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was again "yes."

of each cotton transaction?"

agent."

"Is it not true that that account him I didn't know."

Bushy "would give checks and I don't remember exactly all of tin stating Bushy had gone to on both sides were ready for the Co.

would be impossible for a paper there was about \$1.78 difference." noon. The questions asked him Natchez, Miss. his bank and that that account he filed the complaints against jail. My friends would be thus making the state pay for it. was kept as the financial agent of Busby. Mr. Wortham testified afraid to go my bond. The pen- The evidence was concluded at the penitentiary. Mr. Busby at length as to his and Busby's itentiary people seemed to be about 4:30 Saturday afternoon discharged that the jury on first kept no personal account at his conversation, and in part said: . doing everything they could to and court adjourned till Monday ballot stood for from two to five bank. Whenever he deposited; "He said he thought I had secretly crush me." As to his morning at 8 o'clock when argu- years. On the second ballot it money and checks he deposited great influence with the governor movements, defendant testified ment was begun in the case. them as the financial agent and and the attorney general and he that after spending two or three County Attorney John Spence whenever he drew on the account thought that if he was to pay the days in New Orleans bought a opened for the state and was he signed the drafts as financial State the money back that I could ticket to Shreveport. At Vicks followed by counsel for the agent. Something of a sensa- see the attorney general and say burg took breakfast at hotel. defense, Johnson, Adams and tional nature was developed when that the State had gotten its Met an acquintance there who Atkinson. Assistant Attorney the prosecution asked Mr. Wight- money and it was a bunglesome showed him a Cincinnati Enquirer General Martin closed for the man if it was not a fact that Mr. sort of a job and, this and that, containing a telegram from Aus- state in the afternoon. Counsel given up. Smith & French Drug

sign his name on this account as the excuses he attempted to put Honduras and embezzled \$150,000. fray and bouyed up by the imporassistant financial agent for the into my mouth to give to the at- Got scared again and didn't tarry tance and notoriety of the case. purpose of securing money to put torney general for them not to for breakfast. Told his friend On the one side the dignity as margins for buying cotton fu- press the prosecution if he return- to order breakfast and he would of the state was to be pretures?" The answer of the wit- ed the money. I told him it was bathe his face. Didn't bathe served and on the other the ness was "yes." The prosecution out of my hands; that I had tried his face, but instead went to boat liberty of a client was at stake. then asked: "When he put up to get him before he ran off, but landing, where he saw a boat Horns were locked and the battle margins for cotton futures he could not find him; that I had bound for Greenville. Got on fought. Never before was would check on his official account refused to make an affidavit be- the boat, but the Mississippi better legal talent before a to get this money?" The answer fore I had seen him, but he pre- river is so wide he didn't get to Houston county jury and never vented this by going away and the his destination, and returned to before was a Houston county jury "What became of the proceeds matter was now out of my hands, Vicksburg. Went to Monroe, composed of a more intelligent but that if he would pay me the La., and from there to Pine looking set of men. They knew "They were credited to his money that was all I wanted. He Bluff. Stayed there one day, their sworn duty and knew what account as assistant financial asked if he paid the money what From there to Memphis; stayed was demanded of them. The would become of him. I told there two or three weeks. Back argument they listened to was to Pine Bluff, then to Camden, forceful and the evidence they Defendant Busby took the Ark., for one day. Then to El- had heard was convincing. Councase was so voluminous that it "I believe, as far as I remember, stand for himself Friday after dorado, Ark., and then to sel for both sides closed in the afternoon and Judge Gardner no larger than the Courier to John L. Wortham testified that by the state were of a most During the investigation Sat- delivered his charge to the jury. attempt to give it. It would not be was the present financial agent searching nature. It may be urday morning Busby testified The charge was exhaustive and be fair to either side to publish of the penitentiary; that he was said that the prosecution all the first report of alleged short- that of a learned judge. The part and omit part. The Courier investigating the books at Rusk through was able and vigorous. ages prepared by the experts jury retired and between 10 and 11 will only attempt to note a few when Busby left the country; Defendant explained why he ran totaled \$25,362.96. Witness de- o'clock Monday night announced things brought out during the that he wanted to have a confer- away as follows: "I ran away nied he ever paid his grocery or that it had reached a verdict, trial. Cashier Wightman of the ence with Busby, but could not because I knew what it means to merchandise accounts out of State which was as follows: "We the Rusk bank took the stand Wed- find him. He told of his and be in a condition of this kind. money. Witness acknowledged jury find the defendant guilty and nesday. He testified that Mr. Busby's conversation after the People will be inflamed. If I to having charged the cost of his assess his punishment at three Busby kept only one account at latter had given himself up; that return to Rusk I'll be stopped in official bond to "extra service," years in the penitentiary. Signed, George W. Broxson, Foreman.

The Courier has learned from some of the jurymen since being agreed on a verdict of three years. The jury consumed about three hours in its deliberations.

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Grapeland Gleanings.

or a portion of it is on ton has caused quite a lot that was 18, 1906, in Salt Lake city. This building a depot. Work will the market, hence the good busi- club, if it pushes its project, begin as soon as the lumber is all ness. laid down.

from Mr. Ney Sheridan the local telephone system.

Dr. Stafford from Augusta has moved into the home lately vacated by Dr. Robertson.

residence of Fletcher Harmon, in regard to the new depot that is Lake club, however, proposes who left Thursday for Coleman in contemplation. county.

Mr. Edge. Joe will leave in a few days for "fields that are new and pastures that are green."

Dr. H. S. Bobertson and Will relatives and friends. Lively have gone to Lytle, near San Antonio, to engage in the drug business.

Prof. J. N. Snell of the Enon school and Miss Linnie Garret land this week. OLD CITIZEN. were married at the residence of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Ann Garret, Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. J. E. Morgan offi- has started a propaganda in favor knows his country as well as he ciated.

the telegraph line.

the way from 9 to 12 cents per will call out a favorable response. pound, the demand being greater The club is backing up its traveling through the United than the supply.

Mr. Fred Caldwell has leased at the Houston carnival last week. railroads, the immigration socie-

orchard business.

Mrs. Will Neal of Elkhart was

in Galveston this week on business. their own country first. The was visiting relatives in Grape-

See America First.

Salt Lake city's commercial club of presenting, in a comprehensive ought to know it until he has The line men of the I. & G. N. and intellgent way, the claims of traversed its magnificent distances have been stopping in Grapeland the west on the hundreds of to the Pacific, to the Canadian for the past week, and are still thousands of United States tour- boundary and to the gulf of Mexhere putting in new telegraph ists who cross the Alantic every ico, and has mingled with some of posts and otherwise repairing season. "See Europe if you will, but see America," is the club's third of the hundreds of millions Turkeys have got to be quite an motto. It is excellent advice: article of commerce, selling all Throughout the west at least it tourists in Europe and Asia every

words by acts. It is trying to States the tourists would get There have been so many car interest the governors of the more enlightenment for their eads of hogs shipped from here Trans-Mississippi states and terri- money and would become better stely that we can not numerate tories, the authorities in Mexico, om. Dave Leaverton has just the boards of trade, chambers of eturned from Fort Worth where commerce, business men's leagues a has been with a car load, and commercial clubs of these localities, and particularly the poison, and never fails to cure. he second car for Dave in localities, and particularly the

Business has been unusually this big field in a conference EDITOR COURIER:-The lumber good this week. The rise in cot- which has been called for January the ground for either enlarging or being held back to be thrown on looks like business. Salt Lake's ought to be able to get a large Grapeland was well represented attendance at its conference. The Dr. Woodard, J. M. Selkirk, ties of the states which have any J. J. Brooks and G. E. Darsey such bodies and a few commerwent to Palestine Friday as a cial organizations here and there committee from the citizens of have worked along this line in the Grapeland to consult with the past, and doubtless have accom-Dr. McCarty has bought the officials of the I. & G. N. railroad plished something. The Salt missionary work of this sort on a Jack Lewis has returned from far larger scale and under more Joe Dunnam has sold out to Nacogdoches, where he went on intelligent direction than has been attempted along to this time.

It is well for Americans to visit in Grapeland this week visiting Europe who have the money, the time and the inclination to do this, F. A. Farris spent several days but they ought to make a tour of Mrs. A. N. Henry of Grovaton great lakes, rivers, plains and mountains of the west are more worth seeing to the intelligent American than are many of the places which they cross the ocean to visit. No American the people therein. If half or a of dollars spent by American year were expended by them in Americans.—Globe-Democrat.

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STANTON'S KIND HEART.

Two Incidents That Show His Tenderness and Consideration.

Edwin M. Stanton, secretary of war during and after the civil war, impress ed many who came to him with appeals for aid as a stern and even heartles man. He was frequently contrasted with President Lincoln as his very op posite in mercy and gentleness. Yet incidents described to his latest biographer by men who knew him wel show that he sometimes suffered as bitterly as those whose requests he felt compelled to refuse.

