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Sonora, Texas, - Sept. 27, 1902.

Ever since Brigham Young led his people into Utah and effected a settlement the Great Salt Lake has been a great resort for tourists. Grave fears are entertained now that the lake is doomed. It has no outlet and depends for its water supply upon the mountain snows. Irrigation has become extensive in the Utah valleys and the snows of the Wasatch moun-

tains are being diverted from the lake to the ditches. A few years ago a mammoth pavilion was built on the beach eighteen miles from Salt Lake City, and the bathing rooms were built out over the water. Three years ago the water under the pavilion was four feet deep; today it is barely six inches deep. Bathing must be content now with padding around in a depth of one foot or eighteen inches. Diversion of the mountain snow water and evaporation threaten this great inland sea with extinction unless something is done to renew the supply, and there is talk of artesian wells for this purpose. The lake is very shallow and a fall of two or three feet more will bring it down to a mere pond in size.

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### M. & Dog Excitement.

R. E. Covington had quite an exciting experience Thursday morning with a dog which was supposed to be mad. He was coming to town along East Beaugard avenue, and at the intersection of that thoroughfare with Magdalene street, he met a canine which was trotting along with its head down, snapping at everything in its path and foaming at the mouth. The dog seized Mr. Covington's leg, but fortunately caught him around the ankle, where it was protected by shoe leather and the only resultant damage was a pair of badly torn trousers, the impression of the animal's teeth showing very plainly in the leather. The dog ran on up Magdalene street toward the school house, and Mr. Covington came to town, secured a gun and he and Constable Dick Runyon went out on a hunt for the animal, but were unable to locate it.

Mr. Covington was somewhat excited over the incident, and with good cause. It was by the merest chance that he escaped being severely bitten.—San Angelo Standard.

### His Life in Peril.

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Alfred Bee, of Welfare, Tex. "biliousness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, can eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run-down people. Try them. Only 50c at E. S. Briant's drug store.

Landlady—Don't you think you were rude to complain of the coffee at breakfast this morning?

Boarder—Really, I suppose I was. One ought never to be too severe with the weak.—Boston Transcript.

### America's Famous Beauties.

Look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blisters, Sores, Pimples. They don't have them, nor will you, who use Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or St. Rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains, fuffable for Piles. 25c at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

When a lawyer not fully up to the tricks of the trade undertakes to conduct the case of an Irishman he generally finds that he has no fool for a client. A youthful attorney in an eastern city recently secured a verdict in favor of an Irishman charged with murder on the ground of temporary insanity. He did not meet his client again for several months, when the following remarks were exchanged between them.

"Well, Pat, isn't it about time you gave me that extra \$200?"

"Fith, an what two hundred is that?"

"The \$200 you promised me if I saved that worthless neck of yours."

"Sure, an' did Oi promise that? Oi don't remember."

"Why, Pat, you promised it to me."

Pat scratched his head for a minute and then with a smile outlaid the claim with the remark:

"Oh, well, but ye know Oi was crazy thin."

### Do You Want to Yawn?

Feel cold shiverings, aching in the bones, lack of energy, head ache, and great depression? These symptoms may be followed by violent headache, high fever, extreme nervousness, a condition known as malaria. Herbine cures it. Take it before the disease gets a fair hold, through it will work a cure in any stage. J. A. Hopkins, Manchester, Kan., writes: "I have used your great medicine, Herbine, for several years. There is nothing better for malaria, chills and fever, headache, biliousness, and for a blood-purifying tonic, there is nothing as good." 50c at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

### Fort Stockton Roping Contest.

Fort Stockton, Tex., Sept. 22—Today ended the final event of the greatest sport the old town of Fort Stockton ever knew. Nothing so good has been seen here since the good old days when the soldiers made this place famous.

First day: Horse race, 14 miles dash, purse \$100, free for all—Eadre: Fort Stockton (sorrel) Maua (Marathon; mare), Supper (Pecor; mare), Skinner (Ozark; mare). Fort Stockton won; Maua second; Supper third. Time, 0:25.

Second day: Roping contest, purse \$75. Sam Murray of Sheffield, Pecos county, won; time, 0:51 2/5. Arch Sanders, Fort Stockton, second; time, 1:03 1/5. Clay McGonagle, Midland, Tex., 1:12 3/5; Tom Putnam, 1:14 3/5; John Murrah, Dryden, 1:24 1/5; Oliver Palmer, 1:27; Bill Kream, 1:56 2/5; John More, 1:56 3/5; Dock Wetton, 2:21; Neb McMaan, 2:40 2/5; Bob Murrah and Sam Kumble also roped.

Third day: Roping contest, tie two steer; purse, \$125 for first; \$15 for second, and \$10 for third: Will Lemont of Pecos county, won; time, first steer 1:02, second steer 0:59 4/5, John Murrah of Dryden was second; first steer 1:06 3/5, second steer 1:05; Sam Murray, third, first steer 1:17 1/5, second steer 1:03 1/5, Clay McGonagle, first steer 1:16, second steer 1:45; Arch Sanders, first steer 1:24 4/5, second steer 2:35 4/5; Bill Kream, first steer 1:11, second steer 2:21 1/5; Bob Murrah, John More, Tom Putnam, Bob Camp, M. O. Drake, Oliver Palmer, Sam Kumble, Bud Avant, all roped, but failed to tie two steers.

Fourth day: Horse race, 250 yards; purse, \$150—Skinner (Strickland & Moneth, Ozark; mare) won; Fort Stockton (sorrel) second.

A grand ball was given at the court house each night. More visitors are in town than ever before.

The first day's roping was quite, but the second was spirited and hotly contested from start to finish. Clay McGonagle, John Murrah and Bob Murrah were heavily backed in the pools against the field. The roping was wild and fierce. Both the steer and the horse went down in the same fall many times and there were many miraculous escapes of riders. Bob Murrah's horse fell; Bob Camp's horse turned a complete somersault, throwing his rider and apparently falling on him, but Camp managed to slide from under the animal in a dexterous manner that made the spectators cheer loud and long. The two Murrahs and Clay McGonagle, the crack ropers who are entered in the San Antonio Fair roping contest, were clearly out-classed here. Their opponents had heavy steers and had to throw them many times, and yet they won.—San Antonio Express.

### Looks Like Hot Cakes.

"The fastest-selling article I have in my store," writes drug gist C. T. Smith, of Davis, Ky., "is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, because it always cures. In my six years of sales it has never failed. I have known it to save sufferers from Throat and Lung diseases, who could get no help from doctors or any other remedy." Mothers rely on it, best physicians prescribe it, and E. S. Briant guarantee satisfaction or refund price. Trial bottles free. Reg. size, 50c and \$1.

Feed Murrah, the Schleicher cowman, was in the city yesterday.

J. C. Landon expects to open his restaurant in the building now occupied by R. A. Flanagan about Oct. 1st.—San Angelo Standard.

### Beautiful Complexions

Are spoiled by using any kind of preparation that fills the pores of the skin. The best way to secure a clear complexion, free from sallowness, pimples, blotches, etc., is to keep the liver in good order. An occasional dose of Herbine will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver, and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 50c at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

### THE GAME LAW.

Provisions of the Act Approved May 27, 1897.

It shall be unlawful for any person to kill, take or destroy any wild antelope for the space of five years next after this act takes effect and any person violating the provision thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars.

It shall be unlawful for any person to kill, ensare or in any way destroy any wild deer in the period of notice.

