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**ASSORTMENT**  
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 100 barrels Ditto.

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**The Yellow Fever at Shreveport.**  
 The age of 855 persons who died  
 in Shreveport, La., of yellow fever,  
 during the recent epidemic, have  
 been ascertained. The Shreveport  
 Telegram makes the following re-  
 ference to them: Of these 855 died  
 under ten years of age, 94 were be-  
 tween ten and twenty, 156 were be-  
 tween twenty and thirty, 134 were  
 between thirty and forty, 59 were  
 between forty and fifty, 29 were be-  
 tween fifty and sixty, 13 were above  
 sixty. It will be observed that the  
 greatest mortality occurs between  
 the ages of twenty and thirty years,  
 and the next greatest from thirty  
 to forty, the period of life when the  
 human system ordinarily has most  
 capacity to resist disease. We must  
 presume that there are more chil-  
 dren in the city under ten years of  
 age than adults between twenty  
 and thirty, and certainly more than  
 between thirty and forty, and yet  
 we see that the victims are more  
 than half as many again between  
 twenty and thirty years of age as  
 there are under ten, or from ten to  
 twenty, and nearly the same ratio  
 holds as to those who died between  
 thirty and forty as to those who  
 died under ten years, and from ten  
 to twenty. How is this comparative  
 exemption of the children and  
 youths under twenty years to be ex-  
 plained? Why has the greatest  
 mortality fallen upon those who  
 were in the prime and vigor of life?

**Beware of profanity.** The Bos-  
 ton man who was "cursing" an editor  
 the other day fell dead on the spot,  
 and other cases of the same  
 sort are reported. In Colorado, how-  
 ever, no man fell dead while  
 using vigorous expressions at an  
 editor. As soon as the visitor be-  
 gins to manifest preliminary symp-  
 toms of that sort of thing the Colo-  
 rado editor quietly shoots him be-  
 hind the swinging gates.

**The House, after a lively session,**  
 passed a bill fixing the Congressional  
 salary at \$6,000 a year and actual  
 traveling expenses to and from  
 Washington. This is smaller pay  
 than before the bill of last session  
 was passed. It was then \$5,000,  
 and forty cents a mile, per annum.

**It is worth noting that the three**  
 most contrary of the day are  
 American women; Miss Phillips,  
 Miss Cary and Miss Stealing are  
 without rivals on any stage, and  
 they may very likely lead to the  
 adoption of American stage names  
 by contralto singers of foreign  
 birth.



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**LIVER MEDICINE** has proved to be  
 Great Unfailing Specific  
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**THE PREPARED.**  
 LIVER MEDICINE  
 ONE DOLLAR BOTTLES  
 Buy no Pseudo or PREPARED SIM-  
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 our original wrapper, with Trade mark,  
 Stamp and Signature unbroken. None  
 other is genuine.

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**FLOUR**  
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**GROCERIES**  
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 following articles, to which he invites the  
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 Coffee,  
 Lard,  
 Hams,  
 Bacon,  
 Breakfast Bacon,  
 Claret Wines, in casks or bottles,  
 Sherry Wine, " " " "  
 Whiskies, " " " "  
 LIQUORS, &c., &c.  
 SEGARS, SEGARS,  
 Smoking & Chewing Tobacco,  
 CANNED MEATS,  
 Vegetables and Fruits,  
 PICKLES and SOURCROUT,  
 Salt and Spices,  
 Brandy, Peaches and Cherries in glass,  
 PEACHES,  
 PEARS,  
 PLUMS,  
 PINEAPPLES  
 and other Fruits in Syrup.  
 BY receiving frequent supplies he en-  
 deavors to keep on hand  
 A GENERAL STOCK OF  
**GROCERIES**  
 ALWAYS FRESH,  
 which he offers at  
 MODERATE PRICES.  
 FLOUR. As in his bakery establish-  
 ment he uses large quantities of flour, he  
 has always on hand a large stock of the  
 best brands.  
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**CANDIES.**  
 200 Cases Stick Candy  
 2000 lbs. mixed  
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 2000 " Gum Drops  
 2000 " Arabian Drops  
 2000 " Chocolate Cream Drops  
 1000 " Licorice Drops  
 1000 " Conversation Hearts  
 500 " Almonds Convi. Hearts  
 500 " Mint Drops  
 1500 doz. Prize Candies.

