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## Directory.

**OFFICERS 30th JUDICIAL DISTRICT.**  
District Judge, Hon. C. P. Woodruff.  
District Attorney, W. W. Beall.

**COUNTY OFFICIALS.**  
County Judge, F. D. Sanders.  
County Attorney, F. P. Morgan.  
County & Dist. Clerk, J. L. Jones.  
County Tax Collector, W. B. Anthony.  
County Treasurer, Jasper Hillholser.  
Tax Assessor, H. S. Post.  
County Surveyor, J. A. Fisher.

**COMMISSIONERS.**  
Precinct No. 1, J. S. Nike.  
Precinct No. 2, B. H. O'waley.  
Precinct No. 3, C. W. Lucas.  
Precinct No. 4, J. B. Adams.

**PRECINCT OFFICERS.**  
J. P. Post, No. 1, J. S. Nike.  
Constable Prec. No. 1, T. D. SUGGS.

**CHURCHES.**  
Baptist, (Missionary) Every 1st and 3rd Sunday.  
Rev. W. G. O'perton, Pastor.  
Presbyterian, (Commercial) Every 2nd Sunday and Saturday before.  
No. 1 Pastor.  
Christian (Campbellite) Every 3rd Sunday and Saturday before.  
Pastor.  
Presbyterian, Every 2nd and 4th Sunday.  
Rev. W. H. McCollough, Pastor.  
Methodist (M. E. Church) Every Sunday and Sunday night.  
W. D. Bass, D. D. Pastor.  
Crescent meeting every Wednesday night.  
Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30 a. m.  
J. D. Sanders, Superintendent.

**Christian Sunday School every Sunday.**  
J. W. Standefer, Superintendent.  
Baptist Sunday School every Sunday.  
D. W. Courtwright, Superintendent.  
Presbyterian Sunday School every Sunday.  
W. E. Sherrill, Superintendent.  
Haskell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.  
meets Saturday or before each full moon.  
G. H. Couch, W. M.  
J. W. Evans, Sec'y.  
Haskell Chapter No. 181  
Royal Arch Masons meet on the first Tuesday in each month.  
A. C. Foster, High Priest.  
J. W. Evans, Sec'y.

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PHYSICIAN & SURGEON.  
Haskell, Tex.  
Solely a share of Your Patronage.  
All bills, must be paid on the first of the month.

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Offer their services to the people of the town and county.  
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**H. G. McCONNELL.**  
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**BALDWIN & LOMELI.**  
Attorneys and Land Agents.  
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**Ed. J. HAMNER.**  
ATTORNEY - AT - LAW.  
HASKELL, TEXAS.

**P. D. SANDERS.**  
LAWYER & LAND AGENT.  
HASKELL, TEXAS.  
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**A. R. BENGE.**  
DEALER IN  
SADDLES & HARNESSES.  
To my friends in Haskell Co.—  
While in Seymour, call and examine my Prices on Saddlery and Harness Goods.  
A. R. BENGE,  
N. Main St. Seymour, Texas.

The better you serve your local paper, the better it can serve you.

It seems to be war to the knife and the knife to the hilt between Mrs. Lease of third party political fame and Governor Lewelling, Kansas' third party governor.

An Austin item states that the receipts from school lands fell off \$285,852 during the last six months.

PRENDERGAST, the assassin of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, has been convicted of murder in the first degree and will stretch high.

In view of the long list of misfortunes, crimes, casualties and disasters that go to the credit of 1893, we think it may properly be referred to as "the late unfortunate."

It seems that the action of Governor Waite of Colorado in calling an extra session of the legislature and in some of the subjects submitted for legislation run counter to the wishes of a good many of the people of his state. A large mass meeting was held in one county a few days ago and a petition signed and resolutions adopted asking the legislature on its assembling to institute impeachment proceedings against the governor and immediately adjourn.

JUDGE A. B. NORON died at his home in Dallas on Dec. 30th. His history has been blended with that of Texas since 1848, and he is perhaps known by reputation to most people in the state. Though opposed politically to the people among whom he so long lived, his conduct has been dignified and sincere and he had their respect.

Morphine liquor and tobacco are causing the death of thousands of persons yearly. Many of these sufferers from these habits are ignorant of the fact that they can free themselves in a very short time, and without any effort or suffering. Hill's Double Crochets of Tablets are guaranteed to cure any of these habits. These tablets are for sale by all first-class druggists at \$1.00 package.

JANUARY 1st witnessed the formal opening to traffic of the great Manchester, England, canal, which has been under construction for about ten years and reaches from the sea to the great industrial city of Manchester, a distance of 35 1/2 miles. It may justly be considered one of the crowning achievements of the age. It is of greater capacity than either the Suez or the Amsterdam canal, affording easy passage to the largest merchant steamers. The total cost reached nearly £15,000,000 sterling.

CONGRESS got down to work again Monday, and interviews with leading democrats indicate that the tariff bill will be given right of way until it passes, which they think will be without much delay. Senator Vorhees says he will not call his financial bill up until it is settled. He expresses considerable confidence in the passage of his bill by both houses and says that he thinks it will settle the financial question. One of its leading features is the coinage of the government seigniorage silver at the rate of \$2,000,000 per month until exhausted, which it would be in a little over a year, and thereafter the purchase and coinage of \$2,000,000 per month.

RECENT discussion of the sugar bounty question, caused by the proposition of the ways and means committee of congress to gradually scale the bounty down so that it would cease entirely in eight years, has caused congressmen and others to institute an investigation as to the amount being paid, to whom it went etc. It is stated that the amount paid out by the government on last year's crop at a cts a pound, was \$8,763,830.75 and that this large sum was paid to five hundred and sixty sugar raisers, being an average gift by the government to each of about \$15,650. The largest sum paid to one person or company was \$140,119.38 to the Miles planting and manufacturing company of Louisiana. Forty planters got over \$50,000 each. Twelve Texas sugar planters got \$174,943.90. Cunningham and Miller coming in for the most sum of \$67,774.86.

## The Income Tax.

The question of an income tax to make up the deficiency in the public revenue which is known will result under the pending tariff bill, should it become a law, is receiving a great deal of attention and discussion throughout the country. In published interviews the following prominent men have expressed themselves as stated: Ex-President Harrison's expressions were of a rather mild nature, although he said there were many objections to it. Being a direct tax it would be more keenly felt and more vigorously opposed than other systems of taxation (the tariff of course) and would not benefit the general public in the same way—he meant that it would not afford the manufacturer and monopolist any protection.

Gov. Carr of N. C., favors the income tax, thinks it ought to reach incomes as low as \$2000.

Gov. Matthews of Ind., favors it on all incomes in excess of \$5000.

Gov. Tillman of S. C., thinks it is one of the crying necessities of the times; that it will reach millions of dollars that now escape taxation.

Gov. Northern of Ga., is heartily in favor of it, but thinks it manifestly unjust to tax the incomes of corporation without taxing the individual incomes.

Gov. Turney of Tenn., wants the tax to be placed on the incomes of both corporations and individuals.

Gov. Crouse of Neb., is opposed to any form of income tax. Thinks it is class legislation intended by the democrats to pad the pockets of the poor against the rich or even the well to do class who are able to wear a clean shirt once a week.

Gov. Lewelling of Kan., favors a graduated property tax, but is in favor of an income tax unless a better one can be devised.

Gov. Fishback of Ark., is for it and

"I believe that the true theory of taxation is that it should be in proportion to the amount of protection which the government renders, and in no way can this be measured so accurately as by the amount of wealth protected. This can in no way be so accurately estimated as the amount of income a man gets from his wealth. The fact is there is a great and growing discontent among the people because poverty and not wealth is supporting all our governments, national, state and municipal. Jay Gould with all his wealth did not pay as much of the tariff taxation as a common farmer with eight or ten children to support. It was the wealth of the country which conspired with the republican party when it had control of the national government and forced such enormous pensions upon us in order that they might continue their tariff taxation. It is but just, therefore, that this same wealth be made to bear its share of this otherwise intolerable burden."

Gov. McConnell of Idaho, treated the subject facetiously and turned it off with a mild disapproval.

Gov. West of Utah, favors it. He says the burden of government may best be borne by those whose incomes exceed the fair and proper needs. Capital receives more protection from our laws with less taxation than labor, whether it be the professional man or the mechanic, and right here is the iniquity of our tariff.

Gov. Waite of Col., populist,—our present system is unjust; there can be no valid objection to a graduated income tax.

Out of seven New York bankers interviewed six expressed emphatic objections to the income tax and the seventh dismissed the subject by saying he had not considered the matter and knew little about it.

The latest news from Washington in regard to the income tax question is that the ways and means committee at a meeting on last Tuesday, receded from its former action, which levied a tax only on the net incomes of corporations, and by a vote of 6 to 5 decided to place the tax also on private incomes exceeding \$1,000 a year at the rate of 2 per cent. It was also decided to increase the whiskey tax from 90 cents to \$1 per gallon. This with the increased tax on cigarettes and playing cards will make up the deficiency which will result from the tariff reductions provided for in the Wilson Bill.

