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THE SAN ANTONIO FAIR.

We are in receipt of the sixth annual catalogue of the International Fair Association, San Antonio, Tex, which gives valuable information to those desirous of making exhibits at this fair A perusal of the catalouge shows that all departments are in able hands, who working faithfully with the excilent president and secretary of the association and its wide awake board of directors makes the success of this years fair a certainty. Ample premiums are offered in every department as a partial inducement to exhibitors. It is gratifying to note that at every previous fair held by this association all the great buildings on the grounds were filled to overflowing with the products of the farm, orchard garden' ranch and factory, and we are informed that the prospect is good for a larger number of exhibits at this year's fair than ever before. Realizing that a successful fair cannot be held without something to see the management of the San Antonio have always been liberal with their premium list, have always seen to it, and always will, that all premiums are paid in full and that none but cometent judges are appointed in every department and that no favoritism is ever shown. A fair run along these lines will always prosper and prove of great benefit to the state.

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See change in Schwartz' ad.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
COUNTY OF CALLAHAN. }

Whereas, The State of Texas, through its County Attorney, on the 12th day of August A. D. 1904, filed in the District Court of Callahan County, in the State of Texas, its petition in suit No 857 on the Civil Docket of said Court, being suit brought by the said The State of Texas, as Plaintiff, against the heirs of R. B. Archer, deceased as defendants and the nature of the plaintiff's demand as stated in the said petition being an action to recover of the defendants as the owners of the lands returned delinquent for the taxes thereon for the years 1902 and 1903; and, Whereas, the names of said owners are unknown and upon the affidavit of Jno. W. Woods, Co., Atty, having been made, setting forth that the owners are unknown to the affiant, as the Attorney for the State of Texas, rnd after inquiry not ascertained.

These are therefore, to cite all interested parties and to make parties defendant by notice in the name of the State of Texas, and the County of Callahan directed to all persons owning or being in any way interested in the lands delinquent to the State and County for taxes, to be published in a newspaper in said County, one time a week for three consecutive weeks, in the manner and style following:

THE STATE OF TEXAS AND COUNTY OF CALLAHAN.

To the heirs of R. B. Archer, deceased and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas and county of Callahan, for taxes, to wit: Situated in Callahan County Texas, and being 10 acres out of the A. L. Eaves survey, known as the R. B. Archer tract of land situated about 1½ miles N. W. from the town of Cottonwood, which said land is delinqent for taxesfor the following amounts: 79c for State taxes and $1.64 for County taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought for the collection of said taxes, and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit at the Nov. Term of the District Court of Callahan County, and State of Texas, being the next regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House thereof, at Baird, on the 7th day of November A. D. 1904 and show cause why judgment shall not be be rendered condemning said land, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and cost of suit.

Attest: W. P. Cochran Clerk of the District Court in and for Callahan County, State of Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this 20th day of August 1904.

40-3t W. P. COCHRAN,
Clerk Dist. Court Callahan Co., Tex.

A NEW ASPFCT OF CHURCH DECADENCE.

Is It Due to Modern Moral Decay, or is Moral Decay Due to the Failure of the Church?

A long editorial in the Universalist Leader contains an indictment of the church which is both novel and calculated to give the thoughtful pause in their inquiry why religion is no longer the vital force it once was. Civic corruption, legislative evils, the unpunished crimes of high finance, the debauchiug whirl of pleasure, the commercialization of scholarship, art, and science, strikes, lynchings. and the rule of brute force and love of money do not cause the decay of the church, says the Leader; the decay of the church causes these conditions:

The Christian church is being starved to death by its friends. Emaciated and weakened, this once regal figure stands with outstretched hands pitifully pleading the privilege to live. Once dominant, now dependent; once autocratic, now apologetic; once loved and respected, now lonesome and rejected. It is in these (above) conditions that we have found the cause of the present era of religious indifference which has landed the church in its present slough of despond. But we are all wrong. The decadence of the of the church is not so much due to these conditions is these conditions are due to the decadence of the church: We have turned things right around and have been working at the wrong end. As the church has declined, sin and evil have increased, and the real problem which we face today is not this, that or the other specific evil, but the church itself; for every problem, individual, social, economic, municipal or national, is primarily a religious question. This is the position of Count Tolstoy, when he says: "The evil from which men of our time are suffering is produced by the fact that the majority live without that which alone affords a rational guidance for human activity—without religion."

Here, then, are we face to face with the real, vital problem of the age. The church is in decadence; it has lost its place of influence; its pews are deserted, its treasury depleted, and instead of shaping life it is begging the privilege to live: instead of supplying the needs of man it cries out for men to come to its rescue. The current of life is sweeping away from the church and not toward it, and we must consider the causes.

This critic accuses the church of having fallen from its high estate as the place of worship:

A great cause, if not the great cause of the decline, is found in the fact that the church has ceased to be a church where the people may come for the worship of God, and through that worship receive the divine influence into their souls. The church has become a social center, a lecturship, a school, a college, a literary society, a place of amusement, a bazaar, a library, an institution of philanthropy, a nursery, a kindergarten, a soup kitchen, an employment bureau, or a political caucus. That is, the church has abandoned its own peculiar field to which it was dedicated, that of divine worship and entered other fields for which it is wholly unfitted and where it comes into a competition which is its undoing.—Public Opinion.

W. C. T. U.

"God, Home and Native Land."

SEPTEMBER.

"The earth is the Lord's and the fulness threof, the world and they that dwell therein."

MOTHER'S MEETING.

Scripture lesson, 22 chapter Prov.

Song, "Bring Them In."

Roll Call—Response with Scripture texts.

Subject—"First Seven Years of the Child Life."

Paper—"Parental Influences"—Mrs. Poindexter.

Recitation—Grace Kendall.

Duett—Misses Ola Smith and Bessie Foy.

Reading—"Pitfalls for our Boys"—Mrs. Miller.

Drill on the names and addresses of State officers, and relation of local Unions to State Union.

Recitation—Mrs. H. C. McGowen.

"Be strong all ye people of the land sayeth the Lord, and work."

Will meet at the Baptist Church.

Had quite an interesting ev[illegible] on last Friday—meeting pleas[illegible] beneficial.

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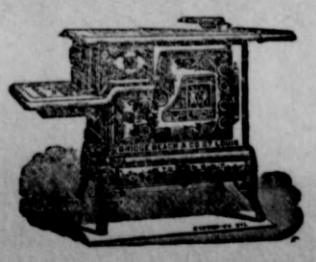

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

Isaac Tolliver, a negro man, reputed to be 105 years of age, died from senility at Galveston Thursday.

Ed. Carter, night operator at Langtry for the Southern Pacific, was drowned in the Rio Grande while fishing.

Buck Thompson and Arthur Smith picked 1,004 pounds of cotton on Joe Lemmon's farm in Delta County, Monday.

Rev. George Stuart, evangelist of the Methodist Church, South, is conducting a revival in Dallas this week. He is accompanied by his singer.

The body of a well-dressed woman, apparently 26 years old, has been taken from the lake near the Columbia Yacht club house, Chicago. Her identity is a mystery.

Permanent organization of the new American party, whose avowed purpose is to oppose the alleged interference of the Mormon Church in politics, was effected at Salt Lake City.

Forty-three road overseers in Smith county were indicted by the Grand Jury for failure to work the roads and to put up signboards as prescribed by law.

The Mexican Consuls, especially in Asiatic ports, have been notified to keep a sharp lookout for outbreaks of cholera, bubonic pest, etc., and report the same to the government.

There is a story going that Germany means to support Russia at the final conclusion of peace with Japan, and that the whole Russo-German scheme is directed against England.

Prince Herbert Bismarck's condition is most grave. His sister, the Countess Von Hamezau, has been summoned to join the rest of the family, who are already at Friederichsruhe.

Six masked robbers visited the Lehigh Valley Traction company car barn at Soudertob, Lansdale, Pa., and after beating and gagging four emcaped with between $700 and $800.

At Beaumont, after deliberating for half an hour the jury in the case of John Davis, charged with the killing of Ed Gilder four years ago, returned a verdict of not guilty. This was the third trial of the case.

Claude Sessions of Austin, a negro boy, 14 years old, while snapping a supposed empty gun at his 8-year-old sister, accidentally shot her and she died in a few minutes. The ball struck her in the forehead.

The tile roof of the Masonic temple at Waco will be completed this week, easily, after which the inside work can be pushed more rapidly than ever. Good progress has been made, however, in every direction and the building can be turned over to the committee within a few weeks.

Rex McCleau, a boy of 13 years, was shot and instantly killed by accident on the farm of H. B. Leonard near San Antonio. With a young Mexican the boy was hunting when a shotgun in the Mexican youth's hands was discharged, the load tearing through the Kild's head.

A British sailing vessel, supposed to be the British bark Lucia, struck a mine recently off Port Arthur. One person of those aboard her was rescued. It is considered probable the vessel was running the blockade.

A valuable collection of souvenirs of Count de Lesseps and relics connected with the early history of the Panama canal, has been presented to the American Geographical Society by Capt. Nathan Appleton.

Samuel Slack was killed at the Clear Fork rock quarry near Abilene last Monday afternoon. The derrick fell and crushed the victim to death.

Arctic Explorer R. E. Peary has signed a contract to start on another north pole expedition next summer.

A steam pleasure launch containing [illegible] people was cut in two by the [illegible] Columbia, about one hundred [illegible] of Philadelphia, and eight of the occupants of the launch were drowned.

E. J. Garver, who was accidentally shot with a revolver on W. A. Connor's farm near English, Red River County, a few days ago, died from the wound.

The Cuban Republic is to send the Minister of Agriculture to study Texas rice culture.

Fire has destroyed the Sawyer and Austin plant at Pine Bluff, one of the largest mills in Arkansas. The loss is estimated to be between $400,000 and $500,000, fully covered by insurance.

The grand jury has indicted Mayor T. W. Smith and Sheriff A. D. Rogers of Huntsville for dereliction in duty in allowing a mob to lynch Horace Maples a few days since. Other prominent citizens are also under indictment for participation in the act.

Japs Preparing to Fight Kuropatkin at Mukden

Japs Are Shelling Position to Prevent Retreat.

London, Sept. 19.—It is asserted in a dispatch from Tokio to the Express that the Japanese are vigorously shelling the Russian positions at Mukden, preparatory to a general advance, and endeavoring by a wide turning movement to cut off Gen. Kuropatkin's retreat. The Japanese armies, the dispatch adds, are disposed in the same relative positions as in the fighting before Liao Yang.

St. Petersburg continues without confirmation of the report that the right wing of the Japanese army is advancing north of Mukden, and the statement is therefore not credited at the Russian capital. Gen. Sakharoff reports that there was no fighting in the vicinity of Mukden Friday or Saturday, but notes the arrival of reinforcements for the Japanese along the whole line of the Japanese front. The interval of quiet has afforded Gen. Kuropatkin opportunity to strengthen his defenses and he has received large reinforcements since his retreat to Mukden.

There are indications of a revival of the struggle for the possession of Port Arthur.

Tokio, Sept. 18, Noon.—Marquis Oyama, Commander in Chief of the Japanese forces in the field, telegraphs this morning that Gen. Oku had reported having captured thirteen prisoners at the battle of Liao Yang. He also gave a detailed list of the Russian stores which Gen. Oku captured as follows:

Thirty horses, 2,288 rifles, 127 ammunition wagons, 5,892 rounds of artillery ammunition, 659,930 small arm cartridges, great quantities of timber, flour, rice, forage, engineering implements clothing and accoutrements.

Oyamo also reports that the armies under Gens. Kuroki and Nodzu made no prisoners at the fight before Liao Yang.

Gen. Kuroki captured forty horses, 800 rifles, 300 rounds of artillery and 600,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, telegraph apparatus and various miscellaneous implements.

Gen. Nodzu captured 800 rifles, 1,164 rounds of artillery and 37,880 rounds of rifle ammunition, three heliographs, telephone tools and large quantities of foodstuffs and timber.

Gen. Oku captured sufficient timber to construct railroad depots.

Lightning's Deadly Freak.

Marietta, I. T.: Sunday afternoon there was a terriffic rainstorm, during which five boys and two horses were struck by lightning. Tom Rose, aged 14; Ed Parker, aged 15, and Burrell Howard, aged 15, were all on one horse, and Jeff Settle, aged 13, and Frank Kisselberg, aged 17, were on another horse in the order named. Both horses were killed instantly. Four of the boys were picked up for dead and carried into the Baptist Church. The other boy was slightly shocked. In a short time Ed Parker had regained consciousness. His right arm is badly burned. At 9 p. m. Burrell Howard has sufficiently recovered so that he is believed to be out of danger. Tom Rose died at 7 p. m., with no relatives but a sister at his side, his father and mother having gone to the country on a visit and returned about one hour after his death. Frank Kisselberg is still unconscious and his life is hanging by a thread.