**WAGNER & RUMMEL.**  
 For sale very cheap by the  
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**On Hand and to Arrive!**  
 250 Bbls. & BOXES OF ST. LOUIS  
 BEER of Anheuser & Co's  
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 250 Bbls. ST. LOUIS FLOUR,  
 choice brand.  
 250 SACKS DALLAS FLOUR  
 4000 POUNDS FANCY CANDIES

**EAGLE BITTERS.**  
 GENUINE FRESH SWISS  
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 FRESH TURKISH PRUNES,  
 fresh Canned Goods and fruits of  
 all kinds and description etc., etc.  
 For sale cheap by  
**HUGO & SCHMELZER.**  
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**A. BOYD DOREMUS, D. D. S.,**  
 Graduate of Baltimore College Dental Surgeon.

**BAR-ROOM.**  
**EDWARD KURKA,**  
 Having returned from Paris to this city  
 at his old home, solicits the patronage of the  
 public as  
 Sign and Ornamental Painter  
 and Paper Hanger,  
 in which latter branch of business, he has  
 a preparation, which he applies and  
 which never has been known to fail, so that  
 no work will ever get behind the industry  
 of the wall.  
 All work promptly and neatly done,  
 charges moderate.  
 25-4-73-dly

**BAR-ROOM.**  
 At the old stand, Commerce street, where  
 the latest drinks, gotten up in the best  
 style, are obtainable at all times.  
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THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1874

CHRISTMAS

To day is Christmas. Santa Claus the great friend of all children, has arrived. On the Atlantic ocean the Christmas tree is flaming with millions of lights, and millions of bright eyes are gazing at the unusual and brilliant spectacle. Hours of the parent joy are spent, and how happy they are, they will remain happy recollections through life. Often our thoughts wander back to the first excitement of the youthful heart palpitating louder than usual at the sight of the Christmas tree; often do we remember the only perfect happiness we ever enjoyed, that happiness unmingled with sorrow.

The late Lord Westbury, Ex-Chancellor of England, made his own will and actually omitted naming executors. It has further become known that he overlooked for a long time the simple fact in English law that his second marriage invalidated a will previously made.

This total debt of Prussia, at the end of this year, will be \$349,125,333; being \$79,936,598 less than it was at the end of last year. Of this debt, \$149,934,385 are invested in railroads, so that the actual debt will be only \$199,221,948, an average of \$8 for each of the inhabitants.

FOREIGN NEWS. BERLIN, Dec. 22. - Wilhelm has had a slight attack of apoplexy, and much uneasiness exists.

DOMESTIC NEWS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. - It has been known for some time that the Spanish government has submitted evidences with regard to the Virginia, and her no claim to carry the flag of the United States; and that the President had submitted this evidence to the Attorney General for his opinion thereon. It seems to be understood in official circles that the Attorney General has given the opinion that the vessel had forfeited the right to bear the flag of the United States, and that at the time of her capture she was carrying in violation of the neutrality laws.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. - As the Virginia case is now understood, we believe the flag will be retained on Christmas day. Our only satisfaction will be a formal disavowal from Spain of any intention to interfere with our rights. The United States will proceed against the Virginia, and all connected with her, for a violation of the neutrality laws. It is claimed by Spain that the papers upon which the Virginia sailed were obtained by perjury.

fracter-taken a white man, two white dogs. But happily disturbance was simply brought all at dog, and one of his back broken, the were picked up and off in the police ambulance, he whole affair created no perceptible excitement.

CHAPTER 3. The following is the order in which the procession went around the corner of Avenue C and 1st street.

1st. THE BAND. This was the dog. 2nd. THE BAND. consisting of a mixed assortment of different-toned dogs, making music with their mouths.

3rd. THE BAND. his left arm pointing at the dog, as if in scorn, his legs revolving with such rapidity that he could not keep a velocity, his right hand protecting his rear elevation against the dog's snout. who was sitting on a bench, and his dog with his mouth open, and his eyes fixed on the dog, as if he were about to spring on him. The dog was making good time at the sacrifice of much dignity and perspiration.

FROM TO-DAY - TILL - JANUARY 1ST 1874 - 1874. We sell our excellent Ruedenheim RHEINE WINE. \$1.75 per Gall. Wagner & Kummel.