Persons knowing themselves first to Lebew & Hill year, or any wild game, shall be period of time embraced between the first day of April and the first day of September in each year, or any prairie chicken in the period of time embraced between the first day of February and the first day of August in each year, or any quail or partridge within the period of time embraced between the fifteenth day of March and the first day of October in each year and it shall be unlawful for any person at any time to hunt deer or other game by aid what is commonly known as a hunting lamp or lantern or any other light used for the purpose of hunting at night and after the space of five year next after this act takes effect, it shall be unlawful for any person to kill, ensare or trap or in any way destroy any wild antelope in the period of time embraced between the first day of January and first day of September in each year.

### Out of Death's Jaws.

"When death seemed very near from a severe stomach and liver trouble, that I had suffered with for years," writes P. Muse, Darham, N. C., "Dr. King's New Life Pills saved my life and gave perfect health." Best pills on earth and only 25c at E. S. Briant's drug store.

Wm. Glascock, a Sutton county cattleman, passed through the city yesterday enroute to the Territory to look after cattle interests there. Irve Ellis, of Menard county passed through the city the late part of last week enroute to the Territory to finish shipping his steers to market.

Tol Cawley bought 3 cars of fat cows from C. & G. Hagelstein this week, at prices around \$16, and will ship them to market today.

Lee L. Russell, of Menardville sold 4 cars of steers on the Kansas City market Thursday of last week, weighing from 721 to 933 lbs. and bringing \$3.00 to \$3.40. Lee Bros, sold to W. M. Spencer of Brownwood, 30 head of mul-cols at \$25, delivery Dec. 1st, and bought from him 40 head of steers and dry cows at \$15, immediate delivery.—San Angelo Standard.

### "It Goes Right to the Spot."

When pain or irritation exist on any part of the body the application of Ballard's Snow Liniment will give prompt relief. "It goes right to the spot," said an old man who was rubbing it in, to cure his rheumatism. C. R. Smith Proprietor, Smith House, Tenaha, Texas, writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for several years, and have found it to be a fine remedy, for all aches and pains, and I recommend it for pains in the throat and chest." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

J. N. Thompson, of Sonora formerly connected with the First National Bank of that city, has accepted a position with his cousin, B. C. Jackson, as office manager of that gentleman's ranch, livestock and wool commission business, and will, with his sisters, Misses Kate and Ollie Thompson, make his permanent home in San Angelo.—San Angelo Standard.

### Mothers.

Who would keep their children in good health, should watch for the first symptoms of worms, and remove them with White's Cream Vermifuge. It is the children's best tonic. It gets digestion to work so that their food does them good, and they grow up healthy and strong. 25c at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

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## Disease in Angora Goats.

We have twenty or more Angora goats, and understood they would not have foot rot, ticks or lice and were dog proof. We find ours alive with lice; several also have foot rot. Can you advise as to best remedy for these? The rot looks exactly like the old sheep trouble. Our goats will climb and go any where that a cat can. Is there any "poke" device you can recommend?—A. B., Hampden County, Mass.

The common impression that ease to which sheep are subject is wholly wrong. The goat is closely related to the sheep, and has all the parasites to which the family is generally subject, and some others in addition. It thus suffers from this class of disease very seriously when neglected, although it is more easily relieved than sheep on account of the more open and less oily fleece. They also suffer from foot rot, having feet of the same character as those of the sheep. This is due to the existence of a secretory or excretory gland in the foot between the toes, known as the interdigital gland, which secretes a special lubricating substance by which the foot joints are kept free from injury. It is the almost entire ignorance of this formation of the foot of the sheep, and goat as well, which makes the animal so subject to that serious disease, the foot rot, which is simply an inflammation due to friction of the parts, soreness following and blood poison due to infection by filth; so that the goat must be managed with due regard to this disability and watched as carefully as sheep are, to avoid trouble.

For skin parasites the same remedies are to be used as for sheep, but as they are more easily reached it is only necessary to wash or grease the skin with some disinfecting liquid, as a common sheep dip or a preparation of tobacco steeped in boiling hot water, but not boiled; or to grease the animal with any oily matter strongly scented with carbolic acid. In fact, goats are to be treated in all respects as sheep are in regard to sanitary matters. For the foot rot wash and cleanse the sores and then apply carbolated vaseline or any antiseptic preparation, which a druggist will make for you.

The goat, too, is quite as frisky an animal as its cousin, the sheep, if not more so, for it will roost on the peak of the barn roof in performance to any other place. A photograph which I have shows the roof of a large barn covered to the top with goats reclining at ease and enjoying their elevated retreating place. The only fence which will restrain goats is one of wire, on which the fore feet cannot find any hold to raise the body over it. If they must be restrained the hobble only is effective. This is made by tying one fore foot and one hind foot together by a soft rope, which prevents the animal from extending the fore feet when intending to jump. General experience goes to prove that any one of the common woven wire fences properly strained and made stiff, is the best kind to restrain sheep or goats, and indeed all farm animals. The use of a poke is quite impracticable.

The fact is that the goat, like other domestic animals, needs attention, but not nearly so much as sheep do. It is harder, more easily satisfied in feeding, herds together better and is safer from dogs than sheep are; but they will not take care of themselves. They have some special but simple needs to be provided for, and then there may be comfort and profit with them.—County Gentleman.

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NO CURE, NO PAY.  
Price 50c. and \$1. TRIAL BOTTLES FREE.

## MR. CAMPBELL OF KANSAS.

### Says the Outlook for the Range Cattleman is Dark.

Cattlemen of the Western cattle breeding section are becoming disheartened at the efforts of the packing combine to invade their field and, according to report from all over the West, are selling off their stock and retiring from the business. The plan, recently set on foot, to organize a co-operative stock company, with a capital of \$50,000,000 for the purpose of fighting the packing-house combine, has been practically abandoned, as the cattlemen realize that even \$50,000,000 is too small a sum with which to oppose the immense amount of invested capital represented in the trust.

Even the breeding cows are being disposed of by the stock raisers as rapidly as possible, and it is predicted that within three months the country will experience a beef famine that will be more serious than the one of 1897. The cattlemen are taking no more stock, and are selling off a great many of their cattle or going out of the business entirely," said M. O. Campbell yesterday. Mr. Campbell is chairman of the Kansas Live Stock Sanitary Commission, and one of the largest individual cattle owners in the West.

"The outlook for the industry is dark. The large receipts at the Kansas City and Chicago stockyards recently simply meant that the stockmen are going out of business and are reducing their breeding herds as rapidly as possible. Production is ceasing on the ranges and next year the result will be noticeable in the higher price of veal. The alarm among the cattlemen is caused by the merger of the big packing houses.

"The cattlemen are simply preparing for the struggle between them and the packing house combine which is sure to follow. A large percentage of the butcher stock now going to the packing house is cows. The commission men are not saying anything about this, but it is true. The cattlemen in all parts of the West realize that the packing house merger will stifle competition and that their business will be greatly crippled.

"The commission men all rushed into print a short time ago when the President threatened to go after the packing houses, and declared that the merger would not injure the cattle industry. They knew that it would, but were seeking to protect themselves. The action of the Government threatened to decrease the price of corn-fed cattle and a small depression would have driven every big feeder in the West out of business. The commission men went to the rescue of their customers. I believe that as a result of this cessation of production and the threatening combine there will be such a shortage of cattle within three months as to cause a cattle famine.

"The National Live Stock Association has already served notice on the packers that it will fight the combine and the fight promises to be interesting. It may result in the erection of independent packing houses."

