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A NEW BANK FOR CROCKETT.

Stock Subscribed and Building Secured—Farmers and Merchants Interested.

Always loyal to the upbuilding of Crockett and Houston county, the COURIER takes pride in announcing any new enterprise that has for its object the betterment of the commercial conditions of the town and county. The latest addition in the line of business enterprise for the town and county is a new bank, which we can now announce as an assured thing. The plan has been on foot for two or three weeks. Several weeks ago a gentleman arrived in Crockett from Missouri and the matter was then taken up with him by some of our leading and most influential citizens. Since then their plans have been assuming definite shape and another bank for Crockett is now to be spoken of as a reality. The charter has been drawn and forwarded to Austin.

The new bank will be known as the Crockett State Bank. It is organized by a number of Crockett's citizens and the gentleman, Mr. R. S. Harvey, from Missouri. Over half of the stock is taken by the farmers and merchants of Houston county. The capital stock at the time of or-

ganization will be not less than \$50,000. The instigators and promoters of this new institution claim that they will have the finest vault in East Texas, containing the latest improved safety boxes for customers. The location has been decided on and the building bought. The new bank will be located at the northeast corner of the public square, the building having been bought of S. L. Murchison. Improvements will be made on the building, such as will be required to give it a strictly modern front corner. The location is central.

Love and Matrimony.

Merkel Mail.

A great many young people mistake a foolish fancy for love. A handsome face and figure, a graceful carriage and fine clothes often excite the emotions of pleasure, but they cannot bear the test of loss or diminution. Character alone survives the wreck of all earthly things, and there can be no true love without respect. Sad to say, love is not always the motive which prompts matrimony, hence the unhappy marriages, and consequent divorces. Parents are largely responsible for the attitude their children take towards love and matrimony. If there is love and harmony between father and mother, and an unselfish devotion to high ideals, children uncon-

sciously adopt their views and their lives are wrought out upon a lofty plane. On the other hand if there is a lack of harmony and sympathy, and no effort made to secure and retain the love which sweetens and cements a happy union, the children naturally get their ideas of domestic life from their environment. In the soil of domestic love grows the fadeless flowers of patience, forbearance, self control and unselfishness, whose fragrance makes home a little heaven on earth.

No Opium in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

There is not the least danger in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to small children as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. It has an established reputation of more than thirty years as the most successful medicine in use for colds, croup and whooping cough. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Children like it. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

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A WORD TO THE WISE.

A dollar contains one hundred cents. You've got to exchange labor for it. When you get it the next thought that strikes you is: Where and how can I make the dollar go farthest? Drop in and we will tell you all about what we can offer and how low it can be offered.

No matter what it is, if we carry it in stock, you will have no cause to complain of the quality or price.

H. ASHER.

CROCKETT CITIZEN GOT LOST.

Came to Town and Lost His Way—Was Sober—Who Was He?

When a citizen of a neighboring burg comes to town and gets lost on the streets, it begins to look like we are getting to be a city sure enough.

Well, that is what happened to a prominent Crockett citizen last night. He wanted to go to the passenger depot to take the train for home, but wandered off into North Palestine, where he wound up about 9 p. m. at a citizen's door, who kindly piloted him back to the hotel for the night. His train had been gone for an hour or more. He had started for a

certain point in the city for the depot, and got lost. After walking for an hour or so, he decided he had better stop and ask some questions. He said he had met a number and asked about the directions, but he was a good way out, and try as best he could he could not find his way back to the depot.

And the man was strictly sober, too.—Palestine Herald.

He doesn't live at Crockett.

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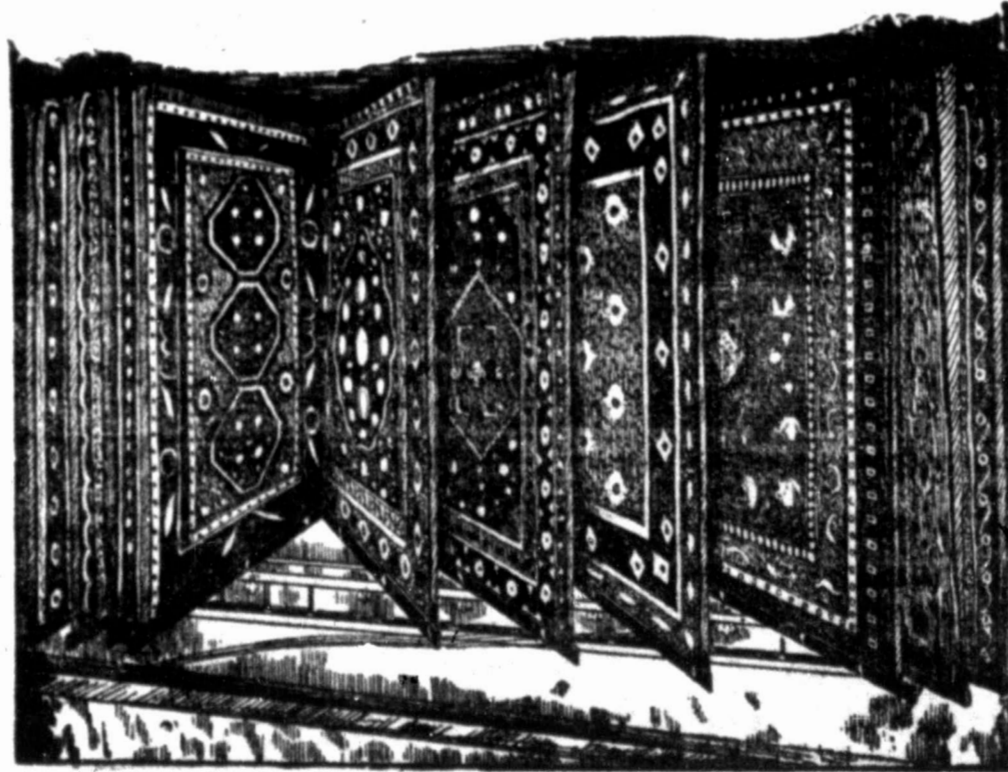
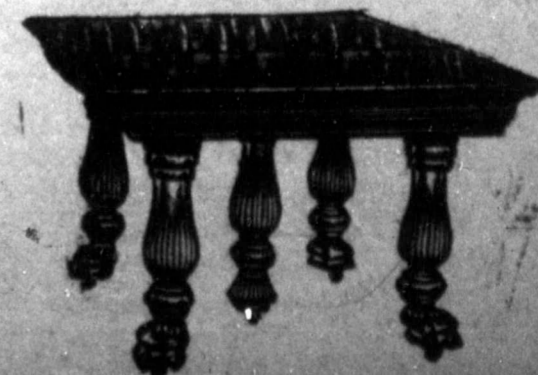
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We haven't room or space to describe each.

An all-wool Square, 9x12, worth \$15.00, for.....\$11 00
Brussels Square, worth \$17.50, for..... 15 00
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36x72 Axminster, worth \$4.50, for..... 3 50
27x60 Axminster, worth \$3.25, for..... 2 25

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BAILEY IS ARRAIGNED

BY CULLEN F. THOMAS OF WACO
AND M. M. CRANE OF DALLAS.

Most of the 600 or 700 Men Present Expressed the Desire That Bailey Be Not Elected.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 13.—A crowd of 600 to 700 men sat and stood for nearly three hours in the Dallas City Hall tonight listening to a terrific arraignment of United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey pronounced by Cullen F. Thomas of Waco, who as county attorney of McLennan county, some six years ago, had charge of the penalty suits against the Waters-Pierce Oil company, and it sat and stood for fifteen minutes longer listening to a speech by M. M. Crane of Dallas, who, as attorney general of Texas, had charge of the suit whereby the Waters-Pierce Oil company was ousted from the state. At the end of that time a majority of the crowd went forward and signed petitions asking the legislators to vote against the re-election of Senator Bailey.

Cullen F. Thomas said in part: "I arraign Senator Bailey because in the hour of need a great people showered him with their love and a great party surrounded him with its leadership, yet he turned his back on the people to become the servile tool of an outlawed corporation. The re-introduction of the Waters-Pierce Oil company into the state of Texas was the greatest scandal committed in the fifty years of Texas statehood. The people were engaged in a war with a gigantic trust. The Standard Oil company had left a slimy trail on many of the states of the union. It was swollen with wealth and impudent in its powers. It had destroyed competition and driven its competitors into bankruptcy, and fixed the prices at no limit save its corporate greed. It had subsidized the press, debauched the people's representatives, dared to drag down the bench, entered the national councils, and, if reports be true, had sought in vain to press the portals of the White House.

"The sovereign state of Texas determined to oust this monopoly that had stretched its tentacles to the four quarters of the republic. Four long years, against terrific odds, it had fought to maintain the supremacy of our laws and the dignity of a sovereign commonwealth. And I want to say in passing that for the fruits of the victory the people of this state owe an unbounded debt of gratitude to M. M. Crane (prolonged cheering for Crane), and he be one who by his brilliant talents and lofty ideals the logic of events might well decree to be the worthy successor of an unworthy predecessor.

"In the very hour of the state's great victory, when every resource that human ingenuity could devise had been exhausted, when the court had entered a decree against the trust of perpetual exile, where there was no power in the government, executive, legislative or judiciary, to extend clemency or pardon, the outlaw appealed for aid to one who but a few days before a great people on his brow had placed the laurel wreath of approval and confidence. The trust appealed not in vain. And I here and now denounce the same resolution and re-introduction as a subterfuge and a

sham. I denounce the methods by which it was accomplished and I shall make good my charges, and to make them good I call no witness save the defendant, Bailey himself.

"In his recent open letter to the attorney general of Texas, he complains because it was therein stated that this reintroduction was under his guidance and direction, and he said if the attorney general could show that he was responsible therefor, he would surrender his commission in the United States senate. I call on him to surrender.

"On Aug. 8, 1900, in a public address in Waco he declared: 'I am proud to have brought this great corporation to the feet of the attorney general of Texas.' Who then became the chaperone when it came back suing at the feet of the attorney general? Later he declared in substance that the people might not blame the secretary of state nor the attorney general, that he alone accepted all the responsibility. In so doing he assumed a responsibility he could not avoid. In the following January in Austin before an investigating committee of the legislature he declared in substance under oath, 'I advised them to go back, dissolve, reincorporate and come back with clean hands.' But the trouble was that Pierce did not come back with clean hands. If the hand was the hand of Esau, the voice was that of Jacob.

"Again a bill was introduced in the legislature by the courageous Dave McFall declaring the re-entry of the Waters-Pierce Oil company to be but a fraud. In obedience to the introduction of that bill Senator Bailey left his place in Washington and came back to Austin to oppose the passage of a bill declaring his protegee a fraud, because the passage would be a reflection on himself. By these statements I charge that he stood sponsor for the fraud that was perpetrated on a confiding public.

