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Editor Free Press: It is with sorrow and regret that we announce the death of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ward's twin babes. Their souls have gone to the Savior, who said "Forbid them not, but suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

We all sympathize with the bereav ed parents, but consolation must be found in preparing to meet, them in heaven, where there will be no more parting,and no more sorrow.

We now have preaching at Idella on the Saturday, nights before the second and fourth Sundays in each month.

We had a delightful rain in this nicely, and in riding across the prairies we see several young colts and calves.

The "Poverty Ridge Literary So ciety" at Idella school house will have its next meeting on April 16th. We invite every body to attend and as many as can to take part.

BADGER. [The above communication "was received on last Friday evening-a

day too late for last week's paper.] THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS

LIFE.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr King's New Discovery in my store I ent for a bottle and began its use and from the first bottle began to be etter, and after using three bottles as up and about again. It is worth weight in gold. We wont keep Ind re or house without it. Get a e trial bottle at McLemore's Drug

On the Judicial District Question.

Mr. Editor:

There has been considerable talk about the measure now before the legislature providing for a reduction guaranteed to give perfect satisfac-ion or money refunded. Price 25 now in the state. The bill which has been reported to the legislature by a joint committee of both houses, provides that Throckmorton Co. shall be taken from the 30th district and and that Jones Co. should be placed in the district with Taylor Co. and that Haskell and the remaining four counties of the 39th district shall be consolidated into a new district embracing the counties to west and southwest, now in Judge Kennedy's district.

Strong influences are being brought to bear to have Haskell county thrown south into Judge Connor's district instead of west with the Kennedy district, as favored by the joint committee. Since it is a public question, we take it that no harm can come from an open discussion of it, in a candid and fair spirit. If the proposed bill passes it will likely stand for many years, and in settling the matter, in so far as Haskell Co. is concerned, we take it that personal considerations and personal feeling should be lost sight of, and only what may be to the interest of Haskell Co and of the local bar considered. By this statement, we do not mean that the advantages or disadvantages accruing to the Connor or

Kennedy district should be ignored. Should Haskell Co. be put in Connor's district, the district would be constituted as follows:

	County		Dem. Vote.	Opposition Vote.
ï	Jones	,	478	469
c	Taylor		867	795
	Shackelford		247	265
	Stephens .		627	600
-	Eastland .		1471	1 365
3	Callahan .			637
٠	Comanche		1312	1468
2	Haskell .		238	90
	Total	*	6097	5688
	Total vote of th	ie (district,	11,785.
0	Kennedy's	list	rict as	reported by
	the joint comn	aitt	ee woul	d be com-

posed as follows:

County			Dem- Vote.	Opposition Vote.
Haskell			238	90
Stonewal	1		117	94
Kent .	٠		81	63
Fisher .			297	223
Scurry			162	220
Nolen .		٠	233	153
Mitchell			297	219
Howard			200	183
Martin			90	27
Ector .			60	9
Midland			261	76
Borden			50	48

Total . . . 2086

Total vote of the district, . . 3491 The vote of the unorganized counties of Crane, Upton, Dawson, Andrews, Gaines, and Garza are included in the vote of the above named counties, to which they are attached for judicial purposes. From Connor district would have more than three times the population of the Kennedy district, and presum- 3500 voters. ably, three times the volume of bussection to-day. Grass is growing Taylor, Callahan and Stephens have called the tail to the dog, to use a to put on any adjoining counties you 2836, 2779, 1692, 1464 and 1227 shadowed by the populous agricultural counties to the south and East. Recently, a petition was circulated which was signed by over two thirds

expression to their wishes in this

matter.

This petition contained, first, a protest against being cut out of the' 39th district; second, an acquiescence in an enlargement of the district if deemed expedient; third, an the interest of Haskell county to be taken out of the present district to be put in another to the south or east. This petition was prepared placed in the district with Baylor Co. and circulated for nearly a day before you, Mr. Editor, received from Senaweeks ago in your paper, stating how been in the habit of using a medicine which Haskell Co. had been placed, and that it would stay in the Western district unless a greater number of the citizens of the county should petition for it to go south. It has been charged that you withheld the letter from those who favored placing the county south, in order to give the friends of the move to place it in Kennedy's district the advantage of first circulating petitions. This is not the fact and does you a gross in-

justice. As a matter of fact, according to your statement, H. G. McConnell, who, I am informed, is somewhat in favor of going south, was the first person outside of your office who saw the letter of Tillett. Also, as a matter of fact, I know that steps were on foot to circulate the petition above refered to for nearly a day and a half before the parties having charge of it knew that you had received the Tillett letter.

So much for that. I am informed by a party who has seen all the letters, that a number of the 220 who signed the petition, have written to Senator Tillett, retracting their signature and stating that the petition was misleading. Whatever else the petition may mean, it certainly expresses in plain English that the signers do not think it to the interest of Haskell county to be cut out of the present district to be placed in one south and east. I can not conceive how these parties, after looking at the matter through rose tinted glasses, making it appear to the interest of Haskell Co. and of the Haskell bar, to remain in the western district, should allow deft hands to adjust to their vision a pair of green glasses through which they see such terrors as to induce them to recant. I am constrained to believe that in this matter, extraneous influences, and personal feeling, foreign to the interest of our country and of our home bar, have been invoked. In the move to cut Haskell Co. south, Connor's has been a potent name to conjure with, and well it might, for some strong spell is needed to overcome the logic of our remaining in the western district, to

which we naturally belong. If it be the desire to equalize the work of the district judges, in reducing the number of 2districts, why tive. foregoing, it will be seen that the place it in a district of nearly 12,000 votes, when it can with equal advantage be placed in a district of

votes respectively, while Haskell case it will be the peer of any counwould be the lightest ecunty in the ty in the district. One other condistrict with its 328 votes. It ap- sideration, and then I am through. pears that in the Kennedy district, On account of the intimate commer-Haskell will have equal weight in cial relations existing between Tayconvention with any county in the lor and Haskell county, our home thought by some to be a case in ties to them. which there should be "survival of of the voters of this county, giving the fittest." Were we all such profound jurists as that we could lay claim to being on one side of every case that comes up in our courts, we would not fear competition, and would not be prompted by such selfish considerations. Unfortunately, it is not given us all to enjoy such enviable destinction.

In what I have said in this matter, am prompted by what I conceive o be the interest of Haskell Co. and what I regard as my own interest,

a member of the Haskell bar. In giving expression to my views on this question, it has not been my desire to say a word at which any one would take offence. If I have not stated facts as they exist, I am open to correction and they will be received in kindly spirit. Respt.

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From Senator Tillett Again.

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Mr. Editor, .

Will you allow me to answer. through the columns of your papers, many letters I have received from citizens of your county, touching the matter of redistricting the state, as it may affect Haskell Co.

I am today in receipt of a petition, signed by about one hundred and fifty of the good citizens of Haskell Co.

The petitions reads as follows: "We, the undersigned citizens and voters of Haskell County Texas, hereby protest against the cutting of Haskell County out of the Thirtyninth Judicial District as now constituted. While we do not object to an enlargement of the district, it deemed expedient by the legislature, we do not think it to the interest of this county to be cut out of the district in which it now is, to be placed in another to the south and east of the one in which it is now'situated." Of course it would be wholly impracticable to cut Haskell county out of the thirty-ninth district, as now constituted, because it would leave a gap in the district, leaving Throckmorton on the right, and Stonewall on the left, in the same district, though separated from each other.

In order to reduce the number of Indicial districts, it is a mathematical imposibility, to leave the districts substantially as they are, and add to them a few more counties, from some other district.

The committee has been much amused, as well as annoyed, by this same proposition, coming from almost every senator, and representa-

Every one says to the committee. 'Gentlemen, we are perfectly willing to do all we can to redistrict the state, and we now here propose to In the one case it is overshadowed you that if you will leave our disiness in its courts. It will also be by the populous counties to the trict just as it is, taking away no observed that Eastland, Comanche, South and East, and may aprly be counties from us, we will allow you trouble we get into when we accept this apparently liberal proposition. So now, the good citizens of Haskell Co. come to us one hundred and fifty lene bar, should our county be simply leave all the districts like But, the purpose of this letter, is

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to say to the signers of that petition that it is utterly impossible not to do this and, as many of them have written me, asking that their names be LONDON TIMES CORRESPONDtaken off this petition, because they did not understand it when it was presented to them, I wish to say to every signor of the petition (many of whom are my warm triends, and for all of whom I have the highest regard) that I do not myself construe to go into the western district, rath-

rant me in placing such a forced con- Mr. Akers says: homely comparison. In the other wish." You see at a glance the struction upon what it really does the petition referred to meaning Cuba. thereby to say that they prefer to be strong and say "we do not object to put into the western, and southwestan ENLARGEMENT of the district." ern district, as named in my letter of proposed district, while in the other bar will be thrown much more closely What a lovely condition it would be last week, to being put into the disdistrict it would be completely over- in competition with the strong Abi- if we could do as we wish we could, trict south of them, it will be necesthrown south. Perhaps this will be they are, and add a few more counno time to lose, in the matter, because the redistricting bill may come up very shortly, and I have received from a great number of citizens letters stating that they have read my letter, in the Free Press, and stating their preference in the matter, and (I am sorry to say) about the only matter about which there is a preference. Does Haskell county want to go into the western, and southwest-

> question. H, A TILLETT.

HORRORS GOING ON IN (UBA. devastate the whole island of Cuba

ENT AT HAVANA PROTESTS AGAINST THE BARBARI-TIES OF SPAIN.

who has for two years been the London Times correspondent at Havana, has a four-column letter in the Nothing in the petition could war- of the United States to stop the war.

"The end of the dry season is now ed little toward the pacification of

"Certain gains have as certainly fallen to the Spaniards, the death of policy is to exterminate, the Cuban Maceo in December and the capture people-a people composed of some of Ruiz Rivera a few days ago, being 1,2000,000 whites and negroes, or of the most notable. But at what cost has the campaign been conducted?

The provinces of Pinar Del Rio and Havana, and large portions of Matanzas and Santa Clara, are one staring mass of cinders. Desolation and extermination meet the eye at every point. Ruin in the present, famine, disease and death in the future, are all that the Cubans can hope for while Cuba remains under Spanish rule.

"Under these circumstances I do not think that the death of this or that leader can bring victory any ern district, or does she want to go nearer to the Spanish arms. Where ton. into the southern district is the one such man as Ruiz Rivera is lost a hundred spring up to take his place

"Moreover, it must not be forgot-MEMPHIS is calling for aid for the ten that this guerrilla warfare needs A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Pres Mississippi flood sufferers, who have not any great military genius to contaken refuge there in large numbers. duct it. The only object in view is stone's throw from their own sheets.

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tion of unrest as to make imperative the presence of an enormous army of 100 men scattered throughout the island can do this more effectively than a concentrated force of 20,000 or 30,000 men, upon which the Spanish commander-in-chief could at once mass greater numbers, equip-

"Gen. Weyler's policy of extermishort of the almost insane working of an ignorant and completely unbalanced mind.

"To kill peaceful people on the technicality that they have neglected to obey the order to leave their homes and take up their residence in some town where no means of subsistence exists is mexcusable. To on the plea that by so doing all supplies will be shut off from the rebels only demonstrates the dense ignorance under which the Spanish general is laboring. The rebels can get food enough to live on for another New York, April 4 .- C. E. Akers, ten years if necessary, while the cattle now roaming wild in the different districts will supply the insurgents with beef for at least a couple of the petition to mean that they prefer World, in which he declares that the years to come. As for the foreignworst horrors of Crete and Armenia ers resident in Cuba, they have but ern than to go into the district south are equaled by Spanish barbarities in one feeling with regard to Weyler's Cuba, and that it is the moral duty methods of conducting the military operations. They consider Weyler and his actions as a reflex of the worst barbarities of the middle ages. say, and if any of them have signed at hand, and Spain has accomplish- for more brutal indeed than many of the most severe means employed by the holy inquisition to attain its ends.

"The object of Weyler's present mixed blood.

"To kill every peaceful male inhabitant of the country is one of Weyler's methods, and to drive the women and children into the towns to die of hunger is another. Not in one single case since Consul General Lee assumed the duties of the Havana consulate have any prisoners been accorded the privileges they are entitled to under the Spanish-American treaty and protocols. Gen. Lee states that his e forts to obtain the full treaty rights for Americans were invariably thwarted by instructions ematnating from Olney in Washing-

"If I may be permitted to give one word of advice to the people of this great country, it is to leave Armenia and the Turks to be dealt with by the European powers and attend to their own Armenia, that lies but a HASKELL, - - - - TEXAS.

The melancholy days for many officeseekers are here.

Mr. Gage is declared to be the handsomest man in the new cabinet. They can't beat Chicago. There is a bright side to everything.

The city of Canton, Ohio, is now enjoying a brass band famine. A trust has been formed by the mannfacturers of bourbon whisky. The to-

put it down. Turkey claims to have bought three American ironclads. The sultan evidently wishes to discover a few more

sand-bars in the Mediterranean.

pers of the land have determined to

Mr. Cleveland is now experiencing the exclusiveness that is accorded an ex-president. Nobody pays the least attention to the number of ducks he

By the way, who is it that is trying to recover the American flags captured by the Mexicans during the war with that direction.

A preacher at Normal, Ill., says he uses beer because he is suffering from nervous prostration, resulting from being held up by a footpad. We have often wondered at the enormous consumption of the amber beverage.

Right here we wish to call your atthe entire earth?

Brooklyn tells us that out of the 130 with the greatest gusto, although he Psalms David wrote but fifteen. David, was, in his own way, very fond of Jimtherefore, is not the poet many sup- Jim, and I saw him consoling him afposed him to have been. Then comes terward with a pinch of snuff from his Rev. William Lloyd, a congregational own ear-box, whilst he explained to minister in New York, who solemnly him that the next time it came in the avers that the story of Balaam and his way of duty to flog him, he meant to ass is not literally true. In other thrash with the other hand, so as to words, Mr. Lloyd does not believe the cross the old cuts and make a pretty ass spake with the voice of a man, pattern on his back.

has introduced a bill in the Michigan camp at that hour, even though the legislature to keep bachelors and moonlight was so bright, and in due maids from "going on in their single course returned safely enough with a cussedness." In explaining the bill great bundle of wood. I laughed at Mr. Donovan says, "We won't have Jim-Jim and asked him if he had seen any penalty for men who have done anything, and he said yes, he had; he best they could and have been had seen two large yell jilted, or so homely that no sane wom- at him from behind a bush, and heard an would look at them. These two something snore. classes will be exempt from all the penalties of the bill." The ministers tion the yellow eyes and the snore apand justices are much pleased with the peared to have existed only in Jimbright prospect for increased business. Jim's lively imagination, I was not

a St. Louis hospital was probably the fatest woman ever known. She weigh- quietly to sleep with Harry by my ed 600 pounds, and when she was taken side. to the hospital it was almost impossible to get her through the door of the ambulance. She broke the stretcher on which they carried her up stairs, and it took six strong negroes to move her, When she departed this life it took over half an hour to ascertain that she was really dead. The layers of fat discern the ebbing and flowing of the about two hours from day-break.

N. J., concerning Frank Rice, formerly and blowing, and rising up and lying of that place, but now a wealthy Call- down again, and I at once suspected fornia mining man, and Miss Lizzie that they must wind something. Pres-Frake. The two were married quietly ently I knew what it was that they in Pennsylvania in 1881, but agreed to winded, for within fifty yards of us a keep the marriage secret until success lion roared not very loud. should have crowned the efforts of the bridegroom in the far west. Sixteen side of the cart, and beneath it I saw years elapsed before the desired result him raise his head and listen, was attained, and a few days ago Rice returned to Mt. Holly and claimed his ed their secret so well that their in a very great fright indeed. friends naver once suspected the true state of affairs.

neighbors have made a complaint to the health officers that cats are not desired in that neighborhood in such numbers. The woman has occupied yet a good killing rifle, and then we the same rooms for eight years, and the | waited. landlady says that her door was always kept locked to keep out intruders. The health officer has ordered the cats removed, and great is the grief of their fond mistress.

Germany's fifteen largest landowners own between them 9,000,000 agres of German soil. Prince Wittgenstein has 3,060,000 acres, next comes the Duke of Arenberg with 800,000, then in order the Prince of Thurn and Taxis, the Duke of Brunswick, Prince Salm Salm, the Prince of Talleyrand-Sagan, who is a French subject; the Prince of Pless, the Duke of Leuchtenberg, Prince Bentheim, Prince Lowenstein, the Prince of Wied (father of the Queen of Roumania) and Prince Fugger. Many of these have large estates outside of Germany as well.

An Atlanta clergyman denounces the "beautiful women, members of our churches, who gamble for prizes at cards, against the law of both God and That clergyman's usefulness must be over, with the fair members of his church, at least,

The offer of Andrew Carnegie and other rich men to loan the State of Pennsylvania millions of dollars with which to rebuild its Capitol, causes the suspicion that they want either to clear their consciences or obtain some more favors.

A Tale of Three Lions H. RIDER HAGGARD

CHAPTER II - CONTINUED. "'Lions, my boy,' I said; 'they are hunting down by the river there; but I don't think you need make yourself uneasy. We have been here three nights now, and if they were going to pay us a visit I should think that they would have done so before this. However, we will make up the fire.'