The cattle raisers of the West have started an organization of their own to oppose the so-called beef trust, and they expect it to keep from the trust the control of the live stock market. Shares in the organization were sold to cattle breeders for \$1 each, and each shareholder was entitled to as many shares as he had head of cattle. Fifty-five per cent of the stock was kept in the treasury to prevent any movement of the trust to secure possession of the controlling interest of the company. This organization, it is now understood, has fallen to pieces.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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## The New London.

Architect Crosby, of the firm of Barnes & Crosby, Dallas, arrived in the city yesterday morning with the plans and specifications for the new London Hotel. A Standard reporter had the privilege of examining these plans in the office of Architect Oscar Ruffini yesterday afternoon. The building will no doubt be the prettiest structure in the state between Fort Worth and El Paso. It is to be three stories, of red pressed brick, with white limestone trimmings, and will front 130 feet on Concho avenue and 200 feet on Chadbourne street. It is to be built in an L shape and the main entrance will be on the northwest corner. This opens into the office, which is to be 44x70 feet, with tile floor and metal ceiling. The dining room will be 24x70 feet, and will be located south of the office, with one entrance from the office and a ladies' entrance on the west side. There will be three large store rooms, but when it breaks up for a long while, will face street. South of these offices there will be 10 rooms and two public bath rooms. The kitchen is to be located east of the dining hall. The stairway goes up from the office; there is also another stairway which goes up from near the rear of the south wing of the building. The parlor will be 20x36 feet and will be located on the second floor above the office. This floor will contain 45 rooms, as will also the third floor, besides the bath rooms, and of the latter there will be fourteen throughout the building. The balcony of the second floor will be 130 feet on the north and will extend back 70 feet on the west and 50 feet on the east. There will be three fire escapes besides the two hall stairways; one will be on the east end of north wing, one on the south end of the south wing, and one on the east side of this wing. The basement of the building is to be of stone. The front will be one of the handsomest in the state, with beautiful arches and trimmings of white limestone.

As soon as bids can be received and the proper contracts closed the work of construction will begin, and San Angelo will soon have what she has long needed, the finest hotel building in Texas between Fort Worth and El Paso.—San Angelo Standard.

**Came Back for a Blanket.**  
General Miles told a good hot weather story once that is good enough to put into black and white. He and another man from this city were crossing the Jersey City ferry and the day was of the sort that makes strong men sigh for a blast from the arctic. "Pshaw!" exclaimed General Miles, "this isn't as hot as some of the days I've experienced in Arizona. Down at my old post there we used to fight two common foes, the Indians and the mercury, and of the two the latter used to play us out quicker. If you study the weather map you will see that on any day during the summer Yuma, Prescott, or any other Arizona point where a meteorological station may be located will cap the thermometer figures from any other section of the country.

"One day two privates were brought into the post hospital badly wounded. It was frightfully hot then and also during the night for the two poor fellows as they lay on their couches at the opposite sides of the aisle. In fact, it was too hot by a long way even for men who had no other excruciating pain to torment them. One of the two men died before daybreak. The second day afterward the other stopped the surgeon as the latter came around to dress a wound. The wounded man told the medico that the spirit of his former comrade had come to him during the night.

"What did he want?" the surgeon asked good naturedly.

"He returned to get a blanket," was the answer.

"The surgeon walked sadly and sorrowfully away and borrowed a fan."—Washington Post.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 26.—Senator Joe Bailey has been engaged to defend Eugene Huling, who will be tried at Las Cruces, N. M., next month, for the murder of William Gardner at Lanark, on the Southern Pacific road, eight months ago. Huling and Gardner were both cowboys and cattle raisers at that time.

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## Our New Islands.

By the signing of the treaty ceding the Danish West Indies to this country the United States comes into possession of the strategic key of the Caribbean sea. Denmark at the same time has been relieved of a steady drain on her resources. Ratification of the treaty must be delayed until it has the approval of the United States senate and the Danish rigsdag, and until congress appropriates the purchase money, which is understood to be \$4,500,000.

These formalities, it is believed, will be completed in a few months and the transfer of sovereignty quickly accomplished. Congress will be asked to legislate for the islands along the lines of the Foraker act, and it is contemplated that the islands will eventually, along with Porto Rico, have a common territorial government.

According to the terms of the treaty the people are to have a voice in the governing session. No reference to a plebiscite is contained in the treaty itself, but the Danish government has given notice that before ratification it will submit the question of cession to the people of the islands.

It is learned that the United States will proceed to make preparations for the fortification of the harbor of Charlotte Amalie, in St. Thomas. The purpose of the government is to make this port one of the greatest fortresses in the world. The best possible coaling facilities will also be provided at St. Thomas.

Three islands comprise the Danish West Indies—St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix. They cover about 127 square miles, and the population is estimated at about 30,000. Denmark has owned the islands since 1671, but they have never been a great source of revenue, and in recent years it has cost Denmark large sums in excess of the revenue to maintain them. Charlotte Amalie is the largest town on the island of St. Thomas. Not more than 15 per cent of the population is white. The blacks are of a superior class, and have the same rights and privileges as the whites. The color line is unknown. Children of both races are compelled to attend school between the ages of seven and thirteen, and intermarriage between blacks and whites excites no comment.

While the official language of the islands is Danish, everybody speaks English. That tongue is taught in the public schools and is used in the courts of justice. The population of the island of St. Thomas is about 3,000, most of whom live in the city of Charlotte Amalie.

St. Croix, or Santa Cruz, is the largest and most populous of the trio. It is situated about forty miles south of St. Thomas. Its chief towns are Fredericksted and Christiansted. They have a population of about 1,500 each. There are thirty-two sugar estates on the island.

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## Sheep Helps the Range.

In 1872 I took the first sheep on Trinity Mountain in Humboldt county, California. The face of the mountain was composed of dense masses of timber, fine fir and oak, impassable thickets of wild cherry and hazel bushes and beautiful open glades. These glades were covered with a dense mass of vegetation that tangled my feet in the stirrups when riding through it and when dried in the fall formed a combustible matter that would carry fire like a dried grain field. In eight years of successive summer grazing the character of the feed changed.

New and valuable grasses came in the feed shortened and thickened, and the last year in which I used it the range easily carried fifty per cent more sheep than it did the first year. During that period I never knew of a forest fire on a sheep range, although I did see some very extensive ones on other parts of the mountains that were reasonably attributed to the carelessness of hunters and prospectors. In the summer of 1882 I took the pioneer flock of sheep on the Continental Divide, south of Rawlins, Wyo., watering on the very heads of the streams which find their way into two oceans. It was a great game country then, with thousands of elk, deer and antelope.

The dead timber and burnt sage brush stumps show plainly the effects of the fires that Indians only a few years before were in the habit of setting in order to corner and drive out the game on their annual hunts. Now hundreds of thousands of sheep annually graze that range. It is completely eaten out each year, yet timber and sage brush have flourished and improved and that it will keep more stock each succeeding season is the testimony of everyone who is using it.

These are facts, not theories. It stands to reason that the presence of sheep on a mountain range is a safeguard against forest fires. They do not invade the heavy timber for there is usually little or nothing for them there to eat, but they do clean up the glades and openings which, unless fed, offer a constant menace.

Herders on their own account and that of the flocks for which they are responsible, are compelled to be more careful than others, who are only perhaps passing through the country and often thoughtlessly leave unextinguished remains of open fires behind them. In conclusion, no matter what the result of this fight against sheep on forest reserves or the course of the department may be, the merits of the case cannot be impaired. It sheep are permanently excluded fight against sheep on forest reserves or simply means the enforced sale of a large percentage of the taxable wealth of the sections affected, and this will have been brought about by theorists in the East, aided and abetted by the selfish hostility of certain interests in the West.—Robert Taylor, in Rocky Mountain Husbandman.

