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Devil's River News.

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Sonora, Texas, Dec. 27, 1913.

Mrs. Bankhurst.

She has come across the sea to explain to you and me why the men of Old England tried to add their country flag; let her hope she won't incite native suffragists to fight, won't stir up to bloody battle Rheta Dorr and Carrie Catt. Mrs. Bankhurst is a duck and a wild her bully luck, and I hope she'll bring a difference will sew her sewing void; but I cannot think that the errand's on, blink, that a dame like Mrs. F.

be usefully employed. Far across the ocean foam she has doubtless got a home; if she hasn't she should get one, and that home's the place for her; loaves of bread she ought to bake, or compound a tempting cake, while she's ranting round the country, filling all the air the air with fur. In her home across the sea she should have a quilting bee, she should manufacture cookies for a bunch of little Pinks; but she isn't built that way, and she epels from day to day, stirring up to fresh endeavor all the tiresome female cranks. To her mission I say "Pish!" Married women ought to be in their homes, among their kids; but I hope you're doing fine in this country, Damaine, and I'll join the girls who hear you, when they whoop and wave their lid!
Wally Mason.

Dr. King's New Life Pills.
The best in the world.

HE WAS GOOD, BUT NERVY.

Would You Have Given an Increase in Salary to This Man?

The following story, taken from the American Magazine, brings up the question as to whether, under the circumstances, the man in this story should have his salary raised: "Good morning, Mr. Perkins," greeted Forbes airily. Perkins glared, speechless. "Good morning, Mr. Perkins," repeated the young salesman politely. Perkins exploded. "What th' dickens d'yuh mean by butting in on me!" he roared. "Quite so. Quite so," agreed the young man. "Now to our business."

"I won't listen! Beat it—quick!" "What I wished to see you about was"— "I said get out of this office!" "But I"— "Well, what is it? Quick!" "I am now drawing \$60 per month," said Forbes easily. "I wish it increased to \$80, commencing"— "And for that you come rampaging in here at my busiest hour. Boy, are you plumb crazy?" "Don't get excited, sir. Eighty dollars is a trifling sum"— "Trifling sum? Good Lord! Why, when I was your age \$80 was a huge amount!"

"But times have changed, Mr. Perkins. When you were my age times were different. The cost of living, education and morals was lower. More time and liquor were consumed, fewer books read. With all due respect, I venture to suggest that modern salaries are not to be regulated by what they once were."

"Say—say," spluttered the irate employer, "I know you're going to be disappointed. D'yuh know you're the first one of my men who's dared to ask me for a raise? Can't I run my own business? Don't I know when a man deserves a raise without him comin' in here when I'm up to my ears in work?" "So I suspected," returned Forbes. "However, I'm not trying to run your business. My matter is personal to me!"

"You—you!" "Don't say it—please," admonished the younger man. "You might regret it."

"Well, of all the"— "Nerve," completed Forbes. "Yes, it's nervy, Mr. Perkins, I admit that, but success requires nerve these days."

Perkins' stern features relaxed a trifle and he indulged in the ghost of a smile. "Maybe you're right," he hazarded. "At any rate, you've plenty of the right stuff in you, if you are fresh. You need taking down, but—well, come out with me and I'll fix it with the cashier."

Together they strode out. The office force applied itself mightily in the presence of the man higher up, but they watched covertly and wondered at Forbes' triumphant grin. The pair paused at the cashier's desk, and the salesman delighted in the fact that Perkins spoke loudly. All listened attentively. "Simmons," said the big boss, "this morning I sent you an order to raise the salary of Forbes, here, to \$100 a month. Cut it down to \$80!"

Small Talk.

Fuseli, the painter, had a great dislike to that species of conversation familiarly denominated "tattle." Once when sitting in his room for a long while among some trifling visitors who were discussing the weather and such like interesting subjects, after remaining for a long time without speaking, he burst out with a "We had pork for dinner today!" "Dear Mr. Fuseli!" exclaimed one. "What an odd remark!" "Why," replied he, "it's as good as anything you've been saying for the last hour."—Lippincott's.

Foiled Her.

"You promised that you would give me my answer this evening," he said. "Are you ready to do so?" "Yes," she replied, "but I want you to promise me something first." "What is it?" "I want you to promise me solemnly that you will not do anything rash—that you will not, when I have given you my answer, go and drown yourself or take bichloride of mercury." "Oh, then, you have decided to say yes, have you?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Poor Remedy.