Henry Swink Mortally Wounded.

Smithville: A shooting occurred about a mile across the river from here late Saturday evening, as a result of which Henry Nink is dead, and a warrant has been sworn out against Land Toxell, charged with murder. The two young men had a fight in town in the afternoon and had both been arrested and fined. Nink and some friends were on their way home. Nink lived until 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

Still the Champion.

Waxahachie: John Williams, the negro boy who claims to be the champion cotton picker of the South, stated that he had picked 3,210 pounds of cotton in five days last week, picking 844 pounds Monday, and that he had made $33.80 during the week, picking cotton and doing odd jobs. Williams was accompanied by B. Williams of Nash and a large cotton grower, who substantiated the statements made by him.

Prince Herbert Bismarck Dies.

Friederichsruhe, Prince Herbert Bismarck, whose death has been expected several days, died Sunday morning. Since he ceased to be Foreign Minister on the retirement of his father in 1890 Prince Herbert Bismarck has taken part in public affairs only as a member of the Reichstag. His attitude has been that of a man not appreciated by his sovereign and who was waiting in the background for an opportunity to resume his career.

UNION IN A STATE OF REVOLT.

Cattle Butchers Make Grave Charges Against Donnelly.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 19.—Bitter dissension is tearing the ranks of the Butcher Workmen's Union since the failure of the strike against the packers and the inability of many of the strikers to regain their positions. Various divisions of the remnant organization are now seeking to get control of the machinery and reconstruct the union of packing house employes.

The internecine strife includes a revolt against the leaders and there is a likelihood that Michael Donnelly, president of the organization, may be dethroned at the meeting to be held in St. Louis Sept. 25. At this meeting the cattle butchers, being the largest organization of unskilled laborers, will demand that a special convention be called for the purpose of reorganization, and will probably demand that one of their number be made president. The sheep butchers have held control for many years. While they refused to return to work during the strike they declined to do anything causing the packers any trouble, and for this they have fallen under the ban of the cattle butchers.

President Donnelly will attend the St. Louis meeting and exert all the power remaining to him to avert the revolt which has gained such formidable headway since the disastrous collapse of the strike.

The question of disciplining the sheep butchers will be about the first matter before the meeting, and the first serious fight will come on this point.

An effort will also be made to get the seceding New York butchers back into the union. The general belief is that this is impossible.

Important Railway Projection.

Chicago, Ill.: C. L. Tailmadge of Chicago has returned from New York, where he succeeded in financing a project which will give Texas a new railway line extending south and a little east from Canyon City, Texas, in the direction of San Antonio, to which city it will probably be eventually extended. The Pecos Valley lines of the Santa Fe now touch Canyon City, but officials of that road deny that the Santa Fe has any interest in the projected line.

Closed to Avoid a Strike.

Muskogee, I. T.: All the coal mines at Henryetta are closed down and about 400 miners are out of work, and most of them have left town.. Owing to a grevience the miners were about to strike, and the operators, learning of their intention, closed the mines down. For how long is not known, but the citizens are anxious to see the mines running again, as the pay roll of the miners amounted to between $15,000 and $20,000 per month.

Hunt County Fair Association.

Greenville: The Committee in charge of the Hunt County Fair and Stock Show, to be held in the Hunt County Fair Association Park on Oct. 6, 7 and 8, report fine progress in making arrangements. Hundreds of dollars in premiums will be offered for the best and second best horses, cattle, hogs and poultry. There will be different kinds of amusements in the park, including Pain's fire works.

Printers Will Vote on Eight Hours.

Indianapolis: In accordance with the resolutions adopted at the St. Louis convention of the International Typographical Union, a referendum vote of the members, to determine whether the organization shall pledge itself to the eight hour day will be taken. The resolutions provide that the union shall begin the eight-hour day Jan. 1, 1906. The vote must be returned not later than Oct. 21, of this year.

Mexican Veterans to Meet in Dallas.

St. Louis, Mo.: The national Association of Mexican War Veterans Saturday elected the following officers: President, James C. Carlton, Bedford, Ind.; vice-president, Louis Beeler, Baltimore; secretary, Mrs. Moore Murdock, Fort Worth, Tex.; assistant secretary, John A. Hobson, Greensburg, Ky. The convention adjourned to meet in Dallas, Texas, May 23, next.

Late Train Wrecked in Chicago.

A through passenger train on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad from Toledo to Chicago was wrecked Saturday afternoon at Root Street. Some of the railroad people claim the train ran into an open switch, and others say the locomotive jumped the track because of a broken flange. Twelve persons were injured, several of whom may die.

INCREASE JAPAN'S FORCE.

Garrison Is Eating Horses—In an Unbearable Stench.

Chefoo, Sept. 20.—Refugees from Port Arthur who left there Sept. 15 assert that the Japanese troops investing the west flank of the Port Arthur defense have been reinforced, and that a gradual movement was taking place in the direction of Liao Thieshan fort that day.

A further bombardment of the city and its defenses was begun Sept. 16.

The Japanese are maintaining a more strict blockade than hitherto, and have intercepted many junks, which have been plying without interruption between Chefoo, Wei Hai Wei and Port Arthur, with supplies and dispatches.

They say that the fighting at Port Arthur is at present very much a hand to hand affair. They confirm the statements of Chinese refugees to the effect that heavy Japanese losses have been caused by the habit of the Mikado's men approaching the fortifications massed in close order and of their proceding to rush to forts, throwing away their rifles and dashing forward with drawn knives. The Russians meet these attacks with bayonets, rifles and machine gun fire, causing terrific slaughter.

There are so many corpses now that no attempt can be made to bury them. Four days ago 7000 unburied Japanese bodies lay close to the line of defenses in various places. The stench from these corpses is unbearable.

The Red Cross flag is no longer recognized by the combatants.

There are plenty of supplies of chickens, eggs and bread, but a lack of fresh meat and sugar. Up to date the garrison has eaten 400 horses.

The Japanese are accused of using explosive bullets.

STATUS OF WAR.

Japs Slowly Advancing on the Russians.

Except for important reconnoissances by Gens. Rennenkampf and Samsonoff there appears to have been but little interruption of the quiet that has ensued since the hard fighting around Liao Yang more than a fortnight ago.

The indication of mortality among the Russian officers is shown by the report from St. Petersburg that about one-seventh of the officers of the guards stationed at the capital are to be drafted for service with regiments at the scene of the war.

The Japanese are reported to be advancing slowly upon the positions held by the Russians in a line extending about twenty-seven miles.

There have been no developments at Port Arthur beyond a reported futile sortie by the garrison against a height which recently fell into the hands of the Japanese.

Cotton Half Out in Hill.

Hillsboro: Hillsboro has received to date 5000 bales of cotton from wagons against 530 at this time last year. It is learned that the crop is nearly half picked. Numbers of farmers are holding their cotton for 12c, but most of them are selling it as fast as they get it out. Cotton is not being rushed out by the shippers as it usually is. The scarcity of pickers continue. Corn gathering has not commenced.

Judge Parker will not go on a speech-making tour, but will do all of his speaking from the veranda of his home.

A Melon From the Panhandle.

Fort Worth: General Passenger Agent A. A. Glisson of the Denven Road Monday morning received a large melon, weighing eighty-five pounds, grown by R. R. Rankins, who lives near Wellington, in Collingsworth County, about twenty-five miles from Memphis. This melon was received by the editor of the Wellington paper and sent by him to Mr. Glisson.

Oklahoma Broomcorn.

Guthrie, Ok.: According to Joseph B. Thoburn, secretary of the Oklahoma Board of Agriculture, there will be 35,000 tons of broomcorn harvested this season from 100,000 acres of land planted to this product. The harvesting of the crop has been in full blast for several weeks, and in some portions of the Territory is now completed. Secretary Thoburn estimates the output at one-third of a ton per acre.

Opposed to Striking.

New York: Several unions which were expected to meet Sunday and declare strikes against the Building Trades Employers' Association for its refusal to end the existing lockout against the Building Trades Alliance failed to assemble. At the meeting of the Central Federated Union several leaders expressed themselves as being unfavorable toward further strikes at the present time in this city.

King Peter's Coronation.

Belgrade: The city is lavishly decorated and filled with visitors, but there is no great enthusiasm over the approaching coronation of King Peter, which will occur Wednesday. The weather is cold and rainy, and threatens to spoil the festivities, while the meager harvest tends to give the people the inclination to complain of the waste of money spent on the coronation, although the amount is not large.

Only the governments of Germany, Austria, Italy and Roumania have sent special messages of congratulations. The other powers will be represented at the coronation in a merely formal manner, and some like Great Britain and Holland, who withdrew their ministers after the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga, are taking practically no part in the affair. In fact, the memory of the regicides still casts a shadow over the court.

Red River Navigable.

Paris: Capt. S. J. Wright, in the city from his plantation at the mouth of the Kiamitia, reports that the government snagboat has cleared out all of the snags in Red River from the Kiamitia down, and has cut away all the timber on the caving banks to a distance of fifty to one hundred feet. Capt. Wright says that the river is now open and navigable all the way up to the Kiamitia, with three or four feet of water in it.

The United States Government has also established a water gauge at the mouth of the Kiamitia, and in a few days reports will be sent out regularly of the stage of water. A railroad company proposes constructing a road from some point on the gulf up through Clarksville and Red River at Wright's Landing just above the mouth of the Kiamitia. The surveyors are in the field and are expected to reach the river in a few days to locate the bridge across the ledge of rocks at that point.

Woman Mysteriously Murdered.

Louisville: Mrs. Fanny Porter, 20 years old, was found dead in her apartment Monday, all evidence showing that she had been murdered by some one who escaped, leaving scarcely any clew to his identity. The young woman's throat was cut from ear to ear, and the apartment showed traces of a fearful struggle. Mrs. Porter, who had been divorced from her husband, lived alone. She had been dead for some time when found.

RUSSIAN FIRE ON BRITISH.

Madrid, Sept. 19.—The Correspondencia of this city published a dispatch from Bilbaoe to-day to the effect that a Russian cruiser had been seen off Cape St. Maria and that she had fired two shots at and took possession of a merchant vessel supposed to be a British steamer. There is no confirmation of the report.

Steadily Moving North.

Ravia, I. T.: Mr. Yarborough, who was acquainted with the boll weevils in Navarro county, Texas, brought into town a few days since those insects fully developed, which he found on his cotton in the Washita bottom. Silas Sharp of this place says they are flying north. Several of them fell in his wagon the other day, one alighting on his neck.

E. C. Jones, who refused $300 for an acre of pole beans at his place east of Cleburne, has made a considerable amount over this by retailing the beans out. This acre was well prepared and the yield was very prolific.

World Wouldn't Stand For It.

York, Pa.: Michael Schall, head of the Keystone Foundry and Machine Company if this city, and Miss Nettie Gatmatt, also of New York, were found dead in the young man's apartments Monday. Returning from a visit, they wrotes notes in which they complained of a cruel world, sat down without removing their clothing, and turned on the gas. Schall was a single man, and had been drinking to excess lately. Both were well connected socially.

Two hundred Mexican track builders on the Laporte road celebrated Diaz's birthday Sunday by drinking whisky. Three fell from a train, fracturing their skulls against the ties. One woman was seriously cut.

A two months, shutdown of the United States Cotton Company's mill at Central Falls, R. I., on account of a strike ended Monday. All departments resumed operations, though some had not the full quota of help.

S. P. Green, aged 78 years, died suddenly in a hack at the depot at Victoria, as he was on his way to the train en route to San Antonio, his home. He was there visiting his son, Tom Green, private secretary to General Superintendent Forbes.

In answer to an inquiry the comptroller holds that fortune tellers, palmists, astrologers and others of that ilk must pay an annual tax to the State of $10 for plying their vocation in Texas.

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There is a church in one of our large cities which boasts of a very high pulpit. A short time ago a strange preacher who was of a nervous temperament, "occupied" this pulpit, but, as the sequel will show, only for a very short time, for, having taken his text and said about a dozen words, he startled the congregation by saying: "As I am not used to pulpits as high as this you will pardon me, I know, if I come down and preach my sermon from the lectern." He suited his action to the words and preached a very good sermon from the modest lectern. And this was his strangely appropriate text: "He that exalteth himself shall be abused, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

Measure English Sunshine.

