

CITY NEWS.

PANCOAST & SON have just received some extra fine Hats.

Clavin's Wild Cherry and Squills cure cough every time.

Oysters! Oysters! Oysters! Fresh Oysters received from the coast every evening, packed in ice, and served up in any style desired.

EUGENE DRETSCH, Proprietor Plaza Hotel, Main Plaza, opposite Herald office.

Tur iron bridge has been freshly painted.

LADIES' and Children's Fashions, at H. G. Lidstone & Co., 13 Commerce St.

Call at the sign of the Health Lift and examine it. Calling creates no obligation to subscribe.

If you are fond of good Sour Mash Bourbon and Rye Whiskies, call and see the jolly face of Mr. S. W. McAllister.

The Health Lift exercise promotes the equal and healthy circulation of the blood.

It is consequently a cure for rheumatism.

Central Hotel Barber Shop. Reddited in good style, and is now ready for the accommodation of the public, at the following rates:

Shaving 10 cents, Hair Cutting 25 cents, Shampooing 25 cents.

BEAUTIFUL Christmas Trees, Oranges, Candies, etc., at Dorey's on Market Street, opposite the Engine House.

CUMULATIVE lifting brings into use every muscle at once, and each in proportion to its relative strength.

Clavin's Soothing Linctum cures Pain.

TO THE LADIES.—Mrs. S. A. Mcgrave, just north of the New York Millinery Store on Main Street, is now better prepared than ever to please the ladies in the way of Fashionable Dressmaking.

Clavin's Soothing Linctum relieves a Lame Back.

It will double the actual strength in three months by ten minutes exercise each day.

SEE HERE.—A half-interest in a respectable and well-paying business can be purchased on good terms.

At H. G. Lidstone & Co.'s, is the place to get the Latest Styles of Hats and Gent's Furnishing Goods.

PANCOAST & SON make a specialty of the shirts and first class furnishing goods.

FOR SALE or exchange for a light wagon, one four-horse wagon nearly new. Also for sale one pair large Mexican Mules.

If ANY of our citizens have not visited Mr. Grenet's Store during the past week, they should do so at once, for such a grand display of Christmas Goods was never before exhibited in this city.

There seems to be a necessity that we should say that the Express is the only paper in this city that everybody reads the only paper whose utterances have weight with the public on all questions of public interest.

A GREAT mistake was made when Main street was cut short by allowing buildings to be constructed so as to break the west end of it.

Our streets are in a most disagreeably muddy condition, and are being much cut up by the numerous wagons which are constantly coming into the city.

ARRESTED.—A boy, John Adage, about fourteen years of age, was arrested by Detective Shards, last evening, charged with the theft of a meerschaum cigar holder, from the establishment of Penreider & Co.'s Successor, (Mr. Barbeck).

Great Excitement on Commerce Street.

Surrender of Captain George S. Deats, of San Antonio.

A cartel having been effected and all the necessary preliminaries arranged at an early hour on Tuesday morning, December 21st, 1875, Captain George S. Deats surrendered the key of his establishment on Commerce street to General Stephen W. Stone, hardware merchant of Jefferson, Texas.

STEPHEN W. STONE, Successor of George S. Deats.

REFERENCE BY PERMISSION. Hon. D. B. Gilberson, M. C. Hon. B. Epperson, M. C. Wm. M. Harrison, President National Bank, Jefferson.

SAN ANTONIO, December 21, 1875.

To my old Friends and Customers: I have this day closed out my stock in trade and the good-will of my business to Stephen W. Stone, late of Jefferson, Texas, and I trust that all my customers will still continue that liberal patronage to him that has ever been extended to me.

STREET CLOSURES.—While our streets are in such a muddy condition, we think that crossings should be made at intervals along the way. Ladies and pedestrians in general, are greatly annoyed, when it is necessary to cross the streets, by being compelled to plunge into mud and ankle deep.

The Health Lift is a most thorough and perfect gymnastic exercise.

FOR OUR Custom Trade we keep the best goods in the market. PANCOAST & SON.