Speaking of a certain measure under discussion in the senate, a well known congressman said: "It does not meet the situation at all and will not remedy conditions. It reminds me of the wife of a young blacksmith of Washington. 'Did you sew that button on my coat?' this blacksmith asked his wife one morning. 'No, dear,' the wife answered. 'I couldn't find the button, but I sewed up the buttonhole, so it's all right.'"

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining on hand in Post Office at Sonora for week ending Dec. 9, 1913.

Domestic Letter.
Mr. J. W. Bentley
Forrest Blakey
Mr. J. B. McKinney
Mr. Willie Hamilton
W. A. Petty

Foreign Letters
Anestora R de Gorzalez
Donifario Ortiz
Antonio Ballo
Ramona Niabery
Reliz Martinez
Teobeba Sanchez

Post Cards
J. T. Burros
When calling for above please say advertised.
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Constipation Poisons You.

If you are constipated, your entire system is poisoned by the waste matter kept in the body—serious results often follow. Use Dr. King's New Life Pills and you will soon get rid of constipation, headache and other troubles. 25c at Druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co. Philadelphia and St. Louis. Adv.

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One fourth mile from Sonora 17 section ranch. 3 good wells, with sufficient tanks. Price \$7 per acre.

Apply to
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791.
Sonora, Tex.

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STARTING MONDAY MORNING DECEMBER FIRST

We Will Place on SALE AT ACTUAL COST our Entire Stock of DRY GOODS, SHOES, HATS, FURNISHINGS, ETC. EVERYTHING IN OUR DRY GOODS LINE IS INCLUDED

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REMEMBER THIS SALE STARTS Monday Morning December 1st, 1913 AND WILL CLOSE January 1st, 1914.

Just Three Red Hot SELLING Days.

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As We are Making NO PROFIT on these Goods Every Sale Must be a CASH TRANSACTION

E. F. Vander Stucken Company, Sonora, Texas.

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Says Tariff Will Not Ruin Herders.

Putting wool on the free list will not drive the sheepraisers of Texas out of business immediately, if at all. If the price of mutton advances or remains firm, the wool growers can still market his product at a profit. Importations from Australia are threatening, but the wool supply of the world may not be great enough to put the price too low.

Such is the situation in West Texas, as expressed by Captain Charles Schreiner of Kerville, president of the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of Texas, when seen at the St. Anthony Hotel. "The sheep men around Kerville," said Captain Schreiner, "will stay in the business and await further developments."

Wool is now selling around 14 cents, a cent or more lower than it was before the new tariff bill was passed. At this figure, wool can be profitably marketed under two conditions. First, that very careful management be used, for there is now no room for waste or surpluses. Second, that mutton advances or at any rate keep firm.

"Mutton is now selling at from 4 to 5 cents a pound. At this price sheep can be raised. The consumption of mutton is very small in this country compared with England and European nations where its excellence is recognized."

The world's supply of wool may not be great enough, moreover, to thrust the price much lower than it now is. We can only wait and see about this. Australian wool is the only kind that we have need to fear in competition. Under the old tariff law, 11 cents was the tax on each pound brought in, regardless of quality — an Antonio Light.

Announcements.

The Devil's River News is authorized to announce.
The News rates for announcements is.
Congressional, Legislature and Judicial Districts \$5
County officer \$10.
Precinct officers \$2.50
All announcements are payable in cash in advance.

SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR
R. H. Martin, as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County, a subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

TAX ASSESSOR
Geo. J. Trainer, as a candidate for reelection to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

THE SOUTHWESTERN TRUST CO.
Will Buy For Cash
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SUBMIT YOUR OFFER.
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1203 Southwestern Life Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that any one trespassing on our ranches 21 miles southeast of Sonora for the purpose of hunting, cutting timber, hauling wood, hog hunting, working live stock, injuring our well-proof or other fences or any way trespassing upon us will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
E. F. & A. Vander Stucken.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that any one trespassing on my ranch 21 miles south of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood, working live stock, hunting hogs or injuring fences, without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
D. B. CUSENBARY,
91
Sonora, Texas.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch east of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
W. J. FIELDS,
Sonora, Texas.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 22 miles south of Sonora, for the purpose of hunting and fishing without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
J. A. Cauthorn,
5
Sonora, Texas.