The news from Washington indicates that the democrats intend to put the tariff bill through without any unnecessary delay, and it will be well for the country and the party if they do. Tariff reduction and the promise of economical administration of the government and the consequent lightning of the people's burdens, were the great questions on which the party won its way to power, and if its pledges are not substantially redeemed its supremacy will end with the next national election. There are many difficulties in the shape of local interests to be dealt with, but that fact was known beforehand and it was known that they would have to be disregarded and subordinated to the general good if anything like a successful tariff reformation was accomplished. In the face of these facts the party took its stand on the high ground of "the greatest good to the greatest number" and pledged its faith to the people—the 'greatest number.' The pledge was accepted and the people did their part. Now there is but one honorable way open and that is to do what was promised. Any other course will be a betrayal of the trust and will result, disastrously, and deservedly so.

## The American Protective Association.

There has been a good deal said and blatted in the papers and among politicians, to the influence of the above association in recent elections. It is said to be secret in its workings and the extent of its membership is only guessed at. Its principles and objects have also been a matter of conjecture to a large extent and it has been the subject of considerable criticism. The following, which we find in some of our exchanges, is a correct statement of its principles, as it is claimed to be, we don't see anything in them to object to, unless it be its secret character:

1. The American Protective Association is organized for the purpose of purifying politics, is a non-sectarian and non-partisan organization composed of true American citizens without regard to nationality.

2. While we unite to protect our country and its free institutions we do not attack man's religion so long as he does not attempt to make it an element in political power.

3. Our aim is to preserve and maintain the government of the United States and the principles of the declaration of independence set forth by the founders against the encroachment of all foreign influences.

4. We regard all religio-political organizations as the enemies of civil and religious liberties.

5. It is, in our opinion, unsafe to appoint or elect to civil or military offices in this country men who owe supreme allegiance to any foreign king, potentate or Asiatic power, or who are sworn to obey such power.

6. We are in favor of maintaining one general, unsectarian free school system, and will oppose all attempts to supplant it by any sectarian institution. We are opposed to the use of public funds for any sectarian purpose.

7. We are in favor of changing our immigration laws in such a manner that they will protect our citizen laborers from the influences of pauper and criminal labor, which through the instrumentality of European propagandist societies are rapidly supplanting our free and educated American citizens in every line of industry; but we do not oppose honest and educated immigrants who come for the purpose of becoming American citizens and who will forswear allegiance to all foreign potentates and powers.

8. We are in favor of putting into office honest and true patriots who are qualified and who owe allegiance only to the stars and stripes.

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Now is your time. Trees at hard times prices!

I have all the standard fruit trees, such as:

Apple, Peach, Pear, Apricot, Plum, Cherry, Almond, Quince, etc.

Also Blackberries, Raspberries, Strawberries, etc.

Also a fine collection of Roses, Flowering Shrubs, Shade and ornamental trees.

All propagated and tested in my nursery at Cisco, Texas, and known to be the varieties best adapted to growth in Western Texas.

My trees are all guaranteed true to name and good, healthy stock, prices very low. Address WILLARD ROBISON, Cisco, Texas.

## Paint Creek Penellings.

Paint Creek, Dec. 30.

Mr. Editor:

We come again to give you some of the happenings of our neighborhood during Xmas week. At the residence of the brides parents on the 26th inst. Mr. T. J. Eastling and Miss Laura Lucas were married by the Rev. Hughes. Miss Josie Post was bride's maid while Mr. Felix Lucas acted as best man. Shortly after the ceremony the assembled guests were invited to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Clark, where they all enjoyed a pleasant evening. The bride and groom departed Friday for Hill county, their future home. Miss May Jefferson entertained the young people on Friday evening. Miss May is a real hostess and entertained her guests so well that the occasion will be remembered pleasantly for a long time. A pleasant social was enjoyed by both old and young on Xmas night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Adams. At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. McCarty the young folks all assembled and enjoyed one of those pleasant gatherings, to be remembered till another Xmas rolls around. What about that broken hack; Mr. Sid did you say that you was so smitten with the young ladies that you couldn't see as large an object in the road as a stump? Well, that's all right, the girls all say that they enjoyed the walk ever so much any day, and we agree with our little bird that we have some of the champion walkers of the country. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cannon of Jones spent a few days here visiting relatives. Mr. L. A. Baggett has returned from Hill county. Mr. M. A. Hughes of Young county is visiting his parents Rev. and Mrs. Hughes. Mr. Felix Lucas left a day or so ago for San Angelo, where he will take charge of a large ranch in Tom Green county. Messrs G. T. Baggett, L. A. and Tom Stephens departed for Hill county Friday where they will do some improving on a farm recently purchased by Mr. Baggett. Mr. J. Adams also started a few days ago for Farmersville on a business trip. M. J. L. Warren returned some time ago from Greenville; he says that it seems very pleasant here after spending a month in the mud and damp atmosphere. Well, we mustn't forget that we had some rain this week, and the weather has been as warm and pleasant as we have ever known during Christmas times. There is some trading going on as well as pleasure seeking. Mr. T. E. Ballard bought some stock cattle from a J. L. Warren this week. Prof. J. D. Warren and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with J. L. Warren and family. Messrs. Bob Livingood and J. W. Gardener will be home from Fort McCavet to-day. Mr. Brown Haskell spent a part of this week with his brother who lives near Buffalo Gap. Mr. Editor, we regret that our news is a little old when it goes to press, though situated as we are, so far from the office, we can't do otherwise.

M. R.

## BALD HEADS!



What is the condition of your hair? Is your hair dry, harsh, brittle? Does it split as the comb? Has it a business appearance? Does it fall out when combed or brushed? Is it full of dandruff? Does your scalp itch? Is it dry or in a hoarse condition? If these are some of your symptoms be warned in time or you will become bald.

## Skookum Root Hair Grower

Is what you need. Its production is not an accident, but the result of a scientific process of the selection of the hair and scalp. It is a natural hair restorer, and a delightful cooling and refreshing tonic. It is the only hair restorer that does not contain any of the poisonous ingredients that are found in other hair restorers. Keep the scalp clean, healthy, and free from irritating conditions, by the use of Skookum Root Hair Grower. It restores the hair to its natural condition, and keeps it from falling out. If your dandruff cannot apply you send direct to us, and we will forward promptly on receipt of price. Grower, \$1.00 per bottle's for \$1.00. Soap, 50c per box. 10c per box.

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A. H. Tandy, President. J. V. W. Holmes, Cashier. B. H. Dodson, Vice Pres. J. J. Lomas, Asst. Cashier.

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HASKELL, TEXAS

A LOS ANGELES preacher thought he was delivering the funeral sermon of a woman, whereas the man of the house was dead, and the woman had to listen to a eulogy upon herself.

SHOPPING is a passion with many women, and on the whole, a passion that should be gratified, but when shopping develops into shoplifting it is time to call a halt.

ONE of the most melancholy sights in nature is a man trying to buy a woman in a vague way that the present must not be a pair of suspenders or a shaving set, but when he comes to particularize the poor man lapses into perfect imbecility and gives his sister the money and tells her to buy the present.

DISPATCHES from New York announce that society is letting down the bars. Fifty-fifty only 400 favored ones have been invited to the patriarch's ball.

NADIAN ex-minister of parliament and a steamboat company's president have each been sentenced to one year's imprisonment for conspiracy to defraud Canada in connection with the Quebec harbor improvement.

ardent lover shot himself, in order to make a trifling scratch, under the idea that his sweetheart might be sick. So late was he over the act that his hand, tremulous with grief, sent the bullet to a vital spot, but is not having half the expected. The lesson seems that for occasions of the sort cartridges should be employed.

presence of soot and smoke in atmosphere is one of the prime causes for the fact that about nine-tenths of the inhabitants of cities suffer from some form of disease of the throat or nose. A real condition has become the ailment, and this is the reason why New York people began to complain since the invention of the incandescent light.

have other misadventures afforded them. A sick man, who had been confined to his bed for several days, died last night.

Miss Mamie Hemphill of Blooming Grove, Navarro county, has fallen heir to quite an estate. Her uncle, Col. Sam Hemphill of Louisiana, died recently, leaving her his entire property, consisting of 1920 acres of rich land, \$10,000 in bank stock and other property.

The barn of Joe Bell, six miles south of Lancaster, Dallas county, together with 1200 bushels of corn, sixteen tons of hay and two fine horses, burned recently. This is the second time he has been burned out within a year.

At Crowell recently S. J. Moore, sheriff of Foard county, shot A. V. Beverly, constable of the same county, and he died from the wound. Sheriff Moore was shot once through the thigh, but the wound is said not to be fatal.

A man named McCullough, living near Blum, Hill county, has a mule 37 years old last April. This old veteran went through the war in the artillery, and was wounded in three battles. He will be at the next Dallas fair.

Ed White, a young colored man, while out possum hunting near Hempstead, recently, was climbing a tree for his game, when he suddenly lost his grip, fell to the ground and was picked up a corpse by his comrades.