Sunshine is so rare in England that the government takes great care to measure it. The official summing up for 1903 as regards sunshine shows that all districts in the British Isles, with one exception, fell short of the average. The exception was England northwest, including Manchester, that curiously had an excess of fifty-seven sunny hours. In Scotland north, west and east the deficit was eighty-one hours, forty-eight hours and 133 hours. England northeast and east were short by 107 hours and 139 hours, while in England south and southwest the deficit was sixty-eight hours and 115 hours. The islands were behind by ninety-eight hours. In Ireland north and south the shortage was eighty-one hours and 113 hours. Commonly the islands in the English channel have a large share of sunshine, but last year they were 135 sunny hours short.

World's Supply of Cork.

Seventy-five years ago Italy supplied nearly all the cork used in England, but the Italian supply has fallen off greatly of late years. In some provinces the trees have been cut down for charcoal and in others they have been felled on account of their high potash values. Cork trees easily reach the age of 200 years. They yield cork in their thirtieth year and continue to do so every seven years. A new process has been discovered by which large pieces of cork can be made out of small ones and this has given a great impetus to the cork industry. The price of cork is going up steadily, both on account of the increasing demand and the decreasing supply of the raw material.

Torpid Fish Spread Disease.

Several persons in South Minneapolis have been ill, and some critically, by eating fish that have been scooped out of the Missicssippi river in enormous quantities by small boys. It is believed that the fish have been poisoned by gas waste that has been carried into the river. The boys who caught the fish tell a strange story. Down between the two government dams, they say, at the only approach to the river in that neighborhood, they saw fish floating near the surface of the water. Wading in, they were able to pick up the fish at will, throwing them on the bank. The fish were alive, but seemed to be in a torpid state. Tubs and express wagons were loaded with fish of every size and description known to river fishermen.—Minneapolis Tribune.

CHANGE FOOD

Some Very Fine Results Follow.

The wrong kind of food will put the body in such a diseased condition that no medicines will cure it. There is no way but to change food. A man in Mo. says:

"For 2 years I was troubled so with my nerves that sometimes I was prostrated and could hardly ever get in a full month at my work.

"My stomach, back and head would throb so I could get no rest at night except by fits and starts, and always had distressing pains.

"I was quite certain the trouble came from my stomach but two physicians could not help me and all the tonics failed and so finally I turned to food.

"When I had studied up on food and learned what might be expected from leaving off meat and the regular food I had been living on, I felt that a change to Grape-Nuts would be just what was required so I went to eating it.

"From the start I got stronger and better until I was well again and from that time I haven't used a bit of medicine for I haven't needed any.

"I am so much better in every way, sleep soundly nowadays and am free from the bad dreams. Indeed this food has made such a great change in me that my wife and daughter have taken it up and we are never without Grape-Nuts on our table nowadays. It is a wonderful sustainer and we frequently have nothing else at all but a saucer of Grape-Nuts and cream for breakfast or supper." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Lena to Be Dismantled And the Crew Paroled

Washington, Sept. 16.—Acting Secretary of State Adee yesterday gave out the following statement regarding the Russian ship Lena, now at San Francisco:

"The President has today issued an order through the acting secretary of state directing that the Russian armed transport Lena, now at San Francisco, be taken in custody by the naval authorities of the United States and disarmed.

"The main features of the conditions prescribed are that the Lena be taken to the Mare Island Navy Yard and there disarmed by removal of small guns, breech blocks of large guns, small arms ammunition and ordnance stores and such other dismantlement as may be prescribed by the commandant of the navy yards; that the captain be given written guarantee that the Lena shall not leave San Francisco until peace shall have been concluded; that the officers and crew shall be paroled and not to leave San Francisco until some other understanding as to their disposal may be reached between the United States government and both belligerents; that after disarmament the vessel may be removed to a private dock for such reasonable repairs as will make her seaworthy and preserve her in good condition during her detention, or may be so repaired at the navy yard, if the Russian commander should so elect; that while at a private dock the commandant of the navy yard at Mare Island shall have custody of the ship and the repairs shall be overseen by the engineer officer to be detailed by the commandant and that, when so repaired, if peace shall not then have been concluded the vessel shall be taken back to the Mare Island Navy Yard and be there held in custody until the end of the war."

This action has been taken on the written request of the commander of the Lena addressed to Rear Admiral Goodrich setting forth that the vessel is incapable of putting to sea without needful repairs, she must disarm, and asking that needful repairs be permitted after disarmament.

The Secretary of the Navy has telegraphed the President's orders to San Francisco and given instructions to Admiral Goodrich and to Capt. McCalla, the commandant of the Mare Island Navy Yard, to carry out its provisions.

Down on the Panama Canal.

New York, Sept. 14.—Admiral Walker, the head of the Panama Commission, declared on his arrival from Colon that the United states government intended to keep two open ports in the canal zone in spite of any protests which might be made by the Panama government. He says work of excavation is now proceeding twice as fast and with less men and at half the cost as under the French company. Health conditions, he declared are excellent.

Veterans Will Celebrate.

Waco: Saturday the 17th inst. Willis L. Long Camp, United Confederate Veterans, will have a celebration, in which the camps of Waco, Hillsboro, Mart and other neighboring points will participate. The Marlin camp has sent out hundreds of invitations to veterans and a great crowd is expected. Gen. J. D. Shaw, commander in the Central Texas division, will be the orator of the day.

Big Sanitarium Planned.

Dallas: Capitalists have a project under way looking to the erection of a great sanitarium in Dallas, the waters for which are if possible to be secured from the same vein which produces the flow of the Gill artesian well at the Turtle Creek pumping station, according to current information Wednesday. Plans have not fully developed, but it is the understanding that they desire to put up a fine structure near the business district of the city.

MANY LIVES LOST.

A Terriffic Storm Sweeps Whole Atlantic Coast.

New York, Sept. 16.—A number of lives were lost, much property damaged and several ships wrecked in a storm which swept up the Atlantic Coast last night and to-day.

It was one of the fiercest September storms on record, thunder and lightning adding terrors to a howling gale, which hurled drenching sheets of rain over sea and land. To-night the telegraphic reports say that the storm has swept out into the ocean.

The greatest loss of life was near Wilmington, Del. The tug Israel W. Durham, with a crew of six men and four other men, employes of the American Dredging Company, was swamped in the Delaware River early to-day during the height of the storm. Eight or ten person on the little craft were drowned.

From further down the coast at Jacksonville comes the report that five men were drowned off Charleston.

New York suffered comparatively little. The wind and rain and thunder and lightning were terrible, but little actual damage was done. Nineteen coal barges went adrift in the bay, and to-night their wreckage strews the shore from the Battery to the Narrows, but no lives were lost. Several various parts of the coast near New York.

One fatality was reported here, when a piece of cast-iron fire escape was blown from a building and struck Carl Hertzner, killing him instantly.

A fishing steamboat, Joseph Church, of Greenport, N. Y., struck on Peaks Hill bar to-day and was smashed to pieces. The captain and crew of twenty-one were saved.

From Wilmington, Del., comes the news that great destruction was caused by the storm. Trees were uprooted, houses flooded and crops ruined. In Chesapeake Bay the storm was particularly fierce. Incoming steamers arriving at Baltimore report that never in their experience has such a furious gale swept down on them at this time of the year. One man was seen adrift in a small row boat in Chesapeake Bay, but it was impossible to rescue him.

The storm was accompanied by a cold wave.

Important Railway Deal Reported.

Chicago: While E. H. Harriman will successfully conclude his deal for passing over control of the Chicago and Alton Railroad to the Union Pacific, it is now reported he has been forced to make an important concession to those who have opposed him in the deal. In order to carry out his plan for a Chicago entrance for the Union Pacific Mr. Harriman will have to relinquish control of the Houston and Texas Central to the Rock Island.

Japan's Peace Proposal.

London, Sept. 16.—The Daily Telegraph's Tien Tsin correspondent telegraphs that he hears from a trustworthy source that the Japanese foreign minister has issued a circular announcing that it is Japan's intention to turn over Port Arthur, when it is captured, and the whole of the Liao Yang peninsula to the Chinese, who, the correspondent declares, will declare Port Arthur an open port.

"On the same authority," the Daily Telegraph's correspondent says, "I am told that Japan will be prepared to entertain peace proposals after she has taken Mukden and Sakhalin on the following basis: First, that an international syndicate take over the Manchurian railroad and run it as a strictly commercial enterprise; second, that Russia pay £100,000,000 indemnity; and third, that Russia is to hand over all of her ships in Chinese waters to Japan."

IN DIREST STRAITS.

Ammunition Gone and Black Bread the Daily Diet.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—I hear from well-informed sources that the situation of Gen. Stoessel at Port Arthur is considered exceedingly critical, owing to lack of ammunition. The fact cannot be surprising to any one who has noted the terrific output of shot and shell since Jan. 1. Gen. Stoessel, according to the tenor of my dispatch a few days ago, has full liberty to surrender when he finds the situation hopeless. Indeed, he has instructions to do so.

Independent and apart from scarcity of ammunition, the garrison for some time has been reduced to a diet of black bread, while the masses of unburried bodies which the Japanese refuse to allow to be buried cause terrible pollution of the air.

Gen. Kuropatkin telegraphs that he wants officers, and great efforts are being made to provide the same. An official order has been issued relieving employes of the State railways qualified to serve as officers.

You may be quite sure neither Mukden nor Tie Ling will be seriously held. The latter has been called the Thermopylae of Manchuria, but it can be easily turned.

Owing to the latest news from Port Arthur the idea of the Baltic fleet starting appears to be quite abandoned.

Tokio, Sept. 16.—It is held here by the best authorities that Japan, by occupying Liao Yang, has virtually become mistress of Manchuria from a strategetical point of view. Russia has lost all means of obtaining food for its army for the time being. It was for this end that Oyama hastened the attack on Liao Yang, which despite its drawbacks, was really unavoidable, as it was of the utmost importance to prevent the Russians from carrying off their valuable stores of provisions.

By their forced retreat from Liao Yang the Russians were unable to carry off any large portion of their stores. The supplies of ammunition and foodstuffs, partly burned, filled seventeen immense warehouses. Kuropatkin is now unable to renew his lost supplies except by exclusive use of the railway for that purpose for several months.

London, Sept. 17—The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent declares that a Russian statesman whose name, if revealed would wing his utterance with lightning rapidity over the globe, asserted Friday night it was his impression that the war might end sooner than people imagine, not through mediation, but through mutual recognition of the ruinous nature of the conflict which may lead to negotiations which would result in a Russo-Japanese alliance. He concluded, the correspondent states, that although the Russians would in the end crush Japan, yet Japan could hold out long enough to place an intolerable and useless strain on Russia. Russian, therefore, was confronted with the alternative of either Japan's ruin, purchased by ruinous sacrifices, or of a treaty of cordial friendship followed in the fullness of time by that offensive and defensive alliance which for years constituted the ideal of the Japanese Government.

The same woman who rules her household with a rod of iron wonders why her husband is always broke.

The man who puts off enjoying life until to-morrow never lives until then.

Killed a Negro Cotton Thief.

Victoria: John Anderson, a negro, was killed at Tucker's gin, at Mission Valley, by Fred Schlein and W. H. Gisler, while stealing a load of cotton from the gin. Schlein and Gisler at once surrendered and were brought to town. Anderson was driving away from the gin with the cotton when halted. He made a motion as if to reach for his gun, whereupon both Schlein and Gisler fired, killing him instantly.

Death from Supposed Poison.

Marlin: J. W. Helms, a farmer who resided near Marlin, died Thursday from the effects of poison, supposed to have been produced by eating preserved fruits. Soon after eating the fruit he became violently ill, and grew worse until he died. Deceased was a native of Alabama, and came here early in January, 1903. He was a Mason in good standing. The remains were returned to his old home in Alabama for burial.

They Don't Pay Dog Tax.

Fort Worth: An ordinance was recently enacted by the City Council requiring the payment of a tax on canines over three months old. It is officially given out that between $600 and $700 has thus far been paid under this ordinance by those owning dogs, and it is estimated that there are between 2,000 and 3,000 dogs in this city whose owners have not responded to the demand for the official dog medal issued at $1 per dog.

OIL ON TROUBLED WATERS.

Judge Parker's Visit to Gotham Has Simplified Matters.