1000 Bales of oats at 40c at my Ranch 9 miles Southwest of Eldorado. Also have 5 tons of milled head for sale. Phone or write Oscar Gibson Eldorado, Texas

Cano for Sale.
6000 bundles of cane for sale delivered at Sonora for 5 cents a bundle. Phone or see at farm, 7 miles south of Eldorado.
E. S. Johnson,
64
Eldorado, Texas.



HIS CHRISTMAS DINNER.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING.

Will Bring Twenty Million Dollars Worth of Toys.

Santa Claus is going to bring the children of the United States an assortment of toys valued at \$20,000,000 this Christmas, and nearly a million dollars worth will be distributed among Texas kiddies. Assuming that this amount will be apportioned, each child's allotment will amount to one dollar. These statements are based upon facts and figures contained in a report issued by the Federal Department of Commerce relating to the importation, production and exportation of toys in the United States, and the prices used represent wholesale value. According to this bulletin the theory that our Christmas playthings come from Greenland has been exploded as it is shown that more than one-half the toys consumed in this country, or approximately \$11,000,000 worth, are manufactured in the United States, while the remainder is imported principally from Germany.

There are 226 toy factories in continental United States, but none of them are located in Texas, and consequently our annual expenditure for Christmas trifles leave the State.

Since Santa Claus made his last visit a year ago, the toy factories of the United States have been running full time preparing for his next annual tour. These establishments have employed 6,072 persons, who have earned \$3,000,000 in salaries and wages and whose unceasing labors will brighten the lives of 20 million good little boys and girls when they wake on Christmas morning.

The consumption of this class of merchandise in the United States has grown with remarkable rapidity. Importations in 1893 were less than 3 million dollars; in 1903 they had grown to four and one-half million, and for the calendar year of 1913 it seems likely that they will reach the enormous sum of nine million dollars. While the domestic manufacture of toys has increased materially in recent years, the yearly output is no nearer the annual demand than it was twenty years ago, and as a result the imports, production and consumption show approximately the same percentage of gain during this time. Exports of toys from the United States are comparatively small and are not considered. The exports amount to less than a million dollars annually and have somewhat declined in recent years.

Billies for sale.

I have 50 head of two year old South African Billies, (the Ford stock) which I will sell cheap.
G. S. Allison
Sonora.

Bulls Wanted.

HEREFORDS — thoroughbred or high grades. Must be good, big individuals. Three to eight years old. Only want two. Will buy for cash or exchange. Have two I want to sell.
Might buy a pretty Spanish or Quarter stallion — must be small.
Plenty of hogs for sale.
O. W. CARDWELL,
531
TELEGRAPH, TEX.

Woodmen Circle

Laird Grove No. 218 meet at Woodmen hall the Second and Fourth Tuesday in each month. Special business meeting Fourth Tuesday. Social meeting All members cordially invited.

For Sale.

A four roomed house corner lot 50 & 140 near school house. Price \$750. Apply at news office.
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Are You a Woman?

Take Cardui

The Woman's Tonic

FOR SALE AT ALL DRUGGISTS

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

HEADQUARTERS OF SANTA CLAUS

To the Good Children of the Sonora Country, Greetings:

Tell your Father and Mother How Good You Have Been and That

The Corner Drug Store

HAS JUST THE THING YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS and also say that the CORNER DRUG STORE has Useful, Pretty and Handsome Presents for

Father, Mother, Sister, Brother, Sweetheart or Friend. ALL go to the CORNER for Gifts.

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To the Public.

The Decker Hotel offers the resident and transient public ample clean and sanitary accommodations.

Special efforts will be made to entertain holiday guests with warm rooms, hot meals and homelike comforts.

Appreciating the patronage given us in the past and hoping for a continuance of the same during the year 1914 we wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MRS. LAURA DECKER,
PROPRIETRESS

"Make the Decker your home for 1914"

In Memory of W. L. Babb

On Monday morning, December 8, 1913, Willie Lewis Babb was shot and instantly killed by Graham Barnett at W. H. Dodd's store in Langtry, Texas. They had always been such good friends. It came as a terrible shock to the entire community.

He was born on July 29th, 1876, in Foque county, Texas, being the eldest son of W. L. Babb, a well known stockman of Val Verde county.

He was of a jovial disposition and made numerous friends wherever he went.

The earthly remains were laid to rest in the Langtry cemetery on Dec 9th, followed by a large concourse of friends. Active pall bearers were W. H. Dodd, D. M. Scott, I. G. Kullough, H. Q. Mills, Travis Brown, Emer James. The grave was banked with beautiful flowers furnished by loving friends.