Mr. Jake Schwarz of Bryan has received notice from Gov. Hogg that a fine of \$1200 against him had been remitted. Mr. Schwarz was fined in court at Bryan a few days ago for not posting his county tax license.

A boy happened in a cemetery and a spring gun set in the grass nearly killed him. Suit has been brought by guardians of the lad. Of course competition among the cemetery associations is keen, but there is a limit to the enthusiasm admissible in drumming up business.

INTERESTING CULLINGS FROM THE DAILY PRESS.

A Crisp and Complete Summary of the Most Readable from Every Portion of the Empire State.

At Whitesboro, Grayson county, Lee and Wash Osterloh, two brothers, with some others had been snapping a pistol at each other, when Lee laid the pistol down and stepped out of the room.

Bertram Wilson, a 14-year-old son of a farmer living five miles north-west of Mt. Vernon, was horribly mutilated by a bulldog recently. The dog had killed hogs, and young Wilson was told by Mr. Wilson to take some of the liver, etc., home with him, and when the boy started to pick it up he was attacked by the bulldog and a large piece torn out of his cheek, also tearing out one corner of his mouth.

Fireman J. R. Rayns, of the Dallas division of the Katy, while shoveling coal into the fire box north of Greenville, his engine struck a curve and the sudden lurch threw him over on the opposite side of the cab with much violence. His back was wrenched and other serious injuries were sustained. He was sent to the hospital at Sealeda, Mo.

J. O. Young and G. F. Brindley arrived at Paris from Ladonia on their way to Springfield, Mo., to spend the holidays with relatives. At night they were confined to a lonely spot by three strangers and robbed of \$100. The robbers made good their escape and Brindley and Young had to forego the trip to their old home.

Dr. J. W. Mauldin's drug store and hall, at Center Point, Kerr county, burned a few mornings since with all its contents. A sick man named Ed Joyent, from Wheeling, W. Va., being the only occupant of the building, perished in the flames. How the fire originated is not known.

A crowd of negroes met one night recently in Gonzales county to play cards. About midnight the jug of whiskey having been passed, frequently, a row ensued and Henry Jones shot and killed George McMain in the abdomen. Jones is in jail.

Ed Crowley, an engineer, known and liked by all for twelve years at Lehigh, was killed there recently by Conductor J. S. Mouser. The two had a difficulty previously which came to blows, and they were separated. Next day they met on the sidewalk with the above result.

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J. T. Tolash, who was at Greenville some time ago and who was permitted to visit his family alone occasionally, was found drowned in a branch near town.

The First national bank of Luling, Caldwell county, at a recent meeting of its directors, decided to go into voluntary liquidation and will be succeeded by a private bank.

Mrs. Kate DeWitt Turner was found dead in her bed the other morning at Marshall. It is thought she died of heart disease, as she had an attack the night before.

At Gainesville a few days ago a man named Cavanaugh was robbed of \$10 in a saloon. Lon Mensler and Frank Levitt were arrested and jailed for the theft.

Seven boarders at a boarding house at Hillsboro were recently poisoned by eating head cheese. Medical assistance was called in and all are out of danger.

Near the Lister farm, about four miles east of Ennis, Ellis county, recently, a white man shot and killed Hun Fields, a negro. No reason is assigned.

Unknown parties went to the house of Nathan Grant, in Henderson county, recently, shot him nine times, and thinking he was dead, left him.

Col. John Drowell, acting inspector general of the Texas volunteer guard, was at Eagle Pass a few days ago inspecting the Eagle Pass rifles.

J. W. Cox, a workman in the car repairing department at Denison, had his foot badly mangled recently under the wheels of a push car.

The 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Leclercy fell into a cistern at Paris recently and was drowned before he could be rescued.

Walter Shoebright tried to suicide recently at Galveston by cutting his throat with a razor. He made some ugly gashes but failed.

The Wilson county brick and tile works at Calaveras have started up again, which affords work to many who have been idle.

Will Jacobs and Morris Sweeney, colored, had a cutting scrape near Mexia, Limestone county, recently. Both are in jail.

John Gardiner, charged with the murder of John Patton, has been given a life sentence in the penitentiary at Dallas.

The son of J. J. Cain, section foreman at Forney, Kaufman county, had his thumb mangled while coupling cars recently.

Sam Simpson shot and killed All Craft, a colored man, a few days since, near Ennis.

WITH CLOSED DOORS.

THE COMMITTEE'S WORK RATHER MYSTERIOUS.

It is Believed by Many that the Purpose of the Hawaiian Investigation by the Senate Committee Means Annexation or a Protectorate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The air of mystery assumed by the senate committee on foreign relations in its Hawaiian investigation gives the impression that Mr. Morgan's resolution, under which the inquiry is held, is merely a cloak for a much more important inquiry into the alleged irregularity of our diplomatic relations with those islands.

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Another Blue Book. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The first volume of the blue book, the official biennial register of all United States employees is expected to be issued next week.

than has ever been recorded in its history. At the close of business Saturday the balance, as stated on the books of the treasury, was \$80,487,268, and it is generally expected that it will fall below \$80,000,000 during the week. The total balance on the 1st instant was \$95,199,616, showing a reduction during the month of \$4,712,348. The loss, however, has fallen more largely upon the currency balance than upon the gold reserve. The marked excess of expenditures over receipts, it is now believed, will show a deficiency in the revenues at the close of the calendar year or approximately \$7,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Mr. W. E. Blackstone has presented to President Cleveland and Secretary Gresham the memorial adopted by the World's Columbian commission, asking that steps be taken to secure arbitration of international disputes. President Cleveland has made reference to the subject in his annual message, and yesterday expressed gratification that so much had been accomplished. Secretary Gresham said that he would take measures to have the full simile of the memorial sent to all foreign governments, and they will be asked to take steps to bring about a conference to carry out the plan which originated at Chicago. The memorial is as follows:

To the governments of the world: The undersigned citizens of many countries, gathered at the Columbian exposition at Chicago, in the United States of America, recognizing the advantages accruing to those nations which have pursued the policy of arbitrating international disputes and desiring that the like benefits may in the future be enjoyed by all nations, and deeming this a fitting opportunity to have governments, mutual treaties will unite to agree by mutual treaties and submit for settlement by arbitration such international questions and disputes as shall fall of satisfactory solution by ordinary peaceful negotiations, and for this the petitioners will ever pray. It is requested that this copy shall be presented to each of the governments of the world.

Not Settled Yet. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—When the majority members of the committee on ways and means come together again it is said a decision will be reached as to what kind of income tax will be agreed upon. It is probable that other matters pending before the committee, and largely dependent upon that proposition, will also be agreed upon or prepared for adjustment. The committee will have to decide upon two reports submitted by the sub-committee on internal revenue, one by McMillin and Bryan in favor of a tax on all incomes, including individuals, and the other by Montgomery in favor of a tax on corporate investments. It is proposed by the first plan to make a 2 per cent tax upon all incomes of \$4000 and upward, yielding (estimated) \$30,000,000. There is yet some disagreement over the rate of the tax upon inheritances, but the difference will be easily adjusted. The inheritance tax will be extended only to personal property, as it has been found impracticable to have real estate included. It is estimated that \$10,000,000 will be derived from this source. A tax of \$1.50 per 100 on cigarettes and 6 cents per pack on playing cards will yield \$600,000,000 in all \$45,000,000, which several members of the committee think is all that is needed to be provided for legislation at present. There was some talk that during the holidays the Democrats opposed to the bill would organize to secure its defeat, but it does not now look as if anything would come of it.

Little for It to Do. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—When the New Mexico and Oklahoma bills are passed by congress the committee on territories of both houses will be practically defunct. If a bill is presented for the admission of the Indian territory it will, no doubt, come before the committee on territories, but as a usual thing all matters in reference to the Indians of that section would naturally be considered by the committee on Indian affairs. There will be more or less business for the committee on territories to consider with reference to Alaska, as it is believed that Alaska will not be admitted for many years. So far there have been no Alaska propositions considered by the committee, but it is said that they will be presented in the near future. In territorial bills are through the present session the matter of a delegate to represent Alaska in the house of representatives may be taken up. A similar proposition regarding the Indian territory will also be introduced. It is somewhat doubtful whether the Oklahoma bill will be pushed through ahead of the tariff bill, although its friends will make an effort in that direction so as to clear the house of all territorial bills.

Architect's Report. WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The annual report of Jeremiah O'Rourke, supervising architect of the treasury, for the year ending September 30 last, shows that during the year expenditures for the erection of new federal buildings and sites and for repairs and preservation of finished and occupied federal buildings amounted to \$4,126,159. Contract obligations at the end of the year amounted to \$3,340,768. The balance of the appropriation available is \$9,232,989, of which \$8,899,167 is for sites and the construction of buildings.

To Watch for Chinamen. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The attention of the treasury department has been called to press dispatches announcing that many Chinese now in Mexico will endeavor irregularly to enter the United States. Customs officers on the border have been ordered to be especially vigilant.