Here, Pharaoh, do you and Jim-Jim get some more wood before we go to sleep, else the cats will be purring round you before morning."

"Pharaoh, a great brawny Swazi, who had been working for me at Pilgrims' Rest, laughed, rose, and stretched himself, and then calling to Jim-Jim to bring the ax and a reim, started off in the moonlight toward a clump of sugar-bush where we cut our fuel from some dead trees. He was a fine fellow in this way, was Pharaoh because he had an Egyptian cast of countenance and a royal sort of swagger about him. But his way was a somewhat peculiar way, on account of the uncertainty of his temper, and very few people could get on with him; also if he could get it he would drink like a fish, and when that country? There has certainly he drank he became shockingly bloodbeen no governmental action taken in | thirsty. These were his bad points: his good ones were that, like most people of the Zulu blood, he became exceedingly attached to you if he took to you at all: he was a hard-working and intelligent man, and about as daredevil and plucky a fellow at a pinch as I ever had to do with. He was about five-and-thirty years of age or so, but not a 'keshla' or ringed-man. I be lieve he got into trouble in some way tention to a remarkably good man, in | in Swaziland, and the authorities of at least one respect. Stratton, the his tribe would not allow him to as-Cripple Creek millionaire, refuses to sume the ring, and that is why he go into any money-making schemes, came to work at the gold fields. The "What I'm trying to do," says he to other man, or rather lad, Jim-Jim, was promoters, "is to keep my income down a Mapoch Kafir, or Knobnose, and within the limits of decency." Are even in the light of subsequent events you not pleased to know that there is I fear that I cannot speak very well of one rich man who has not designs on him. He was an idle and careless young rascal, and only that very morning I had to tell Pharaoh to whip him And now Dr. Lyman Abbott of for letting the oxen stray, which he did

"Well, off they went, though Jim-Representative Donovan of Bay City Jim did not at all like leaving the

"As, however, on further investigagreatly disturbed by this alarming re-A negress who died the other day in port; but having seen to making up of the fire, got into the skerm and went

"Some hours afterward I woke up with a start. I don't know what woke me. The moon had gone down, or at least was almost hidden behind the soft horizon of bush, only her red rim being visible. Also a wind had sprung up and was driving long hurrying lines of cloud across the starry sky, and altogether a great change had came over between the epidermis and the arteries the mood of the night. By the look were so thick that is was impossible to of the sky I judged that we must be

"The oxen, which were as usual tied to the disselboom of the Scotch cart. A romantic story comes from Holly, were very restless-they kept snuffing

"Pharaoh was sleeping on the other

"'Lion, Inkoos,' he whispered, 'lion "Jim-Jim also jumped up, and by wife. During all this time they guard- the faint light I could see that he was

"Thinking that it was as well to be prepared for emergencies, I told Pharaoh to throw wood upon the fire, An aged Chicago spinster, with the and woke up Harry, who I verily beusual fondness of her kind for cats, has lieve was capable of sleeping through recently had an unpleasant experi- the crack of doom. He was a little ence on account of her pets. She had scared at first, but presently the excitean unusual number of feline compan- ment of the position came home to him. ions; in fact, about thirty pussies were and he became quite anxious to see his domiciled in her apartments, and the majesty face to face. I got my rifle handy and gave Harry his-a Westley Richard failing block, which is a very useful gun for a youth, being light and

"For a long time nothing happened. and I began to think that the best thing that we could do would be to go to sleep again, when suddenly I heard a sound more like a cough than a roar within about twenty yards of the skerm. We all looked out, but could stealing like a ghost up the long slope see nothing; and then followed another period of suspense. It was very trying to the nerves, this waiting for an attack that might be developed from any quarter or might not be developed at all; and though I was a very old hand at this sort of business I was anxious about Harry, for it is wonder- Jim-Jim. And here a fresh trouble ful how the presence of anybody to whom one is attached unnerves a man in moments of danger, and that made brutes loose, it was only to find me nervous. I know, although it was now chilly enough, I could feel the perspiration running down my nose, and in order to relieve the strain on my attention employed myself watching a it thoroughly rubbing his antennae

against each other. "Suddenly the beetle gave such a jumps, I mean, and no wonder, for came the most frightful roar-a roar that literally made the Scotch cart shake and took the breath out of you. "Harry ejaculated and turned rather green. Jim-Jim howled outright, while ever he finds himself well in the cen- mince pie and plum pudding.

owed piteously.

The night was almost entirely dark now, for the moon had quite set and the clouds had covered up the stars, o that the only light we had was from he fire, which was burning up brighty again now; but, as you know, fireight is absolutely useless to shoot by, is so uncertain, and besides it pene-

far away. "Presently the oxen, after standing great. still for a moment, suddenly winded the lion and did what I feared they would do-began to 'shrek,' that is to Pharaoh to look after the oxen, which they were tied, and rush off started to see if anything could be madly into the wilderness. Lions know found of or appertaining to the un-

poor oxen, nearly trampling us to we were wet through up to the thighs death, or at least seriously injured, gray light of the morning cautiously poor Jim-Jim being caught by the trek- It was very dark under the trees, for

Snap went the disselboom of the art beneath the transverse strain put upon it. Had it not broken the cart would have overset; as it was, in another minute, oxen, cart, trektow, reins, broken disselboom, and everything were soon tied in one vast heaving, plunging, bellowing, and seemingly inextricable knot.

"For a moment or two this state of affairs took my attention off from the lion that had caused it, but whilst I be done next, and what we should do if the cattle broke loose into the bush and were lost, for cattle frightened in this manner will go right away like and get something to eat." mad things, it was very suddenly recalled in a very painful fashion.

"For at that moment I perceived by the light of the fire, a kind of gleam of yellow traveling through the air toward us.

"'The lion! the lion!' hallooed Pharaoh, and as he did so, he, or rather she, for it was a great gaunt lioness. half wild no doubt with hunger. lit right in the middle of the skerm, and stood there in the smoky gloom, and inshed her tail and roared. I seized my rifle and fired at her, but what between the confusion, and my agitaher and nearly shot Pharaoh. The wild one it was I can tell you-with the growing out of their rumps and their had thrown him in their wild rush, mains unwasted, and the ice-barrier as a center to the picture the great tation in deep water disruption occurs, gnunt lioness glaring round with and the tabular berg is formed. These hungry yellow eyes, and roaring and bergs are of a size that long taxed the whining as she made up her mind what to do.

darkness, and then, before I could fire in length and some nearly three thouagain or do anything, with a most fiendish snort she sprang upon poor Jim-Jim.

"I heard the unfortunate lad shriek, and then almost instantly I saw his legs thrown into the air. The lioness had seized him by the neck, and with a sudden jerk thrown his body over seats were all taken in Broadway car they were unable to give any aid, the her back so that his legs hung down No. 146 last Wednesday, when an old disease being far beyond their knowlupon the further side. Then, without man got aboard. He was well-dressed edge. The victims first feel a heavy the slightest hesitation, and apparently and fussy. He looked up and down attack of chills, followed with a breakwithout any difficulty she cleared the the car, on one side of which the peoished into the darkness beyond, in the tented and happy. He moved down excitement prevails throughout the have already described. We jumped young man who was reading hard from taken to prevent the spread of the and had a frolic. The animal did some and rushed wildly after her, firing shots at hap-hazard on the chance that she would be frightened by them into drop- tempted to crowd the student's knees ping her prey, but nothing could we together. see, and nothing could we hear. The lioness had vanished into the darkness raised his eyes and his right hand and than 100 people in less than three taking Jim-Jim with her, and to at- in a perfectly distinct and even voice weeks. 11 was carried there in a suit tempt to follow her until daylight was madness. We should only expose ourcives to the risk of a like fate.

"So with scared and heavy hearts we crept back to the skerm, and sat down to wait for daylight, which now could not be much more than an hour off. It that there was left for us to do was to try the next car?" sit and wonder how it came to pass that the one should be taken and the World. other left, and to hope against hope that our poor servant might have been mercifully delivered from the lion's jaws. At length the faint light came of bush, and glinted on the tangled exen's horns, and with white and frightened faces we got up and set to the task of disentangling the oxen till such time as ther should be light enough to enable us to follow the trail of the lioness which had gone off with awaited us, for when at last with infinite difficulty we had got the helpless that one of the best of them was very sick. There was no mistake about the way he stood with his legs slightly apart and his head hanging down. He had got the beetle which appeared to be attracted red water, I was sure of it. Of all the by the fire-light, and was sitting before difficulties connected with life and traveling in South Africa, those connected with oxen are perhaps the worst. The ox is the most exasperating anijump that he nearly jumped headlong mal in the world. He has absolutely into the fire, and so did we all-give no constitution, and never neglects an opportunity of falling sick of some from right under the skerm fence there | mysterious disease. He will get thin | Dispatch. upon the slightest provocation, and from mere maliciousness die of 'poverty;' whereas it is his chief delight to turn round and refuse to pull when- that frequently replaces the Christmas ding four yards of "domestic," out of lerground lodgings, often with eight or

the poor oxen stood and shivered and ter of a river, or the wagon-wheel nice IN THE ODD CORNER. ly fast in a mudhole. There is always

something wrong with him, Well, it was no use crying as I SOME QUEER AND CURIOUS should almost have liked to do, because if this ox had red-water it was prob able that the rest of them had it, too although they had been sold to me as 'salted,' that is, proof against such diseases as red-water and lung-sick. One trates but a very little way into the gets hardened to this sort of thing in darkness, although if one is in the South Africa in course of time, for I dark outside one can see it from so suppose in no other country in the world is the waste of animal life so

"So, taking my rifle and telling Harry to follow me (for we had to leave try and break loose from the trektow to Pharaoh's lean kine, I called them), I of this habit on the part of oxen, which | fortunate Jim-Jim. The ground round are. I do believe, the most foolish ani- our little camp was hard and rocky, mals under the sun, a sheep being a and we could not hit off any spoot very Solomon compared to them; and it of the lioness, though just outside the Mid the lily leaves we quiver. is by no means uncommon for a lion skerm we saw a drop or two of blood. to get in such a position that a herd | Several hundred yards from the camp. or span of oxen may wind him, shrek, and a little to the right, was a patch of break their reins, and rush off into sugar bush mixed up with the usual the bush. Of course, once they are mimosa, and for this I made, thinking there, they are helpless in the dark; that the lioness would have been sure Through the blooming groves we rusand then the lion chooses the one that to take her prey there to devour it. ne loves best and eats him at his On we pushed through the long grass As that was bent down beneath the weight "Well round and round went our six of the soaking dew. In two minutes poor oxen, nearly trampling us to we were wet through up to the thighs O'er the yellow heath we roam, leath in their mad rush; indeed, had as wet as though we had waded through Whirling round about the fountain we not hastily tumbled out of the water. In due course, however, we way, we should have been trampled to reached the patch of bush, and in the As it was, Harry was run over, and and slowly pushed our way into it. Then unto our rosy pillows poor Jim-Jim being caught by the trek-tow somewhere beneath his arm, was hurled right across the skerm, landing with the most extreme care, half ex-nocting every minute to come across

There of idlenesses dreaming.

Scarce from waking we refrain,

Moments long as ages deeming the lioness licking the bones of poor Jim-Jim. But no lioness could we see and as for Jim-Jim, there was not the least trace of him to be found. Evidently they had not come there.

"So, pushing through the bush we spot about, with the same result.

'I suppose she must have taken him right away,' I said at last, sadly and did not understand the language he enough. 'At any rate he will be dead could make no denial. Feeling indisby now, so God have mercy on him, we posed one day, the master of the house was wondering what on earth was to can't help him. What's to be done remained at home. Peter didn't apnow?

(TO BE CONTINUED.) BIG ANTARCTIC ICEBERGS.

Three Thousand Feet Thick. with supper. belief of men, but it is now well established that bergs two miles square and "It did not take her long, just the one thousand feet in thickness are not time that it takes a flash to die into rare; others are as large as thirty miles sand feet in thickness, their perpen- death, is raging there, and already sevdicular, sun-wasted sides rising from eral deaths have occurred, with more the sea.

According to Law.

skerm fence at a single bound, and ple were uncomfortably crowded, but ally they want to be sleeping all the bearing poor Jim-Jim with her, van- on the other every one seemed con- while and can not be kept awake. Much direction of the bathing-place that I the car and stopped in front of a county owing to the fatality of the

Young Blackstone never moved. He

"I don't know of any law or precedent to be cited to show why, to give a seat, I should make every person on this side of the car uncomfortable. The inmost thought even guardedly in the heifers belonging to Charles George of the great underlying doctrine of all was absolutely useless to try even to government, is 'the greatest good to Suffrage association the other afterdisentangle the oxen till then, so all the greatest number.' Why don't you

Then he went on reading-New York

A Glorious Opportunity.

pedition." "It's awfully cold up there," remarked the officer, discouragingly.

ed in what he saw.

visitor.

"I don't care about that." "You'd have very little to eat might have to starve." "That would't be pleasant," said the

"I should say not," returned the officer, "and you might be eaten by your comrades." "Is that so? That would be distinctly bad." "And then," continued the officer,

'you wouldn't see your wife for three years and possibly longer. You know you can't take her with you." "Well," returned the gentleman, after a long pause, "I think you can put me down on your books. Your last

argument captured me."-New York

Brandled peaches served with ice

FEATURES OF LIFE. A Crow That Is Fond of the Foaming

Havoe in the Mountains of Kentucky. Song of the Summer Winds. P the dale and



To their very hearts we creep. Now the maiden rose is blushing At the frolle things we say,
While astde her cheek we're rushing.
Like some truant bees at play.

Kissing every bud we pass,we did it in the bustle, Scarcely knowing how it was.

Down the glen, across the mountain Till its little breakers foam.

While our vesper hymn we sigh; On our weary wings we hie.

Till we're at our play again.

This Crow Loved Beer.

The members of a family residing at Honesdale, Pa., have for some time past been annoyed by the mysterious disappearance of various bottles of beer. proceeded to hunt every other likely All those connected with the household denied any knowledge of the thefts save Feter, and as he was a pet crow pear to relish his master's presence at "I suppose that we had better wash all. He was peevish, and at last disourselves in the pool and then go back appeared. Later in the day a clicking was heard in the cellar, and the master took a position where he could see what mischief Pete was doing. There was Pete on the cellar floor tossing the bottles over. He would set one on end Some Are Thirty Miles Long and Nearly and give it a kick against another, as intent upon his work as if he, like ** * The snowfall of each year adds many of his kind, were at that moment a new stratum to this ice-cap, which is breaking clams upon rocky shores. At as distinguishable to the eye as is the last he managed to break one of the annual accretion of a forest tree," bottles. The beer frothed out into the writes General A. W. Greely, U. S. A., little hollows in the floor, but some redescribing in the Ladies' Home Jour- mained in the concave pieces of the nal "What There is at the South Pole," broken bottle. He drank all that he "Thus in centuries have accumulated could find, and, seemingly, was about on Antarctica these snows, which, by satisfied. He surveyed the broken tion, and the uncertain light, I missed processes of pressure, thawing and pieces, cocked his head to one side. regelation, have formed an ice-cap that winked his eye and strutted around flash of the rifle, however, threw the in places exceeds three thousand feet pompously. Then the bird picked up son. How he made his way back to whole scene into strong relief, and a in thickness. Through the action of one of the larger pieces of the bottle various forces-that of contraction and and flew to an open window at the seething mass of oxen twisted all expansion by changing temperature be. back of the cellar. He disappeared around the cart, in such a fashion that | ing. perhaps, the most potent-this ice- with the glass, but was soon back after their heads looked as though they were cap creeps steadily seaward and pro- more, which he disposed of in the same jects into the ocean a perpendicular way, and continued to do this until all horns seemed to protrude from their from one thousand to two thou- traces of his riot had disappeared, exbacks; the smoking are with just a sand feet in height. The temperature cept some small pieces, which he ten days at a cost of over \$2,000 to the blaze in the heart of the smoke; Jim- of the sea water being about twenty- scratched out of sight. Prinking him- taxpayers of the county with the case Jim in the foreground, where the oxen nine degrees, the fresh water ice recellar, and before long was walking from a justice court, wherein judgment stretched out there in terror; and then plows the ocean bed until through floaround the kitchen with unsteady gait, was given the plaintiff for \$26. In the portuning his mistress to furnish him

> A Strange Malady. Reliable reports brought from the southern part of Perry county, near the Knott county line, say a fatal malady, something like black two hundred to four hundred feet above than sixty cases in the immediate vicinity, says a Sergent, Ky., special. New cases are also developing every day, and the local physicians of Perry Nobody was standing up, but the county have their hands full, although "Just move up there, young man," strange disease. Some eighteen months tall jumping when he leaped through said the new passenger, and he atcounty, and many victims were carried off, though it finally abated. Also the The kangaroo wouldn't come down, same malady waged on Beaver Creek, and four men who climbed up there Floyd county, where it carried off more of clothes from Cincinnati.

