley at noon today says Mr. Summers is better, but that there was no hope for Walter Summers.

J. C. Gist presented the editor last week with a gallon of fine syrup made on his farm near Eula. This is as fine a quality of homemade syrup as we have ever seen in the county and we believe superior to any made in the county. Mr. Gist planted two acres of seeded ribbon cane from which he made five hundred gallons of syrup. He has a mill, vats, furnace and everything complete for making syrup and expects to largely increase his crop next year. He has sold about all his present crop at 50cts per gallon.

Two boys were seen playing in a back alley. Both of them were covered with mud, and one was holding a dog while the other was fastening a tin can to the canine's tail. "Why is it," asked the man who discovered them, "that you boys are not at school instead of out here in the dirt abusing a poor dog? I would think your mother would stand this sort of business for a minute." "Say mister, she ain't onto us," said the boys. "She's been away from home a week makin' talks to women on how to raise a family." —Ex.

You are coming to Baird Jan. 2d. You can't afford to stay away.

OPERA NEWS.

FIA DIAVOLO.

Famous Beggar Prince Comic Opera Co., Jany. 8th.

In that refreshing romantic comedy "The Adventures of Fra Diavolo" is combined all the elements of a genuine entertainment. An interesting story, hinging on the villany and machinations of the bandit chief Fra Diavolo, and abounding in catchy music, pretty dances and witty dialogue, serves to introduce a capable company, of which Frank A. Wade, the natural comedian, is a bright particular star, supported by clever company of artists who have been selected for their vocal ability and supplemented with catchy music elegant scenery and beautiful costumes. "The Adventure of Fra Diavolo" will be presented here Monday night, Jany. 8, 1906.

Manager Cooke announces the above excellent organization for Baird on Monday night Jany. 8th, presenting Auber's beautiful romantic comic opera "Fra Diavolo." The reserved seat sale will open at J. A. Christians' Wednesday Jany. 3d, from 9 a. m. until noon for subscribers only and at noon to the general public. This same Company played Abilene Oct. 10th, Cisco 11th; Thuber, 12-13; Weatherford, 14th this Fall and are now playing return dates.

THE HOUSTON AND FRANKLIN.

Big Christmas Greeting.

The people of Abilene who crowded the opera house to witness the Houston-Franklin show yesterday afternoon and night were treated to the best performance ever witnessed in our city. After the afternoon performance people rushed to the reserved seat sale at Sides confectionery store to secure seats for the night performance. It looked like people making a rush on a bank. At least five to seven hundred people were unable to even get standing room. The show remains here for two more performances, tonight and tomorrow night, and they will do the business as the Abilene people like vaudeville.—The Abilene Daily Reporter, Dec. 26.

At Cooke's Opera House Two Nights Commencing Monday Jany. 1st.

SCHOOL ELECTION.

The school election ordered for Baird today was not held on the advice of the Attorney General to Mayor Russell. There is a difference of opinion as to whether all qualified voters, or only qualified property tax-payers can vote at such election. As the Attorney General could not pass upon the question by today he advised Mayor Russell not to hold the election, but re-order the election, which will be done as soon as an opinion from the Attorney General can be had. It is best to go slow in such matters, of course, as haste might badly complicate matters.

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

The members of the local Woodman Lodge distributed about eighty dollars worth of supplies, mostly groceries, to about ten families. The Woodmen made the occasion a regular gala time and from the noise they must have enjoyed the giving as much or more than those who received the presents. This is a practical kind of charity that counts, and the Woodmen deserve the thanks of the public for their kindness.

Of course you will be here Jany. 2d. Don't forget the date, Tuesday, Jany. 2d, A. D. 1906.

At Opera House  
2 NIGHTS 2

Commencing Monday January 1

FRANKLIN-HOUSTON ORPHEUM SHOW

Traveling in their Own Special Car. Presenting all the leading acts from the Orpheum and leading Vaudeville Houses.

A Great Big Attraction.



Better Than A Circus.

20 PEOPLE 20

Sigomuto, royal Japanese troupe, 5 in Number.

4 MILTONS 4

4 LaVern's 4

3 DeLong Sisters 3

Miss Allie Stringer, DeLavoy and Fritz.

The Kinodrome Moving Pictures and Illustrated Songs. Acts that are Headliners.

PRICES 25c, 35c and 50c.

Come to Baird Jany. 2d, and bring all the folks.

WHAT A MORTGAGE DOES.

I would rather be the humblest among those who have given hope to hopeless and happiness to the distressed of my race than to live in history as a conqueror, with my hands stained with innocent blood. I would rather have my name written among those who love their fellow man than to wear the laurels that encircle the brow of the Iron Prince.—Robert Taylor.

A loafer on the street, whose wife was probably at home getting out a neighbor's washing to make money to buy the children shoes, asked a busy man the other day if he ever saw a bald headed woman. "No, I never did," replied the busy man. "And I never saw a woman waltzing around town in her shirt sleeves with a cigar in her teeth and running into every saloon she saw. Neither did I ever see a woman sitting all day at the street corner on a dry goods box telling people how the secretary of the treasury should run the national finances. I have never seen a woman go fishing with a bottle in her pocket sit on the bank all day and go home drunk at night. Nor have I ever seen a woman yank off her coat and say she could lick any man in town." —Kansas City Journal.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE FOR MINERAL WELLS.

Visitors to the Great Health and Pleasure Resort from West Texas reaching Weatherford on train No. 6 at 5:40 a. m. may now make connection with Mineral Wells trains leaving Weatherford at 9:55 a. m. and 11:10 a. m. returning leaving Mineral Wells at 8 p. m. connecting with T. & P. No. 5 leaving Weatherford for the West at 9:45 p. m. Write for Mineral Wells booklet. E. P. TURNER, G. P. A. Dallas, Texas.

The mortgage is a self supporting institution. It always holds its own. It calls for just as many dollars when grain is cheap as when grain is dear. It is not drowned out by heavy rains. It never winter kills. Late springs and heavy frosts never trouble it. Potato bugs do not disturb it. It grows nights, Sundays, rainy days and even holidays. It brings a sure crop every year, and sometimes twice a year. It produces cash every time. It does not have to wait for the market to advance. It is not subject to speculations of the bulls and bears of the board of trade. It is a load that galls and frets and chafes.

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# The Carrier's Address FOR 1906

By EARLE HOOKER EATON

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THREE hundred days plus sixty-four  
Of every year we get  
The editor corrals the floor  
And keeps it, too, you bet!  
But once a year he yields to me  
To tell some things I know.  
And now I've warned you all, you see,  
I think I'll let her go:

One day a carrier, Slim McDade,  
Got funny from the heat.  
Said he: "The paper carrying trade  
Has wore out both my feet.  
If I just had a honk machine  
To rest my feet awhile,  
I'd tank up well with gasoline  
And spread the news in style."



The corner turned, there came to view  
A sight that did Slim good,  
For near the curb, and vacant, too,  
A puffing auto stood.  
"It's mine! I saw it first!" he cried.  
A smile chased off his frown,  
And then he nimbly hopped inside  
And threw his papers down.

He cried: "What chump blew out the gas?  
This smell is far from funny;  
It's like some one in Gladden's class  
Was burnin' tainted money."  
With clumsy hands he fumbled round.  
Said he, "What makes her trek?"  
The auto gave a sudden bound  
That nearly snapped his neck.



Then like a lubber far from land  
And new to Neptune's gear  
He seized the wheel with unskilled hand  
And did his best to steer.  
Along the road he honking flew,  
His course quite like a Z.  
He came within an inch or two  
Of climbing up a tree.

A Thomas cat that dodged about  
In vain was yeowling hurled  
End over end and flattened out  
Against a hard old world.  
A poodie dog as black as tar  
And yearning to be fed  
Came rushing out to bite the car,  
But bit the dust instead.



A pensive cow that tempted fate  
And turned to watch the pup  
Was quickly made to demonstrate  
That beef was going up.  
A Chinese laundry cart flew high  
And busted as it rose,  
And every tree that stood near by  
Put on some underclothes!

The Chinaman a flipflap turned,  
Forgot the Golden Rule  
And jabbered things he never learned  
In 'Mel'can Sunday school.  
Said Slim: "She goes a bit too swift  
And don't steer none too straight,  
But you can bet, with such a lift,  
The papers won't be late.



"No town on earth can sport her mate.  
Just hear her puff and buzz!  
I didn't know before how great  
These choochoo wagons wuz.  
No wonder rich folks wears a smile  
As they plow through the streets.  
There's somethin' doin' all the while,  
And how it rests the feet!"

A circus band came round the curve,  
And Slim felt quite dismayed.  
Said he, "If I don't keep my nerve,  
I'll 'pi' the hull parade!"  
He bumped against a sacred calf  
And then upset a clown;  
He barked the shins of one giraffe  
And knocked another down.



Though followed by the wild west Sioux,  
Eight bulldogs and a "cop,"  
Slim shook them off and onward flew—  
He simply couldn't stop!  
And that was why he saw with pain  
That others might do tossing,  
For he was racing with a train  
Straight toward a railroad crossing.

"It's quite the rage to try to butt  
An engine off the rails,"  
He said, "and yet I'd rather cut  
That out—it sometimes fails."  
He threw his papers off and jumped,  
His limbs above held fast.



The auto rushed ahead and bumped  
And that bump was its last!



Slim dropped, with perspiration wet  
And quite as white as chalk.  
"It rests the feet," he said, "and yet  
I think I'd rather walk!"  
Now, wasn't Slim McDade a peach?  
That's all I've got to say,  
Except just this—I hope you'll each  
Remember ME today!

