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San Antonio.

A BRIEF REVIEW OF THE CITY'S PROGRESS THE PAST YEAR.

Look back a year from to-day, and what were the hopes of San Antonio,—what her future prospects—what the feelings of her citizens? San Antonio one year ago, was not very different from the San Antonio of ten years past. Her citizens had voted subsidies time and again to induce railroad magnates to interest themselves in bringing us a railroad, as the first step toward breaking our bonds of isolation, reviving business in general, and awakening people from their state of depression and lethargy. Our business men have labored with zeal and effect, and have succeeded in inducing Col. T. W. Petroe to extend the main line of his road to our city. The cars will cross the Cibolo creek, fourteen miles east of San Antonio, this week, and, with 1000 hands accelerating their progress, marches on toward the Alamo City, to invade it by the first of next February.

This glorious consummation of the past year, or rather six months, has had a great effect upon San Antonio. The presence of the railroad almost at our very doors has not only aroused our own people from beds of torpor, but is bringing many good and energetic citizens to San Antonio.

All men are busy, mechanics, and laborers of all kinds, have their hands full. The Government Depot, commenced constructing a few months ago, under those energetic contractors, Braden and Angus, is nearing completion. Two new iron wagon-bridges are just being completed across our river. Fine and costly buildings are going up, and others will shortly be commenced. In a few weeks, the Railroad Depot will be put up near Milam Square, north of the city. Does it not look as though San Antonio was beginning to progress in earnest?

The course of San Antonio from now on will be an upward one.

As the EXPRESS has often stated, we have a for a great city. It behooves every man, every good citizen, to take a pride in promoting the city's interest sin every respect, and it behooves all to work in harmonious earnestness to make San Antonio the great city it can be made. The EXPRESS cheerfully enlists its influence to accomplish such an end.

TIN. ROOFING.

TIME THE ONLY ARBITRATER.

Sufficient time has elapsed—sufficient work has been done, to fully satisfy and demonstrate to the most exacting, the fact that Stephen W. Stone at Herald building is headquarters on that speciality. That he has met and vanquished competition in its wars, from both in price and quality of work there is no doubt; and could he but impress upon the public mind the simple fact that not, one word has been urged against the superior quality of the work that he is daily executing, which is a sufficient guarantee of itself that it is better than the best. He might refer you to the Gallagher dwelling to be occupied by Gen Ord, just covered by him, over 2,000 feet. He might refer you to various other roofs put on by him, a careful record of which shows that after completion, they have been invariably waterproof, and kept so to the entire satisfaction of his patrons.

Fellow-citizens, that the wheels of progress have been at a halt for the past fifty years on tin roofing, is emphatically—say No—and we now present to your favorable consideration the Centennial Tin Roofing at $6 50 per square, guaranteed for three years. A decided success, the arbitrator, "Old Time," having passed upon its superiority! See me, see me, at the Herald Building.

STEPHEN W. STONE.

NO. 1.

Capt. J. B. Stone, (late of California) of affable mien, extensive acquaintance and plenty of gab, fails to respond to his board bill. As such he is recommended to the charities of others.

CENTRAL HOTEL,
d1t San Antonio.

STOVES! STOVES!!

Just received 250 Cooking and Heating Stoves of every description, at manufacturers' prices, freight only added. Every stove guaranteed to give satisfaction. Call on Geo. White, 78 & 80 Commerce street, sign of the Red Coffee Pot. oc21tf

CIGARS.

New Cigar and Tobacco Depot just opened, keeps the finest Havana and Domestic Cigars in the city at retail. Go and try them. Opposite Reed's Furniture House, Commerce street. dec16 3t

— Hall is, like every one else, busy from morning until night, opening up his choice Christmas groceries. If you want any choice article in his line, call on him on Houston street, next to Literary Hall. wed sat su

—Also the same new way! A new principle! for the cure of catarrh, sore in the nose and throat, Dr J H McLean's Catarrh Snuff. It soothes and heals. Trial boxes 50 cents by mail. Dr J H McLean, 314 Chestnut street, St Louis.

—Lots of that gilt-edged Goshen butter at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Fresh buckwheat at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Raisins, currants, figs and citron at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Twenty Thousand Dollars to lend. Nov 23 1tf. SIMPSON & JAMES.

—Prepared cod-fish at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Four nicely furnished rooms with board. Also day boarders accommodated. Apply to Mrs. Robb, north Acequia street, or to 14 Market street. dec3tf

—Choice teas and Moca and Java coffees at Sam C. Bennett's.

—A lot of fine hats this day received by Pancoast & Son.

—Read announcement of forthcoming San Antonio Guide.

—We make a speciality of fine White Shirts. Pancoast & Son.

—Fine Italian peaches and California plums at Sam C. Bennett's.

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

—Fresh and fine lard at Sam C. Bennett's in 10, 5 and 3 pound pails.

—Fine diagonal cassimere coats for less than New York cost at Frost & Bro's.

—Rhine Wine by the Gallon at $1 75. at Wagner & Rummels'.

—Atmore's celebrated mince meat at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Two hundred Kansas Wagons have been sold in this market, and have given entire satisfaction.

—Frost & Bro, are selling out at a rapid rate their wardrobes and bureaus.

—Shaker preserves and jellies at Sam C. Bennett's.

E. B. HALL Carpenter and Builder. All work entrusted to him done with neatness and dispatch. Office and Shop north of Main street bridge. se23tf

—A gas lamp near on office exploded and burned last night.

—The Daily EXPRESS will be delivered any part of the city for $2 50 per quarter.

— Corporate, Partnership or private books opened, written up, corrected, balanced or closed accurately. Address "Accountant," this office. dec12 d1w

—Mrs. Klemm, fashionable dress maker, at Mrs. Carlile's New York Millinery Store.

– Elegant waterproof cloth for children's cloaks at Frost & Bro's.

—Pine apple and Western cream cheese at Sam C. Bennett's.

—Beautiful dolls for sale by Frost & Bro.

—Fresh canned vegetables and fruits at Sam C. Bennett's.

—The Kansas Manufacturing Company are building first-class wagons, and selling low to get their work introduced into the market.

—Coal Oil Stoves just received at Geo. White's, sign of the Red Coffee Pot, 78 & 80 Commerce street. nov25 tf

—The Kansas Wagon is warranted to stand the hot sun, burning sands and parching winds of Texas.

—Fresh lemons and French plums, in glass jars, at Sam. C. Bennett's.

DRESSMAKER WANTED.—One who perfectly understands cutting and trimming dresses, and is competent to act as forewoman in a Dressmaking Establishment. Permanent situation. For particulars and interview, address M. M. V. Box 92 San Antonio. 17tf

—Mr. J. Sheern keeps constantly in stock all kinds of metallic and wooden burial cases, from the cheapest to the highest priced. All orders filled with promptnes. Warerooms on Market street, second door east of Engine House.

—Texas wine will be the thing for your Christmas dinner. Fine varieties, warranted pure—for sale by C. G. Artzt at his wine depot on Market street. See advertisement in to-day's paper.

—The Kansas Manufacturing Company is a young giant in the trade, with a large capital and abundant resources in energy, skill, progress, power, and cash to build the finest and best wagon ever offered for sale in this country.

A well known firm of this city, Frost & Bro., now have a contract with the company for two hundred wagons to be built with numerous improvements to suit the Texas trade and climate.

—STONE at the Herald building does various things. He does everything that can be done in any tin shop in the place and much more too. His force of hands at the present time perhaps equals any shop in the city. His motto is Excelsior in what he pretends to do. Save money, save money, by seeing him.

STEPHEN W. STONE.
Herald building.

NOTICE.—A certain individual is making collections on a City Directory about to be issued, and signing receipts Seabaugh & Stove. No such firm exists, nor is any individual authorized to receive money for cards in Said Directory save and except the undersigned. Patrons are warned to make no further payments to said Stove. CHAS. SEABAUGH.

—The economical management and careful selection of risks by the managers of the insurance companies represented by T. F. Brady, Esq., enables them to offer the most perfect indemnity at the lowest possible rates. The official reports of the various Insurance Commissioners show the percentage of fire losses and expenses of the companies composing his agency are far below the average of both the board and non-board companies represented in this city by other agents. Attention is called to his very favorable rate on dwelling house property.

He also represents that old reliable and most successful Life Insurance Company, the "Aetna of Hartford," with assets of over $20,000,000. The one thing to be desired is security, and the "Aetna" gives it.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Dec. 1, 1876.

Hon. James H. French, Mayor of the City of San Antonio—

SIR—The undersigned citizens of San Antonio, entertaining a high appreciation of your services as Mayor, during the past two years, and believing that the best interests of the city will be subserved by your re-election, do earnestly request that you announce yourself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor, pledging our best efforts to secure your election.