"I went to the war office after 19 o'clock one night to consult Mr. Stan ton," says a former clerk. "I found the mother, wife and children of a soldier who had been condemned to be shot as a deserter on their knees before him, pleading for the life of their loved one. He listened, standing, in cold and austere silence. At the end of their heartbreaking sobs and pray ers he answered briefly that the man must die. The crushed and despairing little family left, and Mr. Stanton turned, apparently unmoved, and walked into his private room.

"My own heart was wrung with anguish. It seemed to me that Mr Stanton must be a demon, the very in carnation of cruelty and tyranny.

"I was so dazed that, forgetting my self. I followed him into his office without rapping. I found him leaning over a desk, his face burled in his hands and his heavy frame shaken

"'God help me to do my duty! God help me to do my duty! he was repeating in a low wail of anguish that I shall never forget.

"I quickly withdrew, but not until ! had seen a great light. I have loved. almost reverenced, Edwin M. Stanton ever since. His own heart was per haps suffering more intense agony than the hearts of his petitioners, but he was THEIR LINING WAS PRECIOUS AND compelled to steel his outward face for the bloody duties of war, while within his soul was warm with sym pathy and sorrow."

One cannot help hoping that this deserter may have been one of those whose lives President Lincoln spared by overruling the decision of his secre-

A more cheerful view of the great secretary is given by a fellow lawyer who knew him before the war.

"He was traveling by steamer on the Ohio to Pittsburg when he saw a man on the forward deck with a broken

replied that the man lived in Pittsburg, then nearly a hundred miles ahead, and would receive attention

From a carpenter's chest Mr. Stan ton promptly secured a saw and a hatchet with which to cut splints. Tak ing a sheet from a stateroom he set and bandaged the fracture. He then make a trip overland to the States, brought vinegar and water from the cook's room with which to steep the swollen parts and all the way to Pittsburg sat by the side of the injured man applying the bath When the boat reached Pittsburg he hired a carriage and took the man home."

Tom Hood's Test.

The following story is one which Tom Hood was rather fond of relating. He was once asked to contribute to a new journal, not exactly gratuitously, but at a small advance upon nothing. He accepted the terms conditionallythat is to say, provided the principle

could be properly carried out. Accordingly he wrote to his butcher, baker and other tradesmen, informing them that it was necessary for the sake of cheap literature and the interest of the reading public that they should in future furnish him with their several commodities at a trifling percentage above cost price.

It will be sufficient to quote the answer of the butcher:

Sir-Respecting your note, cheap literater be blowed! Butchers must live as other pepel, and if so be you or the readin' publick wants to have meat at prime cost you must buy your own beastesses and kill yourselves. I remain, etc. JEM STOKES.

-London Standard.

When the Ostrich Hurries.

Two feet is the usual stride of an os trich when it walks, but when the bird is alarmed and commences to run it exchanges its mincing stride for fourteen foot steps, which easily carry it over the ground at a rate of twenty-five miles an hour. Ordinarily an ostrich makes no effort to profit by its length of legs, and many birds with legs less than a quarter as long habitually use a three and four foot stride. for it seems to be one of the rules of | night, for the coach traveled night and nature that birds like ostriches, flamin- | day and as fast as four or six horses goes and cranes extend their stride only when alarmed. The ostrich when it runs takes both feet off the ground hour. at every stride, its progress being server under the impression that one foot remains on the ground until the the company to carry gold in the bagother is placed.

The First Newspaper.

The honor of having produced the first newspaper has long been disputed by Italy, France, Germany, England and Holland, and for years the British museum exhibited a paper called the English Mercury, said to have been

anted in 1588, but which proved to be practical joke of Lord Hardwicke.

a the first German paper only appear I in 1615, in Frankfort; the first Dutch paper in 1617, the first English poper, the Weekly Gazette, in-1622 priority of Autwerp in the field now seems to be established by exhaustly: researches, which show beyond a doubt that the printer Abraham Verhoev of Antwerp obtained in 1605 from the Archduke and Duchess Albert and Is belle the privilege of printing the f regular newspaper.

Money.

Money is powerful for good if divine ly used. Give it plenty of air and it is sweet as the hawdiorn. Shut it up and it cankers and breeds worms.-G. Mae Donaki

London and Vew York.

don and New York is not so great as lary suppose. There are more lowfresses and diamond tiaras in Lonon and more smart, tidy women in New York; more beards in London and more clean shaven chins in Manhattan. There are larger hotels in New York and bigger shops; there are red pillar boxes in London and smaller gray ones in the city on the island. But these things are small details. In the main both cities are much alike. and the men and women behave in much the same way. We have no streets to compare with Fifth avenue. and they have no park to compare with Regent's park and no Westminster abbey! But we drive out and dine out just the same, we eat and think and dress and read just the same, or anyway so much alike we seem like one big family party, which is just as it should be .- London Black and White.

A PAIR OF OLD BOOTS

THEIR OWNER ANXIOUS.

The Odd Manner In Which a Montana Merchant Got His Gold Dust Treasure Through to the East In the Old Days of Stagecoach Travel.

Henry Elling came to Montana in the early sixties. Then greenbacks were practically unknown in Virginia City. Gold dust was the circulating medium, and every counter and bar was equipped with gold scales, and instead of being dollars and cents the reckoning medium was ounces and pen-"'Why is that sufferer not attended nyweights. Every miner had his buckto? he demanded of the captain, who skin pouch instead of a pocketbook, and generally this pouch had several ounces of gold dust in it, for those were the days of plenty in Alder guich and all other parts of the territory which is now known as Montana.

When his stock of goods was sold out Mr. Elling decided that it would be a good investment if he should purchase a new stock of goods and continue in the clothing business. He had about \$10,000 in the best of gold dust to his credit in the banks then often disputed the right of way with the stagecoaches, and they levied frequent tributes on the passengers, sometimes stripping them to the hide. Wells, Fargo & Co. made a practice of shipping gold dust east for the miners, but this was expensive, the ratio for insurance being sometimes as high as 10 per cent on the amount carried. This meant a great deal of money to a man, even in those days, and Mr. Elling thought he could find a way to get his money to Omaha which would beat

that scheme all hollow. After considering the matter in its different phases he finally expressed the money to his own order as far as Salt Lake City, taking passage on the same coach. To Salt Lake City the express rate was not so high, and practically the danger zone of road agents was passed after this point was reached, the Portneuf canyon and Beaver canyon in Idaho and the section along the Beaverhead valley between the Pete Daly ranch and Williams Junction, in what is now Montana, being the most dangerous.

Mr. Elling and his gold dust arrived in Salt Lake City without incident. For some reason the road agents had not learned that the coach carried a great amount of treasure, and no attempt at a holdup was made, though more than one of the passengers breathed hard and had his heart in his mouth when some unexpected stop was made during the dark hours of the could bowl it along, and it made an average speed of about ten miles an

After a day's rest in Salt Lake City made by means of a series of jumps so the journey was resumed. Mr. Elling rapidly performed as to leave the ob- had already secured his gold dust, and as it was strictly against the rules of gage he was in a quandary for awhile as to the manuer in which he could get that gold to Omaha. The express company knew he had the dust and knew was watching him. The morning the coach was bitched up and drove around to the hotel after him he wandered into

pair of boots not too badly worn which some one had discarded.

These gave him an idea. His gold dust was in two packages, and, securing a stout buckskin string; he tied the two boots together by their ears, and, and the first French paper in 1631, the putting a part of the gold into either boot leg, he threw them into the bottom of the coach, with the remark that his boots hurt him and that he was taking the old ones along so that he could change if his feet got to hurting him toe badly.

Nobody had a suspicion that there was \$10,000 in those old boots, and Mr. Elling kept them under his feet night and day until he reached Omaha. When coaches were changed he generally carried the boots across his arm and, retiring to some convenient room, would actually change his boots, in this manner hoodwinking the express messengers, the driver and every one The contrast between society in Lon- else as to the mount of money he was carrying with him, and he got a great deal of sympathy from the rest of the passengers on account of the pain he was suffering from his tender feet .-Anaconda Standard

The Lights of the Sen.

Some years ago the natives near Bombay gave accounts of a wonderful flaming creature that they declared had been seen sailing through the heavens, but had dropped into the sea and remained there for many years swimming near the shore. After a long search and much inquiry a scientist discovered that this so called celestial monster was a jellyfish of a most remarkable sort. It had tentacles over 300 feet long and an enormous head that glowed like an incandescent light. The tentacles shone with a phosphorescent gleam and lighted up the sea for a long distance. At length one of the creatures washed ashore and was carefully studied by the naturalist. It was supposed that a comet, which had appeared in the heavens and disappeared afterward, was connected in the minds of this imaginative people with the jellyfish. There are scores of phosphorescent creatures in the depths of the ocean, many of which have never been described, some of them being so remarkable that accurate accounts of them would tax the credulity of simple folk.

Nature.