H. GRENET'S CHRISTMAS GOODS. HAVE ARRIVED AT LAST.

ON EXHIBITION FROM TO-MORROW. DECEMBER 17th.

Julius Berends. BOOKS, STATIONERY AND Fancy Goods. AT LOUIS ZOEK'S BUILDING.

Harnisch & Baer, CONFECTIONERS. Offer to the public for the coming holidays these large and well selected assortment of Confitures FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE. ALSO: CAKES AND CANDIES OF ALL KINDS.

GRAND CHRISTMAS EXHIBITION - AT - PENTENRIEDER & CO. Reduced and fixed Prices.

HARMONIA HALL. A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! We come with songs to greet you. Raynor's Minstrels

ALAMO MILLS. On the east bank of the San Antonio River, about 500 yards north of Alamo Plaza. The Highest Market Price Paid For Corn. MEAL EXCHANGED FOR CORN. We are manufacturing HORSE FEED from Corn, Cob and Shuck combined; also the best of All Feed For Cows, being the above with cotton seed ground in.

A CARD TO FARMERS. The undersigned has perfected arrangements with the Manufacturers of Cultivators, adding only cost of transportation. Our price list for this season is as follows: Cast Plow No. 1 \$6.00 Steel Plow (Star) \$6.50 Black Land Steel Plow pony 10.00

Combined Standard Turning - Sweep - Shovel and Bull-tongue plow which we offer at \$15.00 for all.

BAVARIAN BREWERY. ANHEUSER & Co. ST. LOUIS LAGER BEER IN BOTTLES. The Blue Ribbon. At the Missouri State Fair.

NOTICE. JAMES TRAINER of Fort Concho on the 6th of October, made an assignment to me of all his assets, for the benefit of his creditors. I am authorized to settle only with me or by my authority, and those in possession of any portion of his property are notified to come to me for the same. Frank E. Conrad, Fort Concho, Texas agent. Obit will be saved by prompt settlement.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE 1874. GRAND EXHIBITION OF Toys, Toys, Toys, Toys. Opened at LEWIS & SON, Market Street, San Antonio.

NEW JEWELRY STORE. PHILIP WOLFINGER. Manufacturer and dealer in all kinds of Jewels and Watches. respectfully informs the public that he has opened a first class Jewelry store at 61 COMMERCE STREET opposite Mr. Zoek's, with a full assortment of the latest styles, mostly his own Manufacture.

MASKS! MASKS! 500 Dozen Masks. and a large assortment of gilt and silk. Laces, Fringes etc. etc., just arrived by PENTENRIEDER & CO. Holiday Festivities. THE Alamo Literary Society will have a Festival at their new hall on Houston street on the evening of the 25th, 27th and 29th inst. The entertainment will be opened with a musical Concert on Friday evening to be followed up by tableaux, comic songs, reading, dialogues etc., and closed with a Ball on the Monday evening following.

GRAND MASONIC BALL. There will be a Grand Ball and Supper given by the members of Alamo Lodge on Friday evening the 26th inst at the Menger Hotel, for the purpose of celebrating St. John's day. All Masons, members of Lodges, are fraternally invited to attend. A limited number of tickets will be sold on application to any one of the Committee.

Raynor's Minstrels. Will give a series of their unique and fashionable entertainments at the above named Hall on Christmas eve and every evening until January 2nd; the performance to consist of Songs, Duets, Banjo and Guitar Solos, Burlesques, Extravaganzas, and to conclude each eve with a LUGHBLE PANTOMIME.

Democracy the best form of government. The last number of the Washington Standard, which editor has been a life-long Democrat, republishes the Democrats' nomination of Fernando Wood for Speaker in the following language: "What is the best form of government? Democracy, is so utterly corrupt and contemptible, that no honorable man, in whose breast still glows even a spark of the old true Democratic fire, would have anything to do with it."