Very respectfully,

Sam C Bennett,	B Oppenheimer,	A B Frank,
Joseph Deutz,	C H Merritt,	Js. T Thornton,
Leroux & Cosgrove,	W Heuermann,	John James,
A Michel,	Theo Schleuning,	C Elmendorf,
Frank & Michel	Louis Huth, jr.,	H Elmendorf
S Deutsch & Co.,	Haas & Oppenheimer,	G Hoerner,
L Colquhoun,	W Prescott,	Edward Steves,
E D L Wickes,	H B Adams,	R C Norton,
R M McKie,	Jos M Bell,	C S Chase,
J F Minter,	Geo Dullnig,	L Brian,
Aug Brian,	Chr Dullnig,	Frank A Soffel,
A A Muncey,	Joe Collins,	C Guergun,
J E Pancoast,	J H Kampmann,	R Eagar,
C Griesenbeck,	Geo White,	Albr Lincke,
H Staffel,	G Mauermann,	G Daroux,
F J Higginson,	John O'Connell,	Joseph Purcell,
Frank McComb,	John Stein,	A Steiner,
Louis Dreyfoos,	Louis Eberhardt,	E Lassner,
W G Snell,	Thomas Quail,	J C Barnes,
Wm Heard,	Aug Ruff,	Ed Quigley,
David Morrow,	Geo Lellcranz,	Dennis O'Brien
James Feeney,	Alfred Smith,	Edward Rische,
B Moke,	E Moke,	Geo Dieffenbach
C H Richter,	J D Ruellmann,	H Billing,
W Ernst,	L A Brodowski,	P Maurezz,
Pat Murphy,	T Anderson,	M H Moylan,
Ed Froboese,	E Marucheau,	C Marucheau,
C S Noyes,	H Lungwitz,	Wm Edgar,
U Rische,	Paul Wagner,	H L Duvenneck,
Aug Nette,	H Barbeck,	A F Wulff,
B Becker,	Wm H Deussen,	C H Muller,
H Karber,	A Becker,	H L Degener,
J A Chaves,	F Wild,	B J Maurmann
Louis Scheshagen,	Gus Muller,	L Morgenthaus,
A Moye,	A A Wohld,	Nic Tengg,
Mandelbaum & Frank,	Louis Zork,	E Desch,
A Sartor,	A F Schmidt,	C F Russi,
Ignacio Arocha,	M Talamantes	William Smith,
Julius Schneider,	Franz Pollock,	John Wolfram,
H Wagenfuhr,	W Becker,	F Wagenfuhr,
W Gollof,	Gollob Glaeser,	F Riesenbach,
E Weinhold,	A Semlinger,	Louis Hofer,
John Kunzmann,	Bernhard Kramer,	George Blum,
Strother Bumbrey,	Daniel Heder,	B Mueller,
Peter Frank,	Alois Walter,	Juan Rodriguez
Martin Rodriguez,	Alfred Buhnke,	C M Wolcken,
Louis Rummel,	J A Hettgen,	W A Bennett,
D & A Oppenheimer,	J S Lockwood,	M Goldfrank,
Carl Groos,	G Groos,	F Groos,
G Schmeltzer,	G A Duerler,	E Elmendorf,
A Riesenbach & Co,	Wm Vance,	Rafael Diaz,
E Dreiss,	E Schleyer,	P J Riesenbach,
A Pancoast,	S Sulnes,	J H Brannon,
M J Harrington,	Michael Tierney,	Wm Jegel,
Eli Cole,	F Mayer,	M Morrison,
F Cassiano,	George Herbrich,	Martin Joyce,
James Snee,	Kinahan & Littell,	W R Thornton,
J J Dyer,	J Kuehn,	Ernest Altgelt,
R L Kinney,	J L Bartlett,	Wm Breslin,
Anton Lorenz,	Thomas Laird,	Bernard Smith,
Wm McKenzie,	Michael Connell,	John Courtney,
John Beck,	Almon Hoffmann,	Ralph Burk,
Wilbur Brown,	Geo Hilgers,	A Joseph,
J H Bonshard,	John Lennon,	John Tierney,
C E Cupples,	L Wolfson,	Wm H Elliott,
F Nagel,	W T Marshall,	F Schreiner,
John Hinsber,	F W Heflig,	L Valery,
L Moke,	A C Hewitt,	W Weyel,
Frank Binns,	John Fleming,	James Clifford,
Cornick Boyce,	Wm M Irwin,	Jas Rogers,
John Usler,	Jerry Caughlin,	T B Thornton,
Wm Joyce,	Michael Grace,	T A Garvin,
F Rummel,	E Hossler,	Albert Lipe,
Wm Hoefling,	H W Bitter,	Henry Madison
L Kunkel,	W Esser,	J A Bonnett,
L Beymann,	C A Bihl,	John Dullnig,
Nic Peters,	J F Becker,	John Kempf,
Karl Hellingmann,	Ford Langer,	Peter Ball,
S W Davis,	Jasper Thompson,	Jas R Davis,
Edward S Austin,	Chas H Johnson,	B Booker, sr.,
William Southall,	Peter Fields,	William Reid,
Geo Miller,	H Brackenridge,	Henry Fields,
Sandy George,	Haywood Boyd,	Geo Dahlgren,
Amelie Guillon,	G A Bonnemann,	Gottlob Glaeser
W Kneffel,	H Gollof,	R Rahm,
G Ickn,	A Halmanda,	H Gauchher,
Hermann Glaeser,	A Beller,	W Webb,
H Weber,	A Grimsinger,	H Fuhrmeister,
H Rahm,	M Gdrewside,	Louis Pape,
Ed Schmidt,	George Meckert,	G H Rose,
G W Warren,	Chas Meyer,	H Collmann,
Gil de Leiva,	F M Chaves,	J R Cloud,
Wm Fritze,	B Wilkens,	Jesus Gonzales,

MAYOR'S OFFICE, SAN ANTONIO, December 8, 1876.

GENTLEMEN:—In response to your wishes so flatteringly expressed, and accepting the same as a fair expression of the approval of my administration by a majority of my fellow citizens, I announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
J. H. FRENCH.

THE WARD MEETINGS LAST NIGHT.

Democratic ward meetings were held in the various wards of the city last night, to appoint delegates to a City Convention to meet at Wolfram's Central Garden tomorrow (Monday) night, and to nominate Aldermen. The following was the result of the meeting:

FIRST WARD.

Jas. R. Mason was chosen Chairman, and Peter Shields Secretary.

The following delegates were chosen: W B Knox, A Earhart, J R Mason, Peter Schetzer, John Cardenas, B Callaghan, R L Graves, T J Devine, Juan Pereida, F G Smith, Sam Cooly, Daniel Devine, Pedro Cevalas, H P Howard and Simon Hest.

L C Navarro and Ed Braden were nominated for Aldermen. Braden was chosen as the nominee.

SECOND WARD.

Leslie Thompson presided. H C Thompson and Henry Berg Secretaries.

W R Story, M R Garcia, H Weur, F D Faville, Jack Harris, Frank Newton, A Martinez, L Thompson, T A Dwyer, A Menchaca, F Kaltseyer, Juan Barrera, John Monier, S S Smith and J H McLeary.

John Monier was unanimously chosen the nominee for Alderman.

THIRD WARD.

The meeting in this ward was held in a room in the rear of Lockwood's saloon. The meeting was called to order by C. Upson, Esq., Chairman of the ward.

On motion he was made the Chairman of the meeting, and Geo. S. Williamson Secretary.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to report 15 delegates to represent this ward in the Democratic Convention. After retiring, the committee reported the following, who were elected: H Bitters, N J Patrich, E Rische, A Krawitz, Steve Dolan, John Stevens, A W Houston, G P Meade, Wm. Lyons, S Dannhauer, S Maverick, W. Tong, Robert Bell, J T Johnson, Geo. S. Williamson.

In case of the absence of Mr. Maverick, who is now away, Mr. L. Garza was elected to fill his place as delegate.

FOURTH WARD.

The meeting was called to Order by E. G. Huston, Chairman of the ward, and the object explained.

On motion, E. G. Huston was elected Chairman, and W. H. Burke, Secretary.

On motion a committe of three was appointed to select the names of 17 delegates to represent the ward in the convention to be held in Wolfram's Garden on the 18th prox. The committee, after consideration, reported the following persons, who on motion were declared duly elected:

F. C. Kotula, Felipe Vargas, J C Crawford, Manuel Yturri, F. G. Huntress, S. W Morris, B Kielbassa, W C Tynan, J Boehmer, H Magelin, W H Burke, Anton Adam, J Sheern, Allan Cook, John Frazer, Gilbert Gordon, Wm. Reed.

The name of Mr. Joseph Smith was proposed as a candidate for Alderman from the fourth Ward and was unanimously elected.

The meeting then proceeded to the nomination of a candidate for Alderman for the third Ward. The names of L. Garza, Henry Butters, and A. I. Lockwood, were presented by a committee of five appointed to select names. Mr. Lockwood was nominated on the 2nd ballot.

Judge Upson resigned the position of chairman of the Ward, and Mr. Leonardo Garza was elected to the position.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

The following is a summary of last night's dispatches:

The International railroad ran into Austin yesterday

The evidence given before the Congressional Investigating Committee now sitting in New Orleans is rather strong against the honesty and fairness of the Republicans in the late election. Negroes testified that they had been beaten and that their lives had been threatened for voting with the Democrats, some being afraid to do so, not voting at all. The reasons given by the negroes for voting the Democratic ticket, or desiring to do so, was that they were tired of bad government and wanted a change. We received a half dozen pages on the above order, and if true will go largely to overthrow the decision of the Louisiana returning Board.

Alex Stevens disclaims that he has advised the inauguration of Hayes. He says. "I never have, nor never shall advise and people to give a friendly acceptance of any administration inaugurated by the greatest frauds and most palpable usurpations. While I might not advise forcible resistance to an administration thus inaugurated, yet I never could give it the sanction of my approval or friendly acceptance. For the overthrow of a dynasty, I should rather appeal to the instrumentalities of the Constitution. The ballot box should ever be held as sacred as the Ark of the Covenant."

Speaker Randall, of the House, has received a dispatch from Chairman Morrison, of the Louisiana Investigating Committee, which says: "Every obstacle has been interposed, to hinder this committee in the discharge of its duty. The Republican witnesses have been threatened, and dare not testify without incuring the loss of their positions and personal danger. The production of papers and telegrams is refused, it is believed, upon the assurances of protection from Washington."

FOR RENT.—Dwelling house and furniture, known as the Gen. Reynold's property. For particulars enquire at the Railroad office opposite the Menger Hotel.
dec8 P. B. FRESER.

—For Six Dollars you can buy a black suit of clothing at Cheap John's Store on Military Plaza.

— We have the finest stock of Woolens for our custom trade ever brought to this market. Give us a call. Pancoast & Son.

—Ammunition of all kinds at the Original Cheap John Store, on Military Plaza.

DR. C. E. FISHER, Homopathic Physician, Houston street, opposite Vance House. Family medicine cases on hand.

—Our Ready made Clothing is of the best to be found in the market. Pancoast & Son.

—Do you want a *good* suit of clothes. Pancoast & Son's is the place.

—For cheapest jewelry go to Origional Cheap John Store on Military Plaza.

