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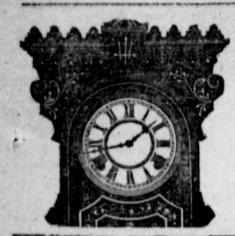
den City Southern Clipper plows,

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Country Produce Bought and Sold.

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PLENTY OF MONEY AT LOW INTEREST.



Jacksboro, Texas,

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry. 1899 will be numbered with the Also makes a Specialty of Fine Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing.

Fine Engraving Done to Order. BOT ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

and sorrows, its heartaches and hilarity, has passed away forever, and ere another week shall roll around the year of

ON THE HOME STRETCH.

To those whose hearts are bleeding O'er some lost loyed treasure dear, We can only point to heaven, To the God who's ever near.

sad, sweet past.

Few there are who have not felt the poignant pangs of grief in some way during the year that is now drawing to a close. It falls to the part of every human

"Into each life some rain must fall," but there are many things to be thankful for, many blessings that have been bestowed upon us, therefore let us with reverent submissiveness to the decree of an alwise Creator, make the best of circumstances as they with charity for all," enter the been true, and say with the sanctioning smile of God upon us,

## are, "With malice toward none, new year for a better purpose, if possible, than we have ever endeavored to perform in the past,

and try to put a little more sunshine into somebody's life, try to make the coming year replete with goodness and mercy, and at the closing of the present century when 1900 shall have gone to sweil the measure of the greedy past, look up with a conscience clear, a heart that has

#### A RAILROAD NOT WANTED.

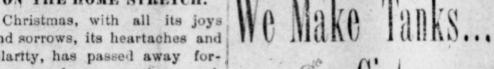
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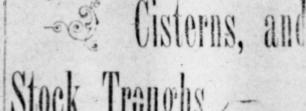
Since writing the article a few weeks ago favoring an effort to secure a railroad for Graham, we have, after a careful consideration of the project, coupled with a disposition on the part of those who ought to be interested, in the matter to heed not our gentie admonition, decided that a railroad would be a menace to the peace and quietude of our urban population, and in all probability bring disaster to our little burg in many ways not before thought of.

First and foremost, the lives of our canine population would be placed in imminent jeopardy; being unused to the snorts and canters of locomotives, they would probably mistake them for some huge varmint, and in a futile endeavor to corral the monster would very likely rush out en masse in its deathly path and get swiped off this mundane sphere in the twinkling of an hours. The glories of this kind

Secondly, the ever-present small boy with his innate proclivities io "hang on" to something, would have his life hazarded by his ungovernable desire to try to ride the thing.

Thirdly, that old adage, Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise," seems to have friendship and then goes like taken deep root, and we hear ilv coincide with this view of the situation. For instance, in very wet and muddy weather-that is to say wet weather and muddy roads-our mail sometimes fails Such a miserable illegitimate offto arrive for several days, which spring of the devil will never get is only the act of a beneficent in sight of heaven, and old Nick providence in keeping the horrid himself will do well to shun such tures give me a call. happenings of the outside world a parody on humanity.





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## Harry Bros. Corrugated Cisterns,

The stro ngest Cistern on the market. Positively no cave in when put under ground. See samples at our Store.

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## LYON & MATTHEWS. Lumber Dealers.

Carry a Large and Well Selected Stock of Dry

Lumber, including Shingles, Sash, Doors, Etc. See them Before You



FROM HIM.

Groceries.

mas Goods ....

In addition to a large stock of Hardware, Tinware, Queensware,

I have just received A Mammoth Stock of Christmas Goods, FANCY BASKETS, TOY PISTOLS, CANNONS,

A. C. ANDERSON,

And a General Assortment of Christmas Goods.

Having bought out the Livery Stable business of J. E. Dowdle, I solicit a share of the patronage of those needing anything in my line.

#### GRAMAM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- It is given out by the Journal that a 40 acres of land near town with money trust is being formed here headed by John D. Rockefeller.

The plan is to form a national bank after the pattern of the Bank of England and to make it the central money power of the country.

In this connection it is said that Secretary of the Treasury Gage, on his retirement from office, will be connected with the new enterprise and may become its president.

was recently fined \$200 and his housekeeper \$100 for living together in a manner altogether different from the Utah congressman and his better three-halves -that is different in the eyes of hard to please.

#### I Will Trade

good fence and plenty of wood for a good wagon, team and harness; or will sell at a bargain.

C. C. MAYES, Eliasville, Texas.

TEXAS

Col. Squires, of Henrietta. wants to build a railroad to Graham and has recently interviewed the people of that place on the subject. The line proposed would run from Graham to some point in Jack county, there to connect with the Brazos Valley road which at present extends A Catholic priest at Clarendon from Peck City to Mineral Wells. The Grahamites, however, do not appear to place much confidence in the colonel's ability as a railroad builder and are not manifesting any very great amount the law. Verily this old world is of enthusiasm.—Baylor County News.

Jacksboro, Texas.

## A SLUGGISH BRAIN ....

Is caused by Imperfect Digestion and Disorder in the Liver and Bowels.

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It purifies the bowels, strengthens and regulates the liver, aids digestion, promotes vigor of body, cheerfulness and mental activity.

PRICE \$1.00 PER BOTTLE.

C. G. KING, Special Agent

and many kind requests to "please remit" from disturbing our placid minds for a few happy

merated. You can all advocate a railroad if you want to, but we are 'agin" it.

of a predicament cannot be enu-

Of all the despicable sneaks and repugnant bipeds in human form, the one to be most dreaded and abhorred is the pious old hypocrite who courts a man's the midnight assassin who steals on you unawares, and uses ev-

ery effort to injure your business by assuming a confidential air with others and dosing them with a deluge of unmitigated lies.



We have received Vol. 1, No. of the Almogorda (New Mex.) Banner published by Elmo Benson. We wish you much success in your new field, Elmo. and may you wear a crown of glory in the heaven prepared for all newspaper men.

If you want fine platino pic-M. H. CHISM:

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American University in China.

The important chair of international law in the Tung Yuen college at Pekin, China, is held by Dr. W A. P. Martin, an American scholar well known through his translations and books on China. Now, although the national public school plan fail ed, that for a modern university on Occidental principles is thriving, and Dr. Martin is its official organizing and active head. On grounds adjoining the imperial palace new buildings have been erected for it and 5,000,000 ounces of silver has been provided for its initiation and maintenance, thanks to the efforts of Li Hung Chang. Since the opening of the present academic year 400 picked native students from the best families and most advanced culture have been studying there. There are eight European and American teachers. The library, magnificently housed, boasts a wealth of modern and scientific books. A school of medicine has been opened and others of mining, agriculture and engineering are nearing completion.

#### Historic Old House.

Miss L. Perine, the present owner of the house in Ripon, Wis., in which, it is claimed, the name "Republican" was first used for the present party by a small number of politeness gathered there, has offered to sell it to the Wisconsin Sate Historical Society, but the society is without sufficient funds to accept the offer. The building was originally a school house, was altered into a dwelling house, and at one time was owned by ex-Governor Peck.

#### Taking It Literally.

"Yes," he said, speaking of the rich man's son, "he was born with silver spoon in his mouth."

The little one in the corner became suddenly interested and looked up from her book.

"Really, papa," she asked, before any one else had a chance to speak. "Certainly," he answered.

"I should think some museum would have got him," she said, thoughtfully.

#### Sleight-of-Hand Under Difficulties.

Prestidigitator (In Frozen Dog) -"Will some gent in the audience kindly lend me his hat to make an omelet in?"

Bronco Bill - "Thar's mine, stranger! And when yer hand it back yer wanter be sure thar's an omelet in it, or thar'll be trouble, for I'm hungry as a coyote."-Puck.

#### A Family Office.

One of the most remarkable examples of an elective office becoming hereditary occurs in the recent designation of Dr. Norman Macleod to be the next moderator of the Church of Scotland general assembly. He will be the third of that name and the fifth member of the family to hold that high office.