There are no genuine native words in the Japanese language to correspond with our words "nature" and "art." Professor Basil Hall Chamberlain, for a score of years professor of Japanese in the Imperial university at Tokyo, regards the absence of the word "art as a weakness. He thinks the absence of a word for "nature" may be quite the opposite. "Nature" he regards as a Proteus, at times a deistic synonym or euphemism for the Creator, at other times the beings or things created, or the universe with man left out, or the impulses of man as opposed to his conscious acts, or that which is reasonable and proper, or, again, with theologians exactly the opposite. "In short," says the professor, "the word 'nature' stands for everything in general and established in Virginia City, and a for nothing in particular, impossible question which bothered him sorely to define and serving only as a will-owas how to get this money to civiliza- the-wisp to mislead metaphysically tion without losing it, for road agents | minded persons."-Impressions Quar-

GARDENS OF THE SEA

BLOOM AND PERISH.

The Wonderful and Luxuriant Homeican Rivers-The Famous Floating Gardens of Mexico.

Along the great rivers of South America are to be seen -- what to many would seem incredible - floating in graceful motion on the rising and falling waves beautiful green islands covered with trees and flowers, alive with hundreds of birds and strange combinations of terror stricken animals,

rush and matter-trees which year after year have drifted slowly down the streams, forming a solid mass or raft upon which a gradual deposit of vegetable mold is formed and fitted for the luxuriant growth of plants. Still others are formed by aquatic plants, with large, flat leaves, like a lily pad, which by the autumn floods down the rivers and eventually out into the open sea, where they are soon dashed to pieces and destroyed.

Along the Amazon, Rio de la Plata and their tributaries wonderful sights are frequently seen on the hundreds of floating islands as they gracefully pass their seaward journey, sometimes measuring nearly a mile in length, Plata.-New York Herald. about a hundred feet wide and four to six feet in thickness, the greater portion of which is under water. Amid the dense foliage the observer will behe was going on to Omaha, so it hold numerous tropical animals in strangely mingled companionship to the hotel after him he wandered into and snakes—assembled together as one the back yard of the hotel and spied a family and regarding one another with

hostility and mistrust. Parrots and squirrels are frequent passengers, and in this odd way of traveling, sometimes The Care With Which Uncle Sam thousands of miles, they find themselves transported to new and strange localities far from their native homes.

Great alarm is sometimes caused among the inhabitants of the towns and villages along these rivers by strange and ferocious animals prowling about the streets, having been washed ashore during the night. One of the most remarkable passengers aboard one of these natural floats was a small Indian boy found drifting on an island near Buenos Ayres. How long he had been drifting or how he happened to be there could not be found out, but he had nearly succumbed from hunger and long expo-

Floating islands are also the means of various seeds and rare plants being carried to foreign soil thousands of miles distant from their starting place. but often only to fade and perish from the extreme change of climate.

Not alone to South American rivers are these "homeless wanderers," as they are sometimes known, common, but in Africa, on the Kongo, are found floating isles green with foliage, brilliant with flowers and covered with birds of gorgeous plumage, being wafted along by the wind, sometimes sinking from sight, sometimes rising on the crest of a wave like a duck in the wake of a boat. On the Mississippi are found numerous islands that float. The existence of vast forests bordering the banks account for this phenomenon, as the gradual wearing away of the earth causes sections of the mainland to become disconnected and to slowly proceed down the river, frequently blockading the channel, so that in many places a safe passage is impossible.

One of the largest of these floating islands ever known on this greatest American river was ten miles in length, 200 yards wide and about eight feet deep, rising and falling with the water, yet covered with luxuriant trees some sixty feet in height. This great island so obstructed the river that the state of Louisiana had to take steps to dispose of the raft and open navigation, which required the space of nearly four years to complete.

History tells us that islands made from reeds, which were not only moved about by the wind, but by oars, were the means of the escape of many Roman citizens during the Mithridatic wars. Indian legends are full of interesting stories of the marvelous escapes of fugitives on "camelotes," which were floating islands composed of green raits of canes of brushwood

The wondrous floating gardens of Mexico, though little heard of today, were at one time famous for their great beauty. A foundation made of a sort of wickerwork which was overspread with clay, manure and rich mold was formed in such a way as to float, upon which maize, vegetables and other useful plants were raised. It is said that at one time the city of Mexico received an ample supply of fresh vegetables from these floating

enough for a tree and a little but which | Times. sheltered the farmer from the sun and rain, while to others, not being sufficiently large to bear the weight of man, the farmer was compelled to row in a boat and from it attend to list daily la-Cucumbers and melons were among the most successful crops. Nu-FLOATING ISLANDS THAT FORM AND merous flowers and odoriferous plants to the Romans, since a mention by one

the worship of the gods. One of the peculiar advantages this less Wanderers of the South Amer- custom had over the more usual man- mattress, 218 or 222 A. D. Feather ner of gardening was that when the beds were employed by the better person desired to remove from a disagreeable neighborhood to a new situa- Henry VIII., though they were contion or change to a location nearer his family he could conduct his garden The bedsteads of the Egyptians, Rowherever he pleased, and at any time, mans and Greeks closely resembled our by means of a small boat or by the use

for the houses of the nobility and for

of oars. In Kashmir the floating gardens or islands are spoken of as being remark- the fire. To the present day bedsteads ably beautiful in their high state of in Holland and some parts of Germany Floating islands are generally the re- cultivation. The city of Kashmir besuit of the overflowing and the wash- ing divided into many isolated portions ing away of river banks. Others are by lakes and narrow streams, the low formed by the twisted roots of the bog ground is very likely to be suddenly overflowed, and in order to avoid the loss which such a flood would probably cause the inhabitants made their gardens on small floating islands which drifted about over the smooth surface of the lakes.

Although the floating gardens of Mexico were at one time of great celebrity, covered with fare tropical become a mass of solid matter floated plants and brilliant with gayly colored flowers, yet still more interesting are the rural floating islands which are swept seaward on the great rivers of South America by hundreds and thousands, large and small, and swarming with a menagerie of wild and excited animals. The zoological gardens of Buenos Ayres have received an addition of about fifty different species of by, driven by the wind and current on tropical animals rescued from the islands passing down the Rio de la

The Game of Life.

Life is a queer game of blind man's buff, played in a mist on a mountain top, and the players keep dropping over the precipices. But nobody heeds becrocodiles, monkeys, storks, wildcats cause there are always plenty more and snakes—assembled together as one and the game goes on forever.—H Rider Haggard.

CHRONOMETERS.

Tests These Delicate Instruments.

In the equipment of United States war vessels for sea service one of the most essential prerequisites of their safety is the marine chronometers, instruments of peculiar construction and great perfection of workmanship, by which time is measured with extreme accuracy, as in determining geographical longitudes and ascertaining the difference of time.

One of the most seential and practical features of the United States naval observatory as a naval station is the custody of these delicate instruments, which are thoroughly tested before active service, a work that requires much care and attention, from three to six months in a year.

There is connected with the chronometer room at the observatory a temperature room in which the testings or trials are made, and where the influence of the hygrometric conditions of the atmosphere upon the running of chronometers is noted. The room is heated by circulation of hot water, the fuel being gas controlled by electricity, and is cooled by an ice refrigerator when a temperature is required below that of the outside atmosphere. The temperature is closely observed each day during trial and recorded for the previous twenty-four hours by a chronometric thermometer and by self regisistering maximum and minimum thermometers.

The chronometers are compared daily between 11 and 11:40 o'clock a, m. with the mean time standard clock, and the errors and rates are worked up every seventh day, and from these mean rates calculations are made to the nearest quarter of a second. All chronometers received at the observatory are placed on trial prior to their purchase by the government and are tested at the temperatures between 45 and 90 degrees F. Fifty-five, 70 and 85 degrees are good temperatures to use. as between these extremes are included all the temperatures through which chronometers will pass in ordinary

The principal American makers of chronometers submit their instruments for Uncle Sam's hygrometric test. The instruments are placed on trial by their numbers, and those failing to pass are returned to their makers. The trials are commenced near the middle of the summer or the middle of the winter in each year, so that the natural temperature of both extremes can be used as well as artificial ones.

view to the temperature in which they are to be used. Those for warm climates should have their point compensation highest and those for cold climates the reverse.

When called for, they are taken direct from the observatory through the navy department to their destination, while still running, with the greatest care. They are delivered to the navigation officer of the navy yard or of the vessel, as the case may be, when the supervision of the observatory Many of the gardens were large ceases until their return.-New York

Antiquity of Beds.

The ancients slept on the floor or on a divan covered with skins. During the middle ages beds were made of ruches, heather or straw. It is believed that feather beds were known were also abundantly grown and used of the poets of men so luxurious that they slept on feathers is supposed to refer to this kind of bed. Heliogabalus had an air cushion, and also an air classes in England during the days of sidered luxuries and were expensive. couches. The Russian peasants place their beds on top of the family oven for the sake of the warmth given forth by are fitted up with two feather beds, on one of which the sleeper lies while the other is used for covering.

Flower Seed.