CONFECTION.—Prof. Chubb's fancy dress ball for girls and boys takes place Monday night, the 27th, and not the 25th.

On like days, the beautiful sun, came out for a few moments this evening, making the faces of the merchants and clerks appear as bright and pleasant as if they had been elected to some fat and lucrative office.

CHRISTMAS! Christmas! Christmas will be made jolly, oh, so jolly, in the vicinity of the "Chief." Egg-nogg and all good drinks will be served upon the many customers of this popular saloon on Christmas eve and all through the holidays.

Fill the bumper fair, For every drop you sprinkle Over the brow of Care, Drives away a wrinkle.

COCK-FIGHTS.—The most disgraceful institutions existing in our city at present are the cock-fights. Every Sunday, great robust, hard-muscled Mexicans may be seen wending their way over the San Pedro, to the south-west of the city, with a dunghill rooster under their arms.

These fights are of the most cruel nature—worse, if anything, than bull-fights, which happily have been rendered obsolete here by special ordinance of the city.

ECONOMY.—Aside from their excellence there is economy in buying Dr. Price's Flavoring Extracts, as the bottles hold one-half more than others purporting to hold the same quantity.

New Advertisements.

TELEGRAPHIC

DISPATCHES.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Consisting of Solid Gold Jewelry and CHAINS, WATCHES, CLOCKS, BEST SILVER AND GOLD

PLATED WARE, FANCY GOODS, TABLE CUTLERY, SPECTACLES, ETC.

VEST, NISSON, GUARD, NECKLACE, LEONTINE, AND BRACE-LET CHAINS

Which are sold at the following low figures: Sold 14 Karat Vest, per pair \$13

John Foley's Celebrated Gold Pens and Chrom-Fenells.

BAND BRACELETS, SETS, PINS, EAR-RINGS, RINGS, LOCKETS, STUDS AND CUFF BUTTONS, ENAMELLED PORTRAIT PINS, ETC.

At prices lower than anywhere else.

Being a practical workman of long experience I am enabled to furnish my goods at much lower rates than Dealers.

CRYSTALS, 50 CENTS, CASE or MAINSPRING, \$1.50, CLEANING A WATCH, \$1.00.

All other work at equally Low Rates and guaranteed to be first class work.

MEMORANDUMS.

Also on hand

A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT

COMMERCIAL STATIONERY.

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THE GREEN BAR-ROOM AND THEATRE.

Henault & Valley Proprietors.

FLORES STREET, in old Courthouse.

NEW STARS

Engaged and expected Every Day

FREE TO ALL!

DRINKS AND CIGARS

FIVE CENTS EACH.

Our Prices:

Table listing various drinks and cigars with prices. Includes items like Cin. Whisky, Bourbon, Rye Whisky, and Cigars.

Christmas Goods.

BAZAR, BAZAR.

PENREIDER & CO'S SUCCESSOR

Will open every night from

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15TH.

Toys, Toys, Toys.

CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY PRESENTS

AT ALL PRICES.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

For Inspection.

P. WOLFINGER,

PRACTICAL JEWELLER.

Respectfully invites the public to call and examine his new and splendid assortment.

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THE VERY FACT

ALL KINDS OF COAL

In successfully and economically used every day in

Many Thousand



In this State and elsewhere, justifies us in stating in reply to many inquiries, that any kind of Western Coal can be used for cooking at less than half the cost of wood.

HEAVY FIRE PLATES, And Dampng Grate, INSURE AT ALL TIMES AN EXCELLENT DRAFT, QUICK & UNIFORM BAKING, AND PERFECT OPERATION, AT A SMALL EXPENSE FOR LABOR AND FUEL.

SOLD BY Leroux & Cosgrove, SOLE AGENTS, San Antonio, Texas.

GREAT BARGAINS

FOR SALE.

I offer for sale all of or any part of my Real Estate, (improved and unimproved), in the city of San Antonio, including my homestead, which is one of the most desirable in the city.