#### He Thinks Alger is All Right.

Victor L. Mason, private secretary to Secretary Root, has resigned to engage in business with General Russell A. Alger. Mr. Mason served Secretary Alger in the capacity of private secretary throughout his entire term.

#### A Cup for "Columbia" Iselin.

It is now proposed that a loving sup be presented by the American public to C. Oliver Iselin, who has so well and so often defended the America's cup. The idea is to have the tribute at least as handsome as the one to be given to Sir Thomas Lipton. It is suggested that the cup of county superintendent, and intended for Mr. Iselin should be a replica of the America's cup.

### CHILDREN BURNED

Eleven Little Girls Loose Their Lives While Preparing

#### FOR THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

Than Ten Minutes Four of the Party

night. Half a dozen others were voted on. burned more or less seriously.

All are between 9 and 11 years of age. Helen Soebbing and several other teachers, Fathers to save the children.

The fire started in a little dressing room. Three or four little girls were there dressing ert on Dec. 9, asking to be refor the rehearsal and laughing leased on the ground of being a gaily among themselves. A dozen war correspondent. Gen. Joubothers were grouped in the wings of the stage near the foot Churchill had been detained beof the stairs descending from the cause he had been represented dressing room. The girls in the as a combatant assisting an ardressing room had nearly com mored train to escape. pleted their costumes when one added that Mr. Churchill was unof them brushed against the gas known to him personally, but he jet, but which one it will never would accept his assurance that be known. A touch of the flame he was a non-combatant and was sufficient, and in an instant would order his release. The orher dress of cotton and light der arrived at Pretoria ten hours municating the blaze to others pressing gratitude for the treatas she ran.

One of the girls with her dress in a blaze jumped out of a small window onto the stairs leading to the stage and down the stairs. A tlaming torch she was as she almost fell down the stairs and rushed into the groups of -children standing in the wings. They were all clad like her, in fancy costumes of cotton, lace and silk, and the fire spread with incredible rapidity from one to the other. There were fourteen children in the cast of the Christmas entertainment and only a few

escaped. It was all over in ten minutes, and in this time four perished, seven were fatally burned and greatest human I ever met." others more or less severely in-

The children were panic and that, screaming with But the agony was brief. a few minutes, and four of them sank to the floor dead. Others fell too, but they still lived, suffering excruciating agony.

#### Tarvers' Situation.

E. P. Tarver, a member of the twenty-sixth legislature from Laschools, has not tendered his the river belt. resignation as a member of the law-making body, and it is now too late to call an election to fill the prospective vacancy. It is reported here that Capt. Tarver will be on hand when the special session convenes and seek to be seated. If he does this it is probable that the point will be raised that he vacated the office of represetative when he accepted that that he cannot, under the law, tion throughout the disaffected hold two offices of emolument. districts.

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Auti-Gebel Leaders.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 25 .- The delay on the part of Goebel and Beckham in serving notice of contest against Gov. Taylor and Lieut. Gov. Marshall leaves the anti-Goebel elements in doubt as to the purpose of the contestants. The time for taking depositions prior to the meeting of the legislature expired Friday, only four witnessess having given testimony regarding the election in the contested counties. The contest committees, however, have power to send for Quincy, Ill., Dec. 24.-While persons and papers if they so dethe school children of St. Fran- sire. The anti-Goebel leaders cis Parochial school, Seven will have an informal conference teenth and Vine streets, were re- at Louisville during the holidays hearsing Friday afternoon for an to decide whether they will make entertainment to be given next houses of the legislature. They Tuesday evening, the dress of claim to have enough votes to one of them eaught fire from a organize the senate, but a magas jet, and ten minutes later jority of the leaders seem to opfour of them were burned to pose the fusion org ation, death. Two died an hour later, preferring not to show their and five others died before mid- strength until the contests are

#### Too Late.

London, Dec. 25 .- The following dispatch has been received Nicholas and Prof. Mushhold, from Lourenzo Marquez, under were painfully burned in trying date of Dec. 17, regarding Winston Churchill's escape from the

> Mr. Churhill wrote Gen. Joubert, on Dec. 13, replied that Mr. ment he had received.

#### Sankey Greatly Affected.

New York, Dec. 25 .- Ira D. Sankey, who for 27 years was associated in evangelistic work with Mr. Moody, was greatly affected at the news of his death. 'You may say," said Mr. Sankey, that in the death of Mr. Moody the world has lost one of the greatest and noblest men of the age. I have labored with him for the last 27 years, traveling with him by land and sea, and a nobler, braver and wiser soul I never knew. I can apply Prof. Henry Drummond's remark of a friend: 'D. L. Moody was the

#### ----Pioneer Citizen Dead.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 25 .- Information was received in Sherman stricken and rushed this way Friday of the death at Preston of one of the pioneer citizens of Grayson county, Dr. J. B. Frazier, at an advanced age. Some days since he fell quite a distance off o veranda at his residence and sustained severe injuries to his hip and very likely Austin, Tex., Dec. 25.—Capt. of an internal nature as well. He died at 2 o'clock Friday morning, never having rallied from the redo, who was recently elected shock of the fall. His name is superintendent of Webb county familiar to every old resident of

Boers Reinforced. Sterkstroom, Saturday, Dec. 25.—The Boers have been largely reinforced since Gen. Gatacre's reverse at Stormberg. country north of that point is in arms and the farms of the loyalists are being taken by the Boers who reap the crops Boer accounts of successiu engagements are printed for distribu-

Kentucky Democrats Send Forth Ringing Address.

WILL WAGE A HOT CONTEST.

the Republican Governor Intimidated the Voters of Louisville With Sol-

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 23.-The the public:

"The Democratic party of Kentucky, through its several state committees, has unanimously decided that the best interests of the party as well as of justice, deby all the candidates on the Democratic ticket for the respective offices for which they were nominated. The committees feel that it is proper that they should, in a concise form, state the grounds action."

The address also says:

"The state hoard of election commissioners, at its recent session, issued certificates of election to all the Republican candidates for state offices, but the board expressly declared in the opinion rendered that it acted simply as a canvassing board without power or authority, as it construed the law to inquire into the legality or validity of any contested votes. The board expressed the opinion that, if clothed with the authority to go behind the returns and determine the matters in contention. the certificates of election would not have been issued to the parties who received them. We feel that in the light of this board the cloth was in a blaze. She scream- after Churchill bad escaped, Democratic party cannot do less ed and ran out of the room, com- leaving behind him a letter ex- than to carry its contention to the tribunal created by the law for its determination. The grounds up on which this contest is based conconsists of the protests againsts the use of tissue ballots in many of the overwhelming Republican counties of the state. The use of the ballots are not only violation to the letter of the law, but it is in open defience of the spirit of the law, and the use of these ballots furnish not only prima fiacia, but conclusive evidence of purposed

"Another ground for contest is the plain violation and defience of law by the late Republican governor who, whilst actively engaged in making stump speeches and the prosecution of a partisan political canvass, ordered out the militia and in violation of both law and precedent, assumed personal command of troops in the metropolis of the state, parading the streets of Louisville on the day of election with his gatlin guns, invading the voting booths and forcing into them against the protests of the lawfully appointed election officers, pretended inspectors and challengers, who the highest court of the state decided had no lawful right to be pres-

#### Mysterious Death.

San Antonio, Dec. 23.-The chief railway mail clerk was notified yesterday morning that Clera Thomas Hathaway was found dead in his ar at Luling at 2:30 yesterday morning, with a bullet Clerk Dippold of this city came in from Spofford with Hathaway Thursday night and says he was jolly and don't believe the dewas murdered.

Dwight L. Moody Dead.