## A SERIOUS JOKE.

It Was Almost Fatal to the Willing  
Boy, but He Survived.

A business man in lower Broadway is a practical joker of the most rabid description. A few days ago a youth of about fifteen walked into his place, which is a wholesale store, looked around curiously and approached the proprietor.

"Want a boy?" he inquired.  
"Nope," said the man, who was leaning against the doorway to his private office pulling at a pipe.  
"Haven't you got anything a boy could do?"

The man took the pipe from his mouth and looked about.

"I guess a boy could sweep up this floor," he remarked.

"I'm it," said the boy. He hustled into the back of the store, got a broom, and in about fifteen minutes had the floor as clean as that of a dining room.

"Anything else?" he inquired in a businesslike sort of way.

"Nope," said the man, gazing far out across the street. "Much obliged."

The boy looked at him. Intelligence appeared in his face and faded away, to be resolved into disappointment, as one picture fades into another with a dissolving view stereopticon.

"I'm on," he said finally. He walked slowly over to where he had laid his cap and coat and put them on. He glanced up at the man hopefully as he passed out. The man was fixedly looking at something across the street. The boy looked back several times as he walked down the street. There was nothing doing. He reached the corner and turned into a side street. A moment later a hand was laid on his shoulder, and he turned to face one of the clerks.

"The old man says here's a dollar for you, and stop reading story books," he said. "What's the joke?"

The boy placed the dollar in his pocket, and his face brightened.

"It's a long story," he said, "but tell the old man for me that his joke come pretty near being fatal."

However, he whistled cheerily as he walked away.—New York Press.

## The Bulgarian Peasant.

In a Bulgarian peasant's cottage the floors are of mud. The kitchen, fronting the street, is also the living room. Behind there is a sleeping room, with a bedstead in it for the head of the house, while the sons and daughters sleep upon mats stretched on the floor. The furniture consists of wooden tables, benches and chests. The crockery and household utensils of every sort seem of the commonest and coarsest kind. I should doubt if there is a single house in the whole village in which any English laborer or artisan earning good wages would not deem it a hardship to be obliged to live. At the same time there was no single dwelling which, given the habits and customs of the country, could be fairly described as unfit for human habitation.—"The Peasant State," Dicey.

## Willing to Abolish It.

James Merry, a well known Scottish ironmaster and owner of race horses, once decided to run for parliament. He stood as candidate for Glasgow. He posed as an extreme radical and was prepared to abolish everything in sight as a short way to reform. At one of his meetings where the heckling of candidates was the feature, as in all Scottish elections, he was asked, after he had disposed summarily of the crown, the house of lords and most of the British constitution, whether he would abolish the Decalogue. "Certainly," cried the valiant Merry. Then, turning to his nearest neighbor on the platform, he asked in an audible whisper, "Jock, what in thunder's the Decalogue?"

## A City Built in a Cherry Seed.

At the time of the French Crystal palace exposition a Nuremberg toymaker exhibited a cherry stone with in the cavity of which he had built a perfect plan of the city of Sevastopol—streets, railway approaches,

bridges, etc. A powerful microscope was used in exhibiting this wonderful miniature city, and it is estimated that not less than 500,000 people took a peep at the results of the toymaker's toil. Each of these 500,000 sightseers deposited a franc piece in the hands of the ingenious workman, the total of the cash thus taken in netting him a snug little fortune.

## It Was Enough.

For years they had been the best of friends, but a moment's absent-mindedness made them deadly and irreconcilable enemies. It was Mrs. Hawkins' fault. Mrs. Brumley had been ill for a month, and was telling her friend all about it.

"Yes, Mrs. Hawkins," she said, "I was very ill. They were afraid of my losing my mind."

"Oh, and did you, Mrs. Brumley?" asked Mrs. Hawkins, with cordial interest.

That was all.

## The Empress' Pen.

The German empress invariably writes with a swan quill, and wherever she goes packets of these quills are among her luggage.

## Low Necked Stockings.



Do you think it shocking  
To wear the low necked stocking?  
I think it's fun to run about  
With both my knees a-peeping out  
In broad daylight  
And in plain sight.  
For naught is there that's shocking  
About the low necked stocking.

Farmers of Oswego county, New York, demand that Senators Platt and Depew resign.

Two million bushels of potatoes will be shipped from Aroostook county, Maine, to Texas.

M. Pena was so badly stabbed at Brackettville, Tex., that he died. An arrest was made.

In a pistol duel at Perry, Okla., Joseph Quinn, a councilman, shot and killed L. F. Lebers.

An unknown white man was found in an unconscious condition in a box car at Texarkana.

During November 295 babies were born in Dallas county. There were sixty-seven deaths.

Eight men were killed by a fall of 1,000 tons of ore in the Newport mine at Ironwood, Mich.

A. C. Potter, who died at Perry, Okla., was an Odd Fellow, Mason, Knight of Pythias and an Eagle.

Samuel F. Gable died in the southern part of Dallas county. He located in that county in 1856.

A baby born to Railroad and Moll Cisco is the first among the Tonkawa Indians in three years.

Texas State Health Officer Tabe and wife depart Jan. 9 for a three months' trip of Europe.

The little child of Mr. Young of Houston consumed an ounce and a half of chloroform and died.

Mrs. Lillie Clark of Evansville, Ind., was found dead in front of her door. A hand held to the door knob.

Tom Williams was fatally shot at Wilson, near Ardmore, soon dying. Postmaster Love was arrested.

An electric car was struck by a train at Dallas and turned over. Several passengers sustained bruises.

Twelve miles north of De Kalb, Tex., J. S. Mabry killed a bald eagle measuring seven feet two inches from tip to tip.

Captain Joseph Boisseau, a resident of Shreveport since 1848, and a prominent planter and business man, is dead.

F. H. Herndon of Lake Park, Ga., claims to have been robbed of \$650 on a train between New Orleans and Beaumont.

## CUSTOMS AT ETON.

The Slang and the Ways of the Great English School.

New boys at Eton must at once learn the school etiquette and the long list of slang words peculiar to Eton.

According to ancient custom, the new boys have a fortnight's grace before they begin their duties as fags.

During this time the budding Etonian has no small task to accomplish. He must first of all master more than 300 words, meaningless to the outside world, but of common use at Eton.

Among the many slang words the following are some of the most curious:

Dame—Housemasters' wives or matrons.

Dry Bob—A boy who plays cricket.

Wet Bob—A boy who boats.

Swog—A Greek composition.

Chamber—A large room in college divided into "stalls" or cubicles.

Glory Corner—Formed by the bed and the wall, where dirty clothes are kept hidden by a curtain.

Threepenny Day—Feb. 27, when every collegier in hall is presented with a threepenny bit.

Fire Lags—The boys in chamber who have to keep up the fire.

Dead Man's Hole—The little square hole formed by the steps on a five cost.

Pepper Box—The buttress of a five cost.

Tag—The usual name for a collegier—i. e., a boy with a scholarship.

An acquaintance with the chief shops of Eton must also be acquired, for as soon as the fortnight is over the new boy, in his capacity as a fag, may be sent on an errand in the town; indeed, it will be part of his duty to fetch his "fag master's" hot food from one of the school shops.

This in itself is not so easy as it sounds, and the sooner a new boy learns his way to the kitchens of "Rowland's" and "Little Brown" and the gentle art of worming in among a crowd to a position where he can get what he wants the better for that boy.

In addition to this he must on no account forget to observe the following essential points of etiquette:

To turn up the bottom of his trousers.

To keep the bottom button of his waistcoat unbuttoned.

Never to roll up his umbrella.

Never to turn down the collar of his greatcoat.

Always to walk on the right hand pavement when going downtown—i. e., toward Windsor.

The new boy's greatest ambition is to become a member of "Pop." This society, which consists of twenty-eight "bloods," possesses and exercises a number of privileges. A boy in "Pop" may fag any lower boy of any house, may walk arm in arm in the streets, may sit on the long wall outside the college. He has also a room reserved for him at Little Brown's, the confectioner.

As regards costume, a member of "Pop" may wear a buttonhole, patent leather boots and any colored waistcoat.

## Geodes.

Did you ever see a geode, the ugly, creamy, yellow, rounded rock which, upon being broken open, presents a perfect wilderness of diamondlike crystals? They are oddities of the oddest kind and are not too plentiful anywhere. The word "geode" means "earth form" and is applied to all hollow stones which are filled with crystallized matter. When broken open, some are found to be full of pure looking, clear water. Others appear to be full of yellow or brown paint, while a third class are filled with what appears to be a very fair quality of tar. No odds what the filling of the cavity may be composed of, the sides are always studded with crystals. Should the filling be yellow the crystals are likely to be of the same color, but by far the greater portion of them are as clear as ice or diamonds.

The capsizing of a boat near Jefferson, Tex., John Stanford was drowned.

A railroad line has been projected from Ardmore to Colorado via Lawton.

Loss by the recent fire at Clifton, Bosque county, Texas, is placed at \$100,000.

J. D. Benedict, the supervisor of Indian schools in Indian Territory, has resigned.

A. M. Fauth, a Davis, I. T., merchant, suicided by shooting himself in the head.



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 Scripture Text.  
 Paper—The Scope of the W. C. T. U. Work.  
 National Leaflet No. 60.  
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 Closing song.  
 Will meet at the Methodist Church January 5th 1906. All interested in the work come, business of importance.

TOBACCO SMOKING.