New York, Sept. 17.—Several important questions were settled by the visit of Judge Alton B. Parker to New York, and his conferences with Democratic leaders. It was determined that Senator Gorman should have an active place in the campaign, but that Chairman Taggart was not to be superseded.

The conference of Tammany leaders with Judge Parker resulted in the settlement of differences in Greater New York, so far as they relate to National and State issues.

The selection of a temporary chairman of the Democratic State convention was made, and his name will be officially announced tomorrow. The governorship and other State offices were discussed, but it was stated that nothing definite as to the selection of candidates will be determined upon until next week at Saratoga.

Another matter left open is whether of not Judge Parker will make a series of speeches during the campaign.

Other conferences similar to these held yesterday and today will probably be held next week before Judge Parker's letter of acceptance is made public.

A representative of the Associated Press was received by Judge Parker, who said that Senator Gorman had consented to take an important place in the management of the campaign, and that this decision was at the earnest request of National Chairman Taggart, as well as all other campaign managers. He said that Mr. Taggart would not be supplanted nor superseded in any way, and that Senator Gorman would not be connected with the details of campaign management. Judge Parker said Senator Gorman would act in an advisory capacity only, and would remain in New York practically all the time from now until election.

The candidate was disinclined to comment on the governorship nomination, and said he was opposed to a decision in favor of any candidate as the result of conferences such as now are in progress at the Hotel Astor, and added that no decision would be made at this time.

Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany leader, was closeted with Judge Parker for a half hour this morning, and had an afternoon audience, which lasted until the Judge left for Esopus.

Judge Parker received eighty members of the National Bankers' Association, in session in this city. There were no speeches. He left for Esopus shortly after 6 o'clock.

The Korea Off the Pacific Coast.

Victoria, B. C.: Members of the crew of H. M. S. Grafton report the presence of the Russian armed auxiliary cruiser Korea in the Pacific off the northern coast of Vancouver Island, steaming southward. They expect that the Korea will come to Esquimalt or Victoria. She is described as a larger vessel than the Lena, and is commanded by an officer of high rank in the Russian navy. The news has caused much excitement in Esquimalt.

Russian Losses Around Liao Yang.

Paris: Exact figures of the Russian losses in killed, wounded and missing in the operations before Liao Yang from Aug. 13 to Aug. 26 have been received by the general staff, according to the Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent. These amount to two Generals, 256 officers and 21,800 soldiers. In addition 133 guns were lost. The material loss include fortifications costing $30,000,000.

Galveston: Charles Vidor, one of Galveston's oldest business men, was found dead in bed Wednesday at the home of his son, where he had gone to spend the night. The inquest was held over the remains by Coroner S. T. Fontaine and his verdict was that death resulted from natural causes. Mr. Vidor was a man seventy years of age, and for the past forty years had been a resident of Galveston. He was originally from Hungary.

Statue to Gen. Forrest.

Memphis, Tenn.: A permit has been issued authorizing the removal of the remains of Gen. Bedford Forrest, the noted Confederate cavalryman, from Elmwood Cemetery to a plot in Forrest Park set aside for a heroic equestrian statue of the dead leader. The statue, which has arrived in New York from Paris, will be put in place in October and the remains of Gen. Forrest and his wife will rest directly underneath the bronze figure.

Killed by a Street Car.

Dallas: Abram Ruckasin, the little two-and-a-half-year-old son of H. R. Ruckasin who resides at 215 Caroline street, and who was mangled by a street car Wednesday afternoon, died that night at 11 o'clock as a result of the accident and of the amputation of the left leg which followed. It was thought that the operation would save the little one's life, but he gradually grew worse with the result stated.

Conquests.

"Ours is the only army," says the London Telegraph, "which has, with the occasional assistance of the marines, fought in all the five continents from the Rhine to the Crimea, from Syria to Pekin, from Hudson bay to Patagonia, from Egypt to the Cape, and in the Australian seas from New Guinea to New Zealand. But the ascent of the Himalayas and the march to Lhassa surpass, in purely picturesque fascination, everything in British military annals."

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The present national campaign appears to be a mighty tame affair so far.

Tom Watson has never forgiven the democrats because they refused to put him on the ticket with Bryan in 1896.

The fifty-sixth annual session of the Baptist State Convention of Texas will be held at Waco, beginning Thursday, Nov 10th.

Field Marshal Oyama, commander of the Jap army, reports only thirteen prisoners captured at the battle of Lio Yang.

John G. Woolly, Prohibition Candidate for president, received 33 votes in Callahan County in 1900. How many will Dr. Swallow get this year?

The Palo Pinto Star says parties are figuring on opening a grocery store there. Palo Pinto should be a good place to open either a grocery or dry goods store, judging from the advertising columns of The Star.

Five boys and two horses were struck by lightning in front of the Baptist Church at Marietta, I. T., last Sunday One boy is dead and two more thought to be fatally injured. Both horses were killed. The boys had just ridden up to the church to attend services when the deadly bolt struck them.

One of the most peculiar things that has occured in a national campaign in years is the complete silence of President Roosevelt. How the republican leaders could accomplish this wonderful feat is a mystery to all. The untamed Rough Rider has all at once become as tame and docile as a sister of charity. What does it mean?

Baird is forging to the front as the horse and mule center of West Texas. Let Abilene and other adjacent towns build railroads, on paper, as much as they please so we handle the live stock. Baird has long been the best shipping point on the T & P. for cattle and it is now a regular horse center with plenty of buyers and facilities for handling stock.

From the tax rolls, now about completed, we find that on Jany. 1st, this year, there were 1737 poll tax payers, a gain of 137 over last year. Counting those over age and those coming of age since Jany. 1st, there are about 2000 voters or over in the county In the late local option election only 1243 votes were polled, less than two-thirds, or just about 750 votes short of a full vote.

Some of our exchanges are disposed to poke fun at the antis in this county because their majority was so small in the recent election. As some of these papers were opposed to prohibition (though the general public never found it out). They, nor the pros have room to make fun of Callahan County because this is the only county, we believe, that has defeated prohibition twice in succession within the last three years. Callahan never has went dry and no other county in this section can claim this.

A canvass-backed caravan passed through Artesia last week bound for Texas. The head of the household has been farming near Hope a year or [illegible] but he and his family had become [illegible] sick for old haunts and were [illegible] back." Their actions reminded [illegible] B. Gage of a tale he heard at Hagarman the other day. A citizen of that town went to sleep (nothing unusual, by the way) and dreamed that he went to heaven. The visitor saw among the assembled hosts a vast multitude that were enjoying everything that a great Jehovah could design for the eternal happiness of the pure in heart. Their wings were tipped with gold and they had harps in their hands, but the visitor noticed they were all hobbled. Why this state of affairs should exist was a mystery, so he asked his guide about it "Oh there is nothing the matter with them, that is just a lot of Texans and we have to keep 'em hobbled or they will go back." Paradise has no charms for the Texas man if he has to go away from home to get it.—Ex.

Rev. Josephus Chaney, a Baptist minister and prohibition speaker, of Dallas, informs a News reporter that he has just made a 500 mile horse back trip in the Panhandle in the interest of prohibition, speaking wherever he could get a crowd, in school houses. churches, etc. If it is proper to preach prohibition sermons in churches it is right to use churches for state and national prohibition speakers. If not why not?

Col. Bowyer can show you a hand which will teach a moral. It is that when you get real downright, righteously mad at a calf, (and a calf can make you angrier than anything else) never hit the offender on the head with you fist. See the Colonel for further particulars.—Abilene Reporter

As this "calfastrophe" occured about the time the returns were coming in from the pro election in Callahan couniy, possibly John, in disgust, hit the calf a lick for his anti brother, Otis B., down here.

Vermont and Maine, both rock-ribbed republican states, have gone republican, which seems to be very gratifying to the republicans. Why? The republican majority was increased in Vermont and at once the republicads raised a shout that a land slide had started Rooseveltward. A few days later Maine held an election and more democratic than republican gains were shown. We have not heard much of the republican land-slide since.

In the local option election in Coryell county Sept 3d, there was 1842 votes polled in which the pros had a majority of 352. The tax rolls of Coryelle county for 1904 show 3977 poll tax payers. So it will be seen that less than one half the voters went to the polls in that county. As a rule it is hard to get people out at a special election for any purpose. The best way is to do away with all special elections, but people who have some kind of an ax to grind will always oppose such a reform. Ask your member of the legislature to vote for a change in the law so as to require every proposition to be submitted to the people at a general election.

The Russians take comfort over the defeat of the Russian army at Lio Yang by comparing it to the battle of Borodino before Moscow, in 1812, in which Napoleon defeated the Russians and entered Moscow, which was soon afterwards destroyed by fire and he was compelled to retreat. The comparison does not appear favorable to the Russians because conditions are entirely different. The French army was in the midst of a hostile country far from home and destitute of sufficient supplies and were thus compelled to retreat in the winter. In this case conditions are reversed; the Russians are surrounded by enemies on all sides and they, not the Japs, are likely to be forced to still farther retreat. About the only comparison applicable in this case would be to compare the Russian army, in its present predicament, to the French army after the burning of Moscow.

The two special elections and the general election will cost the tax-payers of Callahan county something over one thousand dollars this year. There should be a law passed requiring that every question submitted to a popular vote should be voted on at a general election. This would save expenses and a full vote would always be polled Had such a law been in force it would have saved Callahan county about seven hundred dollars cold cash this year. Of course most of the politicians would oppose such a law, but it would be beneficial to the people that have to foot the bills. and we hope to see such a bill passed by the next legislature: There is no good reason why the "Prairie dog election" and the "Local Option election" could not just as well have been held in November as any other time this year.

G. C. Rankin, political editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, is making a strenuous campaign against Rev. Tucker, blind man, for the position of Chaplain of the next House. We thought this was about Rankin's caliber. Speaking of the Chaplain business, we would like to see the office dispensed with, for the reason that there are always enough God fearing members who would gladly offer a three or five minutes prayer, and not require a salary of $150 a month therefor.—Sweetwater Review.

The position of chaplain is about the softest snap in the legislature. The scramble among preachers for the place was one of the most unseemly and disgusting thing we noticed in the 24th legislature, 1895, and we presume that year was no exception to the rule The desire to pray five minutes each day for the legislature, (at $5.00 per day) was great. We believed then and believe yet that the desire for the per diem was the main object. Prayer in the legislature or anywhere else, if earnest and sincere, is a good thing, but some how we never had much faith in a man's prayers for which he was paid in cold cash at the rate of one to two dollars per minute. Doubtless Dr. Rankin has some friend who needs the per diem, but whether the legislature needs his prayers is another question.

SOME DAY.

Someday:—So many fearful eyes
Are watching for thy dawning light;
So many faces toward the skies
Are weary of the night!

So many failing prayers that reel
And stagger upward through the storm
And yearning hands that reach and feel
No pressure true and warm.

So many hearts whose crimson wine
Is wasted to a purple stain,
And blurred and streaked with drops of brine
Upon the lips of Pain.

Oh, come to them!—these weary ones!
Or if thou still must bide a while,
Make stronger yet the hope that runs
Before thy coming smile.

And haste and find them where they wait—
Let summer-winds blow down that way,
And all the strong for, soon or late,
Bring round to them, Someday

—James Whitcomb Riley.

That republican landslide that started in Vermont seems to have stalled on a Maine boulder.

The Prohibitionist have challenged Senator Bailey to meet Cyclone Davis in joint debate at Dallas. THE STAR hopes Bailey will accept, though we doubt if he will waste any time on such a political weather cock as "Cyclone" Davis.

Texas Farm and Ranch, Dallas, one of the very best agricultural papers in the South, has recently put in a complete printing plant of its own. THE STAR is pleased to note the continued progress of Farm and Ranch.

Suppose we devote the next two years to efforts to build up the town in every way possible. We need a better and larger school house, and there is a way to get it easy enough if we will agree on the plan. Then we need a good steam laundry; a proper effort will bring one here. Why not get to work along practical lines and do things? For the past two years one side has been so busy working for prohibition that they seem to have overlooked everything else, and the other side has been so busy watching the pros that they seem to have had no time to look out for anything else. The town needs many things and the way to get them is to go after them, and let vexatious and abstract questions of government sleep awhile. Many a question has settled itself by the people becoming tired of it and refuse to have anything farther to do with it or the agitators. True, if we were to let the prohibition question rest a few years many grafters who are pulling the legs of both pros and antis would raise an awful howl because it is bread and butter to them, but the public would be better off. Let us build up the town and the county and give the political agitators the cold shoulder for about two years.