> The Deaf Girl Understood It doesn't always pay to express your presence of deaf mutes. A story was told at the meeting of the Woman from a pen last fall and have just noon, which showed conclusively the trace of domesticity. They are fat and wisdom of the above remark. A de- sleek and bave gone through some exvoted couple who, apparently, had been traordinarily cold weather without long separated, were thrust suddenly turning a hair. One had a calf so savinto each other's company at a largely attended reception. The lady who told | run wild along the Maine coast and al-A middle-aged man, with what ap- the story said that she was present in ways winter well. peared to be a load on his mind, visited company with an educated deaf girl. an arctic steamer and seemed interest. The happy reunited pair displayed fully the thoughts that were in their "I say," he said to the officer on hearts by the beam upon their coundeck, "I'd like to go on the next ex- tenance. Suddenly the young man drew near to the one whom he adored and said in a low tone, inaudible to those about him, a few seemingly affectionate words. The deaf girl watched the proceedings with intense broad grin. Her companion inquired stones, three silver teaspoons and the what it was that amused her. turned about so that the couple could not to see her and replied:

"That man said, 'If all these people were not here I'd kiss you. If they don't get out of the way pretty soon ! shall have to before them.' The girl replied, 'Then I shall scream.'" by the motion of their lips.

Two Mighty Mean Ones. Candidates for the dishonor of being the meanest husband are, fortunately, not abundant in the United States, but occasionally they enter the list. One Kentucky benedict gave his wife on the cream form a combination for dessert twenty-fifth anniversary of their wed- while in Buda-Pesth 60,000 live in un-

this being the only gift from him in the quarter of a century. A strong competitor is the Ohio man who gave his wife but \$10 in four years. Out of this she had to expend \$5 to replace a parasol for her sister, which the man had lost, and he borrowed the remaining \$5 of her to get his trunk out of Heer A Strange Malady Creating pawn and forgot to pay it. The only money he ever spent for her in any way was a nickel paid for a sack of peanuts, of which he took the llon's share. The wife was forced to clothe herself and pay for her own board.

> Telegraphy Without Wires. The postoffice department of Great Britain is experimenting on a new system of telegraphy which is embodied in the following idea: "The system depends not on electro-magnetic but electro-static effects; that is to say, on electric waves of a much higher rate of vibration, not less than 250,000,000 a second-that is, Hertzian waves. These vibrations are projected through space in straight lines, and, like light, are capable of reflection and refraction. Indeed, they exhibit all of the phenomena which characterize light. More than ten years ago the discovery was made in a London office in the Telephone Exchange that operators read from sound messages that were in transit from London to Bradford by telegraph wires. Other experiments have demonstrated the possibility of telegraphing though the wires were broken. The probabilities are that the attraction is strong enough to continue

Bending down the weeping willows, the sound through the space between the broken ends of the lines.

Indian Tan.

Much has been said about the fine quality of some of the leather prepared by the Indians. The following directions from a reliable source will be useful to people who have the skin of a small animal that they wish to prepare without the trouble or expense of sending it away: "Take a skin, either green or well soaked, and flesh it with a dull knife; spread the skin on a smooth log and grain it by scraping with a sharp instrument; rub nearly dry over the oval end of a board held upright. Take the brains of a deer or a calf, dry by the fire gently, put them into a cloth and boil until soft, cool off the liquid until blood warm, with water sufficient to soak the skin in, and soak until quite soft and pliable, and then wring out as dry as possible; wash in strong soapsuds and rub dry and smoke well with wood smoke. Instead of brains, oil or lard may be used, and the skin soaked therein six hours."

The Cat Came Back. This, ladies and gentlemen, is a longdistance pedestrian cat. He is the property of Dr. Terrill, who recently moved from Covington, Ky., to Anderson, Ind., taking the animal with him. Soon the cat was missing and in due course turned up at the old place in Covington. Dr. Terrill was informed and once more brought the cat to Ander-Covington is not known. The distance between the two places is nearly 200 miles. Step to the next cage, please.

Expensive Costs for Small Appeal. The attention of the District court at Webster City, Iowa, has been occupied costs of the court and the amount involved the case is similar to that of the Jones county calf case. The jury, after being out all night, gave a verdict to the defendant, who submitted a counter claim.

Snake Swallowed Lion.

The big boa in Lemen Bros.' circus at Armontine, Mo., the other day gobbled down the baby lion McKinley. The cub weighs thirty-five pounds and yelped lustily. It was sleeping by a stove when the snake escaped. The mother lion saw the act and in her rage roared like Niagara. The other animals joined in and the watchman came. The snake was killed and cut open and the cub is now doing business at the old stand as if nothing had

Kangaroo Is Homesick. A kangaroo in Central park menagan opening in the roof of the deer house, right over the keeper's head. found him worse than a jumping bean. He leaped over their heads in every direction, but one of them fell on his tail and that was the last of the fight.

Maine's Wild Helfers.

These two savage beasts are wild East Orrington, Maine. They escaped been captured, after having lost all age it had to be shot. Many animals

Human Ostrich. James Warburton, an Australian, 63 years old, who was admitted to the state hospital for the insane at Morris Plains, N. Y., about one year ago, suffering from melanchely, died last week without apparent disease. Thomas P. Prout, hospital pathologist, performed interest, and suddenly broke into a an autopsy and found bits of glass. handles of six others in Warburton's stomach. Part of the silver only came from the hospital.

> A Promising Artist. Berlin art circles are interested in

a young artist who promises to make his mark. Though only twenty-three The deaf girl understood their words | years old and still a student, W. Kreis has won the \$1,500 prize for the plan of a national war monument, to be erected in Leipsic. There were seventy-two competitors.

According to official figures recently published, 76,000 persons in Vienna live, sleep and cook in one room, which she was to make him a shirt, ten occupants in one cellar.

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SYMPATHY FOR THE GREEKS, SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From the Text: "I Am Debtor Both to Romans 1:14 Thermopylae and Bunk-



abominations, M ohammedanism, a fter having gorged ditself on the carcasses of a hundred thousand Armenians, is trying to put its paws upon one of the fairest of all pations, that

of the Greeks. I preach this sermon of sympathy and protest, for every intelligent person on this side of the sea, as well as the other side, like Paul, who wrote the text, is debtor to the Greeks. The present crisis is emphasized by the guns of the allied powers of Europe, ready to be unlimbered against the Hellenes, and I am asked to speak out. Paul, with a master intellect of the ages, sat in brilliant Corinth, the great Acro-Corinthus fortress frowning from the height of sixteen hundred and eighty-six feet, and in the house of Gaius. where he was a guest, a big pile of money near him, which he was taking to Jerusalem for the poor. In this letter to the Romans, which Chrysostom admired so much that he had it read to him twice a week, Paul practically says: "I, the Apostle, am bankrupt, I owe what I cannot pay, but I will pay as large a percentage as I can. It is an obligation for what Greek literature and Greek sculpture and Greek architecture and Greek prowess have done for me. I will pay all I can in installments of evangelism. I am insolvent to the Greeks." Helias, as the inhabitants call it, or Greece, as we call it. is insignificant in size, about a third as large as the state of New York, but what it lacks in breadth is makes up in height, with its mountains Cylene, and Eta, and Taygetus, and Tymphrestus, each over seven thousand feet in elevation, and its Parnassus, over eight thousand. Just the country for mighty men to be born in, for in all lands the most of the intellectual and moral giants were not born on the plain, but had for cradle the valley between two mountains. That country, no part of which is more than forty miles from the sea, has made its impress upon the world as no other nation, and it today holds a first mortgage of obligation upon all civilized people. While we must leave to statesmanship and diplomacy the settlement of the intricate questions which now involve all Europe, and indirectly all nations, it is time for all churches, all schools, all universities, all arts, all literature to sound out in the most emphatic way

In the first place, we owe to their language our New Testament. All of it was first written in Greek, except the Book of Matthew, and that, written in the Aramean language, was soon put into Greek by our Savior's brother, James. To the Greek language we owe the best sermon ever preached, the best letters ever written, the best visions ever kindled. All the parables in Greek. All the miracles in Greek. The sermon on the mount in Greek. The story of Bethlehem and Golgotha and Olivet and Jordan banks and Galilean beaches and Pauline embarkation and Pentecostal tongues and seven trumpets that sounded over Patmos, have come to the world in liquid, symmetric, picturesque, philosophic, unrivaled Greek, instead of the gibberish language in which many of the nations of the earth at that time jabbered. Who can forget it and who can exaggerate its thrilling importance, that Christ and heaven were introduced to us in the language of the Greeks? the language in which Homer had sung and Sophocles dramatized and Pluto dialogued and Socrates discoursed and Lycurgus legislated and Demosthenes thundered his oration on "The Crown?" Everlasting thanks to God that the waters of life were not handed to the world in the unwashed cup of corrupt languages from which nations had been drinking, but in the clean, bright, golden lipped, emeraldhandled chalice of the Hellenes. Learned Curtius wrote a whole volume about the Greek verb. Philologists century after century have been measuring the symmetry of that language. laden with elegy and philippic, drama and comedy, Odyssey and Iliad; but the grandest thing that Greek language ever accomplished was to give to the world the benediction, the comfort, the irraditation, the salvation of the Gospel of the Son of God. For that we are debtors to the Greeks.

Greeks."

And while speaking of our philological obligation, let me call your attention to the fact that many of the intellectual and moral and theological leaders of the ages got much of their discipline and effectiveness from Greek literature. It is popular to scoff at the dead languages, but 50 per cent of the world's intellectuality would have been taken off if, through learned institutions our young men had not, under competent professors, been drilled in Greek masterpieces. Hesiod's "Weeks and Days," or the eulogium by Simonides of the slain in war, or Pindar's "Odes of Victory," or "The Recollec-Words," by Corax, or Xenophon's Ana-

From the Greeks the world learned how to make history. Had there been no Herodotus and Thucydides, there would have been no Macaulay or Bancroft. Had there been no Sophocles in tragedy, there would have been no Shakespeare. Had there been no Homer, there would have been no Milton. The modern wits, who are now or have been out on the divine mission of making the world laugh at the right time, can be traced back to Aristophanes, the Athenian, and many of the jocositles that are now taken as new had their suggestions twenty-three hundred years ago in the fifty-four comedies of that master of merriment. Grecian mythology has been the richest mine from ology has done a work that nothing Oh, tell them how Christ comforted just to show that the other party was else could have accomplished; Boreas, you when you lost your bright boy or to blame.

his lyre; Atlas, with the world on his Christian meets a man who needs par-T this time, when Choate's culogium on Daniel Webster bring to such scholarly men and womthat behemoth of at Dartmouth. Tragedy and comedy were born in the festivals of Dionysius at Athens. The lyric and elegiac and epic poetry of Greece five hundred professor's room or cultured parlor or or Europe that could not appropriately employ Paul's ejaculation and say, "I am debtor to the Greeks."

The fact is this, Paul had got much of the Greeks. That he had studied their in the presence of an audience of Greek Athens, he dured to quote from one of their own Greek poets, either Cleanthus the poets, having written:

things that creep Are but the echo of the voice divine."

And Aratus, one of their own poets, had written:

ger nigh? fly.

to attempt to quote extemporaneously your arguments for the truth, and he And sidle to their gasler's seat. from a poem in a language foreign to his, and before Greek scholars, but tinguished audience on the planet his and Greek drama will all surrender to indebtedness to the Greeks, crying out the story of Jim Hemsworth's, "Ob. in his oration, "As one of your own poets has said."

Furthermore, all the world is obligated to Hellas more than it can ever pay for its heroics in the cause of liberty and right. United Europe today had not better think that the Greeks will not fight. There may be fallings back and vacillations and temporary defeat, but if Greece is right all Europe cannot put her down. The other nations, before they open the port-holes of their men-of-war against that small kingdom had better read of the battle of Marathon, where ten thousand Athenians, led on by Miltiades, triumphed over one hundred thousand of their enemies. At that time in Greek council of war five generals were for beginning the declaration, "I am debtor to the the battle and five were against it. Callimachus presided at the council of war and had the deciding vote, and Miltiades addressed him, saying:

"It now rests with you, Callimachus, her freedom, to win yourself an immorof Marathon, where ten thousand Athenians, led on by Miltiades, triumphed danger as they are at this moment. If they bow the knee to these Medes, they are to be given up to Hippias, and you know what they will then have to suffer; but if Athens comes victorious out of this contest, she has it in her power to become the first city of Greece, Your vote is to decide whether we are to join battle or not. If we do not bring on a battle presently, some factious intrigue will disunite the Athenians and the city will be betrayed to the Medes, but if we fight before there is anything rotten in the state of Athens, I believe that, provided the gods will give fair field and no favor, we are able to get

the best of it in the engagement." That won the vote of Callimachus, and soon the battle opened, and in full run the men of Miltiades fell upon the Persian hosts, shouting, "On! Sons of Greece! Strike for the freedom of your country! Strike for the freedom of your children and your wives, for the shrines of your father's gods, and for the sepulchres of your sires! All, all are ow staked on the strife." While only one hundred and ninety-two Greeks fell, six thousand four hundred Persians lay dead upon the field, and sumed in the shipping. Persian oppres-

have been no Washington. Also at Thermopylae, three hundred roics was heard at the gates of Lucknow, and Sebastopol, and Bannockburn, and Lexington, and Gettysburg. English Magna Charta, and Declaration of American Independence, and the song of Robert Burns, entitled, "A Man's a Man for a' That," were only the long-continued reverberation of what was said and done twenty centuries before in that little kingdom that the powers of Europe are now imposing upon. Greece having again and again shown that ten men in the right are stronger than a hundred men in the wrong, the heroics of Leonidas and Aristides and Themistocles will not cease their mission until the last man There is not on either side of the Atlantic today a republic that cannot truthfully employ the words of the text

and say, "I am debtor to the Greeks." But there is a better way to pay them, and that is by their personal salvation, which will never come to them through books or through learned presentation, because in literature and intellectual realms they are masters. They can out-argue, out-quote, outdogmatize you. Not through the gate which is just another word for Chrisof the head, but through the gate of the heart, you may capture them. When which orators and essayists have drawn | men of learning and might are brought their illustrations and painters the to God they are brought by themes for their canvas, and although simples story of what religion can now an exhausted mine, Grecian myth- do for a soul. They have lost children.

have the same thing to do over again; has helped you all the way through. Tantalus, with fruits above him that They are in bewilderment. Oh, tell he could not reach; Achilles, with his them with how many hands of joy arrows; Icarus, with his waxen wings, heaven beckons you upward. "When flying too near the sun; the Centaurs, Greek meets Greek, then comes the half man and half beast; Orpheus, with | tug of war," but when a warm-hearted back, all these and more have helped don and sympathy and comfort and literature, from the graduate's speech eternal life, then comes victory. If you on commencement day to Rufus can, by some incident of self-sacrifice, en what Christ has done for their eternal rescue, you may bring them in. Where Demosthenic eloquence and Homeric imagery would fall, a kindly years before Christ has its echoes in heart-throb may succeed. A gentleman the Tennysons, Longfellows and Bry- of this city sends me the statement of ants of eighteen and nineteen hun- what occurred a few days ago among dred years after Christ. There is not an | the mines of British Columbia, It seems effective pulpit or editorial chair or that Frank Conson and Jem Smith were down in the narrow shaft of a intelligent farmhouse today in America | mine. They had loaded an iron bucket with coal, and Jim Hemsworth, standing above ground, was hauling the bucket up by windlass, when the windlass broke and the loaded bucket was his oratorical power of expression from descending upon the two miners. Then Jim Hemsworth, seeing what must be literature was evident, when standing certain death to the miners beneath. threw himself against the cogs of the scholars on Mars' Hill, which overlooks | whirling windlass, and though his flesh was torn and his bones were broken, he stopped the whirling windor Aratus, declaring, "As certain also lass and arrested the descending bucket of your own poets have said, 'for we and saved the lives of the two miners are also his offspring." And he made beneath. The superintendent of the All silent sit the prisoned ones, accurate quotation, Cleanthus, one of mine flew to the rescue and blocked the machinery. When Jim Hemsworth's bleeding and broken body was put on For we thine offspring are. All a litter and carried homeward, and some one exclaimed: "Jim, this is awful!" he replied: "Oh, what's the difference so long as I saved the boys!" What an illustration is was of suffering for others, and what a text from which What an illustration is was of suffering to illustrate the behavior of our Christ. "Doth care perplex? Is lowering dan- limping and lacerated and broken and torn and crushed in the work of stop- Wh We are his offspring, and to Jove we ping the descending ruin that would have destroyed our souls! Try such a scene of vicarious suffering as this on And now at length the captives see, will sit down and weep. Draw your il- They stumble through the dreaded lustrations from the classics, and it is Paul did it without stammering, and to him an old story, but Leyden jars then acknowledged before the most dis- and electric batteries and telescopes what's the difference so long as I saved the boys?"

Then if your illustration of Christ's self-sacrifice,drawn from some scene of self-sacrifice, drawn from some scene of Three scholars march with glee, while westward, with a sober step. done for you does not quite fetch him into the right way, just say to him, 'Professor-Doctor-Judge! Why was t that Paul declared he was a debtor to the Greeks?" Ask your learned friend to take his Greek Testament and translate for you, in his own way, from Greek into English, the splendid peroration of Paul's sermon on Mars scholarly Dionysius surrendered, name-no one knew when he would rush out ly: "The times of this ignorance God and attack people. winked at; but now commandeth all hath appointed a day in the which he to sell him. will judge the world in righteousness. "It's not that I don't hate the baste all men, in that ble and there will come a pallor on his ago." without end. Amen.

Nowadays Cities Are Nearly as Healthy out house-cleaning or taking in launas the Country.

