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## NOTICE.

As required by Article 2, Section 27 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given that the International & Great Northern Railroad Company and the Houston, Beaumont and New Orleans Railroad Company and the Houston, Oaklawn and Magnolia Park Railway Company intend to apply to the Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas, to assemble in biennial session, on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1903, for a local or special law to authorize said International & Great Northern Railroad Company to purchase, own and operate as a part or parts of its line, the railroad constructed or to be constructed of the Houston, Beaumont and New Orleans Railroad Company and also the railroad constructed or to be constructed of the Houston, Oaklawn and Magnolia Park Railway Company, or either of them, as defined in their respective charters, together with all franchises and property incident or appertaining to said railroads or either of them; and to authorize said Houston, Beaumont and New Orleans Railroad Company and said Houston, Oaklawn and Magnolia Park Railway Company each to sell its railroad as defined in its charter, together with all franchises and property incident or appertaining thereto, to said International & Great Northern Railroad Company, and to authorize said International & Great Northern Railroad Company to issue and negotiate its bonds secured or to be secured by mortgage or mortgages, subject to the laws of the State of Texas governing the issuance and negotiation of bonds by railroad companies; and to authorize said International & Great Northern Railroad Company to construct, own and operate, as a part or parts of its line, the unfinished portion or portions of said railroads, or either of them, between the termini as defined in their respective charters, and to construct, own and operate, as part or parts of its line, extensions and branches of said railroads, or either of them, under or authorized in and by the charter of said International & Great Northern Railroad Company or any amendment thereof made or to be made in pursuance of general laws of the State of Texas, to regulate reports relative to the railroads, franchises and property, authorized by this act to be purchased and sold, and the operation thereof, and to prescribe the conditions upon which said purchases and sales shall take effect and be dependent; and to authorize said companies and each of them to execute all necessary contracts, agreements and conveyances to accomplish said purchases and sales.

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### Gates as an Organizer.

Port Arthur, Texas, Dec. 12.—John W. Gates was a shining star at a mass meeting of the citizens, and made a record by organizing a company capitalized at \$225,000, which will shell the main streets of the town, build an ice factory, dig a basin for small craft 300x2000 feet, with a shed, and supply the town and refineries with fresh water, and did it all in less than forty minutes. When he started in with an offer to take \$30,000 worth of stock, and when a few minutes later he offered to loan the company \$75,000 for 1, 2, 3 or 100 years the crowd went wild. He said that he would see that Port Arthur was made a full port of entry before congress adjourned; would go to Washington himself and stay there till the act was passed.

## ROBBERS FOILED.

### ONE KILLED, ANOTHER DESPERATELY WOUNDED AND THE THIRD UNDER ARREST.

### MADE ATTACK ON A BANK.

#### Officials Had Been Notified and Appointed a Reception of Officers.

Alvord, Tex., Dec. 15.—Three white men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First National Bank of Alvord about 3 o'clock this afternoon. One was killed, another desperately wounded and the third is under arrest.

The bank officials had been notified that an attempt would be made to rob the bank, even the day and the hour the robbers would come being given. The officers were notified and Sheriff Cirley of Decatur, Deputy Sheriff Yearly and Dobbs were on hand to receive them. Some of the officers were posted inside the bank, others across the street, where the approaches could be commanded, and all were heavily armed. Between 3 and 4 o'clock three men, whose names are given as Frank Martin, John McFall and Claude Golden, rode up to the bank. McFall and Golden dismounted and entered the bank and Martin remained outside to hold the horses. The story told by those inside the bank is as follows:

McFall and Golden covered the cashier with pistols and demanded the cash in the vaults to be surrendered, not noticing that the officers were standing to one side of the entrance. The officers instantly covered them with pistols and demanded that they surrender. McFall turned as if to fire on Constable Yearly and was shot through the head. Golden surrendered, throwing up his hands. Hearing the firing inside the bank, Martin put spurs to his horse to escape, but was stopped by a load of buckshot from the officers stationed across the street, which struck him in the left side. He was instantly killed.

McFall is dangerously wounded, being shot through the head just above the ear. Golden is under arrest and will be taken to Decatur to-night.

It was stated here to-night that the men were from the Chico neighborhood and were well known there.

The bank officials received warning from a man living near Chico, who, it is said, got his information from a small boy and rode across country hastily to inform them of what was planned. McFall is still alive, but his condition is very serious.

#### Report From the Reform School.

J. G. Gluck, Superintendent, Pruntytown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicine we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School. I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

## Small Rice Farm.

The bulletin of Prof. Thomas U. Taylor, of the Engineering Department of the University of Texas, calls attention to the immense possibilities of the small rice farm in south Texas. There were over four hundred wells in Texas during the last season that furnished water for the crops of rice farmers. These shallow wells are some forty feet in depth, the water rising to within ten to fifteen feet of the surface of the ground. A small outfit, costing about \$1600, consisting of an engine (either gasoline or steam) of 25-horsepower, a centrifugal pump, a short flume or trough, can water eighty acres of rice. If this is planted in time and watered well, it will yield a crop of one thousand sacks of 180 pounds each, which, according to the prices for the last four years, will command \$3.00 per sack, or making a total income of three thousand dollars. These figures are not paper calculations, but are based on actual yields and actual sales, and are even lower than many examples that could be cited about El Campo and Chester-ville. The farms of J. W. Leech of El Campo and John Linderholm of Chester-ville have produced far beyond the capacity stated. The 160 acres of rice of J. W. Leech paid all the expenses and left \$6,500.00 clear profit, that of Fred Blumquist near El Campo in 1901 yielded 21 sacks per acre and the thirty-five acres irrigated commanded a total price of over \$2,000.00, while the number two plant of John Linderholm, at Chester-ville, produced on the 135 acres enough to pay for the complete outfit of engine, pump, flumes, etc., to pay \$500.00 expenses, and paid for the land, estimated at \$12.50 per acre. The small rice farm in south Texas is the coming commercial factor and it is practically independent of rainfall, and adverse claimants can not enjoin the use of the water. It is free from all the ails that irrigation systems are heir to. It is the ideal rice farm, where you do not have to depend on some canal system to furnish you water, but where you are monarch of all you survey, where irrigation laws cease from troubling, and the irrigation rice farmer is forever at rest in the assurance that though the rivers can be emptied above him, his underground supply of water is unmolested.

### Reception to Rev. Crawford.

Galveston, Texas, December 15.—A reception was tendered to Rev. E. L. Crawford, pastor of the Central Methodist church, by the members of that church, to-night. Dr. Crawford has been in Galveston for several months and has been transferred to Crockett. His transfer was generally regretted by the members of the congregation.

### Ballard's Horehound Syrup

Immediately relieves hoarse, croupy cough, oppressed, rattling, rasping and difficult breathing. Henry C. Stearn's Druggist, Shullsburg, Wisconsin, writes, May 20, 1901: "I have been selling Ballard's Horehound Syrup for two years, and have never had a preparation that has given better satisfaction. I notice that when I sell a bottle, they come back for more. I can honestly recommend it. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. G. Haring's."

## HOGG AS A SHORN LAMB.

### Former Foe of Wall Street Said to Have Been Fleeced.

Austin, Texas, December 11.—Former Governor J. S. Hogg recently came into close contact with John W. Gates, and he is now playing the part of the shorn lamb, according to a story that is in circulation among men who claim to be familiar with the circumstances. Gates learned that Hogg had an original investment of \$30,000 in the Texas company, which was formerly the Texas oil and fuel company. This corporation has a capital stock of \$2,500,000, and owns extensive oil holdings in the Beaumont field. Gates secured a controlling interest in this company and there immediately followed a big depreciation in the value of the stock. Gates and his associates were manipulating the stock in order to give the smaller holders a scare. Their plan succeeded and it is related that Hogg was one of the first to turn loose, realizing a profit of only \$5000 on his investment. After the shakedown the stock rose rapidly, and it is now said to be worth two for one, with none of it on the market at even any price.

### Meeting of Texas Teachers.

The COURIER acknowledges receipt of a program of the annual session of the State Teachers' Association and the Superintendents and Principals' Association to be held in Austin on Dec. 29, 30 and 31. The railroads have granted a rate of one and one-tenth fare for all points beyond 75 miles of Austin, and the Austin hotels and boarding houses will give reduced rates to the visitors. The program theme is "Lines of Future Educational Progress in Texas," and the program embraces papers and addresses by many of the brightest men and women in the school work. State Superintendent Lefevre, in a circular letter, urges a large attendance upon these meetings in order to make them an uplifting force in the educational work of the State. J. L. Henderson, Superintendent of Tyler schools, is president of the Superintendents' Association, and Harry F. Estill, of the Sam Houston Normal, is president of the State Teachers' Association.