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## ALL OVER THE HOUSE.

An Attractive Bedroom That Didn't Cost a Large Sum.  
A clever Chicago woman who thinks that everything French is delectable has fashioned for herself a rose and white bedroom with a few touches of gilt that has a decided air of a strictly French apartment, and comparatively little money has been expended upon it.

She has covered the walls in white cretonne, with a four inch wide stripe of pink roses, which occurs at intervals of a foot and a half. The woodwork is white, and the picture molding of white makes a cove, and it and the ceiling are white.

The bed is of whitewood, and a panel of cretonne well covered with pink roses has been inserted in the head and foot boards. The coverlet is of the same fabric.

The chairs have white and gilt frames and are upholstered with the rose cretonne. An effective screen has the lower halves of the frame covered with the cretonne, and in the upper portions is pink india silk shirred.

Pink silk pillows adorn the lounge, which is covered with pink denim, and the pink denim is used for the heavy window draping and the portieres. The floor is covered with rose pink filling.

The sash curtains are of brussels net trimmed with renaissance braid, a medallion of lace inserted in the center.

A writing table is of whitewood, its fittings of plain pink porcelain. The dressing table is of white and gold, the top covered with a bit of pink damask edged with gold braid.

The bathroom, which is connected with this attractive bedroom, has a floor of pink tiles, and the walls are covered with a pink and white enamel paper.

**Overdoing the Housekeeping.**  
Two women who sat behind us on the train recently exchanged a few brief opinions concerning the landscape and then settled down to the more congenial subject of their immediate friends. "Yes," remarked one of them, "Jane's a nice woman, and her husband thinks she is, but it doesn't worry her a mite if her carpet has to stay down three years at a stretch. Now, I just about fly to pieces if I can't get all my housecleaning done right on time." It seems possible, however, that the criticized Jane's household philosophy may have much to do with her husband's appreciation. There are times when the housewife's virtues have to take a vacation and when we do most for those around us by ignoring some apparent duties. The woman who will "just about fly to pieces" because nonvital plans are deranged may be a good housekeeper, but she is a poor wife and mother.—Rural New Yorker.

**Split Pea Soup.**  
Split pea soup is one of the tastiest, most nutritious and most economical of soups. Put a cupful of the peas to soak over night in three quarts of cold water, having first washed them thoroughly. The next morning put in a saucpan, adding a ham bone if you have it or a little piece of bacon and the rind, together with a sliced onion and a tiny bit of red pepper. Simmer for four or five hours until perfectly soft, adding more water from time to time as required. When nearly ready to serve, pass the peas through a sieve and add to the pulp enough stock, water or milk to make a soup about the consistency of cream. Thicken slightly with a tablespoonful of flour and one of butter cooked together and made smooth by half a cupful of the liquor before adding to the pot. This thickening will keep the heavy part of the soup from settling to the bottom. Serve with croutons. A good dried bean soup may be made in the same way.

**Attractive Dutch Screen.**  
A pretty screen for a country house has a framework of dark oak, with a few crossed bars in the panels, which are draped with green mercerized cotton. At the top of each panel is a bright colored picture of Dutch life, the center one being the familiar posters of Queen Wilhelmina with the tulip that was brought out at the time of her coronation and the other two representations of domestic scenes in Holland.

**A Novel Tea Table.**  
A quaint tea table has been remodeled by a Brooklyn woman from an old round stand which has been in the possession of her family for many years. A shelf matching the top was skillfully inserted half way down the length. The wood being much discolored and battered, the table was treated to two coats of white paint. A coat of enamel paint finished the renovating process, and the result is very satisfactory.

**No Wonder.**  
"That sign, 'Closed. Taking Stock,' has been in that window for more than a week."  
"Oh, that's all right. The store is closed. The constable is taking the stock."—Chicago American.

**A Liberal Preacher.**  
Patience—Is your minister liberal in his views?  
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## Pasturage.

I can furnish pasturage in the Big Bend of the Rio Grande for 20,000 sheep at one cent per head per month and for 5,000 cattle at 10 cents per month. The river for water and the country is not too rough. The finest green weeds and grass in the State. Will take sheep on shares. Parties wishing pasturage may address me at Fredonia Texas.  
W. L. HAYES.

## Lost—\$5.00 Reward.

On the Sonora road Monday Aug. 25th, a double barreled shot gun, 12 gauge, name of maker W. Richards, also name of F. Hall on the stock. Any person found in possession of the aforesaid gun after this date will be prosecuted. Leave at Citizen office or at my ranch on North Llano and get reward. LIGH BEAUCHAMP.  
Sept. 13. Junction, Tex.

## Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on our ranch east of Sonora for the purpose of working cattle, hunting hogs, hauling wood etc., without our permission will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.  
A. MECKEL.  
H. LEIFESTR.  
Sonora, Tex., May 12, 1902.

## TOWARD COOLER CLIMES!

A new train, provided with electric lights and fans, and equipped with cafe observation cars under the management of Fred. Harvey. It is called  
**THE WORLD'S FAIR SPECIAL**  
and runs through from Dallas and Fort Worth to Kansas City and Saint Louis, via the



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### Church Notes.

Rev. D. A. Gregg and wife after giving us 8 days faithful service, left for their home in Mason Monday.

The meeting has closed with twenty additions to Methodist Church besides much good to others.

The congregation present Sunday morning made a nice contribution to the charitable work of the church.

Most men don't mind and rather like to put something every year into the work of the church such as Orphans, Rescue Home, worn out preachers and other missions. I go to Annual Conference late of this month, hand me something to carry up to these friends and you will always feel better.

I go to Eldorado last of the week for an absence of ten days.

Our 4th Quarterly Conference will be held in Eldorado 2nd, Sunday.

The year's work will be gone over and a preacher for another year considered.

D. V. I will preach at Cox's school house Thursday night Oct. 19th and Adams & Swift Friday 19th. Come early and fetch your folks the moon will be shining.

Yours Allover  
Nath Thompson.

Call on R. C. Dawson if you want any thing in his line. He carries a new and first-class stock of buggies, hacks, wagons, sewing machines, stoves. Also a fine line of saddles, harness, whips, rugs and every thing that a first-class saddle shop handles. 31-1f

G. W. Chesser and R. C. Logan were in from the Chesser ranch Tuesday for dipping supplies.

Ask for X X X Pearl Rye or Edgewood whiskey for sale at Swearingen's Ranch saloon.

G. W. Logan and R. M. Stephenson were in from their farms on the Llano for a few days this week and took in the meeting.

Drink X X X Pearl Rye or Edgewood whiskey sold over the bar at A. J. Swearingen's.

Guy Yankee the drug clerk who has been with Lige Briant left for his home in Timple Monday.

The best knife is a Rodgers See J. Lewenthal's assortment.

J. M. Pharris moved his family to Sonora this week from the J. F. Collins ranch and are residing in the Lovelace place about a mile south of town.

When in want of any thing in the Agate or Tine ware, call at the Rackett Store.

Steve Williamson who has his cattle with the Williamsons Bros, in the eastern part of Sutton county, was in Sonora Monday.

We keep everything from a pin up. Call on us. Stites & Co.

Tom and E. M. Drago were in from the Drago ranch for a few days this week attending to some business with their father, E. A. Drago, of San Angelo.

## Announcements

For representative 102nd Legislative District: Claude Hudspeth (of Crockett County, Texas.) subject to the action of the Democratic nominating convention.