Mump Contract. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The question of awarding the contract for printing postage stamps to the bureau of engraving and printing, or to outside bidders, will be determined within a few days.

It is Running Low. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The prospects are during the present week that the available cash balance of the treasury will reach a figure lower

HILLSBORO'S BIG FIRE

ON THE SIDE OF THE SQUARE IS NOW IN ASHES.

The Flames Raged Unchecked from Midnight Until Morning, Burning Out Twenty Firms With a Loss of \$275,000, Partly Covered by Insurance.

HILLSBORO, Tex., Dec. 29.—A fire started in Rosenbaum's dry goods store at midnight Wednesday night and proved the most disastrous ever experienced here. The firemen and citizens were unable to check the flames, which continued to burn far into the morning hours. The block on the east side of the public square was entirely wiped out, causing the destruction of the business of a score or more of firms. The total loss is estimated at \$275,000 with about one-third covered by insurance. The following are the heaviest sufferers: Watson & Cox, boots and shoes; \$2000; J. E. Martin, saddlery; \$1000; Weekly Register; \$1000; Rosenbaum Bros.; \$100,000; Graham & Co., dry goods; \$35,000; Crawford & Levine, dry goods; \$24,000; T. M. Brooks, groceries; \$6500; Gibson & Ballard, groceries; \$10,000; Harry Beck, saloon; \$4000; B. Heyer, jeweler; \$2500. The Hillsboro opera house, one of the finest in the second-class cities of the state, is among the concerns destroyed. The lateness of the hour when the fire started found the place without occupants, and probably averted a terrible calamity. There were many narrow escapes from the burning buildings. The origin of the fire is believed to have been incendiary.

A Daring Robbery. MARSHALL, Tex., Dec. 26.—As Express Messengers A. McCulloch and E. Neandall were transferring their business from the Texas and Pacific passenger train to the New Orleans Pacific train at 3 o'clock yesterday morning McCulloch was knocked down by a negro, who snatched a pouch from him and ran. Neandall fired one shot at the robber as he fled, but failed to stop him. He was pursued by officers as quickly as they could be notified, but he made his escape. The robbery was committed on the depot platform, under the glow of electric lights, while there were probably 100 people standing around. Parties who saw the robbery differ as to the identity of the man, the majority saying he was a very bright mulatto, while others claim he is a white man. The name was Alex. Green, and that he had once been a farm hand in the lower end of the county. Where he has been living lately, where he was going when struck by the train, where his people are and a whole lot of other things equally important could not be ascertained. The train hands said that the negro was walking down the track, and that the whistle was blown repeatedly, but he paid no attention to it. Finally the engine was reversed, but it was too late.

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Rockwall Robbery. ROYSE, Tex., Dec. 23.—Thursday night between 1 and 2 o'clock, while driving from Rockwall, Royse, J. D. Gurley and Will Medley were held up and robbed one and a half miles from Royse by a couple of negroes. They lost \$146, while Medley lost \$3.50. The robbers were not amateurs, as shown by their cool and intrepid manner of operation. They rode up behind the buggy and one passed and caught the bridle rein, while the other presented his pistol and demanded that they "shell out," which was done without delay. During the time they made remarks, winding up by asking Gurley if he wanted a receipt for his money. When they finished their work they released the horse and gave the command to "move on," which was done at great speed until Messrs. Gurley and Medley got to Royse, when they called upon Constable Louder and together they rode back in pursuit of the highwaymen, but they had too much the start and succeeded in making their escape.

Falls From a Stepladder. GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 23.—Yesterday Mrs. Skinner, wife of Col. J. D. Skinner, of this city, had the misfortune to break the large bone in her wrist and to receive other painful injuries. She was standing on a stepladder attempting to adjust a window curtain which had become disarranged when she lost her balance, falling backward to the floor, a distance of four or five feet. In attempting to break the fall she threw out her hand and thus received her full weight on it, which broke the large bone of her right arm near where it joins the hand at the wrist. In addition to this her hips and side were badly bruised.

Shotgun and Pistol. BELLVILLE, Tex., Dec. 27.—Monday evening John Rogers, a colored man, became involved in a difficulty with two white men, Frank Prestage and Bill Hollin, Rogers used a shotgun and Prestage a sixshooter. Prestage was shot in the arm and shoulder. One of the shots from the pistol of Prestage missed the mark and struck Hollin, the friend of Prestage. Hollin's wound proved fatal and he died in a few hours. Prestage is reported doing well. The negro is in jail.

Bitten by a Mad Dog. ALVORD, Tex., Dec. 29.—Yesterday morning about sunrise a hog supposed to have hydrophobia attacked the little 5-year-old grandson of Mr. Sawyer of this place, severely biting his side and the lower part of the abdomen. Also the middle finger of his left hand was nearly bitten off. The hog when last seen was running at full speed.

Found Dead in Bed. BEAUMONT, Tex., Dec. 29.—Jackson Grant was found dead in bed yesterday morning at the Beaumont house. He had been working here for two weeks, and although an empty laudanum bottle was found in his room, it is thought his death was from natural causes.

Just Went to Sleep. PARIS, Tex., Dec. 27.—There was excitement yesterday morning when

The announcement was made that the dead body of Will Hooks had been found in a bed in the back room of a laundry run by a Chinaman named Leo Tie. A great crowd soon gathered at the place to learn what caused the death of the young man. Justice Hunt reviewed the remains and found no marks of violence on them. Hooks' watch, a very fine one, was in his pocket. He also had a bottle of morphine. What time he went to the place has not yet been ascertained. He took a friend home in a hack between 12 and 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The Chinaman says he came there Monday night and called for a bed and he reluctantly let him stay there. He protests that Hooks did not smoke any, but was drinking heavily when he arrived at his place. He says that after laying down Hooks breathed and snored heavily until about 5 o'clock, when he became quiet. A startling piece of testimony came out during the inquest. Allen Gholson, a young man from Oklahoma, boards at a hotel adjoining the laundry. About daylight he went out of the hotel and while walking down the street toward the laundry he saw a man cross the street. With something wrapped in a white sheet on his left shoulder that looked like a man; looked as if one leg hung lower than the other; the head was pitched forward. The man with the bundle wrapped in the sheet went into the laundry or passed by it. Knowing of no reason why a man should be carrying a body in that manner he thought nothing more of it at the time. The prevailing theory is when Leo Tie found Hooks in his place dead he started to take the body and carry it to some other point, but it was so light he was afraid of being discovered. Will Hooks was about 23 years old and was one of the best and most highly respected families in north Texas. He had recently come into possession of a considerable sum of money, which he had been spending freely. His relatives say he had been afflicted with a painful throat trouble which caused him at times to seek relief by the excessive use of morphine and whisky, and that he was suffering from this cause Monday. Leo Tie was arrested on a warrant charging him with keeping a disorderly house. He gave bond and was released. Two other Chinamen, becoming frightened, have left town.

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Stranger Killed. OVERTON, Tex., Dec. 26.—Yesterday morning about 7 o'clock a north-bound freight train killed a man about five miles south of Overton. He was a stranger, and his name could be found about him to identify him or to discover his name or where he was from. He was well dressed and was evidently not a common tramp. He was sitting, apparently asleep, on the track. The engineer saw him, but the train was running at a high rate of speed and could not be stopped in time. He had come from toward Troupe. There was a marked peculiarity about his upper front teeth, which protruded below the other front teeth.

Too Much Laudanum. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 28.—Yesterday morning Mrs. H. C. Rawlins gave her 6 months old baby by a dose of laudanum to put him to sleep, he having been unwell during the night. There was only a very little in the bottle and it was very strong. As the child did not awaken during the day Mrs. Rawlins sent for physicians, who did all in their power to save the little one, but in vain. He died at 1 o'clock this morning, never having waked. The family live on north Harwood street.

A Shooting Scrape. PARIS, Tex., Dec. 28.—There was a desperate shooting scrape at Depot Tuesday between John Newman and another man. The two men had been at odds for some time. They met in a store when a difficulty arose between them. Newman was shot four times, every shot taking effect, but only one causing a serious wound. It entered the left side and passed through the body, and it is feared it may prove fatal.

Negro Killed. LEGGETT, Tex., Dec. 28.—R. B. Green, constable, and John Canon, ex-constable, shot and killed Noah Bean, colored. Bean resisted arrest, the officer and his assistant firing at him. Bean drew his pistol and opened fire. Bean was drinking and had just assaulted some parties with his pistol. The parties appealed to the constable for protection, whereupon he went to arrest Bean, which resulted as above stated.

Shot-Lined Constable. FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 28.—Sadio Anderson, colored, died suddenly on lower Rusk street yesterday. A report that he was poisoned occasioned a post mortem examination, which developed the fact that death resulted from tuberculosis.

Killed and Cremated. LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 23.—Unknown persons murdered Miss Hendricks, then burned his house and the body of their victim, after dragging his wife into the yard and leaving her bound. The motive was robbery.

A Greek Killed. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 28.—Jim Cornelius, a Greek, was shot and killed while sleeping at 118 Patterson avenue at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The killing was done by an unknown person.