See HOWARD & GOSWELL, 612 Main St. Real Estate Agents.

CARL ROOHS,

GENERAL BOOKBINDER.

NO. 11, MARKET STREET,

Gives special attention to the binding in every style desired of Books, Pamphlets and Magazines. Prices reasonable. Book!

SAM OHOI,

CHINESE LAUNDRY

Commerce St., a few doors West of the Bridge, San Antonio. All kinds of Laundry work done neatly and delivered if desired.

ALEX & CHAMBERS, WHOLE and Retail dealers in Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Blinds, &c., at Kingsbury, corner of the G. H. & S. A. Railroad. Orders promptly filled on short notice.

J. F. MARRIN, Agt.

Book Stores.

NICTENGO, 1010 SHAW

[SUCCESSOR TO JULIUS BREKKE.]

BOOKS, STATIONERY, NEWSPAPERS,

FANCY GOODS, MOULDING, GLASS,

A. C. & C. Co.

66 Commerce Street, San Antonio, Tex.

Will keep constantly on hand a full assortment of Books in English and German, School Books, Novels, Miscellaneous and Poetical Works, Newspapers in English and German for sale and on subscription.

Books and Stationery of every description, as well as Toys and Toy Books, Books, Newspapers. Music not on hand ordered at shortest notice.

JUST RECEIVED

AT

GAMBLE'S BOOK STORE,

A FRESH STOCK OF

Congress Letter, Cap and Note Papers.

ENVELOPES, BLANK BOOKS

AND

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DAILY EXPRESS

President Grant having failed to explain that when he mentioned his successor in his message he referred to us, we desire now to set at rest this public curiosity aroused by his Excellency's very odd remark. We do not think a better sense could be made of it. Our record is yet an unwritten paper, but our intentions are manifold and commendable. Immediately upon our inauguration we shall order the instant execution of all book agents, lightning-rod peddlers, and collectors; we shall cause the man who sells the patent grease conductor to be choked with his own goods, and the man who always leaves the door open, shall be put to death by having his head cracked in the jamb of that aperture. Groceries shall be free, and butcher bills paid out of the public treasury; fuel shall be promptly delivered without cost, in silver-plated wagons to whomsoever desires it. The laws of debt shall be abolished; every one's salary will be doubled. The managers of theaters will be prohibited from taking any money for tickets, and salaries, both theatre and steam, shall issue only free passes. In short, our governing principle shall be that the greatest good to the greatest number must override all other considerations; and we shall either double this country in the course of our six or eight terms of office, or reduce it to a howling wilderness. E pluribus unum shall mean, Improve or Bust. With this encouragement, fellow citizens, we do not solicit, we expect, your suffrages.

New Advertisements

CAT... Volume of new Books on... 4w

MIND READING, PSYCHOMANCY, Fascination, Soul-Charming, Mesmerism and Magnetic Guide, showing how either sex may fascinate and gain the love and affection of any person they choose instantly, 400 pages. By mail 50 cts. Hunt & Co., 120 S. 7th St., Phila., Pa.

Agents Wanted. Good chances for making money to parties who devote whole or part of time in selling our Tea. Liberal commissions. Send for terms. P. O. Box 5642, Great American Tea Co. 31 & 33 Vesey St., New York.

WANTED Agents for the best selling Prize Package in the world. It contains 15 sheets paper, 15 envelopes, golden Post, Pen Holder, Pencil, Patent Vest, and a piece of Jewellery. Each package with elegant price, sent postpaid. Circulars free. BIRD & Co., 280 Broadway, N. Y.

AN OUTFIT FREE. We want some one in every county to take orders and deliver goods for the old and original G. O. D. House. Large cash wages. Splendid chance in every neighborhood for the right person of either sex, young or old. Samples, new lists, circulars, terms, etc., a complete outfit sent free and postpaid. Send for it at once and make money at your homes. Address H. J. HALL & Co., 6 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, Md.