He leaves to mourn his loss a dear devoted wife, and three little children, Oscar Lewis Babb, aged six years; Mildred Babb, three years, and an infant son only fourteen days old, who will never know a father's love and care. Further mother and five brothers, John, Baye, Coleman, Dillard and Walter of Langtry. Four sisters Mrs. G. R. Bates of Merizon, Texas, who was unable to come, Mrs. Shannon Stepp of Langtry, Mrs. J. H. Tippett of Rankin, Texas, and Miss Myrtle Babb, besides many other relatives and friends.

He had striven hard to build up a happy home and now the cruel shadow of death has fallen on the hearts of the loved ones left behind.

The vacant place is in the home, which none but you can fill, But oh, 'tis joy, Dear Willie, to know You dwell, with those higher still.

We miss your face, your loving words, Your bright and happy smiles; We trust and pray with breaking hearts, To meet you in the skies.

It grieves us still we are faint and sick To say you are in the grave, But show how bright it makes our hearts, To know you are in God's love and grace.

While here on earth, Dear Willie, You were the joy and light of home, But you have found a happier place, Where nemi's never roam.

No more you'll hear your children's voice— May God protect your darling ones, Keep them from sin and woe, He left his home and earthly joys But a few sad days ago.

Oh! Willie, dear departed one, You have left this world of sin, But in the future day to come, We hope to meet again.

A FRIEND.

Mrs. Serena Adams left last Saturday for Del Rio to visit her son Lum Adams.

Remember—Everything at Nathan's Pharmacy is being sold at a great reduction. Call and investigate.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm Drennan of Ballinger are the guests of their son Oscar Drennan.

Nathan's Pharmacy has been given the exclusive agency for the Famous Nyl Line of Household remedies and toilet articles.

Everything the best at Nathan's Pharmacy

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cauborn were in from the ranch Tuesday doing their Christmas shopping.

Kenneth Cox of Ozona was a visitor in Sonora several days this week.

Remember that every article of the Famous Nyl Line is guaranteed by Nathan's Pharmacy. Your money back if it does not please.

Claud Stites of Owenville sold 170 head of cattle to Bert Page and John Martin at pt.

Dr. W. T. Chapman, the dentist is back from Ozona and Eldorado and will be at home in Sonora for next month.

Mrs. Rebecca Coleman Rust died at the home of her son Jerry Rust in San Angelo on Thursday, December 18, 1913, aged 75 years. Deceased was the mother of Jerry and Jack Rust of San Angelo and Low Rust of Del Rio.

Mrs. W. A. Ogle and family wish to express their thanks and appreciation of the many kindnesses shown them during the illness of their husband and father, by their neighbors, the people of Mayer and Sonora and take this means of thanking those they may not be able to see personally.

T. B. Adams returned Tuesday from a sheep buying trip. He bought 453 head of registered and pure bred Rambouillet sheep from George A. Heymann of DeGraff, Kansas, and the shipment is expected in Sonora this week. This was the largest pure bred Rambouillet flock in Kansas and had been given the closest attention and development for the past 26 years. Rams from this flock have been sold and shipped to nearly every state in the Union. Mr. Adams is pleased with his purchase and wants the Sonora Country to see them at his ranch four miles west of Sonora.

Born on Friday Dec 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Sid Martin a boy.

John Young of Alpine was a business visitor in Sonora Friday.

Ellison Carroll of Fairfax, Oklahoma was in Sonora Friday on business.

Remember—Nathan's Pharmacy is selling all dolls at cost. It will pay you to call there for your Xmas presents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Day of Pecos are visiting Mrs. Mrs. Days parents Mr. and Mrs. W. T. O. Holman.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nolan of Ozona were the guests of Judge and Mrs. E. S. Brient a few days this week.

Rankin Radcliff of San Angelo remembered Steve and Mike with a box of cigars Christmas. Many thanks Rankin.

Will Whitehead and son George were up from the ranch in Val Verde County this week for a few days visit.

Walter Whitehead was up from his ranch in Val Verde County this week spending Christmas with his family.

Lee Whitehead who is attending school in Austin was home this week for the holidays.

Boscoe Morris was over from the Pecos this week to spend a short vacation with Sonora friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Kessler and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Estes were among the visitors from Crockett County this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Lee from the Howard Wiele ranch were spending Christmas with Dock Simmons and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. H. Johnson arrived here Friday from a business and pleasure trip to Eastland.