THE COCKSWAIN'S STORY.

You know that little dog who stood on the burnin' deck...

A Little White House Girl.

Quite a long time ago there lived in the White house a rosy, fair, sweet little girl...

Her father was a great general in the war and later a president of the United States...

Albert Hawkins, the coachman, and "Jerry," the footman, talk with delight of "Little Miss Nellie"...

She drove up and down the avenues and far out on the country roads with her small black ponies...

How long ago it all seems! Last year a sweet-faced woman visited Washington...

AN IMPORTANT FACTOR.

GREATEST AID THE THIEF TAKES CAN SUMMON.

It is Next to Impossible for a Criminal to Escape Who Has Once Had His Picture Taken—Fatal Unity of Train Robbers and Band Hold-Ups.

The long immunity from arrest of Frank and Jesse James was due to the fact that no pictures of them had ever been taken...

She stood on the steps of the hotel and visited with him, while callers waited upstairs...

More than forty years ago, in 1851, I visited a party of friends in the Bendigo gold fields of Australia...

The good understanding between myself and the mastiff appeared to become well established during the evening...

Albert Hawkins, the coachman, and "Jerry," the footman, talk with delight of "Little Miss Nellie"...

Ex-Senator Ingalls firmly believes that the self-made men are the kind that move the world...

By and by the great and the small, the old and the young, the rich and the poor...

Mary is the proud possessor of a doll that her younger brother has never been allowed to play with...

THEIR PICTURES TAKEN.

The Dastards Almost Drove the Photographers in Getting Ready.

They were going to have their pictures taken. There were three of them in the photographer's dressing room...

"Oh, no," pouted Nellie, curling her lily red lips and wrinkling up her pale straw-colored eyebrows...

"I don't care," snapped Nellie, her cheeks a trifling pink. "I've just said that for fun. He's always rather slangy, and I don't believe he's such a flirt as you would make him out..."

"All this amounts to nothing. No man can distort his face so as not to leave a recognizable feature. He cannot change the shape of his nose, his chin, his ears or the general outline of his head..."

"Yes, we'll be there right away," and a moment's silence was followed by: "How do I look, Meg?" "Is my dress on straight, Polly?"

"Was there anyone to blame for Downer's hanging himself?" "No; clear case of his own free will and a cord."

Watts—How did you come out in your little wrestle with the Chicago wheat market? Potts—I went after wool and got worsted.

Helena—Now that that old man is dead, do you suppose that his pretty young wife will stay long in mourning for him?

Porter of Sleeping Car—Your berth is the top one, lady. Passenger—What do you take me for? A bundle of old-fashioned dry goods that you want to put out of sight on the top shelf?

Scorpions, it is reported, are becoming great pests in various parts of Mexico.

GRANDFATHER'S TABLE.

SOME OF THE DISHES OUR ANCESTORS ENJOYED.

The Impression That Their Diet Was Restrictive and Plain Corrects Old-Fashioned Dietaries Whose Names Will Make Your Mouth Water.

In her book entitled "Customs and Fashions in Old New England" Alice Morse Earle gives some good information about what our ancestors ate and drank...

They had also apple mose, apple slump, buttered apple pies and apple crowsdy. Josselyn says that the "quinces, cherries and damsons set the dainties a-work."

The pages of Judge Sewall's diary gave many items of his daily fare. He speaks not only of boiled pork, boiled bacon and pork and beans...

"As good a turkey may be bought for about two shillings sterling as we can buy in London for six or seven, and as fine a goose for tenpence as would cost three shillings and sixpence or four shillings in London."

For many years the colonists dined exactly at noon, and on farms half an hour earlier. On Saturday all ate fish for dinner.

New Englanders obeyed the mandate, but ate codfish on Saturdays because the Catholics ate fish on Fridays.

In an account of a Sunday dinner given at the house of ex-President John Adams, as late as 1817, the first course was a pudding of Indian corn, with molasses and butter.

"A Golden Rule for English. Auntie—Do you find your lessons hard? Little Nephew—Some of them is; but spellin' and pronunciation is easy."

"Yes'm. All you has to do is to pronounce words the way they isn't spelled, and spell 'em some way they isn't pronounced."

PLEASURE DENIED HIM.

The Full Enjoyment of the Delightful Clog-Dancing Art.

"I should consider myself," said a citizen to a New York Sun man, "a man of fairly good all-around appreciation of life. I enjoy life, I feel at home wherever I go, I like all sorts of food, and I find enjoyment in all sorts of entertainment; but there appears to be one form of entertainment the enjoyment of which is denied me, and that is clog dancing."

There is a current impression that the diet of our New England forefathers was, for the most part, restricted to meal, pork and beans and pumpkin pie.

They preserved everything that would bear preserving, including, besides the things mentioned, plums, peaches, oranges, lemons, artichokes, green walnuts, clumpans roots, string roots and horseradish.

Mayor of a Village—I instructed you to superintend the dramatic performances which this traveling company has been giving here this week. Have you done so?

"And this is the pigsticker penitentiary, is it?" inquired the stranger who was "trailing about the environs" of Joliet.

Encouraging an Author. Manuscript Reader—Here is a manuscript from some writer I never heard of.

RARE REMNANTS. Rapid growth of the finger nails is considered to indicate good health.

A minister in his Sunday sermon attacked the local sheriff for failing to close the saloons.

Moving stones are located in Long Pond, Maine. On the easterly side of the pond is a cove which extends nearly 100 yards further east than the general course of the shore.

George—One dollar? Why, this one didn't cost me one cent. Get a fresh one every day if I wish.

NO WASTE.

See How Unconscionable Wastes Are Made Useful.

When Bishop Berkeley wrote his famous treatise on water, claiming it as a universal medicine, curing all diseases, he little dreamed that the time would arrive when beautiful medicinal preparations would be made out of it.

Of all living things, hair seems to be among the most repulsive, and when dead what can be their use? But even they are the subjects of a production in the industrial arts.

Chemistry like a thrifty housewife, economizes every scrap. The horse-shoe nails dropped in the streets are carefully collected, and reappear as swords and guns.

The dregs of port wine, carefully decanted by the toper, are taken in the morning as a sedative powder, to remove the effect of the debauch.

Back From Georgia. She drove up to the depot in an old cart drawn by an ox with lines attached to his horns, and she repeated her inquiries about the train from the East so often that the depot agent finally asked:

In the rooms of the Connecticut historical society at Hartford, Conn., there is to be seen a piece of a bell showing the date of casting 1728.

The president of the Argentine republic is chosen for six years, and receives an annual salary of \$85,000.

Will—Where on earth did you get that chrysanthemum? That's a bote—largest I ever saw. It seems to me you're getting pretty extravagant these hard times.

George—I go in the kitchen at the boarding house, take a handful of cold saw, tie it together with a piece of thread and there you are.

David—Who says the day of miracles is past? Judge Williams performed one yesterday.

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ET (Entertainment Tonight) column containing various short news items, jokes, and snippets.

# PARIS' SIDE LIGHTS.

## THE SWELL BOARDING HOUSE AND ITS TENANTS.

The Gay American Widow Is Often a Bone of Contention—Ex-Cashier and Treasurers from America Are Also Numerous.

[Paris Correspondence.]



ENTERING THE great common door-way of the Paris boarding-house, half a dozen families, a winding marble staircase will be seen upon the right, handsome to pretentiousness, and taking up a deal of space. Behind it is an open court, gloomy but clean, whose only purpose is to give light. Upon the left you have the concierge's lodge. When the concierge is not eating or sleeping, he is walking about with a broom in his hand. His wife appears only to eat and sleep and answer questions. The two live in one small room, directly beside the great door. Their bed is visible through the day, covered with a decent blue silk edredon and canopied in some red stuff like the bedstead of some ancient king. Beside the bed, on a little shelf, hangs a pneumatic tube connected with the catch of the big door of the street. When you come in at night you invariably stand outside and ring at first. He reaches sleepily over to the shelf, pushes the button and the compressed air does the rest. The big door swings open, you shut it behind you and then, walking past the concierge's door, you call out loudly your name. "Jackson," "Smithers," "Vasseur," or whatever may be.

It is the concierge's business to know the names and names of all the people in the house. The name, age, nationality, and previous last residence of each newcomer is reported to the concierge by the locataires of the different apartments, who transmits them on regulation printed forms to the police. Apart from these duties, the concierge must receive all letters and packages and "mount" them to their destination three times each day; must answer the questions of callers, "Is Mrs. X. chez elle?" and keep the stairway and the big hall clean.

Because the house is comparatively new it has an elevator. There is no elevator boy; you take the thing yourself. It can only take two people going up, and you are forbidden to use it at all going down—it wastes the power. An immense iron rod, the thick end of a girl's waist, and as long as a liberty pole, supports the car for safety, and its ponderous weight dragged up and down, at a fashion that seems to us Americans so useless, forbids anything like speed. The elevator crawls.