ARTHUR'S Illustrated Home Magazine. "The Household Magazine of America." Two Serial Stories in 1876. "EAGLECLIFFE," by Mrs. Julia C. E. Dorr; and "MIRIAM," by T. S. Arthur. BUTTERICK'S Sewing Patterns in every number. Terms, \$2.50 per year; 3 copies for \$6.00. Splendid book offers and premiums. Specimen number 10 cents. T. S. ARTHUR & SON, Phila., Pa. 4w

FOR COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS AND ALL THROAT DISEASES, USE WELLS CARBOLIC TABLETS. Put up only in Blue boxes. A Tried and Sure REMEDY. For sale by Druggists generally and JOHNSON, HOLLOWAY & CO., Philadelphia, Pa.

WIFE NO. 19. BY ANN ELIZA YOUNG. Ergin, Young's Rebellious Wife. The only complete expose of all the secrets of Beigham's Harem ever written. Born in Mormonism, Ann Eliza now exposes to the world, as no other woman can, the secrets, mysteries and crimes of the horrible system of Polygamy, from the very beginning. Nearly 300 illustrations beautify the work. It is the best selling book published. 10,000 more men and women can have employment and make from \$5 to \$10 daily. All live agents are writing for illustrated circulars with large terms sent free. Do not delay, but address DUSTIN, GILMAN & CO., Hartford, Ct., Chicago, Ill., or Cincinnati, O.

PUTS \$100 CALLS. Stock privileges bought and sold by us on members of the Stock Exchange. We give all orders our personal attention and guarantee satisfaction. Explanatory pamphlet sent free. TURBIDGE & CO., Bankers and Brokers, No. 2, Wall St. N. Y. SPEARS \$300 STRADDLES Dec 30 4w

ATTENTION, TRAVELERS! We will, from this time on, run a back from UVALDE TO EAGLE PASS, leaving Uvalde Tuesdays and Fridays of each week. Travelers from the above points will find it to their interest to patronize us. Wm. M. REYNOLDS, A. KREBAUM.

Miscellaneous Advertisements

DR. C. MLANE'S CELEBRATED LIVER PILLS, FOR THE CURE OF LIVER COMPLAINT, DYSPEPSIA AND BILIOUS HEADACHE.

Symptoms of a Diseased Liver. PAIN in the right side, under the edge of the ribs, increase on pressure; sometimes the pain is in the left side; the patient is rarely able to lie on the left side; sometimes the pain is under the shoulder-blade, and it frequently extends to the top of the shoulder, and is sometimes mistaken for a rheumatism in the arm. The stomach is affected with loss of appetite and sickness; the bowels in general are constive, sometimes alternate with lax; the head is troubled with pain, accompanied with a dull, heavy sensation in the back part. There is generally a considerable loss of memory, accompanied with a painful sensation of having left undone something which ought to have been done. A tight, dry cough is sometimes attendant. The patient complains of vertigo and debility; he is easily startled, his feet are cold or burning, and he complains of a prickly sensation of the skin; his spirits are low; and although he is satisfied that exercise would be beneficial to him, yet he can scarcely summon up fortitude enough to try it. In fact, he distrusts every remedy. Several of the above symptoms attend the disease, but cases have occurred where few of them existed, yet examination of the body, after death, has shown the liver to have been extensively diseased.

AGUE AND FEVER. DR. C. MLANE'S VERMIFUGE, IN CASE OF AGUE AND FEVER, when taken with Quinine, are productive of the most happy results. No better cathartic can be used, preparatory to or after taking Quinine. We would advise all who are afflicted with this disease to give them a FAIR TRIAL.

DR. C. MLANE'S VERMIFUGE, TO EXPEL THE WORMS. H. MILLING, 69 Commerce St. San Antonio. [S. BONE'S BUILDING.]

Manufacturer of BOOT, GAITER AND SHOE UPPERS OF ALL KINDS AND STYLES. Dealer in Leather and Findings, French and German Calf and Kid Skin, English and Oxford Topple, Morocco, and Harness, Oak and Hickory Sole Leather, Skirting and Bridle Leather, Boot-trees, Lasts, Etc., Etc.