The News rates for announcements is: Congressional, Legislative and Judicial Districts \$15. County offices \$10. Precinct offices \$2.50.

All announcements are payable in cash in advance.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce:

### Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Henry V. Sharp as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Sam Merck as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

J. L. Davis as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

W. D. Thomason as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

### For Treasurer.

D. H. Burroughs as a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Theo. Savell as a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

J. A. Cope, as a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

### For County Judge.

R. C. Dawson as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

J. O. Rountree as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

J. F. Cannaday as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

### District and County Clerk.

S. H. Stokes as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk for Sutton County at the ensuing election.

T. C. Cahill as a candidate for election to the office of District and County Clerk for Sutton County at the ensuing election.

### For Assessor.

R. H. (Bob) Martin, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

W. H. Cusenbary, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

E. C. Saunders, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton county, at the ensuing election.

Geo. J. Trainer, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

R. S. (Rube) Caruthers as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

J. M. Pharris as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

### For County Surveyor.

John McNeel as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Surveyor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

### For Justice of the Peace.

W. H. Lightfoot as a candidate for election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

### For Commissioner.

H. Thiers, as a candidate for election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, at the ensuing election.

R. F. Halbert as a candidate for election to the office of Commissioner of precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

### For Constable.

A. J. Owens as a candidate for election to the office of Constable of Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

### Hide and Animal Inspector

Arthur Stuart as a candidate for election to the office of Hide and Animal Inspector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Born on Sept. 24, 1902 to Mr. Mrs. Abe Mayer, a boy.

Born on Oct. 1st, 1902 to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mayfield a boy.

Born on Sept. 25, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. Dock Joy on the Llano, a boy.

W. J. Fields returned from a business trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

Frank Sparks returned from a business trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

Stites & Co. carries a nice line of racket goods.

Dan Cryer was in with a load of household furniture for J. M. Pharris Saturday.

H. Leifest moved his family to the Llano near Roosevelt last week.

Bread! Bread! Nice fresh bread every day at T. L. Benson. Give him your order.

Guetao Raetzsch, of De Witt county is in the Sonora country wanting to buy a ranch.

Watches from \$2. up at J. Lewenthal's.

Carl Gunzer the well known sheep and goat man, was in from the ranch Wednesday for supplies.

Bring us your country produce we pay the highest market price. T. L. Benson.

Chris Wyatt and Berry Baker were in Sonora Wednesday from their ranch on the Llano.

Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Holland are spending a few weeks on the San Saba.

R. W. Hill and D. B. Cusenbary bought the J. H. L. Langs butcher business Wednesday and will close the shop on the south side.

The people recognize a bargain, when they see it, this is why we can hardly wait on the people for the rush. Stites & Co.

Hop Wood was in from his sheep Thursday for supplies. Hop says his father O. H. Wood is thinking of coming back to Texas and that his mother is getting along very well.

A. W. Pride and son Bert, returned from a prospecting trip to Roswell, N. M., Tuesday. Mr. Pride is gathering his cattle and will move to New Mexico, as soon as possible.

Now, that the burn has caused many of you to change your trading place, we recognize your needs, and are prepared to meet your wants at better prices than ever. Give us your orders. Stites & Co.

L. D. McCartney proprietor of the Western Hotel at San Angelo, Texas, was in Sonora Thursday on his way down to the McMullan ranch, to look after some stock he has down there.

We guarantee good bread from any flour if you use the Baking Powder named "Perfect" it is pure and any ranch ought to use it bought from the factory and we are agents. E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

A. C. Coursey and J. W. Roberts, of Glen Cove, Coleman county, were in Sonora last Saturday hunting range.

W. C. Bryson the handsome young stockman from Camp San Saba, was in Sonora several days this week attending to some business.

By using the Baking Powder named "Perfect" you will show appreciation of pure food. Always use the "Perfect." 74tf E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

M. B. Atkinson, of Rock Springs, was in Sonora several days this week shaking hands with his numerous friends. Mr. Atkinson is hunting grass.

Hawkes famous eye glasses and spectacles at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

H. L. Bently District agent for the New York Life Insurance Co. with headquarters at San Angelo, was in Sonora several days this week talking business, Mrs. Bently accompanied him.

The stomach is our best friend and the next best is the "Perfect" Baking Powders. It is chemically pure and assists digestion. 74tf E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mason, Tex., Sept. 25.—Pete King, Jr., who has been suffering for some time past with dropsy, died suddenly today at the residence of his mother, Mrs. J. F. King. He was sitting up cutting out pecans a few minutes before he expired.

Newt Bryson a well known stockman, of the San Saba country was in Sonora for a few days on a trade for a ranch.

Mr and Mrs. John Boyd and family have started for New Mexico in company with Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Sharp and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Birtrong, an Geo. Lewis.

If you aspire or are going to aspire to serve the good people of Sutton county in any official capacity it is time you were getting before the people in the News. Same rates charged for name on tickets only as for full announcement.

R. H. Wyatt and family and A. J. Winkler and family left for Roswell, New Mexico Tuesday. After making the ladies and children comfortable for the winter the gentlemen will return and begin moving their cattle across the line.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Green and children and Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Richardson from the Green ranch in Edwards county passed through Sonora Monday enroute to San Angelo where they will reside this winter.

Otto Vander Stucken, of Menardville, was in Sonora for a few days this week visiting his brothers Felix and Max. He left for home Friday accompanied by Mrs. Felix Vander Stucken and Jake and Mrs. Arthur Stuart and Louise. The ladies will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken and Miss Sophie at Peg Log ranch.

D. H. Burroughs, county treasurer has received a letter from R. M. Love state comptroller stating "I send you by express today \$22,000 5 per cent court house and jail funding and \$12,000 funding bridge bonds, Sutton county, duly cancelled. The 3 12 per cent bonds have been registered and purchased by the State Board of Education.

R. E. Halbert has consented to become a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, and his announcement appears in this issue. Bob Halbert is energetic and progressive and has clear views on all public questions. He believes in economy in the use of the people's money but is not of the "ponny wise and a dollar foolish" kind. He has considerable property in the precinct and is interested in the well fare of the community. If elected he will look after the county's interests the same as if they were his own and strictly on business principles.

Died at his father's home in West Sonora on Wednesday October 1, 1902. Leon, eldest son of T. Cloman Barfield in his 20th year. Deceased was an industrious steady young man and his services much appreciated by his employers. His death was caused by being thrown by his horse while working on the Whitehead ranch ten days ago. He never regained consciousness after the accident. All that medical skill and careful attention could do availed not. His funeral to the Sonora cemetery Thursday evening was largely attended. Rev. Nath Thompson conducted the services at the grave. The News extends its sympathy to the parents and relatives in their sorrow.

## Mens Business Club

A full attendance

of members of the

Men's Business

Club is desired at

the next regular

meeting on the

night of Tuesday

October 7th. The

meeting will be

held at the Court

House.

New assortment of jewelry, ladies and gents Hampden gold and silver watches, Gent fobs, gold buttons and other novelties at J. Lewenthal's.

Rev. Richard Mercer will fill his regular appointment Sunday October 5.

### Oyster Supper.

The ladies of the Episcopal Church will give an oyster supper in Sonora on the night of Monday October 27, for the benefit of the church.

Walter Whitehead was in from the ranch for a few days this week.

Charlie Daere has leased Mrs. Ada Stewart's boarding house and will run it in the same first class style.