The elevator is only for the use of "masters," all servants, laundresses, shop runners, and the like must take stairs. These come to our pension in innumerable numbers, with boxes, bundles, bags and packages. From the Louvre, the Bon Marche, the Printemps and the other, smaller shops, especially of the Rue de la Paix and Rue de Rivoli, the uniformed delivery men come daily to this tourist camping ground; and this in spite of the assertion you hear each evening in the salon, that nothing is cheap in Paris, except gloves.

The pension has four floors of the apartment house. The bed above the premier above the entresol is given over to the public life. There is a wide hallway where gentlemen may smoke after lunch and dinner for a half hour or so, but no other time; two dining rooms, not too handsome, and often crowded, and one large parlor. The floor is in hard wood, polished and laid out in patterns. Its furniture is handsome, if formal, in rococo style, with lavish gilding and pale silk. The conversation of this salon is not always of the arts and sciences. An American corporation has recently established itself in France. The wife of one official, living in this pension, was wont to count the weeks until the wife of another official should arrive to bear her company. They had never met before, but on the second day they were as thick as capitalists, until a difference arose.

"My dear, I would buy that hat." "I can't afford it." "Why, your husband has a good salary. He is cashier." "He is treasurer," replied the first. "Cashier?" "Treasurer?" "He is cashier! And my husband is vice-president! And my husband can send your husband back to America if he pleases, madame!"

Now they do not speak, but their husbands grin mutually, as they pass each other in the corridor and neither in their official intercourse nor in their little jaunts about the town, picking up conversational French, has any lack of harmony been brought about.

The wife of the proprietor of the pension is such a charming lady, with a mouth so full of those platitudes in which the French delight, so good natured and so sympathetic, that a lonely American widow with a disposition to chronic sadness and theological questionings became captivated with her goodness in two short weeks. Contrary to European practice, she made a friend of madame. It was summer time, and the two small children of the pension were home on their school vacation. Like nearly all French people who have any religion at all, their mother is a Roman Catholic. The American widow, having been Methodist, French-revival and agnostic in turn, with a year of theism and a shy at Swedenborgianism, found a peculiar restfulness in hearing the little ones say their prayers at night. The half-darkened bed chamber, the mother kneeling by the two, the dignity and sobriety of the function, with the clear French words falling from their infant lips in balanced sentences, gave her a thrill she had not felt for years. The American widow bought a catechism and the children, with the fervor of youth, began to hear her lessons. In answer to the alarmed questionings of a ritualistic Anglican pastor—they call them "pastors" in French, to their disgust—she said: "I

# PREHISTORIC GRAVES.

## THE "LITTLE PEOPLE" OF TENNESSEE WERE BIG MEN.

Bones of the Legendary Gigantes Prove Them to Have Been of at Least Normal Stature—They Buried Their Dead All Dressed-Up.

There's an old grave-yard right over yonder, 'tother side of that ridge," my companion said, indicating the direction with a nod of his head. "An old grave-yard?" I exclaimed. "I don't think there were enough people here to make a grave-yard thrive."

We were traversing on horseback one of the sparsely settled rural hills districts of Western Tennessee and were, I thought, several miles from any human habitation. What purpose would a grave-yard serve, especially an old one?

"Wait," I said. "I want to stop," and we turned our horses' heads away from the rough road and struck across the ridge of low hills behind which lay the graves of that almost forgotten people.

Two small streams, one flowing north and the other northwest, met here among the hills, and right at the confluence, in the angle, lay the cemetery.

There were, indeed, two rows of shallow graves, one along either of the long walls of the inclosure. Altogether there must have been nearly a hundred of them, although only a few were uncovered.

The process of interment had evidently been very simple. A hole had been dug and the coffin of stone slabs built within it and the body laid down, with or without grave wrappings, and covered with a stone lid, the whole being then covered with earth.

Apparently the graves of the common folk, for almost without an exception the narrow stone coffins contained nothing but the crumbling skeletons, with an occasional stone implement or weapon or a piece of red pottery. It was easy to see how the "pigmy" idea came about, for the bodies, with knees doubled up to the chin, only requiring a space of four feet or so in length.

It was when the work of uncovering the low mounds was begun that interest was really awakened, for here I was plainly getting into the company of the magnates of the "pigmy" society. Here were regular mummy cases, some made of skins and some of woven hempen fabric, and in some cases so well preserved as to suggest that the gravee people must have been possessed of the secrets of the embalmer's art.

The mound had been built up from the ground with one tier after another of these graves until they were four stories high. The beginning had been made by the construction of what seemed to be a small stone altar resting upon the natural surface of the ground, and around this were built half a dozen of the coffin-shaped receptacles for the dead, these lying with the feet resting against the altar, and no space might be lost.

When this first tier of tombs was filled a layer of earth was spread over it and a second tier was constructed in the same fashion. These were evidently the more important personages of the race, as could be judged both from the mode of burial and from the greater wealth of the materials which had been interred with the bodies. Perhaps the distinction was one of social position or perhaps it was only one of wealth, possibly it was both. At any rate, these coffins in the mound contained an almost infinite variety of implements and utensils in stone, copper, earthenware, and woven materials, and even through the earth of which the mound was composed these relics were frequently to be discovered, lying loose.

It was ghastly work to unwrap these stiffened bodies and work over the crumbling fragments with the tape line and pencil, but it resulted in a finding that the bones were certainly those of a race of tall men. Other explorers have found isolated groups of graves containing the bodies of children only, as was shown by the condition of the teeth and the infant bones. It was apparently their custom to bury the children apart, and it may be that the Tennessee mountaineers have come upon these segregations of small bones and mistaken them for the bones of a pygmy race.

Made the Indian Disgrace. Trouble was recently threatened between the people of Orissa and the Indian government on account of the "Poojah stones," which had rested for ages over the main entrance to the temple of the Sun. It was carved with symbols of the sun and planet, and thirty years ago fell from its place in the temple to become at once a special object of worship. The governor of Bengal, being interested in it as an archeological treasure, had it removed to the Indian museum, and this raised such resentment among the natives that the stone has been restored to them and has been raised again to its original place in the temple.

Range in Tooth Brush Bristles. An operation for apendicitis revealed the fact that the disorder was due to the presence of tooth brush bristles. "Cheap tooth brushes," remarked the surgeon who had charge of the case, "are responsible for many obscure throat, stomach and intestinal ailments. The bristles are only glued on and come off in the half dozen when wet and brought in contact with the teeth."

# THE WHIRLIGIG OF TIME.

## The Dejected and Discarded Lawyer Takes a Terrible Revenge.

Pale with suppressed emotion, the struggling young village attorney stood before the haughty heiress, hat in hand, and ready to go.

"I could have borne your refusal, Verdigris McSorrell," he said brokenly, "although I had hoped for a more favorable answer. But you have chosen to accompany it with words of scorn. You have accused me of fortune hunting. You have twisted me with my poverty, my insignificance and my lack of worldly knowledge. I have not deserved this. I may have been presumptuous, but I am not the sordid, mercenary, soulless wretch you have pictured me to be. And, mark my words, proud beauty, the day will come when your haughty scorn shall be brought low!"

"What will you do, Mr. Bramble?" "Will you sue me for damages? Will you publish some dismal verses about me? Or will you crush me by silent contempt?"

"I shall bid my time! Heartless being, farewell!"

Long years passed away. In a crowded court room in a large city the famous case of Kersmith vs. Jechow was on trial, involving the possession of millions. Enos A. Bramble, now one of the most noted and successful lawyers in his native state, leaned forward in his chair to cross-examine a witness.

"Your name, madam," he said, "if I understood you rightly, is Mrs. Bimm?"

"Yes, sir," replied the witness.

"Your familiarity with this case grows out of the fact that you have resided all your life in the neighborhood of the property in dispute? Is that correct?"

"Yes, sir."

"It will be necessary, then, to ask you—but, first, how long have you been married?"

"I was married several years ago. I am a widow."

"How long have you been a widow?"

"Several years."

"What was your maiden name?"

"McSorrell."

"Full name, please?"

"Verdigris McSorrell."

"Thank you. In order to ascertain all the facts pertaining to this controversy it will be necessary to ask you one more question. Now, then, Mrs. Verdigris McSorrell Bimm?"

thundered lawyer Enos A. Bramble, rising to his feet, "please tell the jury your age!"

A Freak of the Seventeenth Century. About the middle of the seventeenth century, according to a tract issued at the time, a hairy woman, Barbara Urselin Vaubeck, was exhibited in all the principal cities of continental Europe. The tract above referred to, which bears this extraordinary title, "Barbara, the Human Beast; a True Relation of a Woman called Haire as Any Animal," gives the following account of her: "Her name is Augusta Barbara, and she is the daughter of Balthazar Urselin, and at this time, 1655, is in her twenty-second year. Her whole body, even to her face, is covered with curled yellowish hair verriously like wool; she has besides a thick heavy beard that reaches to her girdle, and from her ears hang long tufts of hair of the same yellow color."

Whigs Were Teamsters. Whigs were originally teamsters in Scotland, who used the term whig to encourage their horses. Opponents of the government in the revolutionary period were derided as favoring the Scotch teamsters, and hence were called whiggams, afterwards whigs.