I believe it is almost impossible to induce a confirmed smoker to give up the habit, and I speak from personal experience. I myself in early life was not a smoker. I went through all the arduous work of a medical student by being present at operations in dissecting and post-mortem rooms, and in the fever hospitals, and I never smoked, though I went through my work with great facility. Later on I learned to smoke, and continued to do so for many years. The whole of that time I was dyspeptic from smoking, I at length resolved to give it up. It was hard work to do so, but I eventually succeeded, and I never been more thankful than for the day it was accomplished. I gave up wine, beer, and every other alcoholic drink with infinitely less trouble than smoking. It is very difficult, indeed to abandon this pernicious habit of smoking. In-veterate smokers are those who commence to smoke early in life. Smoking is, to a certain extent, connected with drinking. Persons who smoke experience a faintness, followed by a nausea, which alcoholic drinks often allay. On this point I can speak from personal experience. I should have been led into the fields of total abstinence five years before I was, had it not been for the smoking habit I had contracted. Whatever we may say about the effects of tobacco smoking in adults, there can be no doubt as to its effect on the young. In them it always produces a state of functional diseases which is unquestionable, and of serious character. It stops the proper working of the digestive powers. If it were a fact that all our young men and young women were to smoke, and continue

the habit until they were fathers and mothers, their offspring would be so stunted and little as to be thoroughly incapable of carrying out the duties required by our generation. We cannot praise our mothers too much for the fact that they have not become smokers.—The late Sir B. W. Richardson, M. D., F. R. S. in National Advocate.

Cleave closely to the stairway; a sidgle step to one side or the other brings a fall. Nearly all catastrophes in Alpine climbing result from wandering from the guides or from venturing on forbidden ground. Jesus never promises his aid except in the path of obedience. Every redeemed host is bound to strive for the highest, holiest and most fruitful life that grace can impart. The angels of prayer will ascend and the angels of prayer will descend upon that divine ladder which links earth to heaven.—T. L. Cuyler, in Christian Advocate.

Mrs. M. ALICE FLOYD, Press Supt.

GREETING.

We wish you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, when you want good goods at a reasonable price remember me.

Yours Truly,  
 HARRY MEYER.

A sequel to the recent Texas & Pacific wreck near Fort Worth in which Luther Wilson, fireman on one of the engines was killed, is contained in a pathetic story in which is related the sad details of the wreck of the hopes of a young lady. This young woman was a clerk in a business house in Fort Worth, was loved by her associates, respected and valued by her employers. The day upon which the railroad accident occurred she gave notice that in one week she would retire from the employment of the firm and her young lady companions being apprised of the step gathered about her to beg that she would reconsider and remain with them. She was so determined in her refusal to withdraw her resignation, so happy in her demeanor that her companions at once suspected her motives and the girls in chorus accused her of matrimonial intentions. To their surprise the young lady admitted it without hesitation and in response to the numerous demands, "Oh, tell us all about it," she bounded upon the counter and with eager listeners gathered about her, she told of her plans; of her engagement to Luther Wilson; of her perfect felicity in contemplating a life of marriage bliss. She told when they were to be married, where they were to reside and extended a cordial invitation to her friends around her to visit her after the wedding. Hearty congratulations followed and while these formal felicitations were being showered upon the happy girl a messenger boy entered with a telegram. It was addressed to the young lady, who was at that moment the happiest in all Fort Worth. It contained these words: "Luther Wilson killed in wreck." The broken-hearted girl read the dispatch and fell unconscious into the arms of her companions.—Waco Times-Herald.

There was a man in town and he was wondrous wise; for when he marked his prices down he did them advertise. And when he saw his increase, with stalwart might and main he lower still marked every price and advertised again. And when he advertised again his rival loudly swore to see folks rush with might and main to patronize his store. And while they sat in solitude and saw his custom win, that man behind the counter stood and raked the shekels in. Each day a generous sum he made, and demonstrated plain, the more one pays for printer's ink the greater is his gain.—Ex.

WHEN ROBERT SWORE OFF

By ERNEST JARROLD

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"LOOK at it, Mabel—how it glitters, as if a mass of melted jewels! I toast you in some of the most incomparable liquid joy that was ever imprisoned in staves of oak. Sweetheart, your health!"

Mabel Brentwood inclined her stately head and raised a glass of lemonade as she sat opposite to Robert Mumford, her affianced husband, in her mother's drawing room on New Year's eve.

"I am sorry I cannot join you in drinking whisky, Robert, but you know my horror of alcohol. My father was a three bottle man, and he died of gout, my uncle shot a dear friend while under the influence of the 'incomparable liquid joy,' and you have broken veins in your cheeks."

"My lady chooses to be sarcastic," replied Robert. "I hope you are not becoming a fanatic."

"Robert, how can you treat so serious a subject in such a trite manner?" said Mabel earnestly. "There is no moral or physiological defense for the use of alcohol. Physicians use it only as a



"I'LL TAKE YOUR BET, SWEETHEART."

horseman uses a spur. They have tested its terrible reaction. Heart, lungs, kidneys, unite in rejecting it as a deadly enemy. It puts a premium on murder, inspires thievery and makes strong men strike defenseless women."

Here Mabel stopped, overcome with emotion.

"Why, my dear girl, I did not know that you took the matter so seriously. What has stimulated your interest in the subject so remarkably?"

Mabel arose and walked to his side. She ran her slender fingers through his bronze curls; then she leaned over and kissed him on the forehead.

"You, Robert, are responsible. I have watched you since you have been coming here to visit me lately. Why, you drank a quart of claret at dinner this evening, and you have visited the side-board six times since dinner tonight."

Robert sat erect in his chair and shook off the caressing fingers. "I did not know that I was alcoholically under surveillance," he said coldly.

"That's the way with a man," replied Mabel sorrowfully. "Tell him the truth and he always meets it with brutality. Now, Mr. Gunpowder," she continued, seating herself on the arm of his chair and putting her arm around his neck, "I'm not going to quarrel with you, but I'm willing to bet you a box of bonbons against a pair of gloves that you cannot give up drinking for one month."

"I'll take your bet, sweetheart," said Robert, mollified by the caress, "just to show you that I'm not the confirmed sot you evidently think me. Drinking is merely a habit which, perhaps, I have encouraged a little, but it won't cause me the least annoyance to give it up for a month to please you."

For many years he had been a consistent drinking man. In summer he drank alcohol in some of its favorite disguises to make him cool and in winter to warm him up. Every meal was anticipated by a cocktail to give him an appetite. In fact, brandy or whisky was a panacea for every ill. Alcohol had been the crutch upon which he had leaned for so long a time that it had become a necessity. And now that he had thrown the crutch away he began to realize the terrible contract he had undertaken.

New Year's day he spent at his club, where the holiday was celebrated in the traditional fashion, with steaming punches and all the delicious concoctions so dear to his palate. Every nerve in his tortured body whithered for its accustomed stimulus. And the fight had only just begun! He remembered with self contempt that all his

torture was caused by the whim of a woman. And he was to endure this torture for thirty days! He could not do it, he thought. Then it began to dawn upon him that Mabel was right; that he really was the refined drunkard she had hinted at. And with this thought the mirth and jollity of the club became unbearable to him, and he donned his coat and rushed out into the night, where the physical action relieved him somewhat.

The next day Robert was ill—nervous prostration and heart failure, the doctor called it. All he needed was a little brandy. Robert said no, he would



HE PUT THE GLASS BACK ON THE TABLE.

fight it out on a milk diet, and he sent a telegram to Mabel saying he was laid up with a slight touch of malaria, but would be out in a few days.

When Robert rode up to the Brentwood residence a week later he had lost twenty pounds. He was pale and thin, and he walked with a cane. With a sigh of content he dropped into the easy chair which Mabel rolled out for him. There was no allusion to the bet during the evening, for which Robert was inwardly grateful, but such an atmosphere of appreciation, such tenderness of speech and touch and solicitude, that Robert felt that she was the only woman who understood him, and he flattered himself, man fashion, by thinking that she was worth the fight he was making. And just before a carriage came to take him away he drank a glass of fruit juice which Mabel said was of her own concoction.

Alcohol is a kind of liquid cement which binds men of a bibulous type together, and now that the cohesive element was lacking Robert did not feel easy with his old associates. Besides, they resented his desertion as an implied reflection on their own habits. Consequently Robert spent nearly all his evenings in the society of his sweetheart. And invariably, after returning from the concert or theater, Mabel would ask him to take a parting glass of some new drink which she had discovered. Now it was an orange phosphate and again a glass of raspberry vinegar or spiced lemonade until Robert began to believe that there was no end to the kinds of temperance fluids in her closets.

"It looks as if you were going to win your bet, Robert," said Mabel one evening when only two hours intervened between the limit of the thirty days.

"Oh, yes," replied Robert with easy assurance. "It was a foregone conclusion."

"I suppose you will never touch liquor again?" she said wistfully.

"Oh, I don't know about that, Mabel. I shall probably take a glass of liquor now and then when I feel like it. Of course I shall always respect your prejudices."

"Prejudice is sometimes another name for truth, Robert," said Mabel.

At 10 o'clock Robert arose from his seat and took a flask of whisky from his pocket. He poured an inch and one-half of the amber fluid into a lemonade tumbler which stood upon the table. Raising the glass aloft, he said in the words of Ingersoll:

"Mabel, I toast you in some of the most wonderful whisky that ever drove the skeleton from the feast or painted landscapes in the brains of men. In it you will find the sunshine and the shadow that chase each other over the billowy fields, the carol of the lark, the breath of June and autumn's glad content. Your health, sweetheart!"

Robert raised the glass to his lips, but as the odor of the liquor reached his nostrils a look of supreme disgust and repulsion overspread his face. He

put the glass back on the table. Mabel watched him with fascinated interest. Once more he raised the glass, and again his face was convulsed with aversion. He threw the liquor into the fire, and Mabel burst into tears. From

the shelter of his comforting arms, a few minutes later, she said:

"And now that you have made such a gallant fight and won you will give up drinking liquor entirely, won't you, Robert?"