We keep the latest magazines and books. Should you want anything special, or that we have not got in stock we will gladly get it for you. R. Phillip's. 31-tf

If you want to buy good goods cheap go to T. E. Powell's. He has it for less. 25-tf

OLD PAPERS, CASH.

Old papers at THE STAR 25cts per hundred CASH. Please do not ask to have them charged. We cannot afford open accounts on such things.

CHANGE.

We now go to press about 5 p. m. Wednesday, and all advertising for the current week must be sent in by 12 o'clock Wednesday. The change is made necessary as the Electric Light Co., have discontinued the day circuit and we must run late in the evening or at night as we get power from them to run the press. Publication day is still the same, Thursday, but we go to press the night before. 42

John McManis has gone back to Kirksville' Mo. where he has been attending school for the past year.

NOTICE O. E. S.

All members Callahan Chapter, O. E. S. are notified that Tuesday night, Sept. 27th, is the regular meeting night of said Chapter. A full attendance is desired.

MRS. DORA HARMON, W.M.
MRS. KATE RAMSEY, Secy.

Valuable Aloes.

The most valuable aloes come from the island of Sokotra, which lies just off the East African coast from Cape Guardafui. The drug itself is the bitter, resinous juice of the aloe plant that has been hardened in the sun. These leaves are of a fibrous, fleshy nature and, in addition to the juice, the natives make this fiber into rope, many insisting that it makes a better rope than hemp.

Unique Musical Ring.

A Wesleyan minister in the north of London possesses a wonderful ring. In appearance it is an ordinary gold signet ring, but it is, in addition, a perfect little musical box. By touching a tiny spring and holding the ring close to the ear one can hear a hymn tune. By placing the ring on a box the charming tones of this unique ring can be heard all over a large room.

THE FINEST LINE OF

FALL GOODS

Ever Seen on Display in Baird, will be seen at

H. SCHWART'S DRY GOODS HOUSE.

SKIRTS.

We have just received a large assortment of skirts which are made of the best material in all the latest goods. Something new in style. Absolutely the largest and best assorted line ever seen in Baird.

JACKETS.

We wish to call especially the ladies' attention to our new line of jackets, which are the most up-to-date garments on the market. All the latest cuts and colors will be seen at this house. Come early and get first choice.

SHOES.

Well I should say yes, everybody that wants their money's worth in shoes are now enjoying our celebrated Star Brand Shoes.

SHIRT WAISTS.

We are the only people in Baird who have made a success in handling ready made shirt waists—you know why. We have the right goods at the right prices. Price is a good salesman and quality a better one.

Come and see the new Styles.

Nothing any more up-to-date than these.

We are here with Dress Goods. What's the use to try to describe what we have in this department. But I wish to state that if you want Dress Goods you will find more different patterns here to select from than any other dry goods house in Baird. We invite you to inspect.

GENT'S FURNISHINGS.

In this department everything is complete New, fresh stock. Don't be afraid of getting some old style for that is something we havent got.

IN CLOTHING.

Men's, youth's and boy's suits just received. Something good at a small price. We are making competition frown; they wonder how we sell 'em so cheap, COME, LOOK, AND BE CONVINCED.

It is a pleasure for us to show our goods. So come and look through.

H. SCHWARTZ.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION
—OF THE—
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD.

At Baird, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Sept. 6, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$236,664 83	
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	6,543 2	
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000 00	
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	2,000 00	
Bonds, Securities, Etc	2,000 00	
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	3,615 00	
Other real estate owned	21,720 71	
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	4,066 83	
Due from State Banks and Bankers		
Due from approved reserve agents	20,474 41	
Internal-Revenue stamps		
Checks and other cash items	3,973 72	
Notes of other National Banks	968 00	
Exchanges for clearing house		
Fract'l paper cur'cy nickels and cts	21 35	
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	7,021 00	
Legal-tender notes	1,000 00	8,021 00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		20 00
Due from U S Treas'r, other than 5 per ct. redemption fund		
Total		$355,059 14

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 100,000 00
Surplus Fund	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	6,573 57
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000 00
Due to other National Banks	4,501 20
Due to State Banks and Bankers	
Due to approved reserve agents	289 09
Rent Account	
Dividends unpaid	
Individual deposits subject to check	90,036 80
Demand certificates of deposit	
Time certificate of deposit	53,575 56
Certified Checks	
Cashier's checks outstanding	
Notes and bills re-discounted	35,082 02
Bills Payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	
Liabilities other than those above stated	
Bills payable	
Total	$355,059 14

STATE OF TEXAS, } ss.
County of Callahan, }

I, F.W. James, Presid't. of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. F.W. JAMES, Presdt.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of Sept. 1904.
W. H. CLIETT,
Notary Public, Callahan county, Texas.

CORRECT—Attest:
HENRY JAMES, } Directors.

RECAPITULATION
RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$243,208 12
U. S. Bonds. Premiums etc	27,000 00
Stocks, Securities etc	2,000 00
Banking House Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	25,335 71
Cash on hand and in other banks	37,515 31
	335,059 14

LIABILITIES

Capital	$100,000 00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	26,573 57
Circulation	25,000 00
Deposits	148,403 55
Rediscounts	35,082 02
	335,059 14

F. W. JAMES,
President.

Sold By POWELL & POWELL, Baird, and Y. A. ORR, Putnam, Texas.

LESS THAN ONE FARE RATE

To San Francisco California and Return

will be effective daily Aug. 15th to Sep. 10 inclusive from all stations on all lines in Texas and the Southwest, via

"THE DENVER ROAD"

In either one or both directions according to wish of passengers.

This arrangement makes the very liberal stop-over privileges Double Valuable and will greatly enhance the pleasure of those desiring an extended Vacation or who are capable of appreciating such Oceans of Rugged Scenic Grandeur as is afforded only via the routes through

"Panoramic New Mexico," "Cool Colorado" and "Irrigated Utah.",

There is never a more delightful time for visiting Colorado and the Northwest than during September and October. A postal addressed to the undersigned will secure to interested parties several Specially valuable Pointers also descriptive literature and detailed particulars regarding rates and arrangements.

A. A. GLISSON, G. P. A.
Fort Worth, Tex.

Moved!

We have moved to the Franklin Livery Stable where we can now accomodate th public better than heretofore. We shall endeavor to keep good turnouts, both single and double, at reasonable prices. Phone No. 150.

C. C. ABBOTT & SON, BAIRD, TEXAS.

ON TUESDAY, SEP. 27

WE WILL HAVE OUR REGULAR SEMI-ANNUAL

Millinery Opening.

This, like all other seasons, we will try to excell what we have ever done before. Our Mrs. Miller stayed a whole month in the wholesale markets, seeking the Choicest Goods for the Choicest People of America, we think we have found them and at prices lower than any competition can touch. It would be useless for me to try and describe the beauty and style of the hats for this season, but they are very handsome and up-to-date in every particular. Yo must see them to appreciate them, we invite you to come and examine our stock and our prices whether you buy or not. In conclusion we will say we have everything that pertains to Millinery, all the latest trimings of every description, you can call for what you wish, Mrs. Miller with her corps of assistants will please you. So we very kindly ask you to call and examine before you purchase elsewhere, and especially to the lady that wants to be up-to-date we are headquarters. If you don't see our stock before you purchase you will regret it. Come and See.

Shoes

Of every description and our line are the guaranteed kind, we sell them cheaper than you can buy the shoddy goods elsewhere. As you all know we handle the celebrated Hamilton Brown Shoes every pair is warranted to give satisfaction. This is guarantee enough without me saying a word. Buy your shoes from me and you will be pleased.

OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

We have the latest, most improved and up-to-date clothing ever brought to Baird before and they were bought at prices that no competition can touch, in fact at less than they can be manufactured to-day, you could appreciate it much better if you would call and see for yourself. This includes boys as well as mens, from the cheapest to the highest.

We want your trade. **We want to please you.**

T. E. POWELL.

Dress Goods.

We have everything that is needed or could be desired in the way of fine Dress Goods and Trimmings, Etc. Our Department is all complete. Come and See.

LOCAL NEWS

See the Genuine Hawks specks at Powell & Powell. 35-tf

Mrs. W. E. Hunter of Fort Worth, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Arnold.

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for cooked meats. 37-tf

None have the Genuine Hawk's specks but Powell & Powell. 35

Mrs. Andy Young and little son, Robert, of Roswell, New Mexico, are visiting Mrs. Young's mother, Mrs. Baumann.

Get your school supplies at R. Phillips. 40-tf

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for pure lard and bacon. 37-tf

Dr. Gus Griggs, of Admiral, left last Saturday for Dallas, where he will take a course in a medical school.

Our new line of guitars, violins, mandolins and banjos have just arrived. See this new line. R. Phillips

Security, International, LaGear's Uncle Sam's stock foods for sale by Powell & Powell. 35

Mrs. C. T. Phillips, of Albuquerque, N. M., is visiting her borther-in-law, R. Phillips, and family.

If you are thinking of getting a watch or clock just look at our stock. We have the largest line in Baird, and we are going to sell them. Save money by buying from R. Phillips. 40

We have the largest line of jewelry watches, clocks ect. in Baird. R. Phillips, 31-tf

School Books at Powell & Powell's

B. L. Boydstun received a telegram Sunday that his mother was seriously ill at her home at Rockwall and requesting his father, J. D. Boydstun, to come at once. The message was sent to Mr. Boydstun at Oplin and he came at once, but missed the night train by only a few minutes. He went on the noon train Monday. Later telegrams say Mrs. Boydstun is some better.

Come to us for pure drugs, paints, wall paper, etc. Powell & Powell 35

W. C. Powell returned Friday from Dallas, where he entered his daughters, Misses Hallie and Daisy in St. Mary's College, Miss Hallie as an instructor in Mathematics and Spanish, and Miss Daisy as a student.

A. K. Hawke's best crystalized lenses spectacles at half the regular price at R. Phillips'. 40-tf

A new supply of perfumes and toilet articles at Powell & Powell's. 35

Uncle George Castles went to Fort Worth Monday in response to a telegram to the effect that his daughter, Miss Bettie Lee, who recently entered the Polytechnic College, was sick. He found her suffering with an attack of fever and brought her home with him, arriving here Wednesday. We learn that she is not very serious and hopes to be able to return to school in a few days.—Anson Western-News.

We have all the latest kind of shirts We want to sell them. Call and see them. T. E. Powell· 25-tf

W. F. Wilson for premium hams and breakfast bacon. 35-tf

Go to the Baird Home Studio for good Photos of all kinds, and for enlarging work. 42-1t

See the largest assortment of watches in Baird, new designs, at R. Phillips. R. Phillips. 40-tf

Get your magazines, periodicals ect. at Phillip's. 31-tf

WOOD FOR SALE.

Cord wood or stove wood, in any quantity. Phone me your orders.

M. J. PARKS,

40-tf Phone 78 2 rings.

School books, tablets, pencils, etc at Powell & Powell's. 41-tf

Mr. Theodore Tunnell, of Comanche and Miss Hannah Caton, of Stamford, have entered the Baird Public School. We learn that about twelve students from the country have entered the school

Capt. J. W. Jones sold some cattle C. B. Snyder of Baird, Saturday.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

The following officers of Baird Chapter No. 182 were installed last Friday night.

B. L. Russell, H. P.
* J. W. Woods, E. K.
*Fred Alvord, E. S.
S. T. Fraser, C. H.
C. S. Boyles, P. J.
H. Schwartz, R. A. C.
B. L. Boydstun, 3. V.
R. G. Powell, 2. V.
J. B. Harmon, 1. V.
A. Cooke. Treasurer.
J. H. Walker, Sec.
J. E. Gilliland, Guard.
*Absent.

Every pair of the Hamilton-Brown own make shoes are warranted to give satisfaction or money refunded. Why buy others when you can get a warranted shoe for the same money? T.

We can sell you a good Japanise matting at 15c per yard and upward. We have no competition in this line. Call and see it. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

The largest shipment of musical instruments ever brought to Baird just received at R. Phillips.

We have the only line of men's clothing 25 per cent cheaper than any where else. Buy where you can save money. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

Our prescription department is complete. Bring us your prescriptions. R. Phillips 31-tf

WANTED—A good reliable man, with horse and rig preferred, for Baird and surrounding towns to distribute circulars, samples, and tack signs, either in connection with present work, or give entire time. No money required. A good opportunity for a hustler. Address, ATOZ PRINTING CO. Dept. 178 South Whitley, Indiana. 42-1t

Bring us your prescriptions. R. Phillips. 31-ft

DO YOU NEED ICE?