### Coughing Spell Caused Death.

"Harry Duckwell, age 25 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician, but before he could arrive, another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died of suffocation.—St. Louis Globe Democrat, Dec. 1, 1901." Ballard's Horehound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c and \$1.00.

### He Found a Cure.

R. H. Foster, 318 S. 2d Street, Salt Lake city, writes: "I have been bothered with dyspepsia or indigestion for 21 years, have tried many doctors without relief, but I have found a cure in Herbine. I recommend it to all my friends, who are afflicted that way, and it is curing them, too. 50c. at J. G. Haring's."

## MISTAKEN FOR A DEER.

### Shot by His Companions While Out Hunting Near Beeville.

Beeville, Tex., December 14.—I. H. Chestnutt, a prominent farmer living at Normanna, this county, was shot and instantly killed this morning while hunting deer. The shooting was accidental. They wounded a deer about daylight and were following it, Mr. Chestnutt being in advance. The light was dim, and while going through a thicket of underbrush, Mr. Martin mistook Mr. Chestnutt for the deer and fired. The bullet from the Winchester rifle passed through Mr. Chestnutt's chest, killing him instantly.

Mr. Martin came to Beeville and told the sad story. He and Mr. Chestnutt were bosom friends and he is prostrated with grief over the unfortunate accident.

Deceased was about 54 years of age and leaves a large family.

### Denied by Mr. Swayne.

Fort Worth, Texas, December 14.—James W. Swayne, who is associated with Ex-Governor James S. Hogg in heavy oil interests in Beaumont, today denied the statement sent from Austin to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat and other papers that John W. Gates had fleeced Hogg in a recent deal by which Gates secured control in the Texas Oil company and Hogg turned loose with the loss of \$5000. Swayne said that Hogg was dissatisfied with the company because it was becoming too unwieldy and sold out his interest for \$35,000, clearing \$5000. Instead of Gates fleecing the original stock holders in the company, it cost him two dollars and a half for every dollar he put into the company, which was originally stocked at \$400,000. The stock of the reorganized company is \$1,000,000. Mr. Swayne is still a member of the company.

### Wrecking Train Wrecked.

Brookfield, Mo., December 14.—A wrecking train on the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad went through a high bridge over Yellow creek last night while on the way to clear away a wrecked freight. Three dead bodies and several injured persons have been recovered from the wreckage, and more may be found.

The collapse of the steel bridge was caused by a collision between the superstructure of the causeway and a steel derrick. Engineer Goode and Fireman Greene were imprisoned in the cab of the locomotive by tons of twisted iron. By aid of the moonlight they pounded an opening with sledge hammers and crawled into the water whence they were rescued.

### General Snowstorm.

Denver, Colo., December 14.—The entire Rocky Mountain region, from Northern Wyoming to Southern New Mexico, has been visited by a snow storm during the past thirty-six hours. The ground in the plateau section is covered to a depth of six inches, while the fall in the mountains has been much deeper. Tonight the weather is clear.

**Foley's Honey and Tar**  
cures colds, prevents pneumonia.

**MRS. U. S. GRANT IS DEAD.**

Heart Disease Was the Cause, Aggravated by Bronchial Trouble.

Washington, December 14.—Mrs. U. S. Grant, wife of President Grant, died at her residence in this city at 11.17 o'clock tonight. Death was due to heart failure, Mrs. Grant having suffered from a valvular disease of the heart for some years, which was aggravated by a severe attack of bronchitis. Her age prevented her rallying from the attacks.

Her daughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris, was the only one of her children with her at the time of her death, her three sons, who had been summoned here, all being out of the city.

There were also present at the bedside when the end came Miss Rosemary Sartoris, a granddaughter; Dr. Bishop, one of the attending physicians, and the two trained nurses. Death came peacefully, the sufferer retaining almost complete consciousness practically to the end. Word has come from Jesse and Ulysses S. Grant, two of the sons now in California, that they have started on their way to Washington. The other son, General Frederick D. Grant, is in Texas, and he will hasten here as soon as he receives a message telling him of his mother's death. The remains of Mrs. Grant will be deposited in the tomb of Riverside Park, N. Y., where those of her husband now repose. Whether they will be taken immediately or whether this ceremony will be postponed for a time could not be ascertained at the house tonight.

Mrs. Grant, whose maiden name was Julia Dent, was born in St. Louis in 1826, and was the daughter of Frederick and Ellen Wrenshall Dent. She was married to General, then Captain, Grant in 1848. During the civil war Mrs. Grant was with the general much of the time and remained as near as possible to him when he was campaigning. She saw her husband twice inaugurated president and accompanied him on his journey around the world. As mistress of the White House she gave liberally to all the charitable institutions of the city. Four children were born to General and Mrs. Grant, three sons and one daughter, all of whom are living. Miss Nellie, the daughter, who became the wife of Algonon Sartoris in 1874, has lived in Washington with her mother for several years. Frederick Dent Grant, the oldest son, is in the army, and two other sons Jesse and Ulysses Sherman, live at San Diego, Cal.

During recent years, since General Grant's death, Mrs. Grant has spent most of her winters in this city, living at 2111 Q Street, while during the summer she usually lived at Saratoga, Manchester-by-the-Sea, and other popular resorts, until the last two summers, when she resided with her daughter, Mrs. Sartoris, at Coburg, Ont. She also made several visits to her sons in California during the last few years. She was of domestic temperament and devoted most of her time to her home and children. She cared little for society and always avoided public notice as much as possible. Her devotion to her husband was remarkable and during the latter's unsuccessful years before the civil war and when his fortune was swept away shortly before his death, Mrs. Grant always bore herself bravely and was an inspiration to him. For several years Mrs. Grant had been so feeble that it was impossible for her to accept social engagements. She suffered with rheumatism and was compelled to walk with a cane or with the assistance of an attendant. She was 75 years of age.

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The result is we have an almost endless array of seasonable goods on which we have lowered the price marks, so that every one can be comfortable for the winter and hardly miss the money spent.

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- Child's Kersey Jacket, fancy velvet and braid trimming, storm collar and bretelles; colors, gray, castor, navy, brown and red, 6 to 12 years, only..... **3.74**
- Ladies' Melton Cloth Jacket, elaborately corded in back and front, large buttons, storm collar; comes in black, gray and castor, all sizes, reduced to..... **4.75**
- Ladies' Melton Cloth Jacket, trimmed with numerous rows of stitching and buttons, yoke effect in back and front, storm collar; comes in castor, tan and black... **9.50**

**Discount on Millinery.**

In order to dispose of the winter stock, in this department, we are giving some very attractive discounts. The trade we have had on Millinery proves that our goods were selected with unusual care, and that our trimmer is undoubtedly an artist. 25 per cent discount on all Trimmed Hats 10 " " " " Ready-made Veils 25 " " " " all Wings and Feathers.



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- Fancy Crocheted Fascinators, beaded, all colors, each..... **20c**
- Knit Fascinators, fleece lined..... **25c**
- " " " " larger and heavier, each..... **48c**
- Extra large and heavy ones..... **65c**

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**DESPERATE FIGHT EXPECTED.**

Arrest of Alleged Firebugs Likely To Cause Trouble.

Livingston, Tex., December 12.—This town has been in a state of uncertainty and unrest for three months, and the people are getting worked up. For several months there was a row on over the enforcement of prohibition, which engendered considerable bad feeling. About three months ago an incendiary fire destroyed several business houses, and there was much speculation as to whom was responsible. This week an attempt was made to burn two stores, and the people who went to the rescue and put out the fire were fired upon, Max Zimmerman being fatally wounded, as already related in these dispatches. Since then the officers have been at work on the cases, and are closely watching certain parties while they are getting their cases up, not caring to make an arrest until such time as they were backed by good evidence, as it is quite probable that there will be serious trouble when the arrests are made. The merchants have employed armed guards to stand around their places of business during the night, and it has been unsafe for the citizens to go about after dark for the reason that they might be mistaken for firebugs. Some of the insurance companies have withdrawn protection from the town, and others threaten to do

**CARSON & STEPP, Meat Market.**

OYSTERS AND FISH. BEST BEEF East Side Public Square, Crockett, Texas

so. There is no telling at what moment serious trouble will come, but it is the general impression that it will be postponed until the arrests are made—then it is almost sure to result in one or more deaths.