"Yes, my love, if it will please you so much," replied Robert.

As the lingering echo of her lover's footsteps died away in the street Mabel took from her pocketbook an advertisement which stated that Dr. Esculapian Galen's sovereign remedy for the alcohol habit could be placed secretly in the tea or coffee of a husband or sweetheart and that he would then be cured of the vice.

"I wonder whether Dr. Galen's sovereign remedy or Robert's powerful will is responsible for his reformation," Mabel soliloquized.

And her face assumed that look of quiet exultation which the faces of all good women wear when their little heels have crushed the head of a serpent.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

How to Perform an Interesting Trick With Dice.

Here is a clever trick which may be performed with an ordinary dice box and three dice: Place the dice and box on a table and request one of the company to throw the dice. While he is doing this you must turn your back to the table so that it is evident that you cannot see what he throws. Tell him to remember carefully how many spots he has thrown.

Then, reaching back with your hand, but without turning around, pick up one of the dice, turn up the side which rested on the table, have the number on that side added to the number which the thrower made in his first throw. Now tell him to put the dice which you hold in your hand into the box and throw it again and add that also to his count. You now turn around, count the uppermost spots on the dice as they lay, add seven and announce the sum, which will exactly tally with the count made by the person who threw the dice.

This seeming example of second sight may be clearly explained by the following example: Suppose the first throw to consist of 5, 4 and 1, altogether 10. Pick up the 4 and turn the bottom up, which is 3. This makes the count 13. This dice is again thrown and turns up a 6, making 19 in all. On turning around you see on the table 5, 1 and 6—that is, 12 spots. Add 7 and the result is also 19, the sought for number. This trick depends upon the very simple but little noted fact that the two opposite sides of a dice always count seven.

Ghost Writing.

Ghost writing is very mysterious and exciting. Dip a new, clean pen in pure lemon juice and with this queer ink write mottoes or charms on a number of pieces of writing paper. Allow the ink to become perfectly dry, when it will fade out completely; then place the charms in a box and let each girl and boy in turn draw what appears to be a blank slip of paper. After examining it the paper should be handed to some grown person present who is in the secret and who has provided a lighted candle, by means of which she may read the ghost writing. All the young people can cluster round and with baited breath watch the magical developing of the words on the blank paper as the reader moves the message back and forth over the lighted candle. The heat brings out the writing in distinct letters that all may see. A second charm must not be taken from the pile until the first omen has been read aloud.

Merely Arrangement.

Add the figures 1 to 9 inclusive and make 100.

It sounds impossible, but an expert "puzzler" shows that it is merely a matter of arrangement. Here is the demonstration:

15  
 36  
 47  
 98  
 2  
 100

Conundrums.

Name something with two heads and one body. A barrel.

What coat is finished without buttons and put on wet? A coat of paint.



# Special sales Day

## At Baird, Tues. Jan. 2.

A special sales day has been inaugurated and such inducements in the way of low prices for cash is being offered that it will be to the interest to every citizen of the county to come to Baird on that day and do their trading. The object is to advertise the town by having people come to Baird and see what we have got and get acquainted with our business men, believing that it be to the mutual advantage of both buyers and sellers. If you have not been doing your trading in Baird come to town Jan. 2 and see what you can do. Look out for ads in Star next week, and circulars that will be sent you through the mails. The following merchants have agreed to make special low prices for cash on that day, notice of which will appear in Star next week and will be mailed you in circulars: T. E. Powell, C. S. Boyles, McGowen Bros., B. L. Boydston, Harry Meyer, Hadley Bros., J. C. Jones, J. H. Terrell, H. F. Foy, R. Phillips, C. H. Mahan, Hammans Bros., A. L. Vaughn, H. Schwartz, Powell & Powell.

### FROM NEW MEXICO.

ESTANCIA, N. M. Dec. 12, 1905.

I'll step in and through the medium of THE STAR converse with my friends of many year's association.

Mr. Editor we are about 360 miles north of El Paso, 69 miles south of Santa Fe in a valley just east of a very high range of mountains, the names of which I am not familiar with except the Monzans. We are about 20 miles east of the Grand Monzan mountain, where there are old ruins and three very old apple orchards, said by tradition to be 200 or more years old. When the Mexicans came in here 99 years ago the apple trees were as large then as now which are immense in size, and tradition says that 99 years ago when the Mexicans first discovered the old ruins the apples were 1 1/2 to 3 feet deep under the trees. The strangest thing about the old ruins is that there has never yet been found the resting place of the dead. So it must have been the habitation of a very ancient race of people in which history figures not. Another fact in regard to the old ruins of Monzans, it is the place where the noted novelist, Gen. Lew Wallace, wrote the greater part of his famous book, "Ben Hur."

This is a great valley about 68 miles wide and about 90 or 100 miles long, through which passes the Santa Fe Central Ry. from north to south. In many places in the valley near Estancia water is very near the top of the ground, many wells are only 12 to 20 feet deep and they afford an endless supply of pure, clear water. The valley is covered mostly with solid turf of Mesquite and Black Gramma grass, and in some places in the valley they put up lots of hay. The land is all Government land so far and subject to homestead. There has been some few townships surveyed by the Government and subject to filing Jan. 5, 1906. There are plenty of spotters getting on the land in this valley now, but there is room for many more. The whole valley is rolling prairie, where stock of all kind do well. This at one time, was a cattle country, but sheep now predominates. It is said that there are about 900,000 head of sheep in the foothills of the mountains and there has been several thousand head shipped out this fall and in connection with the wool crop next spring will bring in a full reward.

This county (Porrance) was only organized last January and it has made rapid strides in the way of improvements in agriculture, horticulture, pomology, etc. I am sure this will be one of the finest wheat countries in the land when it becomes fully developed. I have been here about four weeks and there has been a good season in the ground all the time, and I am sure from what I know about the production of the

cereals this is the land for them.

Would say in connection that it commenced snowing yesterday evening and snowed all night and is still snowing at this writing, 12 M.

There is what is called the Estancia (Place of Rest) Springs, where people in going across the country and lands farther west and on returning the next year to visit "my wife's people" would stop to rest and refresh their teams. There are great trails leading to and from these springs, when if the people had only known that they could have taken a spade and pick and dug to water in less time than one half day when many times their poor thirsty animals were lashed for three or four days to get to this spring.

Estancia has the machine shops and round house for the Central. The population of the town is about 500 with two good dry goods and grocery stores, one book and drug store, one hardware store, one furniture store, three blacksmith shops, one saloon, one millinery shop, two lumber yards, one livery stable, two restaurants, one hotel and about 2,000 Mexican population in the county. The Judge of the Court is the proprietor of the only saloon in town. Groceries sells about the same here as in Baird. Barb wire \$3.25 per 100 pounds, nails and staples 5c per pound. Good, big heavy horses and large mules are in good demand at good prices, but small ones are poor sale at small prices. Cows are not much in demand, but worth about \$25. to \$30. for milch cows. There is plenty of Government land in four or five miles of Estancia, fine and nice without a shrub or stone on it. Yet wood can be had by going eight or ten miles to the mountains after it, and you can get all cedar if you so desire. Lumber has advanced some. Can get lumber at the mills at from \$10. to \$16 per M.

There seems to be plenty of work, as I see no idle men.

Well, Dr. R. G. Powell, I have investigated that business we talked over and find it all right and I think a peach for some one, but in my judgment it would not suit your station in life by any means.

J. E. Tisdale the game is here, but the mountains are covered with snow and the laws of the Territory are very severe in regard to the game and fish business. I have eat some fine venison since I came here, but I have not been hunting, been busy trying to get a shelter for winter.

With best wishes for THE STAR and its force I remain.

J. I. RAWSON.

We sell the best Horse collar on earth, ask to see it. C. S. Boyles. 4t

Yes, we have what you want in Lap Robes, Horse Blankets and Saddle Blankets. C. S. Boyles. 2-4

A beautiful line of children's toque caps just arrived at H. Schwartz 52tf

### EXCURSION RATES.

Holiday Excursion to all points in Texas at rate of one and one-third fare for round trip. Tickets on sale Dec. 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th, 25th 26th, 30th, 31st and Jany. 1st. Return limit Jany. 4th.

Holiday Excursion to Southeastern states and various points in North and North-east at rate of one and one-third fare for round trip. Tickets on sale Dec. 21st, 22d, and 23d. Return limit 30 days from date of sale. For further information apply to

J. B. HARMON, Agent.

### FOR SALE.

Good second hand piano for sale, rent or will trade for stock. See it at Will Vaughn's store. Terms to suit. J. L. LEA. 52a

### PAY UP.

If you owe me anything you know it, so come pay up I must have the money to meet my bills. 2 4t C. S. Boyles

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Millions rush in mad chase after health, from one extreme of faddism to another, when, if they would only eat good food, and keep their bowels regular with Dr. King's New Life Pills, their troubles would all pass away. Prompt relief and quick cure for liver and stomach trouble. 25c at Powell & Powell's drug store; guaranteed.

Fine cookery at Emil Lowe's.

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Get turkeys at the Cosmopolitan Restaurant. 3-2

Go to Vaughn's for furniture. 3-2

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If you want something good to eat come to the Cosmopolitan Restaurant. 3

You get the value of your money at Schwartz. 52tf

### NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County. 2-tf T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

### GIVE YOUR STOMACH REST.

Nothing will cure indigestion that doesn't digest the food, itself, and give the stomach rest. You can't expect that a weak stomach will regain its strength and get well when it is compelled to do the full work that a sound stomach should do. You wouldn't expect a sick horse to get well when it is compelled to do a full day's work every day of the week. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is a perfect digestant and digests the food regardless of the condition of your stomach. Relieves Indigestion, Belching, Sour Stomach, and all stomach disorders. Sold by R. Phillips.