East Northfield, Massachusetts, Dec. 23.—It was not expected until Friday by members of Mr. Moody's family and the immediate circle of friends that death would be the result of his illness. The cause of his death was a general breakdown due to overwork. Mr. Moody's heart has been very weak for some time from over-exertions put forth inmeetings in the west last month, and brought on a collapse from which he failed to rally. This week the patient showed steady gain until Friday, when he showed symptoms of nervousness accomfololwing is the address of the pained with weakness, which Kentucky Democracy, in part, to caused his family much anxiety. Yesterday morning this weakness continued and at 8 o'clock Mr. Moody called his wife and children, and told them that the end was not far off. The family remained close by his bedside all mand that contests shall be made forenoon. The evangelist was almost free from pain and oceasionally he talked with apparent ease. About the last words he was heard to utter were: "I have alway been an ambitious man, not to lay up wealth, but to upon which they base their find work to do." Just before 12 to o'clock the watchers saw that the end was approaching and exactly at noon yesterday the great preacher passed away.

#### Cotton-Picking Machine.

New York, Dec. 23 .- The Screw Cotton Harvester, Machine company of New York City was incorpor porated under the laws of West Virginia Thursday with a capital of \$500,000. The company is organized for the purpose of placing on the market a machine which is intended to pick, cotton. It is shaped like a grain reaper but the axles are much higher from the ground and the wheels stand as high 7 as feet. The leading incorporator is the same man who tifteen years ago brought out the United States cotton harvester, which gave an exhibition of its workings at the time on the New York and New Orleans Cotton Exchange and which operated on the principle of revolving spools, the surface covered with inverted needles which were attached to a system of leather belts.

#### Louisiana Democrats.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 23 .-The Democratic state convention. which met at Baton Rouge, completed its labors by the nomination of the following officers in addition to W. W. Heard as governor: Lieutenant governor, Albert Estopinal; secretary of state. John T. Mitchell; state superintendent of education, J. V. Calhoun; attorney general, Judge Walter Guion; auditor, W. S. Fraze; treasurer, Ledoux E.

The platform denounced trusts and called upon the state legislature and congress to pass laws for their regulation and suppression. Allegiance was declared to the Chicago platform of

#### Death by Accident.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 23 .- F. E. Metterreiter, a machinest employed at the Denison National Cotton Oil Company's plant, was killed Friday morning by accident. He was in the engine room where he picked up a heavy piece of machinery, weighing from 130 to 140 pounds, he put it on his shoulder and was en route to the machine shop at the mill, to make some repairs, when he slipped and through his heart and a pistol by fell on the platform just outside his side. The remains were sent the door, and in falling was struck to Houston, where he has a family. in the left temple by the heavy steel, and instantly killed.

#### Noted Character Dead.

New York, Dec. 23.-Ex-Alderceased had a pistol. The clerk at man Smith, bette, known as "Sile Houston was ordered to investi- ver Dollar" Smith, died yesterday gate the car and see if it was not at his home in this city. He was robbed, in which case the clerk the supreme power of the eighth assembly district for many years.

Congress Taking Steps to Destroy These Combinations.

ANTI-TRUST BILLS INTRODUCED.

The Texas Delegation Leads all Other States in the introduction of Bills Looking to the Carbing of Combinations.

Washington, Dec. 21 .- The antiaust issue will not be ignored by this congress, if the introduction of bills seeking to crush and destroy these combinations in any manner indicates what the serious intentions of congress are.

Texas leads all the states in anti-trust bills so far, and only about half of the delegation has been heard from, but that half has indicated a very earnest desire to go right to the bottom of the trust evil.

One bill proposes absolute free trade in all articles not on the dutiable list now controlled by a trust. Another bill proposes to deprive trusts the use of the mails for the purpose of obtaining business, just as the Louisiana Lottery company was deprived of the use of the mails. Another bill prohibits railroads and steamships from transporting trust articles between the states. Still another bill seeks to make a trust doing business in any state a citizen of such state, depriving it of the benefit of the federal courts in suits or prosecutions.

Mr. Henry of Texas made two additions to the Texas anti-trust literature Tuesday. One was regular anti-trust bill, fashioned their joint meeting last Thursday, somewhat after the Texas antitrust law. It is a drastic measure, one that would raise thunder with trusts and everything else in the combination line should it become a law and be upheld by the supreme court.

attracts more attention and m- dates before the State Board of where the governor or executive the issue of tissue ballots and officer of any state or territory other irregularities in other counmakes a requisition upon the gov- ties. ernor or executive officer of another state or territory for the surrender of a fugitive from jus-D. Rockefeller and Henry M. causing considerable discussion. Flagler of the Standard Oil trust Jenkins is doing very well. will see the effects of the bill without a chart.

#### Gave Bond.

Greenville, Tex., Dec. 21 .-Henry Jackson died Monday night from the effects of a pistol wound received Friday evening at the hands of Charles Manley. The latter had been admitted to bond in the sum of \$1000, but was rearrested and Squire Newton set the amount at \$5000. A writ of habeas corpus was sued out before Judge Templeton, but examination was waived and bail agreed on at \$2000, which Manley had no trouble in making and was again released.

#### Federation Elects Old Officers.

Detroit, Dec. 21.—The American Federation of Labor yesterold officers. Louisville, Ky., was here. selected as the place for the next convention. The other candidates were Cleveland, Columbus,

Throckmorton Mounment.

McKinney, Tex., Dec. 21 .-The pedestal of the ex-Gov. J. W. Throckmorton monument, on the northwest corner of the courthouse inclosure, was completed Tuesday and is now ready for the reception of the statute, which will not be completed for some time yet. It is a beautiful piece of work. The material is Texas granite, and seven feet high. The inscription upon the pedestal is as follows:

"James W. Throckmorton, a Tennesseean by birth, a Texan by adoption. A slight tribute to the patriot and statesman from his fellow-citizens and admirers. because of his pre-emiment personal worth and distinguished public

Interstate Commerce Act. Washington, Dec. 21.-Senator Berry Tuesday introduced a bill in the senate to amend the third section of the interstate commerce act by making strict provision against discrimination on the part of the railroads against the public and in favor of one railroad against another. It is made unlawful for "any common carrier to make or give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any person, company, firm, corporation or locality or any particular description of traffic in any respect whatever or to subject any particular person, etc., to any undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatever."

#### Kentucky Election Contest.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 21.-In accordance with the decree of the Democratic State Central Executive and Campaign committees at notices of contests against Gov. Taylor and Lieut. Gov. Marshall will be served by the sheriff in behalf of Messrs. Goebel and Beckham, the Democratic candidates. The grounds set forth are the same as those made by the attor-The other bill is the one which neys for the Democratic candi-

#### Jury Discharged.

tice, that an indictment be found yesterday morning discharged the in the courts of the state making jury in the Dr. Jendins case and the requisition against the fugi- counsel for defense noted a bill tive, shall be accepted by the state of exceptions to the act. The judge upon which requisition is made as gave as a reason that two of the conclusive and indisputable proof jurymen were quite sick and unthat the person wanted is a fugi- able to be held together two or tive from justice, and that such three weeks. Some attorneys requisition shall be honored. The think Jenkins will be able to bill itself does not indicate what claim former jeopardy and escape is really behind it, but Mr. John further legal proceedings which is

#### Queen's Letter to Roberts.

London, Dec. 21 .- The queen has sent a letter to Gen. Lord Roberts, the newly appointed commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, warmly sympathizing with him on the death of his gallant son, and thanking him for the great heroism he displayed in putting saide his terrible private grief in order the nation.

#### Cattlemen's Excursion.

Fort Worth, Dec. 21 .- Arrangements are about perfected for the excursion of the cuttlemen visitors at the conclusion of the convention here next month. General Manager Dodge of the Coloday unanimously re-elected all its rado Southern, is ill at a hotel

#### Gold for Enrape.

New York, Dec. 21.-Kuhn, in double engles.

An Alligators Family.