In a recent lecture on what sanitation has done for human life Prof. Brewer of Yale university said that no one doubts that human life has been of the several factors in this problem. many of the Asiatic hosts who took to Our great cities would not exist—they the war vessels in the harbor were con- could not exist-without the aids of ing his gig, when a piece of white pasion was rebuked, Grecian liberty was tian and Greek and Roman civilizaachieved, the cause of civilization was tions, which were pagan, and later er was so much hurt that he died of achieved, the cause of civilization and all were his injuries, and only lived long enough all nations have felt the heroics. Had powerless to convert practices. Bethere been no Miltiades, there might tween the epidemics that raged from that he had paid for his house were in Greeks, along a road only wide enough | Europe as a whole probably scarcely he had not been paid anything for his for a wheel track between a mountain increased at all for 1,060 or 1,200 years. house. and a marsh, died rather than surrend- This century came in without a single er. Had there been no Thermopylae, city in Christendom with 1,000,000 in- he world answer Mrs. Smithers when there might have been no Bunker Hill. habitants. Paris had in 1890 but 548,- she told him what her husband had the Chinese schools, heard the gospel. The echo of Athenian and Spartan he- 000; London and the suburbs, in 1891, said. "If he paid they've got the re-864,845. The other great English cit- ceipts to prove it." ies had less than 100,000. Great cities could not endure then. First, the peothe food had to be produced within twenty miles of the place of consumption. Science has now made it possible to transport food half way around the globe and has discovered new methods of preservation as well. City population was not self-perpetuating. Man died off; the death rate was continual- for Mrs. McMoon's dreadful billy goat, ly high and from time to time there old Whitehorn, was death by pestilence. Even where there were sewers they were to drain on earth is as free as God made him. ry away sewage. Now cities are made nearly as healthy as the country.

No Two Religions.

There never were two true religions. Every true Jew is at heart a Christian. The word Christ is only another form of the Hebrew word Messiah. Both mean the anointed. All Hebrews who believe in the Messiah may be calledif I may make a word-Messiahans, tians. Judaism is the gray dawn of the morning: Christianity, properly understood, is the sun at noonday .-Rev. R. S. MacArthur.

Divorced couples frequently remarry,

TIMELY TOPICS FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

'Old Witchorn the Goat" Bertie's Ball and the Little Snowbird - "Detention Hour." a Pretty Poem from Boys' Own Paper.

Detention Hour.

HE GOLDEN sunlight floods the The files wheel to and fro, And through the open window comes A hum of life below: Three boys, before a battered desk,

Survey with hopeless gaze page of algebra bestrewn With x's, b's, and a's.

Before a blackboard scribbled o'er, In quite a careless way.
With scraps of knowledge gathered

The labors of the day, he master sits with pencil blue. And marks without a blench he erring sum, the misspelt wor The French that is not French.

Save when a far-off shout Brings visions to their restless minds merry scenes without; Then inky hands grasp tumbled hair, And, like a distant sea, murmuring rises through the room Of mystic formulae.

With studious frowning face, Remembering on yester eye How simple seemed each rule. When some inviting game obscured The coming morrow's school

Snatching one furtive look;

Then cast their books aside, and speed through the deserted school To the glad world outside.

VI. And now the creeping hour is past, The silent striving done, Rebellious x and stubborn y Fly with the sinking sun; And to the east, with satchels full, Departs the dominie. -Boys' Own Paper.

Old Witchorn the Goat. Old Whitehorn was a goat. He lived nowhere in particular, and had a very bad temper. The people he had butted over could not be counted. He used to lie in wait behind a great rock, Hill, under the power of which the had won the title of Rocky Row, and below a cluster of little shantles that

He belonged to Mrs. McMorn, and no men everywhere to repent: because he power on earth could induce that lady

by that man whom he hath ordained; meself," she used to say, "but sure and One day while mamma was dressing whereof he hath given assurance unto indade I'll take orders from no neigh- he stood looking out of the window and he hath raised him bors. If Mrs. Dolan and Mrs. O'Grady wishing, oh, so hard, that he could get either to enslave Athens, or by insuring from the dead." By the time he has had not bid me dishpose av him as if his ball, when a little snowbird came got through the translation from the thye was quanes, I'd have had him fluttering down to the roof, peeped in Greek I think you will see his lip trem- made into chops or sausages long at the window, and then hopped right

face like the pallor on the sky at day. Old Mrs. Smithers and her grandson which must have frightened the bird. break. By the eternal salvation of Sammy lived in the neatest house in for with a swift motion it sped away that scholar, that great thinker, that Rocky Row. Whatever whitewashing and the ball rolled softly over the splendid man, you will have done and scrubbing and rubbing of window edge of the porch and dropped to the something to help pay your indebted. glass could do for a "shanty" was done ground. You can scarcely imagine how ness to the Greeks. And now to God for the walls, the floor and the windows surprised Bertie was. He ran down to the Father, God the Son, and God the of Mrs. Smithers' little home, as well the yard in a twinkling, and there was Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, and as for Sammy, who had clean, welldominion and victory and song world starched shirt waists and boots that shone even when they weer out at the for old Mrs. Smithers was very poor SANITATION AND HUMAN LIFE. and had to earn all she had by going the little bird did?-Julia Darrow

> dry werk. Sammy was yet too small to earn anything, but he ran of errands for his grandma and put on the tea kettle to boil before she came home

Old Mrs. Smithers had not always prolonged by the application of science been poor. She once lived comfortably in the last fifty years, says the Mining and happily in a pretty white cottage and Scientific Press. How much math- with green shutters and a red roof that ematically this amounts to in years, in stood between two rows of poplars, per cent, is an unanswerable question. with a garden full of lilacs and peonles We can never have the data in fig- and strawberry shrub all set about ures. Even if we had our vital statis- with box borders, and Mr. Smithers, tics completed for that period men Sammy's grandfather, was buying it of would differ as to the relative values Mr. Mix, who was said to be a miser. One day he went to pay his last installment, and was coming home, drivscience. We have had the ancient Egypened the horse that he ran away and time to time and the high death rate his pocketbook. However, no pocketin the best years, the population of book was found, and Mr. Mix said that

"Produce the papers," was all that

Smithers was turned out of her house. ple could not be fed. Then, most of most of her furniture taken, and she was obliged to work, as we have said. to support herself and Sammy. "If we had only known just where poor grandpa was thrown out we might

> have found the pocketbook," his grandmother used to say to Sammy. However, Sam himself would have been happy enough if it had not been

The creature was the torment of his life. He was always hiding behind the ground of water rather than to car- the rocks when Sam went of errands. Sam would watch and listen, but old Whitehorn would keep quiet until he was close to his hiding place and then rush out with lowered horns, uttering

that awful "Ma-a-a! ma-a-a!" and, as

Sam expressed it, "go for him." But it was to be that this very old Whitehorn was to do a good thing for Sam-a very good thing, though it did not seem so at first sight. This is the way it happened: Old Mrs. Smithers had worked at a lady's house a whole week, and the lady had paid her well and given her a nice present besides and she came home in good spirits. 'Now you shall have a good cake for Sunday and a custard as well. Sam.' she said. "Go to the grocery and get me two quarts of milk and a dozen eggs, some lemon flavoring and three

have a treat."

the basket on his arm, took a pail in his hand, and skipped past old Whitehorn so lightly that the goat was left behind before he knew it.

But when Sam had filled his basket and was on his way home, all laden with good things, he was not so frisky. Just as he thought himself safe, whack came something behind him! Away flew basket and pail, and down he went into a deep hole where ashes and garbage were thrown by the careless folk of Rocky Row.

It was a deep hole, and he was covered with dirt and a good deal scratched, and it was hard to find a place to climb up. Then the eggs and milk and raisins were gone, and where were the good cakes and custards to come from?

Sam began to ery, and leaned up against the side of the pit, while Whitehorn looked down upon him and said "Ma-a-a" At this sound Sam grew furious, and took a stone from the earth to throw at him. As he did so, he saw in the hole that the stone had left something red. He picked it up. It was a long-shaped pocket or bill-book. and on the corner was a name, and Sam spelled out these letters: "Samuel Smithers."

A little later, Mrs. Smithers was astonished to see Sam, ragged and dirty, bruised and scratched, without basket or pall, but laughing, rush in at the door.

gone, and there is not a raisin left," he shouted, "but I've found grandpa's pocketbook with the papers in it!" And so he had. Ever since it fell into the hole rubbish had been thrown upon it, and had kept it from the rain,

and it was quite clean and dry. "But if Whitehorn had not butted Sam that day it never would have been found." Mrs. Smithers often said that, after they went to live in the dear oldhome which grandpa had bought for them, and where they are so very happy together.-New York Ledger.

"Up, up, up it goes, and down, down, down it comes," sang Bertie Brown, as he tossed his rubber ball up against the

"Up, up," he began once more, and sure enough it did go up this time; away up on top of the porch. Bertie waited to see if he could say, "down, down," but he couldn't, for the ball didn't; it stayed up there. Bertle stood around and waited

house and caught it again.

awhile, but finally concluded to go and play horse with Sam Clark, who lived next door, and ask papa to get the balf when he came home. But when papa came he told Ber-

tie that there was no way to get the

ball then. He would have to wait till the storm windows upstairs were taken off, for he had no ladder long enough to reach up to the roof. Bertie missed his ball, for he was

very fond of it, and the worst of it was that he could see it from his mamma's window upstairs.

upon the ball. It gave a little roll his ball in a little nest of dry leaves. He has always felt very sure that the snowbird knew how much he was wishtoes, which happened now and then, ing for the ball, for this is a true story, and how else can you account for what Cowles, in Youth's Companion,

To Be Proud Of.

"How does it taste, I wonder?" said Jamie, as he saw Patrick Flynn take a glass of steaming punch at the bar of a restaurant. "Did you ever taste strong drink.

James?" said a handsome old man standing by. "Never," said James. "I wonder if

it is good?" "I cannot tell you how it tastes," said Mr. Landers. "I am 60 years old, and have never tasted it in my life, and I am proud to say it. I see what it does. It has cheated poor Flynn out of his snug little home. It has clothed his poor wife and children in rags and made him cross and quarrelsome. It is liquid fire, and theft, and poison. I

don't want to know how it tastes." ed strong drink in my life."

Begin at Once.

A young Chinaman, a learned man who had received several degrees from and said it was what he had been wishing for. He accepted Christ. A little But the papers were gone. Mrs. while after this a native Christian teacher asked him, "What have you done for Christ since you believed?" He replied: "O. I am a learner!"

"Well," said the questioner, "when you light a candle do you light it to make the candle more comfortable or that it may give light?" He replied: "To give light."

He was asked: "Do you expect it to give light after it is half burnt or when you first light it?" He replied: "As soon as I light it."

"Very well," was the reply, "go thou and do likewise; begin at once." Shortly after there were fifty native Christians in the town as the result of that man's work.

A Brave Oucen.

Dowager, wears the gold medal of a

Lisbon humane society. It was grant-

ed her for jumping into the Tagus after

Maria Pia, the Portuguese Queen

Alfonso, when he was a little fellow. The Queen is a very plain but a very interesting woman.

Her Dearest Friend. Dora (sweetly)-"Fred didn't blow the other night; he came right over and proposed to me." Maud (super-sweetly)-"Did he? Then he must have got rid of his brains some other way."pounds and a half of sugar, besides the Tid-Bits.

Sam was very much pleased. He put INTERESTING READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

> Some Current Notes of the Modes - Some of the Prettiest Gowns for Evening Have Flounce and Plaited Skirts of Saefn.



Admire and hate blooming With words of shame 'And taunts of scorn they join thy name.

in thy

For on thy cheeks the glow is spread That tints the morning hills with red; Thy step-the wild deer's rustling feet Within thy woods, are not more fleet; Thy hopeful eye Is bright as thine own sunny sky.

Ay, let them rail-those haughty ones-While safe thou dwellest with thy sons.
They do not know how loved thou art—
How many a fond and fearless heart
Would rise to throw Its life between thee and the foe! They know not, in their hate and pride

What virtues with thy children bide: How true, how good, thy graceful maids shades;

What generous men "The milk is spilled, and the eggs are Spring. like thine oaks, by hill and

What cordial welcomes greet the guest By the lone rivers of the west: faith is kept, and truth revered, And man is loved, and God is fear'd, In woodland homes.

And where the solemn ocean foams! There's freedom at thy gates, and rest For earth's down-trodden and op press'd, shelter for the hunted head,

For the starved laborer toil and bread Power, at thy bounds, Stops and calls back his baffled hounds. fair young mother! on thy brow Shall sit a nobler grace than now

Deep in the brightness of thy skies. The thronging years in glory rise. And, as they fleet Drop strength and riches at thy feet.

TALMAGE'S SERMON, representing the north wind; Sisyphus, blue-eyed girl. They have found life CHILDREN'S CORNER, tea and coffee we usually buy. You IN WOMAN'S CORNER, simulate an over-drapery, which is quite an important factor in up-to-date quite an important factor in up-to-date evening gowning. Silk crepe, agured, which can be bought at a very low figure, makes a pretty evening dress -The Latest.

Something for Brides to Do.

Easter brides will be extremely hardworked individuals, for their best dresses must be all embroidered by hand, and, of course, the bride herself must do the work to have the gown a perfect success. An Easter bride is now at work upon an embroidered lawn, with an East Indian cream ground. The dress is made with a very large double box plait in front. Around the lower edge of the bodice there is a thick shirring of the cream lawn. Down the front of the plait pink roses are embroidered. The shoulder puffs are also embroidered in roses. Small, delicate leaves of green surround the

roses. The skirt is a very elaborate affair. Entirely around the hem there is a row of roses very heavily embroidered in pink silk. The entire dress is made



over pink taffetta, and it may be menioned here that a great many people object to making a lawn dress over silk, but when it comes to the matter of an embroidered gown, it will be found that it is much better to do so. To



VISITING TOILET OF PARMA SILK.

Thine eye, with every coming hour. Shall brighten, and thy form shall tower, And when thy sisters, elder born, Would brand thy name with words of

scorn Before thine eye. Upon their lips the taunt shall die!

How Violets Are Worn.

The prettiest evening gowns have accordion plaited skirts of satin. They're "Neither do I," said James. "Thank not at all like the old fashioned kind, you, Mr. Landers, for what you have however. In the first place, they're said. When I am a man 60 years old cut altogether differently. These skirts I, too, will have it to say, 'I never tast- are cut exactly like circular skirts,

only with a much larger circle and naturally a larger hole in the center. The center edge is plaited in to fit around the waist with fine, even plaits all around. After being well fitted at the waist the plaits are laid to the bottom of the skirt, becoming larger as they go down.

Another novelty in evening skirts is flounced from hem to waist with twoinch bias flounces of the dress material. This mode is as becoming to tall, slim girls os the accordion plaited skirt orch s are most in favor. Or, if the the waist with fancy buttons, B

give this dress a still further tone of pink, there is a broad belt of pink moire with double loops at the side and around the neck there is a crush of the pink moire.

Notes of the Mode. The princess dress is very popular in

Paris, and many handsome gowns of velvet and silk for weddings and other dressy occasions are cut in this style. If a woman would have the latest elegance in silk petticoats she must avoid the rustling kind and wear dainty, soft brocaded silk skirts, ruffled

with silk crepe. Metallic finished cambric, which has all the gloss of real satin, is a new lining for thin dresses. It comes in all the pretty colors, costs only 35 cents

a yard, and is fully a yard wide. Fabrics for dresses and millinery purposes are now being made of Venetian glass, and it is promised that we are soon to have bonnets which can be subjected to the application of soap

and water. Taffeta silk hats are the latest cry in millinery. The silk is doubled and shirred for the brim. The crown is one high puff, and the trimming consists of black feathers, black velvet and a fancy ornament.

Cordings are a feature of the new dress models, and small cords, two or three close together, are set in around the bodice of a foulard gown an inch and a half apart. The material gathers on these cords just enough to give soft, pretty effect.

The usefulness of the old fashloned Chantilly shawl is relived again, and it is to be worn for g was mounted over black satin. This sort of lace dress, with a touch of color at the neck and belt, can be made very attractive, and the use of something which has been stowed away for years is always a satisfaction

A novel costume for spring is made of dark blue and white shepherds with a wide plait, both back and fr on the bodice, narrowing toward the his brains out because you jilted him is to short folks. Bunches of artificial beit, and a plain skirt with a wide flowers are used to decorate plain plait in front, spreading out wider at skirts. For this purpose violets and the foot and fastened down just below dress be white, bright red or bright also decorate the front on the beat pink geraniums are used. Garlands of above the bust, and blue silk forms blossoms may be effectively used to collar and belt.

Baskell Free Press, THE MEXICO TRADE.

J. E. PONLE, Publisher.

BASKELL, · · · · TEXAS. It takes two to make a bargain, but

emly one gets it,

Russia does not really want to strike Greece. It is afraid the little nation might be huer

on his grand-nephew's little home. That mortgage ought to be lifted as United States and Mexico. While the seon as possible

W. A. Johnson, who is now associate instice of the Kansas supreme court. serving his third term, once was a baseball pitcher. He seems to be in the game still. He's on the bench.

The Chicago Evening Post calls Mc-Kinley the twenty-fourth president. We hope this great question of counting the presidents will some day be settled before all the brain tissue of the country is worn threadbare.