Vaughn has anything you want in furniture. 3-2

If its furniture you want Vaughn has it. 3-2

## The Home National Bank

Will be pleased to welcome their customers and friends to their New Year Reception on

### Tuesday, January 2, 1906.

T. E. POWELL, Pres.

FRED LANE, Cashier.

HARRY MEYER, V. P.

W. J. TRENT, Asst. C.



# AMERICA'S FIRST NEW YEAR'S DAY

By J. A. EDGERTON

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NEW ENGLAND may have seen the first Thanksgiving celebration, and Philadelphia may have inaugurated the Fourth of July racket, but the initial New Year's day observed by white men on American soil was celebrated on the island of Haiti Jan. 1, 1493. Just what there was to that celebration will never be known. Columbus, for he was master of ceremonies, was so busy with other matters that he failed to leave a record. But it is impossible that Europeans should have let their first New Year's in a new world pass by without some observance.

It was on the 1st day of January, 1492, by the way, that Columbus met the sovereigns of Spain, Ferdinand and Isabella, and concluded with them the contract for his voyage of exploration and discovery. That might be called the initial New Year's, though it was not spent in America. It was a sort of prophecy, as it were, of the day that was to be spent in the then undiscovered country one year later.

It was not until August that the three ships got under way. Then they sailed into new seas in search of a continent that had been hidden from the knowledge of man all through the ancient and middle ages. But Columbus did not know that he was to find such a continent. He was seeking a western route to India and died in the belief that the land he found was a part of Asia. He accomplished more than he knew. The "divinity that shapes our ends" was kinder to him than his own prevision.

Across the unknown ocean he sailed until, almost becalmed in the tropic seas, each of his vessels was "like a palated ship upon a painted ocean." It was then that the crews well nigh mutinied. Only the indomitable will and courage of Columbus kept them upon their way. At last floating seaweed and flying birds told of approaching land. By following the flight of the birds the new shore was sighted. America was discovered, and a new era was opened in the history of humanity.

It was in October that the landing was made. The thing was accomplished, or Columbus thought it accomplished, of which he had dreamed from youth. Through poverty, neglect, ridicule and rebuffs he had sought all through the intervening years for people of means who would take interest in his dream. So great was the stress of his soul that he had gone white headed at thirty, and now he was far past forty. But he had been faithful to his vision, and his reward had come.

From island to island the voyagers passed until Cuba was reached and then Haiti, where the discoverer's flagship was wrecked. The natives, who were delighted with the visit of the white men, helped him save his wreckage and cared for him and his crews until he was ready for the return voyage. It was Christmas morning when Columbus landed at Guarico, and it was Jan. 4, 1493, when he sailed away for Spain. So the New Year's day was spent among the hospitable Haitian natives.

The birth of 1906 marks the four hundred and thirtieth anniversary of the day since then, a very brief time in the life of the world, but a very long time in the annals of progress. The Spain from which Christopher Columbus sailed has passed into eclipse.



LANDING OF COLUMBUS FROM AN OLD SPANISH PRINT.

While the lands he discovered support nations that are in the morning splendors of a better age.

Whatever the formal ceremonies attending the first New Year's day in the western hemisphere, its notability is not lessened. That Columbus and his men took some note of its passage goes without saying. Even in a time so crowded with other emotions the fact that he was greeting another year

on the shore that he had seen so long in vision must have filled the heart of the daring discoverer with quickened joy and thanksgiving. His mind would naturally travel back a twelvemonth to the day that he had completed with his sovereigns the negotiations for the voyage that had culminated in success.

Just as naturally he would look forward to another year, picturing the enthusiasm at his home coming, the fitting out of other expeditions and the colonizing of the new land. Happily then he knew naught of the chains and indignities that awaited him. The future was all rosy. He had discovered the western way to the Indies; he would return and find gold, and henceforth fame and fortune would be his.

The feast which the Spaniards had that New Year's day in Guarico was something novel for European palates. First there was bread made of Indian maize, or corn, over which Columbus grew so enthusiastic that he carried a quantity of the grain back to Spain. Another form of Indian bread was made from a tuber called manioc. The white men were also introduced to the West Indian "pepper pot," which is still highly esteemed. Then they were asked to try a condiment called "aje," which proved too strong even for the seasoned stomach of a Spaniard. There were meats as well made from a sort of rabbit, a "dumb dog," a lizard, or iguana, to say nothing of boiled parrots. There were also fruits and vegetables in such quantities that Columbus wrote in his journal it was the most protracted feast he had ever enjoyed.

It is also narrated that after the feast the Indians smoked the delicious



FROM ISLAND TO ISLAND THE VOYAGERS PASSED.

West Indian tobacco and invited the whites to do likewise, but this was too heathenish a custom for the dons. So tobacco was a luxury unknown in Europe till Raleigh started it on its way to make incense around the world.

Columbus left part of his crew, but they treated the trusting natives in so Spaniardly a fashion, if the term may be used, that the red men turned about and murdered the entire outfit. It was here in the West Indies, by the way, that the great discoverer was afterward placed in chains by some titled nobody who was sent over to represent the Spanish king. It is not alone republics that are ungrateful.

But the memory of that initial New Year's, which was also the first day of a new epoch in the history of mankind, will be cherished along with the fame of him who drew the veil from two continents and made it possible for the weary world to look into a later golden age in another Atlantis.

**New Year's in French Canada.**  
New Year's day to the people of French Canada is as much of a social holiday, as much of a children's festival, as Christmas is to their English speaking fellow citizens. As in the United States, France and England, so in the province of Quebec the religious observance of Christmas is very much more imposing than that of New Year's day, but among the French Canadians the day of social festivity and family reunions and of the giving and receiving of gifts is not Christmas, but New Year's. To many of the younger portion of French Canada's population New Year's day is still known, as it was in those provinces of France from which their forefathers came, as le jour des etrennes—the day of gifts.

**The Weeping Toad.**  
In the ancient churches of the Tyrol the sacred edifices are kept securely closed on the evening before the new year, and the people of that romantic district are firmly convinced, that at

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this time, when no one is present, a huge toad crawls before the altar and prays, weeping bitterly. These toads are supposed to be the reincarnations of Christians who have failed to make a pilgrimage, and no one in the Tyrol ever molests them as they go hopping about, striving, perhaps, to find their way to shrines which have long since ceased to exist.

### Russia's New Year.

In Russia the new year is ushered in by a long and rather tiresome New Year's religious service, which is followed by strenuous drinking, frequently interrupted by prostrations before the all powerful icons, or holy pictures, without which no Russian household is safe and which have played so prominent a part in the war in the far east.

### Scandinavia's Odd Custom.

In Scandinavia the favorite beverage New Year's day is drunk from silver or wooden tankards or from horns of the urox, an animal now extinct, which custom substantiates the antiquity of the Norse New Year's day. Many of these horns are old enough to have been used by Thor and Odin.

### Pirating Foley's Honey and Tar.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. These worthless imitations have similar sounding names. Beware of them. The genuine Foley's Honey and tar is in a yellow package. Ask for it and refuse any substitute. It is the best remedy for coughs and colds. Powell & Powell.

The latest color and designs in ladies and gents watch fobs at Powell & Powell's. 23-1f

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When you think of drugs see Powell. 30-1f

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## T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

### WEST BOUND.

No. 8. arrives.....	3:30 p m
departs.....	3:40 p m
No. 5. arrives.....	2:40 a m
departs.....	2:45 a m
EAST BOUND.	
No. 4. arrives.....	12:01 p m
departs.....	12:21 p m
No. 6. arrives.....	12:50 a m
departs.....	1:05 a m

J. B. HARMON, Agent.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Murray Harris, Road Master on the T. & P. is at home.

Sumner Harris, of Oplin, was in town yesterday with cotton.

Uncle Tom Norrell, our popular tax assessor, came up from Cottonwood yesterday.

Bob Stephenson, of Eula, came in Friday to see W. B. Patton in "The Last Rose of Summer."

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vaughn and children, of Ft. Worth, spent Christmas with relatives in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Buell Jones came in last Friday from Chihuahua, Mexico, to spend the holidays with relatives.

Arvin Mayes arrived a few days ago from Oklahoma, on a visit to friends. The old Baird boys all come back.

Judge B. R. Webb, of Fort Worth, came in Tuesday evening on a short visit to his mother, and brothers, A. G., and S. E. Webb.

Dr. I. W. Powell, of Holcomb, Mo., is visiting his mother and sister, Mrs. A. M. Miller, and brothers, Dr. R. G., T. E. and H. O. Powell.

Miss Sallie Cowen, who has spent the past year with her brother, V. H. Cowen and family, left on the noon train Wednesday for her home in North Carolina.

Robert Ingersoll made the average of life beautiful, he placed man in a boat with splendid rigging and launched it on summer's sea. Sweet flowers; grand music and good cheer were provided as happy pastimes. Noble lessons of humanity were taught, friendship, brotherhood and the love of home were daily practiced, and so long as the weather kept fair it was pleasant enough to be with him. But friends, he carried no life lines, when your dear ones became weary of the trip, dizzy from the long ride and fell overboard, no boats were lowered, they were lost for eternity, buried deep in the bosom of a sea that never gives up its dead. And then again, he carried no compass and no chart. No needle of hope to guide the boat to the magnetic harbor of God. When the skies darken overhead and the waves leap high, no star of hope glistens for the passenger on the golden shore of eternity.—Ex.