BAILEY'S STOP IN WACO.
"And the senator forgets in his explanation that Waco is upon the map of Texas. He has stated in substance that he went back to Washington to resume, as becomes a patriot, his public duties. His memory slipped an eccentric. He forgot to tell of his short stop in the Athens of Texas, the home of Coke and Ross. And he came there, not to assist the state, but as the willing factotum of H. Clay Pierce. Pierce wanted the civil suit for penalties aggregating more than \$100,000 dismissed, compromised on what were improper and disgraceful terms."

A voice—Did you accept them?
"No, sir, I did not. God be praised, in the humble part I took as an humble official of my county, no one has ever yet pointed to me the suspicion of taint, nor have they yet unearthed the vouchers or drafts. (Prolonged and excessive cheering.)

"And the highest compliment yet paid to me by mortal man was when H. Clay Pierce, in the city of Waco, in the presence of the counsel for the prosecution and the counsel for the defense—and in the counsel for the defense I include J. W. Bailey—said I stood as his only stumbling block in Texas.

"For six long years I have said that in that struggle the greatest stumbling block in the way of the state has been J. W. Bailey, and yet he boasts of his pride as a participant; rejoices that he licked the hand of Pierce, who struck the state. In the words of Solomon of old, 'Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall.'
"The echoes of a great senator-

rial campaign had barely died away. The congratulations of his followers and friends were yet ringing in his ears. He was armed with the confidence of a great people. Bidding farewell to his Gainesville home he started, as the press announced, to resume his duties in the city of Washington. But he didn't reach Washington; he missed a train. He stopped in St. Louis, that halfway house. He tarried on the way and fell by the wayside. He was introduced to Dehlah. He dallied in the lap of Dehlah. His long locks were shorn. Dehlah dissipated his strength. He fell a captive to the Waters-Pierce Oil Philistines and now in his blind rage he threatens to pull down the pillars of the temple of democracy.

"When in the legislative halls he upheld his head and swore to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, he failed to tell the committee that he had received from H. Clay Pierce that sum of money on that fatal day. If conscious of no wrong, why did he not tell the whole truth?

"He says that this was a loan. I denounce the loan as a subterfuge under which to hide the real transaction. To any right-thinking and unprejudiced man the loan theory is like the legal ledger-deman, except that it was ledger ledger-deman.

"With the money issued from Pierce to Bailey entered on the books of the Waters-Pierce Oil company, audited by experts of the Standard Oil company, who of you will be duped by his flimsy defense? If this was a loan, Pierce was a multimillionaire and Pierce's check was good. If it was a loan, the banks were in the loan business, and Pierce might well have signed his name to Bailey's note. The Waters-Pierce Oil company is not in the loan business. Has it come to pass that the United States senator from Texas shall have in his possession money that is traced to the treasury of the Standard Oil company? Has it come to pass that J. W. Bailey, once posing as the apotheosis of pursuit, principle and patriotism, has sunk to become the representative of gain and egotism and greed?"

GEN. CRANE'S ADDRESS.
Gen. Crane immediately followed, not waiting for the formality of an introduction. He told of his Houston speech and the issue that he had raised there, declaring that Senator Bailey had not met it at all, but persisted in replying to things that other people had said of him.

"Nobody," he said, "ought to tell a falsehood on Joe Bailey, and if anybody does so, I am ready to help punish him, for there is less excuse for lying on Joe Bailey than any man in the United States." (Laughter and applause.)

He then spoke of Senator Bailey's relations to the Waters-Pierce Oil and Tennessee railroad matters, and said that Senator Bailey had received \$5,000 for drawing the charter of the Security Oil company, a Standard Oil concern, but had done the work so ably that Greer & Minor of Beaumont had to do it over again.

Mr. Crane continued:
"Why is Crane hopping onto Bailey?" they asked, and then they started the report that it was because Crane was the attorney for the Liquor Dealers' association of Texas. It just happened

then, as it happens now, that I did not have a single liquor dealer for a client. I don't know why they did not come to me. If I was not afraid of the barratry law, I would say that I would like to have some of them. I once did have one of them for a client—Martin Casey of Fort Worth, as fine a man as ever lived, liquor dealer though he be. That yarn was told to hitch up Dr. Rankin and Willacy together for Bailey." (Laughter.)

Continuing, Mr. Crane said that next they declared that Hearst was behind the movement against Bailey. Bailey had said so himself. And the next theory was that the Standard Oil company was behind it, because as Bailey stated in his Gainesville speech: "I helped to draw the pipe line amendment that made the pipe lines of the Standard Oil company a common carrier, and I included the pipe lines of the Standard Oil company in that amendment, which forbids the same men to be engaged in the production and distribution. You know the advantage which the Standard Oil company has over all other competitors today is that it does everything that can be done with it. It pumps it out of the ground, transports it in its own pipe lines to its own refineries and it is burned in lamps and with wicks that are of Standard Oil manufacture."

BAILEY'S OIL LEGISLATION RECORD
Crane also read the following excerpts which he said he had copied from the Congressional Record and knew them to be correct: "On the 'Whether it was wise and just to subject pipe lines to the jurisdiction of the government as common carriers?' I need not dwell, for the senate determined that by a vote, I believe absolutely unanimous. As I recall, there was not a single vote cast against that pipe line amendment.

Congressional Record, June 25, 1906, page 9331, second column—Bailey:


"I am perfectly aware that to include the pipe lines in that fifth amendment would work a very great change in the oil business, but I do not think it would work any greater change in the oil business than that amendment will work in the coal business. I was not certain in the first instance that pipe lines ought to have been made common carriers, because I freely say that I had never heard any serious complaint about the charges and practices of pipe lines. I attributed that, however, to the fact that I had no knowledge of that transportation problem, as until recently no oil has even been produced in any state of which I was a resident, and consequently there might have been grave evils in respect to the conduct of pipe lines and I might have been wholly without knowledge of them. I, myself, therefore, did not take any part in the proposition which brought them under the act."

When Mr. Crane had finished reading, he threw the manuscript over on the press table, requesting the reporters to take them.
Mr. Crane said he was informed that on Dec. 8 Bailey had received from H. Clay Pierce a telegram of about 200 words denouncing the attorney general of Texas for using evidence furnished by Gruet, but not denying the authenticity of it. He reviewed the matter of the loans

and the legislative investigation six years ago. He remarked that at this investigation no witnesses were called that knew anything, and the persons who might know anything were not called. He further said that he wished he could pay off his debts at the bank by renewing his notes for larger amounts as Mr. Bailey said he did in the case of the \$8,000 note.

Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new laxative, stimulates, but does not irritate. It is the best laxative. Guaranteed or your money back. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Clip Out This Buck Head and save until 22nd of December for a chance at the little Junior stove at F. P. Parker's. October 1906




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in the
YELLOW PACKAGE

Christmas Presents.

HOW TO PASTE PROPERLY.

Ability to Do It Well Makes Christmas Gift Making Easy.

Since pasting is done on so many Christmas gifts, suppose we tell you how to do it.

In the first place, always use the white photographer's paste instead of mucilage or flour paste. The kind that comes in tubes is most easily put on.

First paste a piece of cotton wadding over your cardboard, but do not turn the edges on the under side. After it is very smooth and dry, cut it close to the edges of the picture opening.

Then cut your cretonne, or whatever material you use, about an inch bigger all around than the frame. Turn it right side down on a clean table and put your frame down in it, with the cotton wadding to the back of your cover.

Turn over one end, fasten it with pins and then turn over the other end and paste. Take out the pins, stretch very tight and smooth and paste it. Be sure to rub plenty of paste on the cardboard, otherwise it will not hold; do the same for the sides.

If you have been careful, your frame is now smoothly covered with cre-



Easily-Made Frame.

tonne, but it has no opening. Take sharp scissors and make a lengthwise cut in the middle of the material. Be sure not to cut too close to the edge. Then at each corner make diagonal cuts as close as you can without the material fraying. Sometimes the pieces thus formed on the side are wider than necessary and can be cut off.

Now put the paste on the inside edges of the frame back of the opening and fold over material back on it. This part of the work is very particular, because nothing looks uglier than a wrinkled cover. Be sure each time you paste a side that it is stretched tightly and smoothly. In pasting around an oval frame make a number of slits in the material so as to keep it smooth.

After your frame is covered, place it under heavy books, and let it stay overnight. This will prevent warping.

The next day paste the back on and again put weights on top. All this sounds more difficult than it is. A little care and extreme neatness is all that is required to make your work very smooth and well done.

A NOVEL PIN CUSHION.

It is Made from One of Baby's Fine White Stockings.

Do you want to make just the cunningest pin cushion for mother's darning basket? Get one of baby's fine white socks, the little close woven ones are best. Cut a blue or pink lining just the same shape. Slip it in-



Novel Pin cushion.

side the sock and stuff with bran. Sew tight at the top and cover the stitches with a bow of ribbon the same color as the lining. Another little bow at the toe looks pretty, but that is not really necessary.

If you like, you can stick some safety pins, a few big beaded black and white pins, ordinary pins and several sizes of darning needles in the cushion before you give it.

TRYING EXPERIENCE.

Spent Over \$100 in a Vain Search for Health.

Miss Frances Gardner, of 369 Jackson boulevard, Chicago, Ill., writes:



"Gentlemen: I heartily endorse Doan's Kidney Pills, as I have found by personal experience that they are an ideal kidney remedy. I suffered with complications of kidney complaint for nearly five years, spent over \$100 on useless remedies, while five boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me in a few short weeks. I am now enjoying the best of health, have a fine appetite, the best of digestion, and restful sleep, all due to your splendid pills."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Will Observe Eclipse of Sun.

It is announced from Paris that the "Bureau des Longitudes" has decided to send to Samarakand a scientific mission to observe the eclipse of the sun that will be visible in central Asia on January 13, 1907. The mission will be under the direction of the astronomer, Stefnik, of the observatory of Mendon, who accompanied M. Janssen on his expedition to Spain for the observation of the eclipse of August 30, 1905. Among the instruments with which the party will be provided is a cinematograph, to picture the French, Russian and other scientists in the course of their observations.

FACE ALL BROKEN OUT.

Troubled Almost a Year—Complexion Now Perfect and Skin Soft, White and Velvety.