BOOTS AND SHOES MADE TO ORDER. IN ORDER TO CLOSE A Consignment of Swedish Safety Parlor Matches. We offer them to the public at the price of Common Matches, \$1 75 per Gross. A. SCHEIDEMANTEL & CO.

The above matches are recommended by Randolph Garrigue, President German and Fire Insurance Co., New York; L. G. Bole, President Secretary New York Liverpool and London Globe Fire Insurance Company; J. Remson Lane, Secretary Hanover Fire Insurance Company, New York; and many others, as the best and safest in the world. A. Scheidemantel & Co. 15novd4

TO THE PUBLIC. CORNS CURED! By skillful manipulation, and thoroughly eradicated in a short time or no charge. INVERTED TOENAILS are successfully treated, relieving all pain instantly, and effecting restoration to normal condition. Also powder for sale to cure feet of bad odor. Why suffer when it will relieve you for six months, if not for a life time.

Office at the Barber-Shop opposite Bennett's Store on Market Street. S. C. CLARK. 15novd4

SAMARITAN. NERVEINE-The great Nerve Conqueror, cures Epileptic Fits, Convulsions, Spasms, St. Vitus Dance, and all Nervous Diseases; the only known positive remedy for Epileptic Fits. It has been tested by thousands and has never been known to fail in a single case. Trial package free. Enclose stamp for Circulars, giving evidence of cures. Address, Dr. S. A. RICHMOND, Box 744, St. Joseph, Mo. 15novd4

T. F. BRADY, INSURANCE AGENCY. Office on Soledad street, opposite the Post-office. Life, Fire, and Marine Insurance placed in First Class Companies at Lowest RATES. Persons desiring Insurances will find it for their interest to insure with this Agency. 15novd4

Groceries

F. GUILBEAU, Dealer in REAL ESTATE, AND IMPORTER OF FRENCH AND AMERICAN LIQUORS.

Cor. Presidio & Laredo Streets. Has Just Received A full and Complete Assortment of Plasters, Laths, Rosin, ROOFING TIN, SOLDER, SHEET-IRON, WIRES.

FRESH FLOUR FROM ST. LOUIS, FINE LIQUORS FROM BORDEAUX, Lime, Etc., Etc.

ALSO JUST RECEIVED 350 SACKS COFFEE.

The Highest Price Paid for COUNTRY PRODUCE. HUGO & SCHMEITZER, 89 & 91 Commerce St.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCERS!! Sole Agents for Uhrig's St. Louis Beer. Sole Agents for the Celebrated Empire Mill Flour! ALSO BEST ALE, PORTER, ETC. All grades of CHEWING AND SMOKING TOBACCOES, AND SEGARS. Together with a full stock of all other articles in their line. 15novd4

Groceries and Dry Goods. L. MOKE, Of the well known Store on MILITARY PLAZA (Next door to Kalfrey's)

Has just received and is continually receiving all kinds of Provisions and Groceries. DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, Wooden and Willow Ware, in addition to his large well selected stock on hand, which he offers for sale. Better than any House in this place!

Good accommodations can be found in his large, commodious Wagon Yard. Fire-places furnished. TRY ME AND YOU WILL FIND SATISFACTION. 15novd4

PUBLIC ATTENTION. Is respectfully directed to our new DRESS GOODS, in all the latest styles and shades, such as CASHMERE & BIEGES, BALEENAS, MERINOS, GRIZ-ALLES, ETC. New KID GLOVES, EMBROIDERIES, BLANKETS, SHAWLS and FLANNELS, NEW CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES and HATS! And full assortment of other Goods, just received and for sale at bottom prices, at A. MORRIS', 34 Commerce St. Please give us a call, or trouble to show Goods! 15novd4

Professional Cards. JOHN B. SHOOK, THOMAS O'BRYAN, SHOOK & O'BRYAN, LAWYERS, No. 9 Commerce Street, P. O. Lock Box 179. SAN ANTONIO TEX. Will practice in District & Supreme Courts. W. AELDER & UPSON, Counselors and Attorneys, Office over Store of Mr. A. Morris, corner Main and Yurri streets. 15novd4