Harry Rudmose spent Christmas with relatives in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Rudmose and daughter, Miss Wylma, spent Christmas with relatives in Fort Worth.

Miss Mable Daniel is spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and C. W. Daniel, in Fort Worth.

Miss Mollie Sargent left last Friday for Granbury. She expects to be gone sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Castles and Master "R. G." spent Christmas with relatives in Anson.

Misses Hallie and Daisy Powell are at home from St. Mary's College, Dallas, for the holidays.

Miss Lillian Schwartz, who is attending school at Austin, is spending the holidays with her parents.

Henry Lambert and family spent Christmas day with his sister, Mrs. Burson, near Cottonwood.

Miss Lucy McCoy is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cutbirth, Sr. at Stiles in Reagan County.

Miss Dora Warren is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dean Warren, in Palo Pinto County.

Mrs. May Burnes and children left last Friday for Fort Worth for an extended visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Likens spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Likens Aunt, Mrs. Burson, near Cottonwood.

Mrs. C. A. Shelton, Miss Laura Thompson and Elmer Walker spent Christmas with relatives in Fort Worth.

Miss Alice Gilliland came in Friday from Fort Worth where she is attending Polytechnic College, and went out to her home on the Bayou to spend the holidays.

J. R. Reed attended the Poultry and Pet Stock Show at Cisco last week. Bob purchased a fine Barred Plymouth Rock cockerel, a prize winner, for which he paid \$5.00. Bob has a fancy for Poultry Breeding and believes in getting the best stock.

### DR. E. SANDFORD.

Dr. E. Sandford, the Ophthalmologist and Neurologist, of Abilene, will be in Clyde the 12th and Baird the 11th. He practices upon the principle that his reputation in the past is his augury for the future. He well knows that if he does his work better than others that the world will wear a path to his door, though it be located in a trackless wilderness. At Clyde 12th, Baird 11th, and at home from 13th to 20th. 4-2

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brightwell spent Christmas with Mrs. Brightwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McFarlane.

### MARRIED.

STEWART—GRISHAM—The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Robinson was the scene of a quiet home wedding Monday evening, Dec. 25, 1905 when Mrs. Robinson's sister, Miss Gertrude Grisham and Mr. Egaart Stewart were united in marriage by Rev. Loveless, pastor of the Baptist Church. After congratulations and good wishes to the happy young couple all were invited into the dining room, where a nice wedding supper was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart will make Baird their home, Mr. Stewart being employed by the T. & P. Ry. Co.

THE STAR joins the friends of the young people in wishing them bon voyage through life.

EMMERSON—WOOLLEN—Mr. Newton Emmerson of Deep Creek and Miss Estelle Wollen of Union were married at the County Judge's office Wednesday, December, 20, 1905 County Judge officiating. The happy couple left Wednesday evening for Deep Creek. Mr. Emmerson is a young man worthy of his many friends, honest bright-minded and generous, true to his sense of duty with the pure nobility of manhood and with unfaltering courage he enters the marriage state. Miss Estelle Wollen has long enjoyed the praise of the Union Community as one of the truest, brightest prettiest and worthiest of girls, as a friend to them both the writer wishes for them a life of honor and true happiness. LOUIS JONES.

### ADVERTISED LIST.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the P. O. at Baird Tex. for week ending Dec. 23, Parties calling for same please say advertised

Mr. Geo. Howell,  
G. G. Hazle.  
W. A. Morton.  
Mrs. Amelia Payne.

WM. MCMANIS, P. M.

### CHRISTMAS CHARITY.

For two years past several citizens able to bear the expense have voluntarily sent Christmas contributions to every deserving poor family in the town needing them. Last year some thirty families in the city were helped to the amount of about two hundred dollars. These parties wish to do the same thing this year, and if you happen to know of such families report their names to the pastors of any of the churches in the city that they may be helped.—Brownwood Banner-Bulletin.

### U. D. C.

John B. Gordon Chapter 472, will meet at the residence of Mrs. Blackburn 1st Tuesday in January. Will be glad to have a full attendance as we have business of importance on hand.

Program.  
Reading by Mrs. J. E. W. Lane.  
Reading by Mrs. John Trent.  
Music by Miss Champ Bell.  
Music by Mrs. L. M. Hadley.  
MRS. M. ALICE FLOYD.  
Historian.

### THANKS.

Grandma Kane desires to express her heartfelt thanks through THE STAR to the Woodmen for the nice lot of groceries presented her Monday night and to assure them that she will ever hold them in grateful remembrance.

Zeddie Walker, of Fort Worth, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. C. A. Shelton and Miss Laura Thompson.

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Many other thing that we can not mention for the want of space will be sold at a reduction on this day, and it would be well to lay in your year's supply while we are cutting the prices. We thank you for your past patronage and hope to receive a liberal share of your trade the coming year. We wish you one and all a happy and prosperous New Year.

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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## WITNESSED REVOLT.

### Five Hundred Russians and Over Two Thousand Chinese

## SLAIN UPON STREET

### Bodies Scattered About Vladivostok and the City Practically Ruined. Twenty Million Dollars Necessary to Rebuild It.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 23.—Henry Busch of Clarkson & Co. of Vladivostok, Port Arthur and Harbin, who arrived from Vladivostok, by the steamer Tartar, was a witness of the revolt among Russian soldiers there. He said bodies were scattered about the streets over 500 Russians and more than 2,000 Chinese being killed. The bodies lay unburied for three days, when they were gathered up by the wholesale, and carted away for burial. The commander of Katzoff fled to Satanka, two miles away, on the first day, and the troops who did not take part in the rioting did not prevent it. Proclamation after proclamation was telegraphed by the fugitive commander, but not until he promised that troops would be sent to Russia as quick as they could be transported, did the rioting discontinue. Returning to Vladivostok, Mr. Busch came across body after body, sometimes scattered, sometimes in groups. The city presented a sad appearance, being practically ruined. He estimates the loss at \$20,000,000 and says years will be required to put the place as it was.

### INDIAN TRADER DIES.

Walter A. Florer Passes Away at Denver From an Ailment of the Brain.  
Denver, Dec. 22.—Walter A. Florer of Grayhorse, Okla., well known as a trader among the Osage Indians, died here at midnight Wednesday night from tuberculosis of the brain. Mr. Florer came here about a year ago for his health. He was a son of Colonel John M. Florer, one of the pioneers of Oklahoma, and a trusted friend of the Osages, among whom he lived since the close of the civil war.

### RAYMOND KILLED.

Deplorable Accident by Which Prominent Man Loses His Life.  
Port Lavaca, Tex., Dec. 21.—The city was shocked by the accidental killing of Emanuel Raymond, a well-known citizen of the community. With several companions he was out shooting below town. He was killed by the premature discharge of a shotgun, said to have been in the hands of his young friend, Clark Bhardone. The load took effect in his breast and he lived but a short time.

### EIGHT POISONED.

Ats Meat That Had Been Salted Down in a Zinc Tub.  
Raynor, Tex., Dec. 21.—Since the death of J. D. McGaughey on Oct. 20, from poison, at which time seven other persons were poisoned, his relatives suspecting foul play, instituted an investigation, with the result that it is supposed all the parties were poisoned by eating beef which had been salted down in a zinc tub.

### PLEASING TO PRESIDENT.

Foard County Man Is Father of Twenty-One Children.  
Austin, Dec. 22.—J. C. Roberts of Crowell, Foard county, editor of the Foard County Times, and a former member of the legislature, is in the city on business. Mr. Roberts is the father of twenty-one children.

### Ats Frosty Cotton Bolls.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 21.—William Robertson, living north of Blossom, had a bunch of ten shoats which he turned in a cotton patch. The pigs returned in the evening sick and frothing at the mouth. Eight of them died. One of them was cut open and a lot of frost-bitten cotton bolls were found in its stomach. The death of the shoats was attributed by him to eating the cotton bolls.

### Gets Twelve Years.

Gainesville, Tex., Dec. 21.—The jury in the Will McCamey case, charged with killing J. J. Tripp, and which has been on trial in the district court since last Thursday, returned a verdict of guilty and assessed his punishment at twelve years in the penitentiary.

### Widow's Kindly Act.

Lampasas, Tex., Dec. 26.—A wealthy widow, who wished her name not mentioned, provided the means to feed all the poor of this city, giving them a fine Christmas dinner.

### Lost His Roll.

Austin, Dec. 22.—M. F. Fitzgerald lost \$140 on the street.

### TREMENDOUS FIRE.

Five Thousand Houses Destroyed and Many Lives Are Lost.  
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 25.—Mail advices from Shanghai tell of a great fire at Hankow, known as the Chicago of China, in which about five thousand houses were destroyed, a large number

of lives were variously estimated at from 100 to 500.

### TWELVE BURNED.

Clifton Is Visited by a Most Disastrous Conflagration.  
Clifton, Tex., Dec. 25.—Twelve business houses burned at this, Bosque county, city Friday night, including the postoffice, both telephone exchanges, the Clifton Record, several merchandise stores and the mayor's office. Amount of losses is not known.

Houston is making an effort to get cheaper gas.

### DREADFUL DEATH.

Man Throws Himself in Front of a Locomotive at Sherman.  
Sherman, Dec. 23.—In a most deliberate manner Dennis B. Taft, aged about seventy years, ended his life by casting himself under the wheels of a northbound Fort Worth and Rio Grande (Frisco) express train No. 10. The wheels passed over his body about the center and death was instantaneous. Three youngmen were spectators of the act, but were powerless to hinder it.