If you can't catch the wagon, phone 81, J. A. Christian, and your order will receive prompt attention.

22-tf JESSE RICE.

THE STAR job department is getting out the annual catalogue for Prof. H. S. Crawford, of the Cottonwood Public School.

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT THE ORIGINAL LIVER MEDICINE

A sallow complexion, dizziness, biliousness and a coated tongue are common indications of liver and kidney diseases. Stomach and bowel troubles, severe as they are, give immediate warning by pain, but liver and kidney troubles, though less painful at the start, are much harder to cure. Thedford's Black-Draught never fails to benefit diseased liver and weakened kidneys. It stirs up the torpid liver to throw off the germs of fever and ague. It is a certain preventive of cholera and Bright's disease of the kidneys. With kidneys reinforced by Thedford's Black-Draught thousands of persons have dwelt immune in the midst of yellow fever. Many families live in perfect health and have no other doctor than Thedford's Black-Draught. It is always on hand for use in an emergency and saves many expensive calls of a doctor.

Mullins, S. C., March 10, 1901. I have used Thedford's Black-Draught for three years and I have not had to go to a doctor since I have been taking it. It is the best medicine for me that is on the market for liver and kidney troubles and dyspepsia and other complaints. Rev. A. G. LEWIS.

Tell us the magazine you read and we will get it for you. R. Phillips. 31

See Powell & Powell for school supplies. 41-tf

TO THE PUBLIC.

I have moved to the offices formerly occupied by Dr. Ramsey over Powell & Powell's drug store. See me there when you have law, land, abstract or insurance business.

38-tf JNO. W. WOODS.

Hugo Foy came in last week and spent a few days with his parents, returning to the A. & M. College at Bryan, where he holds a position as instructor in one of the Departments of the College.

Jenson & Dickey are building a blacksmiths shop west of Grant Bowlus' wood shop.

We will carry the largest and most complete line of books, magazines, periodicals, stationery ect. in Baird. Call and see what we have. R. Phillips

We have just received a drum of carbon and can save you money in killing prairie dogs. R. Phillips 31-tf

We buy carbon in large quantities and can save you money. R. Phillips

If you want something good to read just look over the new line of magazines and peirodicals at Phillip's Drug Store. 31-t

500 pieces mill end embroidery and insertions in 5 yard lengths. Our bargain price is half the value. Call and see them. T. E. Powell. 25

We have it for less.

5-tf T. E. POWELL.

A full line of sewing machine needles and supplies always at Phillip's Drug Store. 31-tf

Get your toilet preprations, face powders, creams, prefumes ect. R. Phillip's Drug store 31-tf

I will sell you a handsome summer shirt for 50c. Worth twice as much.

T. E. Powell.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

The State of Texas | Reported by W. A. Hinds, Commissioheer precinct no. 1 the following described animal: One sorrel horse mule about 12 hands high, about 3 or 4 years old wire cut on right fore leg and right shoulder, unbranded. Said animal ranging in neighborhood of J. B. Brown, near Clyde. If not proven away by the legal owner, will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 15th day of Sept, 1904.

42-4t W. P. COCHRAN,
County Clerk Callahan County, Tex.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at Baird, Texas for the week ending Sept. 17, 1904. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

Mr. Jno. Anderson.
Miss Della Anderson.
Mr. Jim Appleton.
Charlee Boilston.
Mr. Ed Brindley. 2
Arthur Bird.
J. R. Kimble.
Mr. J. N. McGhehee.
J. H. Stone.

WM. MCMANIS, P. M.

Mrs. Louis Solden, of Big Springs, is visiting relatives in Baird.

BUILDING NOTES.

The new gin building is ready for the machinery, so we are informed.

Mr. Beall is building a new residence in the west part of town.

Ben Halstead is building a residence in north part of town.

Frank Hinds is building a residence in east part of town.

The Baird Lumber Company has a a force putting up sheds in the yard near the Court House.

The Terry and Rice sale stables and lots are about completed, and bronco busting and horse trading is going on out on west 2nd street daily.

J. H. (Buster) Harris is working or Bob Reed in the blacksmith shop.

Several good showers have fallen at Baird the past week, with heavy rains in some parts of the county.

Has Sold a Pile of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

I have sold Chamberlaid's Cough Remedy for more than twenty years and it has given entire satisfaction' I have sold a pile of it and can recommend it highly.—JOSEPH MCELHINEY Linton, Iowa. You will find this remedy a good friend when troubled with a cough or cold. It always affords quick relief and is pleasant to take. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

PASTURE POSTED.

All fishing and hunting or trespassing in anyway in my pasture on the Bayou is positively forbidden.

21-tf WM. MCMANIS.

The Baird Lumber Co. have received their stock of lumber and are now ready for business. Yards near the Court House.

A Boy's Wild Ride For Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind, endured death's agonies from asthma but this wonderful medcine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guarranteed bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at All Druggists.

E. M. WRISTEN

GROCER.

SUCCESSOR TO

D. W. Wristen & Co.

Besides a First-class Stock of Staple Provisions, I wish to call attention to the fact that we are offering a full line of

BATAVIA Canned Goods.

Heinz' Mince Meat and Apple Butter in Stone Jars. The name is a guarantee of Quality.

BISHOP'S

California Preserves, Orangeate, Maraschino Cherries, Preserved Figs, Etc.

Orders Carefully Filled, Promptly Delivered and Quality of Every Package Guaranteed.

E. M. WRISTEN,

BAIRD, TEXAS.

HOTEL-SEAY,

MRS. E. SIGAL, Proprietor.

We have moved into the above hotel where we are better prepared than ever to accomodate the public. We take this occasion to thank our friends for their liberal patronage given us in the many years past, and express the hope that they will call on us in our new location. Hotel Seay is one of the best equipped hotels in West Texas. Come see us.

DUTCH

Is a large horse (sorrell with white points 16½ hands high) with plenty of style and finish, with grand trotting and pacing action. He has shown his ability to beat 2:30 with very little handling and his disposition is perfect.

Dutch was sired by Lone Star State No. 24515, bay colt, foaled 1890; bred by H. M. Haskew, by Haskew 9965, grandson of George Wilkes, record, 2:22.

Dutch's Dam.—Betty Macey is registered in the American Trotting Register, Rule 7, in Vol. 13.

$10.00 the season at my ranch near Dudley.

W. B. ELLIS.

PHONE 26.

W. F. Wilson,

Successor to WILSON & OLIVER.

Beef, Pork, Sausage, Lard, and Game in Season.

Free Delivery to any part of the city. Keep cattle on feed all Winter and Spring.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

Hotel Lowe.

EMIL LOWE, Prop.

I have opened up in the Maxwell building and will keep a first-class house. Everything nice and clean and the best to eat in the city. Come and see me.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.

A. CALLAHAN. J. C. GRAY

CALLAHAN & GRAY,

GROCERS.

We have opened up a nice, fresh stock of groceries in the McFarlane store, and we respectfully solicit a share of your trade. Give us a trial order. Telephone No. 27.

Lowest Prices. Prompt Delivery. Courteous Treatment.

SOME DAY.

JOHN BURT

By FREDERICK UPHAM ADAMS

Author of "The Kidnapped Millionaires," "Colonel Monroe's Doctrine," Etc.

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CHAPTER XXIV—Continued.

They strolled into the conservatory. For the first time he was alone with Jessie Carden, and a sense of exalted happiness surged over him.

Blake had formulated no plan of campaign for the conquest of Jessie Carden. The light of her eyes and the radiance of her beauty were to him as ignes fatui and drew him on.

He talked of California and of Rocky Woods, but his eyes spoke love and his deep rich voice was tender. Fair woman is seldom blind to the spell cast by her charms, and it is probable that Jessie was aware of Blake's admiration; but she neither recognized nor took advantage of it.

Though he knew that the odds were overwhelmingly against him, and that one false step meant irretrievable defeat, he shut his eyes to the perils which encompassed him. He knew the risk he ran in appearing in public with Jessie Carden, but he did not hesitate to secure a box for the Booth performance.

There were four in the theater party—the general and Edith, Blake and Jessie Carden. Blake escorted Jessie to the front of the box and took his place by her side. The boxes were thronged with fair women, but all eyes were turned on Jessie Carden and her handsome escort. She had been absent from New York for two years, and only a few recognized her. James Blake was even less known, though his name had been made familiar by the name of Wall street achievements with which he was publicly identified.

The first act was nearly over when a thick-set young man, with a soft, florid face, sauntered into the box directly across the orchestra from Blake and Jessie. Both recognized the newcomer as Arthur Morris, and both felt a secret joy that he was present. Like a flash the thought came to Blake that, by means of his rival, he could enhance the chances of a speedy success with the woman by his side.

THEY STROLLED INTO THE CONSERVATORY

"Do you notice the gentleman sitting alone in the box opposite?" he asked as the curtain fell.

"Yes," answered Jessie, raising her eyes and looking at Blake with a puzzled smile. "Why do you ask?"

"That's Arthur Morris, the banker. Would you like to meet him?"

"I shall be delighted!" exclaimed Jessie, who could not resist the temptation.

At that instant Morris directed his opera-glass for the first time at the Blake box. The smile of joy when he recognized Jessie turned to one of blank amazement when he saw James Blake. In response to Blake's signal the dazed Morris was picking his way through the crush. Blake led Jessie to the rear of the box.

"Miss Carden, permit me to present my friend, Mr. Arthur Morris."

Jessie smiled and offered her hand.

"I'm glad to meet any friend of Mr. Blake's," she said.

"By Jove, old man, this is a joke on you, or me—or both of us!" stammered Morris. "Charmed to meet you again, Miss Carden! How are you, General Carden? This is a good one on you, Blake! I've been acquainted with Miss Carden for years—five years, is it not, Miss Carden?"

Jessie's laughing eyes admitted the truth and Blake looked properly confused.

"I shall have to forgive you," Blake said to Jessie, "but you are taking an unfair advantage of a wild Westerner."

"You have the reputation of being lucky," said Morris, laying his hand familiarly on Blake's shoulder, "but I didn't know that your good fortune extended to an acquaintance with Miss Carden."

There was a shade of insolence in his tone, and an air which did not escape any of his three listeners. It hinted that he was General Carden's employer; that the latter was under obligations to him, and that Jessie was pledged to pay the debt. But Blake was a good actor in the little comedy between the acts. He held the key to the solution. Of all the figures in this complicated drama, he alone knew the motives which influenced the other players.

"I might say the same to you, my dear Morris," said Blake with airy confidence. "Were it in good form I would willingly wager a supper that I met Miss Carden before you did. Have I your permission, Miss Carden, to challenge Mr. Morris to such a wager?"

"You have," laughed Jessie.

General Carden's face was a study, but Morris was too dumfounded to notice it. Blake's words had reminded him of the night he first met the young magnate from California. He had only one card to play.

"I accept your wager," he said.

"When I was a boy I lived in Rocky Woods," began Blake. "Miss Carden probably has told you that she spent the summers with Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, who still have a country place near there. Miss Carden was then a little girl, but I remember her distinctly. That's all. If you demand evidence, I have not the slightest doubt that Miss Carden or the general will furnish it."

To Jessie's amusement and General Carden's relief Morris declared that he did not doubt Blake's word. The fires of jealousy burned fiercely in him, but he concealed his rage.

"I admit myself done, old chap," he declared. "We shall have a jolly dinner in honor of my defeat. Say Tuesday, at Sherry's? Will that be convenient, Miss Carden? Good! There goes the curtain."

Morris smiled gaily and excused himself, and Blake and Jessie resumed their places.

"You have a wonderful memory, Mr. Blake," said Jessie, behind her fan. "I could not help thinking, while you were enlightening Mr. Morris, that perhaps you had unconsciously confused your Rocky Mountain career with that of your boyhood friend, John Burt."

The smile on Blake's lips died and the color mounted to his temples.

"Perhaps—perhaps I did," he said, after an awkward pause. A thousand thoughts and fears came to him. He dared not lift his eyes for fear of encouraging the gaze of the man he had wronged. The voices on the stage sounded far away. Jessie's innocent words, "your boyhood friend, John Burt," had hurled him for the moment from the heaven of bliss to the nadir of remorse. Opportunely for his confusion, Edith called Jessie's attention to some trifling matter, and in the interval he regained his composure.

The play ended, and Arthur Morris again joined the Blake party as they waited for the crowd to leave. He declined Blake's invitation to supper, pleading a previous engagement.