—For the most complete assortment of Gentlemen's furnishing goods, go to Pancoast & Son.

— Mrs. Carlile has in stock many articles in the line of ladies' fancy goods and notions, which would be very appropriate for holiday presents. Ladies are invited to call and examine them.

HEALTH LIFT ROOMS, Houston street, opposite the Vance House. nov16 tf

Clavin's Soothing Liniment relieves Lame Back.

New Advertisements.

TEXAS WINE.
All lovers of good and pure wines, 5 DIFFERENT KINDS, can get the same by any quantities and prices to suit the times, by calling at
C. G. ARTZT'
TEXAS WINE DEPOT,
MARKET ST., OPPOSITE FIREMENS HALL NO. 1.
P. S.—Best Wine Vinegar also on hand.

WULFING & LABATT,
Commission, Receiving and Forwarding Merchants,
AGENTS FOR PLANT'S CELEBRATED FLOUR.
On Hand, and for Sale:
25 bbls Sour Krout,
200 bbls Plant's Flour,
25 bbls Dried Apples,
10,000 lbs Bacon,
50 tubs Choice Butter,
100 Cheese,
100 bbls Northern Potatoes,
20 half bbls Texas Syrup.
dec17.d3t

SMYE & LARMOUR,
CONTRACTORS & BUILDERS,
San Antonio, Texas.
Office and shop, Commerce street, east to Schmitz's Hotel. dec 16 tf

$2000 to $2000
Wanted, in a safe speculation. One thousand dollars worth can be realized in six months. Partnership of Main & Weir, Real Estate Dealers.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

J. L. & C. E. Bartlett
General Insurance Agents,
San Antonio, Texas.
Will issue Policies at Lowest Rates on Stocks of Merchandise Buildings and Dwellings, in the following Good and Reliable Companies:

Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool Assets,		$18,000,499 00
Insurance Company of North Amer., Phil.,	"	5,167,547 46
Franklin Insurance Company,	"	2,309,824 86
Phœnix Insurance Company, Hartford,	"	1,966,161 60
Mobile Underwriters, Mobile, Ala.,	"	1,061,050 35
Westchester Fire Ins. Com., N. Y. City,	"	960,000 00
Home Insurance Company, Columbus, O.	"	519,602 43
Atlantic Insurance Com., N Y City,	"	503,021 37

And will write Open Marine Policies in the well known Mercantile Mutual Marine Insurance Company of New York City, Capital and Assets.....$1,028,525 65
Prompt attention given to business.
Office over Hoerner's Saloon.

LIFE, FIRE AND MARINE.
Fire Insurance,
—AT—
Non-Board Rates,
I have withdrawn from the San Antonio Local Board of Underwriters, and am now prepared to issue policies of Insurance at adequate rates. I invite an examination of my companies and rates, knowing that both will give full and entire satisfaction.
T. F. BRADY, Agent.
Office on Soledad street, opposite the Postoffice. Sep6 dtf

In Order to Make a Clean Sweep
We offer our entire large stock at greatly
Reduced Prices
We will sell goods for the next thirty days
25 per cent. Cheaper than any other House in the City.
OUR STOCK
Is the largest and best selected.
We call special attention to our great variety of Staple and Fancy Dress Goods, all the latest styles at greatly reduced figures.
Our Notion Department is without doubt the finest in the city, comprising a great many articles suitable for holiday presents.
We have just received a fine lot of German Table Damasks in all styles, and warrant to sell the best goods for the least money.
Fine Fur Sets at greatly reduced prices. Knit goods in all styles cheaper than ever before.
CALL, SEE, JUDGE, and you will buy.
Mayer & Wolff's
Sept 15 d3m No. 60 Commerce Street, Zork's Building.

JUST RECEIVED.
Holland Herrings, Smoked Herrings, Mackerel in Kits, Mackerel in ½ bbls, Early Rose Potatoes, Peach Blow Potatoes, Choice Onions, Chili Pimeto.
Mince Meat in glass jars and buckets, 5 & 10 lbs. Apple Butter in buckets, 10 lbs. Choice Goshen and Dairy Butter.
Walnuts, Almonds, Fire Crackers, Brazil Nuts, Filberts.
New York Sugars, Louisiana Sugars, Choice Northern Bacon, Cervante Raisins, Citron Buckwheat Flour in bbls and 10 & 20 lb sacks.
PILSENER BEER, PILSENER BEER.
All goods guaranteed fresh and choice.
FOR SALE BY
d10 2w Hugo & Schmeltzer.

BELL & BROTHERS,
DEALERS IN AND
MANUFACTURERS OF Jewelry and Silver-Ware.

Pocket and Table Cutlery AND WATCHES, CLOCKS.
Every article sold warranted to be strictly as represented, or money will be refunded.
WATCHES, CLOCKS, &c.,
REPAIRED & WARRANTED
No. 11, Commerce St.
SAN ANTONIO, TEX

THE ORIGINAL
Cheap John Store.
—CHEAP JOHN—
Calls the attention of San Antonians and the public generally to his new establishment on the Military Plaza, in one of Peter Schetzer's new buildings, where he keeps on hand a regular assortment of Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, and Provisions of all kinds. Also Guns, Pistols and Ammunition of all descriptions He will sell cheaper than anybody, as his motto is "Quick Sales and Small Profits."
He would call the especial attention of those who have valuables to sell in Household Furniture, Gent's and Ladies' Wearing Apparel, as also Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Guns, Pistols, etc., for which he will always pay the Highest prices. This is the place for both the poor and the wealthy. Therefore do not forget the Cheap John, the poor man's friend. dec7

Geo. W. Caldwell,
NOTARY PUBLIC,
Office 6th Street, Adams & Wicken, Main Plaza.

Auction Sale
—OF—
Building Lots.
MESSRS. ADAMS & WICKES having had lot No. 18, in Range No. 4, subdivided into lots, will offer the same at public auction, in front of their office, on the
22d & 23d days of December.
The said lots are beautifully situated upon the hill, and in the immediate vicinity of Mrs. Dignowity's, the view of the valley and city of San Antonio being unsurpassed. They also front on Railroad Street, which is being laid out as a Boulevard, and will become the most fashionable and attractive drive in the city, running as it does from the Gov't Depot to the Mission. There are but few lots in the city presenting so many attractions. All who can afford to put a few dollars into a homestead, should avail themselves of this opportunity to purchase, as they will be sold on liberal terms, say ¼ cash and balance on time. dec6 d2w

AN ELEGANT LINE OF
New Goods
—FOR THE—
HOLIDAYS AND CHRISTMAS
—AT—
GAMBLE'S
Book Store.

Louisiana Equitable Life Ins. Co.
OF NEW ORLEANS.
ORGANIZED IN 1868.
If you want Safety, Security and Fair Dealing, insure your life in the La. Equitable Life Insurance Co., a Home Southern Institution, managed by the following administration:
PRESIDENT—Samuel Manning Todd.
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SECOND VICE PRESID'T—Andrew Patton.
SECRETARY—William Henderson.
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A Thomson,	James I Day,
E A Tyler	E B Briggs,
W B Schmidt,	Hy Abraham,
J W Stone,	W Henderson,
B T Walshe,	Chas Chaffe,
John I Adams,	John H Pike,
Alex Marks,	E H Fairchild,
Robt W Ogden,	H J Voss,
J B Camors,	S B Newman,
John Henderson,	A Patton,
H M Payne,	John S Groves
T C Herndon,	J B Levert.

A comparison is respectfully solicited between our rates of premiums and the rates charged by Northern and Western Companies in their Southern Department.
J. L. & C. E. BARTLETT,
San Antonio, Texas,
General Agents for Western Texas.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned is dissolved by mutual consent. Jesse A. Bennett will continue to carry on the business.
J. J. DIXON,
JESSE A. BENNETT.
San Antonio, November 30th, 1876.

Miscellaneous.

W A BENNETT. J S LOCKWOOD
BENNETT & LOCKWOOD
BANKERS,
And Dealers in
EXCHANGE AND BULLION.
Telegraphic Transfers Made.
Bills on any part of Europe.
Collections Solicited on all Points in Texas
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TO THE VOTERS AND TAX-PAYERS OF SAN ANTONIO:

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JAMES CALLAGHAN.

We are authorized to announce J. H. FRENCH as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of the city of San Antonio, at the coming election.

FOR RECORDER.

TO THE CITIZENS OF SAN ANTONIO:

I am a candidate for re-election for Recorder of your city. I have served you two years, and have not knowingly punished the innocent, nor have I let the guilty escape. Hoping my official course meets your approval, I respectfully ask your support.

T. G. ANDERSON.

We are authorised to announce E. G. HOUSTON as a candidate for the office of City Recorder, at the next city election, subject to the nomination of a Democratic Convention, should one be held.

We are authorized by many citizens to announce the name of S. W. MCALLISTER for the office of Recorder at the ensuing city election.

CITY ATTORNEY.

TO THE VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO:

I am a candidate for the office of City Attorney, and shall be glad to have the support of all those who deem me worthy of their suffrage. If elected I will devote my best energies to a faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of the office.

ELIAS EDMONDS.

We are authorized to announce JAMES G. FINK as a candidate for the office of City Attorney at the ensuing election.

TO THE VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO:

I announce myself a candidate for re-election.

Respectfully, D. C. ROBINSON, City Attorney.

CITY MARSHAL.

We are authorized to announce E. A. STEVENS as a candidate for the office of City Marshal at the coming municipal election.

We are authorized to announce J. DOBBIN as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Marshal at the next city election.

CITY COLLECTOR.

We are authorized to announce JULIUS HOYER as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Collector at the ensuing election.

STREET COMMISSIONER.

We are authorized to announce MR JAMES DUFFEY as a candidate for re-election to the office of Street Commissioner. Trusting that his record in office merits approval, he again asks the suffrages of the citizens of San Antonio.

We are authorized to announce THOMAS DURBAR as a candidate for Street Commissioner, subject to the Democratic Nominating Convention, should one be held.