Some seeds take longer than others to germinate. For instance, hollyhocks, marigolds, gillyflowers, rose of heaven, zinnias, come up in from three to five days if all circumstances are favorable—that is, if it is warm, moist and sunny enough. Asters, single dahlias, sunflowers, cornflowers, mignonette, morning glory, coreopsis, picotee pinks, wallflowers, sweet williams and by far the greater number of annuals appear in from five to seven days, balsams, pansies, begonias, popples, verbenas, drummond's phlox and many others in from eight to ten days, columbines, phlox, artemesia, feverfew, etc., in from ten to twelve days, forgetmenot, petunia, nicotiana in from twelve to fifteen days, others in from sixteen to twenty days. Clematis, perennial phlox and larkspurs take from twenty to thirty-five days to germinate -Cella Thaxter's "An Island Garden."

Good to Have and Bad to Loss "A man, like a razor, must me temper to be any good at all." "Yes, temper is a good thing to have but a very bad thing to lose."--Phila

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

of Texas to Observe Day.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 6. Governor Lanham today issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation.

By the Governor of Texas-I, S. W. T. Lanham, Governor of the State of Texas, request the people of the State to observe in every appropriate way Thursday, Nov. 30, 1905, as Thanksgiving Day. We are each and all dependent upon Almighty God and owe him our praise and gratitude for the many temporal and spiritual blessings he has bestowed upon us. It becomes us as a Christian people to thank him in our homes and in our respective places of worship for all that he has done for us. We have been blessed "in basket and in store." The health of our people has been graciously preserved. "Goodness and mercy have followed us" and crowned our efforts in all worthy underakings. Let us not fail to give our hearty thanks for all the same capacity. divine favors we have received, and devoutly pray that they may be continued towards us in the future. I hereunto sign my name and cause the seal of State to be hereto impressed at the city of Austin this the 6th day of November, A. D. 1905.

S. W. T. LANHAM, Governor of Texas. Letter from Dr. Cunyus.

Abilene, Texas, Nov. 8, 1905. Editor COURIER:

ett Bank for a renewal of my sub- vided with light and ventilation scription for Courier. We en- from the outside. Six or eight out of the honorable district court of

out here and my wife and self are the absence of seat ends the berths sheriff directed and delivered, I have highly delighted with these parts. can be made wider. Duck shooting is the finest that I It is claimed that the car rides D.1905, and will, between the hours of

property is rapidly advancing, for below the floor, thus lowering the Charlie Young had on the 14th day of example I bought a farm within center of gravity to practically October, A. D. 1905, or at any time 2 miles of Abilene for \$30 per the line of draft. acre and just 12 months later sold part of the improved portion for \$75 per acre and I am holding the rest for a better price.

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H. J. CUNYUS. A Policeman's Testimony.

a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." For sale by Smith & French Drug Co.

He Could Hardly Get Up.

writes, "This is to certify that I acre tract of land on said league. Thence 8 38 E. with the E. B. line of said 5 acre tract 70 vrs. have taken two bottles of Foley's stake for corner. Thence 8 45 W 40 1-2 vrs, Kidney Cure and it has helped stake for corner. Thence N 53 W 70 vrs. to the me more than any other medicine. Thence N 45 E with said north boundary line I tried many advertised remedies, but none of them gave me any relief. My druggist recommended Foley's Kidney Cure and it has property was levied on as the property of said cured me. Before commencing witness my hand at Crockett, Texas, this sthe day of November A. D. 1905. I could hardly get up when once down." Smith & French Drug

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DISAPPEARING BERTHS

Governor Lanham Requests People Are the feature of New Sleeping and Parlor Car.

The private car Columbia, which is owned by the American Palace Car Company, and which is used to demonstrate the advantages of the new system of combined sleeping, parlor and dining car, is on an exhibition tour and will stop at Toronto, Montreal and Portland on its return trip to Boston, says the Railway Age. The principle features in connecberths, which are covered by thirty-six patents, now controlled by the American Palace Car Company of New York.

The details of the mechanism for operating the berths and the construction of the central portion of the car are quite similar to that of the Southern Pacific bospital car. The car weighs fifty-one tons, and it is claimed that it is five tons lighter and can be built 10 per cent lighter than the ordinary sleeping cars of the

In daytime the large room in the central portion of the car is furnished as a parlor car, but it can also be used as a dining car. The transformation of any section car, or vice versa, can be made by

When the berths are in position for night use, all the chairs, suit cases, packages, etc., can be stored in the pockets under the floor. The windows are arranged Enclosed find check on Crock- so that the upper berths are projoy reading it very much and inches more space in height is provided between the upper and Charlie Young versus Arch Gibson and This is a beautiful, rich country lower berths, and on account of John Childers, No. 4981, and to me, as

have ever enjoyed anywhere, and easier and can be hauled with less I can leave my office at 4:30 P. M. resistance than one of the same 1905, it being the 5th day of said-month, and drive 2 miles, over fine road, capacity on account of the entire at the court house door of said Houston and kill from 2 to 5 each time. weight of the berths in each County, in the town of Crockett, pro-My practice is as good as one section and their contents, mechby practice is as good as one section and their contents, mech-

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the district court of Houston county on the 8th day of November, 1905, by the clerk thereof, in the Wishing you much success, I case of B. F. Chamberlain vs. L. W. Baker and G. A. Baker No. 4986 and to me as sheriff directed and delivered I will proceed to sell between the hours of 10 A: M. and 4 P. M. o'clock, on the first Tuesday in December 1905, it being the 5th day of said month before the court house door J. N. Patterson, night police- of said county in Crockett for cash, the tollowman of Nashua, la., writes, "Last ing described property, to-wit: Those two certain pieces or parcels of land lying and being winter I had a bad cold on my situated in the town of Crockett in said county, Thence east to the place of beginning. lungs and tried at least a half dozen advertised cough medicines and twenty in a certain plat of the town of Crockett. had treatment from two physi- being 55 feet front by 110 feet depth; and the second piece being that certain parcel of land cians without getting any benefit. which adjoins the above described parcel of land on the south and 103 feet front by 110 feet Honey and Tar and two-thirds of in depth, and in shape to make the rear end about one mile southwest from the court house in the town of Crockett, and being a part of the Francis Johnson league, on the Crockett and Huntsville road, beginning at a stake in said P. H. Duffy of Ashly, Ill., road, stake, the N. E. corner of L. W. Baker 5 40 1-2 vrs. to the place of beginning. Said property levied on by me at 10 o'clock A. M. on November 8, 1905; said two first above described ots were levied on as the property of L. W.

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Sheriff's Sale.

In the District Court of Houston County, Texas. H. Kempner, Plaintiff, vs. N. J. Bowdoin, Defendant.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District court of Houston county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1905, in favor of the said H. Kempner, a firm composed of Eliza Kempner in her capacity as the duly appointed and qualified survivor in community of Harris Kempner, against the said N. J. Bowdein, No. 4931 on the docket of said court, I did, on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1905, at 10 o'clock A. M., levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situated in the county of Houston and state tion with it are the disappearing of Texas, and belonging to the said N. J. Bowdoin, to-wit: 346 acres of land out of and part of the John Edens; League, the same being lot number nine in the partition of said league by the heirs of said John Edens, deceased, and meted and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the N. B. line of M. C. Duke's 500 acre tract and the S. W. corner of lot number eight, from which a black-jack 16 in dia. b'rs north 141-2 west 15 vrs. Thence north 60 west with said boundary line 1687 vrs. to a stake in the west boundary line of said league, from which a black jack 12 in. dia. b'rs south 3 east 9 vrs, and a hickory 14 in. dia. b'rs north 58 west 12 vrs. Thence north 30 east with said boundary line 1158 vrs. to a stake from which a black jack 8 in. dia. b'rs north 78 1-2 east 3 vrs., and a hickory 4 in. dia. b'rs south 18 west 3 vrs. Thence south 60 east 1687 vrs. to a stake in the west boundary line of lot number seven, from which a hickory 10 in. dia. b'rs north 60 west 3 7-10 vrs. Thence south 30 west 1158 vrs. to the place of beginning, and from a parlor car to a sleeping being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., at the court house the porter in from two to three door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for each all the right, title and interest of the said N. J. Bowdoin in and to said property. Witness my hand at Crockett, Texas, this 8th day of November, A. D. 1905.

A. W. PHILLIPS, Sheriff of Houston County, Texas.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate.)

By virtue of an order of sale, issued Houston County, Texas, on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1905, in the case of levied upon this 7th day of November, A. 10 o'elock A. M. and 4 o'elock P. M. on the first Tuesday in December, A. D. ceed to sell at public auction to the thereafter, of, in and to the following described property to wit: An undivided one-half interest in and to one lot of land in the town of Rateliff, Houston county, Texas, about 21 miles east from the town of Crockett, and being a part of the Wm. Jones survey, and situated on the north side of the public road in the said town, the same being a part of a tract of land conveyed to W. A. Fair by T. B. Payne, and more particularly described, as follows: Beginning at the S. W. corner of Wm. Hutson's one-half acre lot, conveyed to said Hutson by the said T. B. Payne. Thence north 60 feet, a stake for corner. Thence west 30 feet, a stake for corner. Thence south 60 feet, a stake for corner. of Arch Gibson, and costs of suit. Given under my hand this 7th day of

November, A. D. 1905.