An interesting object in the asked for a man who could speak no underwear or socks, but feel study of natural history is the Spanish. Certainly, as I expect-first rate and have a good appealligator, or as defined by Web ed, they yelled, "Oh, Gunner!" tite. All I carry in my haverster, "a large carnivorous, am- and I knew what was up. The sack is a picture of you and papa phibious animal of the sauriam captain put me in charge of six and Elsie's tooth, which I took family." There is a living speci- Chinamen, one of whom speaks away from her and am keeping men on exhibition in Nacogdo- Spanish fairly well, and told me as a luck piece. Certainly beches, a female, with eleven young to get some men and go to town sides that we have to carry an ones, held captives, together with after water. About that time the awful amount of ammunition. a living river turtle, by Mr. J. B. regular afternoon rain came up The only letters I have received Harris, an old-time citizen, who and the Chinamen refused to go. so far was one from papa, inclosspends much of his time fishing So just to show them that we did ing Ed's letter, and one from on the Angelina river and takes mot need them I took one of the Heri, which was addressed to San great interest in studying such bull carts (which I will describe Francisco and was really nice and things. He located this animal's later) and another took the other highly appreciated. I shall exnest or place of hibernation in the one and we started for town pect a letter from you soon. river bank, or rather beneath it. through the deep mud and swam- Kindly write to Heri how I am There was a hole near the low py rice fields. We got down all and tell him I will write the first water mark that sloped down- right, but coming back with three opportunity I get, which will be ward a few feet, then turned up barrels of water on each cart we when we come back from the firward and went up to within five got stuck several times and wad- ing line. Give my regards to feet of the top of the earth. Then ed in water up to our waists. By everybody at home and remember came a room of several feet diam- 10 at night we came in with the me to inquiring friends. Well, eter in which was a bed made of water, and you can bet the men good-bye, mama. Maybe by the leaves and trash. There lay the were glad to see us. The captain time this reaches Dallas you will female alligator, full size, eight asked me where the Chinaman have read of the scrapping the or ten feet long, and more than was, and after I told him that we "Gluckwaenche zum Geburtstag," fifty young ones, each six or eight weat without him he was proud and merry Christmas to all. inches long, and an ordinary tur- of us, in fact, he thought we were From your loving son, tle six inches in diameter. All so good that we had to go after these animals were appaently water every day. But I had one dead, but in fact were hibernat- satisfaction of hearing the caping. The large alligator was car- tains remarks that "Gunner is a ried upon hand sticks by men just good man, no matter where you like they would carry a log. The put him." I expected to have a The turtle was left over night up chill or something the next mornon its back and did not seem to ing, but when they woke us up know it. The little alligators at 3:30 I felt as fine as a lark, were hanging by their mouths to only awful hungry, and after makthis turtle's shell, all motionless. ing some cocoa (something the The turtle is their foster mother, other soldiers did not have), we All are awake now, but no in-started for town. If you have tercourse exists between mother never seen a "caribou," or water and babies unless the latter cry, buffalo, you have no idea what it which they do in the manner of a is. The only way I can describe puppy. Then the morther mani- it, it is a beast like an ox with a fests great interest. But the con- big hump and horns which curve nection between the young ones backward, and it is to my judgeand the turtle is persistent. They ment the slowest animal on earth, hunt him up but he pays no at- for no amount of whipping will tention to it. It is said that this get them out of their slow gait. is the way that all young alliga- Ou: firing line did not amount to tors do. It required great labor much except to exchange a few to dig up the nest. Another nest shots every night. Everything somely decorated floats, decorated is located and the inhabitants will was very quiet, and the only man be captured. The alligator lays who was killed was a Chinaman, terest than all the others. In elections, including the presence about a hundred eggs. There who ventured outside of the lines brief, its purpose is in cases of troops in Jefferson county and were eighty young ones in one at night and got his throat cut nest not taken, and they were at- for his trouble. After we found tached to a turtle. What they him next morning all the Chinaderive from the turtle, or how men left camp and we had to get they and the turtle subsist is a a new lot, which was not easy to puzzle. They don't seem to take get, as they are contract laborers Waco, Dec. 21.-Judge Scott food of any kind. The old alliga- and are bought out like so many tor when angered makes a hissing cattle. sound similar to a sitting goose. They sometimes make a very loud ing from town with water and vociferous outcry of a roaring or provisions, we passed the Chinese bellowing character.

#### From Son to Mother.

ma: A week ago to-day I wrote some of the boys. The food was to papa from aboard of the same the best the Chinamen could afship we are on again. We were ford and was excellent. We put on late last night and sail to stopped there every day after day and expect to be right in the that, but only got a big bowl of midst of the fight in a couple of rice on some poor Chinaman's days. I have just had a week of grave. the hardest time I ever had in my This is the first day that I have life, but it seems to agree with been dry in a week. The camp me, but if you could see me with was always muddy, with plenty to devote himself to the affairs of an elegant set of whiskers all of rain every day and the mosquiover my face you would hardly toes and ants plentiful. Some of recognize me. We landed last the boys had some pretty bad Saturday and marched to the first scares at night by monkeys, who firing line, six miles from Manila, are plentiful in the mountains, regimental headquarters are in to cat. They went right into the an old Catholic Church, and we cook's tent and stole hardtack. are camped on both sides of it. Oh, I could write you a hundred gun, blankets, shelter tent and and will land about 125 miles Galveston, Texas, and Bay City, to Europe yesterday. The gold is away. We were bardly there I have are a blue flannel shirt, found on the boat.

five minutes before the captain khaki pants, leggins and shoes;

The third day, as we were comgraveyard, where they had just had a big funeral, and as is the Chinese custom, they leave a lot Rudolph Gunner, a Dallas boy of good eatables and drinkables and a son of Gen. R. Gunner, is on the grave, so to make a long with Col. Luther Hare's famous story short, we took our bulls into thirty-third in the Philipines. Mrs. the woods and waited for the Gunner received the following let- mourners to leave. Then we went in and had a big supper and Manila, Nov. 5.-My dear ma- brought enough into camp for

RUDOLPH Address L, Thirty third infantry, Manila, P. I.

#### Rice Carnival.

Through this representative organizations 'the Merchants' association of Beaumont has covered itself with glory and honor in pulling off its initial public reception, the rice carnival. Conveying the idea at a time which would barely permit the execution of the programme physically, it was launched with a vim and nurtured by willing hands and ready money lent freely by patriotic citizens. Attractions were engaged at short notice and pushed to completion, which does much credit to those who have had the management of the affair. The trades display parade was a gratifying success to both participants and spectators alike. It consisted of handcarriages and buggies containing the beauty and gallantry of the city. And especially interesting was that occupied by the queen of the carnival, Miss Di McFadden, a Beaumont young lady born and bred. She graced the throne she occupied with a charm that it would be difficult to surpass.

There was a successful baloon ascension and a parachute jump, which was witnessed by several thousand people. At night there was an exhibition of daring bicycle riding on wire, accompanied by fireworks display, on Crockett

At the auditorium Miss Di Mc-Fadden was crowned queen of the carnival, from where she journeyed to the opera-house and opened

#### Efforts to Raise the Clifton.

It may be interesting to older inhabitants of Texas, and particularly those who are conversant with the history of the battle of Sabine Pass, in which Dick Dowling and his company took such a leading part, to know that parties are preparing to aise the old federal gunboat Clifton, which was sunk at the mouth of the pass by Dowling's company. It is the purpose of the men to raise or drag the Clifton to shallow water in order to get the brass and copper which is said to be on the at a place called La Loma. The coming into camp for something boat. Brass and copper have increased in value to such an extent lately as to make the investment paying. There are, it is Everybody was good and tired different experiences, but neither said, some brass cannon on the when we arrived, for we have to paper nor time will permit. We Clifton, and if it is true they will carry 200 rounds of ammunition, are going to pull out this evening, probably have a historical value far in excess of their intrinsic value, and those interested in extra clothing. I have not got from here, under the protection such matters may make an effort any more now, for I threw it all of the warships. All the clothes to preseve what relics may be

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OUR SMALL PROFIT SYSTEM HAS WORKED SPLENDIDLY AND WE ARE ENTIRELY SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS.

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#### CLOTHING! CLOTHING!