"I had been troubled with a breaking out on my face and arms for almost a year and had the services of several physicians, but they didn't seem to do any good. Some time ago one of my friends recommended Cuticura to me. I secured some, and after using it several months I was completely cured. I can highly recommend Cuticura Soap as being the very best complexion Soap made. It creates a perfect complexion, leaving the skin soft, white and velvety. I now use Cuticura Soap all the time and recommend its use to my friends." Maud Loggins, R. F. D. No. 1, Sylvia, Tenn., Aug. 1, 1905.

A Remarkable Lighthouse.

At the entrance of Odessa harbor is a sunken rock which has been the source of danger to navigators for centuries past. The Russians have decided to erect on this rock a lighthouse which will rival in originality and interest any lighthouse of ancient or modern times. This is to be a gigantic figure of Christ, holding aloft in his right hand a cross. The figure, one of exceptional brilliancy, is to be placed in the center of the cross. What more fitting emblem for a lighthouse can one conceive than this figure of the light of the world guiding the mariner on life's sea to the port of safety!

Rest and Sleep.

Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

To See Husband's Statue Unveiled.

Mrs. Ellen M. McClellan, widow of Gen. George B. McClellan and mother of the mayor of New York, has arrived in New York. She has been residing abroad, but will remain in this country to be present at the unveiling in Washington next April of the memorial statue of Gen. McClellan.

Hindoos' Day of Prayer.

In order best to influence the British government a meeting of Hindoos opposed to the partition of Bengal decided the other day to observe the anniversary of "Partition Day" by "fasting, praying and bathing in the Ganges."

National Pure Food and Drugs Act.

Serial No. 384, assigned by the Government, and Guaranty that the preparations comply in every respect with the requirements of the Pure Food and Drugs Act, appear on every package of the Garfield Tea Company's preparations.

Half Pay for British Officers.

All British officers on the effective list of the army that are elected members of the House of Commons are to be placed on half pay from the date of their election.

Anyone can dye with PUTNAM FADE-LESS DYES; no experience required; success guaranteed.

The Highest Bridge.

Work is now in progress on a suspension bridge over the famous "Royal Gorge" of the Arkansas river, in Colorado, at a point where the channel is only 50 feet wide at the bottom and 230 feet wide at the top. This bridge will span the river 267 feet above the surface of the water, and will be, therefore, by far the highest bridge in the world. The material will be of flat steel and steel cables, the curved girders finding secure attachment in the solid sides of the canyon. The floor of the bridge will be of plate glass one and one-half inches thick, to afford visitors the pleasure of looking down the chasm. On each side will be strong, high steel railings. The bridge is part of an electric railway scheme.

The Evils of Constipation.

are many; in fact almost every serious illness has its origin in constipation, and some medicines, instead of preventing constipation, add to it. This is true of most cathartics, which, when first used, have a beneficial effect, but the dose has to be continually increased, and before long the remedy ceases to have the slightest effect. There is one preparation, however, that can be relied upon to produce the same results with the same dose, even after fifty years' daily use, and this is Brandreth's Pills, which has a record of over 100 years as the standard remedy for constipation and all troubles arising from an impure state of the blood.

Brandreth's Pills are the same fine laxative tonic pill your grandparents used, and are for sale everywhere, either plain or sugar-coated.

One Peril of Ballooning.

One of the strange experiences of a balloonist is that of falling into "a hole in the air," which Mr. Rolker reports as follows: "So you continue sailing, enjoying the present with little thought of the startling surprises that may be before you. Ahead of you, unseen, may be what the balloonist calls a 'hole in the air,' resembling the vortex of a maelstrom, and down this you may literally fall at a rate which is terrifying until, by sacrificing two or three bagsful of sand at once, your pilot checks your downward flight. But these 'holes' are scarce, and, as a rule, the atmosphere is of uniform carrying power."—American Magazine.

Instantaneous Action.

"I was almost distracted by a terrible itching which defied all treatment until I obtained a box of Hunt's Cure. The first application afforded instant and absolute relief. The one box effected a complete cure." "It is simply wonderful in its instantaneous action."

Geo. Gilliland, Manitou, O. T.

New Hobby for Collectors.

The ingenuity of collectors in the discovery of new fields having been exhausted, there is still open to them that of collecting the finest specimen of forged or spurious works of art and this is capable of becoming a hobby scarcely less interesting or admirable than the pursuit of the genuine article.—Art Journal.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *W. C. Little* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Actress a Loyal Kentuckian.

Mary Anderson De Navarro, who recently issued her memoirs, has sent a copy of the book to the Commercial club of Louisville, Ky., with the following note: "For the Commercial club of Louisville, with the best wishes of Mary Anderson De Navarro, a loyal lover of Kentucky."

First Author—"Oh, the unutterable monotony of existence! I am thoroughly disgusted with it all. Would that I might completely disappear for a while!" Second Author—"Then why don't you marry a famous woman?"—Judge.

No Others.

It is in a class to itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil.

Ambitious Youthful Violinist.

Miss Selma Gustafson, of Delhi, Ont., a youthful violinist, has applied for the leadership of one of the orchestras the Colorado Midland railroad is organizing.

Sherman, Texas, R. F. D. 65, July 15, 1906. J. L. Ward Medicine Co., Big Springs, Texas.

Gentlemen—For twelve months I suffered agony with a stone in the bladder and was compelled to call in a Doctor at least twice a month; but he could only give me temporary relief.

I read of the great merits of Ward's Kidney Pills, so purchased two boxes, and after taking them I have not even had a symptom of the old trouble. I heartily recommend them to anyone suffering with Kidney or Bladder trouble. Yours truly, J. B. HOLCOMB.

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Squirrels as Waiters.

It has taken Fisk Goodyear of Burchtown, Pa., two years to train his pet squirrels, but his efforts are now repaid, and on Thanksgiving he treated his friends to a surprise.

Gathering half a hundred or more gray squirrels, Mr. Goodyear taught them to go into the woods and pick up nuts, carrying them to his home.

On Thanksgiving night at a dinner his guests noticed a small board running from a window to a nut bowl. The host gave one knock on the table with his knife. A squirrel hopped down the plank and dropped a chestnut into the bowl. Two raps brought a squirrel with a walnut, three knocks a shellbark.

Finally, a grave old squirrel took his place and cracked the nuts, winding up the performance by brushing off the crumbs with his thick bushy tail.

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"It didn't kill me, but I think it would if it had not been for Hunt's Cure. I was tired, miserable and well nigh used up when I commenced using it for an old and severe case of Eczema. One application relieved and one box cured me."

"I believe Hunt's Cure will cure any form of itching known to mankind." Clifton Lawrence, Helena, O. T.

Where Lawyers Are Unpopular.

A lawyer made his appearance at Colobar, West Africa, the other day and a Gold Coast newspaper, noting the fact, said: "It is very unsafe for the people for lawyers to practice at this place. Their appearance in this river will soon inveigle everyone who is not careful into litigation, and they will feed on their folly, thereby ruining them."

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Picturesque German Custom.

A curious custom prevails in the German navy when the sailors, having served their time, pass into the reserve. They don the "reserve flask"—also used on a similar occasion in the army—and parade the streets wearing caps with ribbons which reach to the ground, other ribbons being attached to the canes they carry.

"Has your wealth brought you happiness?" asked the philosopher. "Perhaps not," answered Mr. Dustin Stax; "but it has at least stood between me and a lot of annoyances."

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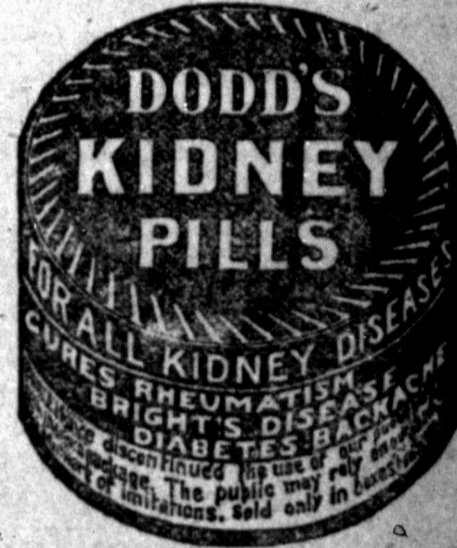
BROKE THE WILDCAT'S BACK.

Philadelphia Man Victorious in Hand-to-Hand Combat.

Unarmed and alone, Thomas Dyke was attacked by a wildcat on Locust mountain, south of Mount Carmel, Pa. He had been in Ashland and started to drive home. His horse stepped on a nail and he put the animal in a stable.

Then he started to walk home and was on the mountain when the cries of a wildcat alarmed him. A few minutes later he saw the beast ten feet in front of him. The animal finally sprang. He jumped aside and as the body of the cat struck the road he leaped upon it. For several minutes the fight between the wild animal and the man went on. At length by a quick swing he broke the animal's back.

A physician dressed the several deep scratches on his face and hands, but otherwise he was uninjured.



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THE CROCKETT COURIER

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

Wright & Cryer's gin at Winters was completely destroyed by fire last Thursday night. Damage about \$5000, about one-half covered by insurance.

At the prohibition election held at Valley Mills Wednesday the following vote was cast: For prohibition 131, against 42.

There are five cases of smallpox at Ennis, all the patients being negroes. Six other negroes have been exposed to the disease, but they have been placed under quarantine.

A negro man named Levi Dwell, living near Pine, was fatally hurt by his clothing coming in contact with some shafting. He died a few hours later.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell will soon resign as county attorney of Leon county to become Secretary of State. There are four candidates for the attorneyship.

Seven men were killed and six injured as the result of a dynamite explosion in a tunnel being constructed on the Southern and Western Railway near Alta Pass, N. C. Saturday.

Henry Paul, a negro employed as a trucker at the cotton compress at Paris, dropped dead at the compress Monday afternoon. He had been working all the forenoon and ate a hearty dinner.

Two carloads of turkeys, containing nearly five hundred to the car, were shipped from Italy Saturday. They go to the Northern markets. They were bought from the farmers of the surrounding country.

Amarillo is to have a modern street railway system, according to the provisions of a charter filed in the Department of State. The name is the Amarillo Street Railway company; capital stock \$250,000.

Announcement was made by W. S. Keenan, general passenger agent of the Santa Fe, that beginning January 1, 1907, the Santa Fe Railway will pay for all advertising in newspapers in cash rather than in transportation.

B. L. Dalton, a tailor of Temple, while attempting to cross in front of a moving Missouri, Kansas and Texas train made a misstep and fell close to the cars, the ends of three fingers being cut off clean.

The Hopkins County Rural Telephone Association will meet in Sulphur Springs on January 17 to discuss and provide a way for telephone connection from all over the country with the county seat.

Damages of \$22,500 were awarded to Mrs. Sarah B. Covpony, against the Texas and Pacific Railway company by a jury in the United States circuit and district court in Fort Worth for the death of her husband in a wreck.