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is according to law. There must ought to be changed so as to give some qualified and responsible person the power of discrimination, and a special provision for a refunder in this particular case and other cases like it would not be beneath the solemn dignity of Kidney Diseases are too Dangercongress. Indeed, the President or other proper officer should have a fund or the power to interdict the operation of the customs rules, to use in the event of an international courtesy. There have been troubles is that they get a firm discretionary power.

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we find that the view of the Hearing that Doan's Kidney Pills Washington Post is utterly untenable, in our judgment. Manifest the federal statutes. Miss Roosevelt has no official status whatever, Doan's Kidney Pills gives me and if foreigners are prone to great pleasure." regard her as a princess of the blood it will be best for her to defer future journeys to the Old World until her father's term of office expires. And since her and take no other. position seems to have been misis unfortunate that she took the trip at all.

It was distinctly to Mr. Roosevelt's credit that he gave the order to treat his daughter's baggage just as if it had been the baggage of somebody else, and it entire list they found only one is creditable to the wisdom of congress that no distinction has been recognized or permitted in executing the laws of the country. We hope it will always be the case lowa, U. S. A. The absence of that the daughter of a President will stand before the law just as a farmer's milk maid must stand. When we depart from the principle of equality and recognize disof the basic principles of repub-

Granted that the tariff system is a spy and reprehensible and all that, its meanness in victimizing the mulcting of millions of people permanent cure. every day in the year. We are willing to relieve Miss Roosevelt ration easy. of the operation of the law at the same moment that everybody else counteract any tendency toward is emancipated from its tyranny pneumonia. and injustice, and not one minute sooner.-Fort Worth Telegram.

Herb W. Edwards Injured.

Herb W. Edwards of Des Moines, Iowa, got a fall on an icy walk last winter, spraining his wrist and bruising his knees. "The next day," he says, "they were so sore and stiff I was afraid I would have to stay in bed, but I rubbed them well with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications all soreness had disappeared." For sale by S. L. Mur-

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Conductor "Baldy" Noble of the south end, who is the butt of For her own self-respect and for much good humor, turned the the honor of her country she tables on a grouchy traveling man recently, who tried to roast him. It happened as follows:

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"We do," replied "Baldy."

"You do! Say you're two hours Of course, the collection of duty | behind now! What do you mean? "That's all right, and as long as

be no exception, but the statute we're behind it we follow it," and the conductor punched two extra holes in the ticket as he left.

DANGER IN DELAY.

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The great danger of kidney many legitimate uses for such a hold before the sufferer recognizes them. Health is gradually Backache, head-American people revolt against. | that the trouble went to my back Newspapers must differ, and so and caused a constant pain there. cured pain in the back of all kinds I procured a box. I noticed a change for the better after the z. B. STOKES, M. D. J. S. WJOTTERS, M. ly, it would be a grave departure first few doses, and in a short from sound principles to exempt time the backache disappeared and STOKES & WOOTTERS, any person from the operation of the secretions which had been highly colored became natural. To recommend a remedy like

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length. Finally he said: "I called upon a dear friend some time ago who had just had a daughter married. He felt his loss very keenly. I tried to console him, telling him that while he had lost a daughter he had gained a son. He said slowly to me:

"Maybe I will come to like him after awhile-like I do my cigar-but. the first few puffs are making me mighty sick."

It was in Kentucky. Not a word was said then, but just as the son peeped over the hills the next day two dark forms were seen silbouetted frightful screams, and the next minagainst the sky. There were two ute the guides were rushing wildly to music, we might have mistaken it for flashes, a combined, subdued reportand one fell, never to rise again. It and Indian: "Epia la cruz nigra, la through the land." was he.

A Story of Victor Hugo.

Victor Hugo, as is well known, was a man of exceeding vanity. He had a sense of his own importance which often manifested itself in ridiculous ways. During the siege of Paris in 1871 a number of political and literary men were dining one evening at his house. The conversation turned on the horrors of the siege, and the mempers of the party gave their respective ideas as to the best means of terminating it. Suddenly Victor Hugo bad an inspiration "I know how to do it," he said, with such conviction that every one was filled with hope and expecta

"Yes." he continued, "tomorrow I, Victor Hugo, dressed in my national costume, will go forth all alone, unarmed, and meet the bullets of the enemy. I shall be killed, and the siege will be over!"

"Over for you," irreverently interrupted one of the company.

Victor Hugo's brow took on an Olympian frown Never again did the unhappy interrupter receive an invitation to the table of the poet.-Harper's Weekly.

A Danish Dinner Custom.

A pretty table observance in Danish families is for children, even little ones who can scarcely toddle, to go gravely after dinner to salute their parents and say, "Tak for mad" (thanks for the meat). Even visitors shake hands with their host and hostess and go through the same formality. In German families that hold to tradition the same custom prevails. When the evening meal is ended the party stands up around the table, and each shakes hands with the neighbor, saying, "Gesegnete mahlzeit" (blessing the food). This is a relic of those faroff times ment from the Deity. There is an echo of that custom among the students of Leipsic, whose intimate greeting at all times of the day is simply "Mahlzcit!" An English writer says: "Seldom do I rise from the table without the passing flash of a remembered sence: 'Thank you, papa and mamma, for my nice dinner. Please may little boy get down?"

. Waterproof Foliage. An oriental scholar was giving an dress on the philosophy and religion of the east. His English was of good uality, only now and then become

tal existence and yet, unaffected by these, retain his perfect serenity-the speaker was looking about for some familiar comparison by which to bring home the idea to his hearers.

"Ab, I have it!" he said, pleased at the recollection that rewarded his effort. "It is an expressive saying of your own language, said to me by a lady with whom I was last evening conversing. Take that familiar bird, the duck. It is possible to pour a bucketful of water upon that duck, and yet the water can never get into his leaves."-New York Press.

THE BLACK CROSS.

Mysterious Harvest of Death Reaped In a Haunted Hut.

We were forced to camp three days at the mouth of the Rio Frio, which empties into Lake Nicaragua just where the San Juan begins. We were joined there by a party of German scientists who were making a tour of the Central American republics. There were seven in the party and two native guides. They had lost a tent in crossing the rapids, and one of them was forced to sleep in an old deserted hut buried in the wild foliage. He was a young Leipsic student of fine physique and beloved by all his companions. The natives had tried to dissuade him from sleeping in the hut, telling him that the place was haunted. They asserted that whoever slept there was always found dead next morning, with a mark of a black cross on the neck just over the main artery. As a proof of what they said they showed two ominous looking mounds buried in the shrubbery near the but which, they said, were the graves of two Englishmen who had sought shelter in the haunted casa.

Tradition had it that some crime or sacrilege had been committed there and that, as a punishment, whoever slept in the hut was found dead in the morning with the cruz nigra on the neck. Herr Shilbach, however, was not to be deterred by any such superstition, as he called it. So about 10 o'clock he retired to his hut, and I noticed his torch was out in a few minutes and all was darkness. We had paid no attention to the story of the natives, but as Herr Shilbach did not answer the bugle call for breakfast the Indians were ordered to summon him. It was only under threats that dresses and gaudily caparisoned horses, they yielded, but scarcely had they en- with dwarfs and jesters to beguile the tered the hut when we heard the most way and a company of trumpeters. ward us, shouting in broken Spanish a traveling circus thus noisily parading cruz nigra! Il senor is dead!" We all ran to the hut, and to our horror there lay the young man wrapped in his blanket, his head thrown back, showing the small black cross on the left side of the neck .- Exchange.

Just as Well. Bright sayings are often to be heard

in the courts, and they enlived a duli and tiresome day.

At one time Sergeant Manning, a very nervous man, was arguing a case before the judges of the common pleas. him, almost enough to constitute a li brary. While be was reading the report of one of the cases a number of ly seized and taken into court. books tumbled off the table in front of

"My lords," said the sergeant nerv ously, "it is reported in two other books in these exact words."

"Are you sure," asked Justice Maule "that it is exactly the same?"

"Certainly, my lords," replied Man ning earnestly.

gravely, "why hunt for the other books? Read the same case again out you want any property around here of the one you have in your hand."

Manning saw the point, and when suggestion had subsided he proceeded with his argument without further search for the much quoted case.