It seems almost impossible that our low prices on clothing can be made any lower, but such will be the case for the next 39 days. We will sacrifice profits to clean out all ODDS and ENDS that have accumulate I after a season's fast selling in

All wool Biack Clay Worsted suits, absolutely fast color, lined with mercerized silk at \$6.50 worth 10.00 All wool grey and brown Cassimere su ts at \$1.50 ".
Our \$15 line of suits will go at Our \$12.50 line of suits will go at

We have others as low as Brays Brand Doeskin Jeans parts at All wool Cassimere pants in neat colors at Boys all wool Jersey suits at Boys vestee suits at

75c worth 1.25 | cure the pick. 1.25 worth 2.00 1.75 worth 2.50

#### DRUMMER'S SAMPLES.

\$10.00 reputable manufacturer at a big discount and will put them on for the next 30 days at \$1.75, positively as good as any \$3.60 sale as long as they last at WHOLESALE PRICES. We have shoe on the market.

2 75 only a limited amount and would suggest an early call to

#### SHOES! SHOES!

We need no introduction on this particular line. Suffice is to say that we guarantee all our shoes to the wearer. We still Comprising ladies' silk, corduroy and satin waists, suits, have a complete line of the "Rough on stocks" shoes for lawrappers, petticonts, skirts, ties, stockinet collars and f-ney
8.00 fronts. We have just purchased the entire sample line of a ular "Trilby" shoes for women for fine wear will be on sale

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#### A FRIENDLY TALK.

As we will enter upon the duties of a New Year before the next issue of The Leader, we want to make an earnest appeal to those who are behind on subscription to either come in or send us the amount due on subscription.

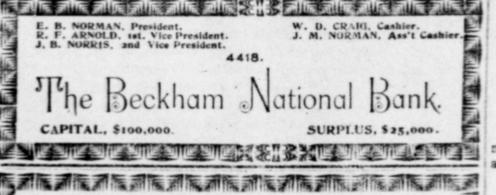
Within the last 60 days the price of paper has gone up, which greatly increases our running expenses, and as many are behind on subscription from one five years, our business could be put in considerably better shape by these little amounts being settled up. We have a large subscription list and every paper that goes out of the office costs money in advance. Can you not make a little sacrifice and pay us at least a portion of what you owe? We are sure we don't want to be hard on any one, but it takes lots of labor and money to run a paper, and if all the little amounts due us by our subscribers were handed in right away, you don't know how happy we would feel.

Let us get as near the cash system as possible, and let every man whose time is just out, as weil as those who are behind, come right along and pay us a dollar in advance; it wont hurt you, and we are sure it wont hurt us, and in addition we will promise to give you a better paper than ever the coming year i' vou will just do your part.

We will keep an honor roll from January 1st and publish every man or woman's name who pays us each week; now let's atorial contest in Tennessee, and not have the list too short.

Who will be the first to make the editor's heart palpitate with ivy on the dawning of the glad New Year?

who was visiting the prisoners; mus c, entirled, "The God of "how your poor wife must weep Abraham Praise," and the reas she thinks of you here." sponse, "Incline thine ear." "Which one, ma'am?" askedt a This interesting journal is pubconvict addressed: "I'm up for lished by the B. F. Wood Music higamy.



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all over Texas.

The wife of Attorney General Thos. S. Smith died at St. Louis the 24th inst

A special session of the Texas legislature has been called to job. convene January 23rd, 1900.

As the biennial pie hunter poppeth up the printer's purse groweth more plethoric.

The whole nation mourns over the death of the world's greatest divine, Rev. Dwight L. Moody.

The recent local option election in Granbury in which the town went wet shows that the devil is still abroad in the land.

There is going to be a hot sen-Gov. McMillin may decide not to go near the fire.

We have received a copy of "The Choir Journal" published at Boston, Mass., containing two "Ah!" said the good old lady new and popular hymns with Co., Boston, Mass.

Candidates are cropping out | Daniel S. Ford, owner of the Youth's Companion, died Dec. 24th at the advanced age of 77

> The negro recently arrested at Wortham, Texas, with 10 razors and 5 revolvers on his person our present was perhaps a barber hunting a

We have received a beautiful and artistically printed 1900 calendar from H. N. Frost, lumber dealer of Mineral Wells, for which he has our thanks.

The Jeffersonian has a new manager, Mr. Fred B. Fildes. who is an experienced newspaper man, and he will no doubt make the Jeffersonian hum with a business push while at the helm. Good luck to you, boys.

The Hall County Herald of Dec. 22nd comes to us donned in a brilliant dress of many hues, it being a special edition in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the town of Memphis, with an exhaustive write up of the resources of Hall county.

The state has filed two suits against J F. McGuire, late superintendent of the state reformatory, and his bondsmen for sums aggregating \$20,199.85. alleging that said money was collected by him and not turned Try us on Job Work. in to the treasury.

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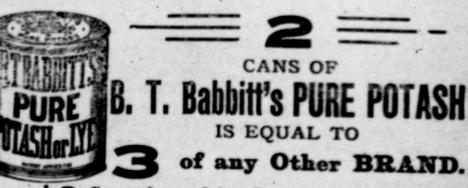
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#### LOCAL NEWS.

School will open Tuesday, January 2.

Misses Clara and Lee Blakev are visiting Hive. in the city.

Miss Louise Lamar visited Finis this week. sojourners in the city. E. H. Wade came in from Jacksboro

L C. Adams of Jackeboro, is in the city

For pork, sausage and beef,

call on Jones & Son. Miss Thirzs Patterson came in Friday of tast week to spend a few days with friends.

tomorrow at the court house.

to take his sons out home to spend Xmas.

Fresh lard at Jones & Son's! meat market.

Lee Rickman, of Ft. Worth, is visiting his pure to here this week.

Mrs. Lobbins, of Ft. Worth, is visiting r latives here this week.

Milligan Lamons, of the Farmer Courier

Leader a friendly visit. Does it pay? Yes, because in case Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to cure or give

satisfaction the purchase money is refunded. Try , bettle. Akin & Matthews. Prof. G. A. Timmons is in from the north part of the county where he has been

teaching, to s end the holidays at home. Bu kache, sprai s, bruises, cuts. r'euma-tism spedity cured by using Hunt's Light-coug Oil, failing, money refunded. Akin &

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Constipution leads to liver trouble, and the disorder. Try it Sold by C. G. King. Miss Emms LeGrand, who has been alone. Benjamin Reporter. tesching near Bowie, came in last Saturda; to and Cari tas at home.

other \$1 bottles, and money refunded if Dr. satisfaction. Try it; costs nothing it not their line. satisfied. Akin & Matthews.

h. Fdays at home.

One cent a dose is all we ask for Dr. Simmous' Cough Syrup, and we are pledg. get immediate relief. Akin . Matthews.

Mrs. Harmonson and family went out to Indian Mound Wednesday afternoon to as oyster supper at the "Woodmen hall spend a few days with Geo. A cComas Wednesday night. and family.

continual scratcher is worse Better imi-tate a mole than a ben. Hunt's Cure will dry gooods. do up the worst case of itch, tetter, and ringworms, itching piles, Eczema known. Price 50c. Akin & Matthews.

Zuck Timmsons, who has been attending Baylor University at Waco, came in last

Purify the sewers of the boly and stimulate the digestive organs to maintain health, strength and energy. Prickly Ash Bitters is a tonic for the kidneys, liver, stomach and bowels. For sale by C. G.

Miss Ella Ostman, of Farmer, is visiting relatives and friends in Graham this week. Miss Chatman is teaching a most successful ward satisfactory school near Round Timbers. She carries a first grade certificate, and this being her first school, we are glad to note her deserved success.

A system regulator is a medicine that strengthens and stimulates the liver, kidneys, stomsch and bowels. Prickly Ash Bitters is a superior system regulator. It Prives out all unhealthy conditions, promotes activity of body and brain, restores good appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits, Sold by C. G. King.