**Coughs, Colds and Constipation.**  
Few people realize when taking cough medicines other than Foley's Honey and Tar, that they contain opiates which are constipating besides being unsafe, particularly for children. Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, is safe and sure and will not constipate. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

**Mulhatton Comes to Grief.**  
Jeffersonville, Ind., Dec. 12.—Joe Mulhatton, prince of liars, whose tales have interested the country from one end to the other, was a prisoner in the police court to-day, charged with drunkenness, and lacked \$0.45 of having enough money to pay the fine of \$9.50 assessed by Mayor Rader. After a long absence, Mulhatton returned to Louisville a few days ago. Last night he crossed by ferry to Jeffersonville. Later he was found prostrate in the rain in front of Falls City hotel. It was first

thought he was dead, but he was only drunk and he was in a penitent mood when arraigned for hearing.

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## NO FEAR OF DEATH

ECCENTRIC AGNOSTIC DIES AS HE HAD LIVED.

Remarkable Document Prepared By Himself, Read at the Funeral of A. D. Searl of Leadville, Colo.—Some Beautiful Thoughts.

The funeral of the late A. D. Searl, the eccentric agnostic who has gained considerable notoriety hereabouts, took place on Wednesday under the auspices of the local Grand Army post, says a correspondent at Leadville, Colo. Mr. Searl, who was one of the pioneers of the Leadville district, made a special request that no religious exercises be held at his funeral, but he himself prepared and had read a remarkable address touching on his own peculiar religious belief. In it he said:

"I have long been convinced that all religions are of human origin and frauds that only gain credence through ignorance and superstition. \* \* \* I may say that a flute is an instrument of material organization. Its capacity for music or its tone is its soul, and though its tone and its capacity for music ceases when the material flute is destroyed, still the effect of that music, which it discoursed while the instrument was in existence, still goes on creating, forming and molding thoughts, feelings and actions in those who have heard it. And so on forever every act of our lives, every word we speak, every thought we think has its unending influence in the endless chain of cause and effect that binds and governs the universe."

Among other thoughts contained in Mr. Searl's address were these kindly utterances:

"So the great sea of human thought and emotion has been moved by our acts, thought or words and can never again be exactly what it would have been without our influence that we exert in the world in the effect that we produce in persons and things about us, and thus the great mass of humanity will be happy or miserable in the future, according as our thoughts and deeds have been good or bad."

"Friends and loved ones pass away, but they leave their spirits with us in the memory of what they were and in the influence they have shed around them. The little child that has not learned to lip its mother's name dies in its budding babyhood, but leaves behind in the mother's heart a sacred memory that will shape her destiny and purify her character. Nature has imbued in all organized beings a love of life. Were it otherwise we would make no struggle to preserve it, and out of this love of life and instinct for its preservation has grown the hope of immortality."

"I leave the world with kindness toward all men and at peace with my own mind. There is no fear of any angry God nor hope nor desire for any gift from his hand. To all those who have loved and cherished me I would say that their numberless acts of kindness have been appreciated with my dying breath. My heart overflows with gratitude for it all, and I now bid you a last farewell."

### All Signs Failed.

Words are the only means of expressing some ideas. A funny instance of the failure of signs is told in the following story:

"I shall never forget my last visit to Madrid," said a lady: "I was the only member of our party who knew any Spanish, and I knew but one word—that one being leche, milk—but by means of gesture we managed to get along until breakfast was served. Then as luck would have it, the maid brought my coffee without any milk, and also as luck would have it I promptly forgot the one word of Spanish I knew, and which of all words was the one most wanted at that moment. This time neither gesture nor yelling was of any avail, so at last in desperation I seized a piece of paper and a pencil and drew a picture of a cow. Thereupon the maid tripped off and came back with three tickets to the bull-fight."

### Saved by His Courage.

The latest tiger story comes from Mulanoor, India.

One evening a planter's wife sent her nurse and baby out for a walk, accompanied by a native and a dog. During the walk the dog ran into the jungle, a terrified yelp being heard shortly after he had disappeared.

In a moment the native had plunged into the jungle, and, according to his own story, found a tiger with the dog in his mouth.

With fearless courage he seized the dog away from its captor. The tiger snarled like an angry cat, and striking the Indian with his paw, knocked him down.

All the time the Indian had given no signs of fear, and the tiger, without attacking him further, ran away. Finally the dog was carried back to its mistress badly mauled, but alive.

### RECORD OF THE PAST.

The best guarantee of the future is the record of the past, and over fifty thousand people have publicly testified that Doan's Kidney Pills have cured them of numerous kidney ills, from common backache to dangerous diabetes, and all the attendant annoyances and sufferings from urinary disorders. They have been cured to stay cured. Here is one case:

Samuel J. Taylor, retired carpenter, residing at 312 South Third St., Goshen, Ind., says: "On the 25th day of August, 1897, I made an affidavit before Jacob C. Mann, notary public, stating my experience with Doan's Kidney Pills. I had suffered for thirty years, and was compelled at times to walk by the aid of crutches, frequently passed gravel and suffered excruciatingly. I took every medicine on the market that I heard about and some gave me temporary relief. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and the results I gave to the public in the statement above referred to. At this time, on the 19th day of July, 1902, I make this further statement that during the five years which have elapsed I have had no occasion to use either Doan's Kidney Pills or any other medicine for my kidneys. The cure effected was a permanent one."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Taylor, will be mailed on application, to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

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Adversity is the sauce of life; but a lot of us don't care for sauce.

Pico's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'HANRA, 221 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 4, 1902.

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## The Crockett Courier.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor  
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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

New Jersey has a cat that eats raw onions. The cat is all right so long as she does not wash them down with applejack.

Evidently the volcanoes of Hawaii and Italy are trying to get together. This is a kind of merger that ought to be discouraged.

If the prima donna who swallowed a watch will swallow a piano as a chaser, she will be well equipped with both time and tune.

In opposition to the theory that money talks, Marie Corelli declares that millionaires are singularly uninteresting in conversation.

The young man who forgot to take his bride on their wedding journey would make an ideal witness for the defense in some court cases.

A Sioux City man with the name of Pfaf has just been wedded. When he gets mad at his wife all he'll have to do is to pronounce his name in her face.

The facts in that New Haven automobile case, which ended with a jail sentence, ought to be put on posters and pasted along some of the boulevards.

The fact that so jolly an old rounder as the king of Belgium has been shot at teaches us that no sort of reputation will protect a monarch these days.

It cost more than \$16,000,000 to take the twelfth census, and 59,373 persons were employed. They can't help wishing that the census could be taken every year.

A Virginia woman who hunted forty-three years for her husband's grave has just found it. It is to be hoped that, being positive, she will now quit worrying.

A man seldom gets in the habit of making Wednesday and Sunday night calls on a girl who insists on pronouncing the word either as if it were spelled cyther.

J. Pierpont Morgan has contributed one cent to a church charity. Uncle Russell Sage is withholding his contribution in the hope that the cologne of half-cents may be resumed.

A new cult in Minneapolis preaches that the cure for many ills lies in total abstinence from food. It is rarely a matter of fasting long enough to permanently cure the most chronic sufferer.

If the German crown prince does not find a girl to suit him in Europe he might try Milwaukee, where, according to his discriminating uncle, Prince Henry, the prettiest girls are to be found.

Mr. John W. Gates is evidently deeply hurt by the charge that he wagered large sums of money on the result of the late election. He offers to bet \$100,000 that he made only two trifling election wagers.

The Sultan of Turkey has sent an autograph letter to the czar asking the latter to visit him in Constantinople. If Nick goes he will consult his own interests by having a money pocket put in his undershirt.

A Parisian scientist estimates that the number of ants in a nest varies from 12,293 to 92,694. These figures are the result of an actual investigation. The first estimate was the result of actual counting; the second was made after accidentally sitting down on a nest.

President Schwab of the steel company is to have a romance written about him. The life of a man with a million dollars a year to spend ought to be replete with romantic incidents.

Marie Corelli is screeching at the United States for having such quantities of money. Marie Corelli is mad because she is not getting more of it.

Five hunters have been shot to death in the Adirondacks this year. Yet people sometimes wonder at the bravery of men who go to war.