CITY TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce J. B. SWEENEY, Esq., as a candidate for the office of City Treasurer, subject to the action of a Democratic County Convention, should one be held.

Trusting that I have discharged the duties of the office of City Treasurer to the satisfaction of my fellow citizens, I announce myself as a candidate for re-election.

J. M. MINTER.

SUNDAY "AT HOMES."

[From the London Saturday Review.]

It does not now follow of necessity that a lady is either a Jew, Turk, infidel, artist or politician, if she intimates to her acquaintance that she receives on Sundays. There are people who do not perceive the incongruity of attending church in the morning and going to see their friends in a quiet way in the afternoon, any more than they can pretend to feel shocked at finding themselves drinking champagne at a wedding breakfast, immediately after the solemn service in which they have taken part. But, as a general rule, there is a very perceptible difference between these Sunday gatherings and those of an ordinary week day. A dainty perfume of propriety meets you at the hall door, and the step has not been soiled by the postmen. The housemaid's young man, in green gloves and cuffs which nearly cover them, stands at the area gate tapping his boots with a toy cane, and nervously anxious to know if his beloved can get out. The milkwoman who is leaving the cream has lengthened her petticoats, and her second hand bonnet is surrounded by a wreath of wild roses. The knocker does not receive the same violent treatment to which it is accustomed on week days, nor does the door fly open in the same sudden way. In the drawing-room the conversation turns rather upon Dr. Slade than upon Dr. Stromberg. Among the guests there is sure to be a young lady with a prayer-book in her hand, it has a cross outside, and somehow imparts to the room a flavor of the Ten Commandments. She has been to St. Timoth'ye, High street, and talks gushingly of the anthem, praises with discrimination the singing of the new tenor, and speaks with feeling of the critical age at which the first treble has reluctantly arrived. Another lady has been sitting under a popular Broad Church preacher, and tells how he recommended the married ladies of his congregation to accomplish their fasting by getting up in time every morning to pour out their husband's coffee at breakfast and to cut his *Times*, and to try on Wednesdays and Fridays not to say anything unkind of their friends even if they are quite sure it is true. A budding young reformer comes in full of a lecture he has heard delivered by a journeyman carpenter, and insists on all in the room signing a petition to have all public museums open on Sunday. He also gets up a subscription for the erection of May-poles on those village greens which are so unfortunate as not to possess one. The children of the family are allowed to put in an appearance and sit, apparently looking at their picture-books, but in reality making good use of their proverbially long ears. A good-natured old gentleman thinks it necessary to talk to them and make small and very stupid jokes which they fail to see; but they blush, so he thinks he has amused them, and is satisfied with himself. A long-haired terrier with preternaturally bright eyes sits in the corner and wags his tail excitedly whenever his master looks that way, each time hoping that the recognition he receives is a signal for departure. When the children try to attract his attention he slides away, still keeping his eyes steadfastly fixed on his proprietor. A gentleman whispers to his daughters that it is time to go home, which means that he wants to go to play billiards at his club. Some one remembers that she must be home earlier on Sunday to allow the servants to go to church, which they never do. There is some mild music, a sacred song or two, a little scandal with a flavor of religious animosity, and a few pieces of blue china handed round for admiration. The pleasantest part of these Sunday afternoons at home is that one meets the busy man who never dreams of paying visits on any other day of the week, but who does not mind, when taking a walk with his wife, dropping in to have a chat with a friend. In fact, there are good people who regard them as not altogether sinful, and an odd clergyman may occasionally be met with at some of them. There is little formality; people come and go as if they were casual visitors, and the signs of preparation for a reception are not very apparent. Artists who work hard all the week sometimes open their studios to visitors on Sunday afternoons, and themselves go and see what other artists are doing. Painters who affect sacred subjects, and those who preach high art as a kind of religion, may almost make it a matter of duty to hold these private shows; but their opinions have little influence on the majority of the sightseers, and only serve to make the mixture of company more heterogeneous. A certain hush prevails. Criticisms are passed in a whisper. If there is an altarpiece among the pictures it monopolizes the attention of the gazers, and subjects less appropriate to the day are only glanced at furtively. There are no seats, no refreshments are provided, and the assembly takes the whole exhibition as if it formed part of a solemn ceremony or grand function.

The regular evening reception differs in many important respects from the ordinary Sunday afternoon at home. The ladies do not appear in bonnets, and most of the gentlemen are in evening dress. The greater number of the guests arrive in cabs, even though they possess carriages, as the coachman must be allowed time for the cultivation of the domestic virtues—virtues which the cabman is not supposed to possess. The cabman knocks at the door with unwonted hesitation, and eyes with a kind of displeased curiosity the fare he has brought. Though he never goes to church himself, he thinks that gentlefolks should be there twice a day, if only by way of setting a good example to their young ones. The servant who opens the door looks gloomy. He evidently considers it a breach of privilege that he should be torn from the comforts of the housekeeper's room and the perusal of his sporting paper, as if it were any day in the week. The man who takes charge of the coats and hats does not condescend to speak, but performs his task with an air of condemned disapproval at such goings-on. The lady's-maid shows none of her usual cheerful alacrity in arranging the ladies' dresses, and smoothes out the most flowing train in a perfunctory manner and without any display of interest. Every one goes upstairs with a depressed expression, preceded by the butler, who looks more than ever like a Dissenting minister. He asks the names in a dignified and reproachful tone, and gives them out as if adding another and yet another to the list of perdition. It is impossible not to observe that he has views on the subject of Sunday observance. When two ladies come in, one who is from a well-brought-up country house, and hopes nobody sees her, it requires all the assurance of the other that things are not so bad as they seem, to induce her to enter the house. The ticket given for her cloak is almost too much for her feelings, and she would willingly stop the retreating cab, and escape before the roof comes down. She ascends to the drawing room with a feeble protest, but the sight of the other guests is calculated to encourage her. Everybody is in black, or something like it, a few glaring exceptions only serving to bring out the fact. The hum of conversation is low and earnest; the laughter subdued and rare. The proportion of young people is small. Nearly all the ladies are married and their husbands are not far off. The company is composed of very various elements, and everybody eyes everybody else with undisguised curiosity. There is much questioning as to who is who; everybody is surprised to see an acquaintance; and in this respect the party contains within itself an element of success, for the pleasure of seeing a friend is no doubt enhanced by unexpectedness. To hear the opening remarks of each conversation one might suppose that all the world was in the habit, except upon rare occasions, of performing their evening devotions and going to church twice on Sundays, if not oftener. It must be allowed that "You here!" is a better beginning for a conversation than any, even the most profound and scientific, meteorological remark. There is, however, a certain air of strong mindedness about the ladies in the room. That pretty girl in the corner, you are informed in an audible whisper, practices as a conveyancer. The lady beside her, to whom she is talking of the higher education, is a doctor. The tall woman in diamonds and dirty lace lectures on temperance; and that buxom widow, so becomingly dressed in a Mary Stuart cap, is president of a league for the emancipation of governesses. From the business-like and serious look on people's faces it might almost be imagined that a fashionable missionary meeting was about to take place; but such an impression is soon removed by the sound of the piano. It is in the music appropriate to these festivities that the observant stranger will seek for an indication of their actual character. It is always severely classical. Even Wagner, being operatic, seldom occurs. The exact place where the line is drawn can not be easily found, but drawn it is. Psalms and hymns are as inadmissible as ballads. Handel is as little to be expected as Watts. But in Bach and the more abstruse aberrations of Beethoven, the Sunday going performer revels. Tune may perhaps mark the boundary. Nothing is allowed which can by any means be twisted into an air, and all tendencies to lapse into melody are sternly repressed. There is one great advantage in the use on these occasions of this kind of music. By the time a few bars have been played the desire to talk has become overpowering. The most silent people think of something they must say. In vain are the reproving eyes of the hostess turned upon the distant sofa. A man who never before in his life made or thought of making a joke is bursting with suppressed merriment. The religious moralist may perhaps be disposed to draw a lesson from this aspect of the Sunday party. He observes that those guests who do not understand classical music wear an air of constraint and unhappiness, and unless he is absorbed in an effort to pick up the "subject," he may take an opportunity of reflecting that even a sermon would be a preferable infliction to most of those present. It is quite as easy to look silently at one's friend in church, and anybody can join with interest in a revivalist or ritualist hymn. The intervals allowed for conversation are tantalizing in their brevity; and it is noticed that the assembly is as much determined on breaking up before midnight as if it were Saturday and not Sunday.

MILITARY MATTERS.—Captain Herman Schreiner, 9th Cavalry, is—in accordance with instructions from Headquarters of the Army, Adjutant General's Office, of November 23, 1876—relieved from duty in this Department.

He has been granted one month's leave of absence (paragraph IV, Special Orders No 226, current series, from Headquarters) with certificate of disability, specifying "that to travel would endanger his ultimate cure."

The telegraphic instructions from Headquarters of November 3, 1876, transferring the headquarters and band, 8th Cavalry, from Fort Clark to Fort Brown, Tex., are confirmed.

The telegraphic instructions of 9th inst. authorizing the General Court Martial instituted at Fort Duncan, Texas, per paragraph II, Special Orders Nos 209, 210, 211 and 225, current series, from Head quarters, to adjourn to Fort Clark, Texas, are confirmed.

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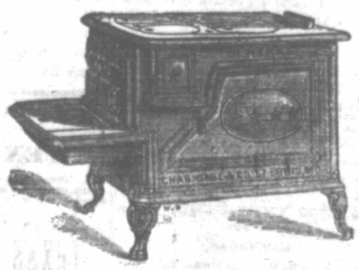

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BUSHMEN.

THEIR FOLK LORE.