Cudge Parker and Babe Huff returned from a trip to New Mexico Tuesday. Cudge says he knows more Sonora people out there than he knows here.

High Smith and T. J. Coffman returned last week from a trip to the Coffman ranch in Val Verde county and a visit to Del Rio.

If you are in need of a ranch see Cope & Hefflin.

### Take Notice.

All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to Lebew & Hill and Swearingen & Lebew are respectfully requested to call and pay up or make arrangements all accounts to be paid to A. J. Swearingen. J. C. Lebew. Sonora, Sept. 27, 1902.

D. M. West Baptist minister will preach at regular hours at the Methodist Church next Sunday.

J. A. Black returned from a business trip to Sherwood Thursday.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K. 72-1f

Fred Trainer was in from the Llano Thursday on his way to R. A. Williamson's ranch.

Pat James one of the old time sheepmen, was in Sonora Saturday on his way down the River to see how the range is.

The imperial pulsating metropolis of the stockman's Paradise will soon be itself again.

Full assortment of Hawkes renowned spectacles at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

Ben F. Hill is building a new saloon on the Allison property. B. F. Bellows & Son have the contract and are pushing the work to completion.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nicks and children were in Sonora this week the guest of Mrs. D. R. Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Diebitzsch.

We are after your trade. The best goods, and best prices with fair and courteous treatment, will bring it. This is why our trade is so rapidly increasing. Stites & Co.

### TAKE NOTICE.

I will make Sonora my home for an indefinite period. My office is in J. Lewenthal's drug store. L. PEGRAM, Dentist.

Chauffeur Fambrough will do lay his trip to San Angelo owing to an accident that happened to the automobile mail back.

The purity of the Baking Powder named "Perfect" is a guarantee against sallow complexions caused by indigestion. 74tf E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mrs. M. A. Kennon will open a restaurant in the Commercial Hotel about Oct. 15. This arrangement will give satisfactory accommodation to many people who can then get lodging and meals at the Commercial.

### THE COMMERCIAL.

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Mrs. J. C. McDONALD.

Pat Sullivan the meat carver for E. W. Hill received a message from San Saba Thursday stating that money had been raised in Chicago for putting 20,000 acres of San Saba Valley lands under irrigation.

### First Class Board.

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R. C. DAWSON,

### Stock News.

Ed Fowler sold 60 fat cows to W. J. Skinner, of San Angelo at private terms. Cope & Hefflin made the trade.

### For Sale.

135 head stock cattle, no calves, 20 one year old steers \$11.00.

1300 dry sheep includes 500 mutton \$2.00.

340 sheard goats \$2.00.

600 fat muttons to be cut out of 2000 head \$2.25.

1800 head mutton and dry ewes at a bargain.

140 1 year old steers \$12.00.

140 2 year old steers \$18.00.

55 head of 2-year-old steers at \$17.50.

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J. M. G. Baugh of Sonora, accompanied by his grandson Joseph Turney, came down this week and returned with Mrs. Baugh, who has been visiting here.—Bracket News.

J. C. Swift, of Runnels, after a three weeks trip on the Rio Grande has returned. He says the range is fine to within twenty-five miles of the river, but near the Mexico border things are in bad shape on account of the drought.—Runnels County Ledger.

Col. Wm. L. Black, of Ft. McKavett, has been appointed a delegate to the National Farmers Congress, by Gov. Sayers. The congress meets next month at Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Lou Robertson came over from Sonora Monday and is visiting the family of her brother, Asa Robertson.

Mrs. Perry McConnell returned Monday last from a visit to Sonora.

Perry McConnell will go through to the territory with the Russell & Bevans cattle.—Menard Enterprise.

### Rams For Sale.

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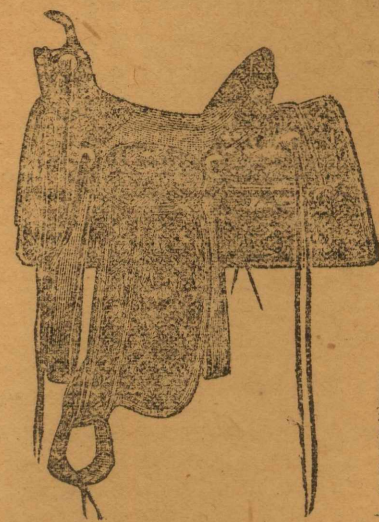
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**ALL OVER THE HOUSE.**  
Popular Novelties for Home Use and  
Decoration.

When burlap is used to cover the  
walls of a room, a stenciled border  
frequently is chosen instead of the  
frieze formerly in favor. Holders  
for pansies in rock crystal effects  
are dainty little affairs.

Gossamer is the new English fad  
for country house use. Its surface  
has a rich tone of cream white, and  
the decorations do not interfere  
with showing broad spaces of it, so  
that the effect is light, clear and  
cheerful. "Old English" glass for table  
use ranks among handsome and  
useful articles at the jeweler's.

Of dainty aspect is a "milk tumbler"  
of milky white porcelain with a  
gilt edge or decorated with a  
graceful garland of gay little flowers.

Among suggestions for country  
homes is the Darby and Joan chair,  
a low rocker for two on the one  
foundation. These odd pieces are  
in different woods, such as oak, walnut,  
ash and pine, and they come in  
wicker, rattan, old hickory and other  
materials.

There is a decided tendency in  
wall papers to imitate the effects of  
old weaves. Cartridge papers have  
taken to themselves the sheen of  
sateen, others are crinkled and  
ribbed like bedford cord and still  
others with a print representing the  
threads of organdie, very much like  
the effects in the organdie stationery  
that has been so popular.

Glass candlesticks in the quaint  
colonial style are seen. Glass table-  
ware of the same period is in evi-  
dence also.

**Macaroni and Apricots.**

A dish to be served at luncheon in  
place of meat may be made with  
macaroni and a can of apricots.  
Parboil half a pound of macaroni  
and toss it afterward into a pint of  
milk that has been brought to the  
boiling point. The milk should be  
sweetened with two tablespoonfuls  
of sugar. Let all simmer until the  
macaroni has absorbed nearly all of  
the milk. It will be necessary to  
stir frequently to keep the macaroni  
from sticking to the bottom of the  
saucepan. Drain all the liquor in  
the can of apricots from the fruit  
and add one cup of the juice to the  
milk and macaroni. Cover the pan  
well and set back on the stove for  
fifteen minutes. Remove from the  
fire and cool. In transferring to the  
dish on which it is to be served  
form a pile of the macaroni in the  
center of the dish and cover it with  
layers around and over it.

**Lovely Table Decoration.**

The electric lamp has kept pace  
with the development along artistic  
lines that is apparent in all branches  
of household fittings. The incandescent  
lamp is now admitted to the  
dining table, although until recently  
the incandescent burner was thought  
to be desirable for dining table illumination.  
The glare has been ingeniously  
softened, and at a recent dinner  
the electric lamp which occupied  
the center of the table was the  
most effective decoration that  
could be imagined. The pedestal  
and supporting column were of silver  
gilt, around which were grouped  
charming female figures in French  
bisque. The incandescent burners  
were shaded by glass globes in soft  
hue of rose. These in turn were  
veiled with numberless strings of  
pearls in rose white tint, and the  
light shone through with a softened  
glow that was delightful.

**Recipe for Graham Bread.**

One quart of warm water and one  
compressed yeast cake dissolved in  
half a cup of warm water. Stir in  
two quarts of graham flour and allow  
it to stand in a warm place until  
light, which usually takes about  
an hour. Then add one tablespoonful  
of salt, one cup of warm water and  
mix in 1 1/2 quarts more of graham.  
Knead a few minutes on the board  
and mold into loaves. Allow to  
rise until double their original size  
and bake. The foregoing recipe  
will give a more porous bread if  
instead of using all graham one-half  
entire-wheat flour is used. If liked,  
two tablespoonfuls of molasses may  
be added to the mixture.