Stomach Troubles Disappear.

Stomach, liver and kidney troubles, weak nerves, lame back and female ills disappear when Electric Bitters are used. Thousands of women would not be without a bottle in their homes. Eliza Pool of Depeu, Okla., writes: "Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of sickness and suffering and has done me a world of good. I wish every suffering woman could use this excellent remedy and find out as I did, just how good it is." As it has helped thousands of others, it surely will do the same for you. Every bottle guaranteed, 5c and \$1.00. At all Druggists, H. H. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis—Adv.

Advertised Letters.

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G. W Smyth Post Master.

Croup and Cough Remedy

Croup is a terrible disease, it attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamorlain, of Manchester, Ohio, writes about his child: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved what a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, coughs and colds." So can you 50c and \$1.00. A bottle should be in every home. At all Druggists. H. H. Bucklen & Co. Philadelphia or St. Louis—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Appelt and children and Miss Rogers were in from the ranch a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holland of the H. P. Allison ranch were in Sonora Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wardlaw were in from the ranch on the Pecos this week for a holiday visit.

Mrs. Barbee, grandmother of Will and Tom Holland of Sonora died at her home in Ballinger Tuesday.

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Miss Ethel Taliaferro and Wm. T. Merriman were married in Sonora Wednesday, December 24th, 1913. Judge E. S. Brient officiating.

Miss Amanda Rode and Albert L. Hart were married at the ranch home of the bride's parents on the North Llano Thursday, December 25, 1913.

D. M. Melton and E. F. Winn of Altus, Okla. are in Sonora. They are experienced fence builders and are looking for employment.

Chas. Whitehead who has been giving close attention to the ranch interests of Whitehead & Wardlaw in the Pecos, was in Sonora this week.

Dr. Hobson's Ointment Heals Itchy Eczema.

The constantly itching, burning sensation and other disagreeable forms of eczema, tetter, salt rheum and skin eruptions promptly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Geo. W. Fitch of Mendota, Ill. says: "I purchased a box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Have had Eczema ever since the civil war, have been treated by many doctors, none have given the benefit that one box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has." Every sufferer should try it. We're so positive it will help you we guarantee it or your money refunded. At all Druggist or by mail 50c. Pfaff Chemical Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis. Adv.

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E. F. VANDER STUCKEN CO.

It Always Helps
says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.
I wish every suffering woman would give

GARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

a trial. I still use Cardui when I feel a little bad, and it always does me good."
Headache, backache, side ache, nervousness, tired, worn-out feelings, etc., are sure signs of womanly trouble. Signs that you need Cardui, the woman's tonic. You cannot make a mistake in trying Cardui for your trouble. It has been helping weak, ailing women for more than fifty years.

Get a Bottle Today!

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STORIES OF FRANZ LISZT.

Alia Supreme Joy When He Was Kissed by Beethoven.

Franz Liszt was born at Balding, Hungary, Oct. 23, 1811. Died at Baireuth, Bavaria, July 31, 1886.

The potent influence of the personality of Franz Liszt, the great pianist and composer, over all persons with whom he came in contact was almost as wonderful as his genius.

While Abbe Liszt would never take pupils for pay, he took many in whom he saw ability and musical enthusiasm. A few Americans were privileged to play to him, for that was what constituted study with the master. There was one young girl of sixteen from Baltimore who was so fortunate as to gain his interest, and he always called her "America" instead of by her name.

Liszt allowed a student to show his own comprehension of a musical idea, and what criticism he made was so good natured it made deep impression.

He once said in regard to some playing where the melody was not strongly brought out, "When I play, I always play for the people in the gallery; they pay so little for their seats they ought to hear something." At another time he corrected a young girl who was making a peculiar circular motion with her hand while rendering a difficult passage, "Keep your hand still; don't seem to be making an omelet."

At the age of twelve years, when he played in a concert at Vienna, Franz had the supreme gift of his life—he received the kiss of Beethoven. In the midst of the tremendous enthusiasm of the audience Beethoven went up on the stage, took the boy in his arms and kissed him on both cheeks. Till his last day of life this was a supreme memory with Franz Liszt.