According to a New York dispatch, Robert W. Goeltz was arrested for "fast spending." This is not so remarkable as it would have been had he been arrested for "slow spending."

The idea of encouraging vocal music among the soldiers will be regarded by people with sensitive ears as tending to augment the horrors of war.

The New Haven minister who thinks he can get the boys to go to Sunday school on Saturday afternoon never was more mistaken in his life.

## A CRISIS AT HAND.

ANGLO-GERMAN FLEET SHELLED FORTS AT PUERTO CABELLO.

### FEW PEOPLE WERE HURT.

The United States Consul Intervened, But Could Not Alter the Purpose of the Allies.

Puerto Cabello, December 15.—The British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta bombarded the fortress here at 5 o'clock today and quickly silenced it. The bombardment lasted for forty-five minutes. The fortress is composed of Fort Salano and the Castle Libertador. After the firing ceased the Charybdis sent marines to occupy the castle. The fortress is almost demolished. It is probable that only a few persons were injured by the shelling. The commander of Castle Libertador has been taken prisoner. The cruisers are still here.

At 7 o'clock the Charybdis and the Vineta arrived here searching for Venezuelan gunboats. The two cruisers sent their boats into the inner port, but finding no gunboats the boats returned. The captain of the British merchant steamer Topaz, which was seized by the mob here last Wednesday, then visited the British commodore on board the Charybdis and lodged a protest against the violation of the ship. The British captain returning an hour later with a detachment of fifty marines who took charge of the Topaz. The populace was greatly excited at this incident, and raised the cry "To Arms," but there was no disorder.

The British commodore then sent a message to the authorities at Puerto Cabello, demanding immediate satisfaction for the action of the mob having hauled down the British flag from the Topaz, saying that if this satisfaction was not forthcoming within two hours, at 5 o'clock, the fortress and the custom house would be bombarded. On the receipt of this demand the authorities sent a message to President Castro, asking for instructions.

A committee of the merchants of Puerto Cabello then approached the American consul here, petitioning him to intervene. The consul accepted this mission and visited the cruisers, but he could obtain no alteration in the decision of the allies.

The British marines intend to make use of the cannon in Castle Libertador. No damage was done to the town. The excitement of the people is subsiding.

**General Longstreet's Report.**  
Washington, December 15.—The annual report of General Longstreet, the commissioner of railroads, says that railroad companies which have received government subsidies in bonds, all have settled their indebtedness with the government, except the Central Branch Railway company, the successor of the Central Branch Union Pacific Railway company. The report of the bond-aided and land grant roads shows an increase of \$20,000,000 in net earnings over those of 1901. There was an increase of \$45,000,000 in gross earnings and of \$27,000,000 in expenses.

**Mrs. Julia Grant Dead.**  
Washington, December 15.—Mrs. U. S. Grant, wife of President Grant, died at her residence in this city at 11:17 o'clock last night. Death was due to heart failure, Mrs. Grant having suffered from valvular disease of the heart for some years, which was aggravated by a severe attack of bronchitis. Her age prevented her rallying from the attacks.

Her daughter, Nellie Grant-Sartoris, was the only one of her children with her at the time of her death, her three sons, who had been summoned here all being out of the city.

**Hillsboro Boys Became Woolly.**  
Hillsboro, Texas, December 15.—There was a wild and woolly time at the street fair last night. Every boy in town was there in the thronged seats armed with flour, bran, confetti and other missiles. There was some scraps in consequence and some black eyes but no fatalities. There was some arrests, but the crowd was too dense for the officers to do much with the boys. The mayor and the manager of the fair had strictly forbidden the use of anything but confetti.

**CENTERVILLE, Md.**—The business portion of this city was devastated by fire early Sunday. Loss \$150,000.

## VENEZUELLA'S PRAYER

Is That the United States May Interfere.

Caracas, December 15.—The boycotting of British and German goods continues. It is reported that ninety Germans living in the country have offered to support the Venezuelan government against Germany. The fact that the people of Venezuela are in ignorance of the designs of the allies upon their country creates a deep and disturbing impression here. The chief officer of President Castro's guard said today to the representative of the Associated Press:

"If there is to be a war, let us know and we will fight. If there is to be only an assault on our coast, where we cannot reach the allies, the only thing for us to do is to declare that to destroy our debtors' furniture is a strange way to force the payment of his obligation. I believe this situation will soon come within the scope of the Monroe doctrine."

**The Eagle is Vigilant.**  
Caracas, December 15.—The statement that Italy, through her legation here, is to demand payment of her claims against Venezuela has been confirmed.

The arrival of the United States gunboat Marietta at La Guayra yesterday was due to a rumor that Minister Bowen was in danger. There has been no ground for such a rumor, and the presence of the Marietta was not requested by Mr. Bowen.

The situation here continues critical and there is much excitement among the German residents of Caracas, many of whom have called at the American legation to seek refuge there.

The people of Caracas are astonished that the government at Washington remains silent in spite of the recent act of the allied fleet.

The enlistment of Venezuelan soldiers continues, 2000 men from the interior reaching Caracas today.

**Arrest at Stamford.**  
Stamford, Texas, December 15.—Justice Deacon took recess today in the investigation trial of the Frank Palmer murder case. Palmer was found about 3 o'clock on the 11th instant upstairs in his bedroom, lying on his bed with a bullet hole through his head. He was discovered by his little stepson, who went up to wake him for breakfast. The alarm was given and Marshal Anderson and others went up and found that he was in his bed dead, and all indications showed that he had never moved after he was shot.

Night Watchman Talley says he heard a shot just after 3 o'clock in the morning. After two days investigation Justice Deacon committed Mrs. Palmer, wife of the deceased, to jail without bail. No further developments given out.

**The Tyler Bank Cases.**  
Tyler, Texas, December 15.—Judge Swain of Florida has been designated by the authorities at Washington as the presiding judge to hold a special term of the Federal court at this place, which will convene on Monday, January 12, 1903. At this term, among other cases that will be called will be the case growing out of the failure of the City National bank and the First National bank of Tyler. These banks suspended payment in 1896, and the indictments followed a year later.

**New Elevator at Gainesville.**  
Gainesville, Texas, December 15.—Richardson & Co. of Chicago have under construction at this place an elevator of 60,000 capacity. The contractors, Sechner & Co. of Chicago, say they will complete the building by January 1. The dimensions and equipments are modern in every respect. The handling capacity is 100 cars per day, and the hoisting capacity is 1000 bushels per minute.

**Sid Williams at Yoakum.**  
Yoakum, Texas, December 15.—The Sid Williams' meeting at the Baptist church continues with increasing interest. Three services are being held daily, and the church is crowded to its utmost capacity at each of the night services. Mr. Williams is preaching eloquent and forcible sermons, while Mr. Brown, "the sweet singer," renders beautiful selections of song at each service.

**Negroes Go to the Territories.**  
Marlin, Texas, December 15.—About twenty-five or thirty negro women and children left on the train yesterday for Oklahoma and Indian Territories. The men go through the country with the wagons and teams. The exodus does not seem to abate.

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BY CHAS. H. ROBINSON

**A** HA! KARA barn, the smell of thy coffee is like the taste of wine after my long tramp in the crusty snow," and Karl the iron-founder threw off his huge skin coat and emptied at a gulp the brimming cup of coffee handed him by his sister, Olga.

"I have some news, my sister, about thy sweetheart. It is of some importance, since it tells me that thy Johan still lives."

"Do not raise thy hopes too high, my sister, neither let thy heart sink. Thy Johan is alive, true, but the hand that placed his wallet where it was found was not that of a mortal. Nay—he be not alarmed," he said, putting an arm around her, for the girl was seized with a fit of trembling. "Be brave, my sister, and all will be well if thou wilt be guided by me."

"In anything and everything, my brother," said Olga, clasping her hands. "My soul for Johan's if need be."

"Not that, kara soster, not that shall be required of thee, but bravery thou must show, little woman, such bravery as few men dare show. Thy Johan's return depends upon thee."

"I am ready to face death himself," said Olga, "only tell me what to do."

"Listen, then. I would do it for thee myself, but thou alone canst face the ordeal, I believe the Skogfrau—"

"Oh, my God, the Skogfrau, the terrible forest witch," cried the terror-stricken maiden, falling on her knees and holding up her hands to heaven. "Spare my Johan, oh, heaven!"