The Bushmen have two different myths to account for the origin of the moon; one of these forms an episode in the story of the Mantis and the pet eland. When the Mantis sprang away from the Suricats in the darkness which he created by piercing the gall bladder of another eland, he felt inconvenienced by one of his shoes, which he therefore took off and threw into the sky, with the order that it should become the moon. Thus the moon is red, because the shoe of the Mantis was covered with the red dust of the Bushmanland, and cold, because it is only leather. In the Bushman astrological lore, however, the moon is looked upon as a man who incurs the wrath of the sun, and is consequently pierced by the knife (i. e., rays) of the latter. This process is repeated until almost the whole of the moon is cut away, and only one little piece is left, which the moon piteously implores the sun to spare for his (the moon's) children. Then this little piece of moon gradually grows again until it becomes a full moon, when the sun's stabbing and cutting processes recommence. This is a really beautiful myth, and reminds one strongly of the interpretations which Max Muller and his school have put upon some of the old Greek myths. Animals, it will be seen, occupy a very large place in Bushman mythology, and this is not to be wondered at when it is considered how large is the place they fill in the Bushman country, and how important a part they play in the daily life of the people. As in the Indo European mythologies, many of the stars and constellations are named after certain animals, and some of the astronomical myths are elaborate and beautiful, and sometimes even touching. The sun, they say, is a man, from whose armpit brightness proceeded, and who lived formerly on earth, but only gave light for a space around the house. Some children who belonged to the first Bushmen (who preceded the Flat Bushmen in their country) were therefore sent to throw up the sleeping sun into the sky; since then he shines all over the earth. A myth somewhat similar to this is met among the Australian aborigines, and there are many points of resemblance between Bushman and Esquimaux mythology. But it would be extremely rash to infer, on this account, that there had been any original connection or communication between these races. Indeed, we have hinted that analogies may be found between Bushmen and European mythology, and it is not to be wondered at if many points of resemblance be found between mythologies originating quite independently of each other. For have not all uncivilized people the same mythological elements, if we may so call them, to deal with—"the heavens above, the earth beneath, and the water under the earth," with their various denizens? Have they not all pretty much the same kind of struggle for existence, and have they not that most fertile and universal of human characteristics, an irresistable desire to assign a cause to everything that comes within ken? In this last point mythology and science meet, for it is the same universal impulse which animates both—the desire of the human mind to satisfy itself as to the causes of things. The Bushmen account for the origin of the Milky Way by relating how a girl of the ancient race wished for a light, so that the people might see to return home at night. She, therefore, threw wood ashes into the sky, which became the Milky Way. This same girl, being vexed with her mother for giving her little of a certain red edible root, threw up portions of it into the sky, where they became stars. The mention of an "ancient face" in this and other myths is one among other indications that the Bushmen are not genuine South African aborigines, but that they are intruders upon a still older race. Among some of the stars which have been identified with animals in Bushman mythology are the following: The pointers to the Southern Cross are male lions, while the stars Alpha, Beta and Gamma Crucis are lionesses. The two lions were formerly men and at the same time lions, and one of them became a star because a girl looked at him; the other, apparently out of sympathy, also became a star. They now stand silent, not far from the lionesses, who sit silent. Aldebara is a male hartebeest, while Alpha Orionis is a female hartebeest. Procyon is a male eland, whose wives are Castor and Pollux. The stars in Orion's sword are male tortoises hung upon a stick, and the three bright stars in Orion's belt are female tortoises, also hung upon a stick. The stars are divided into night stars and dawn stars, and the latter are subjects of some very fine and complicated mythological conceptions, of which, however, only fragments have as yet been obtained. The planet Jupiter is called the "Dawn's Heart," while some neighboring star, preceeding Jupiter, is the "Dawn's Heart Child," Jupiter's daughter. Her relation to her father is somewhat mysterious. He calls her in the myth, "My Hert," swallows her, then walks alone as the only Dawn's Heart Star till she grows up, when he spits her out again. She then herself becomes another female Drawn's Heart, and spits out another Dawn's Heart Child, which follows the male and female Dawn's Heart. The story proceeds in a very intricate fashion, and many other characters—all animals—are introduced.

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SAM MAVERICK, Lumber Dealer and Grocer, North side Alamo Plaza, and at Marion, Texas. Henry Terrel and Ben E. McCulloch, agents at Marion. Ben E. McCulloch attends promptly to forwarding goods assigned to him.

F. J. BEETS & Bro., Dealer in all kinds of Florida, Louisiana and Texas Lumber, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Moulding, Shingles, Fencing, Cedar, etc. Ready Made Coffins always on hand. Office and Yard, Flores street San Antonio, and at Kingsbury, terminus Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway.

MERCHANTS.

L. WOLFSON, corner Main Plaza and Acequia street. Dealer in General Merchandise. Best assortment of boots and shoes in the city.

PAINTERS.

E. MUELLER'S Paint Shop, Commerce street, opposite Schmitt's Hotel. Painting of every description done in the most workmanlike style. Sign Painting made a specialty.

PHOTOGRAPHERS.

DOZEN & Jacobson, Photographers, 64 Commerce st. All work warranted. Copying from old pictures done. Stereoscopic views of San Antonio and vicinity.

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DR. J. BEAL Office with C. H. Remmann opposite the Post Office, San Antonio, Texas. Special attention paid to Chronic Diseases, and the treatment of the diseases of Women and Children.

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B. SCHWARZ, Pawnbroker, Southwest corner Military Plaza, new two-story building. The oldest and most reliable pawnbroker in the city. References, the whole community. dec9 6m

SALOONS.

WALKER'S Saloon, No. 20, Main street. The best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars always on hand. A spacious and airy reading room for convenience of customers.

SPANISH AND GERMAN LESSONS.

Private and class lessons given in the Spanish and German languages by Otto Solms. Enquire at Gamble's Book Store.

SHOEMAKERS.

H. BILLING, dealer in all kinds of Shoe Findings, No 80, Commerce Street, San Antonio, Texas. Boots and shoes made to order at shortest notice.

TAILORS.

GEORGE Hilgers, Merchant Tailor, Commerce street, San Antonio, Texas. A fine assortment of all kinds of cloths and trimmings in stock.

A. FANCHALY & Son, Merchant Tailors and dealers in fine ready made Clothing, Hats and gents' furnishing goods. Fine shirts a specialty. No. 90 Commerce street.

LUDWIG LEESE, Merchant Tailor, and dealer in ready made clothing, Commerce street San Antonio, Texas, opposite Mrs. Young's Book Store.

ATTENTION

The undersigned has enclosed over 1,000 acres of the best grazing land, near San Antonio, all under a good cedar fence. It is situated between the Bandera and Fredericksburg roads, 6 miles from San Antonio. He proposes to take stock at the low rate of $1 50 per month or less time. Inexhaustible grass and an abundance of water. The best kind of care will be taken of stock entrusted to him, but he will not be responsible for any accident whatever. A boy will be kept at the pasture to bring horses to and from their owners for a small remuneration. Horses and mules always on hand for sale.

For information inquire of Narciso Leal

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CLAVIN'S RHEUMATIC POWDER!

For the cure of

RHEUMATISM, LUMBAGO, SCIATICA, NEURALGIA, &c., &c.

Directions:

FOR RHEUMATISM, LUMBAGO, OR LAME BACK—Take one powder three times a day, in milk or sweetened water. If the bowels move too freely, take less of the powders, and if not enough take more. At the same time the affected parts are to be rubbed freely with Clavin's Soothing Liniment, two or three times a day.

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San Antonio, Texas.

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DAILY EXPRESS

SUNDAY MORNING Dec. 17th, 1876

CITY NEWS.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

AND WE TELL 10,000 PEOPLE WHERE TO BUY EVERYTHING THEY WANT FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

We give below a long list of our business houses, and the articles offered suitable particularly for Christmas times. We present every one with a copy of the EXPRESS to-day, so that all may know where to buy. Read the long list carefully:

SCHRAM & CO'S DOLLAR STORE.

The most noticeable establishment which strikes our eye on entering the Main Plaza is the Dollar Store of Messrs. Schram & Co., a fair exponent of the enterprise and mercantile activity, which alone can secure success in business. Although but lately established in our city, they have succeeded by their untiring energy and honest labor to establish a trade which keeps them busy from early morning till late at night, their resident buyer in New York supplying them with goods which give their customers the fullest satisfaction and are sold at exceedingly low prices. The commodious and neatly arranged store contains a well selected stock of goods calculated to satisfy the wants of the San Antonio public, and especially now, when the shelves and counters are over crowded with toys and Christmas goods, which will make many a little one happy.

The principle on which the business is carried on, namely, the one price system, is one which has not only met with the approval of our most substantial business men, but which is now considered the only open and business-like way of conducting trade.

A striking feature of this house is its experienced and accomodating clerks, who never fails to meet the call of the crowds which daily throng the store. The whole is presided over by the courteous and experienced proprietors, whose long business experience enables him not only to superintend the retail department, but also to give a great part of his attention to the wholesale division of the establishment, which also enjoys an enviable patronage

R. REED'S MAMMOTH FURNITURE ESTABLISHMENT

93 & 95 Main street, will undoubtedly be well patronized the coming week. This establishment possesses everything in the house furnishing line. Husbands who desire presenting their wives with any article of house convenience, wives who wish to remember their husbands, parents who intend presenting their little ones with any piece of furniture to comfort or please them, should call upon Mr. Reed. His furniture house is one of the largest and most complete you ever were in, and to say that he disposes of goods at the lowest figures, is putting it mild, indeed.

Those beautifully designed and covered spring rockers, those attractive Manhattan and Japanese chairs, those chiffonier bed-room sets, those fine Brussels carpets, are a few of the attractions in his line of goods on hand. If you want cheap, but substantial furniture, no matter what article or articles you want, you can satisfy yourself at Mr Reed's. A good bed is one of the greatest of comforts, and it takes Mr Reed to supply this comfort. He can sell you the easiest chairs made. Never was there a better time than right now, reader, for you to furnish your house with the comforts and conveniences of life, obtainable at a small sacrifice, at Reed's great Furniture House. We invite you, on behalf of Mr Reed, to call upon him this week It will not trouble him to show you the magnificent stock of goods he has on hand, particularly adapted for Christmas times.

A BIG HOUSE ON GROCERIES.