At the breaking out of the 1830 revolution in France, Liszt was at Paris. His father had died, and he was supporting his mother and studying hard. Lafayette was his ideal hero. At heart Abbe Liszt was an earnest republican, and he had unflinching sympathy with the struggling mass of the people. One of his friends saw him in a corner one night in Paris holding the broom of a crossing sweeper. He explained that as he had no change in his pocket to give the boy he had sent him to have a dollar silver piece changed and was holding the broom until the boy came back. Liszt gave money with a lavish hand for all good causes.

One time the great musician was in Italy having a little journey in which he sought to hide his identity and enjoy a quiet that his fame seldom allowed him. Attracted by Riccardi's music store in Milan, he went in and sat down at a piano and began to play.

In the hushed silence that fell upon an eagerly talking group of persons he heard a voice whisper, "That is Liszt or the devil!"—Chicago News.

The Whole Thing.
In the older days of the Harvard Medical school, when funds were scarce and professors scarcer, Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes was the lecturer on anatomy, physiology, medical chemistry and a few other subjects.

One day the president of the college met him on the street and congratulated him on his then recent election to a professional chair of medicine.

"Chair!" exclaimed the doctor. "You're mistaken, my dear sir. It isn't a chair that I occupy; it's a whole settee."

Bloom of the Grape.
It was the new boy's first morning at the green grocer's.

"Ere, what d'you mean by shaking the duster out of the window," cried the proprietor, "wasting all that good dust!"

"Wasting it?" asked the astonished lad.

"Where d'you think we get the bloom for the grapes from?" came the answer.—London Bystander.

Royal Origin of "Blackguard."
The board of green cloth is responsible for inventing "blackguard," a word that has altered in original meaning. When first used it was not at all a term of reproach, but referred to the lowly but honorable occupation of carrying coal in the king's palace. Can you find any other bad word in the English language that can boast of such a royal origin?—London Chronicle.

It Happened in Boston.
The Customer—Here, waiter, take this soup away; there's a hair in it.

The Waiter (narrowly observing the offending intruder)—I beg your consideration, sir, but what you mistake for a human combing is merely a superficial and superimposed fracture of the queensware, sir.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

BENDING FORWARD.

Why It is an Easier Operation Than Bending Backward.

Can you stoop and touch the floor with your fingers without bending your knees? Any child can do it, and any man or woman who has not grown stiff through lack of exercise ought to be able to do it. But no one except a contortionist can bend as far backward as he can forward.

The reason for this is threefold. The human body is so designed that bending is easiest in the direction in which it is most useful. We can see on the ground in front of us; we cannot see behind us. Our arms are placed so as to work in harmony with our eyes, ahead of us, not behind us. We want to pick up things we can see.

Therefore it is a wise provision that enables us to keep our balance when leaning forward more easily than when leaning backward. The weight of our bodies rests normally upon our heels, and our feet extend forward to take up our weight when we stoop.

Again, the muscles of our bodies are massed where they will give us most power. The biggest and strongest groups of muscles are on our backs and the backs of our legs. When we lift any weight it is this great chain of muscles that extends from the heel in successive links to the base of the skull, that gives us the power.

These muscles, when relaxed, are capable of great extension, in order that we may be able to bend far forward. In tension they hold us erect. The muscles on the front of our body, with the exception of that tremendously powerful ligament in front of the hip joint, are comparatively thin and weak. If we bend far backward they are not strong enough to pull us up again.

The only parts of the spine that are capable of much backward bending are at the neck and waist. But at the waist the spines on the back of the vertebrae are so large and thick that when we bend backward they come together and prevent us from going any further. Then that powerful ligament in front of the hip joint is there for the express purpose of preventing us from falling backward, and it is not capable of much stretching.

All these structural and mechanical details explain why we cannot bend nearly so far backward as forward. Our bodies are designed for stooping forward and were never meant for backward bending, which would, anyway, be of no use.

Gratitude Behind a Name.

During 1603 Sir Christopher Newport while cruising off the coast of North Carolina ran into a very severe storm. After being tossed about on the ocean for several days his ship was driven by the wind into Chesapeake bay and landed at a certain "point." Exhausted by his struggle with the ocean he found "comfort at last within this harbor" and he gave it the name of "Point Comfort."

After some years other places along the Atlantic seaboard were given the same name, and as the Virginia point was the oldest the word "Old" was added to distinguish it from the others.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Jumped a Thousand Hurdles.

The craze for strange records began a great many years ago. There was an elderly London omnibus driver named Priestly, who at Hull, in 1863, jumped 1,000 hurdles each three feet six inches high in sixty-one and a half minutes. It is said that this record has never since been equalled. Priestly began omnibus driving in the same year, 1863, and during his forty-six years in the service of the London General Omnibus company he drove busses a distance of about 850,000 miles.—Strand Magazine.