"So this is thy bravery," said Karl sternly. "Rise from thy knees and reserve thyself for an ordeal that is not difficult, but requires bravery to tell thee. Wouldst lose thy Johan forever? The Jul Tieden begins at midnight, and at that hour thou must stand alone upon the spot where Johan's wallet still lies, and demand a gift from the Skogfrau. She cannot refuse thee if thou art the first mortal to demand it at that hour. 'Tis thy only hope, for she has lured Johan into her power, and if thou shalt demand him in the name of the Christ Child she may not refuse thy request, since at this season she loses her power and is at the mercy of mortals, but once only."

"Thou wilt be close beside me, my brother?" asked Olga, shivering.

"Within five hundred paces is a charmed circle which none but thou may enter, but I will be just beyond it and hear thy call for aid should aught happen requiring it. Thou must stand alone upon the spot and say three times, 'Skogfrau, in the name of the Christ Child I demand a gift of thee.' Three times, remember, my sister. She may appear terrible in her wrath and threaten thee and thy Johan, but fear not, she will be powerless either to harm thee or him. Come, prepare, for the way is long and midnight must not pass ere thou art there."

Though wrapped in the warmest of furs, Olga shivered as she stood alone amid the silent, gloomy, wintry waste of the forest. Not long had she waited ere distinctly through the awful stillness came the clanging strokes of midnight which Karl rung upon the barrel of his gun with a hammer to warn her of the time. With a clear but quivering voice the girl called out three times: "Skogfrau, in the name of the Christ Child, I demand a gift of thee. Skogfrau, in the name of the Christ Child, I demand a gift of thee. Skogfrau, in the name of the Christ Child, I demand a gift of thee." For a moment there was intense silence, then came a rushing sound as of a tempest approaching, and a rasping voice spoke to her:

"Why troublest thou me, mortal? Dost thou not know that I can blast thee with a breath? Speak, what wilt thou?"

"In the name of the Christ Child, I

demand a gift of thee," was all that Olga could utter in her terror. It was a terrible old hag who stood before her and her aspect was threatening.

"Some paltry thing, I wis, a ribbon, a jewel. Speak, mortal, whatever it may be, 'tis thine."

Growing bolder, Olga spoke more firmly: "Thou hast promised, and in the name of the Christ Child thou must keep thy promise. 'Tis not a ribbon, or a jewel, but my Johan, my betrothed, I demand of thee as thy gift."

"Johan, thy betrothed!" shrieked

promised whatever I might ask, and I will have no other gift from thee."

In vain the old crone raved and cursed and begged the girl to take all she possessed, but not the youth. She tore her hair and beat her breast and threatened dire vengeance upon the girl and her betrothed, but the clanging of Karl's hammer gave Olga courage to repeat her demand: "Give me my Johan in the name of the Christ Child."

At last, the hag, worn out, said harshly: "Get thee home, and at the

midnight, as the terrible old hag of the forest said.

The Jul Tieden began with its merry-making and feasting. In one week, on the Jul Aften, the Christmas Eve, the climax would be reached.

Olga threw her doors wide open to the whole village, promising a wonderful surprise. Many thought she was not very considerate on Johan's account, thinking she would better be going around with tearful eyes and loud lamentations, but they ate freely of her good things none the less.

and a heavy bundle was hurled in among the amazed roysterers. An old wizened hag appeared in the doorway and screamed out above the confusion: "Girl, take the gift of the Christ Child, but beware of my vengeance. Shouldst thou accept any other gift before thou hast fully accepted this, then shall it return to me and be mine forever."

Johan was quickly restored by copious libations of hot punch, and when able to stand on his feet, Karl put his hand in that of Olga and gave the pastor a signal. Forthwith, Olga took Johan for her husband, and when the final words were spoken, a tem-



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"In the name of the Christ Child, I demand Johan of thee. Thou hast

stroke of midnight on the Jul Aften I will bring thee thy Johan," then with a bitter scream she disappeared, and Olga fell fainting in the snow, but the faithful Karl revived her and brought her safely home.

"Now, my sister, thou must prepare for the Jul Aften, the eve of the great day when the Christ Child was born. Do not fear, thy Johan will come at

At last the first stroke of midnight, Olga turned pale, Karl stood at attention and the good pastor grasped his holy book firmly in his hand. The last stroke was still ringing in their ears when a violent gust of wind shook the house and the dragging of heavy chains over the roof brought terror to the inmates. The door was burst open by some invisible force

nest again shook the house, heavy chains were again dragged across the roof, and after shrieks of demoniac laughter, all was still without.

With tears and laughter, Olga grasped her brother's hand, and then threw herself into the arms of her husband, the gift of the Christ Child, forever free from the thralls of the Skogfrau.

Dresses made of paper are worn in some parts of Japan, costing so little that when they get torn their owner does not bother about mending them.

### BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS

Of America Use Pe-ru-na For All Catarrhal Diseases.



MRS. HENRIETTA A. S. MARSH.  
Woman's Benevolent Association of Chicago.

Mrs. Henrietta A. S. Marsh, President Woman's Benevolent Association, of 327 Jackson Park Terrace, Woodlawn, Chicago, Ill., says:

"I suffered with la grippe for seven weeks and nothing helped me until I tried Peruna. I felt at once that I had at last secured the right medicine and kept steadily improving. Within three weeks I was fully restored."—Henrietta A. S. Marsh

Independent Order of Good Templars, of Washington.

Mrs. T. W. Collins, Treasurer I. O. G. T., of Everett, Wash., has used the great catarrhal tonic, Peruna, for an aggravated case of dyspepsia. She writes:

"After having a severe attack of la grippe, I also suffered with dyspepsia. After taking Peruna I could eat my regular meals with relish, my system was built up, my health returned, and I have remained in excellent strength and vigor now for over a year."—Mrs. T. W. Collins.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

If you happen to be one of those poor unfortunate—all run down, worn out, thin and emaciated—who have despaired of everything except the right thing, ten to one

### It's Your Stomach

To regain your Strength and Health, take

## Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

(Laxative)

All we ask is that you send us your name and address on a postal and we'll send you a free sample bottle and an interesting book on stomach troubles. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the guaranteed cure for all stomach, liver and kidney ailments; 50c and \$1.00 bottles.

**All Druggists.**  
PEPSIN SYRUP CO., Monticello, Ill.

### JANUARY BUYING

There is no time like January for satisfactory buying. The holiday rush is over and the early spring trade has not yet begun. In January you always get first pick of all the earliest buying goods and there is ample time to fill and help your orders with greater promptness.

Send 10 cents TODAY for our large General Catalogue No. 11. It gives pictures, descriptions and prices on almost everything you can wear or use. Have it to you on everything free purchase by sending four orders to

**MONTGOMERY WARD & CO.**  
CHICAGO  
"The House that Tells the Truth."

### Christmas Excursions

VIA

## SANTA FE

One Fare Plus \$2.00.

75 cents on sale Dec. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1902. Limited 30 days to return. See Santa Fe Guide for details.

**W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A.**  
GLENNPORT, TEX.

### PEOPLE AND EVENTS

#### REV. W. H. MILBURN RESIGNS.

Old Age Compels Blind Chaplain to Give Up His Duties.

Rev. William Henry Milburn, the blind chaplain of the Senate, who has resigned from that post after a serv-



REV. WILLIAM H. MILBURN  
BLIND CHAPLAIN OF THE U.S. SENATE

ice covering, with some few interruptions, a space of nearly sixty years, first officiated as congressional chaplain in 1845. He is a native of Pennsylvania, and in his ninetieth year. He began his career as a clergyman in Illinois, where he was a student in Illinois college, and was a pioneer traveling preacher in the Methodist church. He has been blind from his youth.

#### OPPOSED TO BOTH PARTIES.

Irish Statesman an Enemy of Home Rule and Landlordism.

Thomas W. Russell, the member of parliament who was stoned by a mob after addressing a political meeting in Ireland, is a Liberal Unionist, who has sat for Tyrone since 1896. Mr. Russell has his own ideas about reform in Ireland. While aggressively opposed to home rule, he has consist-



THOMAS W. RUSSELL

ently advocated the purchase of land for the benefit of tenants with an indemnification of something like \$700,000,000 for the landlords. During the home rule agitation, when Gladstone's bill was before parliament, he was an ardent anti-home ruler, and threw his influence in the landlord party. Since then he has changed face, and while still opposed to home rule, he is the vowed enemy of the landlord class, and the most persistent advocate of the land for the people by government purchase. Mr. Russell is a native of Fife, a graduate of Madras academy and a powerful, original statesman.