"I am chaperoning the governor," he laughed, pointing to his father, whose ponderous bulk blocked an adjacent aisle. "By the way, Blake, did you follow my tip on L. & O.? Bought a little, did you? That's right; keep on buying it. It's going up, as I said it would. You needn't be afraid of it."

CHAPTER XXV.

The Mantle of Charity.

It was late on Sunday morning when Blake awoke. For years he and John had dined at four o'clock on Sundays, and they had continued the custom in New York. Blake looked forward to what had ever been a pleasure, with an aversion not unmixd with fear.

He rang a bell and his valet responded.

"Mr. Burton will dine with me at four o'clock," he said. "Until he leaves I'm not at home to anyone. Make no mistake about this, Roberts. I want a light breakfast."

Blake carelessly glanced over a newspaper. With a yawn he was about to lay the paper aside, when he noticed a headline descriptive of the Booth performance of the preceding evening. It was a long article, but Blake was so engrossed in its reading that he paid no attention to the valet's announcement that his bath was ready.

To the abject astonishment of that trained and sedate servant, Blake gave a cry of terror and sprang from his couch, upsetting a small table as he rushed towards the window.

In the full flood of light he again read a paragraph which had frozen the blood in his veins. It was as follows:

"Among the box-holders at this notable performance was James Blake, the famous Wall street operator and financier, whose recent advent in New York was signalized by a market movement not yet forgotten. Mr. Blake's guests were General Marshall Carden, Miss Jessie Carden and Miss Edith Hancock, of Cohasset, Massachusetts. Miss Carden returned a week ago from a two years' sojourn abroad, where her musical and artistic talents attracted nearly as much attention as her rare beauty."

"My God! this is awful—awful—awful!" groaned Blake. "Get out of here!" he shouted to his man. "What the devil do you mean, standing there gaping at me? Bring me a glass of brandy, and be quick about it!"

He hurled the paper from him and sank back into a chair.

The door bell rang, and at the sound every nerve tingled with terror. Was it John Burt? James Blake was not a coward—as he had proved a score of times when his mettle was put to the test—but from the moment he went down to defeat beneath sturdy blows he had respected his boyhood conqueror.

The valet opened the door and Blake heard the piping voice of a telegraph messenger. He drew a long breath and tore open the envelope. The message was from John Hawkins, and stated that he would arrive in New York on the following morning.

The little clock spasmodically jingled the hour of noon. In four short hours he would face John Burt! He drank the brandy at a gulp, and plunged into a cool bath. He glared at the tempting breakfast, but could not taste it.

"Take that stuff away and bring me more brandy," he ordered.

Again he read the dreaded paragraph. It had a fascination he could not resist. He sent for all the Sunday journals and eagerly scanned them for mention of the theater party, but to his great relief found that it appeared only in the one paper. Again he helped himself to the brandy.

"Come to think of it, John don't read that cursed paper!" he exclaimed half aloud. "It's only an accident that I happened to see it. If I hadn't been there last night I never would have glanced below the headline. What chance is there for John to see it? Not one in a million!"

He paced up and down the room, and paused to survey his reflection in a mirror. His face was drawn, and dark circles showed under his eyes. The decanter was his only friend. The grave face of the valet did not disclose the astonishment he felt over the conduct of his employer. Blake was almost abstemious in his habits, and his sideboard was more of an ornament than a utility. In this he had wisely patterned himself after John Burt.

"Shall I serve breakfast now, sir?" asked Roberts.

Blake answered with a sullen negative and tossed off his fourth brandy. It sounded a new note in the scale of stimulation.

"I don't see why I should go into such a beastly funk over this affair!" he muttered. "It's no crime to be in love with a woman. She doesn't belong to him. They're not even engaged. Suppose he does love her? So do I. What if he did meet her first? A woman is not something to be discovered and pre-empted like a gold mine."

As the hours sped by and the dark red line in the decanter dropped lower and lower, Blake's courage aroused to such a pitch that he welcomed the coming of John Burt.

"By God, we'll settle this matter now and here!" he exclaimed as he lurched unsteadily about the room. "John Burt nor any other man shall stand between me and Jessie Carden! I'll meet him face to face! I'll——"

The hall bell rang with that clear precision which comes from the pressure of an insistent hand. At the same instant the little clock hammered the hour of four.

(To be continued.)

Record Locomotive Building.

The Stratford works of the Great Eastern Railway, in England, have the record of a locomotive engine built in ten hours—a large freighter with a tender. Before the actual construction was begun the various parts were laid close at hand, ready for fitting together. The workmen began early in the morning and continued until the breakfast bell rang. Then the partly-built engine was photographed. After a half hour's rest the workmen returned to the task and continued till the dinner hour, when another photograph was taken. Thus the work proceeded till the engine was completed, with the exception of a coat of paint. This was quickly laid on by a spraying machine, and in less than half an hour was perfectly dry. The locomotive was then sent on a trial journey a few miles up the line and all proved satisfactory, so it was sent with a baggage train. It has been in active service ever since.

A Prophet Without Honor.

The late Hugh Stowell Scott, famous as Henry Seton Merriman, author of "The Sowers," "The Vultures" and other novels, was a man of extraordinary reserve and self-command. The following story is told of him:

His father, who was a director of the London Graphic, had an unaccountable objection to his son's following a literary career, and tried to make a business man of him. His son wrote in secret under a pseudonym, and, although his work was successful, he never betrayed his literary identity to his father.

On one occasion his father placed before him one of the young author's own stories, saying, "Now, if you could write a book like this, it would be another thing altogether."

And still the son kept silence.—Harper's.

Work of British "Grafters."

According to the committee of public accounts, wholesale "grafting" prevailed on the British side during the Boer war. For example, out of a total sum of $6,250,000 issued to the Imperial yeomanry committee, $2,230,000 can not be accounted for. Of 999 mules shipped to Beira, on the South African coast, 158 died at sea and the remaining 841 "can not be traced further than Beira." As for remounts, out of 617,000 horses and 155,000 mules supposed to have been sent to Africa, 34,468 horses and 5,862 mules can not be accounted for.

Watermelon Syrup.

In York County, Virginia, they are making watermelon syrup, which is said to be rich and soft in taste, and as good as it sounds. The south sends the earliest watermelons away. She can by no means eat all the later and best. Inevitably, there is great waste of watermelons. Watermelon syrup, watermelon sugar; there is a new industry in the bud. If the flavor of watermelon syrup is as happy as it is painted maple syrup will have to look to its laurels. Besides, it is getting harder every year, in the cities at least, to get genuine maple syrup.

Young Parsees Leave Sect.

The Parsee, or Zoroastrain, community of Bombay, who number under 95,000 in all, are threatened with disintegration by western and Christian influences. Their wealthy young men visit and reside in London, Paris and other European cities, where they frequently take to themselves European wives. Three cases have just occurred of Parsees thus marrying white women, one marrying a Jewess and one a French woman. There are great dissensions among the Parsees in India as to whether the non-Parsee wives should be received as proslytes.

Strikes in Canada.

The loss of time to employes through trade disputes throughout Canada during June was approximately 62,488 working days. This is an increase of nearly 30,000 days compared with the previous month, and is largely accounted for by a strike of iron and steel workers at Sydney, Nova Scotia, in which 39,000 working days were lost. In June, 1903, there was a loss of 122,612 working days, about 60,000 more than in the present year.

Three disputes ended in favor of the employers and three in favor of the strikers. Four disputes ended in compromises satisfactory to both parties, and in the remaining case, which concerned the employment of nonunionists, the difference ceased with the initiation of the new employes into the union.

An Odd Court Incident.

Sensational incidents are not uncommon in the closing stages of famous criminal trials. One of the most remarkable occurred in Melbourne on the last day of the trial of Ned Kelley, known as the "ironclad bushranger of Australia." A knife dropped from a gallery overhead and fell at the feet of the desperado in the dock. He had every temptation to grasp it and put an end to his existence, for there was not the slightest chance of his escaping the gallows. But it was promptly picked up by a bailiff, and its owner was arrested and brought before the judge. He pleaded that the occurence was purely accidental, and the explanation was accepted by the court.

The Reason Why.

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Mexico's New Supreme Judge.

The recent election of Felix Romero to the office of president of the supreme court of the republic of Mexico has given wide-spread pleasure, particularly in judicial circles and among the leading politicians of the country. Mr. Romero, like the late President Benito Juarez and President Porfiro Diaz, is a native of Oaxaca and was a schoolfellow of President Diaz, both attending the Councilar seminary of that city. When the constitution was framed in 1857 he was one of the signers. Of all the others who signed the document there are besides himself but three living—Ignacio Mariscal, minister of foreign relations; Justino Fernandez, minister of justice, and Senator Benito Gomes Farias.

It occasionally occurs to every mother that all her husband got her for was to take care of the children.

The nest embodies all that is greatest in a bird's life; and as most men are a good deal like birds, the same ought to be said of the home.

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Example of Incredulity Met With by Explorers.

Referring to the incredulity and bitter attacks which Henry M. Stanley and other explorers had to meet, A. J. Mounteney-Jephson writes in Scribner's Magazine: "I remember one evening in Africa when we were talking together over the camp fire, his telling me, laughingly, about a certain prominent personage who was well known for his pomposity and self-importance. He said: 'When I returned from finding Livingstone Mr. X. distrusted me and only offered me one finger of his hand to shake. After my return from my second expedition, when I sailed down the Kongo, he gave me two fingers. When I had founded the Kongo Free State for the king of the Belgians and returned to England I got three fingers; but it took me years before I got his whole hand.' This seems to me typically British, and I merely quote this little story to vindicate the grudging recognition which has been given to most of the great explorers by those 'armchair geographers' who stay at home. Livingstone suffered from this same attitude of incredulity and returned to the interior of Africa, where he met his death, because he could not bear to face the unbelievers in London until he had solved the mystery of the great Lualaba river."

BUFFALO CHASED MOTOR CYCLE.

Sportsman in India Had Narrow Escape from Infuriated Beast.

An enthusiastic motor cyclist in India, to escape the heat of Bombay, rode his machine up to Khandalla. It is a seventy-odd mile run and the road, until the foot of the ghats is reached, is perfectly flat. Upon the stiffest gradient he overtook a herd of water buffalo. Hardly had he gone a yard in front of the animals when one of them took offense at the smell of the gasoline, or regarded the labored "tuff-tuff" of the engine as a challenge to mortal combat. It gave a grunt, lowered its head and charged heavily upon the intruder. The road was more than steep. It was dangerous. On the right hand towered a cliff, on the left there was a drop of nearly 1,000 feet on to the tops of the trees in the valley below. The lumbering beast gained rapidly. Luckily, the rider carried a revolver. He drew it and fired back over his shoulder. The first shot missed, the second passed along the animal's side. With a roar of pain the huge beast started aside, slipped on the edge of the "khud" and the next minute crashed down on the tree tops below.

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Whaling Reviving.

In July, 1904, a sperm whale was killed off the east coast of Newfoundland, and from the cavity back of the gigantic skull nearly $400 worth of spermaceti was dipped. This, so far as the records show, is the fourth sperm whale ever caught in Northern waters. Within the last four years whaling has sprung to a foremost place among the industries of Newfoundland. For unforeseen and inexplicable reasons these monster mammals of the deep have resumed their visits to the North Atlantic, and dozens of "whale factories" have been built and are now in profitable activity along the coast of the island. Every part of the whale is now utilized. Oil, bones, skin, entrails and flesh have places in the marketable products of the mighty creatures. Bologna sausages made from the flesh of the whale are one of the most profitable products and find steady sale in the West Indies and in the markets of Central and South America.

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Frog-Mouth a Queer Bird.

There may now be seen in the Zoological Society's eastern aviary a specimen of a curious Australian bird, known as the frog-mouth. It is a queer-looking bird, and with its mottled plumage and quaint postures it has rather the appearance of an old tree stump, as it stands motionless on its perch. It is of nocturnal habits and if disturbed during the day it takes its heavy flight to a neighboring perch, and immediately drops off to sleep again. One of the most characteristic features of this bird (podargus) is its enormous mouth. It great round eyes give it something of the look of an owl, which, indeed, in other respects, it closely resembles. It feeds upon small birds, mice, insects, etc.—Pall Mall Gazette.

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Guns of Battleships.