CURSORY AND CURIOUS. The students of Vassar have offered a prize of \$20 for the best story with a Vassar girl as heroine.

Campfire in Hoga, Japan. About one-fourth of the product comes to the United States.

In all countries suicide is more common among men than among women, and among unmarried than among married persons.

Two women appeared before a Harlem police justice, each carrying a bag containing hair which she averred the other pulled from her head.

Stephen Langton, archbishop of Canterbury, first divided the bible into chapters and verses, this about the close of the twelfth century.

It has been suggested that the many duplicate volumes in the congressional library made the nucleus of a free circulating library for Washington.

At L. Henry and Miss Sallie Jesse were married at Louisville last week, the culmination of an engagement made thirty years ago. Both are well on in years.

A large bear recently walked into a blacksmith shop at Locust Valley, Long Island, where three men were at work. Bruin was soon killed for his boldness.

It is stated that the Russian government has conceded a French company the right to establish telephonic communication between all the large Russian towns.

Immediately after warning Michael Nelson to handle his gun carefully, George Nelson of Bath, Pa., tripped and fell, his rifle discharging and killing him instantly.

Captain Charles Carter, who died in Norfolk, Va., lately, at the age of 93 years, was married eight times and left thirty-eight children, every one of whom is said to have survived him.

# THE FARM AND HOME.

## WHAT CONSTITUTES UNSOUNDNESS IN A HORSE.

Things That Every Horse Owner Ought to Know—Making Sage Cheese—The Quality of Farm Fodder—Farm Notes and Home Hints.

There is not a horse owner in the country who will fail to recognize the desirability of having some light thrown upon the important question designated in the above heading. The records of the proceedings in our courts will fully attest the necessity existing for obtaining tolerably clear ideas of the leading nine points which this discussion involves, two of three times the price of many a valuable animal having been in innumerable instances frittered away in law expenses of the principles governing this branch of knowledge might have obtained. We propose, therefore, says the American Cultivator, to draw the attention of our readers to this branch of jurisprudence, believing that a careful perusal of our remarks will have the effect of placing them on their guard, and save, perhaps, in many an instance, an unwelcome bill of law and costs, the amount represented thereby being available for maintaining their horses in health, or for employing competent veterinary skill, should accident or disease unfortunately render this course necessary, a much more legitimate channel in our opinion for the judicious employment of surplus or available cash.

In explaining the various cases which have occupied the attention of the courts, both English and American, the following seems to be the generally-accepted definition of soundness: "A horse is sound when he is free from hereditary disease, is in the possession of his natural and constitutional health, and has as much bodily perfection as is consistent with his natural formation."

"A horse is free from vice when he has no bad habits which make him dangerous, or that are injurious to his health, or that in any way diminish his usefulness."

Though the above definition is perhaps the best that can be given, actual experience shows that its acceptance is not effectual in doing entirely away with disputes, which eventually find their way into the courts and drag their slow length along, the purchaser soon becoming alive to the fact that if he got a slow horse and a slow trial his money is leaving him with lightning celerity, and the seller, having at last some dim perception that "all is not gold that glitters," and being somewhat mystified as to the perplexing question whether, after all, he himself, as well as the horse, is really "sold," the only self-possessed and happy figures in the group being the legal advisers, who have presented to him a glorious field for making "confusion worse confounded."

From what we have already said, our readers will at once see with what caution any one should proceed when warranting a horse "sound and free from vice," and that on such an occasion he should have pretty clear ideas of the subject under discussion, always looking at the possible contingency of legal proceedings. Some owners will not under any circumstances give the warranty which many purchasers insist upon having. It is for the benefit of the people effectually provided against the unpleasant results which have been mentioned as possible, but it must not be forgotten that a too rigid observance of such a rule may often do away with the chances of a really desirable sale, and entail a loss, which caution, tempered with judicious enterprise and confidence, might have prevented.

Many of our readers whose eyes upon this article may fall may not be aware how slight are the defects, which, in the eye of the law, constitute "unsoundness." For example: An abrasion, though hardly perceptible, and requiring but little care, is an unsoundness until perfectly healed. Practically speaking, when examining a horse as to soundness, the following rules should be observed: Have the horse to be examined, if possible, left in a stall three hours; then have the attendant lead him out, when the examiner or purchaser must carefully see if there is any stiffness; this is the time and place the animal will exhibit it most, if present.

Then place the horse in the stable with the head facing the door, so that the examiner can observe whether the pupil's contract naturally and alike. Then pass the hand over the poll to discover the existence of poll evil; if present, from thence to the parotid and submaxillary regions to find whether there is parotitis or induration of the submaxillary glands. Closely examine the throat and find whether goitre exists. Place the thumb transversely on the jugular vein in order to ascertain whether obliteration has taken place, the vein filling up rapidly where it is natural. Examine carefully under the mane for fistula or other disease.

We next proceed to examine the point of elbow for shoe bolts, and the muscles of the shoulder to see if atrophy exists; pass the hand to the knee, and if the animal be for saddle use, be particular to discover whether any traces exist of having stumbled and fallen at any previous time. We then search for splints, especially in the neighborhood of the knee, because, in close proximity thereto, a splint will interfere with the action of the joint.

We then examine closely the posterior portion of the fetlock, to discover whether there has been any rupture, partial or complete, of the suspensory ligament, which, in common parlance is called "breaking down." If in existence the following appearance will be presented: Swollen hard and indurated, with a lowering of the fetlock and a bending or apparent giving way each time the animal moves. In this immediate vicinity we may look for windgalls, which we pass over lightly, inasmuch as they seldom cause injury; still, in some instances they should not be ignored, as we have seen them cause lameness, in

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"But, excuse me, Mrs. Fussly, I know all that. It doesn't mean that you should go in training for a circus performer. I think that if you would walk more it would do you good. For instance, if you would walk down to business once each day, instead of riding always on the street cars, I'm sure you would feel better."

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## LOCAL DOTS.

### Our Birthday.

With this issue the FREE PRESS enters upon its ninth year of existence, and, we think we may say, usefulness, for while in the hands of our predecessors, the Martin Bros. it was a steady and persistent worker for its town and county, and, we have no doubt, played an important part in their material advancement. And under the present proprietorship, during the year just closed, we know that it has done all that has been in its power to do with the assistance it has had from its patrons, who, by the liberality or meagerness of the support given, are the ones who really control the usefulness of any newspaper, — the competency of the editor to so conduct it as to make it useful when the support is adequate to that end being conceded. Expressions of approval of the paper's efforts in behalf of its county and town have not been wanting, and our only regret is that the material support of the paper has not been such as to enable us to do more, to extend its influence more widely. Some few have done their full share and in doing so we believe they have received an equal benefit in return aside from the indirect benefit to the community at large from the maintenance of a respectable newspaper. We say this from personal observation confirmed by the observations and expressions of others that the most liberal patrons of its advertising columns have in return received the most liberal patronage from the public. Observation except inquiry will prove the same fact. The reason. We know that some patrons will not agree with us in this over to that end, and we will be accused of having a selfish motive in making it, but we care for that; it is a fact just the same, and business men will be wiser and more prosperous after they learn it, if they are not too late in learning it. This is a little out of the beaten track of the usual birthday notice but we have felt constrained to call attention to these facts in our own interest and in what we believe to be the interest of those the paper seeks to serve.

—Mr. A. H. Tandy is off on a trip to Fort Worth.

—Mr. T. G. Carney visited the city Thursday.

—Dr. McLain and family have gone to Arkansas.

—La grippe has a firm grip on a number of our citizens.

—Miss Ollie Wright left Sunday to join her parents at Alvord.

—Go to Dodson & Halsey for your Christmas candies. They have the nicest line in the town.

—Miss Fannie Hudson left on Sunday to return to school at Sherman.

—Dr. Murchison of Hunt county is here visiting his sister, Mrs. W. P. Whitman.

—Mr. Abel Jones has purchased the D. R. Gass' residence and moved into it.

—Nice new lot of fruits and nuts for Holiday trade just in at Dodson & Halsey's.

—Mr. Boyt gave a lot of the young folks a dance at his residence on Tuesday night.

—Mr. George, a photographer of Albany, is here on a shadow catching expedition.

—Rev. D. James has partially recovered from the grippe and was in town Thursday.

—The public school resumed on Tuesday after the holidays with a shortage of five pupils.

—Go see those nice Xmas goods to be opened up Monday at Ladies Emporium.

—The young folks enjoyed a pleasant party at the residence of Prof. T. D. Lemon on Monday night.

—Only a few ladies cloaks left at F. G. Alexander & Co's, and they are going to close them out. You can get one nearly at your own price.

—Deputy Sheriff Wit Springer and T. J. Kenan left for Dallas on Wednesday to testify in the Crawford mail robbery case.

—WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

—Col. Bogart and Mr. Percy Lindsey went out on a hunting trip Wednesday. We have not heard as to what their success was.

—Great bargains in boys' overcoats and children's cloaks at F. G. Alexander & Co's for the next few days. Now is the time to get cheap wraps for your children.