#### SAVE PRINCE FROM ATTACK.

Police Arrest Anarchist at Ferdinand of Bulgaria's Residence.

A supposed attempt to assassinate Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria was



PRINCE FERDINAND OF BULGARIA

frustrated by the police, who arrested a suspected anarchist in the park of Tsingrad castle, where the prince resides. The prince had been warned by a letter signed "Anarchist."

Many of us might be happy if we did not suffer from disorders of the liver. Then we ought to use Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Drops, which cure the disorders and bring the whole system to a healthy condition.

It is calculated that every day nearly 2,500 pounds of shoe leather is worn from the soles of London's foot-passengers.

**McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY,** Houston, Texas, for trained and reliable detective service.

Zuydote, near Dunkirk, was overwhelmed by sand in 1777. Only the church steeple can now be seen.

**ALL UP TO DATE HOUSEKEEPERS** use Defiance Cold Water Starch, because it is better and 4 oz. more of it for same money.

Dr. Soapandwater is a sworn enemy to all disease.

Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

The way to succeed nowadays is to have had success first.

**STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.**  
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY  
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896

A. W. GLEASON  
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

As the Italian government declines to contribute, the whole cost of reconstructing the fallen campanile of St. Mark's will be borne by the Venice municipality.

**Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children** Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York. Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Dealers in old saws invariably rope in the scenes of their childhood.

**Sensible Housekeepers** will have Defiance starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

The solar system is traveling toward the constellation Hercules at fully 30,000 miles an hour. It will take a million years to get there.

#### ROUND TRIP RATES TO THE OLD STATES LOWER THAN EVER VIA SOUTHERN PACIFIC-SUNSET ROUTE.

Round trip tickets will be sold Dec. 13, 17, 22, 23 and 26 at rate of one fare plus \$2.00 with limit for return thirty days from date of sale. A trip via this route to the north, east or southeast, will take you through the oil, rice and sugar belts of Texas and Louisiana. Direct connection at New Orleans with all lines. Double daily service. Pullman buffet and dining cars.

On Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 1902, and Jan. 1, 1903, round trip tickets will be sold at reduced rates to all points in Texas and to all Southern Pacific points in Louisiana, limited to Jan. 3 for return.

Write for descriptive literature and rates to M. L. Robbins, G. P. & T. A., T. J. Anderson, A. G. P. & T. A., Houston, Texas.

#### THE ST. PAUL CALENDAR FOR 1903

Six sheets 10x15 inches, of beautiful reproductions, in colors, of pastel drawings by Bryson, is now ready for distribution and will be mailed on receipt of twenty-five (25) cents—coins or stamps. Address F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

The average amount of rain which falls south of the equator is only 26 inches; north it is about 37.1-2 inches.

#### 20 MILLION BOTTLES SOLD EVERY YEAR.



Happiness is the absence of pain, and millions have been made happy through being cured by St. Jacobs Oil of RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, TOOTHACHE, HEADACHE, LAMENESS, SCALDS, BURNS, SPRAINS, BRUISES and all pains for which an external remedy can be applied. It never fails to cure. Thousands who have been declared incurable at baths and in hospitals have thrown away their crutches, being cured after using St. Jacobs Oil. Directions in eleven languages accompany every bottle.

#### CONQUERS PAIN

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC EYE

#### NAST DIES OF YELLOW FEVER

Famous Cartoonist Carried Off at His Post in Ecuador.

Consul General Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist, died at Guayaquil, Ecuador, after three days' illness from yellow fever.

The funeral was attended by the governor, the consular corps, the American colony and by many friends. The coffin was wrapped in the stars and stripes. The British consul recited a prayer in the cemetery. The death of Mr. Nast is deeply lamented by the natives, who held him in high esteem.

Thomas Nast was appointed consul general at Guayaquil this year, arriving here in July. He was born in Landau, Bavaria, Sept. 27, 1840, and moved with his parents to the United States six years later.

#### HIS LIFE AND CAREER.

May Properly Claim to Have Been the Original Newspaper Cartoonist.

Thomas Nast may be said to have been the original newspaper cartoonist, and it was to his talent that cartoons in the daily press owe their earliest development.

Among the well-known caricatures and types used in political cartoons Mr. Nast created many. The Tweed



Thomas Nast, money bag, the Republican party elephant and the Democratic jackass originated with him. The line of work since developed and improved by some was entirely of his creation.

He kept up his drawing and cartoon work even after his departure to South America and one of the latest pictures to go the rounds of the newspapers was a portrait of himself, with his grip sack under his arm, starting for the south, from which, it now proves, he was never to return.

He was credited by Gen. Grant with having done much to end the war as any other one man.

He began his career with Leslie at a salary of \$5 per week, which was raised to \$7.50 soon after. Here he worked for three years, studying at the school of design in the evenings.

When the New York Illustrated News was started he secured more remunerative work, being sent to England to make sketches of the Heenan and Sayers prize fight, about which



Above is the characteristic cartoon sent to Secretary Hay when he applied for the post of consul general at Guayaquil. It is considered one of the most clever efforts he ever made, and probably secured him the position.

the greatest excitement then prevailed. This event was the making of Nast.

The breaking out of the rebellion gave him the requisite opportunity of exhibiting his skill at battle scenes. Then did the Harpers gladly secure his services, and their pages since, with the exception of an interval of a few years, record his ability in depicting humorous and pathetic illustrations, allegorical and satirical representations, a list of the titles of which would fill a column.

His home was at Morristown, N. J., and was notable for the pictures and sketches it contained.

#### HOLIDAY EXCURSION.

To the Southwest Via Southern Railway.

Railroads in Arkansas, Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory will sell round-trip tickets over the Southern Railway to points in Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina, account Christmas holidays, at reduced rates. Tickets will be sold Dec. 13, 17, 21, 22, 23 and 26, 1902, limited to return thirty days from date of sale.

Choice of three routes are offered, either via Memphis, New Orleans or Shreveport.

Parties en route to their old homes in the Southeast and desiring fewest possible changes should see that their tickets read via the Southern Railway. Schedules and equipment via this route are unexcelled.

For maps, schedules and other information call on nearest ticket agent or write C. A. De Saussure, D. P. A., Memphis, Tenn.; M. H. Bone, W. P. A., Houston, Tex.

The magnolia has a more powerful perfume than any other flower.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. 25c a bottle.

A fact is an alarm clock which spoils pleasant dreams.

### TO WORKING GIRLS



#### FREE MEDICAL ADVICE

Every working girl who is not well is cordially invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for advice; it is freely given, and has restored thousands to health.

#### Miss Paine's Experience.

"I want to thank you for what you have done for me, and recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all girls whose work keeps them standing on their feet in the store. The doctor said I must stop work; he did not seem to realize that a girl cannot afford to stop working. My back ached, my appetite was poor, I could not sleep, and menstruation was scanty and very painful. One day when suffering I commenced to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and found that it helped me. I continued its use, and soon found that my menstrual periods were free from pain and natural; everyone is surprised at the change in me, and I am well, and cannot be too grateful for what you have done for me."—MISS JANET PAINE, 530 West 125th St., New York City.—\$1000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Take no substitute, for it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that cures.



#### WE DEMAND YOUR ATTENTION.

If anyone offered you a good dollar for an imperfect one would you take it?  
If anyone offered you one good dollar for 75 cents of bad money would you take it?

We offer you 10 ounces of the very best starch made for 10c. No other brand is so good, yet all others cost 10c. for 12 ounces. Ours is a business proposition. DEFIANCER STARCH is the best and cheapest.

We guarantee it satisfactory. Ask your grocer.  
The DEFIANCER STARCH CO., Omaha, Neb.

## Local Items.

Zu-Zu Ginger Snaps at Baker Bros.

Buy a good wagon of R. B. Rich.

Buy your fire-works from H. J. Phillips.

Hay, bran, chops and oats at Baker Bros.

Buy yourself a stalk cutter from the Big Store.

H. J. Phillips carries all kinds of feed stuffs.

Seeded raisins, currants and citron at Baker Bros.

Car of Alfalfa hay just arrived at H. J. Phillips'.

Very low prices on fire works at the Candy Kitchen. 3t

Just received at Baker Bros. one barrel of sour pickles.

Prices on fireworks at the Candy Kitchen can't be beat. 3t

Evaporated peaches, apricots and prunes at Baker Bros.

Will McLean of Augusta was in the city Sunday and Monday.