The Old Man of the Mountain. tain" was first applied to Hassan Ben spies sent out by Harold reported that Sabbah, chief of a Mohammedan sect the Norman invaders "did almost seem who founded a formidable dynasty in to be priests, because they had all their Syria, A. D. 1090. Banished from his face and both lips shaven," which is country, he took up his abode on Mount | confirmed in the Bayeux tapestry. It Lebanon, gathered a band of followers was to distinguish themselves from and soon became the terror of Jews, their hated conquerors that the English Christians and Turks. They all obeyed wore their hair long. Stow speaks of his orders implicitly in the belief that long hair as well as beards in Henry they would receive choice rewards in L's reign, "Men contended with women when food was the elusive ideal, the the joys of paradise. These assassins, in their long haires, and when this dething that came as a personal compli- as his followers were called among cayed through old age they knit about themselves, rode roughshod over the their heads certain rolls and braidings country for about 200 years. When of false hair." The monk Wulstan deever their chief, the Old Man of the Mountain, thought himself injured, he sent a band of these men secretly to murder the offender, and it was from flock knelt for his blessing, it is said this that our word assassin originally that he would whip out a knife and cut took its meaning.

Friendship.

The plant of friendship grows only in the warm air of congeniality. Confidence binds its parts together and is the cohesive power of its nature, while sympathy is the life giving sap coursfrom the humorous point of green and is indigenous to all lands.

Its most beautiful flowers open during the describing with fervor the night, and, while a perennial bloomthe one who can walk amid, er, it is most fragrant in winter. Time and when the linen is dry the cannot wither or destroy it; age but threads will pull out more readily.

HARD TRAVELING.

Country Life In Italy In the Days of the Renaissance.

Travelers in old time Italy had a sorry time of it. Says a critic: "The firescoes of Benozzo Gozzoli in the Riccardi palace and also those in the Campo Santo of Pisa bring vividly before us another phase of country life, that of travel in the days of the renaissance. As we watch the long cavalcade which winds round the steep mountain path we are carried back to the time when wheeled carriages were almost unknown, for, indeed, there were but few roads on which they would have been possible. The only highway between one city and another was often little more than a rough bridle path, a quagmire of mud in winter, and, passing through a tangled thicket here and there, a hiding place for outlaws and wild beasts. There was no choice but to ride on horseback, save on state occasions, when a great lady might be carried on a litter well padded with feather mattresses covered with crimson satin. All goods of every kind were conveyed on the backs of horses or baggage mules.

"We have many accounts of travel in those days, for a journey was a serious matter, not to be lightly undertaken or easily forgotten. Thus, when the Duchess Beatrice of Milan went on a diplomatic mission to Venice and wished to make a good impression on the senate we are told that she had fifty mules in her train, laden with her costly dresses. Of another princess, Bianca Sforza, on her way to marry pitiful account of her journey, from the pen of her secretary. She started from Milan at the end of November, to be nearly shipwrecked in a sudden storm on the Lake of Como; then, with endless hardships of tempestuous, wintry weather, she rode across that 'fearful cruel mountain' the Stelvio pass, one hapless lady in waiting having to be Innsbruck.

"Again, we have the famous journey of Lucrezia Borgia across Italy, from Rome to Ferrara, with an immense retinue of nearly 1,000 persons, which took twenty-five days in the depth of winter. If we had chanced to meet them on the way, with their splendid common practice to put some sort of drums and hautboys to make martial

Past Respectation.

In the days of the first settlers in the Chickasaw country, when Davy Crockett still frequented the Big Hatchie, "Old Man Giddins" was a prosperous citizen of the Forked Deer settlement. One day he started on a trip to Arkansas, and thenceforth for several years Forked Deer knew him no more. As travel in Arkansas was dangerous and as nothing was heard of Giddins, be was officially declared dead by the court and his estate divided among his He had a large number of books before heirs. A year or so later, however, he turned up and tried to get possession of his property again. He was prompt-

"What do you mean by coming around here and trying to take this property?" roared the court at him. "It's my property," asserted Giddins.

'Everybody knows it's mine." "Not at all," replied the judge. "I'll admit your case seems a hard one, but it can't be helped now. This court has decided that you are extinctus de-"Well, then," said Justice Maule functus, which is Latin for dead. This court cannot err. Dead you are. If you must take another name and set to work to earn it, Mr. Sheriff, adjourn the merriment caused by the justice's this court, and we will go and see that wrestling match you spoke of."

Fashions In Beards.

English history is rich in examples of the way in which fashion in beards The title "Old Man of the Moun- has changed from time to time. The scribed the practice of wearing the hair long as "immoral, criminal and beastly." When one of his long haired off as many of the tresses that lay under his consecrating hand as he could manage in the rather limited time at his disposal.

Drawing Threads In Linen.

and when the linen is dry the

OLD TRADE TRICKS.

How They Were Punished Fire or Six Hundred Years Ago.

Cheating in trade is no new thing. It was practiced in the fourteenth century as well as in the twentieth. English town records contain many cases of summary jurisdiction in matters affecting the price, weight and quality of food, clothing and other things.

I cull a few from the archives of the city of London, In \$648 proceedings type.—Cornhill Magazine. were taken against a butcher for selling putrid meat. Three reasons were alleged against this conduct at his trial QUEER OLD PAGEANTS before the mayor and aldermen. It was deceitful and dishonest; dangerous" to the public health! It brought scandal and disgrace upon the mayor, corporation and all the inhabitants of the city that a Londoner should behave so. The Peculiar One That Commemorat-After the investigation he was found guilty and condemned to be taken, with his bad meat carried in front of him, to the pillory in Cornhill, and while he stood therein the carrion he had tried to sell was burned under his

It is well known that the pillory was an instrument in which the culprit was fixed, incapable of movement, exposed to the contempt of the people. The offense of the culprit was always publicly proclaimed, and, according to the views of the spectators, the punishment might be severe or otherwise. If they disliked the offense of the offender their contempt would take the proverbial and forcible form of rotten eggs and dead cats, and the trader would make a closer acquaintance with the Emperor Maximilian, we have a his own wares, both raw and cooked, than he might find pleasant,

A publican convicted of selling unsound and unwholesome red wine was sentenced to drink a draft of the same stuff which he sold to the common people, the remainder being poured on his head, and compelled to forswear the calling of a vintner in the city of London forever unless he could obtain the left behind at Gravedona! Not until favor of the king. A note on the record Christmas eve did Bianca at last reach states that he was readmitted five years later.

> About the same time we find a woman charged with selling ale in a short measure quart pot, the bottom of which she had thickened with pitch and covered with rosemary to look like bush in the sight of her customers. It was a evergreen leaves in the bottom of tankards; hence the proverb "Good wine needs no bush." Her sentence was to stand in the "thew," or female pillory, with half of the pot attached to it. As far as possible the cause of the offense was always exhibited along with the person punished.

> Severe punishment was meted out for endeavoring to raise the standard market price of corn'and other articles. In 1347 a merchant was imprisoned for forty days for enhancing the price of his own property. He secretly employed a man to bring certain of his own (the merchant's) wheat to the market, whereupon he bought his own at twopence more per bushel than the make the same well known, forgetting, the seller.-London Mail,

> > No Training of Snakes.

ly when one finds that they are still tion. scope and possibility of their education the Christmas holidays. come to an end.

if its head inclines in an upward direction, or to lure it from one hand to the other, or to guide it to some given spot, should it by chance glide horizontally or downward, just as the Indian snake charmer takes deceptive advantage of the natural defiant attitude of the well nigh untamable cobra de capello.-Chambers' Journal.

Italian Marionettes.

The first modern Italian writer who alludes to the public performances of marionettes is the learned Dr. Jerome Cardan, who was born at Pava in 1501. He speaks with positive enthusiasm of the perfection to which the art of working the little figures had then been brought-how by the pulling of a single string they could be made to play, fight, hunt, dance, blow trumpets and cook "very artistically." Judging The tedious work of drawing from stateenth century pictures and threads in linen for hemstitching is descriptions, the popular puppet shows green and is indigenous to all lands.
Its most beautiful flowers open during the night, and, while a percental bloomover the space with a shaving brush, or it is most fraggant in winter.

done with greater ease if the fabric of those days differed but little from the performances that may be witnessed on the plazza of any Italian city in the performance of the performance

There was the little periodic stars. or easts "ettle on which the barattini

of Florence and Rome and the fantoccini of Naples played their mimic parts. The latter city was the birthplace of the hero of the modern street drama, "Pulcinella," so named, it is said, from the hen chicken, whose cry his voice is supposed to resemble. The Neapolitan, Pulcinella was by no means such a monster of iniquity as our English Punch. He seems to have been nothing worse than a pleasure loving. quick witted, irresponsible scamp of the "nobody's enemy but his own"

SOME ANCIENT FESTIVALS AND THEIR STRANGE CEREMONIES.

ed the Flight Into Egypt-Twelfth Day and Plow Monday Celebrations In England.

England has had her miracle plays from very early times, and many of them, intended to impress Scriptural truths on the minds of the ignorant populace, were no doubt absurd and irreverent enough to our modern ideas, but none of them, one thinks, can have equaled in grossness the Festival of the Ass, which was instituted by the Patriarch Theophylact of Constantinople in commemoration of the flight into Egypt.