THE bully butcher boy, the claimant in the Tichborne case, is in trouble again, and very serious trouble. The Norwegian sailor boy Luie who swore he was one of the crew of the brig Osprey, and told that pathetic story about picking up Tichborne and his half-famished companions in an open boat off the coast of Brazil, and who described sundry strawberry marks on the person of the claimant, and whose testimony was regarded as decisive of the issue of identity, has collapsed. Luie turns out to be a ticket-of-leave man the foreign dispatches say that he is now in a fair way of having his term of penal servitude renewed and lengthened. On Tuesday he was brought up at Bow street. When asked if he had anything to say before the revocation of his license, he replied that he was sorry for what had happened, but he was invited and encouraged to do as he did. He declined to say anything further. Luie was then removed to the convict prison at Pentonville, to serve out the unexpired portion of his sentence, after which he will be tried for perjury.

SOMEbody is ill-bred enough out West to contest the right of a Miss Maury, a half-breed, to a fortune of a couple of millions, because her parents were married Indian fashion, and not United States fashion.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS. The Texas boy has one plighting that other boys are not informed about, and which is the neighbor's fish line or section of his mother's clothes line - new clotheslines are generally preferred. After a little practice there is nothing that boy won't rope from a respectable elderly lady with a waterfall to the lighted kerosene lamp on the mantelpiece. Why, I know a boy that can rope peaches over a ten foot fence with a hand in some particular, hidebound families the lazo is looked on with suspicion and coldness as a Sunday toy. It is too suggestive, perhaps, of profanity and politeness and other alleviations of human misery. It was thus in the family circle of Mr. Skeeses, who lives on 4th Street.

Chapter 1st. It was the pet project of old man Skeeses to raise his boy John for the ministry. John, however, seemed more to incline to roping in cattle rather than men. But he had a good heart nevertheless. He would neglect his catechism, even on a Sunday morning, to help some poor little neglected boy ride a burro, or go fishing. But last Saturday he experienced a change of heart. He roped a strange yellow dog, and his experiences on that occasion have transformed him into a pensive youth. He wants to go and preach the gospel to the heathen. How this was brought about we shall reserve for another chapter.

Chapter 2nd. The animal was a large yellow one with a daggled coat of countenance. Johnny roped him on the first throw and was desirous with joy. He will never smile again until he is big enough to be admitted into a barroom. At first the dog did not say much, but when Johnny pulled the line and said, "Come here, old fellow," he obeyed with such affectionate alacrity that Mrs. Skeeses says unless she can find cloth to match his pants she will have to put him in coats next time he wears them to church. The dog did not seem to like the taste of Johnny and trotted off. Johnny came down from the fence he couldn't get over in time, and followed him; although he must have been convinced that the dog was an improper companion for a boy who had been as well raised as Johnny had. Perhaps it was the line that Johnny had tied in a hard knot to his wrist that seduced him from the happy home of his childhood, without even bidding good bye to his little brothers and sisters, or to his fond mother, who was at that very time talking scandal with a neighbor over the

Vertical text on the far right edge of the page, including names like 'L. TRICK row.', 'WE in of an in which is Decemb', 'CALL latest st', 'DON'T to-night wish, boards', 'ager w the ente able Pa', 'The Country conceit almost, and ap has cou', 'We u talented his back ly diol no serio cause of an attc outdo to tempt of the f', 'PAN did as order.', 'We Scheid & Co.,', 'senative Weller', 'What I him th the ex manuf Americ', 'Tix is into Rodrig House on his State, clineg', 'to con doing th', 'ground tious the of the cl this n', 'PAN best all her ill shirts just re', 'of an could', 'seems either walks questi sine it are pe They and h and so has to blew against rocks and a chart a vie syste we tu dang hand for it wall the e shau have', 'EJ Chri able then origi ever anyl of th men the', 'Can test disti dretay', 'In call BA the; best and pig; ensa con larg owi fit;', 'I kee ing bra ha; also upj sho to. els'

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**LOCAL AFFAIRS.**

There will be no paper issued to-morrow.

We thankfully acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to the grand Masonic ball which is to come off on Friday the 26th of December.

CALL on PANGOST & SON to see the latest style of hats, just received.

DO NOT FORGET that Harmonia Hall will to-night be the scene of hilarity and merriment. Mayor's Ministers occupy the boards and from his reputation as a manager we must look for a perfect success. The entertainment concludes with a laughable Fantomus.

The weather is cold and unpleasant. Country roads are bad and receipts are consequently diminished. The market is almost overstocked with Christmas trees and apples. This speciality of our trade has come to an end with the present day.