Buy Xmas presents from SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

Holiday goods at the New Drug Store cheaper than ever before.

Rev. Ellis Smith preached to his new charge at Houston Sunday.

Dolls, chinaware, toilet sets at SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO'S.

If you want the best, buy a Winona wagon from R. B. Rich.

John Murchison, Jr., and bride will be here during the holidays.

Buy your X-mas presents at the New Drug Store. Prices right.

Socially, Crockett promises to be rather lively during the holidays.

Miss Frances Wootters will be at home from Lufkin for the holidays.

Let the Big Store show you their swell line of fur and feather boss.

Come to see us and get our prices on fireworks at the Candy Kitchen. 3t

Buy a buggy that will stand the bad roads; fully guaranteed by R. B. Rich. 1t.

Miss Maggie Foster will have three girls visiting her during the holidays.

Buy an Oliver Chilled Steel plow or a middle buster at the Big Store.

Call and inspect the celebrated Winona and Rushford wagons at R. B. Rich's.

The best line of stoves and ranges is the Darling. Buy one at the Big Store.

Prof. C. N. Phillips will spend next week at his old home in Milam county.

The New Drug Store has the best line of holiday goods in Crockett. No old stock.

The city council has been in session this week straightening up the city's affairs for 1902.

A long chance for a short dollar is what Henry Block is offering you for a few weeks only.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

At the Racket Store, goods can now be bought at cost. Call and investigate. W. L. DEUPREE.

These hard times it behooves every one to look out for the best bargains. The New York Store is the place to find them.

**Foley's Kidney Cure** makes kidneys and bladder right.

## Christmas Goods...

The finest display of Christmas Goods in Crockett is on exhibition at

## Chamberlain's Drug Store.

This display includes valuable pictures, fine chinaware, toilet articles, as well as toys for the children. Inspection is invited.

## B. F. CHAMBERLAIN DRUGGIST.

All kinds of fruits at H. J. Phillips'.

Cheese sandwiches and cheese straws at Baker Bros.

Come to the Candy Kitchen for your Xmas Fruit Cake.

Toys and X-mas goods for young and old at the New Drug Store.

You can get the best and prettiest furniture in town at the Big Store.

Mrs. M. M. Baker, we are glad to learn, is recovering from a severe attack of illness.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

The largest and nicest stock of wall paper ever brought to Crockett at Smith & French Drug Co.'s

J. H. Painter, Esq., of Corsicana will take Christmas in Crockett. His wife and little girl are already here.

The greatest bargains ever before offered in dress goods, are now being offered at the Big Store.

The holidays will witness the usual home-coming of young people who have sought vocation at other places.

Mrs. Fannie Barbee and Mr. and Mrs. Banks Barbee of Wharton were visiting relatives in this city last week.

Rev. W. M. Gaddy of Houston, at one time pastor of the Baptist church of this city, was visiting friends here this week.

We have our usual stock of Christmas goods and cordially invite you to inspect them. SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

The Young Ladies' Calendar Club has announced that it will receive at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Adams New Year's.

**For Christmas Presents.** New Pianos and full line of Ladies' Toilet Goods at Music Store. JAS. DEDAINES.

Mr. Wm. Harkins died Monday morning at his home near Coltharp. He was a relative of J. B. Harkins and Mrs. Stillwell Box of this city.

Come to the Candy Kitchen for your hot lunches. French dripped coffee and everything good to eat. Berwick Bay oysters and fish on hand at all times. It

Miss Fleming and Fount Kelley came up from Kennard Sunday, returning Monday. Miss Fleming was the guest of Miss Ethel Wootters Sunday evening.

**Come in Anyway**

Whether you want to buy or not, and just see the high quality of the goods we're selling below cost. HENRY BLOCH.

**Foley's Honey and Tar** for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

Geo. Zimmerman of Augusta was in Crockett Saturday and called at this office. He said he made a good crop this year and that the boll weevil did not hurt his cotton. He always makes a good crop.

To the People of Houston County. I wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

JOHN SPENCE,  
County Attorney.

We're hustling goods out in a hurry, and if you are not prompt, your chance for buying goods below cost will slip by, and you will regret it.

THE NEW YORK STORE.

### For Sale.

Saxon & Son's Cotton Yard with all buildings and fixtures on and belonging to same. For particulars see Jno. W. Saxon or Jas. F. Saxon.

**At 15 and 20 Per Cent. Below Cost**

Is the way we are selling all of our Overcoats, Jackets, Blankets and all heavy goods.

THE NEW YORK STORE.

### Music Class.

Miss Sallie Hardin desires to announce that she expects to remain in the city and will teach a class in the Fletcher Music Method. She will appreciate the patronage of the public.

The bad weather has somewhat retarded work on the Stokes building as it has everything else. The bad condition of the roads has delayed holiday shopping to such an extent that there has been very little done so far.

If those people who have set their fences out too far will move them back and allow more room for sidewalks, they will enhance the value of their property and receive the everlasting gratitude of a long-suffering public. Try it and see.

### Store House For Rent.

My store house and fixtures in Crockett for rent after December 31, 1902. See J. W. Madden, Crockett, Texas.

R. M. ATKINSON,  
Bentonville, Ark.

### For Sale.

My entire crop of tobacco at ten cents a pound where a whole bale is taken. A bale weighs from 12 to 18 pounds. It is genuine Havana and there is nothing better for smoking. Call at COURIER office before it is all gone. W. B. PAGE.

Crockett will lose next year one of its most estimable families in the removal of C. L. Edmiston to Palestine. Mr. Edmiston is one of the firm of Edmiston Bros. of this city and will go to Palestine to engage in the wholesale grocery business. His family will go with him and reside there in the future.

R. E. McConnell is preparing to build a first-class sidewalk along the east side of his residence property. This will be quite an improvement and will perhaps stimulate others to seeing the necessity of better sidewalks. A good walk on the opposite side of the same street would be a great convenience as it would lead to a church in either direction.

If you would leave a sweet aroma after you when you are gone and would have your children and grand-children to rise up and call your name blessed for years to come, set back your fences, straighten your sidewalks and otherwise improve them. If you would not, but would rather have your offspring proclaim "moss-back," fiddle on and let the sidewalks go to the devil.

My Buggies are here, and up to date. I am offering them so cheap too. R. B. RICH.

Dr. S. T. Beasley, as mayor of the city of Crockett, made the following appointments last week as delegates to the convention held at Dallas Wednesday for a discussion of the boll weevil situation: A. H. Wootters, J. G. Matlock, F. H. Bayne, W. B. Page, A. Legory and H. F. Moore.

### At Baptist Church.

At the conference meeting of the Baptist church last Sunday it was decided to hold Sunday morning service at 10 o'clock a. m., Sunday school to immediately follow. Let every member be on time Sunday morning at 10 o'clock a. m. and at 7:30 in the evening. The pastor will preach at both services. W. H. SOWELL.

### Stockholders' Meeting.

A meeting of the stockholders of the canning factory is called for Friday, December 19, 1902, at 1:30 p. m. The directors and officers of said company are especially requested to be present with books and subscription lists. Matters of importance will come up and the necessity of a full attendance is urged. D. A. NUNN, F. H. BAYNE, J. W. HALL.

Mr. Dave Leaverton and Miss Lennie Hollingsworth were married at Grapeland Thursday night of last week. Rev. Hamilton of Lovelady officiated. The ceremony was performed at the Christian church. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. G. M. Hollingsworth and the groom a son of H. C. Leaverton. Both are promising young people of Grapeland and begin married life with best wishes of a large circle of friends.

On or about 1st of January the Barney Photo Co. will open up first-class gallery in building beside the post office, where they will turn out the best photographs ever made in this country. Everything in the way of the very highest grade Photographs, Platino, Sepio, Platinus and Colodio Carbon Portraits and Views. We respectfully invite the public to call and examine our work. If we can't please you, it will cost you nothing. Come and see, we are on first floor near the post office.

A Kidney or Bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

### A Good Boy Gone.

It now becomes our sad duty to announce the death of Marvin Murray who passed away Sunday, November 30th. He died of typhoid fever after an illness of several weeks. Though all was done that loving parents and kind friends could do to prolong his life but the Lord took him home. When the death angel invaded our midst and took from the earth this pure and spotless boy, the neighborhood mourned and every heart was saddened, every eye was dimmed with tears, for they realized that a good boy was gone. Our community has sustained an irreparable loss. Though he will mingle with us no more and we will miss the genial smile and the cordial hand clasp, yet his many little acts of kindness and noble deeds will live for ages.