Every year on Jan. 14 an ass, on which a beautiful girl with a baby in her arms was seated, after having been led in solemn procession through the city, was taken into the church and placed near the high altar while the service was performed; but instead of giving the usual responses the people all brayed as loudly as they could. A hymn in praise of the ass was also sung, the congregation joining as loudly as they could in the bee haw chorus, This hymn is written in a strange mixture of French and mediaeval Latin and consists of nine verses and a cherus. It has been translated, and we quote three of the verses so as to give some idea of its absurdity:

From the country of the east Came this strong and handsome beast, This able ass, beyond compare. Heavy loads and packs to bear.

Now, seignior ass, a noble bray; Thy beauteous mouth at large display. Abundant food our haylofts yield, And oats abundant load the field. Hee haw! Hee haw! Hee haw!

True it is his pace is slow Till be feels the quickened blow, Till he feels the urging goad Now, seignlor ass, etc. With your belly full of grain,

Bray, most honored ass, amen! Bray out loudly, bray again; Never mind the old amen; Without ceasing bray again, Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Hee haw! Hee haw! Hee haw!

The due observance of many of the old ceremonies was often made the oceasion if not for what could, strictly speaking, be called a pageant, yet at least for a festive gathering of the market price, of course taking care to whole neighborhood. The first known mention of the Limmow flitch of bacon however, to state what he knew about given to two people who would make oath that they had been married a year and a day and had never repented their choice, never had a quarrel and. One cannot train or teach snakes to if free to be married again, would do anything whatever. Their brain choose the same person, appears in power is so limited that the marvel is Chaucer, where it is spoken of in the how they have ever managed to sur- prologue to the "Wife of Bath's Tale" vive in the great competition, especial- as of an already well known institu-

on the "ascending curve" of evolution. There are many other old English Most of them can be tamed to some observances partaking of the nature of extent by constant human companion- a kind of rude, rustic pageant, which ship and judicious handling (some spe- with the decay of farming seem to be cles very much more readily than quite dying out Such are the Twelfth others). When they have learned to day celebrations of Herefordshire, trust, to appreciate the fact that there Gloucestersnire and the eastern counis no necessity for self defense, then ties and the Festival of Piow Monday they may be trusted, a principle which that was formerly held the first day applies to most animals, and there the that plowing was to recommence after

Plow Monday was always the first After that the most that a skillful Monday after Twelfth day and is a exhibitor can do with them is to adapt very accient festival. Before the refhimself and his actions to their move- ormation the plowmen used to go ments, which by familiarity he can from house to house collecting money pretty nearly anticipate, so that these to purchase candles to burn before cermay appear purposive and intelligent. tain of the statues in the churches with He may affect to listen to the serpent's a view to obtaining a biessing on their counsels, or receive its kiss on his lips labors. The reformation, we are told, put out the lights, but could not extinguish the festival. The plowmen still put on their clean white shirts over their jackets and bedizened themselves and their plows with ribbons, as they had formerly done, but now, instead of buying plow lights, as they were called, they purchased beer and ended the day in riotous conviviality at the public house.

A Lincolnshire man, who says that he has himself blown the horn at many of these rustic celebrations, tells us how there the plow is decorated and the plowmen, the thrashers, the reapers and the carters gathered from many a hamlet round, attired either in clean smock frocks or in grotesque garb, go about to the various houses of the locality singing and dancing and not forgetting to shake in a suggestive manner the money box, which is usually carried by a man called Bessy, disguised with long ringlets and petticoats over his worsted stockings and corduroys .- Macmillan's Magazine.

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Notice to Advertisers.

Copy for advertisements must tury. be in this office not later than Tuesday morning to insure insertion. No deviation will be made from this rule in the future, because to do so delays publication, causes the paper to miss outgoing mails and works an all-round hardship on all concerned.

Crysup sells oils and paints.

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Let Crysup fill your next prescription.

Send in the news of your neigh-

borhood. The Big Store sells more furni-

ture cheaper. E. Wilcox of Augusta was in

to see us last week. Chas. Edmiston was a visitor to

Texarkana last week. See Crysup, he sells it, if it is your business.

in the drug store line. 20 lbs. fancy Y. C. sugar for \$1

at Shivers & Waller's. Going anywhere? Get a suit

case from the Big Store. Mrs. R. L. Collins of Groveton

was a visitor here Sunday. A new firm, new goods-Moore

& Harrison, the druggists. A. R. Meriwether of Lovelady

was in to see us Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Arledge of

Groveton spent Sunday here. pleasant caller at this office Mon- dull care. Try them.

Miss Ida Parks of Goliad is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Louis ing your prescriptions filled here.

Bond. Let Moore & Harrison fill your prescriptions. Accuracy is the

word.

The best shoes for the least money can be bought at the Big prices before buying. Store.

Keep crimp off. Buy your blankets and comforts from the Big Store.

The Courier wants a correspondent in every community in the county.

Mrs. Clyde Mainer of Lovelady is a guest at the home of Mrs. Julia Aldrich.

There's a noticeable increase of patronage at the Moore & Harrison drug store.

Quite a party of Lovelady peole came up for the carnival Tuesday evening.

J. D. Freeman of Lovelady oaid the Courier office a visit Tuesday morning.

Buy it of Moore & Harrison, if will never regret it.

Judge Newman and Mose Bromberg were at Palestine Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. W. Crook was among the visitors to Houston last week.

Misses Margaret and Alice Foster returned Sunday evening from their visit to Houston.

That W. B. corset that the Big Store is selling is the best thing in town for the money.

A. J. Knox of Lovelady is among those remembering the Courier since last issue.

In sending in neighborhood news always sign your name as a guarantee of good faith.

Mrs. A. M. DeCuir of Louisiana is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Moore. Fresh groceries, cheap groceries

Notice, Hunters!

money at Shivers & Waller's.

No hunting allowed on my premises. JOHN HOCKIN.

If you want an extra fancy flour, get a sack of our 20th Cen-SHIVERS & WALLER.

Notice! Notice!

No hunting allowed on my o'clock. premises. TONY GOSSETT.

A 25 cent piece of glass ware given free with each \$2.50 cash purchase. SHIVERS & WALLER.

Read our premium offer and free scholarship offer. At least

Hon. Cone Johnson of Tyler delivered a very able discourse at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Cotton.

Cotton was bringing 10%, 11 and 111 cents, according to grade, in Crockett Wednesday.

MURCHISON'S DRUG STORE.

The merchants of Crockett will all close their places of business on Thursday, November 30, to observe Thanksgiving.

turned Saturday morning from Houston and Galveston.

Try us with your next prescription. You will get the best

and our prices are right, too. MURCHISON'S DRUG STORE.

Our cigars are the most popu-E. H. Calloway of Volga was a lar brand-the kind that banish

MOORE & HARRISON.

Ask your physician about hav-He knows our methods.

MURCHISON'S DRUG STORE.

Another large shipment of hog wire and poultry fencing is expected to arrive this week. Get

SHIVERS & WALLER.

For two weeks only, we will sell you those 75 cent books for 50 cents—and we have some good

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

We fill more prescriptions than any other two drug stores in Crockett. Good proof that we do this work right.

MURCHISON'S DRUG STORE.

The carnival, like Moore & Harrison, will draw a large patronage from Crockett. The is popular with our people.

Trade with the merchants of Crockett. They are your neighbors, and it makes no difference whether times are good or bad, stops the cough and heals the it is in the drug store line, and you we are all in the same pot to-lungs.

Advertising costs too much to enumerate what we have and make prices. Come and see. We save

CRYSUP'S DRUG STORE.

Lost.

Somewhere in Crockett a gold horse-shoe brooch. Finder will be liberally rewarded by returning same to me.

VIOLA VALENTINE.

Life Time Sentence.

Gus Burnett, the negro who killed Peter Burns, another negro, near Paso a few weeks since, was tried for the crime in district court this week and got a life-time sentence in the penitentiary.

For Sale.

One thorough-bred Poland China sow and three Poland China sow pigs, all entitled to registraand better groceries for less tion. Will sell cheap for cash, or will trade for pork or syrup.

Louis N. Bond.

Mrs. Berta Wootters has sent out invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Frances, to Dr. Peyton Roland Denman of Lufkin. It will be a home affair and will take place Tuesday evening, December 5, at seven

The Brownie Carnival company now playing Crockett is a first-class attraction under firstclass management. pany was here a year ago. Mr. one of them ought to appeal to visits to Crockett and for that reason is giving the people the best to be had in the show line.

In a private letter from Mr. H. A. Fisher, vice president and general manager of the Joliet, Plainfield and Aurora railroad of that Mrs. Fisher and himself will leave Joliet on Tuesday of this reek and reach Crockett Wednes-We don't do all the drug bus- day evening to remain two or is carried away from Crockett door of said county, I will offer for sale iness in Crockett, but we want three weeks in their winter home near town. Mr. Fisher was once an editor in an Ohio town and still has a fellow feeling for the newspaper fraternity.

Lovelady Locals.