**Moldings Instead of Poles.**

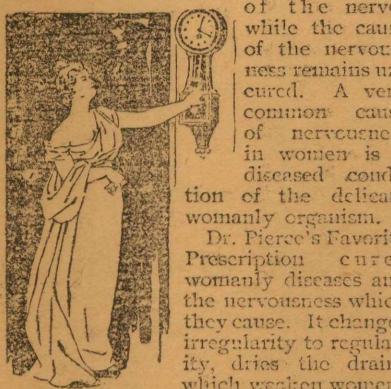
The use of moldings in place of  
poles at windows is extending. A  
new treatment of this sort has a  
short valance of sheer drapery in  
figured design falling from the  
molding across the window frame  
with straight hangings to the floor  
on either side of the same material.  
Underneath and close to the sash  
are short curtains of similar weave,  
but plain tint, harmonizing with the  
ground of the other hangings.

**Background for China.**

The plate rail is a popular form  
of decoration for modern dining  
rooms, but it is well to bear in mind  
the fact that the china, whether of  
modern or old time design, shows to  
best advantage against a wall covering  
in plain colors.

**A Nervous Woman**

Will often feel compelled to stop the  
clock whose ticking seems unbearable to  
her. In such a nervous condition the  
woman needs a building up of the entire  
system. It is useless to attempt the cure  
of the nerves while the cause  
of the nervousness remains un-  
cured. A very common cause  
of nervousness in women is a  
disordered condition of the delicate  
womanly organism.



Dr. Pierce's Favorite  
Prescription cures  
womanly diseases and  
the nervousness which  
they cause. It changes  
irregularity to regularity,  
dries the drains  
which weaken women,  
heals inflammation and  
cleanses female weakness. It is a perfect  
tonic and nerve, tranquilizing  
the nerves, promoting the appetite and  
inducing refreshing sleep.

"When I first wrote you I had been to three  
different doctors and two of them said I would  
never get better without going to the hospital  
for an operation," writes Mrs. Selma Robinson,  
of 49 Rice Street, St. Paul, Minn. "Was not  
able to do anything. If I would get up and walk  
to the kitchen and back I would have to lie  
in bed for a day or sometimes two days. Now I  
have used six bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite  
Prescription and six of the Golden Medical Discovery,  
and the result is just wonderful. I have  
never had to have any medicine since I  
used the first bottle. I can now go to the  
time even in my time, and I could hardly  
eat anything. I took treatment from a doctor  
for six weeks, but since I got at the doctor and  
began taking your medicine I gained right  
along. I weighed 45 pounds when I began  
taking your medicine. I gained and now  
I am up to my usual weight 105. I am as well  
and feel as good as ever."

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**A LITTLE NONSENSE.**

**How a Quiet Game of Pingpong Spoiled  
a Sensation.**

"Listen, sister. I believe I hear  
the voice of a man!" exclaimed  
Principes as she tiptoed across the  
room and placed her ear against the  
elevator shaft. Miraposa joined her  
aged spinster sister, and together  
they heard these words, spoken in  
dilect tones, float up from the flat  
below:

"Ah, thirty love. Now let's make  
it forty love."

"Horrors! Miraposa, do you  
think they are speaking of osculation?"

"Sister Principes, I am shocked  
at your suggestion. The honor of  
the building demands an investigation.  
Come."

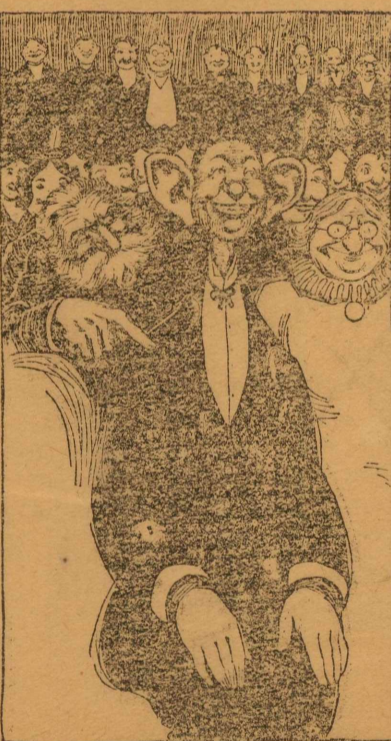
Together they stealthily stalked  
down the stairway to the flat below.

The door was open, and Harold  
McSwat bade them enter.

"We are having a delightful game  
of pingpong. Miss Flatdweller has  
just won the game. Will you join us?"

The invitation was coldly de-  
clined, and the spinsters sought the  
seclusion of the apartments, crushed  
that the vernacular of pingpong  
had robbed them of a choice bit of  
gossip.—Toledo Bee.

**A Reasonable Request.**



"Excuse me, sir; I can't see a  
thing. Will you oblige me by hold-  
ing your ears closer to my head?"

**Applying the Rule.**

Mamma—How is it, Johnny, that  
you are so late from Sunday school?  
Did you come directly home from  
church?  
Johnny (aged six)—No, mamma.  
You see, the teacher told us about  
cleanliness being next to godliness,  
so after Sunday school some of us  
boys went in swimming.—Chicago  
News.

**Needless Precaution.**

"Don't move," said the burglar,  
showing his revolver, "and don't  
make a noise, or I'll!"  
"Say, you needn't worry," the  
man whispered. "I'm just as anx-  
ious as you are not to have her  
wake up until after you get away."  
—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Clad of the Chance.**

"Did the old man seem to hesi-  
tate when you asked him for Lau-  
ra?"  
"Not a bit of it. He said the caterer  
and the florist owed him a lot of  
money, and it would be a good  
way to get even with them."—Cleve-  
land Plain Dealer.

**The Way Now.**

"Do you think she is going to  
marry Lord De Broke?"  
"Very likely. I understand that  
the expert accountant who has been  
going over her father's books has  
reported very favorably to his lord-  
ship."—Boston Herald.

**A LITTLE NONSENSE.**

**Budget of Jest's Cleaned From a Yon-  
kers Joker.**

She—You say the table groaned  
under the weight of the season's  
products?  
He—Yes; they were playing ping-  
pong on it.

She—I don't understand why a  
barber talks so much to his custom-  
ers.

He—Simply because his custom-  
ers are not women. He wouldn't  
have a chance if it was otherwise.

Bacon—When those two men  
formed a partnership, they turned  
in everything they had.

Egbert—Yes; I notice they both  
turned in their toes.

"If you didn't knock spots out of  
your last summer's suit," remarked  
the observer of events and things,  
"it is now time to take it to the  
tailor and have them taken out  
some other way."

Yeast—What is the average speed  
of an automobile?  
Crimsonback—It's hard to tell.  
You see, it's a fact when it does  
go, but when it breaks down it's still  
for a long while.—Yonkers States-  
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MIKE MURPHY  
Sonora, Tex., Sept 11, 1902.