### GIFT TO BRIDE.

J. D. Russell Presents His Wife With Thirty Thousand Dollars.  
Eagle Lake, Tex., Dec. 23.—J. D. Russell and Mrs. W. A. Northington were married here. Both parties are wealthy. The groom's gift to his bride was \$30,000 in government bonds. Mr. Russell is a prominent Mason.

### Twenty-Five Years For Phillips.

Meridian, Tex., Dec. 23.—Jim Phillips was given twenty-five years in the penitentiary. He was charged with the killing of Ben Simmons.

### ATTEMPTED ASSAULT.

After a Desperate Struggle Lady Frightens Assailant Away.  
Quitman, Tex., Dec. 26.—A negro attempted criminal assault upon a young married woman, Mrs. Bateman, Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bateman's father, Hon. W. R. Blalock, five miles north of here.

Mrs. Bateman was alone and was in her room when a negro who had been secreted in an adjoining room sprang in and grabbed her. She struggled for release and her clothes were nearly all torn from her body. Her struggles and screams so frightened the negro that he released her and made his escape. As soon as Mrs. Bateman could do so she gave the alarm.

The negro is supposed to be a stranger in this community. Mrs. Bateman is seriously shocked and prostrated over her experience and the community is thoroughly aroused. Mrs. Bateman is a daughter of Representative W. R. Blalock of this county.

### Misappropriation Charged.

Milliken, Tex., Dec. 26.—Frank Crouch, former district clerk, has been arrested on a charge of misappropriation of funds in connection with an alleged shortage of funds in his possession while he was in office. He waived examination and was allowed bond in the sum of \$750.

### Josephine Has Fire.

Farmersville, Tex., Dec. 26.—First at Josephine, a small town ten miles south of here, destroyed the big dry goods store of Jordan Bros., including a newspaper plant in the upper story. Loss is said to be about \$15,000; insurance, \$8,800.

### McCanness Mangled.

Village Mills, Tex., Dec. 26.—Ed. McCanness was run over by a train here. He was terribly mangled and instantly killed.

### Noted Mason Gone.

Gonzales, Tex., Dec. 26.—Judge B. R. Abernathy, past grand master of the Texas grand lodge, died at San Antonio.

### Top of Head Blown Off.

Madisonville, Tex., Dec. 26.—The top of the head of Lee Thomas was blown off by a load from a shotgun. Ivy Curtis was arrested.

### ITALIAN LABOR.

Mayor of Hobart Has Asked For This Class of Foreigners.  
Hobart, Okla., Dec. 26.—In order to secure sufficient labor henceforward to harvest the cotton crop in Kiowa county, where great enmity toward the negro exists, Mayor Rummoms of Hobart has petitioned the immigration agents of the Italian government to colonize a number of Italian families throughout the county. The farmers of Kiowa have asked for a laboring class that will remain permanently in the county.

### SHOOTS TWO WOMEN.

Man Fatally Wounds His Wife and Kills Kate Gordon.  
Muskogee, Dec. 23.—T. Killingworth of Sherman, Tex., shot and mortally wounded his wife at a local hotel here because she refused to return to Sherman with him, and shot and killed Kate Gordon, who was with his wife. He was arrested. All are negroes.

### Critically Injured.

Guthrie, Dec. 23.—Rolley Donnell of

Edinburg was critically injured during a hunting trip by the accidental discharge of a shotgun.

### Badly Burned.

Lawton, Dec. 23.—Charles Penn Hussey, eight years old, was badly burned about the eyes, nose and jaws by the explosion of gas in a hot blast stove.

### Lawton Appointments.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate: Register of land office at Lawton, Okla., Henry D. McKnight; receiver of public moneys at Lawton, Okla., A. W. Maxwell of Missouri.

### Latham Named.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Thomas B. Latham has been appointed United States attorney for the Central district of Indian Territory.

### Corn Center.

Tulsa, I. T., Dec. 26.—Broken Arrow, just east of Tulsa on the Osage division of the Katy, is one of the greatest corn centers in Indian Territory, although the town is less than three years old. There are three elevators there.

### Death of Well Known Indian.

Tulsa, I. T., Dec. 26.—Moosa Nayaka, a full-blood Creek, and widely known among both Indians and whites, died at his home near Red Fork. He was forty-five years old.

### Accidentally Killed by Nephew.

Lindsay, I. T., Dec. 26.—Bud Tyre was accidentally shot and killed by John H. Mitchell, his nephew.

### CREMATED AT DALLAS.

Hugh McCallum Meets Fearful Fate in a Conflagration.  
Dallas, Dec. 26.—During the burning of the house at 623 Main street Monday morning shortly after 1 o'clock Hugh McCallum, thirty years old, was burned to death. The fire was caused by a lamp explosion. The body of the man was found stretched half way across the bed burned to a crisp.

### FLEMING REMOVED.

Charge of Heresy Had Been Made by Member of Board.  
Denton, Tex., Dec. 23.—Rev. Fleming, dean of the Southwestern Christian college, has been removed by the board of regents. Charges of heresy had been preferred by one of the board.

### CHILD ASSAULTED.

Father of the Little Girl Attempts to Shoot Prisoner.  
Beaumont, Dec. 25.—In an alley near the corner of Center and Concord streets Ruby, the seven-year-old daughter of Russell G. Holder, was seriously assaulted about 7 o'clock Sunday evening.

"Come with me; my name is Mr. Bob and I am a friend of your papa; come with me, and I will go home with you," were the words of the man to the child. The little girl, accepting the man's offer with only the thought it was meant for her good, went with him. Taking the child's hand, the creature, instead of leading to the home of her parents, took her to an alley near the corner of Concord and Center streets. Although the purpose of the man was not accomplished, the child was injured.

After a short time the little girl was discovered by a boy named Wharton. Men conveyed the child to the home of her parents, where she was attended by County Health Officers Nash. The doctor states that the child is not seriously injured. The left eye of the victim is terribly bloodshot, and her throat also shows that she was choked.

A man was arrested by the name of Gregory by Bill Douglass, a negro policeman. He was started on a car towards the jail.

When the car upon which he was being taken to the jail reached the corner of Pearl and Crockett streets the father of the outraged child climbed on the car and, with pistol in hand, was making for the man. Mr. Holder was seized by several men who managed to keep him from doing anything until the man Gregory had been taken from the car and started for the county jail. There was the wildest excitement for a few minutes, it even being reported that the man had escaped, but this rumor was soon found to be untrue.

Holder had been disarmed, but soon procured another pistol, and, mounting his horse started for the jail. He succeeded in reaching before the other officers, who had the man in charge. When Gregory arrived Holder was there, but after listening to the officers agreed that the man should be identified.

A boy about eleven years old, named Hodges, who saw the man with the little girl, was sent for. The boy was taken to the jail where, it is said, he identified the man as being the one who was with the little girl just before the crime was committed.

In the meantime the sheriff had been arranging to spirit the man away, and shortly after the arrival of the boy the man was removed from the jail. It is presumed he was taken from the back door.

It was only a few minutes after the man had been taken out that a mob of at least 400 men arrived at the jail. They were soon convinced that Gregory was not in the jail, and no effort was made to gain an entrance.

### In Harris County Jail.

Houston, Dec. 26.—The man charged little girl of Constable Helder of Beaumont attempted criminal assault on the man had been placed in jail here.

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## NATURE OF BUTCHERY

Fighting at Moscow on Sunday of That Kind.

## ATROCIOUS CONDUCT

Cossacks, While Under the Influence of Vodka, Fired Down Streets, Sometimes Charging With Their Lances.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—Direct telegraphic communication with Moscow was severed Sunday night, but the government succeeded in restoring communication by a round about route Monday morning. All reports agree that the fighting Sunday, which continued until midnight, assumed the nature of a butchery by the machine guns of the artillery, grape and canister being employed mercilessly against the ill-armed insurgents.

Atrocious tales are told of the Cossacks, who, supplied with vodka until drunk, fired down the streets, sometimes charging with lances. The insurgents displayed great stubbornness in holding their barricades, when advancing in a mass to the slaughter. At the same time bombs were thrown from the windows of houses near the barricades held by the revolutionaries.

The artillery was summoned and battered the houses to pieces. The plan of the insurgents, it is said, is to hold the outskirts and gradually enclose the troops in the center of the city.

Leaders announce that an army of 20,000 is concentrated at Grechofsueff, northeast of Moscow, and will soon be ready to march to the city's assistance. The latest report is that sides were exhausted at midnight when fire practically ceased. The streets were in darkness except for searchlights in the towers of bivouacs behind barricades.

### NOT BOMBARDED.

Neither Was a Train Blown Up Carrying Two Hundred Cossacks.

Riga, Dec. 26.—The railroad employees throughout the Baltic provinces went out on strike.

The newspapers protest against the false reports printed abroad to the effect that Riga was bombed and was burning, and that revolutionists blew up a train carrying 200 Cossacks, and the Associated Press is able to deny these rumors. The town is perfectly quiet, the inhabitants go about unmolested, street traffic is carried on in good order and there are opera performances daily, though attended by small audiences.

Dohlen is in the hands of the revolutionists who have established a provisional government.

The public affairs of Goldingen for nine days have been in the hands of an administrative committee.

Tukum and Talsen have been in mourning since the fighting began. There are daily funeral processions and the towns are almost deserted.

### LOSSES IMMENSE.

Five Thousand Killed and Fourteen Thousand Are Wounded.

London, Dec. 26.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at St. Petersburg says the casualties at Moscow are estimated at 5,000 killed and 14,000 wounded, with the fighting still proceeding.

The inhabitants of Moscow have been forbidden to leave their dwellings after 7 o'clock in the evening.