In modern battleships the gun is inside a barbette, turret, or casement, and in that way is housed all around. In other ships there are guns mounted on the upper deck and not surrounded by steel walls. It is a mooted point whether the men serving the gun inside the casement or those working on the upper deck battery suffer most from the effect of the firing, for there are two distinct factors to be taken into account. First, the effect of the explosion at the muzzle of the gun, commonly known as the "blast;" second, a violent shaking in the breech of the gun at the seat of ignition of the explosive, which shock is transmitted from the gun to the walls and roof of the casements, and thence to the bones of the head, ear, etc. It is enough to remark, however, that they are so distributed that they would probably not damage the drum of the ear, although they do produce distinct concussions of the skull, spinal column and the larger joints, and give rise to headache, tongue-bites and general shock.

One of Sheridan's Tricks.

It is related of Richard Brinsley Sheridan, the dramatist and statesman, that, always in debt, he had among his creditors the brothers Chalie, who were the partners in a wine firm in 1775. One day when he was giving a dinner party to some distinguished people Sheridan sent for one of the brothers, told him he was now able to settle his account and invited him to the dinner party, asking him to come before the hour for some private conversation. Chalie arrived early, and he was no sooner in the house than Sheridan sent off a servant with a note to the clerk desiring him, as Mr. Chalie was favoring him with his company, to send as soon as possible three dozen of Burgundy, two dozen of claret and two dozen of port, with a dozen of old hock. The unsuspecting clerk sent the wine, with which the guests were so pleased that they asked where it came from. Sheridan, turning to Chalie, said: "I am indebted to my friend here for all the wine you have tasted, and am proud to recommend him." It was not until the following morning that Chalie realized the double meaning in Sheridan's word. The debt was canceled.

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Faith, Hope [illegible] Charity should crowd up closer [illegible] room for Gratitude.

Has to Be Cited.
"Possibly there is something on earth that is a surer and quicker cure for cuts, burns, aches, pains, and bruises than Hunt's Lightning Oil. If so, I would like to be cited. For twenty years I have been unable to find anything better myself."
H. H. Ward,
Rayville, La.

25c and 50c bottles.

A girl in a pair of white shoes is a shock to our timid soul. There is always the first sensation that she is in her stocking feet.

Allen's Foot-Ease, Wonderful Remedy.
"Have tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and find it to be a certain cure, and gives comfort to one suffering with sore, tender and swollen feet. I will recommend ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE to my friends, as it is certainly a wonderful remedy.—Mrs. N. H. Guilford, New Orleans, La."

Every girl should have a long braid so that when her brother wants to pull something, the cat's tail will get an occasional rest.

BEST BY TEST
"I have tried all kinds of waterproof clothing and have never found anything at any price to compare with your Fish Brand for protection from all kinds of weather."
(The name and address of the writer of this unsolicited letter may be had upon application.)
A. J. TOWER CO. Boston, U. S. A.
TOWER CANADIAN CO., LIMITED Toronto, Canada
The Sign of the Fish TOWER'S FISH BRAND
Makers of Warranted Wet Weather Clothing
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If afflicted with sore eyes, use Thompson's Eye Water

The golf girl goes a'golfing
In the giddiest of gowns.
The sun shines sultry on her
In the surliest of frowns.
O'er the green she chases gayly
In a fierce perspiring march,
But her clothes don't show a wrinkle
'Cause she used Defiance Starch.

AT ALL GROCERS
16 OUNCES FOR 10 CENTS.
Manufactured by
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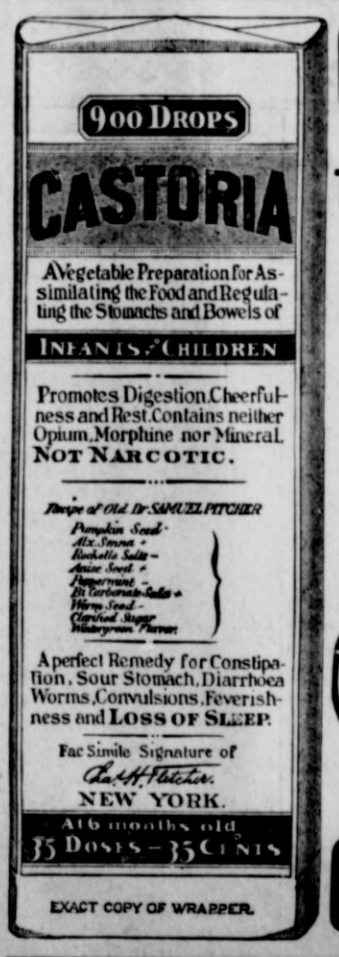

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.
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To cure, or money refunded by your merchant, so why not try it? Price 50c.

TO WIND THE SEASON.

WE OFFER

Any Ladies Slippers.....$1 00	Ladies $3 Silk Parasol.....1 50	Men's $2.50 Shoes.....1 50
Any Misses Slippers..... 50	Men's $2 hats, white or black.....1 10	Men's $3.50 " 2 50
Our 20c White Lawn.....10c	Men's 75c Dress Shirts.....50c	Men's 38c Underware.....25c
Good Machine Thread.....2½c	Men's 1.25 " 75c	Men's 50c " 38c
Any 25c turn over collar.....18c	Men's 50c " 38c	Men's 75c " 50c
Any 10c turn over collar..... 5c	Men's $2 Shoes.....1 25	Men's Sample Slippers at one-half regular price.
Ladies $2 Silk Parasol.....1 00		

There will be big selling all over the house during this 7 days. Big drives in pants. Low prices on shoes. Cheap offerings on Straw Hats. Big bargains in Notions. In fact big cuts willbe made in all departments to make a big winding.

Mistrot Bros & Company.

Cheapest Store in Texas. Baird, Texas.

ABSCESS.

W. H. Harrison, Cleveland, Miss writes, Aug. 15, 1902: "I want to say a word of praise for Ballards Snow Liniment. I stepped on a nail, which caused the cords in my leg to contract and an abscess to rise in my knee, and the doctor told me that I would have a stiff leg, so one day I went to J. F. Lord's drug store (who is now in Denver, Colo.) He recommended a bottle of Snow Liniment; I got a 50c. size and it cured my leg. It it is the best liniment in the world.

ABSCESSES, with few exceptions, are indicative of constipation or debility They may, however, result from blows or from foreign bodies, introduced into the skin or flesh, such as splinters, thorns, etc.—Powell & Powell Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

What is Lite?

In the last analysis nobody knows but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly re-adjusts this. It's gentle yet thorough. Only 25c at All Druggist.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvellous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for Cuts Corns, Burns, Boils, Sores, Felons, Ulcers, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped Skin Eruptions; infallible for Piles. Cure guaranteed Only 25c at All Druggists.

BAIRD COTTON RECEIPTS.

	1904	1903
Receipts to date		
T. E. Powell.....	182	85
B. L. Boydstun.....	140	55
Ed Wristen.....	102	40
Total.....	424	180

From above it will be seen that receipt are larger than last year. The price yesterday evening was, good grade, 10 and 10¼.

Fearful Odds Against Him.

Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, of Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with Kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies I'm on the road to complete recovrey not on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel Complaints. Only 50c. Sold by All Druggist.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

For State Representative,
W. J. BRYAN,
of Taylor County.

For District Judge, 42d District.
J. H. CALHOUN.

For County Judge.
I. N. JACKSON.

For County and District Clerk,
GEO. B. SCOTT.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
T. A. (Al) IRVIN.

For Tax Assessor,
T. J NORRELL.

For County Attorney.
W. R. (Raleigh) ELY.

For Public Weigher Baird District
JOE McGOWEN.

For County Treasurer,
J. E. W. LANE.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
A. E. (Erastus) KENDRICK.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1,
W. A. HINDS.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3,
J. H. BURNAM.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 4.
JOHN W. AIKEN.

For J. P., Pre. No. 1.
L. O. OLIVER.

For Constable Pre. No. 1.
JOE ALPHIN.

For Constable Pre. No 5.—Clyde.
I N McCAMMON

"Oh Mama! What will we have for dinner?"

"Send to Hadley & James and get some of that nice —B-Q meat. It is better than I can cook. Be sure and get the gravy"

"John, this is the last time I will try to cook —B-Q. This is so nice."

KILL THE COUGH AND CURE THE LUNGS

WITH Dr. King's New Discovery

FOR CONSUMPTION COUGHS and COLDS

Price 50c & $1.00 Free Trial.

Surest and Quickest Cure for all THROAT and LUNG TROUBLES, or MONEY BACK.

For Sale by ALL DRUGGIST.

Beautiful Women.

Plump cheecks, flushed with the soft glow of health and a pure complexion make all women beautiful. Take a small dose of Herbine after each meal; it will prevent constipation and help digest what you have eaten. 50c, Mrs. Wm. M. Stroud, Midlothian Texas, May 21, 1901: We have used Herbine in our family for eight years and found it the best medicine we ever used for constipation, bilious fever and malariar—Sold by Powell & Powell Baird. Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Mrs. J. Norton and children, of Stamford, are visiting Mrs. Norton's mother, Mrs. McGowen.

SPRAINS.

S. A. Read, Cisco, Texas, writes, March 11th 1901 My wrist was sprained so badly by a fall taht it was useless; and after using several remedies that failed to give relief, used Ballards Snow Liniment and was cured. I earnestly recommend it to any one suffering from sprains. 25c 5o $1.oo. Sold by Powell & Powell Baird and Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Most of the Baird folks are back from the St Louis Fair. If any of them got "touched" while there they are too shrewd to admit it.

See change in Boydstun's ad.

Miss Tee Longshore is visiting friends at Oplin.

Neglected Colds.

Every part of the mucous membeane, the nose throat, ears, head and lunge' etc., are subjected to disease and blight from neglected colds. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a pleasant and effective remedy. 25c 50c. $1.00. W. Akendrick, Valley Mills Texas writes I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup for coughs and throat troubles; it is a pleasant and effective remedy.—Sold by Powell & Powell Baird. Y. A. Orr Putnam.

YEAST.—Mrs. Kane has fresh yeast for sale at all times.

ECONOMY.

There was an Old Woman that lived
in a shoe,
She had so many children she didn't
know what to do
So she bought a dime's worth of steak
from "Butch" Wilson,
And it was so tender they eat too
much
And it killed all but two—and they
took the gout.

Phone 26.

In Praise of Chamberlian's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"Allow me to give you a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," says Mr. John Hamlett, of Eagle Pass Texas. "I suffered one week with bowel trouble and took all kinds of medicine without getting any relief, when my friend, Mr. C. Johnson, a merchant here, advised me to take this remedy. After taking one dose I felt greatly relieved and when I had taken the third dose was entirly cured. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for puttiug this great remedy in the hands of mankind." For sale by R. Phillsphs Baird, and Y. A. Orr Putnam.

It is reported that Ben Halested has sold his saloon to Sam Wristen and Davis.

Sour Stomach.

When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality too rich, sour stomach is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Masticate the food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals, and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomoch after eating, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the sour stomach may be avoided For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Prof. H. S. and Mrs. Crawford of Cottonwood, spent a day or two in town this week.

When troubled with constipation try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are easy to take and produce no griping or other unpleasant effect. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

FRESH BREAD.

Mrs. Kane bakes fresh bread daily from the best flour the market aflords.

EMERGENCY MEDICINES.

It is a great convenience to have at hand reliable remedies for use in cases of accident and for slight injuries and ailments. A good liniment and one that is fast becoming a favorite if not a household necessity is Chamberlaiu's Pain Balm. By applyit promptly to a cut, bruise or burn it allays the pain and causes the injury to heal in about one-third the time usually required, and as it is an antiseptic it prevents any danger of blood poisoniug. When Pain Balm is kept at hand a sprain may be treated before inflamation sets in, which insures a quick recovery. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, and Y. A. Orr Putnam.

School Books and Supplies.

We carry a full line of College and State Adopted Books, Tablets, Pencils, Inks, Pens and all School Supplies.

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Attorney- at Law,
Real Estate Agent, and Abstractor.

I have bought the abstract business from A. G. Webb and now own the only set of complete abstract books in the county, I am prepared to furnish you a nice typewritten abstract on short notice, and do a general land and law business. I thank you for past favors and hope to receive a share of your future patronage. I am now located at the City Hall, first

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Solicit and will appreciate your Patronage.
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We have Dr. Massie's book of choice Prescriptions and when wanting a prescription filled just bring the number and save trouble carriug your book. R. Phillips. 31-tf

We have 500 pieces of lace, worth 10c and 12½c. Ours bargain price is 5c. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

Remember the Hamilton-Brown shoe is the best shoe on the earth. Every pair of the brand is warranted. You run no risk in buying this class of goods, so don't buy cheap shoddy, but go to T. E. Powell's and get shoes worth your money. 5-tf