As a son and brother, he was ever loving, kind and gentle. He was warm hearted, genial and social in his nature. He enjoyed the companionship of friends and made it both agreeable and pleasant for them to be with him. But he is gone from us. The journey done, he is resting now, he is sleeping the sleep that knows no waking. For him the dark night of death was the sunburst of an eternal hereafter.

Marvin's gone to live with Jesus  
In that happy home on high;  
By the grace of God we'll meet him  
In the sweet bye and bye.

A FRIEND.

### In Memory.

It is with sad and aching hearts we announce through the columns of the COURIER the death of our friend and neighbor, Thomas Marvin Murray, which occurred Sunday night, November 30, 1902. He was born July 25, 1877, being at the time of his death in his 26th year. Being just in the bloom of young manhood with a bright and promising future, it seems so hard to realize that it's Marvin, but "Sometime, sometime, we'll understand."

It may be truly said that he numbered his friends by the hundreds. Though his bed is made of clay, we trust he has a home in heaven.

His remains were laid to rest Tuesday, December 2, in the Antioch cemetery amid the tears of many sorrowing relatives and friends. HIS FRIENDS.

**BANNER SALVE**  
the most healing salve in the world.

## CASTLEBERG JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELRY STORE IN CROCKETT.

### HER WOOING.

If you'd win a maiden's fancy,  
Would not live alone,  
Try a jewel's necromancy;  
Win her for your own.

There is no one way of winning,  
To be learned by rote;  
But a brooch makes a beginning,  
For your fair one's throat.

Then a bracelet would be pretty  
For her shapely wrist,  
And her lips will hum a ditty,  
Pouting to be kissed.

Then a locket, for a pendant  
On her snowy breast;  
Cupid is on them attendant  
Who pursue with zest.

An engagement ring a-shimmer,  
For her finger fair;  
Nothing makes so bright a glimmer  
As a solitaire.

And to cap the sweet pursuing,  
And to bind the thing,  
Prove her love and your undoing  
With a wedding ring.

Castleberg, as aid to Cupid,  
Rivals puts to rout;  
So, a hunch, now don't be stupid,  
Let him help you out.

A lovely line of Brooches, Rings and Locketts  
at most reasonable prices.

STORE KEPT OPEN UNTIL 8:30 P. M.

## CASTLEBERG JEWELRY COMPANY

# December Delights.....

## Pastry Flour.

We have a fresh lot of high-grade Flour, bought especially for the Christmas cooking. You can't afford to miss getting a sack. We have, also, a fresh supply of everything you'll need for your

## Fruit Cakes.

This is the one month in the year when every merchant is trying his level best to induce people to buy goods; and the people are looking out for all the "delights" that are being offered, and they are not going to trade any where except at the places where there are special inducements. Now, we are not loud criers of "Bargain Sales," "Cut Prices," etc., but when it comes to selling good, reliable goods at reasonable prices, we are in the front ranks. This week we have a few "special inducements" for you.

The Friend of the People

# JIM BROWN.

## Trunks.

If you or any of your family need a good Trunk, now is your chance, for we want to close out our stock of these, and have changed the price marks on them, very much in your favor.

Price Them.

## THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor  
W. W. AIKEN, Publisher & Local Editor

The prohibition campaign in Nacogdoches county has been indefinitely postponed, so the Galveston News' correspondent says. Likewise in Anderson.

Burglars entered a store at Fort Worth and secured \$3000 worth of silk goods. There would be some excuse for the theft this cold weather if they had taken wool.

The house of representatives has passed a bill appropriating \$500,000 for eradicating the foot and mouth disease in the New England states. If congress would do something to relieve the mouth disease alone in this country, we would excuse it as to the foot feature.

A ten thousand acre peach orchard is to be opened up and set out in Nacogdoches county by eastern capital. East Texas will yet blossom as the rose and the piney woods section become the envy of the more populous and uncertain black land belt.

Farmers of Houston county will have to take the weevil situation in their hands and plant less cotton. More hogs, more truck farming, more stuff for the Crockett canning factory, more fruit and better cattle and horses is their salvation. Peas for hogs and cattle is a profitable crop.

It is said that the German tariff recently passed will deprive Chicago packers of almost 25 per cent of their provision export trade, exclusive of fresh meats, and the packers are already preparing to urge the United States government to take some action that will give them relief. Thus the government is made a panacea for all trade afflictions and ills.

Congress has passed a bill for a union railroad station at Washington to cost \$4,000,000. The station is to be situated north of the present site of the Baltimore and Ohio depot and in front of it is to be a large plaza park. By the terms of the bill the government is to pay the Pennsylvania railroad \$1,500,000 to move its tracks and the Baltimore and Ohio \$500,000, in addition to providing for the plaza park. And thus republican extravagance runs riot and the people foot the bills.

The present cold spell and the recent coal strike have brought much suffering to New York City. For the poor the city is tuellless and misery prevails. Thousands are battling for their lives unable to procure a bucket of coal and they have been likened to blizzard-caught settlers on the bleak plains of the northwest and this in the heart of the country's metropolis.

The newspapers give an account of a mother and her two-year-old child freezing to death when a shovelful of coal would have saved their lives. What a contrast between New York and Texas, especially East Texas! Here every one has all the fuel he can use practically at his door. If he has not made provision for the winter then he alone is to blame, for an abundance of wood can be obtained for the cutting.

East Texas is the country for the young man for it is yet undeveloped. It is the place for the small investor. Central and North Texas have been developed and the tide of immigration and population is receding this way. Crop conditions in West and Southwest Texas are too uncertain. The steady increase in the value of East Texas lands, as well as the increased demand for them, is significant of this section's growth. The railroads are going to make some wonderful strides in the way of developing the country, for they are to look to the country for their tonnage. The future of East Texas is bright.

Senator John T. Morgan proposes the colorization of negroes in the Philippines, and commenting on which the Houston Post says: "It is not worth while considering the details of execution until we know whether the negroes will go, for it can hardly be that the senator contemplates deportation." The Post adds: "It is the old idea, in another form, of African colonization which no considerable number of negroes ever approved." The negro would be at a loss for a livelihood in other than this country. Here his manual training and education are his principal qualifications which would be adaptable to no other country and this he knows.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is alive to the importance of the boll weevil subject. Congressman Slayden recently called on him at Washington and says: "He seemed to comprehend the tremendous danger to the cotton crop of Texas, and ultimately the crop of the entire South. He promised the active cooperation of the department in the effort now general in Texas to exterminate the pest, and said if he did not have enough men in the field to do the work he would ask for more." After the adjournment of congress the secretary says he will come to Texas and personally investigate the weevil problem and the cultivation of tobacco.

### A Timely Topic.

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National Live Stock Association.

To the Honorable County Judge.

Dear Sir:

I take pleasure in herewith enclosing you a call for the Sixth Annual Convention of the National Live Stock Association which will convene in Kansas City on January 13th.

The subjects to be discussed and actions which will be taken at this convention are of the utmost importance to the live stock industry of your state. I trust that you will find it convenient to appoint this delegate at the earliest possible date, and advise me of his name and post office address, in order that I may send him literature from time to time. You will pardon me if I suggest that you appoint such men as you believe will attend, as we desire to have as large a representative from your state as possible.

Very truly yours,  
C. F. MARTIN,  
Secretary.

Boll weevil, or no boll weevil, one thing is absolutely certain, and that is, no farmer can succeed in this country who depends upon his cotton crop to supply the meat and bread that must go on his table and the feeds/uffs that must go to his horse trough. The biggest fool in the land knows that he can not lift himself by his bootstraps, and yet it is almost as reasonable as it is for the one-horse farmer to succeed by depending alone on his cotton patch for bread, for meat, for clothes and for sugar and coffee. May the Lord help the man who is enslaving his wife and children by keeping them thirteen months in the year in the cotton patch to get his eyes open. Evidently the boll weevil is a blessing direct from the Creator's hand to free and liberate the bonded cotton man and to make him realize that he has a higher destiny than to make a serf of himself and peons of his dear children.—Henderson Times.

### Nacogdoches to Have a Big Orchard.

Corpus Christi, Dec. 9.—A representative of a large Boston syndicate is here to secure all the Mexicans possible to clear land for a mammoth peach and pear orchard in Nacogdoches county. More than 10,000 acres will be cultivated, and the syndicate guarantees steady employment at good wages to thousands of laborers.

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