We understand that N. O. Green, our talented District Attorney, has not injured his backbone, nor his spinal cord, but only dislocated his collar-bone. As this is no serious injury, we can afford to tell the cause of the unlucky accident, which was an attempt of our District Attorney to outdo the tilters in jumping, in which attempt he failed to the great satisfaction of the four legged object jumped at.

PANGOST & SON have received a splendid assortment of goods to make up to order.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Scheidemaeter of the firm of Pennington & Co., who has just returned from an extensive journey through the Northern and Western States, in the interest of the Great Western Company. We learn from him that the company has disposed of all the extensive land and is now going to manufacture large quantities for the American market.

The integrity of the Texas Democracy is astonishing. In the ex-parte trial of Rodriguez, the Houston repeater, the Houston Attorney Spencer, was appointed, on his application, prosecutor for the State, Alexander, Attorney General, declining to act. Now it appears to us that it would have been Mr. Spencer's imperative duty to have proper means in order to convict the criminal, but instead of doing so, he enters a nolle prosequi, moving that the prisoner be set free, on the ground that the case of Rodriguez is a fictitious one, thereby attempting to dodge the question of the constitutionality of the election law. The Court has taken this matter into consideration.

PANGOST & SON have certainly the best assortment of scarfs and ties, the very best kid and dogskin gloves, and fine white shirts to be found in the City. The stock just received.

We have frequently held the attention of our city authorities to the miserable condition of our sidewalks, but there seems to be no change for the better, either in our city fathers, or in our sidewalks. The sidewalks of this city are as questionable the worst of any city of its size in America, and in wet weather they are positively dangerous to life and limb. They vary at different points in breadth and height, in material and workmanship; at some places the obstreperous pedestrian has to climb up a hill, at others he tumbles down as abrupt precipice, at others again he finds his feet entangled in loose rocks, and if he makes his way home safe and sound he is a lucky man. Our last charter was, we understand, framed with a view to provide the city with a uniform system of sidewalks. The only uniformity we have so far discovered in their general dangerousness. Our City Council, whose hands are heavy in appropriating the fund for improvements, dare not order the sidewalks to be improved by assessment, as the charter provides. Their condition is a shame to the city and an insult to all who have to go on foot.

See notice of arrival of H. Grenet's Christmas goods. Owing to the unavoidable delay that has occurred in receiving them, there will be NO GRAND DISPLAY as originally intended. We are satisfied, however, that his customers will not have lost anything by waiting, as the near approach of the holidays will be an extra inducement for him to mark down his goods to the lowest figure.

**Mechanical Tinkering**  
Cannot arrest the decomposition of the teeth. Nothing will do this but that pure disinfectant and preservative which, under the name of SOSPONET, has become a staple of the toilet throughout the world.

If you want a pair of real good French calf skin boots or shoes, go to MANDELBAUM & RILLING, 60 Commerce St. They will make them for you out of the best French calf skin at shortest notice and fully warrant their work. They employ now 14 workmen, and are therefore enabled to fill orders quicker than their competitors. They also keep on hand a large stock of boots and shoes of their own make and are certain that they can fit and satisfy everybody. [25-9-d-w-3m]

Messrs. MANDELBAUM & RILLING keep the largest stock of leather and findings in the State, they only keep such brands of French and German calf skin as have already gained a reputation; they also manufacture boot, gaiter & shoe-uppers of all kinds and styles. Merchants, shoemakers and saddlers would do well to examine their stock before buying elsewhere. [25-9-d-w-3m]

E. WILSON, (Postmaster Columbus).— We were informed that this embelizer of the United States mail at Columbus was this evening recognized and taken prisoner by our able detective Lyons.

**CHAPPED HANDS,** face, rough skin, pimples, ringworm, salt rheum and other cutaneous affections cured, and the skin made soft and smooth, by using the JUNIPER TAR SOAP made by Cassens, Barnard & Co., New York. Be certain to get the Juniper Tar Soap, as there are many imitations made with common tar which are worthless. 4w

**The Cookroom of the Body.**  
The food that has been cooked in the kitchen must be re-cooked in the stomach before it can be applied to the nourishment of the body. As a means of facilitating this second cooking, in cases where the process is slowly and imperfectly performed, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is invaluable. It promotes the generation of heat in the living laboratory in which the crude materials for building up and re-cooking the human frame are turned into convertible aliment. But this is not all. It acts beneficially upon the cellular membrane which secretes the gastric juice, upon the liver, which produces that natural laxative, the bile, upon the vessels which receive the digested food, and upon the absorbents which connect the digestive organs with the channels of circulation. If any portion of this complex machinery is out of order the Bitters will set it right, thus promoting vigorous digestion, healthy secretion and the production of pure, rich, life-sustaining blood.