EDITOR COURIER: - Quite a Misses Joe Bayne and Lucy crowd of Loveladyites attended Smith and Mrs John Baker re- the Houston carnival last week. and judging from the talk I think Lovelady will be well represented at the Crockett carnival. K. D. off with Moore & Harrison's box of cigars.

The crowd going to the river tf last week to kill deer came in Sat urday, and judging from their hungry looks didn't have very good luck. Our little burg was all astir early Sunday morning by the presence right in the heart of town of a large, fat buck.

Smith & Dean, doing a general mercantile business at Lovelady and saw mill business in Trinity county, closed their doors and went into bankruptcy today. Liabilities, \$17,092.43; assets, \$29,-1 542.01. Shortness of crops and failure to collect accounts is given as the cause. It is hoped they will be able to adjust matters and resume business again in the near future.

The International & Great Northern has changed its plans with reference to the depot here. Instead of adding to the old one a new depot will be built in front of the present postoffice, which will greatly add to the appearance of the town. The I. & G. N. is carnival, like Moore & Harrison, all right. The new depot will contain separate waiting rooms for white and colored people.

> Foley's Honey and Tar always Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

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Office North Side Public Square, Crockett, Texas

Crockett's Carnival-The carnival is on. There is the sound of merry-makers, the squawk of the squawkers, the bark of the barkers. Crockett is holding her second annual event. All have entered into the spirit. Merchants and others are combining business with pleasure and it is a gala day. Many people are brought to town from the surrounding country and the merchants are offering great inducements for their trade. Bargains are to be had and prizes are offered. It is the one time of the ated in the county of Houston and state year when a great jollification is entered into by all and on a common level. Mirth reigns supreme. The attractions are many and in the partition of said league by the varied. There is the Crazy House, heirs of said John Edens, deceased, and the Lily, Electric Theatre, Merry- meted and bounded as follows: Go-Round, Vaudeville, Art Gallery, Creation, Museum and Ferris Wheel, each clean and wholesome. The attractions, taken all together, are better and of a Brownie expects to make yearly higher order than those at Houston last week. The carnival management ask that anything ory 14 in. dia. b'rs north 58 west 12 vrs. offensive be reported to them. The Ferris wheel is popular with black jack 8 in. dia. b'rs north 781-2 the white people and the merrygo-round with the negroes. The carnival is affording amusement which a hickory 10, in. dia. b'rs north Illinois, he writes to the editor for many who have neither the 60 west 3 7-10 vrs. Thence south 30 west time nor money to seek amusement elsewhere. It would be better if more of the money that

Notice.

and spent could be spent at home.

To Whom it May Concern:

Mr. I. W. Murchison is authorized by us to prevent trespassing and depredations on our lands in Houston county.

W. L. MOODY & Co. Unincorporated, Galveston, Texas

October 11, 1900.

We are Sole Agents

at all times.

BRUTON & THOMPSON, Lovelady, Texas.

Sheriff's Sale.

In the District Court of Houston County, Texas. H. Kempner, Plaintiff. vs. N. J. Bowdoin, Defendant.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District court of Houston county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1905, in favor of the said H. Kempner, a firm composed of Eliza. Kempner in her capacity as the duly appointed and qualified survivor in community of Harris Kempner, against the said N. J. Bowdoin, No. 4931 on the docket of said court, I did, on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1905, at 10 o'clock A. M., levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situof Texas, and belonging to the said N. J. Bowdoin, to-wit: 346 acres of land out of and part of the John Edens League, the same being lot number nine

Beginning at a stake in the N. B. line of M. C. Duke's 500 acre tract and the S. W. corner of lot number eight, from which a black-jack 16 in dia. b'rs north 14 1-2 west 15 vrs. Thence north 60 west with said boundary line 1687 vrs. to a stake in the west boundary line of said league, from which a black jack 12 in. dia. b'rs south 3 east 9 vrs, and a hick-Thence north 30 east with said boundary line 1158 vrs. to a stake from which a east 3 vrs., and a hickory 4 in. dia. b'rs south 18 west 3 yrs. Thence south 60 and sell at public auction, for cash all the right, title and interest of the said N. J. Bowdoin in and to said property.

Witness my hand at Crockett, Texas, this 8th day of November, A. D. 1905. A. W. PHILLIPS, Sheriff of Houston County, Texas.

A Policeman's Testimony.

J. N. Patterson, night policeman of Nashua, Ia., writes, "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least a half dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physi-

for Houston Packing Company in cians without getting any benefit. Lawrence says he is going to walk this territory. When you have A friend recommended Foley's hogs for sale write or call us up. Honey and Tar and two-thirds of Will pay highest market price a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." For sale by Smith & French Drug Co.

Dealing in Spirits.

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THE BIRDS AND THE BOLL WEEVIL.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin styled "Birds Known to Eat the Boll Weevil." The extent to which the native birds feed upon the cotton boll weevil is yet but imperfectly understood, but investigations have been begun by the Department with a view to determining just what species feed upon the weevil and the exfare of each.

that birds are likely ever to ex- the purpose of obtaining this inpecies and by encouraging their in progress in the field and labora-

The Crockett Courier increase the good work they now do may be greatly augmented in the future. Thus, the question of extermination aside, birds are likely to prove an effective ally in checking the increase of the pest. The fact that other species of weevils are a favorite diet with many of our insectivorous birds has been proved. It is well known that when a new insect first appears in a district birds are somewhat slow in acquiring a taste for it and in sufficiently learning its haunts and hiding places to effectively pursue and capture it. It is probable, therefore, that some birds which at present are not known to attack the weevil at all will later acquire a taste for it, and that others which now feed upon it sparingly will in future feed upon it to a greater extent.

The present report of the Detent to which it enters into the partment is in response to urgent appeals from the infested and The fact that for the past twelve threatened cotton districts. for years the weevil has been steadily reliable information as to the spreading over the cotton-produc- species of birds which feed upon ing area forbids the assumption the boll weevil. Field work for terminate the insects. Neverthe- formation was begun at Seguin, less, as will appear from facts Guadalupe county, in southern presented, certain species prey Texas, October 31, 1904, and was upon the weevil to a greater or carried on at several localities, in less extent, and it is probable that the boll weevil district until Deby carefully protecting such cember 16. Investigations now

definite conclusions.

achs of a large number of birds achs of 12 of them. The 18 boll 100 chickens and these quail habitweevils eaten by the 64 birds ually fed during the summer, one meal at this season. Allowsumed to destroy over 50 percent field to feed. The birds were of their own number in weevils shot in other fields farther from on throughout the fall and winter out in the fields, where they were significance when the vast number of the birds is considered.

Thirty-five specimens of Texas bobwhite were collected at Seguin between November 2 and 12. where at the opening of the hunting season they were abundant. At Seguin almost every field and pasture contained one to three coveys of 10 to 20 quail, which were generally to be found not far from their chosen roosting thickets or feeding grounds. The entomologist says: "On many of the farms one or more flocks had Mr. Neel's place, where most of sidewalks are most needed.

tory will cover the remainder of my work was done, a flock of The Courier is offering prizes the year, including the season of about a dozen birds lived in the for the best articles by farmers greatest abundance and activity orchard, garden and barnyard, on different farm subjects. The of the weevils, and will furnish and when frightened rarely flew Courier has always been the material for more general and beyond these limits. The farthest friend of the farmer and will so from the house that I ever found continue to the end. In order to In the course of their investi- them was in the edge of the ad- create an interest in more sciengations, the entomologists of the joining cotton field, where toward tific methods of farming, these Department examined the stom- sundown they were often seen prizes are offered, with the hope feeding. Mr. Neel called my that the more intelligent class of collected in and around the cotton attention to the fact that about farmers of Houston county will fields. Sixty-four field larks were one-third more cotton had been give their ideas on the subjects killed and examined, and 18 boll gathered from the part of the named. Who will be first to weevils were found in the stom- field near the house, where his contribute? probably represent a fair average than over the rest of the field. of the number of weevils eaten at At the farther end of this field dozen on the markets of the another flock of 8 or 10 quail larger Texas cities. Here is an ing the birds at least two meals a lived in the mesquite brush and opportunity for our farmers. day, the birds safely may be as- made daily rounds out into the daily. The good work carried the house, and in all cases either months can not fail to have an usually found feeding during the important effect on the next year's morning and evening hours, or in crop of weevils. Twenty-seven the brush along the edges of the black birds were killed and two fields, where they roosted at weevils were found in the stom- night and were generally found achs of two of them. The fact during the middle of the day. that two out of the 27 birds killed The fact that at this time the had eaten boll weevils is of some quail were feeding almost exclusively on weed seeds was evidently due to the great abundance privilege of reviewing at pleasure, of freshly ripened seeds. During without extra cost. the summer months the quail, especially the young, are known to feed to a much greater extent on insect food, and it is reasonable to expect that later in the your paper, the Courier, between season, especially during the winter and spring months, after the weevils have left the cotton, the quail scratch them up from under leaves and rubbish."

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REMARKS.

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