GREEN & KING, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, SAN ANTONIO, TEX. Will give strict attention to all business confided to them in the Supreme Court of Texas, and in the District Courts of Bexar and surrounding counties. Office, adjoining the Court-house, over Gamble's Book Store, Soledad St. 15novd4

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KINEHAN & LITTELL, DEALERS IN Choice Wines, Whiskies, Beer & Segars. OLD STAND SALOON, NORTH SIDE Main Plaza. The proprietors, who are thoroughly posted in their business, and attend to the wants of their customers themselves, are careful in selecting their liquors at home and abroad. 15novd4

Watchmakers and Jewellers. BELL & BROTHERS, DEALERS IN AND MANUFACTURERS OF Jewelry and Silver-Ware. WATCHES, CLOCKS, AND ALL kinds of Gold and Silver Jewelry. Every article sold warranted to be strictly as represented, or money will be refunded. 15novd4

Watches, Clocks, &c. REPAIRED & WARRANTED. No. 11, Commerce St. SAN ANTONIO, TEX. 15novd4

Miscellaneous Advertisements. NEW! NEW! NEW! Photographic Establishment, DOERR & JACOBSON, (Opposite Zerk's Building) NO. 63 COMMERCE STREET, Are now furnished with the latest improvements, and deliver their work in the best styles of Photography. They copy and enlarge pictures of all sorts. PRICES REASONABLE. DOERR & JACOBSON, Photographers. 15novd4

JAR. MOORE, M. H. DEL., J. F. GARDNER, MOORE, DEY & CO. REAL ESTATE, CLAIM AND COLLECTING AGENTS. On Soledad, Near Commerce Street, San Antonio, Texas. CONVEYANCING AND EXAMINATION OF LAND TITLES. Lands throughout the State, and Lots in every part of the City thought and sold for MONEY Loaned on Real Estate SECURITY. CHARGES MODERATE. Houses Rented to and For 15novd4

NOTICE TO STOCK MEN! -THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE this day appointed JAMES ECKFORD and JOHN M. RANDOLPH my true and lawful Agents and Attorneys to collect all monies due me for cattle, and to take possession of any cattle belonging to me, or of such cattle as I may have authority to control. And I do hereby notify all persons who may have handled my cattle to make settlements with said Eckford and Randolph, and respect their authority to protect my interests in any manner whatsoever. JAS. LOWE, San Antonio, Texas, October 9, 1875. 15novd4

Furniture. REINHOLD BECKER, FURNITURE STORE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Specialties in Furniture, New Goods, POPULAR STYLES. -LOWEST PRICES- AND PROMPT SERVICE. 110 Commerce Street. 15novd4

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Daily Express--Supplement

DAILY EXPRESS
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 23.

PROPERTY will advance in value 25 per cent the moment the \$500,000 bonds are voted.

If a forfeit bond to complete the road to San Antonio in eight months is demanded of Mr. Pierce, we know men who will make the bond good by their individual endorsements and property; provided we vote the \$500,000 in bonds.

LET the first money of this county be devoted to grading and tying the road from here to the Guadalupe.

THE moment we make the Pierce road a certainty by voting the \$500,000 in bonds, the attention of the whole Union, and of Europe, will be directed to our beautiful city and section.

We have already wasted two or three months in fruitless discussion of the Pierce road. Had we voted the \$500,000 at the start, the road would now have been running to the Guadalupe, and we should have had the line between here and there graded and ready for the iron. Let us not lose any more time.

THE straight \$500,000 bond plan has this advantage, that it will bring into San Antonio people and capital, and create taxable property, sufficient to pay interest, sinking fund, and principal, by the time the bonds are due.

ON the straight \$500,000 plan we shall have no dispute, no suspicion, no speculation, no uncertainty, no delay, no begging of subscriptions, no reservation donations, no trouble about right of way. We get the road certainly, soon, and without trouble. Every other plan is open to all these objections.