LET the banana and orange-eating urchin and the juvenile nut-cracker of the country be glad and rejoice. By a recent decision of the Secretary of the Treasury, no duties are henceforth to be charged on importations of tropical fruits. The New York Tribune says that he bases his decision on section 5 of the act of June 6, 1872, providing that on and after August 1, 1872, certain articles should be placed on the free list, among other fruits, plants, tropical and semi-tropical, for the purpose of propagation or cultivation. The peculiar phraseology led the Customs officials to hold that only those fruits and plants which were "imported for propagation or cultivation" were included. Under this ruling, duties have been paid on oranges, lemons, limes, grapes of all kinds, figs, prunes, bananas, and other fruits. Many of the importers paid the duty under protest. Those who are entitled to recover duties on these articles paid by them since August 1, 1872. Those who have not entered protests can not recover, as the law requires all persons who may be dissatisfied with the decision of the Collector of Customs at the port where the goods are entered, to give notice in writing to the Collector, on such entry, setting forth specifically the grounds of objection thereto, and within thirty days after the date of such assessment and liquidation; to appeal therefrom to the Secretary of the Treasury, whose judgment shall be final and conclusive; and within ninety days after the decision of the Secretary of the Treasury, to begin a suit to recover the amount of the duties paid under the decision of the Secretary. The official returns show that of fruit and nuts (they are grouped together) there has imported annually about \$10,000,000 worth. It is estimated that the recent decision of the Secretary of the Treasury will make a difference of between \$400,000 and \$500,000 annually in the customs receipts. The back duties which can be collected by those who have entered written protests will amount probably to about \$300,000.

**SELLING OFF AT COST**  
\$30,000  
Worth of Fresh and  
NEW GOODS  
TO BE CLOSED OUT AT COST.

On account of a change in business the entire stock of  
**A. A. WOLFF**  
will be sold out at  
New York Cost.  
Our Goods are new and have been purchased  
This Season  
in the Northern markets.  
**A. A. Wolff's Bazar.**  
1-11-73 d&w2m

**WAGNER & RUMMEL**  
Importers  
AND WHOLESALE DEALERS  
**Groceries, Liquors,**  
Segars, Tobacco, Pipes, Wood  
etc. etc. etc.

**SOLE AGENTS FOR WESTERN TEXAS.**

**BITTERS!**  
Home and  
Elephant.

**BEER!**  
Beck's Pilsener  
St. Louis A Lager

**WHISKY!**  
Century Eye  
and Bourbon.

**PROPRIETORS OF THE LONESTAR VINEGAR FACTORY.**

We call attention to the following certificate:

Chemical Laboratory,  
SAN ANTONIO, August 10th 1873.

Messrs. Wagner & Rummel,  
Gentlemen:— I have tested your Vinegar taken from the Vinegar hoppers at your manufactory and find that it is free of all Mineral Poisons, also that it does not contain any Sulphuric, Magnetic or Nitric Acid, but contains 10 (ten) per cent of pure Acetic Acid and recommends it as the most wholesome Vinegar for domestic as well as medicinal purposes.

I remain yours  
Geo. H. KALTZEK, Chemist.

As must be seen from the above certificate, this Vinegar is just the thing that every family wants, it will keep Meats, Vegetables, Fruits, &c., &c. for any length of time.

**WAGNER & RUMMEL.**

**SCHREIHAGEN & HEUSINGER**  
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN  
**Hardware and Agricultural Implements.**

**Carriage Material, Iron, Steel,**  
**CLOCKS, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, CEMENT, &c.**

**SELLING OFF AT COST**  
We call attention to our new Stock received.

**LOUIS BERNARD,**  
DEALER IN  
**DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, NOTIONS**  
— and —  
**FURNISHING GOODS.**

No. 42.  
COMMERCE ST. SAN ANTONIO.

Look to your interest. Call and examine our Stock before purchasing elsewhere. Having bought largely, and received goods late on account of quarantine, we will sell at very low figures.  
Call and convince yourselves.