A shipment of 1200 turkeys was recently made from Itasca to St. Louis in one lot. The shipment required an entire poultry car of eight decks. Ector county voted in favor of prohibition by an overwhelming majority Thursday.

After a trial of four days before Judge M. Kennon at Seguin, William Brum, charged with the murder of August Schwartzlose, was acquitted.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Taylor, living five miles west of Lexington, was kicked and instantly killed by a mule Tuesday.

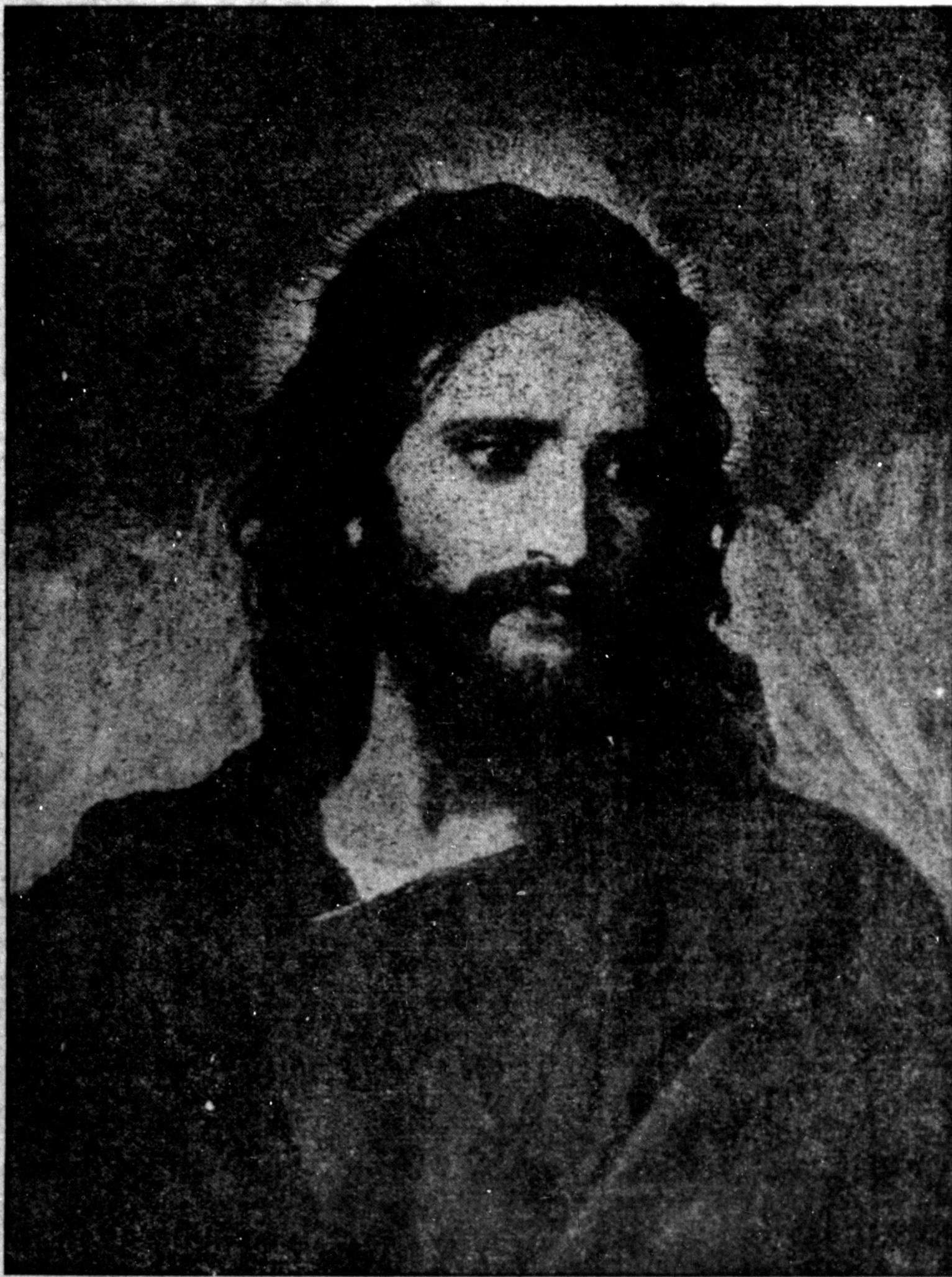
It is generally understood that the incoming administration will have friends for all the minor positions in the various departments and institutions. In other words, a complete and sweeping change is expected from top to bottom.

In an affray recently between students of Paul Quinn College, an institution at Waco for the education of negro youths, J. T. Robinson was fatally cut in the neck, the knife blade severing his jugular vein.

Tyler steam users have resorted to the courts to compel railways to deliver coal and lignite for the furnaces. Strawn is the only place in the only place on the Texas and Pacific Railway between Fort Worth and El Paso where liquor is sold.

Dr. G. Malcolm, living near Malakoff died last week. He had resided in that section for more than twenty-five years and was 80 years of age and a native of the Mexican and also of the

THE CHRIST.



From Painting by Hofmann. 1824.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Real Meaning of the Celebration of Christ's Birth to the World.

The Lesson of the Christmas Tide

By DR. ROBERT STUART MACARTHUR
Pastor Calvary Baptist Church,
New York.



The Christmas-tide celebrates the birth-festival of our Lord. The incarnation of Christ is the central thought in the history of the world. It is the event around which all other events revolve in smaller or larger circles. All the great facts of history previous to His coming had reference to His advent; all the events since look back to that advent as the beginning of a new era. All lines of previous history converge to the manger and the cross; all lines of history since diverge from these two epochal events. The birth of Christ was the beginning of a new race, and the observance of that birth is still the jubilee of this new race. Angels joined in the advent of Christ with song and choral song as He left the bosom of the Father to become the child of Mary in the manger at Bethlehem. This festival is still the most joyous feast of the church. It makes childhood more beautiful and glorious, and it lightens the burdens of age and sorrow with its tender memories and its triumphant prophecies. In the chill of midwinter in northern climes it kindles a fire of hope and joy in every home and heart. It is prophetic of the golden age when Christ shall come again, when evil

shall be overthrown, and when the song of a redeemed humanity shall sweep over the universe.

By the gifts which characterize this season we commemorate God's great Gift, the unspeakable gift of His Son to a world lost in sin and wandering in darkness. No one can rightly estimate the blessings which flow every year to all classes and conditions of men from the tender memories and gentle charities called forth by the remembrance of the Holy Child, Jesus. His birth has exalted the poetry, the music and the art of the centuries. It has changed all social customs and religious rituals. It has given a new glory to human life and a new trend to eternity. This is the time when all bitterness should be forgotten, all family feuds reconciled and all life glorified. It is unspeakably sad that in the name of Jesus Christ Russian murderers are slaughtering the Jewish people, the ancient and historic race, which gave us the Christ. It is a cause for profound humiliation that superstition, bigotry and virtual idolatry still abound under the shelter of the Christian name.

But, marvelous and blessed as was the incarnation of Christ, we know neither the day, the month nor the year when it took place. Dionysius the Small, about the year A. D. 526, fixed the birth of Christ in the seven hundred and fifty-fourth year of Rome; but all scholars know that he was in error by at least four years. We know that Jesus was born before the death of Herod the Great; and we know that Herod died about the first of April in the year 750 of Rome. It is not too much to say that in all probability Christ was born four or five years before the date usually given; so that this present year ought to be 1910 or 1911. There is no doubt that the selection of the 25th of December as the day and the month was due to the existence of

heathen festivals about that season of the year. The Christmas observance is thus a transfiguration of such heathen festivals as Saturnalia, Juvencalia and Brumalia. These were observed in the month of December to commemorate the golden age of universal freedom and in honor of the unconquered sun. There was a beautiful significance in the symbolic reference to the turning of the sun after the 25th of December. The natural sun thus began a new career and was illustrative of the birth of Christ as the Sun of Righteousness and the Light of the World. The 20th of May and the 20th of April were once observed as the birthday of Christ. The 6th of January was also observed as the date of both His birth and His baptism. The day, the month and the year of His birth will never be known. It was vastly more important that we should know Christ as spiritual Lord and Master rather than that we should know Him after the flesh.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

"AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM"

By REV. JOHN TALBOT SMITH, LL. D.
President Catholic Summer School
of America.



The entire meaning of the festival of Christmas is contained in these words. It is the festival of the children, because on this day God the Son, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, took upon Him human nature in the shape of a helpless and beautiful child. Various meanings have been read into the celebration of the nativity of Christ—the humanitarian regards it as the proper placing of the human individual in the economic system; the mere materialist looks upon it as the protest of infant right against adult might; the

sentimentalist of a certain school regards it as the emphasis of nature upon the necessity of training properly the next generation; the sentimentalist sees in it a noble tribute to the beauty and innocence of the child. It is necessary to remark, however, that if the child had to depend upon these classes for due respect and real training there would be no Christmas, no deification of innocence and helplessness, and no emphasis upon duties to the next generation. The festival of Christmas is truly the social, economic, political and religious anniversary of the human child, through which he makes his demand upon the world for existence, care, training and love; the right of an immortal soul as well as of a future citizen. The right-minded part of society accepts the responsibility with joy, and its best efforts, in fact all its efforts, are expended on the work of preparation for the coming of the Child. Not only do parents labor, but the legislators make laws, teachers teach, artists create and commerce agonizes for the child—for the next generation.

Therefore the monumental truth of modern civilization is expressed in the text: And a little child shall lead them.

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A Message of Peace in the Christmas Season

By RT. REV. DAVID HUMMELL GREER
Coadjutor Bishop of New York.



The Christmas season comes with its message of peace to a world torn and rent with many divisions, a world in which there is much strife. This strife is to be allayed and these divisions healed not by any process of statutory enactment, but by that spirit of brotherly love and kindness which takes possession of the human heart at Christmastide.

Just so far as that spirit continues rampant in the hearts of men throughout the year will the Christmas season be prolonged and continue to give its blessings to mankind.

Perhaps one lesson which the Christmas season teaches above all others is that, in order to enter the kingdom of peace and happiness, we must become as a little child. And let that appealing love which the little child inspires become a prevailing force in our lives!

I once saw all the traffic in Fifth Avenue stopped by a little child. Its mother was wheeling it across the street in its baby carriage and in the middle of the thoroughfare, crowded with vehicles of all kinds, she became panic-stricken and did not know what to do or which way to turn. But, suddenly, all the drivers reined in their horses, all the chauffeurs stopped their automobiles, and all the teamsters pulled up their trucks—the traffic of the busy avenue had been brought to a standstill by a little child.