Discouraging.

Mr. Jordan was touring by motor-car and arrived at a crowded village inn quite late in the evening. There was no spare bed to be had, which was a great disappointment, as he was tired and very much disliked the thought of driving farther that night.

"Haven't you at least a bundle of hay you can give me?" he demanded of the landlady.

"There isn't a thing left," she answered, "except a bit of cold roast beef."—Lippincott's.

Gladstone's Apology.

Mr. Gladstone once denounced certain members of the opposition as "a lot of truckling attorneys," a phrase which caused some indignation. On the following day he said: "I recently described some members as 'truckling attorneys.' I now wish to apologize"—some applause from the aggrieved parties interrupted him—"I now wish to apologize—to the attorneys."

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 6 miles south of Sonora, for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
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A MARVEL OF STEALTH.

This Herd of Elephants Were Apparently Shod With Silence.

Innocently meandering through an African forest, Mr. E. H. Bronson and his hunting companion, neither of whom had seen wild elephants, much less hunted them, found themselves in the middle of a feeding herd, but hidden from the unwieldy animals by the underbrush. "In Closed Territory" the author describes the experience:

It proved to be our day to learn a lot about the elephant's whims and what he can do when he likes. Of course the creek lay between us, which might seem a protection, but it was not. They all whirled and thundered away from us. But scarcely had we gone a hundred feet before the whole herd came plunging back upon their tracks at the same mad pace.

They stopped stock still ten yards from us, as we afterward proved, but they were hidden from us as before. This time they were bunched in a half circle about us. For probably ten minutes there was utter silence; then they started feeding and amusing themselves as before. This continued for perhaps fifteen minutes, when all sound ceased again, and the wood was as still as if they had all dropped dead.

And there we sat for the larger part of an hour, wondering how long an afternoon siesta well regulated elephant families usually take. We were in constant expectation of renewed movement by some of the herd. We could have sworn that they were still within the toss of a biscuit.

But when presently a slight stir among the leaves directly before Outram made us throw up our rifles out stepped Akuna, who had raced out of our sight at the first stampede. He brought the incredible intelligence that the elephants were gone out of the bush and were disappearing off toward the north.

Magic! No prestidigitator could touch this vanishing act of tons and tons of ambulant weight done under our very noses in a country where we pygmies could hardly stir without causing a racket. And yet it proved to be true. They were all gone, by what miracle of stealth I doubt if the oldest elephant hunter could tell.

Soap and a King.

Soap used to provide King James I. with a comfortable addition to his income. That canny monarch granted the company of soapmakers of Westminster the monopoly for the making of soap in England in return for the payment of \$30 a ton on all soap produced. The importation of soap was forbidden, and officers were appointed to deal with illicit soap boiling, its manufacture even in private houses for domestic purposes being punishable by heavy penalties. Moreover, a proclamation was issued that "the soap made by the company is good, sweet and serviceable for our people." The annual revenue derived by the king from this source amounted to about \$150,000.

Floorwalker Meant Well.

Teased into it, Jones had gone with his wife on an excursion to the realm of bargains, and in the great building with its many departments he had become separated from his better half. For an hour at least he remained lounging impatiently at the junction of many ways, where lifts, stairs and passengers met, and then, tired and angry, he approached the shopwalker. "Sir," he said to the frockcoated and suave attendant in tones of righteous indignation, "I've lost my wife." "Third floor and over the bridge for the mourning department!" came the reply, with stunning force.—Cardiff Western Mail.

Steel Best For Mine Timbering.

By the use of steel in place of wood for mine timbering, waste due to decay, framing and fitting, fire and insects is entirely overcome, says Coal Age. Steel mine timbers also call for less excavation, cost less to erect, have a greater endurance and tend toward better ventilation. While the first cost of steel is nearly twice that of the wood used for timbering, the ultimate cost is lower, as steel lasts much longer. It can be used again and again, and if crushed it has a salvage value.

Harmless Joke.

Place a spool of cotton in the inside pocket of your coat and, having threaded a needle with the beginning of the cotton, pass the needle through the front of the coat, unthread the needle and leave about two inches of the cotton hanging as if it were only a stray piece. The first person you meet will be sure to pick it off you, and his astonishment when he finds there is no end to it will give plenty of innocent fun.

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