**OPENING A JACKPOT.**

The Kans friends of Gene Warr  
have dug up an English edition of  
"Ironquill," annotated liberally in  
explanation of its Americanisms.  
The refrain "Who openeth a jack-  
pot may not always rake it down,"  
suggests difficulties disposed of in  
a footnote, which lays down a safe  
and conservative rule for foreigners  
in the great American game: "The  
'jackpot' is a feature of a gambling  
game at cards in which each player  
contributes an equal amount of  
money to the formation of the 'pot.'  
To 'open' a jackpot means to start  
the gambling for that particular  
pot. It can only be done by that  
player who has a hand of a certain  
prescribed degree of excellence. If  
he can sustain his supremacy, he  
may win, but in the course of the  
play he may lose. If he wins, he  
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Tresine) or cutting timber, wood  
hauling, working cattle, hunting  
hogs, or fishing, etc., without my  
permission will be prosecuted to the  
full extent of the law.

J. M. G. BAYON.  
Sonora, Tex.

**WHITE HOUSE INVITATIONS.**

The preparation of invitations to  
the four social events of the season  
at the White House, the receptions  
of the president, is a work that re-  
quires great care and the most ex-  
pert penmanship.

The several thousand people who  
receive invitations to each of the  
four receptions necessarily notice  
the attractive and beautiful pen-  
manship, amounting almost to en-  
graving.

This work is done by some of the  
most noted penmen in the service  
of the United States government,  
says the Washington Evening Star.

The cards of invitation to each  
reception are engraved and contain  
blanks for the name of the person  
or persons invited. These blanks  
are filled in by the penmen. Dur-  
ing the social season just closed two  
penmen were engaged in writing  
the names on the cards, while two  
others wrote the addresses on the  
envelopes containing the cards.

With all four men writing beauti-  
fully, frequently those invited to a  
reception would wonder whether  
the name was engraved or written.

**Handy Shirt Studs.**

Oliver Herford was with a party  
of friends who were discussing the  
troubles of masculine morals with  
collar buttons and shirt studs.  
When Mr. Herford's turn came, he  
said:

"I never use shirt studs. I buy  
brass paper fasteners. They cost  
35 cents a gross and when new look  
like Roman gold. I insert them in  
my shirt bosom, and they would de-  
ceive the oldest inhabitant. I am  
not bothered about removing them.  
I let the laundryman attend to that."

"Why didn't you wear that kind  
of substitute tonight?" asked one  
of the party, pointing at Mr. Her-  
ford's wide expanse of immaculate  
shirt front, in which three tiny gold  
buttons shined.

"I did," said Mr. Herford, and he  
reached up, grabbed a button, gave  
a tug and pulled it out. It was a  
paper fastener.—New York Times.

**A Rector in the Stocks.**

The strange sight was seen re-  
cently of the rector of a Lincoln-  
shire (England) parish sitting in  
the stocks. This reversion to the  
ancient form of punishment was  
not due to any offense committed  
by the clergyman, but to a local  
custom, dating centuries back, by  
which certain tolls can be obtained  
by undergoing this ordeal. Rather  
than pay, the rector of Corby, ac-  
companied by the churchwarden  
and chairman of the parish council,  
publicly put his feet in the stocks.  
Sir J. B. Stone, Conservative mem-  
ber of parliament for East Birming-  
ham and president of the National  
Records association, afterward vol-  
untarily underwent the same experi-  
ence.

**The Club of Death.**

Commenting on the advantages  
of eating nuts and fruits before the  
Vegetarian society in New York,  
Emile la Croix said the other day:  
"You have heard broad spoken of  
as the 'staff of life,' but I think it  
could be called the 'club of death.'  
It is full of calcareous matter, which  
goes into the arteries and clings to  
the walls. The reasons why you are  
still in the morning when you wake  
is that your pulse has been beating  
slowly during the night and has not  
wasted away any of this calcareous  
matter. It is necessary for folk  
because they lay eggs with hard  
shells, but not for man."—Argo-  
naunt.

**A Grateful Convict.**

A curious scene took place in a  
court, at Emporia, Kan., the other  
day when a convicted murderer,  
who had been sentenced to five years  
in the penitentiary, delivered an ad-  
dress of thanks as follows: "I am  
entirely satisfied with the verdict  
and the sentence, and I am con-  
fident that not one jury in ten would  
have been so lenient with me. I de-  
sire to thank sincerely the court for  
its just and courteous manner of  
conducting this trial, and I hope  
that the blessing of God will remain  
with you all."—Topeka Capital.

**An Ancient Draughtboard.**

What is described as an "ancient  
draughtboard" has been discovered  
in Crete. It must by all accounts be  
a fine piece of work, since it is com-  
posed of natural crystal, ivory, gold  
and silver, but it is by no means  
unique. Chess, draughts or the  
game from which both are derived  
was known to nearly all the ancient  
civilizations, and Greek and Egyptian  
boards are by no means un-  
common.

**Both Attractive.**

Jimly—What are you thinking so  
hard about?  
Bimly—I am trying to figure out  
which would be the most sport, to  
go out in an automobile and get  
after people or go out with a rifle  
and get after automobilists.—Town  
Topics.

**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that parties  
trespassing on my ranch west of  
Sonora for the purpose of hunting,  
cutting timber, hauling wood or  
hunting hogs, without my permis-  
sion, will be prosecuted to the full ex-  
tent of the law.

J. A. PARKER,  
Sept. 21, 1901.

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W. J. FIELDS,  
Sonora, Texas.

**CONDENSED STORIES.**

Wilton Lackaye's Estimate of a Rival  
Uncle Tom.

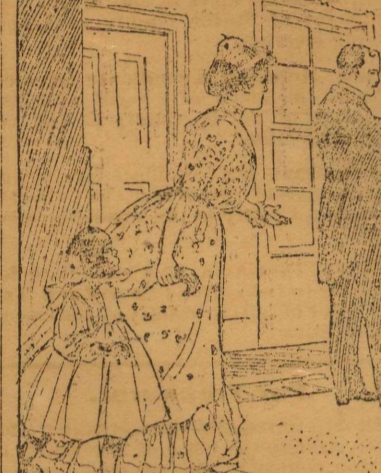
Wilton Lackaye, the actor, has  
been credited with some very bright  
impromptu sayings, generally hav-  
ing to do with the people and things  
of his calling and for that reason  
not always to be appreciated by the  
layman. This, however, seems like  
one well within the grasp of even  
nontheatergoers. In the winter of  
1900-01 Lackaye was playing Uncle  
Tom in a Chicago revival of the  
popular old drama made from Mrs.  
Stowe's book. During the engage-  
ment there the play was produced  
at low prices in another Chicago  
theater, and Lackaye, with some of  
the fellow members of his company,  
went out one afternoon to see their  
roles acted by the minor players.  
The Uncle Tom of the low price  
performance was an immense clap,  
weighing at least 300 pounds. When  
the performance was over, one of  
his companions turned to Lackaye  
and asked:

"Well, Will, what did you think  
of the big fellow in burnt cork?"

"Anatomically great! Uncle-  
Tomically, putrid!" was Lackaye's  
reply.—Philadelphia Times.

**A Dark Plodge.**

The appearance of Grace George  
in a revival of "Fror Froon" in New  
York brought from the past an an-  
ecdote of Mrs. Potter when she was  
presenting her ideas of Gilbert to



"I can show you the way, I know.  
Out to the meadows and up the hill,  
Over the fields where the daisies blow,  
Off to the woodland so far and still,  
I could show you the way if I had  
Care to go visiting them which me."

To find the way, oh, I could, indeed,  
Down through the paths where the  
sunbeams play,  
Over the pastures where cattle feed,  
While the glad robin keeps holiday;  
Under the eaves of the chimney tree,  
Into the homes of the bees and bees.

But when we'd seen all the wonderland  
And we were ready at last to go,  
I should be glad to take papa