A St. Louis alchemist, Edwin C. Brice by name, announces to the world that he has discovered a formula by which he can obtain gold and silver from crude raw material and the baser metals. The feat was performed the other day in the presence of several spectators whose probity cannot be Parker county Sunday school convenquestioned. Mr. Brice is a cousin of tion met the Presbyterian church Fri- jurisdiction to the county court of Leon Senator Calvin H. Brice.

Now and then we hear of girl typewriters capturing the hearts and bank accounts of their employers, or their employers' sons. In the day of woman's supremacy the conditions will be reversed. Already the first case has been reported in the male typewriter of St. Paul who eloped with and married the daughter of his millionaire employer. Why not give the boys an equal show with the girls?

A Presbyterian congregation at Steamboat Rock, Ia. disliked their pastor, Rev. H. B. Fonkin, and while he was away they sent for a congregational minister at Cedar Rapids to come down and preach to them last Sunday evening. After the service one of the deacons arose and made a motion that every member join the Congregational church. And it was carried unanimously. Rev. Mr. Fonkin is recovering very slowly from the shock.

In the United States senate a bill has lately been introduced to establish a ing. national department of public health. The bill is the result of efforts by the Pan-American Medical Congress, a gathering of physicians from the counand their prevention or cure, but many through here Saturday on his return storing civil and criminal jurisdiction the purity of water supplies, etc.

ing February to have been \$24,400,997, the placing of the bonds. and the disbursements \$28,796,056, which leaves a deficit for the month of \$4,395,059, as compared with a deficit of about \$690,000 for February, 1896. Since July 1, 1896, the aggregate deficit is \$48,135,441. The receipts from customs last month amounted to \$11,537 .-260; from internal revenue, \$10,888,421; from miscellaneous sources, \$1,925,215. As compared with February, 1896 there is shown a loss from customs o. about \$2,320,000, a gain of about \$82,000 from internal revenue and a gain of about \$550,000 from miscellaneous

Every public speaker is liab to say what Punch calls "things one could wish to have expressed otherwise." Nor long since, at a meeting of ministers. where a sermon that had caused very general comment was criticised, a Brooklyn paster said several ill-considered things about the preacher of the next issue of the paper, wherein he was appointed: windrew the offensive words as "up- J. M. McLeod, A. H. Hefner, N. B. weying an unfriently judgment which H. Beaucamp. Centlemen do that every day. But again on the 10th of April. what is remarkable about it is, that it exhibits one theologian; who, fiving inan atmosphere where there is no odium theologicum (theological hatred), can the result of the last election, but he differ from another theologian without, can't wear them. exhibiting the rancor which cloaks it-

The "Brain Manufacturing Company" is doing business in Jefferson John took out some carrier pigeons of Chy, Mo. We've been wondering where Mr. H. M. Ramsey to Cypress Friday. all those remarkable bills now before and they returned home by 10:45 the legislature came from. The machinery must have got out of order or become a little cracked.

President McKinley emerges from the white house every evening for a walk, and the Washington people say they like it and that no other president has done it since Grant's time. McKinley knows that no one will find are said to be very well bred. They beal h riding.

Congressman Morse of Massachusetts wants Congress to pass a bill prohibiting prize fighting on public domains. The congressman has evidently forgot-

the fragrant skunk and the cheerful pletely covered in the dirt and debris neck, dislocated rib and a slight shrasrattlesnake held before our startled and was dead when taken out.

AN INTERESTING MEETING WAS HELD AT GALVESTON

In Regard to the Trade Relations Be- ate land certificates was passed. tween the United States and Mexico. Ments Diaz and McKinley.

Galveston, Tex., April 5 .- At the last meeting of the directors of the chamber of commerce, Mexican Consul Cerna Russell Sage holds a \$50 mortgage addressed the board on the general topic of trade relations between the most kindly feeling exists between the two nations and President Diaz is do-'merce of Mexico is done by European passed. enations very largely, owing to a lack lect to draft a memorial to the two republics. As a result of their delibera-United States and the other to the president of Mexico. The memorials were lar precinct, was passed. forwarded.

Sanday School Convention

Organization !

The appointment of a committee on the organization of a county association was made, and visiting delegates were assigned homes. Saturday the following subjects were treated:

Sunday School Efficiency," Rev. R. C. Armstrong; "Christian Fidelity the Best Cure for Infidelity," Rev. A. S. Bunting; "Sunday School Ruts and How to Pay Out of Them," Rev. J. D. Leslie; "Weak Points in Sunday Schools," Rev. G. Lyle Smith; "The ty Sunday School and How to Help It." was passed. Prof. S. W. Parsons.

much interest is being manifested by

the Sunday school workers. The convention closed Sunday afternoon with a Sunday school mays meet, sion of the rules.

A New Rallroad

San Antonio, Tex., April 5,- George tries of North, South and Central M. Edgerton of New York, promoter of actions for damages, was ordered en-America. Such a department, if es- the proposed railroad from Brenham grossed-yeas 21, mays 2. The rules tablished, would study in a systematic to Corpus Christi, Brownsville, Tampi- were suspended and the bill passed. and scientific way, not only diseases co and the City of Mexico, passed kindred matters which have quite as home from the City of Mexico. Mr. important a bearing upon the welfare Edgerton has been in the Mexican capof the people-matters such as the con- ital two weeks, during which time he grossed. dition of the laboring classes, their succeeded in obtaining a very favorable workshops and dwellings, the cost and concession for his project. He was renutritive value of various kinds of food quired to put up a \$90,000 forfeit for The comparative statement of the the present week. It is understood that of the rules. receipts and expenditures of the Unit- arrangements have been made with the ed States shows the total receipts dur- Manhattan Construction company for system for Marion county was passed.

Bryan, Tex., April 5 .- H. K. Eberly a cattle man, fell from the window of change hotel Saturday morning about 2 o'clock and sustained three fractures low the knee.

fell and does not know how the acci- mays 7. dent happened. He was awakened duris resting as well as could be expected, rules. Mr. Eberly has a family at his home in Wichita, Kas.

Confedrate Veterans Met

Gr enville, Tex., April 5 .- J. E. Johndiscourse. The next morning on see- ston camp, Confederate Veterans, held ieg them in the sold type of a newspa- a meeting Saturday afternoon to conper, they seemed to him rude and of- sider the matter of observing decorafensive. Immediately-heing a Christian day. The committee reported in than and a gentleman he wrote to the favor of observing May 20. The foleditor a letter for publication in the lowing committee on arrangements

warranted and uncalled for," and con- Elland, W. B. Horton, N. Kieth and C.

the criticised preacher did not deserve. Gen. Gano, of Dallas, was present and The apology confessed the wrong and being introduced by Capt. S. R. Etter to the obtrusive raconteur-especially made amends for the infelicitous made a short talk on the old days of the one who is fond of reminiscence. speech. That was not remarkable, the war. The camp adjourned to meet

Black-Brown won a dozen hats on

White-Why not? self under the guise of zeal for the Black-When he read the returns he lost his head.

Houston, Tex., April 5 .- Conductor o'clock a. m., making twenty-six miles in one hour and twelve minutes. They will be taken further up the road next time and released. This is a training that they are being put through to develop their power. They will eventually be taken as far up as Ennis and released to make a good test. The birds were faised here.

Sherman, Tex., April 5 .- Friday night at Basin Springs Tom Tilley and ten that the public domains are now so family sought safety from an electrical naterly removed from civilization that storm in a new stormhouse on the they are of little use to sporting men. premises. The rain loosened the dirt. lishment is probably unequaled in the causing a cave-in. Mr. and Mrs. Tilley If the sensational preachers continue escaped with a few scratches, the eldto illustrate their sermons with catt est of their two children had her left and prairie dogs who can tell how long shoulder dislocated and right leg brokit will be before we shall be having en, but their infant child was com-

THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE

Summary of Matters Acted Upon by the Law-Makers at Austin.

Mr. Fisher's bill validating confeder-The bill empowering boards of al-Memorials Were Drafted and Sent to Pres. derman of towns having a population of over 500 to compel the construction of sidewalks, sewers, bridges, culverts, etc. It was ordered engrossed and passed. This bill was introduced in

the house by Mr. Wilcox. A bill changing the time of holding court in the twenty-eighth, thirtysixt h and forty-ninth judicial districts, was ordered engrossed and passed under suspension of the rules. Mr. Evans' bill changing the time ing everything in his power to encour- of holding court in the eighth judicial age American capital, yet the com- district, was ordered engressed and

Senator Colquitt called up the senof reciprocity. This condition has been ate bill giving the railroad commission the result of a retaliatory spirit. Upon power to make emergency freight Dr. Cerna's presentation of the subject rates so as to meet interstate freight the board made Mr. Gus Reymershoffer rate wars, for the purpose of concurchairmen of a committee he should se- ring in the house amendments. Adopt-

House bin preventing imaginary tions two brief memorials have been lines being drawn in precincts for the formulated—one to the president of the purpose of holding local option elections and contining election to a regu-

A bill, making it a fine of \$500 as nunishment for a person to wilfully permit to run at large stock, in any county district, etc., where the stock Weatherford, Tex., April 5.-The law has been adopted, was passed. A bill, restoring civil and crimical

day night. Ed L. Thomason delivered county, was ordered engrossed and an address on "County and Precinct passed under a suspension of the rules. Mr. Dickinson's bill, validating and confirming an ordinace passed by the city council of Laredo ceding to the United States government certain streets and alleys that intersect a plot

> ordered engrossed. The bill authorizing comportions to become sureties on bonds and other obligations of county and city officials and others, was ordered engrossed.

a fort to be called Fort McIntosh, was

Bill relating to the appointment of State Association," R. W. Kendel; auditors by district judges to audit What the Sunday School Can Do for complicated accounts in cases of partthe Home," H. L. Mosely; "The Coun-nerships suits, on its third reading

Mr. Atlee's bill amending the act of Reports of committees were made and this session requiring all instruments miscellaneous business was attended to, of writing admitted to record to be in A large crowd of delegates were in at- English, by allowing instruments in tendance from all over the county and foreign languages to be recorded when accompanied with a translation in English, came up and the bill was ordered engrossed and passed under a suspen-

from the thirty-ninth judical district able. and putting it in the forty-second was

Mr. Colquitt's bill, regulating civil The senate bill by Mr. Turner reto the county courts of Menard and Atascosa counties was ordered en-

The bill changing the time of be- read with interest: officially promulgated in the course of grossed and passed under suspension Helena: A bill creating a more efficient road

The committee substitutes for Harris and Gilbough's bills amending the city charter of the city of Galveston was ordered engrossed.

The bill by Mr. Crawford requiring owners or lesses of coal mines to prohis room in the third story of the Ex- vide for the safety and health of employes passed.

Mr. Burns' bill appropriating \$25,of the right leg, two above and one be- 000 for the purchase of the battle field of San Jacinto and making a public His fall was broken by the rear wall park thereof, on its third reading was of a one-story building below his win- called up by its author and finally dow. Mr. Eberly was asleep when he passed without discussion. Yeas 18,

Mr. Beall called up his bill creating ing the fall and the noise attracted the a more efficient road system for Eliis attention of the night clerk, who sum- county, which was ordered engrossed moned medical aid and the injured man and passed under a suspension of the

Gladstone's Royal Descent. The Right Hon. William Ewart Glad-

stone is descended, through his mother. from Henry III. King of England and Robert Bruce, King of Scotland, thus: Lady Joan Beaufort, a descendant of Henry II married James I. of Scotland. a descendant of Robert Bruce and from this alliance, says Burke's Peerage, is clearly traced the descent of Andrew Robertson, the sheriff substitute of Rossshire, whose daughter Annie married Sir John Gladstone, the father of William Ewart Gladstone.

Dodged Her Chief Aversion Miss Cayenne has a decided averaion "I don't see," said a rather shallow acquaintance, "how you can enjoy the society of that very old gentleman to whom you talked the other evening."

"But isn't he in his dotage?" "No, dear. And if he were I shouldn't mind so long as it wasn't his anecdot-

"I enjoy the reflections of a mature

age."-Washington Star. A Boconstruction.

Chollie-What has become of Reg-Chapple-He is undergoing repairs. Chollie-What?

Chappie-Yea, he is mending the evil

of his ways. First Manufacturer-Any improvements on the '96 model? Second Manufacturer--Improvements? I should say so. I've got a device that makes the '96 model look dreadfully old-fash-

ioned.-Truth. An Old Type. Sixty-five years ago Hiram Lukens entered the Intelligencer office at Doylestown, Pa., to learn printing and he is there yet, setting type as fast as anybody around the place. His record of continuous service with one estab-

Scribbler-"What did Poetas get for

his 'Ode to Fall?' " "Fractured skull, contusion of the ion of the left ear."-Truth.

THE WATER RAGES

IN MANY PLACES.

From Natchez Comes the Report that the ternoon on information furnished by Expedition Prevented.

New Orleans, La., April 5 .- All day yesterday the sun shone with almost midsummer brilliancy and the conditions have naturally, so far as the city thrown upon her. The tug proved to is concerned, been exceptionally favor- be the Alexander Jones and the capable for the levees. The river is slowly tain guve as an excuse for his presrising. Yesterday's guage registered ence that he was waiting for tows. some of the young, with the avidity ing merry with boating parties even in water, the presence of so general a disaster. The river at Greenville is falling slowly but the rise of back water is heavy.

The most serious crevasse that has district was reported yesterday morn-Austin, near Flower Lake. Austin is the county seat of Tunca county. Disfertile stretch of territory from Memphis Bluffs to the Yazoo river, and from the hill lands of Carroll county to the Mississippi river. Coahoma, Sunflower, Holmes and Tallahatchie counties will be affected by this break and the water will sweep over thousands of acres of land now planted in cotton and corn.

From Natchez, where Saturday night the river was stationary, comes the reday reached here yesterday. port that the water is on the rise, mak- For years a feud has existed between ing an upward change of a tenth of a the families of Bud Harvill and Jack foot in twenty-four hours up to 4 McCombs, prominent farmers, the reo'clock yesterday evening. The guage suit of a dispute over the location of suspend hostflities, adding that the now stands at 47.10, three feet and a the divisional line between their proptenth above the danger line. The le- erty. Hearing that McCombs has en- and present themselves to the Spanish House bill changing Jones county is fine and the general outlook favor- vill and one of his farm tenants named troops.

thetic description of the break that ready and waiting, being armed with island has so restrained the movements

ginning of the fall term of the district "After making a most magnificent it was over Atwell lay dead upon the but to escape by sea in a boat. court of Grayson county from the first fight to defend the properties the water ground with a bullet in his brain. The A dispatch from Santa Clara an-Monday in September to the third has broken in and incalculable damage younger McCombs was fatally wound-nounces the arrest of Senor Penca, ed-most sacred of all guarantees, many the concession, and the same will be Monday in September was ordered en- may result. The following is from ed. The elder McCombs was shot in iter of El Universe.

> the flood from without, the winds and rains from above, and the seep water his wounds are not mortal. and back water from behind, our levees have gone to pieces. Yesterday crumble away before his very eyes."

Wages Being Lowered

and factories have made reductions in tlement, but this can not be done short wages, which were not accepted by the of a year's time. men, and now it is expected the United men apply. It is feared trouble will

A. M. Byers & Co., who made a similar reduction, have closed the mill, as they had signed with the Amalgamated to pay \$4.50. They will await the result at Oliver's before deciding on further action.

The men at Mackintosh & Hamphill's mill, who have been cut 10 per cent, with an increase in hours from nine to ten, have also decided not to accept the increase of hours.

A Disastrous Fire.

Cincinnati, O., April 5 .- At 1 o'clock yesterday morning an automatic fire alarm notified the central fire tower of Two women were fatally cut at Hua blaze in the George F. Otte carpet manaville, Mo., the other day. house on the south side of Fourth street one door east of Race street. The entire fire department was called out and a battle royal began. Otte's entire stock, valued at \$300,000 and insured for \$150,000, was destroyed in less than two hours. The entire interior of the Otte Building was burned out and the rear wall fell into Baker alley.

Middlesboro, Ky., April 5.—Midules-boro is again flooded. The water is four nches higher than in the flood five weeks ago. Most the streets in Cumberland avenue are flooded. Sixty-five families have been washed out. Three hundred people are fed by the city. Boats are plying on the principal streets. At Pineville the Cumberland river was rising three feet per hour last night. West Pineville is under water, Clinch and Powell rivers are flooding the entire country.