Among our heavy houses, none have a better selected stock than Hugo & Schmeltzer. Groceries of every description fill their large establishment. There you find the celebrated Saratoga and Reserve Whiskies always on hand, many of the best brands of flour kept in stock, the finest Virginia Tobacco, wines, liquors and cigars, the very best and purest vinegar, butter, and canned fruits of every description. They are the sole agents of Uhrig's St Louis Premium Beer, and the Salvator Beer from the same Brewery. Good folks, here you can purchase your Christmas supplies at the most reasonable rates, and you will be sure to get the very best article. When making up your Christmas puddings, just step down to Hugo & Schmeltzers, and lay in your butter, flour and plums. Their establishment is crowded from morning until night by purchasers, because they sell at such reasonable rates. If you once go there, you will be bound to go again.

FANCY AND GENERAL DRY GOODS.

Mr A. L Wood, who opened last fall at that desirable stand next to the old Crystal building, has one of the handsomest and neatest establishments in the city. His goods are all first-class selections, and nowhere could more desirable Christmas presents be obtained. Beautiful shawls, elegant ladies' ties, splendid silks, and an extensive assortment of ladies' shoes, gentlemen's fine shirts, underclothing, cravats, &c. in fact, a varied stock of reliable and reasonable goods. Just step in and look at his well selected stock, and you will know that he, as a business man, is a success.

HARDWARE OF ALL KINDS

One can never catch one of the firm of Leroux & Congreve idle. For that matter, the same might be said of all the employees of the house. As is well known, their business has been growing so steadily from year to year, that they have finally been forced to build more suitable quarters. They sell all over the West and in many parts of Mexico. In this house there are no specialties to call attention to. Every description of hardware is kept constantly on hand. Stoves of all patterns and sizes, ploughs, rakes and corn shellers, hoes, all kinds of farm utensils and machinery, pumps, lamps, glass, putty, paints, oils, house-furnishing goods, carpenters', miners' and masons' tools. Their goods are sold at as reasonable rates as can be found in this market at both wholesale and retail. They will soon move into the handsome new building now being finished for them, when no hardware house in the State will surpass them.

NORTH SIDE OF MILITARY PLAZA

is situated the old and reliable drug firm of Kalteyer & Son. These druggists have a most complete stock of everything in their line on hand. Prescriptions are compounded by them with the utmost care, and all customers are dealt only the best of articles. Their line of patent medicines is complete.

BERG & BRO.,

have embarked in the general commission, forwarding and merchandise brokerage business at Koenigheim & Co's. old stand, east side of Main plaza. They are young men well known and very popular in this community, and deserve a most liberal patronage. Those having business in the Messrs. Bergs' line, will find them prompt and reliable gentlemen to deal with.

THE FUNNIEST SIGHTS

to be seen in the city are at Huth & Son's large establishment on Market street. We stepped in yesterday morning to see our young friend Louis, the junior member of the firm, and we will assure you, reader, we were never more interested in our life than when examining the lot of toys upon display Besides the kinds of toys usually brought to this market, consisting of beautiful dolls, drums, children's toy toilet and bed-room sets, musical instruments, Christmas tree ornaments, and hundreds of other things, too numerous to mention, you will here find a novel display of mechanical toys. In this line, we find the waltzers, negro double dancers, gymnasts, a toy lady who handles a perambulator with natural ease, Benjamin Butler, who, when wound up, walked in an arrogant manner about the room, heedless of the laughter of spectators, and other ingenuous toys. It is very amusing when these mechanical toys are wound up to observe the natural like movements they go through with. Nobody should fail to inspect the attractive toys on display here.

There is no use telling parents how their little ones appreciate toy presents. The old can revert their memories to days long past, and the pleasures of early childhood come back to them forcibly We were all children once, and we can all remember the delightful manner in which we enjoyed the holidays. Why, there is nothing sweet to the child's mind about the mere presence of the Christmas season. To render the child's Christmas an enjoyable one, therefore, an appreciative present should be given it, for then the infant mind will remember the occasion and remember it pleasantly. Parents are the proper judges as to what their offspring can best appreciate, and all parents can satisfy their own desires and their children's love at Huth & Son's.

The Messrs Huth also carry a very large stock of hardware articles, and they are agents for the popular and celebrated Brinly Plow.

Besides, they deal in all kinds of garden seeds, imported fresh from Messrs. Landreth & Son's. Regarding your spring seeds, remember Messrs. Huth & Son's is a good place to obtain them.

A MOST INDEFATIGABLE MAN

is Anthony Earhart, carpenter and builder. Mr. Earhart has, within the past few months, risen to great prominence as a workman. He claims to be the cheapest man in town, and signifies a willingness to compare the character of his work with anybody's Mr. Earhart has, within the past year, constructed some of the finest buildings in the city—i e—those now occupied by Schram & Co and Messrs D & A Oppenheimer, on Main plaza. As an evidence that he does good work, we mention the fact that people may have building to be done are giving Mr. Earhart a most liberal share of it. He will soon construct a three-story building on the corner of Main plaza for Mr. Dauenhauer, and is now building a fine residence for Mr. Steves, one for Mr. Dewees, and another for Mr. Votaw, south of the city. Do not these extensions of new contracts to Mr. Earhart demonstrate that he is regarded as a good and cheap builder?

Passing along Commerce street old citizens will see the familiar sign,

PAUL MARMAUX, FURNITURE DEALER.

He is a careful business man and guarantees his goods to be just as he represents them. He has a large supply of articles in his line—all new; paid cash for them and sells very cheap for cash down. If you need anything in his line to put your house in order for the holidays, call on him. He is the agent for the Dowell Bed Spring, the most comfortable ever sold here, and also agent for the Howe Sewing Machine, which would be a very acceptable holiday present.

A. NETTE, JR.,

the only druggist in the third Ward, a most competent chemist and as clever a young gentleman as there is anywhere, invites everybody to patronize him—and why not do so? He keeps everything in the drug line, has all the cough and cold medicines, all kinds of the best patent medicines and knows how to treat his customers. Let the Third Ward people patronize August.

THE PRINCE OF CONFECTIONERS.

Mr. Gus Durler, as usual, presents a most attractive display of goods in his line—in fact, he has taken more pains to display his goods this year than ever before In the line of choice candies and cakes, Christmas ornaments, fruits and nuts, such things as are actually needed to fit up a Christmas tree. Mr. Durler certainly exhibits not only liberal quantities, but the very finest quality. He has also a large stock of fire works, embracing everything from a sky-rocket down to a torpedo. We cannot recommend to the reader a better place to get the articles enumerated above than at Mr. Durler's.

GIFT BOOK FOR PRESENTS.

W. W. Gamble has the largest stock of books in the city, many of which would make the most appropriate presents to gentleman or lady, old or young. He has also a choice variety of toys, albums, gold pens and pencils, writing paper and envelopes, chromos, picture books for children, and a large number of notions selected expressly for the holidays.

CANDIES AND FRUIT.

Everybody will want candies, oranges, apples, grapes, etc., for Christmas, and we will tell you where to get them—two doors east of Nic Tengg's book store. Mr. Pickard is well known as a liberal fruit dealer and always keeps the best to be had in the market. Step then as you pass by, and see for yourself.

THE NEW WHEELER & WILSON SEWING MACHINE,

which was awarded the highest premium at the Centennial Exhibition, is favorite in San Antonio, as the large number sold clearly testifies. Ladies are invited to call at their rooms, near the Commerce street bridge, and examine for themselves. A lady always in attendance. R. C. Harn, agent for San Antonio and Western Texas.

JAMES CLAVIN,

The popular druggist, has now on hand the largest stock of fresh drugs and medicines to be found in the city. He attends personally to the compounding of prescriptions, which insures carefulness in their preparation—something that should always be considered when medicines are ordered. Mr. Clavin has also a very fair assortment of useful and attractive toilet articles, toilet soaps, the finest ever offered for sale in San Antonio, a great variety of notions, and all goods usually found at a first class drug store. While looking for holiday goods you will find something there that you will want. Clavin's eau de cologne is unsurpassed, the most costly foreign article is no better, of which fact every one may be convinced by trying a bottle. It is carefully prepared and labeled so neatly that it at once attracts the purchaser's attention. Clavin's compound extract of sarsaparilla and stillingia, as a blood purifier, has not been equalled by any other compound hitherto brought before the public. Clavin's wild cherry will relieve and cure almost any cough the people may be afflicted with. At Mr. Clavin's will also be found the largest and most complete stock of trusses and shoulder braces in Western Texas

CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS.

Messrs. Smye & Larmour can well point with pride as evidence of their ability and workmanship to the Leroux & Congreve building they have nearly completed. It is the class of work we hope to see altogether introduced in the future. There is a fine prospect of an extensive amount of building in the spring, and this firm, from what they have already done, are likely to obtain a fair proportion.

A GREAT LADIES' RESORT,

during Christmas times is Mr Nic Tengg's book store. Nic does not deal exclusively in books, however, but a thousand and one other things, suitable for holiday presents. His attractive display of chinaware, beautiful work-boxes, excellent gold pens, pocket-knives of all kinds for the boys, cigar cases for the young gentlemen, reticules, games and fancy little tricks, with a large assortment of all kinds of toys, for the children. People of all sizes and classes love to inspect and admire his goods. There has been a perfect rush at Nic's the whole of the past week. In the book-line, he keeps all the latest novels and story books, classical works, in fact, just such works of literature as are suitable for the times. Remember Nic. His place of business is in Zerk's old building, Main street.

E. MOKE'S CLOTHING EMPORIUM.

No. 35, Main street, is an excellent place to obtain your clothing. Ladies' dress goods are being sold by Mr. Moke below cost. Our friend Moke has also a fine assortment of gentlemens' clothing and furnishing goods, and makes a specialty in the boot and shoe line. All kinds of fancy, useful and comfortable knit goods, for misses, ladies and children, and hundreds of other things that people need, and should go to Moke's to buy. Don't say anything about it—but Moke has an assortment of shawls and Yankee notions for Christmas gifts that he is next to giving away.