Flder Z. H. Rengan and family arrived rena Borque county on Christmus day. They will become permanent citizens of Graham, and Mr. Reagan will immediately begin h s labors as missionary of Macedonia association.

The Health-Restorer and Health Maintainer, Dr. M. A. Simmons 4 Liver Medicine Strengthene the Nerves, makes you Plump and Comely, and Emithes the complex on with nature's choicest colors. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

per at their hall tonight.

Pink Timmons and Miss Clara, McBrayer were married last Sunday at South Bend.

county to spend Christmas with homefolks and friends in old Young.

See special 30-days prices of clothing, shoes, etc., at the Bee of the oldest citizens of the town.

Fresh meats and free delivery

to any part of town by Jones & Prof. Geo. E. Mayes has a years subscription

Williams, Maharg, O. T. Catch these winter rains and buy a tank or eistern to hold your water from Hollingsworth The Teacher's Institute meets today and & Dowdle.

Wm. Watson, of Markley, came down Southern left Tuesday for a wack's visit to semi-circumference with their arms at right

Don't fail to read the big ad. of the Bee Hive. They are offering great bargains for the next 30

The young people enjoyed a social at the

force, was in town Saturday and paid the on farm Implements for the next Then followed the vocal solo, "Sleep lit-60 days

Hollingsworth & Dowdle. An enjoyable time was had at the social given by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Butler Tues-

In order not to make invidious distinction we will remark that nearly all, if not all, the teachers whose houses are in Graham, are here this week spending the holdays and some of their cash.

Special attention is called to hear Mr. Kindley recite it. the ad. of the Aynes Dry Goods Miss Alice Wilkinson and teacher gave Tom Timmons, who been teaching at Co., of Jacksboro, in which they the audience a duet which was well render-Thurber Junction, arrived in the city Mon- offer choice of any suit in their ed considering the time of preparation. house for only \$9.95.

torpid liver to Bright's disease. Prickly closed his school for the holidays and gone clear voice, and seemed to be at home with kept in a first-class Grocery. to Wichita, Kansas, to spend Christmas, her recitation. Madam Rumor says he will not return The "Box of Monkeys,"-just why this

Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to give entire money if you need anything in

Elders G. W. Black and Z. H. Reagan Misses Cleo Himiman and Mary Fields, left Thursday morning to attend the Fifth an undesirable lover of the niece, and Mr. Sunday meeting at Throckmorton. The Koy Butler, a very bashful suitor of the Eq. norther kept others from going.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Laver Medicine has greatly benefited others ed to refund the cost price per bottle if it and is reasonably certain to do you fails to do all that is claimed for it. You good Try it! Sold by Akin & good. Try it! Sold by Akin & Matthews.

The Daughters of the Confederacy had

If you appreciate values and

S. B. STREET & Co., Cheapest house in town.

#### Scorched to Death

While sitting around one of Saturday to spend Christmas with the "old | those Airtight Heaters bought of Hollingsworth & Dowille.

#### The Knights of Pythins will give a sup- A Successful Entertainment By Misses Hill and Southern.

On Friday night, Dec. 22, the teachers of the music and elocution classes of the Gra-Frof. Geo. Mayes came in from King ham High School gave an entertainment in the hall over the store of Matthews, Tidwell & Norman. Notwithstanding the many difficulties, the entertainment was pronounced the best ever in this city by many

It is unfortunate that Graham has no public hail for occasions of this sort. The Prof. W. T. Blakely, teacher of the Bog-Misses Bertha and Addie Eddleman and gy school near Proffis, is among the holiday young ladies paid \$5 for the hall, \$5 for a piano and \$8 occupation tax, besides many other expenses for moving seats, stage, etc. An admission fee was charged to pay these expenses.

> The first scene was not on the program, but deserves mention here before an account Leader for L. N. of the printed program.

The curtain managers failed to close the curtains and Messrs. J. N. Johnston and J. C. Butler; two Knights of the rank, with their families on the front, volunteered assistance, and successfully closed the cur-tains. The audience cheefed them vigor-Mrs. J. N. Johnston and Miss Mattie ously, for which these two knights bowed a angles, greatly to the amusement of the au-

The music by Misses Johnston and Southern and "Tommy's Prayer" by Miss Butler r ceive i the closest attention with frequent

The duet, "Anne Polka," by Misses residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dowdle Alice Stewart and Nannie Johnston, and the "Two lover and a life" by Miss CALL ON MATTHEWS, Remember our special discount Sallie Chism were pronounced excellent.

> te baby of mine," by Miss Mildred Jewell; "The charge of the light brigade" by Bananas, Misses Mayzel'e Morrison, Marg'e Butler, Sallie Williams, Ora Mabry, Nannie Johnston, Saliie Mabry, Annie Morrison, Delia Butler, Lou Mabry, Gracie Bullock, Sallie Chism and Maud Webb was rendered perfectly and satisfactory to every one-

Mr. Geo. Kindley recited "Trouble in the Amen Corner." This contains a great Uneeda Biscuit, lessen and it is worth a good sermon to

Prof. G. S. Blount of Munday, has Sallie Mabry. Miss Mabry had a strong, In fact everything ordinarily

is called that no one can say-but it was the ropean lady, both played their parts well.

Miss Alice Stewart gave a pretty piano solo, "Hilarity." Miss Annie Morrison displayed her pretty girlish grace in her rendition of the reci-

tation, "Molly." "Joe's Flowers" was recited very sweetly by pretty little M rgie But er. Then came the lively piano solo, "Dance of the Demons" by Miss Hattie McJimsey, which did credit to both teacher and pupils, and "The Minuette," by little Mayzelle Morrison and Aytchie Chism was recited with artistic grace. Little Georgia Johnston, the A chronic kicker is bad enough, but a low prices we can sell you your tinyest musician Graham ever saw, created Then the closing number, "A love story in pantomime." was given by Miss Sellie of Luke and followed the instruc-Chism and Roy Butler.

The band contributed with their excellent music which added much to the pleasure of the evening.

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Apples, (green), Cocoanuts, (fresh), Cranberries, Oranges,

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> > New Crop Syrup.

Almonds, Grape nut,

Keg Pickles, The next was "Nine Suitors," by Miss And all kinds of Dried Fruit.

#### Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an You'll be surprised at the low witnessed in many long years. Miss Nan- election will be held at the bank- Guiranteed cure for piles witnessed in many long years. Miss Nanprices on clothing. Shoes etc. at the Bee Hive. Go there and save ther \$1 battles, and money refunded if Dr. money if you need anything in learn how the American girls marry the Dukes and Princes of Europe; Miss Delia p. m. Tuesday, January 9th, shape and prepare to put them Butler acted well as guardian aunt to the 1900, to select a Board of Di-

This Dec. 9th, 1899.

#### E. B. NORMAN, Pres.

Do Bables Cry For It? No. They more often die for the want of it. Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup is guar-

In the days of feasting and dinmuch interest when she played with her teacher. Mayzelle Morrison said "Creep ner giving, we wonder how many Mouse," and Misses Mildred Jewell and of our readers have read the 12, Hattie McJimscy played 'The Sleigh Ride." 13 and 14 verses of 14th Chapter tions there laid down?

#### Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite; poisons in the blood backache, nervousness, headache night. and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no n ed to feel like thaf J. W. Gardner, of idaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It on life." Only 50 cents at Akin & Matthews' drug store. Every bottle guaran-

The Christmas trees at the various churches were well attended and old Santa Claus was on hand to make the little folks

#### Piles Cured Without the Knife.

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world-Hamilton-Brown and Selz, Schwab & Co. We have full stock of each. Get our pri- We hope our correspondents ces. S. B. STREET & Co., will not desert us; send us in a Cheapest house in town. letter ness reek.

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> J. E. Simpson is spending the holidays in Mississippi.

> To Stimulate a Sluggish Liver, Banish Billiousness, Disperse Dyspepsia, Prevent Sick and Nervous Headache, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

> Claud Hollingworth is on a visit to relatives in Weatherford.

#### Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg." Then they wanted to cut it off but he cured it with one box of Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

Get your good resolutions in

#### A Keen Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your stomach and liver. Dr. King's New Line Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Akin & Matthews,

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By M. S. Jameson,

"Well, if those fellows are coming not a tremor wholly of surprise either. around to see the old year out they had better show up pretty soon," yawned H. Parker Baxter as he slammed down the cover of a ponderous and gruesome medical book and turned a pair of sleepy eyes to the clock, which was complacently ticking away the last fifteen minutes of '98. No other sounds were to be heard, save the occasional settling of the fire in the grate, for the snow lay deep and soft over the cobble and flagstone outside. The old year, after a stormy life, was dying calmly and beautifully.

To our friend Baxter, one of these unimpassioned, dusty men who never "join in," this ancient ceremony of seeing the old year out appealed but feebly. He used to say of New Years, 'an arbitrarily fixed point in time which has become the inaugural date for good resolutions, to the necessary neglect of all other dates for their formation," but most of his friends thought this simply a speech that he was gratified to make. He was trying hard to pose as a "rising young physician," and was really acting the part to himself, as many an ambitious man will do.

But however this may be, as the seconds ticked along, H. Parker grew more and more drowsy. He settled himself back in the chair, stared at the fire, and blinked. Then his eyelids dropped.

"This will never do," says he, straightening up with a jerk and reaching out to the table for something to read or look at, "I must keep awake a few minutes longer." Chance put a stack of photographs under his hand, and though they were stale enough be began to look them over again-incidentally yielding to the comfort of lying back in the big chair. Some were portraits of his friends at school and college, some were old faded prints that ought to have had romances attached, but which were really very prosaic, even to him. Others bore the brand of the amateur's first attemptthese to be passed by quickly; a few were the products of his own photographic skill at Granite Head last summer-bathers in the surf, the hotel, a clam bake, etc.-all very fair photographs in their way-but hold! here is one that might be studied critically. There is no hurry. It is too late now for the revellers to come. H. Parker shifts to a still more comfortable position and the soft lamp light shines over his shoulder upon as pretty a little picture as you would ask to see.

It is the picture of a dark-haired girl, dressed in a suit of duck. She is standing on a log of driftwood with her hands behind her and her handsome, happy face turned squarely to the camera. In the developing of this picture H. Parker had conceded that more care was required than in ordinary work; he had watched its delicate lines appear with the enthusiasm of a true lover of the chemist's art. With any other passion? Possibly, but that was

past and gone four months ago. The young doctor liked that photograph, somehow. He had examined it time and again until he knew its every detail. It did not grow stale like the others. But tonight there seemed to be a new light upon it, a new tone in the unfocused background of sand and sea, an undefinable change of expression in those brown eyes looking out



STANDING ON A LOG OF DRIFT-

WOOD. of the albumen paper. Our imagination is subject to such unhealthy flutters as this, yet most interesting grew that picture, and H. Parker's eyes and heart were won, if his reason sanc-

tioned not. Preposterous and incredible! The duck skirt began to move slightly, as the enjoyment in being serious. Please if stirred by a breeze from the sea, and let's not be serious, Mr. Baxter." the margins of the picture drew farther and farther apart, until on one side a row of bath houses came into how you deduct your conclusion which

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blue ocean sparkling in the summer sunlight! More than this, H. Parker was conscious of a slight odor of salt in the air, as of seaweed and wet rocks left by the tide. The distant boom of breakers, soft at first, grew louder and nearer. When the girl stepped down from the drift log to the sand before his eyes, the doctor's smile of incredulity suddenly expired. When she looked at him and spoke he felt a tremor in the very marrow of his bones, and

There he was-on the beach with her again; not Baxter of surgical treatises and test-tubes, but the summerclad, sun-tanned devotee of Granite Head, and the very ardent, though unassuming, admirer of Grace Marston. Her first words confused his thoughts, he felt a ghostlike atmosphere about him, but after that the glaring August sun warmed him through, the sea breeze exhilerated him, he was filled with energy and real live happiness.

"Dear me," she was saying, "to think that there is nothing better for you to photograph than a summer girl making a guy of herself on an old log! There go those Sewall girls from the 'Pines;' if you hurry you can catch them to pose in a group for you. I've heard they are great at it."

"At posing, I suppose," he answered. 'No, Miss Marston, I have graduated from the snap-'em-whenever-you-can



THE DOCTOR LIKED THAT PHO-TOGRAPH.

class and have entered the art schoolhence I have chosen you for the pic-

"Ha-ha-ha! I appreciate that," laughed the girl as they began to saunter down toward the cliffs, "but have you considered, Mr. Baxter, the probability of my breaking the plate?"

"What! An angler, too? I shall not humor the weakness in you, still, if you are a summer girl, as your own confession would indicate-

"Pardon me, Mr. Baxter, "you know I like the assertion better when you let me make it."

"Of course. Observe that I advance no statements on the subject myself. I was merely going to say that if you are a summer girl of the approved, newspaper-joke sort, your likeness upon the plate could not fall to produce the effect that it has upon-er-men's hearts, to wit-complete fracture."

"Why, I am surprised at you," said Grace, a faint blush hardly perceptible under the healthy tan which she had found no difficulty in acquiring at Granite Head,

H. Parker studied her face in its mock severity and watched the dainty little hand go up to push back some annoying hair that blew across her eyes. A great wave of admiration for that noble girl rose up in his breastadmiration very unlike that with which he had heard his brilliant classmates proclaim their knowledge. His heart told him, "I love her." Why not let his heart be heard?

They strolled along together to the music of the sea. H. Parker felt that there was melody even in the screaming of the gulls overhead. He wondered why it had never seemed so be-

"Let us sit up there under the big rock," suggested Grace, pointing to the nearest of the cliffs which leaned forward over the sand and made a cosy shelter from the sun. Here the sand was cool, the glare softened and the view of cheap cottages and decrepit bath houses cut off, while the whole stretch of beach on the right lay before them like a broad white highway. Grace sat with her back against the rock, and at her side reclined the doctor, full length upon the sand.

"Are you ever serious, Miss Marston?" quoth he with but a trace of that quality in his own tone. "Sometimes."

"On what rare occasions would it be possible for one to find you in that

"Oh; well, I'm not naturally so, you know, but once in a while when something goes wrong to induce it I get very serious even blue and as I always end by finding out what a silly. useless creature I am, there is very lit-

"Never more light-minded in my life, Miss Marston-never. But tell me view, while on the other the broad, proves you a silly, useless creature. I others and depend on one's self,

am very clever at showing fallacies in reasoning.

"Well, unless because I live a useless life. Just look at my diary for a winter. Just look it through and see if you find anything accomplished, anything improving or worthy. Dances -calls-teas, over and over again. Do you call that sort of thing living? The people I meet day by day there; do I know them, are they friends, do they know me? No, it's all vanity-artificial-a waste of time"

Grace was serious enough now and stared out to sea with a frown upon her brows as dark as any that ever hovered there.

A pause and her companion spoke. "It may be vanity for some, but not for you, Miss Marston. Society furnishes a field for superficial character

to breed and thrive in, but yours is

good and strong and sincere." "I have begun to forget and disregard what it naturally is. I am tired of that life. I love the woods and the sea-the open air and the sense of freedom; freedom to go where I please, be as I want to be, choose companions that I like."

"Then the view of cliffs and breakers is pleasanter than the brilliant ballroom with its music and flowers? That cottage half buried in the pines seems a truer home than many a brown stone front on the avenue?"

"Ah, a thousand times," answered Grace with the frown dying out of her face. His words were slow and earnest, but she seemed not to connect them with the speaker. They put her into a brown study and she fell to examining a handful of sand for garnets. Watching the search, he continued even more quietly than before.

"Would there be happiness for you in a little home such as that cottage, far from town, with all its parties and things, where you would be with real people, where you would be loved and served by real friends?"