So will the noise and the strife and the confusion of the world be arrested and checked by the little Christmas Child.

Sure To Be Appreciated.

"I wonder what that boy of yours wants this Christmas," remarked Uncle Kloseman.

"Well," replied the young man's father, "he's got an automobile and he's got a—"

"Ah! Good. I'll buy him a quart of gasoline."—Philadelphia Press.

Bound to Be Under It.

Miss Koy—How much is your mistletoe?

Dealer—Here's a particular fine big spray, miss, that you kin have—

Miss Koy—Oh, gracious! I couldn't wear that big thing in my hair.—Philadelphia Press.

Both Happy.

He—Which do you think are the happier in the holiday season—the ones who give or the ones who receive?

She—Well, if you are speaking of the things which transpire under the mistletoe, I think it's an even break.—Yonkers Statesman.

Sure Thing.

Mrs. Flatto—I wonder what makes the janitor so pleasant?

Flatto—Christmas is approaching, my dear.—Judge.

Caught at It.

"What did your New Year's turkey cost you, Uncle Mose?"

"Ten dollars an' costs, boss."—Houston Post.

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AT THE WATER'S EDGE

COMMERCE COMMISSION JURISDICTION ENDS THERE.

ARGUMENT OF SHIP MEN

An Important Question Never Passed Upon the Regulators of Rail Rates.

Washington, D. C.—The jurisdiction of the commission ends at the water's edge," was the declaration of representatives of various steamship lines, who appeared before the interstate commerce commission in the hearing on the power of that body over ocean-carrying rates in connection with domestic rates.

A Careful Analysis.

They declared that a careful analysis of the law demonstrated clearly that the jurisdiction of the commission ends at the water's edge when it concerns shipments to ports of a country not adjacent to the United States. H. A. S. Franklin, the vice president of the International Mercantile Co., and William G. Choate, of New York, made the principal arguments.

Never Passed Upon.

A large number of steamship men were present. The question as to whether the commission has the power over rates made for foreign shipment when such shipment is to a port not in adjacent foreign territory has never been passed on.

TAPS FROM THE WIRES.

Eleven cyclists fall in big race at New York and twelve teams remain in contest.

Inability of railroads to handle traffic, owing to big car shortage, threatens disaster.

Japanese demands in Manchuria lead Russia to believe Mikado seeks fresh war.

Bryan indorses Roosevelt's action in dismissing negro soldiers for disorderly conduct.

Kaiser orders new election because of government's defeat, after vote to reduce army.

Fort Reno, Ok., is about to receive the reapproval of the government as an army post.

Rock Island executive committee chairman asserts railroads should court the public.

Republican congressmen favor increase of salaries, but will not act without democrats.

Cardinal Gibbons asserts that the religious situation in France is not understood in America.

Bradstreet's report says that business in this section of the country is breaking all records.

Spelling reform is abandoned by Roosevelt, and government printing will be in old fashioned style.

Dismissed negro soldiers visit Taft and ask for reinstatement in army.

Senator Rayner in a speech before the senate, assails Roosevelt's attitude on the Japanese school question at San Francisco.

Texas is rapidly becoming a prohibition state, over 100 counties having already adopted local option.

East St. Louis will make an effort to capture the Southern Illinois appellate court from Mount Vernon.

Car shortage inquiry is being made by request of the president, who has received numerous complaints, chiefly from livestock shippers.

Arkansas railroad commission to consider flat rate for cotton shippers.

Bryan indorses Roosevelt's action in dismissing negro soldiers for disorderly conduct.

Lackawanna announces increase of 10 per cent in wages of the transportation department employees, effective Jan. 1.

Oklahoma will make seven copies of its new constitution for presentation to proper executives.

Gov. Folk to have bill introduced in legislature closing all saloons at midnight.

A. J. White, in New York criminal asylum, begins fight to show he is Geo. A. Kimmel; missing Kansas bank cashier.

Records discovered alleging that judge in Mrs. Birdsong's case is relative of woman's victim.

J. Oliver, a Knoxville millionaire, wants whole contract for building the Panama canal.

Algerias treaty nearly defeated in executive session of the senate. Measure saved by Senator Cullom.

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One laborer killed, many injured in fierce gale which visits San Francisco.

Secretary Shaw will circulate \$20,000,000, depositing half in national banks, buying bonds with remainder.

Pope rejects final offer of France and refuses to permit worship under laws of 1881.

Walter Robertson, of St. Louis, and Otto Buddemeyer are slain at Washington, Mo., as result of rivalry for girl's heart and hand.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

San Antonio is suffering from a reign of hold-ups, the victims being mostly women.

J. A. Lloyd has been appointed Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 7, Gordonville, Grayson County, vice W. L. Wakefield, resigned.

Alonzo Nash, a negro, was killed in Paris Tuesday. A complaint charging murder was sworn out against Monroe Walker, another negro. The latter has not been arrested.

Dr. Tabor made a tour of the principal cities of Mexico, and says the sanitary conditions showed a great improvement, and better than ever before.

The Standard Oil Company has announced that it would advance the wages of all its employes now receiving less than \$100 a month by ten per cent, beginning January 1.

T. A. McIntire, aged about fifty, was found dead near Milburn, I. T. On his person was found a letter from T. A. McIntire, of West, Texas, who has been notified.

The Navarro County poultry show opened Friday with a large number of exhibits and the attendance good. Judge Greer of Indiana, did the scoring.

A shipment was recently made from Itasca of 1,200 turkeys to St. Louis in one lot. It required an entire eight-deck poultry car to make the shipment.

Dick Turner, bartender for the Katy saloon at Jefferson, was accidentally shot Friday afternoon, and died in a few minutes later. Turner leaves a wife and two children.

From Kingfisher is announced the death of William Wallace, aged sixty-five, as a result of an overdose of morphine. Wallace was suffering with rheumatism and took the morphine to relieve his suffering.

New Mexico is destined to be one of the greatest coal producing sections of the United States. In many old mining districts there has been much increased activity and many new districts have been opened up.

Hon. Loch McDaniel of Houston has been appointed as United States district attorney for the southern district of Texas to succeed Hon. Mark McLemore of Galveston, who retires to make his home in California.

The ousting of the Roman Catholics from buildings owned by the French government all over France, which is the final act of separating church and state, is taking place with very little friction.

Huse Durnell, well known in Temple, Rosebud, Heidenheimer, and other places, as a saloon man, dropped dead while making a purchase in one of the drug stores in Temple a few days since.

In the Prohibition election, held to determine whether or not whiskey should be sold at Kirven, the new town on the T. & B. V. R. R., the pros won by a big majority.

A passenger train en route to El Paso parted just as it was reaching the crest of a hill at Grayton, 102 miles east of there, and William H. Fairclough of Ridgeway, N. J., who was passing from the chair car to the tourist, fell beneath the wheels and was ground to pieces.

The New York Herald of the issue of December 5, has an article regarding the plans for the location in Texas of a large colony of Dutch and Italian farmers. According to the article the head of this movement is H. H. Rogers, of the Standard Oil.

A bill requesting an appropriation of \$25,000 for beautifying and preserving the San Jacinto battlefield will be presented by the Harris county delegation in the State legislature at the next session.

Adjournment was taken by the constitutional convention of Oklahoma Friday morning to permit the committees to work, until 2 p. m., when Hon. O. B. Colquitt of the Texas railroad commission, addressed the convention.

A State Good Roads association meeting will be held in Waco probably January 2 and 3, under the auspices of the National Good Roads association, of which Colonel W. H. Moore is president.

Attorney General Moody has approved all the deeds to the right of way of the Port Arthur canal which John W. Gates gave to the government and only a short time is expected to elapse before Port Arthur becomes a full fledged port of entry.

IN CONGRESS

IN THE SENATE.

Senator Lodge introduced a resolution declaring that the time has come when the affairs of the Congo Free State should be made the subject of an international inquiry.

Charges that Secretary Bonaparte is not in favor of trust regulation and, therefore, not fitted to become attorney general, were made by Senator Culberson, of Texas.

John J. Pershing, formerly of Missouri, was confirmed a brigadier general.

Major General McArthur was confirmed lieutenant general and Jesse M. Lee was confirmed as major general.

Senator Culberson offered and the Senate passed a resolution supplementary to the Foraker-Penrose resolution of last week, calling on the secretary of war "to inform the Senate whether Companies B, C and D, of the Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, or either of them, were, previous to August 13, 1906, involved in any riot or other disturbance with citizens."

The resolution further requires Secretary Taft to state when and where such disturbances occurred, and to outline their character fully.

Senator Culberson desires that the final record of the Brownsville affair shall include the fact that two of these three companies which were dismissed for their connection with the Brownsville riots participated in the racial encounter at El Paso, Tex., four years ago.

Then, several of the negro soldiers having been arrested by the municipal police of El Paso and placed in the city jail, the negro troops, ignoring their white officers, marched on the town under arms, and compelled the release of the prisoners. A shoot lug affray occurred at that time.

IN THE HOUSE.

Representative Kahn, of California, introduced a bill appropriating \$5,000,000 for the construction of torpedo boats, to be used in the defense of the Pacific coast.

Representative Livingston, of Georgia, stated in the course of a speech in the House that he understood the President would send a special message to Congress in a few days recommending a 20 per cent increase in the salaries of all Government employes.

The House began consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. No effort was made to limit the time for general debate on the bill, the desire of the republican leaders being to keep the bill before the House until adjournment for the Christmas holidays.

Simplified spelling held the attention of the House for an hour or more. The paragraph in the bill fixing the orthographic standard in some recognized authority furnished Mr. Clark of Missouri, Mr. Gillette of Massachusetts and Mr. Livingston of Georgia an opportunity to express themselves on the merits of the President's order to the public printer relative to the modified spelling of 300 words in common use.

Under the wide latitude of debate Mr. Macon, of Arkansas, delivered a speech on "bucket shops" and in favor of his bill prohibiting gambling in agricultural commodities, and Mr. Sheppard, of Texas, criticized the manner in which appropriation bills are prepared.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General DeGraw recommends new postage rate of 3c on books.

ONE OF THE SIX IS ALIVE.

Food and Drink Given a Man Under 70 Feet of Debris.

Bakersfield, Cal.—L. B. Hicks, one of the six workmen who were buried under tons of earth in a tunnel at Edison, on Friday last, is still alive and well, and through a two-inch pipe, forced through 70 feet of debris, is in communication with the big force of rescuers.

Hicks informed the rescue party through the pipe that he had talked with his companions for two hours after the cave-in on Friday, but that he had heard no signals from them since. He supposes they are dead. Food and water were passed to Hicks and, barring accidents, he should be reached in five days.