It is impossible to move about the city in consequence of the frequency of stray bullets. Many innocent persons have been accidentally killed.

A scarcity of provisions is threatened.

### DEWEY'S GREETING.

Communicated to Officers and Men Wherever Possible to Do So.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Admiral Dewey's Christmas greeting to the officers and men of the navy, bespeaking a united stand for the good of the country and the service, was communicated to the officers and men aboard the vessels throughout the world wherever they could be reached by telegraph. To the men of the navy along the Atlantic coast there were also sent a Christmas greeting by means of wireless telegraphy, which incidentally served as an elaborate and practical test of this auxiliary of the naval service. The wireless messages were sent by direction of Admiral Maney, chief of the bureau of equipment, and the results were most satisfactory to him. The messages containing the greetings was sent out last night from the wireless station at the Washington navy yard and were relayed from place to place.

Early responses came from the officers nearest Washington, but before midnight many of the stations had replied, including New Orleans and Colon and San Juan. The Colon reply coming by way of Guantanamo.

### BUILDING GUTTED.

Five Fire Alarms Summoned Quite a Number of Engines.

New York, Dec. 26.—Five alarms, summoning thirty-two fire companies and the reserves from nine police precincts, were sent out Monday for a

fire which completely gutted the six-story factory building, 102, 104, and 106 West 11th street, entailing damage estimated at \$500,000. Five firemen sustained injuries, but were able to continue at work. No one was in the building when the fire started and its origin is unknown.

### Slain by Marshal.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 26.—Robert Wells, a well known young man of Union, Newton, county, was shot and killed by Don Cleveland, city marshal. Wells had just walked up and slapped Cleveland familiarly on the back. The cause of the trouble is not known.

### LEAVE TO PRINT.

Cotton Crop Controversy Transferred to Congressional Record.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The cotton crop controversy in the house, which was transferred from the floor to "leave to print" in the Congressional Record, consists of statements by Mr. Levering of Massachusetts and Mr. Burleson of Texas. Mr. Levering attacks the accuracy of the estimates of the crop by the department of agriculture in several ways. He alleges that the ginners' report issued by the census bureau yesterday shows there has been a gain to Dec. 31 in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Oklahoma, 183,341 more bales of cotton than the department estimated, as the entire crop in the territory, and there is from six to eight weeks more of the ginning season.

Mr. Levering makes no criticism of the secretary of agriculture personally nor of officials under him. He has taken the estimates of the cotton crop for the past ten years, compared them with the ascertained crop and deducts the conclusion that the estimates have been uniformly less than the actual crop to the extent of 7.42 per cent for a total of 778,400 bales during the whole period.

The reply which Mr. Burleson has filed maintains that the difference between the figures of Mr. Levering and those of the department vary simply because of the variation in the weight of bales. He says the department announced its estimate of the weight of the crop on Dec. 4 in bales of 500 pounds gross weight; that the census bureau makes its preliminary estimates in running bales.

"Running bales are those actually turned out by the ginners and according to Mr. Burleson they have different weights in different states."

Last year the bales in North Carolina averaged 469 pounds in weight, he stated, while this year the bales in this state have so far averaged but 450 pounds. Taking this fact into consideration, Mr. Burleson says that if the running bales are reduced to 500 pounds gross weight, so as to afford a correct basis for comparison, the seeming discrepancy between the ginners' report and the estimate of the department of agriculture is thoroughly explained, and, in fact, that there is nothing to show that the estimate is not substantially correct.

Mr. Burleson in his statement alleges that Mr. Levering has candidly confessed that he has a personal interest in endeavoring to reduce the price of cotton; that in the beginning of the present cotton season he went on the floor of the New York exchange and predicted the crop this year would reach 13,000,000 bales.

Mr. Levering, Mr. Burleson declares, is one of the largest cotton spinners in the country, and believing the crop would be large, it is added, has evidently failed to provide himself with sufficient stock for his mills, "hence the tears."

### TURNER EXECUTED.

Pays Extreme Penalty For the Murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch.

San Antonio, Dec. 22.—At 11:42 o'clock Friday morning the trap was sprung which sent the soul of George H. Turner into eternity. He died without a struggle. Turner made no statement on the gallows. He left a letter forgiving everybody and wishing them a merry Christmas and happy New Year. He asked to be forgiven. As Turner was led from his cell to the scaffold a quartette of negro prisoners, which included Monk Gibson, sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

The crime for which Turner was executed was the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch.

Mrs. Lynch lived alone on the outskirts of the city. She was assaulted and her throat cut. Her screams attracted neighbors, but when they arrived they found her lifeless body in a pool of blood. Turner was convicted on circumstantial evidence. He steadfastly maintained his innocence.

### THIRTY-FIVE PARDONS.

Of These Twenty-Two Are Men and the Remainder Women.

Austin, Dec. 22.—The governor states that thirty-five Christmas pardons will be issued. Of these twenty-two are men and thirteen women. "Tip" Wilson, sent from Dallas county in 1884 for forty years for murder, is one of the long-term ones.

The railroad commission gave out a comparative statement showing the total gross earnings of all railroads of Texas for the four months ending Oct. 31, 1905. The statement shows a total of \$25,616,781, against \$24,454,614 for same four months of 1904. This shows a net increase of \$1,162,166 for the four months in 1905. This is considered a remarkable record by the railroad commission.

### COULD NOT AGREE.

Jury in the Monk Gibson Case Failed to Reach a Verdict.

San Antonio, Dec. 23.—After being out since Tuesday night in an attempt to arrive at a verdict in the Monk Gibson case the jury was called by Judge Dwyer in the Thirty-seventh district court Saturday morning and asked if there was a possibility of arriving at a verdict. They replied in the negative. The jury was discharged. It is understood the jury stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal. Two were for death penalty. It is said the jury stood this way on the first ballot and never changed. The men were fixed in their determination and would not change if locked up till the end of the court term, it was stated. This is considered a victory for the defense. The court room was crowded, but there was no demonstration.

### MRS. GAY DEAD.

Lady Passes Away Who Was Corn When Texas Was a Republic.

Seguin, Tex., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Louisa J. Gay, who died at Menardville, Tex., was well known by the early settlers here, where she was reared. She was in the eightieth year of her age, and was entitled to be enrolled among those born under the republic of Texas. Mrs. Gay was the eldest daughter of Judge Claiborne West, one of the signers of the declaration of independence of Texas, who died in this county many years ago.

Her husband, Colonel Thomas A. Gay, was a prominent citizen of this county thirty years ago, and an officer in the Confederate army, and had a state-wide reputation as a breeder and trainer of fine racing stock.

### AFTER SANTA FE.

Commission Will Require Road to Make Prompt Connections.

Austin, Dec. 25.—The railroad commission is going after the Santa Fe and will issue an order for a hearing to compel that road to run its passenger trains on time. It is the purpose to require that road to make its connections out of Gainesville on time or within thirty minutes of the schedule time.

### LAWYER KILLED.

He Was Shot by a Woman, Who Fatally Wounded Him.

Jewett, Tex., Dec. 25.—New reached here that Mrs. J. T. Autrey, wife of Dr. J. T. Autrey, of Luna, Tex., a small town ten miles north of this place, shot and killed R. R. Reeves, a prominent lawyer and real estate agent of Oakwoods, Tex. She then shot herself, and is not expected to live. The cause of the shooting cannot be learned.

### Death of Dr. Aby.

New Orleans, Dec. 25.—Dr. Thomas T. Aby, surgeon in the Twentieth infantry at the battle of Santiago, and a Civil war veteran, is dead.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Happenings of the World That Are Presented in Condensed Form.

Charendon, Tex., had a heavy snow Dec. 21.

Blind stagers are prevalent around Leon, I. T.

Clicksaw legislature adjourned until Jan. 29.

New high school at Paris, Tex., will cost \$33,094.

Oklahoma City is to have a new steam fire engine.

Uniforms of immigration agents at Laredo were stolen.

Two stores burned at Emory, Tex., entailing \$12,000 loss.

Near Binger, Okla., Herbert Darth twice shot himself, dying.

C. K. Nelson of Dallas has raised a lemon weighing a pound.

Fifteen tons of hay six miles north of Taylor, Texas, burned.

Chinese officials say they are powerless to stop the boycott.

A mule near Brookston, Lamar county, Texas, had hydrophobia.

J. La Frank was cut to pieces by a train near Lake Charles, La.

M. Half, a prominent San Antonio merchant, died from a cold.

Rev. Millard has been appointed agent for the Osage Indians.

On the 23rd thirty-four marriage licenses were issued at Dallas.

Twenty-one carloads of hogs were received at Dallas on the 21st.

Neal Walker, a negro, was crushed to death in a mill at Houston.

One million Mexican dollars, en route to China, passed through Laredo.

Southern Bank and Trust company soon begins operations at Dallas.

James Alexander, a leading citizen, dropped dead at Fort Gibson, I. T.

The barge Barker burned to the water's edge at Atlantic City, N. J.

Mexican Central railway has contracted for 5,000 Japanese laborers.

A poll tax league has been formed by members of Dallas labor unions.

Henry McGuinness, who had a leg broken near Dallas, died of lockjaw.

Cecil Lyon's irrigation plant, near Quanah, Tex., will cover 1,500 acres.

Land buyers and homeseekers are numerous in Wheeler county, Texas.

Farmers' union of Indian Territory has separated from that of Oklahoma.

Charles Eberhart took strychnine at Clarksburg, W. Va., with fatal results.

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J. A. Walker of Admiral was in last Friday and renewed the subscription to THE STAR for himself and relatives. John takes and pays for more copies of THE STAR than any one man in the county.

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