THE \$300,000 proposition to complete the Pierce road was withdrawn at the railroad meeting last evening, and a new proposition is to be presented to the people. Now, let us do what is really necessary to make the road a certainty, and get it to San Antonio in a few months,—that is, let us vote the \$500,000 in bonds. That will give us the road in eight months certainly, and in six months probably. And then we shall have no trouble, no disputes among ourselves, no suspicion of rings, no taint of speculation.

In another place, we have put in words what Mr. Pierce ought to have said to our people when he was here according to the light we have. Of course, many other questions would have been asked, and explanations given. But what we wish to say is, that when our people fully understand Mr. Pierce, and become convinced that he has acted in good faith toward them, and done all he possibly could toward completing the road to San Antonio, and that he really and absolutely needs \$500,000 in our county bonds to finish it, they will cheerfully vote him the bonds. The speech we have made for Mr. Pierce is the truth, and we have made it because there is nobody else here to do it, or, at least, who will do it.

What Mr. Pierce Should Have Done.

Mr. Pierce, when he was here last, ought to have called a mass-meeting of our citizens, and explained himself fully to them. He ought to have said to them:

"You have twice voted me a subsidy, payable on condition that I should complete my road to your city within a given time. I failed, because I was not able to succeed. But my good faith in the matter is shown in the fact that I exerted myself, went forward and completed from Columbus to Kingsbury, and have graded it to the Guadalupe river. I have completed the greater part of the contract made with you, and have got nothing for it, because the conditions were such that I could get nothing unless the road was completed all the way, within a certain time. I have spent millions of dollars in carrying out that very contract, and have done the greater part of the work required, and have got nothing from you for it. You have the benefit of all I have spent and done, and I have no benefit from the subsidy you were to give me. Had I been paid your bonds as fast as I completed each section of the road, it would have been running into San Antonio long ago.

"It is true, I gave you a forfeit bond of \$100,000, which I promised to pay should I fail to complete the road within the specified time. You have a legal right to exact the payment of that bond of me. If you do so, I will pay it whenever I am able. But it would be suicidal in you to do so, at the same time that you are talking of helping me to finish the road to your city. But, although you have the legal right to exact this bond of me, have you the moral right? You and I both equally needed the completion of the road to San Antonio. We joined our strength together to complete it within a certain time. I went to work and spent all the money I could raise. You spent nothing. You have now the benefit of the hundred miles of road I have built at so much trouble and expense, and have paid nothing for it. Had your subsidy bonds been paid to me in proportion to the road I built, you would have an equitable right to your \$100,000 forfeit. But, what equity is there in claiming it now? Have you been injured? No; you have the benefit of a hundred miles of my railroad, and of millions of my money, built and expended on my faith and hope in that contract. I am hurt; you are not.

"Many of you blame me because I have failed; not failed to build the railroad; I built a hundred miles, but failed to build a hundred and thirty. I have only to say that I did all I was able to do, and you have no right to blame me. The financial depression of the country broke down many stronger railroads than mine. You not only have no right to blame me, but you have no right to lose confidence in me. I have shown my good faith by my hard and expensive work in building the road I have. You have had to pay nothing yet. Now, give me the \$500,000 in bonds you were willing to give me when the prospect was ten times worse than it is now, and you shall have the road running into San Antonio in eight months."

Mr. Pierce ought to have said about

this to our people. But he was told that he was odious here, and must not say anything. This is a mistake. All our people need is to understand Mr. Pierce, and they will stand by him and help him through.

THE ATTEMPT has been made in this city to raise money to complete the Pierce road at the expense of Mr. Pierce's reputation as an honest man and a gentleman. This cannot be afforded, and must not be allowed. Mr. Pierce cannot afford, with all his difficulties, to have his reputation stabbed to death for the sake of a small temporary assistance in a great enterprise involving millions, of which he is the head, and in which he has invested all he has in the world. We cannot afford it because the road, when completed, will be our great road, and he will be its head.