D. & A. OPPENHEIMER.

No. 8, Commerce St., and No 3, Main Plaza, have on hand the largest and best assorted stock of California blankets, shawls, overcoats and winter clothing in general They offer their splendid stock of goods for the next thirty days at greatly reduced prices. Messrs. Oppenheimer will be pleased to accommodate any number of customers that may call upon them during the holidays.

Now, if you want to give your wife a real useful present—one that will cause you to be remembered as a real devoted husband and have a tendency to make her a helpmeet indeed—go to

GEORGE WHITE'S STOVE STORE,

at 78 and 80 Commerce street, and have one of those justly celebrated "General" cooking stoves sent to your home and put up in place of the one you now have, and our word for it your home will be a cheerful one on Christmas day, 1877, and your turkey will be roasted in a style unknown to you before, unless you have already one of these excellent stoves in your kitchen. If you need any kind of a stove, for heating or parlor use, he has in stock any number of them, and at prices that cannot fail to please you Here also will be found in great variety—tin-ware, hollow-ware, coal oil lamps of every description, quality and price, and general house furnishing goods. Among other things will be found here toy cook stoves, with utensils complete, something that every little girl will want and prize highly, if parents will call and let their daughters see them Mr. White is an old citizen, has studied the wants of the people and has a store full of just such articles as are needed in city and country.

THE SHOE DEPOT

of San Antonio is kept by Cunningham & Edwards. These young gentlemen have now on hand the largest, finest and best assortment of shoes ever introduced into this market. Their assortment embraces ladies', gentlemen's, misses' and children's boots, shoes and slippers, brought on especially for the San Antonio trade. Persons wishing the best and cheapest articles in the shoe line, should not forget Cunningham & Edwards' Shoe Depot, 29 Commerce street. If you want a good pair of shoes, dear reader, you can not say we have not told you where to satisfy yourself.

PENTENREIDER & CO.'S SUCCESSOR,

Mr Barbeck, has never been behind in his line. Thousands of our citizens visited and admired his magnificent display of Holiday Goods last Christmas, but a much larger and more gorgeous display has been prepared for them this year, embracing everything that can be wished for. In the line of toys he seems to have put his whole heart in the matter of providing articles calculated to please the children, which embraces everything new and novel that the ingenuity of man and Santa Claus could invent to gladden the hearts of the little ones on Christmas Morning. The "Rope Jumping Girl," and "The School Master and his Pupils," and many other mechanical toys on exhibition are attracting the attention of old and young. We can only mention a few articles that we saw, which we will give to refresh the memory of purchasers: Toys of all kinds, portfolios, writing desks, fancy boxes, papeteries, card cases, cigar cases, Meerschaum pipes and cigar holders, the finest in the city; work boxes, the costliest inlaid and plain; pocket knives, all kinds of parlor games, some very attractive and never introduced before; a large variety of imported wooden ware and notions, never introduced here before, etc., etc. His store will be open to the public every night until 10 o'clock. Take your little ones and let them enjoy the sights for themselves.

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S

dry goods establishment, corner of Main and Soledad streets, is one of the most completely furnished business houses in the city. It does one good to look at the mammoth stock of fine dry goods this firm has now on hand. Ladies' dress goods, embracing the nicest and most comfortable cloaks, beautiful ties, and fine material for winter dresses. Also a splendid assortment of boys', youths' and gentlemen's clothing and hats. Haas & Oppenheimer certainly have one of the finest and most complete stocks of gentlemen's furnishing goods ever offered in this market. Their assortment of knit goods, consisting of children's stockings, hoods, sacques, etc., invites the attention of every provident mother, who visits their store rooms. Parents, you have a week before you in which to prepare articles of apparel for the comforts of your little ones. Christmas is the season above all others when your children will appreciate a present. Why not visit such an establishment as that of Haas & Oppenheimer's early in the week, and buy something for your little ones for Christmas. Husbands and wives, young men and maidens, are all welcome at this popular house, which offers articles suited to the wants of all. We predict a great rush the present week at this establishment.

PANCOAST & SON'S

Is the place to go for a good, suitable Christmas present. Their stock of clothing, hats, furnishing goods, etc., cannot be surpassed in good goods, while within the next six days they expect a large addition to their clothing department in the way of something nice and cheap for men and youths—youths from 17 to 20 years Give them a call and we think you will go again.

A DELIGHTFUL IDEA.

Just as we were about to say something else, the thought strikes us that it would be a fine thing for people to call on Doerr & Jacobson these holiday times and have their pictures taken, so that they may be enabled to give their friends a copy of their photographs for a Christmas present. True, it would not be a costly present to give, but it would never fail to claim appreciation. We have lots of friends whose pictures we should delight to have our album contain. Won't some of them take the hint and satisfy what is a great desire on our part But there are hundreds of people that like we are. Doerr & Jacobson are prepared to wait upon any number of customers, and they are No. 1 artists.

A NEAT STORE.

is a great attraction. Neatness and order catch the admiring eye of even the roughest people. A. Morris' dry-goods store certainly merits the title of neatness Everything about the establishment is preserved in the most perfect order, and the clerks are as polite and attentive to customers as they can be The reader, should he give this house a call, will find a full supply of excellent and cheap dry-goods, and one of the finest stocks of hats ever brought to this city.

GEORGE HILGERS,

the indefatigable and popular Merchant Tailor, desires to fit every man and boy in town with fine suits of clothes. His stock of goods on hand is of very superior quality, and we invite every reader to call and examine his goods. Hilgers will be pleased to show you them.

A POPULAR PLACE,

Mayer & Wolff's dry-goods establishment may justly be termed. We never pass it but what we observe a crowd of anxious customers singuing the counters. The very fact that this house is always crowded, is an evidence of its great popularity. The ladies go to Mayer & Wolff's when they want the best of dress goods, including dress silks,—when they want fancy ties, ribbons, laces and lace handkerchiefs gloves and ladies goods in general. Young ladies think that Mayer & Wolff's piano covers are the neatest in the city, while their mamas buy their table covers over the same counter. We invite the special attention of gentlemen to the splendid stock of gent's furnishing goods this firm has also on hand. All goods are sold very low.

INSURANCE.

Marshall & Herndon, Insurance Agents, represent $60,000,000 of insurance capital. They have a full line of as reliable companies as there are in the United States, Canada or England. Life, Fire and Marine policies issued. They are prompt and reliable business men and respectfully ask the patronage of the public.

HIDES, WOOL, AND PRODUCE.

San Antonio, from her situation, naturally commands a large business in hides and wool, they are among our great staples, and from them our city derives a large and profitable trade. At any time in the day almost, on passing, one can see wagons and carts unloading at E. Lassner's, near the corner of West Commerce and Flores streets. Mr. Lassner is one of our largest dealers and strictly reliable, and attends closely to business. He also deals in all kinds of country produce. With such business men our city must on the approach of the railroad, increase her trade largely and permanently.

A TIME FOR EVERYTHING.

It has been said, and truthfully, that there is a time to laugh and a time to pray, a time to dance and a time to be sorrowful, and it might also have been added that there is a time for people to be sick. Of course, the first thing to be done after one is taken sick, is to call in a family physician. The doctor prescribes a remedy for your disease, and that remedy you must obtain from a druggist A. Nette's drug store, on Main street, is a good place to have your prescriptions compounded at. At this season, when coughs and colds are prevalent, good patent cough medicines are in demand. We speak by the board when we say that Dr. Nette has a most excellent stock of patent medicines. Sufferers who use shoulder-braces, trusses, and lung protectors, will find these necessaries at Mr. Nette's. Mr. Nette has a very large lot of perfumeries and toilet articles also on hand. Remember Mr. Nette.

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, NOTIONS, ETC., AT COST

On the Southeast Corner of Main Plaza.

SOLOMAN, DEUTSCH & CO.,

Well known for the liberal manner in which they deal with their multitude of customers, are offering the very best bargains in the line of clothing, the latest styles out; gentlemen's furnishing goods, as fair a quality and variety as can be found in the city; and a stock of dry goods and dress goods full and complete. Being compelled to move from their present place of business on account of Mr. Dauenhauer's preparations to build a three story business house where their store now stands, Messrs Deitz & Co. will close out their entire stock at ACTUAL COST. This affords a splendid opportunity to purchasers, and parties looking for bargains should not fail to call and learn for themselves the low prices asked for goods at this popular house. You will find here many articles that will be valued as holiday presents.

SADDLERY, HARNESS, ETC.

Alex. Varga manufactures harness, saddles, bridles, leggins, etc., and has constantly on hand, collars, harness, chains, saddle trees and every thing kept at a first class saddlery establishment. Ladies side-saddles in variety. Mr Varga keeps only first class workmen and every thing he sells is of the best quality and make. Those in need of any articles in his line should remember his store is on the North side of the Main Plaza, next to the old Plaza House.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

On the west side of the Military Plaza, Mr. A. Bruni can be found, with a fine stock of general merchandise. He has dry goods and groceries, fine liquors and a large assortment of imported coffee. Mr. Bruni sells his goods at reasonable living rates, and, thankful for the past patronage of the public, he respectfully asks its continuance.

PROF. G. KAFFENBERGER.

Educated at the Conservatory at Munich, in Germany, respectfully offers his professional services to the citizens of San Antonio, and will give instructions on the following instruments, viz: Organ, piano, violin, violincello, flute and guitar. Special attention given to vocal training and thorough bass. His endeavors are to give general satisfaction. Although but a new comer among us, Mr. Kaffenberger has won many friends, and as a teacher of music in general, he is rated very high by those who ought to know. Parties requiring his services will please leave their orders with C. Hummel, Commerce Street.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES.