Cuban Expedition Prevented

Jacksonville, Fla., April 5.- The cruiser Vesuvius prevented a Cuban ex-LEVEES REPORTED GIVING WAY pedition from leaving Fernandina Friday night and captured the tug Alexander Jones of Wilmington, N. C. The cruster left here suddenly Friday af-River is Rising - The Water Will Sweep Spanish Vice Consul Potous that an Over Thousands of Acres of Land Cuban expedition would leave Fernandina at 12 o'clock at night. The cruiser went down the river and anchored off Fernandina bar. About 12 o'clock a tug with only two lights burning at the me thead was seen approaching and the flashlight of the Vesuvius was

17.7 feet, 0.1 above the figure of Satur- An officer from the Vesuvius was day, but this was anticipated and no placed aboard and then the cruiser uneasiness is resultant. Along the en- went out to sea in search of the Bertire river front of the Crescent city the muda, which was expected. A steamer rations there were of a poorer quality vigilance of the authorities has not was finally seen coming from the south been, nor will it be relaxed in the most having the same signals displayed as pital, where there are 300 patients. He La., about a year ago. The boys were remote degree, and absolute local con- those of the Jones. The flashlight was issued orders to the effect that all per- both under 20 years of age. They were fidence prevails. All the levees are apagain used, at which the steamer turn- sons convicted of depriving the sick of born and reared in France, near Paris; parently in splendid condition and are ed and started in another direction. A what is due them will be severely pun- were well educated, but very much able to stand considerable pressure yet, signal from the Vesavius brought the ished. Reports from Greenville, Miss., state steamer to a standstill, however, and Among those who are said to be im- mother died, several years ago, they that the Sunday was gloriously fine, the was seen to be the Bermuda. The plicated in the scandal is a prominent had neither money nor occupation. but the inhabitants of the town were Bermuda was outside the three-mile property owner and a member of the They emigrated to America and trampvery naturally in rather depressed limit, and under the British flag, so Santa Clara provincial deputation. It ed from New York to New Orleans state if mind. Skiffs and water crafts that the commander of the Vesuvius is further believed that the responsibil- without securing work. They reached of all sorts are much in demand and had no authority to detain her. The ity will reach other and more impor- the latter city with 50 cents in their Bermuda apparently had no cargo on tant persons of high social standing, purse, sought employment for two that often comes with youth, are mak- board, standing very high out of the It is said also that several officers of weeks and set out to beg their way to

The Jones was escorted into the port of Fernandina and turned over to Coltion taws in having only two lights dising in Tunica county, six miles below played. The plans of the Cubans were for Gen. Sanguilly to leave this city with a party of Cubans for Fernandina. United States government is to erect astrous consequences will follow in its A small tug was then to tow the two wake, affecting as it does a superbly lighters loaded with arms and ammunition and the men out to the bar where they were to be met by the ture Jones with coal and provisions aboard. and everything was to be transferred to the Bermuda. The quick action of the Vesuvius prevented their plans from being carried out.

A Fatal Shooting. Birmingham, Ala., April 5.-Details of a fatal shooting affray which took

John Atwell, Saturday went to Mc-

the leg and body. "The expected has happened after Harvill fied and is being pursued by ed from San Juan y Martinez, in the sense of this committee that all such weary days and nights of watching, enraged friends of McCombs. If over- western part of the province of Pinar citizens shall be protected in their inworking and waiting. After fighting taken more bloodshed may result, Jack del Rio, since the insurrection broke dividual royalty so long as we exist as

No More Leased Land. lake levee. This is the work which the Klowa, Comanche and Apache of the insurrection. ness and because it was pivotable. He have on them as their old leases ex- er into the province of Mantanzas. has held it against big odds to see it pire inside of three weeks. This action of the department indicates that the present administration intends to carry out the treaty made several years ago with the tribes and allot their lands Pittsburg, Pa., April 5.-Several mills so as to throw the residue open to set-

Labor league, the Amalgamated Asso- Bellefontaine, Pa., April 5.—The forciation of Iron and Steel Workers, the est fires in the surrounding mountains the government is not yet known, if phis. Pattern Makers' and Iron Molders' are spreading at an alarming rate. All indeed a final one has been reached, unions and several other organizations efforts to check the flames have proven but it is believed in official circles that will be drawn into the labor troubles futile, and unless a heavy rain sets in both the king and the cabinet will favor executive session Thursday confirmed which will start to-day at Oliver Bros.' many thousands of acres of valuable active measures. It is reported here that the following nominations: Anson Bur-Tenth street mill. The puddlers have timber will go up in somke. The aprefused to work at the reduction of 50 proach of the fires to the lumber camps cents per ton, which goes into effect has caused great excitement and the this morning, and the managers will at- woodsmen have left their workings. tempt to start the mill with whatever The worst damage has been done in the timber lands several miles north of Millersburg.

Crushed to Death Texarkana, Ark., April 5.- Joe Gonzales, aged 65, was mashed to death Saturday night by a freight train in the Texas and Pacific yards here. He was crawling through the cars, not knowing that they were in readiness to start. Deceased was a Spaniard and formerly a chipbuilder. He came to Texarkana heart with a winchester rifle, after in 1880 from Dallas, Texas, where he had lived for several years. He has a years old and had no children. daughter living in Corsicana

A sailing skiff capsized in the Niegara river recently, drowning two per-

Lyached. Bronco Pete-Yes, lady: I wuz wid yer son w'en he died. He looked jes'

like an angel, too, w'en he was dyin'. Mrs. Brown (weeping)-He did? Bronco Pets-Oh, yes indeed he did -swingin' back and forth in de air. your know, almost ez if he had wings, -Judge.

Little Edith-Papa said you do everything so gracefully, Miss Tenseasons. Miss Tenseasons-Did he? How sweet

of him! Little I dith-Yes; he said you even knew how to grow old gracefully .-- Illustrated Bits.

Gus De Smith-I wonder if the editor of the Bugle would say a good word for cur erenation society f I asked him? Jones-I guess so. Nothing pleases him any better than giving somebody a

GEN. WEYLER TALKS.

MUST BE TREATED WELL.

He lasted Orders That all Persons Convicted of Depriving the Sick of What is Due Them Will be Severely Punished A Double Hanging.

Havana, April 3,-Dispatches from ienfugos, province of Santa Clara, an- his sins would be forgiven. nounce that Captain General Weyler has ordered the arrest and imprisonment of the chief of police there, Senor Morreo, the several police inspectors and thirty-five other persons. It ap- the lever was sprung by Sheriff Broustained twenty patients, made inquiries Their bodies were buried yesterday afwhich elicited the information that the ternoon in the Catholic cemetery. than those served in the military hos- Simon Begnaud, a merchant at Scott,

connection with the same affair. The captain general has given a din-

lector of Customs Baltzell, who placed ner to the commanders of the volunteer a deputy aboard. The tug probably will corps of the Cienfugos district, a force yet occurred in the Yazoo delta levee be fined for a violation of the naviga- he holds in high esteem. He praised the volunteers for their always honor- Paris, able acts in the past, saying they had shared with the regular army in the toil and sufferings which fell to the lot

of those who were serving the country. The captain general in conclusion informed the volunteers that they represented the nerve of the Spanish nationality in the Antilles. The military commander of a certain

ed to the captain general announcing the surrender of an important insurgent leader and his followers was impending, and asking Gen. Weyler to call back the column of troops which were in pursuit of the leader referred to and to stop all operations against him, pending his surrender. The captain general replied that he would not lives of those who desire to surrender vees are holding out well, the weather creached upon the land in dispute, Har- authorities will be respected by the

The military line across the province four hours. The same report comes yard. While at a distance of seventy- cupying the island of Turingana, off from Plaquemine, La., and the guage five yards from the place Harvill and the Moron coast, have constructed a same will be presented to-day: Atwell opened fire, one with a shotgun fort in the only pass which is possible The levees at Helena, Ark., are re- and the other with a pistol. The Mc- to get through, and the Spanish milita- ment of lands and mineral interests. ported breaking and the fellowing pa- Combses, who appeared to have been ry authorities believe that part of that respectfully submit that, occurred at Williamson's levee will be winchesters, responded, and for several of the insurgents under Gen. Maximo tees to every citizen discovering minminutes a hot hattle was kept up. When Comez that nothing is left to the latter

The first telegraphic dispatch receiv- money in developing mines, it is the McCombs is under arrest. It is thought out, arrived Thursday.

The Marquis Palmerota, secretary of the government, has arrived from Cien- lotment of our lands there should be Anadarko, Ok., April 5.-Indian fuegos, and trains are now running no half way measures, and that in ormorning at 7 o'clock the Williamson Agent Baldwin has received orders east and west without any difficulty, der to incite our citizens to take proper evees, two miles below this city, gave from the department to withdraw the which is pointed to by the Spanish au- interest in their homes and to accelway at a point 1000 feet north of Long advertisements for proposals to lease thorites as being proof of the decline crate their progress and advancement

has been under the direct charge of Mr. lands. The advertisements were insert. The Alfonso XIII battalion, at a fort our allotments without reservatin of Ed Pillow, the most superb waterfight. ed in the Texas papers several weeks across the Henabana river, on the bor- the minerals they contain. er in all this country. Mr. Pillow had ago the cattlemen who were ready to dors of Santa Clara, near Gueracabuya, been given charge of this section of lease the lands are wondering what was engaged with a force of 200 insurthe levee because of its known weak- they will do with the large herds they gents who were trying to cross the rivwhere they awaited the advance the insurgents were defeated with a losa

of many men.

Urged to Take Prompt Action. Athens, April 3.-The newspapers unanimously urge the government to take prompt action before the powers present an ultimatum. The decision of

A Fatal Tragedy. Lexington, Ky., April 3.- News has been received here from Hayden, Les-He county, of a double tragedy. Tom Oglethrope, a prosperous farmer, accused his wife of having been intimate with Henry Schneider, a farm hand. They quarreled and Oglethrope's wife him. Ogiethrope then went Schneider and shot him through the which he killed himself. He was 23

The Flooded District. Memphis, Tenn., April 3.- The flood situation has once more become acute from a point a few miles above Austin Miss., as far down as the first break As sweetly dropped from her at Perthshire, Miss, and a crevasse in this line of levees would not be surprising. The pressure on the levee is brought almost entirely by the water of the St. Francis basin, which is here congested between the levees in front

of Helena. There is no levee on the

Arkansas shore from San Souci down

to a point above Helena, a distance of

Arbitration Treaty. Washington, April 3.-The senate yesterday in executive sesison concluded its consideration of all amendments to the arbitration trenty. The voting "but I don't see why she didn't stay on additional amendments began at 4 home an' marry Bill; he's purty good o'clock, after three hours of general de- at figgers, an' kin count well as any of bate, and in the hour and a half which 'em."-Atlanta Constitution followed about a dozen propositions were passed upon. Two only were changes. Of those adopted one, offered has hair as golden as the butter her by Senator Bacon, exempts the claims | father sells. against Southern states from the operstion of the treaty.

A Double Hanging Lafeyette, La., April 3 .- Alexis and

Ernest Blanc were executed here at SAYS THE SICK IN HOSPITALS 2:11 p. m. yesterday in the presence of 300 spectators. There was much interest manifested, but no disorder. Ernest made a speech from the gallows, in which he cautioned all bad people to listen to the advice of their betters. being adjudged for his sins on earth and it was all due to bad books he was in the habit of reading. He was sure

Alexis, the younger, did not speak, as he agreed that his brother was to talk

for both. The black caps were adjusted at 2:11 pears that the captain general, while sard himself. The fall was 6 feet and visiting the marine hospital which con- the necks of both men were broken.

Alexis and Ernest Blanc murdered

spoiled. As a consequence when their high rank will shortly be arrested in Texas. They met a planter at Scott, who gave them home and work. They educated themselves in English and read all the books they could find. The life of Jesse James decided them to win fortune by a bold stroke and return to

The robbery of Begnaud was decided upon and they bought revolvers and sharpened two piongards, then waited their chance. After lying concealed for three nights they were able to get into Begnaud's store when he was alone before retiring. They diverted his attention and as he rose they put pistols to his head. They forced him to open his town in Santa Clara recently telegraph- safe, bound and gagged him, got the key of his money drawer from him and obtained about \$3000. Then they forced him to sit on his bed, and while helplessly pinloned, stabbed him to death to prevent his securing their arrest. He was wounded fifty-six times

The Dawes Commission

Atoka, I. T., April 3:-The Dawe Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian commissions have been in session all day The townsite committee, consisting of Messes, Stuart, Wilk'nson, Douglas and

Potter, presented a resolution. Thomason of Lehigh and McGowan of Krebs represented the mining inter-At Bayou Sara, La., the river was Combs' house to obtain satisfaction. As of Puerto Principe from Jucarao, in the est. A meeting of the Choctaw and rising and last night stood at 37.6, a they approached they saw McCombs south, to Moron in the north, has been Chickasaw Protective association was rise of one-tenth in the past twenty- and his 18-year-old son in the front entirely closed. The Spanish troops oc- held yesterday evening, at which the following report was adopted, and the

"We, the committee on the allot-

"Whereas, our constitution guaranprivilege of working the same; and, "Whereas, acting under this, the citizens have expended their time and

a nation. "We further believe that in the al-

we should have absolute titles to all

Interstate Commerce Commission Washington, April 3.-The interstate commerce commissioners will leave The enemy occupied good positions, here to-day to begin an investigation of the of the charges of discrimination made troops. In the fight which followed, against a number of railroads. They will go first over the Southern railway to Savannah, and then to Jacksonville I'la., and to Austin, Tex. The commission will be away several weeks, and on the way back will take up an investigation of the discrimination at Mem-

Nomination Confirmations. there is great excitement among the lingame Johnson, to be consul of the Macedonians and Epirioles in Thessa- United States at Amay, China; Charlely because of the rumors of the excess- magne Tower of Pennsylvania, to be minister of Austria-Hungary; Wm. S. Shailenberger of Pennsylvania, to be second assistant postmaster general; Alexander Montgomery Thackara of Pennsylvania, to be consul to Havre, France, and several promotions in the

army and marine corps of the pavy. Great Age Rounired. He-Who is the large lady who came with you?

Miss Passe-My chaperone. He-Isn't it usual for chaperones to be older than their charges? A Granted Request.

"Oh, speak that word of letters thee,"

He said, "and I shall happy be."

A smile across her face did fit,

-B. T. W. in Up to Date.

Mr. Cohen Oblecta Abe-Fadder, ter dentist says ter save mine tooth he vill haf ter pud in a golt crown. Mr. Cohen-Tell him ter make it brass, Abey; I vould nefer lisden to

such a vaste of peautiful golt. A Rural Arithmetician. "I see by this here paper," said the deacon, "that Molly Spinks is gone and got married to a count."
"So I've hearn," replied his wife,

By Comparison Tom (rapturously)-That dairyman's adopted, except some making verbal daughter is a beautiful creature. She

Dick-Yes, and eyes as blue as the

milk he sella.

A Dispatch Says if England Refuses to

New York, April 1 .- A dispatch from St. Petersburg says:

The irritation as regards the impedprevents any serious or continuous pol- west. ley among the powers, and which England.

ital."

alous condition of defending and sid- back up to Helena. ing with the Turks against Christians. With the same weakness they are murdering Turkish matters."

A telegram received from Vienna says that if England refuses to join in the blockade all the other powers will pursue the blockade without her.

Curiously enough all this comes short that Lord Salisbury and M. Hano- to no less than 5000 people. taux's interview has been most satisfactory, showing that a perfect entente prevails between the two governments.

London, April 1 .- A correspondent at Volo, Greece, telegraphs: "A thousand reservists reached Volo yesterday. This is extremely important and I am confident that the national society is beginning to move.

"A public meeting held here yesterday afternoon sent a deputation to welcome Prince Constantine and tell him that the whole population hopes for an immediate advance. The crown prince thanked them for their loyal devotion and said he was profoundly touched by the boundless enthusiasm and added:

"I am confident that if the necessity for war should arise we hall be ready to do our duty for our country. Let us still hope, however, that peace will crown our just and patriotic ambitions; in the meanwhile let us feel perfect confidence in the decisions of the king safety and honor of the country."

Cattle Exported.

cars containing 400 head of fat cattle el. ported direct to Liverpool.

and the car had to be transferred.

soil. The shipment is expected to reach fect order has again been restored and Galveston by 10 o'clock to-day. Twen- a careful summing up of the storm's ty to twenty-one days are required out doings are made possible. lish soil.

Galveston.

Minister Terrell's Complaint.

stolen money and the arrest and pun- began its part in the work of destrucishment of the guilty parties.

Severely Injured. Texarkana, Ark., April 1.-Further information recived here of the wrecked freight train on the Cotton It is reported that 600 men of the

Superannuation System Abeliahed. Ottowa, Ont., April 1.-The postmaster general has introduced in the house of commons a bill abolishing the civil service superannuation system and establishing instead a retiring allowance fund. The bill provides that a certain per cent will be deducted from the officials' salaries, and this amount with interest added half-year," at 5 per cent per annum will be gi.en to the official when he retired or to his relatives should be cheekbone as their touchstone for dedie in the service.

The Presided District.

Memphis, Tenn., April 1.- A heavy; rainfall accompanied by a strong gale from the west is adding to the horror of the flood situation 150 miles below Memphis in the Mississippi delm. Four breaks, each letting in a stream as large a the Ohio river at Cincinnati or the Join in the Blockade all the Other Pow- Hudson river at Albany, and this treers Will Pursue the Blockade Without mendous outflow has caused a fall of only one-tenth at Vicksburg, immediately below the last break.

All the forces of nature are against the people. The rainfall increases and iment put forward against the prompt wind was from the east it would mean settlement of affairs in the east, which little, but the gale is blowing from the

break at Westover, which occurred at of Star City about half a mile. discord in Europe, out, of which she perienced levee men saw the danger way on foot. would traditionally make piratical cap- and cried out a word of warning and

rear or west side went to pieces at a late hour Monday and the water rushed in and spread itself over 30,000 acres of of the absolutely authentic telegrams the most fertile land in Arkansas, cut

> Last night Gunnison, Miss., Rosedale and a dozen small towns were under water. The whole country, as predicted last night, is inundated.

Already the loss of cattle has been enormous. The corn that was planted and growing is under the water and the preparations for cotton planting were well under way. The plowed earth will be swept into the Yazoo and thence into the Mississippi.