THE EXPRESS certainly will not help to break down Mr. Pierce's reputation in order to get this money. We have known him long and well—about ten years—and we know him to be a gentleman of untarnished honor. He has been overwhelmed with financial difficulties, and may not always have acted the most wisely; but he has acted honestly and done the best he could with the lights before him.

LET us vote \$500,000 in county bonds, straight, and we shall have the Pierce railroad running into San Antonio within a few months.

SOME people in this city are foolish enough to seek to build and cut Mr. Pierce out of that part of his railroad from here to the Guadalupe. Aside from the injustice of this, after he has invested seven millions of his own capital in our State, it would be a failure anyhow. He would build to New Braunfels, and his road and the International would run a joint trunk to San Antonio. The talk about not extending the charter "in his favor" will not win.

THE future of San Antonio depends upon our starting right in our next railroad aid movement. If we vote the \$500,000 bonds, all suspense and anxiety in relation to our future will be ended, at once. If we put it out of the power of Mr. Pierce to soon complete his road to San Antonio, he will be compelled to accept the aid of New Braunfels, build his road to that point, and then wait for the International railroad, leaving San Antonio out in the cold for years.

MR. PIERCE needs the help of \$500,000 in county bonds, not merely to grade and tie the road between here and the Guadalupe, but to raise the \$1,500,000 necessary to complete the whole road from Kingsbury to San Antonio. The money is needed on the work between here and the Guadalupe; the backing is needed to help him raise the money necessary to finally complete the road from Kingsbury to San Antonio. That's the truth about it, and we should know it, and act accordingly.

THE railroad is a certainty on the \$500,000 plan; on the \$300,000 plan it is not. That settles it.

(COMMUNICATED.)

I have consulted parties from the country, among them General Baylor, who says that the present proposition of three hundred thousand dollars is regarded by the country people with suspicion, and that there can be but one result for it, overwhelming defeat.

The country people are all willing to vote for whatever is necessary to insure the building of Mr. Pierce's road inside of twelve months. They understand fully that Mr. Pierce is unable to build without aid, and they want him to come before the people and explain why he failed to carry out his contract, when two years ago we voted him a subsidy of \$500,000, and to let them know what amount of assistance will be required to insure his road beyond a doubt or any contingency inside of eight or ten months. They want Mr. Pierce to come in contact with the people, and to feel that he is directly under obligations to them, and not to a few of our citizens that will be dead-headed, or think they ought to be, over his road for the rest of their natural lives. If any advantages are to be reaped, it should be by the people who have the burden to bear. They feel that there are but two parties interested. Mr. Pierce and the people, and they prefer treating with Mr. Pierce direct and want no middle men; that they would rather vote \$500,000 to Pierce and get the road, than vote \$1000 to parties that may promise, but so far as the people can see, will only be able to build an imaginary road; in fact, they regarded it as trifling with the people and wasting precious time and the golden opportunity to do what they will never be able to accomplish in the future.

MR. HENRY RADAZ says that if the person who took his gold pen off his desk, in the District Court room, last Friday, will return the same to him, he will be very thankful, will ask him no questions whatever, will say nothing about him to anyone, and will make him a present of a "Centennial Button."

THIEVES ABOUT.—We would advise our readers to observe caution about their homes at night, for it is very evident that the city is infested with a lot of sneak-thieves. Quite a number of efforts to rob have recently been made, although little has been stolen. A few nights ago, it will be remembered, Mr. Gimbel's store was entered, and some change stolen. Shortly after, our friend, Henry Berg, was awakened by a man in his room. He pounced him, and used a six-shooter freely over his head, and then turned him over to the police. He was a negro. Since then, other burglarious attempts have been made—enough to influence our citizens to be cautious as to the safety of their money and valuables.

Efforts have been made in the interest of the Ultramontanes to discover whether the crown Prince of Germany, on attaining to the throne, will be inclined to compromise matters with the Vatican. The answer destroys all hopes they may have in view of that event, for the Prince will probably see that the State laws are strictly enforced.