Bad Fire in Montreal.

Montreal, Canada.—Fire burned out three buildings in the wholesale dry goods section of this city. The total loss is \$400,000. The losses were distributed among nine firms, totally burned out and half a dozen with partial loss. The heaviest losers were: Canadian Underwear Co., \$75,000; Matthews, Tower & Co., \$95,000; Yorkshire Importing Co., \$80,000.

Influential Clergyman Dead.

Holland, Mich.—Dr. E. Winter, one of the most influential clergymen in the Dutch Reformed church, died here at the age of 70. He was a professor in the Western Theological seminary of Holland for several years.

CHRISTMAS GAMES



Christmas is the supreme season of happiness for children. Their brains are filled with the beautiful imaginations of the good deeds of old Santa Claus. Many of them receive their first strong impressions in discriminating between good and wrong, and the rewards for the former and the punishments for the latter.

The festive character of Christmas being undeniable, nothing can or could be more pleasing to the children and more strictly in accordance with the spirit of the day than a house party.

The day should begin for the child

with the finding of his stockings filled with presents, which on the previous evening were hung on the bed post. This pretty custom should be encouraged until the wonderful travels and kindnesses of Santa Claus are looked upon with doubt by the recipient of his bounty.

The children should gather about the Christmas tree as presents are distributed. Of course if the father wants to impersonate Santa Claus so much the better. His appearance will be appreciated by the youngest and cannot be resented by the more experienced ones of 12 or 13 years.

Here are some suggestions in games.

conceals the head of each of the players beneath and only the eyes are visible through the eye holes. The object of the game is for the rest of the players to guess the ownership of the eyes as they see them by holding a candle close to them.

"Blow Out the Candle."

About as popular as this game is "Blow Out the Candle." One of the party is sent from the room. He or she returns blindfolded. A candle burns in the room, around which the other merry-makers are gathered. The blindfolded player must advance to the candle and blow it out.

It looks easy, but it isn't. The thickness of the blind is so dense that the light of the candle cannot be seen through it and in most cases the puff which should extinguish the candle is directed in the most absurd places.



In no other city in America is Christmas celebrated in so many different ways as in Washington, for at Washington are gathered the official representatives of every land—Christian as well as pagan—and in the embassies and legations the holiday is celebrated according to the custom in vogue in the countries having representatives there.

So it is that the celebration there is international as well as national in character. Quaint customs, indeed, prevail in the diplomatic corps. In one house you will find Christians commemorating the birth of the Saviour, while in a house across the street a pagan brother from the orient is celebrating an entirely different day, for an entirely different occasion.

Pursuant to a long-established custom, ambassadors and minister plenipotentiaries entertain their official staffs at Christmas, inviting, also, such other friends as they may desire to have visit the legation at that time.

Probably the ambassador from Italy and his wife are the most gracious hosts of any of the foreigners at Washington, and their guests at Christmas time are always welcomed around the Yule log, which burns brightly in the open fireplace. A large urn full of gifts is placed on a table and visitors have great sport getting their presents from out the vast pile.

Germany in the home of the Christmas tree and Kris Kringle. It is, therefore, appropriate that at the Kaiser's embassy the most cosmopolitan Christmas should be celebrated—the custom of the "Faderland" blended with those of the Baroness von Sternberg's "old Kentucky Home."

The family of Senor Casaus, the brilliant Mexican ambassador at Washington, is a happy one, and all of its members join heartily in their native way of celebrating the "Posada." At half past seven on Christmas eve they assemble in a room

ornamented with representations of saints and angels, the Virgin Mary and Joseph, the wise men from the east, shepherds, sheep and oxen. The presents are previously placed on a great earthen swan in the center of the room, and as the young people fall in line and march around the swan, each gives it a blow with a small stick until the bird is broken. Then the fun begins—a scramble for the gifts ensues, followed by games and the usual merry-making.

An American hostess presides over the embassy where floats the tri-colored flag, and joins her welcome with that of her distinguished husband, the French ambassador. Here, again, we find the Yule log burning, and in its glow the Bethlehem manger is represented. Built on a table in the living room, it remains for two weeks of "Noel," a gentle reminder of the sacred meaning of Christmas.

At the Russian embassy, a few blocks distant from the French, Mlle. Rosen, the school girl daughter of the czar's ambassador, presides over the Christmas celebration.

Dreams had on that night are supposed to come to pass, and from the Russian standpoint, unlucky is the girl who has no dream to relate while preparing her morning toilet. Early service is attended in the embassy chapel (there is no Greek church in Washington), and then fortune telling games are in order.

The children of the Peruvian legation at Washington will celebrate their Christmas around a "Grotto of the Nativity" in miniature, instead of around the proverbial Christmas tree. This grotto will be surrounded by pots of nourishers of various sizes, with growing plants of different grains, while the gifts will be arranged in and around the whole. These presents are always selected with the greatest care, the object being to have them indicate the progress of the world since the birth of the Christ-child.

"The Barrel Pie."

This is excellent fun and can afford many surprises for the merry-makers. Fill a barrel with all manner of little parcels, containing candy, small dolls, whistles, boxes, empty or filled with any article.

Let the little children plunge their hands into the mysterious depths. When some girl wins a whistle or a boy a doll or piece of coal, the situation is bound to produce much laughter.

"Blind Man's Buff."

If there is a person who has never played this game, he will undoubtedly seek to conceal the fact. The old can join with the young, and what could cause more merriment than to see uncle bump his knee against the table or mistake Aunt Jane for grandma?

"The Bobbing Apple."

This is delight pure and simple. Hang an apple from the ceiling and offer a small prize to the one who is able to grasp it with the teeth without fingering it in any way. Let each child try in turn.

"Musical Chair."

This is considered great by the young, especially if there is a good lively player at the piano. Arrange the chairs in a row, having one less than the number of players. When the music suddenly stops each will make an effort to seat himself, but one must be disappointed.

"Charades."

The description of charades should have been left for the last, because it affords a true climax. Lucky are the children who can go rummaging and have in store for the party a whole lot of old clothes with which to impersonate the familiar home figures. This game requires an intelligent person to oversee it, and the children should enter into it with much seriousness, which gives an added charm to it. It is great fun to see a little fellow come in wearing an old hat and shawl of his mamma's or a little girl clothed in a large vest with a silk hat pulled down over her ears.

"A Topsy-Turvy Concert."

In this some of the children play while others watch. A curtain must be stretched about an impromptu stage, which conceals the bodies of the little folks except their heads and necks. The hands and arms of each of the players should be covered with stockings and shoes. When the children are arranged back of the curtain close together a Christmas song should be sung. At the conclusion of each verse the singers stoop down all together very quickly and each lowering the head elevates the arms above the curtain. All the singers thus appear to be standing on their heads. They keep time with the music with their feet, or rather their hands, and this when done simultaneously never fails to amuse.

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of her course, when she might be doing her level best to forget it. With a sympathetic person assisting the little folks, there should be plenty of fun.

"Whose Are the Eyes?"

"Whose Are the Eyes?" which has attained great popularity, dimly suggests the Velmericht, the secret tribunal of old Westphalia, in which the judges sat closely cowed and with their faces invisible. The game, however, is all mirth. Two of those that take part in it are seated side by side. Over the head of each is placed an outstretched newspaper. In this paper two holes are cut. The paper

Games Are Old as Guests.

Of course, many of the older players will indulge in cards, chess or checkers, while others will find their greatest pleasure in assisting the children. But for those that really want to play games in which all can join try these and don't be surprised if one of your guests remarks:

"Why, I played that game when I was a child."

Rather expect it—for very little in the celebration of Christmas is new.

Game of Plum Pudding.

This game has been played for years in this country under many names, but as near as can be learned the above name is proper.

A round piece of wood or a tin pan is provided and titled "Plum Pudding." The company proceed to choose partners by fixing upon two generals, Gen. Kettle and Gen. Pot.

These officers then commence choosing alternately soldiers from among the company, performing the ceremony of conferring title with some unique speech. Kisses might do in place of words when the soldier is a woman.

The titles should be confined to names familiar in the culinary art, as Lieut. Gen. Duck or Carver, Maj. Gen. Muffin or Fork, Col. Coffee Pot or Carrot, Maj. Corkscrew or Ladle, and Private Potato or Peach, and so forth until all the players have been chosen.

The game begins with Gen. Kettle, who takes the "Plum Pudding" (the plate) between his finger and thumb, ready for spinning on the table or floor, and commences his narrative thus:

"As I was sitting on the fire this morning, sputtering with rage at having no enemy to boil, who should come along in a bag and string but old Plum Pudding. The moment he caught sight of me he ran off, I after him. When turning around a corner I saw Maj. Corkscrew—"

At this word Gen. Kettle spins the "Plum Pudding," which it is Maj. Corkscrew's duty to keep up and continue the story until he mentions "Plum Pudding" and the assumed name of another player.

Forfeits are exigible for letting the "Plum Pudding" fall, for speaking of yourself as a human being and for failing to continue the story properly, as by failing in the narrative by calling an enemy by a wrong title.

When enough forfeits have been collected penalties are then imposed by the two generals, the performance of which is required before the torrest is returned.

COLORING CHRISTMAS CANDIES.

Harmless Substances That Are Easily Secured and Not Expensive.

Red.—Take 20 grains of cochineal and 15 grains of cream of tartar; finely powdered; add to them a piece of alum the size of a cherry stone and boil them in a wineglass of water in an earthen vessel for half an hour. Strain through muslin and keep in a tightly corked vial.

Yellow.—Take a little saffron, put it into an earthen vessel with a very small quantity of cold water, and let it steep until the infusion becomes a bright yellow color. Then strain it.

Green.—Take fresh spinach or beet leaves and pound them in a mortar. If to be used immediately, take off the green froth as it rises and mix it with the article to be colored. To bottle, take the juice, when about a teaspoonful has been pressed out, add to it a piece of alum the size of a pea and let it come to a boil. Strain and bottle.

White.—Blanch some almonds, scald them in cold water and pound to a smooth paste, adding at intervals a little rose water. Thick cream will also produce a white color.

Kept Him Busy.

Patience—And you say her "steady" was at her house seeing the old year out with her?

Patrice—Yes; and he told her when the clock struck 12 he'd give her a kiss for each stroke he heard of the clock.

"Wasn't he stingy?"

"Oh, no; you see there were 14 clocks in the surrounding rooms, and no two kept the same time."—Yonkers Statesman.

Teacher—Willie, do you know anything about the burial of Sir John Moore?

Willie—Yes, ma'am; I know it was not at Christmas time.

"How do you know that?"