Closer scrutiny of the sand. "Would you give up that luxurious life that you have followed for this, and for a fellow whose every energy would be turned to your happinesssuch a fellow, in fact, as I?"

The sand slipped away, and the garnets were lost. "Oh, Grace, Grace, would you-could

Ding, dong-ding, dong-ding, dong; twelve o'clock.

H. Parker Baxter awoke with a great start and looked around astonished. He had seen the New Year come in Au-

#### THE NEW BABY.

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Love They Cannot Tell.

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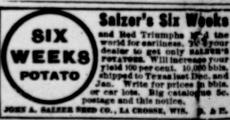
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then concluding with the words, 'a rare performer,' she sailed off with dignified and apparent unconsciousness. The two women looked at each other and leaghed, having grasped the situation. I am Mrs. Smith,' said one, and 'I am Mrs. Brown,' replied the guest of the bouse. 'Poor, dear Mrs. X.! Her memory is not as good as it used to be." People have even been known to forget their own names on occasions, without any other sign of mental trouble, and a case of a young woman the forgot the name of her flancee when asked to introduce him to an acquaintance shows that it is not a failing of old age. It is simply a curious little lapse of memory to which we are all liable.

SCHOOL BOYS

Serve as Barometers of the Weather for

Their Teacher. Philadelphia Inquirer: It looked like rain, and naturally he had on a pair of light shoes and carried no umbrella. a method of making false eyebrows. The car stopped on the far side of Girard avenue and a young lady got in. She bowed, and sat down beside the Saunterer, who recognized in her a languorous lashes, which in time take school teacher friend. "What do you thank of this beastly weather?" queried of the real article. he, disgruntedly. "Is it going to rain, or isn't it?" "I can't tell you today," answered the young lady, smiling an acceptance of whatever might come. "If it were a school day, and you were willing to come to school with me, I pray that "the masters of Eton colcould tell you in a very few minutes with absolute certainty. It'll sound funny to you, but it's true. I have noticed that you can always tell what the weather is going to do by the children. They're regular barometers. If there's going to be a storm they get restless, and I have the hardest kind of work to control them. Particularly the boys. The girls aren't so bad, but there seems to be some mysterious quality about approaching rain that always effects the former. I've got so now I don't blame them, because I don't believe they can help it. So you see," she concluded, as she got off at Chestnut street, "children have their uses, after

On Bacteria.

Dr. Newman, in his recently published volume of the Progressive Sci-Ance series, gives a popular statement of the present state of our knowledge of bacteria, especially as they are related to the economy of nature, to industrial processes, and to the popular health. In discussing the biological treatment of sewage he states that the cultivation beds have an injurious effect upon infective bacteria, and hence the final effluent is practically free from disease germs. He also describes Shattock's experiments, which show that sewer air does not necessarily increase the virulence of the lowly virulent bacilli of diphtheria. The sewer siz, however, by depressing the vitality of the individual, may allow lowly vrulent bacilli already present of a woman; on Tresday, if in early lence. Dr. Newman says that though sheep and corn the farmer may reckon gerous minerals. milk, yet it can exist and thrive in that be murdered; on Saturday, a great Dompany, Atlanta, Georgia.

OF INTEREST TO LABOR.

Plumbers and steam-fitters have perfected organizations in Philadel-

The labor party of New South Wales

Berlin women shirtmakers receive only thirty cents a dozen for making

Philadelphia upholsterers have arranged a uniform wage scale for all the

Nearly all the glassworkers in Richmond, Va., have gone into the union formed in that city recently.

Shirt factories in Delaware report the busiest season in their history, with a shortage in operatives.

Branch offices of the American League for Social Service have been opened in London and Edinburgh. Proceeds from a street fair given by

the unions of Syracuse, N. Y., will go toward building a temple of labor the work on the streets and on the The last election at Rochester, N. Y.,

showed a gain of 30 per cent in the

Socialistic Labor vote as compared with former elections. Philanthropists at Toledo, O., will build a home for workingmen, and have asked for committees represent-

ing various crafts to co-operate. The report of the New York Charity Organization society for the year ending June 30, just issued, shows a large decrease in people reported out of

Railway men at Birmingham, England, have begun a struggle for the shortening of the present twelve-hour day and seven days a week term of

Sixty-six mining companies at Johannesburg, South Africa, have suspended operations on account of the war, and as a result many families are own dollars.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Great Salt lake is receding on account of the excessive drain made upon it by irrigation enterprises. This lake is not fed by underground springs, but by the Jordan and other rivers, and the waters of these streams are intercepted for irrigation purposes.

More than 25,000 persons were killed by wild animals and snakes in India last year. Nearly a thousand deaths are ascribed to tigers, and a large number to man-eating wolves. Lord Curzon has directed that special measures be taken to exterminate these particular pests.

French scientists have discovered With a needle threaded with hair the doctor will now sew on anybody's bald eyelids the most beautifully long and root and grow to have the appearance

An English society has improved on the S. P. C. A. It calls itself the "Society of United Prayer for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals." and in a recent circular urges members to lege may no longer countenance cruelty among their pupils."

A German expedition led by the German consul-general at Constantinople, Herr Stemrich, is surveying a route for an extension of the Anatolian railway to Bagdad on the Euphrates. The estimated cost of such a road is \$100,-000,000 and the time required for building it six to eight years.

The Militare Zeitung states that The Militare Zeitung states that there are at present in America over 100,000 men who fled to this country from Austro-Hungary to escape confrom Austro-Hungary to escape conscription, and who should be in the Austro-Hungary army of reserves. On one occasion, at the mobilization of a body of reserves, only 1,500 men out of 5,000 appeared.

ODD WEATHER SIGNS.

A gale moderating at sunset will increase before midnight, but if it moderates after midnight the weather will

There is an old saying-which originated, perhaps, for the benefit of school children-that there is only one Saturday in the year without sun during some portions of the day.

Friday's weather shows what may be expected on the following Sunday; that is, if it rains on Friday noon it will rain on Sunday, but if Friday be

clear then Sunday will be fine as well. Thunder on Sunday is considered by the weatherwise the sign of the death of a great man; on Monday, the death pactitiones and great mortality

Philadelphia's Long Timers

Of the city of Philadelphia it is said that it has had a larger number of con-gressmen of extended periods of concutive service than any other locality in the country. It is pointed out that holds the balance of political forces Congressmen Kelley and O'Neil each served twenty-nine years, Congressman Randall twenty-seven and Congresman Harmer twenty-six. One of the present congressmen, General Bingham has a record of ten terms or twenty years of consecutive service. General Bingham is a native of Philadelphia, and it is a peculiarity of Philadelphia congressmen that they are, usually, natives of that city. An exception is William McAleer, the representative of the Third district. He is a Democratic and a native of County Tyrone, Ireland.

The progress of the construction work at La Porte, Texas, the future great deep-water shipping point at the head of navigation on Galveston Bay on the Gulf of Mexico, is progressing favorably. The wharves and switching tracks are nearing completion and sewerage and water systems is now under way. Mr. I. R. Holmes, the general manager of the La Porte Improvement Company and the La Porte Wharf and Channel Company, is personally superintending "he implovements. Mr. Holmes makes his head-quarters of the Sylvan Hotel and visitors to orte during the next six works and before the time of the first general La Porte sale, which will be held in February, 1999, should introduce themselves to Mr. Holmes and allow him to extend to them facilities for getting a thorough understanding of the conditions surrounding the La Porte enterprises.

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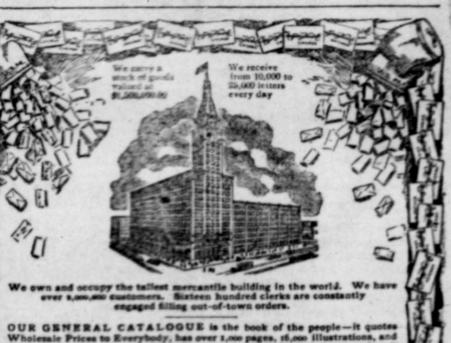
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