Details of the Chandler Storm.

Guthrie, Ok., April 1.-Chaos reigns in the town of Chandler. Tuesday night's tornado has turned the peaceful town of 1500 inhabitants into a veritable morgue and its principal business buildings and residences lie wrecked in all directions, a grim reminder of the storm's work.

As yet there is no way of getting at the actual number of dead and woundand legal authorities, who will without ed, so intense is the confusion that predoubt take every step necessary for the vails. The death list is variously estimated at from twenty-five to fifty, with the injured numbering from seventy-

At Galveston the cattle will be loaded of its inhabitants dead or dying and count of the damage done. on the steamship Cuban, now awaiting the remainder too badly injured or unmarkets. A finer hard was probably the night and added horror to the situ; of these places. never shipped from Southern soil, the ation. The injured in many cases unaverage weight on the entire shipment availingly cried for help and lay in the being 1350 pounds. They were weighed wrecks of their houses till daylight in drafts of four, and a reporter saw made it possible for them to help themone quartet of big fellows that tipped selves or when aid from surrounding the scales at 5960, being almost 1500 towns arrived. Many of the wrecks pounds to the head. One steer in partic- took fire and burned themselves out, ular was so heavy that the plank floor several still emoldering when morning in the car gave way under his weight, broke over the town. From the fire's work may finally come the worst real-This is the first shipment for cattle izstion of the disaster, for it is beever exported from the port at Gal- lieved that many of the missing were veston, and every steer in the lot was burned to death. This phase of the sitborn and raised on Indian Territory untion will not be cleared away till per-

of Galveston to land the cattle on Eng- The tornado struck Chandler without warning about 6 o'clock Tuesday even-The trains had streamers on either ing. Its work of carnage had been side reading: "First cattle exported done before the inhabitants realized from a Texas port. Fed and sold by what was on them and hardly any Ardmore Oil and Milling company, means of escape was left open. Tearing Ardmore, I. T., for Liverpool, Eng- through the business district, stores were hurled and lifted high into the air Meesrs, L. P. Anderson, B. Frensley and tossed in every direction. The and Will Greene were among the guests court house, in which Chief Justice who will accompany the shipment to Dale was holding court, was taken off its foundation and the building nearly death. He was numbered with the best least four others will die. crushed. Passing on to the residence district, the wind demon wreaked its figure in musical circles here. His pa-Washington, April 1.-Minister Ter- vengeance there and raged in the open rell at Constantinople has informed the country and finally spent itself there. formed a quartette that was always in state department that one Zusuf Zun- The trail in the west was one of ruin demand. nan, charged with the distribution of most complete. Houses rested on their relief funds at Saird, in Asiatic Turkey, tops, trees were made unrecognizable was murdered at that place and robbed by having been piled high with debris. of £500. On the assumption that the Soon fire followed the cyclone's work victim was engaged in the distribution and here and there bright flames flashof the American relief funds, Mr. Ter- ed up into the sky. Overturned stoves rell has requested the recovery of the had caught and, unhampered, the fire

In Readiness to Sail.

tion.

Valletta, Island of Malta, April 1 .-Belt reveals the fact that James Phe- Welsh fusileers have been ordered to bus, local car repairer for that com- hold themselves in readiness for empany, L. H. Morgan and W. K. Teague, barkation to the island of Crete, the bus being caught under the car, made admirals commanding the fleets of the a miraculous escape from death. The powers in those waters having asked two brakemen were saved by jumping for reinforcements of troops to preand just as they left their caboose it vent any further advance of the insurwas smashed into splinters. All the gents upon the Turkish positions and wounded were taken to the hospital at to occupy in force for that purpose several strategic positions.

> There was a severe cyclone at Gladys, Ark., the other evening.

> At Los Augeles, Cal., Max Werner, deceased, left \$50,000 to his mother,

The Sensitive Checkbone It is a mistake to suppose that the tip of the tongue is the most sensitive part of the body. Those engaged in polishing billiard balls or any other substances that require a very high degree of smoothness invariably use the tecting any roughness,

DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

ARKANSAS WAS THE SCENE OF THE GREAT LOSS.

Three People Were Killed Outright and of Star City Suffered the Greates

the wind intensifies the danger. If the aroused by the terrific roaring of a full- ley has been ordered to proceed to Honfledged cyclone.

causes Greek enthusiasm by waking up Helena to Arkansas City last night was dealing devastation to everything in its island state that the Japanese are fallacious hopes, finds vent here in a as full of holes as the outer wall of a path, which was from one-quarter to greatly excited over the determination torrent of newspaper abuse against fortification after a seige. There is a one-half mile in width. It passed south of the Hawalian governments to pre-

stream, leads his article with the head- crash came. For a moment a thin work of the cyclone found the roads so numbers are concerned, and Japan has ing, "Caught Red Handed," and says thread of water began to trickle from strewn with timbers and trees that he been credited with encouraging emigra-

the laborers rushed back and in five complete circle around the town, nearly ment from San Francisco that Admiral The Glasnost, in this connection, minutes a gap fifty feet wide and six every house within a small radius in Beardsley has received orders to sail says: "The whole responsibility for feet deep was torn in the wall of the every direction being totally demolish-Crete rests on the inertness of the pow- earth. The break grew until it is now ed, while large trees were uprooted, night. Admiral Ramsey was rather ers. Had they acted firmly and rapidly several hundred feet wide. This cre- dashed to the ground and twisted into reticent about denying or affirming the last autumn the present condition of at- vasse is ten miles below Helena and the fragments. The country roads in every story. fairs would not exist and the powers water rushing through it will destroy direction are impassable, being block-

The home of Reese Dunlap, a negro. the Arkansas shore. The Laconia cir- was the first place reached by the cor- lie in his territory and he is at liberty cle country a few miles below Westover respondent. Dunlap's entire house and to proceed there without orders from could be heard groans and cries for is under water. This circle is sur- everything it contained was blown to the navy department. He has just arrounded by a levee. The levee in the the four winds, even his wife and chil- rived at San Diego, and it is just possidren being landed on the spot that was ble that he received a suggestion from other citizens have left here for the their garden before the cyclone struck the department to go to Honolulu, but scene with surgical instruments, drugs it. The wife was badly hurt, but the no orders were sent, and it is entirely and other supplies. children escaped with a few bruises, optional with him whether the squadfrom the French foreign office, saying up into plantations, giving a support As for the house there was not so much ron go to the island or not." as a single whole plank.

ginning to come in with information of be in the ordinary routine of the squadthe destruction of both life and proper- ron.

J. M. Falls, who lived about one mile and a half east of Star City, had his dwelling and all outhouses, barns, etc., entirely destroyed, but his family escaped. Mr. Jim Young, his neighbor, lost his

barns and stables. Mr. Baty Donaldson, a little farther on, lost his dwelling.

The next point heard from was Bayou Bartholemew, on Mr. John C. Hendrick's large plantation, who lost all his main buildings, including two large storehouses. His plantation is almost a total wreck. On his place three persons are known to have been killed outright, and a large number are reported seriously, some fatally, wounded.

The little town is completely hemmed in from all directions save from the west. It will be several days before vehicles of any kind can travel the mouth of the St. Francis to a point dead had been reported. five to twice that number. Already, the roads where the cyclone passed, south of Helena, for no break occurs S. Hightower, Deputy Marshal John twenty dead bodies have been recover- Never in the history of this part of the state has such a cyclone been below that city. The worst at Helena the court, F. A. Niblack, Father George for Liverpool left here about 1 p. m. The night in Chandler was one of in- known. It is impossible at this writ- will be known by Sunday. yesterday in two trains for Galveston, describable terror. With a better part ing to give anything like a definite ac-

their arrival at the wharf, and be ex- able from fright or because of the dark- destruction of several large planta- under water for thrity days and the building around and hurled it into the ness to render assistance, little better tions along Bayou Bartholemew, main line and branch lines of the Ya- street a complete wreck. The shipment was purchased by Mr. order than bediam prevailed. Rain among them being those of Alf Cog- 200 and Mississippi Valley road will Fifteen or twenty people in the build-Gould, representing a Boston syndicate, poured down upon the disconsolate in- bill, W. C. Lee and Judge Owens' from the cil mill people, for the foreign habitants all during the weary hours of place. The loss is very great at each

Killed Accidentally.
Shreveport, La., April 2.—Wednesday afternoon Mr. Frank Parker and Mr. D. J. Thurston were scorching down Main street on their bicycles. As they The special car of President F. I. Gowapproached Louisiana street a negro en of the Chootaw, Oklahoma and Gulf named Charlie Alum, the cook at the, railway went west to El Reno yesterparish jail, was calmly ercorning the day morning. On board were President street and had took no notice of the ap- F. I. Gowen, General Manager Henry proaching scorchers until yelled at by Wood, Traffic Manager J. F. Holden, Major W. H. Tunnard to get out of Purchasing Agent Yarnall and General the way. The negro became confused Master Mechanic James Cunningham. on hearing the warning cry, and see- After a thorough inspection of the road ing the rushing bicycles, did not suc- President Gowen will return to Philceed in getting out of the way. Mr. adelphia. Parker's bicycle struck him, throwing him over in the direction of Mr. Thurs-

position he held at the time of his John C. Kyle and two children. At musicians and has been a prominent tents and only brother, with himself,

Russian women are said to be the most brilliant and accomplished in Europe. They are great linguists, too. At a swell function recently given in Vienna, the Princess Helene Gottschofscskyposkovsky was the only one present who could pronounce her own name.

Destructive Hallstorm.

Mount Vernon, Mo., April 2,-This vicinity was visited Wednesday evening by the most terrific and destructive hail storm ever witnessed here. Hallstones weighing ten and twelve ounces fell in great profusion, and with such force and rapidity that not a house in the community escaped more or less injury. Not only were shingle roofs damaged, but the heavy iron roofs of the flouring and planing mills were rendered useless. Stock of all kinds suffered.

Fight With Bandits

Ardmore, I. T., April 2 .- From parties just in from Ravia, I. T., it is learned that Wednesday night a posse of Indian Territory deputies marshal, headed by Deputy McLamore, run on to a band of outlaws near that place and a desperate fight ensued. Particulars are meager. The desperadoes are seven in number, and three of them are known to have been wounded in the engagement. None of the officers were injured.

Rumer of Trouble in Hawait.

San Diego, Cal., April 2.-Rear Admiral Beardsley received orders from flagship Philadelphia to Honolulu. The order was followed by a number of cipher dispatches. The greatest excite-Others Were Injured. The Little Town ment prevails on board, as intimations have been given that trouble ie expected between the Americans and Japanese. The Philadelphia will load all the Star City, Ark., April 2.-About 1 coal possible and will get away about o'clock Wednesday afternoon the people Wednesday. None of the other vessels of Star City, Lincoln county, were will go. The news that Admiral Beardsolulu is taken here as an indication and in less time than it takes to tell it trouble in Hawaii over the Japanese of here, completely devastating the On the Arkansas side the levee from a terrible and destructive cyclone was question. The latest advices from the In the St. Petersburg Riga, a well an early hour yesterday morning. A A corerspondent who started out on grants. The Japanese are already the known political writer named Gold- thousand men were at work when the horseback to get the details of the deminant power on the island as far as

The cyclone seems to have made at Washington, April 2. The announces

"If Admiral Beardsley," said he, "has

Admiral Ramsey was emphatic The course of the storm was from a his opinion that there would be no sigsouthwestern to a northeast direction. nificance in the war vessels going to Couriers from all directions are be- Honolulu, and that such a cruise would

Memphis, Tenn., April 2.-The flood situation in the Mississippi delta above Greenville was decidedly better last nigh as to threatened loss to life and further destruction of levees. The half dozen crevasses on the Arkansas and Mississippi shores between Helena and low lands, but not with that degree of dren. rapidity that cuts off escape to the in- Fatally injured: Arthur Jewett, Peglow Helena to the Wayside crevasse. The dicline above Greenville in many worth. pieces is as great as ten incher. How- But two buildings are left standing in ger, for the waters from the St. Fran- Island store. cis besin in Arkansas are still swell-

in the delta can not be exaggerated. have more than 100 miles of track in- ing were badly hurt and neveral are undated.

Opposite Pertshire, the upper crevasse, a mile of track has been completely washed away.

South McAlester, L. T., April 2 .-

The Chandler Storm

ton's cycle, resulting in a general Guthrie, Ok., April 2.-The correct smashup. Mr. Thurston escaped with list of the dead at Chandler as given slight injuries and the negro was badly out by the relief committee is as folhurt, but Mr. Parker was insensible lows: In town, Attorney John Dawson, when picked up and died yesterday af- Edgar S. Demoss. James Woodyard ternoon from concussion of the brain, and wife, Mrs. Tom Smith, Mr. and worth. Mr. Parker came here about ten Mrs. D. C. Johnson and little son, Mrs. years ago from Lexington. Ky., and Philip Johnson and child, Mrs. Dr. Lee, has been most of the time in the em- Miss Emma Ritterstein, D. E. Johnson, ploy of the Pacific Express company, a Emma Dressinger. In the country,

Rivers to be Shot

New York, April 2 .- A Havana special says: Gen. Rivera will probably be shot soon, as Gen. Weyler has given orders that he be tried by courtmartial on the spot immediately. He may be put to death Saturday, in spite of his wounds, or the Spanish may cure his wounds and then shoot him.

The certain execution of this brave, wounded prisoner of war excites indignation here. No other alleged civilized nation is capable of such an act.

& Co., manufacturers of paper and flour bags, appointed a receiver recently.

At Cleveland, O., the Adams, Jewett

A severe blizzard was reported raging over Nebraska the other day.

Real Competition.

So strong is the desire of the Polk county, Ore., newspapers to do the public printing that after one had offered to furnish 10,000 letter heads for a cent. the other paid \$2 for the privilege of doing the job.

Needed Sleep. A physiological writer asserts that up to 20 a youth needs nine hours' sleep, and an adult should have eight or nine. The neglect of this rule re-

Twinkles.

sults in exhaustion, excitability and physical and intellectual disorder. In Europe the Salvation Army has taken care of 3,000 Armenian refugees. Mrs. Henry Peck-I wonder who first used the expression, "And only man is vile." Mr. Henry Peck-Oh. some woman suffragist, I suppose!-

CHANDLER IN RUINS.

Washington to proceed at once with the A TORNADO DEALS DEATH AND special river bulletin: DESTRUCTION.

> Nineteen Dead Bodies Have Airendy Been Removed from the Debris Many Injured Physicians and Cuizens Leave for the

Guthrie Ok. March 31.-At 6 o'clock vesterday evening a terrific tornado followed by hail and flood swept through that the government is apprehensive of the town of Chandler, forty miles east injured and many killed. Darkness vent illegal landing of Japanese immi- at opee came on and the work of res-

The telephone office was carried away and at 1 o'clock last night a telephone "that England wants the Greek to sow the inner wall of the embankment. Exassistance. Up to that time Mr. and Mrs. John Woodman, Mrs. Harry Mitchell, Mrs. Tom Smith, Attorney John Dowson and two unknown persons had been found dead and fully 150 people

Chandler is a town of 1500 people. would not find themselves in the anom- a dozen splendid plantations and may aded with debris of every imaginable decided to go to Honolulu with his flagship, there is no significance in the mass of torn trees and wrecked houses movement of the vessel, as the island makes it impossible to reach near all the people in the dark. On every side A large number of physicians and

> Nincteen dead bodies have been tak en from the ruins. A dozen of the inin jured are dying and there are un-

The wrecked buildings have taken fire and are burning flercely and many of the injured met death by fire, while pinned fast under the debris. In one building five injured people burned to death and at another place the incinerated bodies of three unknown children

have been taken out All physicians are killed or injured but one. In addition to the dead already reported are: F. Demoff, Emma Dressenger, D. C. Johnson and wife, Greenville have drawn an immense Mrs. Philip Johnson and child, Mrs. volume of water cut of the main chan- Dr. Lee, A. Kellar and wife, unknown nel, which is spreading itself over the woman and baby, five unknown chil-

habitants of the low country. The gle Johnson, Mrs. Frank McCall, D. C. river shows a decline from a point be- Gooding, Maggie Reaves, Andrew Asher and wife, Mrs. Cullum, Jennie Wood-

ever, Helena, Ark., is not out of dan- the town, the Mitchell bank and Rock Up to midnight the list of injured

until Westover is reached, ten miles McCartney, the Ulam sisters, clerk of state.

The tornado struck the courthouse presented. News has just reached here of the Five counties will be for the most part while court was in session, twisted the

still missing. A late report says that ex-Mayor Mc-Elhenney of this city and one member

of his family were killed and the others injured. At 1 o'clock yesterday morning

twenty-one dead bodies had been taken from the ruins. Seventy-five to 100 persons are badly injured, and a dozen or more of these are reported dying.