—Miss Millie Massey spent the holidays with the home folks and has returned to her school at Moran, Shackelford county.

—McElree's Wine of Cardui and THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell.

—The average weather of the past ten days has been remarkably warm and pleasant for midwinter, in Texas even. For most of that time it has not been necessary to have fires for comfort.

—Boys and youths overcoats at Dodson & Halsey's.

—Mr. J. W. C. Long of Statesville, N. C., who spent the holidays with his brothers, Messrs C. D. and L. S. Long, at this place left on Tuesday.

—WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.

—In future we will sell groceries strictly for cash, but we will make prices so low that it will pay you to trade with us. Call and see.

Respectfully,  
W. W. Fields & Bro.

—See our California evaporated fruits. They are out of sight.

Dodson & Halsey.

—Mr. Gary Head of Albany is here trying to get a class in penmanship. He comes well recommended both as a gentleman and a penman.

—BLACK-DRAUGHT for Dyspepsia.

—Mr. J. D. Walker has sold two carloads of horses, consisting of geldings and dry mares, to a party in Falls county, and Messrs. Walter Wright and Sebe Cummings sold one car of same class of horses to same party. They are now gathering to deliver.

We believe we have mentioned the subject once or twice before, but for fear you have overlooked it we will again say, plant an orchard, plant some shade trees about your homes and some shrubbery and flowers in your dooryard. Planted and properly cared for for two or three years, they will add wonderfully to the cheerfulness of your home. They will, indeed, make what now looks like a barren, cheerless place, look like, and really be, an inviting, cosy and cheerful home.

—We learn from Postmaster Long that the new contracts on the mail routes between this place and Abilene and this place and Seymour have been awarded, the former to Fulwiler Bros. of Abilene at \$1045 per annum, and the latter to J. A. Calpee of Windsor, Mo., at \$950 per annum. These contracts go into effect July 1st next. The prices are considered very low for the services, and it is doubtful if the Missouri gentleman can sublet his bargain at a margin.

### Notice.

The regular annual election of seven directors of the First National Bank of Haskell will be held on Tuesday, January 9th, 1894, at the banking house.

J. V. W. HOLMES,  
Dec. 9th, 1893. Cashier.

## Notice!

All parties indebted to A. P. McLemore will please make arrangements to settle at once with W. H. Parsons who has taken my books for collection. He will call to see you in a few days, be ready for settlement.  
A. P. McLemore.

—Part Eight of the BOOK OF THE FAIR is to hand and to say of it, that it is fully up with the standard of the preceding parts, is the highest of praise. Assuming to portray by pen and picture in enduring form the highest achievements of mankind in the arts and sciences, it is itself the highest production of the printers' and engravers' art. It is profusely illuminated by the photographic process of engraving, which brings out and preserves every detail of the most beautiful building or most complicated piece of machinery as distinctly as the photograph itself can do. Nothing is left to the imagination; the individual exhibits, the exhibits of every nation and every scene about the buildings and grounds is faithfully pictured and described. Persons desiring to secure this most beautiful and valuable work should address the Bancroft Company, Auditorium building, Chicago Ill., for price, etc.

### Land for Sale.

On account of the scarcity of money I am authorized to offer some special bargains in real estate, good lands at \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.50 per acre cash. If you want to buy come to see me.  
F. P. MORGAN.

LET us all join hands in an earnest and mutual effort to build up our town and develop our county, and rest assured the result will be mutually satisfactory.

## INVITATION OF THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.

For the Annual Week of United Prayer at the Commencement of the year

JANUARY 7 to 14, 1894.

The Christian people of Haskell, Texas, have agreed to observe together the 'Week of Prayer,' as above indicated. The president of the Alliance, for the U. S., Hon. W. E. Dodge, and the Secretary, Josiah Strong have issued a very kind circular letter, inviting all Christian people to combine together in prayer for the common interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom and all the friends and followers of Jesus are earnestly requested to so combine in Haskell. The subject for sermons on Sabbath the 7th will be, PENTECOSTAL POWER.—Acs 2:1-4.

For sermon, Sabbath the 14th, the subject will be "THE SECOND COMING OF OUR LORD.—Rev 22:12. The subject for prayer and brief address for each WEEK-DAY, will be announced next Sabbath at our Sabbath Schools and the pulpits. It is thought best to have these meetings of evenings, so that all business men may conveniently attend; and also to pass them around from church-house to church-house. Thus the convenience of all may be met, and a brotherly spirit inculcated, that we hope may invite and secure the presence and power of the Holy Ghost.

I give this notice at the request of many brethren.

R. E. SHERRILL, Sr.,  
Pastor.

—Did you notice the sworn statements of the Haskell banks as published in this paper last week? They showed individual deposits amounting to \$55,318.04. That looks like our people have money to go on a little while longer.

## REV. ABE MULKEY.



The above is a good likeness of the celebrated evangelist.

He is a son of Rev. William Mulkey who died at his home in Waxahachie in September 1886.

The subject of this notice, Rev. Abe Mulkey, is a citizen of Corsicana; was born at Center Point, Ark. Apr. 14, 1850; when two years old went to Nashville, Tenn., with his parents and from 8 to 9 years of age was a newsboy in that city; then went to Waxahachie, Texas, with his parents and at 17 years of age opened a grocery store there; married Miss Lou P. Kerr, daughter of Judge S. H. Rerr, of Corsicana; store burned in 1873 with a stock valued at \$3,000 (no insurance) and left him \$5,500 in debt; came to Corsicana in 1875 with \$4,000 built him a nice residence, loaned \$1,000 at interest and during the following three years clerked in dry goods houses; in 1876 professed religion, turned over all his property including his piano and watch to his creditors; afterwards borrowed \$500 and went into the grocery business, built up a fine trade and paid every dime of the \$5,500 indebtedness remaining; in 1888-9 did evangelic work with Rev. B. H. H. Burnett; went out of the grocery business in the latter year; and for two years longer was with Burnett, and since that time has evangelized alone. His wife is a fine singer and has been a useful collaborer with him in his great and successful work of saving souls.

Mr. Mulkey has held in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri 151 revivals and witnessed 25,000 conversions. He was an exhorter for three years, local preacher for four years and a short time since was ordained for deacon's orders by Bishop Wilson at the Northwest Texas conference held at Fort Worth.

When he went out of the grocery business to preach Christ he was rapidly accumulating a fortune. His fame is known throughout the United States. He is doing a noble work and Corsicana is proud of him.

Brother Mulkey and his excellent wife have been invited to our town to assist us in a series of revival service which are to begin on Friday night, Jan. 19th to, continue 10 days.

Brethren and friends, I would say this is not a meeting to be run by and for the Methodists, but to be carried on by and for all saints and sinners who wish to derive a benefit from it.

One of the essential features in a good revival is good singing; therefore, let all who can come out to our prayer services, which will be protracted through next week, do so, and assist us in the choir singing.

The committee on securing a suitable place for holding the meeting will please report by Wednesday night. They are namely; J. S. Rike, Dr. J. E. Lindsey, H. G. McConnell, Judge P. D. Sanders, W. W. Fields, other committees to be announced later.

A hearty co-operation is requested of all.  
Respectfully,  
N. B. BENNETT,  
Pastor.

### Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining at the Post Office Haskell, Texas for 30 days. Care, Mr. Tho. B. I. Johnson, Miss Elizabeth, I. H. H. G. I. If not called for within 30 days will be sent to the dead letter office. When calling for the above please say advertised.  
Respectfully,  
C. D. LONO, P. M.  
Haskell, Texas, Jan. 1

## New Year's Greeting!

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

Although the year just closed has been the hardest one on all lines of business and the people alike—not here alone, but throughout our broad land—that the country has experienced for a generation past, we are gratified to know that our own people—the people of Haskell county—have not been so hard pressed as many others have been. Their pluck, industry and economy combined with the advantages of a new and vigorous country possessing a fertile soil has brought them through, and they now stand facing the New Year with faith and courage to try again.

We sincerely hope that the same great factors, aided by a generous providence will lead them to greater success in the Year 1894; that their graneries will be filled to overflowing, that the fleecy staple of King Cotton will whiten every field, that a generous herbage will fatten the lowing kine and make sleek the prancing steed—in short, that the glad songs of peace and plenty may be wafted over our broad prairies.

We as a business firm have felt the depression of the past along with the people, but have weathered the storm, and now face the future with the same hope and faith that we have expressed for others. It has ever been our wish and aim to fully supply the demands of our trade in every line of goods handled by us, asking only a reasonable and fair margin of profit, and we are pleased to believe that we have succeeded to a reasonable extent.

By a careful study of the necessities of the country and the demands of our customers, with the experience of the past to aid us, we believe that we can do even better in the future, at least, our best energies shall be expended in an effort to please and satisfy all by fair treatment as well as in quality, style, variety and prices of the numerous lines of goods which we shall handle.

Thanking you one and all for the patronage and favors of the past and again wishing that the year 1894 may be a happy and prosperous one for you and us, we are very truly yours,  
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