"Because, don't you remember it says: 'Not a drum was heard?'"—Yonkers Statesman.

Dutch Peach Cake.

Drain the liquor from a can of peaches, and, if not already stoned, stone them, cut into strips or eighths, and set in the colander to drain well while you make the cake.

Sift with a pint of flour two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and a half-teaspoonful of salt. Into this stir a beaten egg and a teaspoonful of milk. Grease a loaf tin and put in the dough, then press the pieces of peaches into the top of the loaf, laying them close together. Sprinkle with bits of butter and dust all with sugar, adding but a little of this, as the peaches are already sweetened. Bake until done, and serve with whipped cream or alone as cake.

Rice Pudding with Currants.

Take half a pound of rice, half a pound of currants. Wash the rice, tie it in a cloth, allowing room for it to swell, and put it into a saucepan of cold water. Let it boil for an hour; then take it up, untie the cloth, stir in the currants, and tie it up again tolerably tight, and put it back into the water for the remainder of the time. Boil for another hour, or rather longer, and serve with sweet sauce. For rice custards or puddings prepared according to any different formula, simply add the currants.

Guilty Conscience.

"Let a man be only half or three-quarters square, as most of us are, and he fears less a riffling by rogues with a galling gun poundin' at th' dure thin th' touch iv a rayporter's hand on th' dure ell," says "Mr. Dooley" on "The Power of the Press" in The American Magazine.

Influence of Books.

A book, more than speech, more than deeds even, sows, according to what it contains, the good or the bad.

—Melanie

MAKES CARPETS LIKE NEW.

Preparation Can Be Made at Home, and Easily Applied.

The following method of cleaning carpets has been thoroughly tested and was secured from a professional source: First have the carpet cleaned in the usual way and tacked down on the floor where it is to remain permanently and it is ready for the cleaning process. Take one and a half pounds of the best white laundry soap, one-half a pound of white-oak bark, three-fourths of a pound of borax, one-fourth of a pound of fuller's earth, one-half a pint of good alcohol, one-half a pint of ammonia, one-half an ounce of chloroform and four gallons of water. Tie up the bark in a piece of thin material and boil in two gallons of water for four hours. Keep boiling water at hand to replace that lost by evaporation. Now remove the bag, add the soap, shaved fine, the borax and the fuller's earth and let simmer until all are dissolved. Then add the other two gallons of water, which should be boiling hot, and when partly cool, add the alcohol, ammonia and chloroform. This quantity will clean 30 yards of carpet.

To clean, dip out a cupful of the preparation, put it on the carpet, spread it and scrub with an ordinary bristle scrubbing brush. The spot scrubbed will be covered with lather, but the carpet will not be wet through. When all the dirt has been removed, scrape the lather up into a heap and take it up with a scraper, which can be had of any house-furnishing store, or a shingle with a smooth edge will answer very well. When the lather has been removed go over the carpet with a sponge wrung out of clean water and dry with a cloth.

SCIENCE OF DOMESTIC ECONOMY.

Necessary Knowledge if Home Is to Be Made Happy.

Did you ever ask yourself the meaning of the term domestic economy? Most likely you never did. Notwithstanding the growing popularity of this branch of study, there is no subject the name and nature of which is so generally misunderstood.

Some young women think it means "cookery and laundry lessons;" others thing "scrapping and saving" would more fitly define it, while dim ideas of so-called menial duties and domestic drudgery float through the brains of others.

But these are "small nibblings at the outer bark" of the truth, which is that domestic economy is a saving knowledge, a knowledge which relates to the intelligence and cultivated management of everything connected with the home.

It is the science of the home, and pre-eminently a woman's science. It is the woman's work to make the house into a home. Every woman ought to know how to do all things necessary to make a home happy, says Woman's Life.

The husband earns the money, but the principal part of it has to be spent by the wife. Hence it is very important that all girls should learn domestic economy. But please remember that domestic economy is one of those things that cannot be earned from books alone.

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China Ware
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See our line before you buy.

**Smith & French
Drug Company**

Local Items.

Fire Works at H. J. Phillips'.
Seed oats at the Red Front Store.
Your trade appreciated at Brown & Sims'.
Tailor Shop for full dress shirts and ties.
The best eating apples at H. J. Phillips'.
For fine hosiery go to the Tailor Shop.
You are always next at Friend's barber shop.
Van Camp's canned goods at Brown & Sims'.
White Rose flour is the best at H. J. Phillips'.
T. D. Craddock sells the Kokomo hog fencing.
Fruit and candies always fresh at Brown & Sims'.
Prompt and best barber work at Friend's barber shop.
Bargains! Bargains! In everything at the Big Store.
Miss Evy Hail is at home from Lufkin for the holidays.
Finest assortment of shirts to be had at the Tailor Shop.
Bear in mind Friend's barber shop for first-class service.
Get your oranges, apples and candy from F. P. Parker.
A. M. Brewer was among those calling at this office Monday.
This last week for the little stove contest. Closes on 22.
The Tailor Shop shows the best line of shirts, ties and collars.
Buy your Christmas presents from Smith & French Drug Co.
I have oats, chops, bran, hay, etc. F. P. PARKER.
H. J. Phillips has everything that is good to eat for Christmas.
For the newest in ties, shirts and handkerchiefs try the Tailor Shop.
Harry Weiss of New Orleans is spending the week with friends in this city.
What shall I give? This oft-asked question is best answered at Crysups'.
When you want a bath go to Friend's. Hot and cold water all the time.
The Red Front Store is making special inducements on shoes before Xmas.
See that line of new style post cards on display at G. L. Moore's drug store.
Buy your flour from the Red Front Store for Xmas baking and get the best.
Lundy Bros. have a full stock of harness and saddles. They invite your inspection.

Go see those new buggies, carriages, etc., at John R. Foster's, the Buggy Man.

R. L. Aldrich has resigned his position at Jacksonville and is again in the city.

E. E. Barlow left at the COURIER office last week a raddish that weighed 24 pounds.

S. A. Cook of Porter Springs was a pleasant caller at the COURIER office last week.

Vases, china ware, toilet cases, dolls for Christmas at Smith & French Drug Co's.

The Big Store is the place to buy your Christmas gloves and initial handkerchiefs.

The Nelson murder cases, which were transferred to Palestine, are on trial there this week.

See those beautiful plush lap robes, the best ever brought to Crockett, at Lundy Bros'.

Miss Viola Valentine will return from Huntsville this week to spend the holidays at home.

Miss Annie Stokes will be at home from Huntsville to spend the holidays with home folks.

Remember that B. L. Satterwhite pays highest price for hides and beeswax. Try him.

The knife has been put in deep on prices of men's and boys' shoes to reduce stock at the Big Store.

Beautiful plush lap robes, the kind that make useful Christmas presents, cheap at Lundy Bros'.

Paul Jones, Magale, Parker Rye, Puritan Rye and Sugar Valley at Hyman's Saloon, Palestine.

Ray Weiss of Houston, sales-agent for the Kirby Lumber Co., was in Crockett Tuesday on business.

Morgan Brashears and Watson Patterson were among those remembering the COURIER last week.

An array of Christmas novelties—trifles of sentiment and something costlier—at Crysups' drug store.

Rev. Ellis Smith and family, who were once residents of our city, were visiting friends here this week.

Only a few more days and Christmas will be here. Call around at Crysups' before it is everlastingly too late.

Why get cheap stuff for the same money that you can get standard brands of whiskey at Hyman's Saloon, Palestine?

Don't order a buggy, carriage or hack until you see Jno. R. Foster's new carload. Then you will buy from him. Go see them.

Don't forget that you can get mince meat, just as clean, just as good, just as cheap, made by Henz, at Arledge & Deupree's.

The Red Front Store can save you money on your purchases before the holidays.
T. D. CRADDOCK, Proprietor.

Our harness and saddles are hand-made and guaranteed to be as represented. Get our prices.
LUNDY BROS.

XMAS IS COMING

SANTA CLAUS has established his headquarters at our drug store.
We have presents for the old and the young, something to suit all tastes, prices to suit all purses. Avoid the rush, come early and make your selection.

G. L. MOORE,
THE DRUGGIST.

Crysups has Christmas presents that are useful, durable and satisfactory in price. Buy of him and save money.

The latest things in post cards, in both leather and card board, comic and sentimental, at G. L. Moore's drug store.

Miss Bettie Smith, who is attending the State University at Austin, will arrive this week to spend the holidays at home.

Mrs. R. M. Hamby and two children of Austin were visiting relatives and friends in Crockett and Houston county last week.

You make no mistake in getting a sack of our best flour for your Xmas baking.

ARLEDGE & DEUPREE.

If you want a tombstone or monument ask me to call on you with my samples. Telephone No. 174.
J. C. LANSFORD.

The "Notice to Tax-payers," as published in last issue, was without signature by oversight. It is properly signed in this issue.

That Christmas present! Where will you buy it? Where merit is stamped on every article regardless of price. That's at Crysups'.

Jno. R. Foster, the Buggy Man, wants to sell you a new buggy, hack, carriage or runabout. Don't order one away from home. He has a new carload.

Don't send off your money to other states. Patronize home people. Buy your whiskey from Hyman Harrison, proprietor Hyman's Saloon, Palestine.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Betts of Guy's Store, Leon county, were in Crockett last week as the guests of the families of Dr. B. F. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sims.

Rev. J. M. Gaddy, a Baptist minister well known in Crockett, was killed near Austin last week by falling from a Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train.

Tombstones and Monuments.

Let me call on you with samples and designs. All work guaranteed and delivered. Telephone No. 174.
J. C. LANSFORD.

Come in and have your dental work done before Christmas, as I will be out of town during Christmas week. Respectfully,
DR. BRANDON.

"Hyman's Private Stock," bottled in bond, for family use or medicinal purposes. A high-grade sour mash bourbon. Address Hyman's Saloon, Palestine.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. has just received by express a beautiful line of ladies' jackets, which were bought at about half their value. You can get them at big bargains.

Mr. J. W. Murchison of Daly was in Crockett last Friday and called at the COURIER office. He is another one of the COURIER's life-time friends and subscribers.

Buy a Christmas present for your sweetheart from the Big Store. They have them that are real good values and those that will be highly appreciated by both young and old.

Remember me when you get ready to order your Christmas whiskey. Let me send you my price list, order blank and stamped envelope. Address Hyman's Saloon, Palestine.

None better and but few as good, so say all who have tested them, are the Moloney Bros'. shoes for ladies, misses and children. Jas. S. Shivers & Co. has the agency for Crockett.

If you are not a good judge of whiskey buy brands that you know to be good. I handle all the standard brands, give you full measure, low price and guarantee every shipment to be as represented. Address Hyman's Saloon, Palestine.