**A. J. KERN,**  
Wholesale Dealer in  
**LIQUORS, CIGARS,**  
—AND—  
**TOBACCOS.**

HAVING opened with a large and complete stock of the above goods, I am now prepared to sell the following brands to order:

Canadian Whisky, Monongahela Eye  
Fine Apple " Baltimore  
Rye " Baker's  
" " " "  
Clark's White Whisky,  
Robertson County Bourbon,  
Old Cow  
Chicken Cask  
T. O. P.  
Daniel Boone,  
Golf

French Cognac, Domestic and Holland  
Gu. Brandy, Port, Sherry, Cassava,  
Root Sauterne, Claret, Rhine  
Wines at my own importation, by casks and boxes

ALSO

A large stock of  
**Imported and Domestic Cigars,**  
Virginia Smoking and  
Chewing Tobacco.

To be sold at a small profit. [25-7-73d]

**J. S. Lockwood & Manning**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.  
**BANKERS,**  
AND DEALERS IN  
Exchange, Bullion and Government Securities,  
Exchange on England, Germany and France.  
By Collections collected upon all points in the State.  
Telegraphic Transfers. Advances made on Consignments. [2-4-73d&w]

**W. Westhoff & Co.**  
Indianola and  
TEXAS.  
**LUMBER DEALERS**  
First class lumber at lowest market rates.  
All orders punctually attended to.  
[2-2-73d&w]

**JOHN TWHIG & CO.,**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.  
**BANKERS**  
AND  
Dealers in Foreign and Domestic Exchange, Coins, Bullion, &c.  
Collections made on all accessible points: Drafts on New York, New Orleans, Galveston and California.  
Bills on Mexico and England.  
187-178M.

**House and Sign Painting.**  
**W. H. ROBINSON,** an experienced and skillful house and sign painter offers his services to the people of San Antonio. Orders may be left at the "Old Stand Bar Room" for the present. 9-9-73d.

**ANTHONY EARHART,**  
**ARCHITECT AND BUILDER,**  
Corner North and Alamo Sts.,  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.  
I am prepared to execute for all kinds  
**CARPENTER WORK**  
**MASON WORK**  
**PLASTERING and PAINTING.**  
I have a new Motive Power Machine which enables me to compete successfully with steam power. [1-4-73d]

**Sporting Men ATTENTION!**  
We are now receiving a superior assortment of  
**FISHING TACKLE,**  
**SHOT GUNS,**  
REVOLVERS, PISTOLS  
of all descriptions and ammunition  
For sale cheap by  
**ROBERT & DEUTZ**  
Hardware Dealers.  
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF  
**PAINTS,**  
OILS, WINDOW GLASS,  
Paint and White wash brushes,  
Carpenter and Blacksmiths  
**IRON WARE UTENSILS,**  
Iron, Nails, Carriage-Stubber,  
Agricultural Implements.  
All warranted and at reduced prices at  
**110 NORTH COMMERCE ST.**  
[19-7-73d]

**DURHAM**  
SMOKING TOBACCO.  
Manufactured only by  
**W. T. Blackwell,**  
DURHAM, N. C.  
He reminds the public that the United States Court has recently given a decision in his favor, which assures full protection from the imitators of his Smoking Tobacco, and that dealer and manufacturers are alike liable to prosecution for dealing in the spurious type.

**HUGO & SCHMELTZER,**  
**GROCERS,**  
Commerce St., San Antonio,  
AGENTS FOR WESTERN TEXAS.  
Will keep always on hand a fresh supply of the genuine article. [19-7-73d]

**FRANK SCHULZ,**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS  
**WENGER HOTEL STABLE**  
Opposite the Brewery,  
**A FIRST CLASS**  
Livery and Board Stable.  
There to four fine Carriages are kept always ready at a moment's notice for hire in the city and vicinity. [21-6-73 d&w]

**WANTED,** IF YOU WISH TO BUY A SEWING MACHINE for family use, or act as agent, address WASHINGTON SEWING MACHINE CO., Boston, Mass.

**WANTED.**—ALL men wishing to make a money job and for a pamphlet containing instructions, &c., which everybody should have.  
**J. C. TILTON,** Pittsburg, Pa.

**WENGER HOTEL**  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.



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