Going into the establishment of H. Grenet, a person does not know what to look at first. He has literally everything anyone can think of, and a great deal more to boot. Folks hunting Christmas gifts and Christmas goods will find here an Emporium, from which his taste can be at once satisfied. From a dried apple or a paper of pins, to a barrel of cement (we do not recommend either as a Christmas gift) his extensive store and warehouses are chocked with goods—Toys, Children's Carriages and grim cracks of every description are in profusion. You might think you were in a toy shop till you turned round and caught sight of the beautiful shawls shoes, any quantity of domestics. And a little further on, splendid China sets, one of which contains 350 pieces, and costs $175, formerly it was held at $250. Long rows of can fruits, fresh Canvass Hams, Tobacco; the finest Teas and Coffee that are imported. Sweet meats, and Delicacies of every kind and description and of the best established brands. Figs, Oranges and Lemons enough to pack a large seized candy store. The best and most delicious jellies. Great fat cheeses that look very hospitable. Kegs of Goshen and Gilt-edge butter. Imported cigars that are fit for the most critical smoker. Green peas and sausage. We got some-what bewildered amid all these articles, so strayed on a little and caught sight of beautiful rows of champaign bottles. Mr. Grenet imports six different kinds of the very best brands. Old cognac he has that is fit for the Kings of old. Rhine wines and domestic wines. Lamps enough to light the city and a few more to spare for our Mexican neighbors. China ware is one of the largest portions of his stock, he has hogsheads filled with it. Astral oil, which by the way is on the vise, he bought a large supply ere it went up. We might go on to enumerate but it would take more space than we have to recount anything like the extent of the stock and the display that can be found at this establishment. It is a Christmas gift itself to go there and walk through and view the pretty things and the useful things and the good things as they crowd before you. It will repay purchasers to visit it though they have to take a hack to get there. Mr. Grenet is one among our oldest of our merchants, he has built up a large and still increasing business in the city. Personal energy and integrity have been the main contributors in this result, many many Christmases roll over his prosperity, and allow our citizens the opportunity of patronizing his extensive establishment.

WAGONS AND AMBULANCES.

Many people say that the best and cheapest place in the city to buy wagons and ambulances is at Hinchman & Leroux's. They have a full assortment from four different factories, at prices that defy competition. South side of Main Plaza.

FINE JEWELRY.

In no place in the city can more suitable Christmas presents be obtained than at Bell & Bros., on Commerce St. With a special view to the holiday season, they have so arranged their goods that no one can pass their store without being struck by the taste and elegance plainly visible. This is an old firm in San Antonio, and its members have the confidence of the community. Their goods are of the best quality, and just as represented by them, their aim being to keep the very best articles only in their stock. From one case to another you may wander, and will be struck by the beautiful contents within—Jewelry of all sorts and shades, silverware of tasteful designs, family and pocket cutlery of the best manufacture. It is an easy matter for any one to select something to please himself.

PLAIN TALK TO YOU.

We are constrained to do some plain talking, and commence by saying that, despite all our efforts to induce the intelligent citizens of San Antonio to call at our office, or send us any ideas or suggestions that would aid us in perfecting our SAN ANTONIO GUIDE AND WEST TEXAS DIRECTORY, but few have responded to our request. Why! this luke-warmness is to us incomprehensible! To carry out our GRAND PROJECT, we have not asked *one cent* from the State, county, city or any individual.

Why not come and see for yourselves what we are doing, without cost to other than ourselves.

No firm ever before did so much as we are doing to advance the interests of, not only the community in general, but, of each individual in this city. Yet there is a strange want of appreciation—an almost criminal apathy. It is a shame that the only assistance asked for has not been tendered, and which almost any other community on the face of the earth would have jumped at the opportunity of giving. We are talking to you, reader; not some other business man, or your neighbor.

From the immensity of the task which we have undertaken, in your interest, we feel we have a right to demand that you give the aid of your thoughts and suggestions, or at least one kind word of encouragement for the enterprise.

What do San Antonians want us to do to get them awakened to the importance of assisting us in this gigantic work?

Here are men offering, without money and without price, that which may increase land about us from $3 to $1000 will increase the trade of the merchant, manufacturer and professional man, by great influx of population, to more than an hundred fold Then why should we be continually driven to beg for those facts, figures, items of interest, the publishing of which will secure these great benefits:

We are not going on the principal that we know it all. We have all the financial requirements—now all we want is that the many citizens who are competent, the old San Antonians of intellect to call at our office and criticise the thirty six pages of manuscript prospectus. Call and give, or send any ideas or suggestions; any old almanacs, books, pictures, views; anything that by word or deed will enhance value of our work. Come and see what the work is about. Come, we say, and show that you are able and willing to furnish what may be lacking.

Let the agriculturalist give us his experience in raising the various crops, horses, cattle sheep, hogs, etc. Let the horticulturalist give his experience.

Let us know all that can be learned about mines and mining, geology and botany.

Let the chemist and naturalist, be they practical or amateur give us the result of their experiments and investigations; there are many who have been waiting such an opportunity to make known their experiences Let the mechanic make known the general prosperity of trade. Let the doctor and lawyer add the weight of their professional experiences.

Thus far we can say that not ten men have caught our idea. We want the ideas and suggestions, the old reminiscences that you have, which will attract thousands to our midst, causing an increased prosperity on all hands. The boot black will have more boots to shine, and more doubloons will shine in the coffers of all.

Our office is comfortably warmed, and well lighted, and open until 12 o'clock each night. We have in our employ, at heavy expense, a corps of the best talent that can be procured. Writers, copyists, designers and engravers; also photographers, who will call when desired, to take views of all objects of interest or of buildings; also a short hand writer who will wait upon persons who will give ideas or suggestions, and make notes thereof.

Again we would say: Send us any and all information within your power. Overhaul your chests for manuscripts—no matter how old—the idea, the germ, so to speak, is what we want. Our writers are now waiting for these items, and will clothe them in proper, readable manner.

There are many old gentlemen who would like to give to posterity their old-time reminiscences, such, for instance, as facts and figures of the Mexican trade, which were lost during the war

We hope this will be our last appeal to the intelligence of the community. We make no complaint on account of money. We have found the country rich in every thing but the willingness to give ideas. And, most emphatically, have we found their inability to, heretofore, catch the scope of this work; to see that the return for the assistance asked is incalculable.

Thus far we have received no praise, but abuse, for daring to assume so gigantic an undertaking without asking for money from the public or from any individual. To tell "the truth and the whole truth" is our motto, and it would not look well for your children's children to read hereafter of the apathy felt by San Antonio citizens for an enterprise that must necessarily advance the city's interest.

So wake up, San Antonians, comprehend the magnitude of this great work. Not next week, but now! not forgetting that golden rule of business: "Do not put off until tomorrow that which can be done to day!"

We will keep an account of all who respond to this appeal, a list of which we will publish in next Sunday's EXPRESS.

The public's most willing servants.

GARZA & MCKERNAN.

—I would like to notify the public that I have lately opened a cigar and tobacco stand at the Central Hotel, and invite the public to come and examine my stock, as I am now ready to offer to them a fine assortment of the finest and cheapest cigars, direct from some of the best wholesale houses in New Orleans. Yours truly,

H. G. ENGELMANN.

—Fresh Red Fish and Mullet received from Galveston, on ice, last night—the finest and largest lot ever received at one time in this city. At market house door on Market street, by L. H. Byrn.

TOOTHSOME SWEETMEATS, HOLIDAY FUNDRIES, ETC.—R. M. McKie, on the Military Plaza, has just received in 5 pound tubs Apple Butter, Peach Butter, Quince Butter, Pear Butter, the finest Ohio Maple Syrup—and Self Raising Buckwheat Flour. These are the choicest goods, and have never before been brought to this market.

HOMEOPOTHY.—Dr. Fisher having returned to the city, will resume his practice and can be found at his office on Houston street, nearly opposite the Vance House, during office hours—8 to 10 a. m., and 2 to 4 p. m.

—At the recent city election in Waco, Texas, the entire Republican ticket was elected.

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San Antonio, Dec. 5th, 1876.

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SAN ANTONIO GUIDE

AND

West Texas Directory.

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We are preparing, at an IMMENSE COST, a work with the above title. With view to having it the most complete and reliable in its every department, of any work of the kind ever published, we want every professional man, business man, or citizen of this part of the State, to LOAN us any book, pamphlet or documents having any bearing on the subject. We most cordially invite the men of brains to call upon us and give us the aid of such suggestions as will make our projected work a success.

To make the work complete, we are going at it in a systematic manner. To illustrate: We are getting up a fine set of Ledgers, or Record Books. The largest will be labeled "San Antonio," and then one for each of the Cities in West Texas, and one for each separate County. Each of these books will have a separate Journal. We will also have a large Day Book and Blotter in which every item of interest that may be given us, or otherwise obtained, will be entered, and when found to be perfectly accurate, will be posted in the respective Ledgers for preservation. We will have a gentleman in charge of this department who will be thoroughly qualified for the work.

Further: We are going to procure a handsome set of Cases, with large glass doors, in which will be placed fine specimens of Coal, Stone, Gold and Silver ores, and all the curiosities of mineral wealth obtainable from any part of West Texas. Suitable cases will also be provided for the exhibition of fine specimens of corn, oats, wheat, sugar cane, cotton and tobacco; of wool, the skins of different animals, and in fact a complete collection of specimens of the products of the forest, field and mines of this region.

As soon as the services of a competent Taxidermist can be procured, we are going to have specimens of all animals and birds peculiar to West Texas, stuffed and handsomely mounted. As we will have one of the largest business rooms in the city for our office, the whole will make a MUSEUM of attractions to the sight of the stranger, where he will find full and accurate statistics of each novelty on exhibition and every county in West Texas. From the course we have mapped out, we hope thinking men will see that WE ARE IN EARNEST—THAT WE MEAN BUSINESS in its strictest sense, and that they will see that it will be to their interest to aid us by their suggestions.

To strangers visiting this City, we extend a cordial invitation to call upon us, when we will try to entertain them, and any suggestions that they can make will be thankfully received.

Persons wishing to advertise will call at our office, where the respective spaces are for sale. They WILL NOT BE PEDDLED on the streets, and business men WILL NOT BE IMPORTUNED at their places of business

P. S.—Samples or Specimens sent to us, as above requested, should be PREPAID, for by labeling an giving notice of the sender, we more than give an equivalent.

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