Money to Loan.

**We Buy and Sell Real Estate.
List Your Land With Us.
Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies.**

WARFIELD BROTHERS,
Office North Side Public Square,
Crockett, Texas.

Misses Bertha McHenry and Josie Payne of Ratcliff are being entertained by Miss Bonnie Arrington.

C. A. Turner called at the COURIER office Tuesday and renewed his subscription to the "old reliable" for 1907. Mr. Turner is one of the most prosperous farmers of the county.

W. W. Gainey of Augusta, one of the best farmers and therefore one of the best citizens of Houston county, and one of the COURIER's best and long-time friends, was in Crockett Tuesday.

We have what you have been looking for—something new in the post card line—leather card cases, leather purses and the comic and sentimental card board kind. MOORE'S DRUG STORE.

On account of the usual delay in south-bound trains, the time of the arrival of the south-bound day train has been changed from 9:50 to 10:50, one hour later. This train is usually from one to four hours late. The arrival of the south-bound night train, which is also usually late, has been changed from 9:35 to 9:40, five minutes later.

The Houston County Teachers' Institute is in session at Crockett this week. The teachers of Houston county compose a highly respectable body. They come from the representative families of the country with a duty to perform, and if the work they are doing in their institute this week is an indication, they are performing that duty nobly. Crockett always welcomes the teachers of the county in their institute meetings, and it is well for them to get together at regular intervals to discuss the best way of accomplishing the commendable mission which they are to perform.

W. M. Hinson and Henry Weinberg were again in Crockett last week in the interest of the tobacco industry. Mr. Hinson was representing the government and Mr. Weinberg the Chicago tobacco firm of Tausig & Co. They were endeavoring to ascertain the acreage that will be planted in Houston county another year. Mr. Hinson said that judging from present indications renewed interest would be manifested after the first of January and that a plan was on foot for the organization of a company to grow wrapper tobacco under shade. The government will have an experienced tobacco grower at Crockett to personally supervise the crop and Mr. Weinberg is ready to make contracts with growers for his firm.

**CUT GLASS,
HAND-PAINTED CHINA,
SILVERWARE.**

**EVERYTHING
GUARANTEED TO BE
AS REPRESENTED.**

J. A. BRUCKER,
Jeweler and Optician.

Santa Claus has a special invitation to call at our store and get his candies, nuts and fire works.
ARLEDGE & DEUPREE.

This is the last issue of the COURIER before Christmas, and in this connection we desire to say that we wish every living soul in Houston county a merry Christmas-time. The people of Houston county have labored hard for the past few years, and nobody knows this better than the editor of the COURIER, for he is one of them, and has been so laboring. The fruits of their labor have been more abundant this season than for several seasons past, and we see no reason why there should not be general merry making at this time in commemoration of the birth of the Saviour. But let it be within the bounds of reason, never forgetful of Him who gives all blessings.

The carnival came to an inglorious termination Saturday night by the manager, Brownie, getting arrested for drunkenness and carrying a pistol. Brownie was locked up Saturday night and released Sunday afternoon on the payment of a fine for carrying the pistol, which, together with costs, amounted to something over a hundred dollars. City Marshal Waller made the arrest. The carnival was a failure in every respect. The day of the carnival is past. It was all right as an entertainment feature a few years ago, but the people have tired of the entertainment it affords, and it will take something more than moving picture shows and the throwing of confetti to interest them in the future.

Notice, Tax Payers.

For the convenience of the tax payers of Houston county, I will be at the following places on dates set opposite each place for the purpose of collecting taxes and will be legally represented at office in Crockett every day:
Grapeland.....Dec. 17 and 18.
Percella.....Dec. 19.
Augusta.....Dec. 20 and 21.
Weches.....Dec. 22.
Daly....." 27.
Porter Springs....." 28.
Creek....." 29.
Weldon.....Jan. 7.
Lovelady.....Jan. 8 and 9.
Freeman.....Jan. 10.
Kennard City....." 11.
Kennard Mills....." 12.
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Remarkable Cure.

"I was much afflicted with sciatica," writes Ed. C. Nud, Iowaville, Sedgwick Co., Kan., "going about on crutches and suffering a great deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Lintment, which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons; all express themselves as being benefited by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Danger in Asking Advice.

When you have a cough or cold do not ask some one what is good for it, as there is danger in taking some unknown preparation. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs, colds and prevents pneumonia. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

The Crockett Courier

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PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line.

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Mr. Bailey says that if he had any vanity, he would resign and let some other man have his place, so that the people could see the difference.

Senator Bailey's admissions were forced out of him by the attorney general of Texas. He never had told in any of his speeches of borrowing large sums of money from Pierce at the time of the re-introduction of the oil trust into Texas.

Senator Bailey said he would put the man who would swear of the existence of the documents against him into the penitentiary. The documents were produced and thus the man who would so swear has escaped the penitentiary.

At the time of the loans to Bailey, Pierce telegraphed his general attorney, Johnson, that "Bailey should quiet all Texas parties." Bailey says he never saw the telegram, which is perfectly natural. It was a private message from Pierce to Johnson. Pierce has since telegraphed Bailey, denouncing the theft of the telegram.

Waiving everything against Mr. Bailey that has been denied, the charge still remains, standing out as boldly as the mountain from the plains, that he used his office as United States senator as a basis on which to secure "loans" from the president of the oil trust. The evidence being all in, it is now time to proceed to instruct by petition and mass meeting our senator and representative as to our wishes.

The Courier would like to give both sides of the Bailey controversy, but our paper is too small to do so. However, we printed in last issue a part of Mr. Bailey's reply to Attorney General Davidson's letter. This week we print the arraignment of the senator by Crane and Thomas, the material allegations of which the senator has not yet answered, although having made several speeches since. Bailey tries to get away from the main issue by attacking his critics, among them the Galveston News and the lady who talked about his family in a den-

tal office. He roundly abuses the attorney general for using as evidence in the Waters-Pierce suits the documents which he claims were stolen. The COURIER cannot espouse but one side, but would like to print everything that is said on both sides, because we believe it would strengthen our side.

If the democrats of Houston county are going to take any action in regard to instructing their representative and senator on the Bailey situation now is the time to act. Mr. Bailey has not kept faith with the party and any previous party endorsement of him should not be considered binding. Of course if no action is taken our representatives will feel as under instruction. Our people have the right of petition and mass meeting left them.

The Rusk County News has bought the Henderson Times and there is now only one newspaper in Rusk county, whereas there are four in Houston county, which has a smaller population. The News, in taking over the Times, says editorially:

This consolidation of the News and Times lays upon the News new responsibilities which the News will strive to honor and safe-guard every interest of the county. It will endeavor to be just to all men and measures. We are determined no interest of the county shall suffer, if we can get the proper help.

The following is taken from the Mexico, Missouri, Ledger:

There is no excuse for any subscriber to the weekly Ledger complaining in reference to not wanting the paper. All of our subscribers understand clearly that when ever they don't want the paper they should notify this office, and it will be promptly discontinued. Don't put yourself in the class referred to by the following from a valued exchange: There are some men who take papers for years, enjoy them, use them—and never pay for them. When asked to pay they sneak out on the assertion that it was sent to them without their consent. Such men as that we have little patience with. They deserve no consideration.

It would be nothing but a vindication of the ability, honesty and integrity of Hon. Horace Chilton to now elect him to the United States senate. Chilton was never permitted to serve a full term in the senate, having been appointed by Gov. Hogg to fill the unexpired term of the lamented Reagan, who had been appointed by the governor as chairman of the then newly-created railroad commission. Chilton's ability, honesty and integrity were never questioned,

and his defeat by Bailey was nothing less than a public calamity. To now elect Chilton would show a determination to return to old-fashioned democracy, which means old-fashioned honesty, and would be a return to the old-time principles and policies of public service which stood opposed to graft in any form. Chilton is now quietly pursuing the honorable practice of law at Dallas and is taking no part in the present senatorial controversy. To elect him would be a case of the office seeking the man.

The democratic press outside of Texas severely condemns Senator Bailey. The Memphis News-Scimitar says: "In no instance was one cent of security offered or given. It was just a perfectly natural proceeding for Mr. Bailey to ask and for Mr. Pierce to put up any amount that the senator might name, and in only one case was even so much as a note drawn. The confessing senator declares vehemently that this note for \$8,000 was paid, but that Mr. Pierce had misplaced it and given him a written acknowledgment for payment in full. But the Waters-Pierce books in which are recorded all the other transactions show no such thing. In due time Mr. Bailey will doubtless flaunt a receipt with a holier-than-thou air, but what difference can it make? While congress is in session and while his fellow senators are digesting and proceeding to act upon the most important message which President Roosevelt has yet penned, the junior senator from Texas, more than once acclaimed the leader of his party on the floor, is more than a thousand miles away fighting to the last ditch to prove that he is an honest and honorable man. The spectacle is depressing. And what a spectacle it is!"

The sentiment of the COURIER is voiced in the following editorial from the Granbury Democrat: If the senatorial mantle of Joseph Weldon Bailey is to fall upon other shoulders, which now seems very likely, the legislature could not bestow it upon a worthier, cleaner man than Horace Chilton of Tyler. He is not only pure, dignified and able, but we believe that much is due him by the people of Texas. While Mr. Chilton was faithfully and ably serving out an unexpired term in the senate by appointment of Gov. Hogg it will be remembered that Bailey left his post in the house and began campaigning for the position held by Mr. Chilton. While Mr. Bailey was touring the state Mr. Chilton remained at his post of duty in the senate, though

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imported by his friends to come home and meet Bailey. After congress adjourned Senator Chilton came home, and then he was stricken down with sickness which prevented him from making any canvass, and seeing the situation was hopeless he withdrew from the race. He has borne his unjust defeat without a murmur. It is not too late for Texas to undo the wrong done to Chilton then in order to satisfy the ambitions of Bailey, and now is the time to do it.

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Cured Paralysis.
W. F. Bailey, P. O. True, Texas, writes: "My wife had been suffering five years with paralysis in her arm, when I was persuaded to use Ballard's Snow Liniment, which cured her all right. I have also used it for old sores, frostbites and skin eruptions. It does the work." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Heart Fluttering.
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King of All Cough Medicines.
Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied on every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

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James Donahue, New Britain, Conn., writes: "I tried several kidney remedies, and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Cure. After the second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Cure cures backache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. Smith & French Drug Co.

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Public Speaker Interrupted.
Public speakers are frequently interrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures coughs and colds and prevents pneumonia and consumption. The genuine contains no opiates and is in a yellow package. Smith & French Drug Co.

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