The following is the list of dead so far as known at 1 o'clock: Mr. Woodman, Mrs. Woodman, Mrs. Henry States consul general at Havana. Mitchell, Mrs. Tom Smith, Attorney John Dawson, F. Demoff, Emma Dres- ccutive session and at 4:25 adjourned. singer, D. C. Johnson, Mrs. D. C. Johnson, Mrs. Phillip Johnson and child, Mrs. D. Lee, A. W. Keller and wife, un- Altoona, Pa., March 31,-An attempt krown woman and babe, five unknown was made late Monday night and early are: Arthur Jewett, Peggy Johnson, four incindiary fires having been kin-Mrs. Frank McCann. D. C. Gooding, dled in different parts of the city be-Maggie Reaves, Andrew A. Asher and tween the hours of 11 and 1:30 o'clock. wife, Mrs. Cullum and Jennie Woods- Prompt work by the fire department

The Rectifier's License.

cal liquor dealers declare is a death diary, as they started in widely sepablow to bottled cocktails has been dealt rated sections of the town. here. The United States treasury department has decided that all retailers

efded. Whitecappers' Raid. Texarkana, Ark., March 31 .- Dr. D. M. Smith of Texarkena Junction was aroused from his slumbers Sunday night by the report of a gun, which was fired by his door. Emerging from his room, he saw the retreating figure of parties, who were then beyond the reach of his weapon. In the morning there was found on his gatepost a skull and bone sign, and a short distance down the road he spied his buggy, which had been drawn away by the in-

Hank Robbed Galesburg, Ild., March 31.-The Onei-

the top torn off.

truders. The spokes were cut out and

da (Iil.) State bank was robbed Monday night. Entrance was made through the front door. The safe was wrecked with nitro-glycerine. The amount taken is between \$3000 to \$5000. The men escaped on a handcar. It was evidently the work of professionals. Two Chicago men have been arrested here on suspicion of being the perpetrators. They are John Hevlin and Geo. Schern. The bank was insured against loss.

News from the Plond. Washington, March 31 -The weather

bureau yesterday issued the following

During the past twenty-four hours the Ohio, Cumberland, Tennessee and

Arkansas rivers have fallen slowly, and the Red has risen. The central St. Francis river has risen two feet since Saturday, and is

still rising rapidly. The upper Mississippi, from St. Paul to Duluth, has risen slightly, and is

above the danger line at LaCrosse, The Mississippi has fallen slightly from Keokuk to Cairo, and risen from Helena to New Orleans, except a slight

near that place. It is above the danger line from Cairo Arkansas City is above the extreme high water of any previous years.

full at Arkansas City, due to a crevasse

central and lower Mississippi 0.2.

From Davenport to St. Louis no made ready for the sea, flooding has occurred except on the islands and lowiands, of which ample vestonians tendered a dinner to Mr. warning was given by the bureau last Joseph Gould, the shipper of the catthe tops of levees in this district, nor manager of the Fort Worth stockyards. is it likely to from the water now in

Serious breaks in the levees have oc- Waco, Tex., April 3.-One of the surred within the past forty-eight hours waterworks systems is completing & at Australia, Stop Landing and Way- line of mains and pipes which will exside. Miss. The water from these cre- tend it ten miles and give that system vasses will flow into the Yazoo basin, twenty-eight miles of underground and it is probable that the countles of water pipes in Waco. The other sys-Belivar, Washington, Issaquena and tem has fifty miles of mains and pipes Sharkey, Miss., will be flooded. The in operation, giving Waco a total of situation at Greenville, Miss., is con- seventy-eight miles of water pipes. The sidered extremely critical.

from floods in the lower Mississippi is the other over 2,000,000, making a total passed, a daily bulletin giving the river consumption of over 3,000,000 gallons and rainfall conditions in that distret a day. This is said to be the largest and in the river basins tributary to it, based on the reports of the local weather bureau officials, has been issued by the weather bureau.

Washington News

Washington, March 31 .- Senator Allen (Pop.) of Nebraska made a long speech in the senate yesterday on the unconstitutionality of tariff taxes beyoud those requisite for revenue.

Mr. Allen severely criticised the trusts and combinations, which he declared reaped the main advantage of tariff taxes. The senator's remarks were in the nature of a legal argument, showing the constitutional limitations on the taxing power of congress.

The house amendment to the senate joint resolution appropriating \$250,000 for the saving of life and property on the Mississippi river was agreed to and the resolution now goes to the presi-

Mr. McBride of Oregon presented an ing the channel of the main river from had grown largely, but no more known amended certificate from the governor of Oregon as to the appointment of Henry W. Corbett as senator from that

tition from the board of sheep Herring, Samuel Williamson and Pat- commissioners of Montana urging the most complete protection of wool was

> Mr. Morgan of Alabama presented a resolution requesting the president to inform the senate whether letters had been received by the president and former chief executive from Gen. Maximo Gomez, commander of the revolutionary forces in Cuba. The petition recites at length the letters said to have been forwarded to President McKinley and his predecessor from Gomez and

> published in the newspapers yesterday. The resolution concludes with a request that the president shall also inform the senate whether the Spanish authorities in Cuba have refused to allow cipher messages to be transmitted between the United States consul at Sagua La Grande and the United

At 2 p. m. the senate went into ex-

Firebugs at Work.

children. Among the fatally injured yesterday morning to destroy Altoona alone saved the town from possible destruction. The entire loss' however, will aggregate between \$50,000 and St. Louis, Mo., March 31 .- What lo- \$60,000. The fires were evidently incin-

Nominations Confirmed Washington, March 31.-The senate who keep bottles of cocktail on their in executive session yesterday confirmshelves for sale must pay a rectifier's ed the following nominations: Edgar license. A year ago a St. Louis liquor Thompson Scott of Pennsylvania, secmerchant was requested by the United ond secretary of the embassy of the flor's license. He contested the right of receiver of public moneys at Mangum, the government to demand such pay- Ok.; Anton H. Classen, receiver of pub- ed if he had anything to say. ment, saying he had already purchased the moneys at Oklahoma City; Henry the materials used in compounding the D. McKnight, register of the land office cocktail and had paid the usual revenue at Mangum, Ok.; Commodore Joseph license. The case has been hanging N. Miller, rear admiral in the navy; fire ever since, and has just been de- Past Assistant Surgeon H. B. Fitts, a surgeon in the navy.

Disappointments are wings that bear the soul skyward. Whatever makes men good Christians makes them good citizens.-Dan-

iel Webster. Kindness is a precious oil that makes the crushing wheels of care seem lighter.-Eugene Field.

The grace of the spirit comes only from heaven and lights up the whole bodily presence. - Spurgeon. We cannot conquer necessities, but

Hannah More. A hobby is the medium between passion and a monomenta. Money matters can always be as tled, but feelings are pitiless.

we can yield to them in such a way

as to be greater than if we could .-

A man is strong when he admits to himself his own weaknesses. There are some men who are always polite—they have gloved souls.

In the medical profession a carriage is often more essential than skill. Love rfter giving more than it has

ends by giving less than it receives. Next to the pleasure of admiring the son of the fact that the woman we love is that of seeing her sixed to go out of business admired by others.

THE CUBAN SAILED.

SHE MADE HER START FROM GALVESTON PORT.

Three Bundred and Seventy-Seven Cattle Were on Board, It Being the First Raported from There A Banquet Tendered

Galveston, Tex., April 3.—Three hundred and seventy-seven cattle went with the Cuban as she left port yesterday. There were originally 378, but one was injured and is probably by this time hanging in some refrigerator. As the Cuban moved down stream two shots from her "Orange gun" announced her departure and the consummato New Orleans, and from Memphis to tion of an important event in the history of Galveston. It was successfully consummated, too. With the com-During the past forty-eight hours the mencement of regular shipments next following average rainfalls in inches fall, there will be permanent facilities and tenths has occurred in the respec- provided and the people having the tive river basins, viz: Red 2.0, Arkan- work to do will become more skilled. sas 0.5. Cumberland and Tennessee 0.6. The cattle were all abroad at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and everything

Yesterday afternoon prominent Galweek. In no case has water reached the, and Mr. W. E. Skinner, general

Laying New Water Mains.

first system mentioned uses more than Until the period of extreme danger 1,000,000 gallons of water a day, and use of artesian water to the same numher of consumers in the world.

The first named waterworks has two forces of laborers putting down pipe in the fourth ward, intending to double the number of consumers. In consequence of the extension of mains this system is getting ready to drill additional wells.

The effect of the competition has lowered the price of water to families. It is 50 cents a month and even less, to dwellings of five persons. The annual water rates in Waco are very low and the meter rate is a still greater cut. compared with other citties. The second named system's meter rate is 10 cents per 1000 gallons to large consumers.

The improvements being pushed forward by the two water companies is the most active work to be seen in centrai Texas. It gives the city a brisk appearance. Mile after mile of water pipes are lying along the streets on the surface, and strong gangs of workmen, under several superintendents, are making trenches in the streets for the pipes. The two companies are struggling for the mastery in Waco against each other, and it makes times lively.

Free Mail Delivery Meeting.

Greenville, Tex., April 3.-There was a largely attended meeting of citizens at the court house Thursday night to consider the sidewalk question with reference to the establishment here of free mail delivery. Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order and stated its object. He said there are about two miles of walks to be built and about 100 crossings. There are 700 or 800 houses yet to be numbered. The council should purchase the numbers and

sell at cost. Hon. C. H. Yoakum said he did not know much about the condition of the city, but he did know about free delivery. It means from \$800 to \$1000 the first of every month spent in Green-

ville, and it must not be lost. Several subscriptions in cash were given at the meeting to be used on walks where needed. The following committees were appointed to urge the building of walks in their respective

First ward: J. D. Lasater, F. M. Newton, Lee Johnsey, W. L. Beckham, Second ward: M. M. Arnold, R. C. Phannold, E. W. Harrison and A. S.

Harrison. The meeting then adjourned subject to call of the mayor.

Alexander Terrell Hanged. Houston, Tex., April 3.-Alexander

Terrell, colored, was hanged here yesterday for the crime of criminal assault on Mrs. Mollie Jackson. Sheriff Erickson pulled the lever at 11:37 and Terrell dropped to eternity. Death was instantaneous, and the majesty of the law was vindicated. Ministers consoled Terrell and conducted services. Ter-States commissioner to pay the recti- United States at Paris; James Kelley, rell said: "No. sir, they can speak for me." meaning the ministers, when ask-

> The Laurada was seized by customs officials at Wilmington, Del., recently. A severe cyclone passed over Cleveland county, Arkansas, the other day.

Richmond, Tex., April 3.-The rise in the river continues, and is now twenty-four feet above the normal. The drift, which became lighter yesterday, is greatly increasing in quuntity and indicates still higher water. Reports from the upper country are to the effect that the bottom lands are becoming submerged and some losses are anticipated. A report was circulated yesterday that the body of a woman had been found in the river near town, but inquiry failed to corroborate the story.

Made an Assignment

Fort Worth, Tex., April 3.-The Standard Live Stock Commission company, a private corporation, doing bus iness at the stock yards north of the city, by its president, A. S. Reed, me a general assignment for the benefit of all creditors. George T. West is no assignee. The sum total of liabiliti stated at \$1961.95 and the an concern at \$5000. It is given out the instrument was execu

HAS WON FAME.

The Authoress of "Stories of a Sancour author, "when our dog unfortutifled Town" Was a Genuine Rustle in nately killed a young bird before we Her Childhood Days A Close Observer could prevent it, which was too small of Nature and Customs. to eat. The parents made a decent

Evansville (Ind.) Letter.)



HE success of "Stories of a Sanctified Town" has brought many inquiries to personality of its distinguished author. In a life so short as Miss Fur- tolerable nuisance. After some weeks man's, there are of tenderness and self-sacrifice, the naturally few details to give to the

ta: possession of it. He neither re-

specia nor fears man, and is an incor-

a cartridge to a member of his own

family for he is a cannibal. "I re-

member one instance of this," writes

show of grief over their loss, and then.

being quite sure that the little one was

dead, they proceeded to eat its still

warm remains." The weka fights all

comers for undisturbed possession of

the camp he has annexed. His histri-

onic talent is great, and he can sham

death to perfection. But for the fact

that he is a first rate scavanger, he

would, to his human host, be an in-

weka all at once becomes a brutal hus-

could wish for, with his tameness, im-

expression. He is a bird with small,

(Special Leter.)

in an old and prominent South Carolina family, and her mother, Jessie Col-Furman was but seven years old her not he treks elsewhither. The egoistic mother died, and eight years later her fit lasts until next he becomes a father. an unusually bright mind, which with her alert way of looking at things, and her original humor, was a guarantee that something out of the common might be expected of her.

Perhaps no one enters so intimately into the homes and hearts of people as their family physician, and nearly all doctors could, if they had the leisure and the literary inclination, tell true tales that would hold the mind impera- it to try a piece of a jam tin, or tempttively. As a little girl, Miss Furman



LUCY F. FURMAN.

often rode with her father on his daily rounds of visits in town and country. and thus early acquired an insight into the singular experience of sanctification took complete possession of a cerinterested, it was but natural that she natural that so young a girl should be doubtful of her own powers.

At the suggestion of a friend, Miss James Whiteomb Riley, whom she has never met. Surely no more cheering and helpful words were ever written in reply by a famous writer to one just beginning the hazardous path of authorship; and though Miss Furman has had many laudatory letters since her book appeared, there is not one of them that she cherishes as she does the first from Mr. Riley, bidding her godspeed.

The first stories she wrote were published by the Century Magazine. The Century Company issued her first and only volume, "Stories of a Sanctified

Miss Furman has been for several years a resident of Evansville.

Skeleton Dance of New South Wales The skeleton dance is a tribal event of great importance among the natives of New South Wales. A level spot, edged by a forest, somewhere near their buts is chosen. Then, when night falls, a buge fire is built by the women and youngsters, while the young men who are to dance retire to arrange their toilets. This is done by chalking their bare, brown bodies with pipe clay in lines to represent bones; broad lines for the arms and legs, and narrower ones for the ribs. The orchestra consists of a lot of shields vigorously beaten, and accompanied by volces the reverse of tuneful. When the fire hurns brightly, throwing the surrounding tandscape into deeper gloom and the hideous din of the war shields rends the uky, there suddenly emerges from the shadows of the wood what appears to the horror stricken spectator to be a company of skeletons. They execute a series of violent and curious contortions of the arms and legs, much resembling the performances of a pasteboard jumping-jack, keeping time to the rhythmic clashing of the shields. then they suddenly vanish from view us if by magic. This disappearance, so surprising to see, is really very simple in execution. Since the bodies of the dancers are only chalked in front, they have only to turn round to cause their dusky forms to vanish in the gloom of the background.

Footgear in Foreign Lands.

The Portuguese shoe has a wooden sole and heel, with a vamp made of patent leather, fanciful, showing the flesh side of the skin. The Persian footgear is a raised shoe, and is often a foot high: it is made of light wood. richly inlaid, with a strap extending over the instep. The Muscovite shoe is hand-woven on a wooden frame, and but little attention is paid to the shape of the foot; leather is sometimes used, but the sandal is generally made of silk cordage and woolen cloth. The Siamese shoe has the form of an ancient cance, with a gondola bow and an open toe; the sole is made of wood. the upper of inlaid wood and cloth and the exterior is elaborately ornamented in colors with gold and silver.

One of New Zealand's Curious Birds. A curious little bird is the weka, which is found in the Alpine region in the South Island of New Zealand. It is described by Mr. Arthur P. Harper, B. A., in an account of his explorations, just published. The weka, as ain.

HOOSIER GENIUS, some as he sees your camp pitched. BEAR MEAT MARKET.

MISS FURMAN OF EVANSVILLE rigible thief. He eats anything from HOW SAN FRANCISCO IS SUP-PLIED FROM BRUIN'S HAUNTS.

> Flesh Tastes Like Pork Gamy Flavor Bear-Fat Used by Perfumers and Boarding House Keepers The Hunting



thinks, are able to forage for themselves; still, he is unnecessarily harsh, per describe him and his wife: "The sters. When a pair has caly one chick it is very ludicrous to see them rushtheir eagerness to give it a piece of and his ribs yield the best of bacon. bacon or bread, and sometimes asking The best bear grounds in California are in Tulare county, in the region of ing it with a choice copper cartridgecase." The weka would appear to be 'as good a camp companion as one Francisco at from 40 cents to \$1 per pudence and almost human power of unformed wings, unable to fiv. and varying in size from a partridge to a Miss Castleman Paid Prond Tribute by Miss Alice Castleman of Louisville, there, too, are many fresh-water lakes, gratulations. Ky., is accorded the distinction of be- notably the three great Klamath lakes. ing one of the prettiest society women Fish lake, Game lake, Crater lake, bein America. At the grand charity ball sides many small creeks and rivulets, in New York city a week or two ago, all of which teem with fish and about John Jacob Astor, to whom fell the which are the breeding grounds for honor of selecting the belle of the night ducks and geese. On the banks of placed the crown on Miss Castleman's these fresh-water bodies and stretchto whom this honor was entirely unex- thousands of acres of bushes bearing

equally well, and is a fearless rider and driver. She never appears to better

the wake of Morgan .: Alice Castle-

plished musician, plays tennis and golf

MISS ALICE CASTLEMAN. advantage than when in the saddle. She is one of the dashing members of the riding club and is familiar with the this city bear fat is used by perfumpedigree of all blooded stock the world ers. Dried bear meat finds a market in

A New Decorative Material. Bedticking for drapery and uphole- the black bear is the most common. The

tery purposes has recently been lauch- grizzly and the chmamon come in very ed upon the market. It is a decided rarely but the great bald-faced bear success, says the Puritan. No one of Alacka is seen frequently strong would dream of the lowly origin of the up in front of Market street butcher fabric thus presented. Of course the shops, the dressed carcass always atsalesmen do not speak of it as bed- tracting much public attention, ticking, but describe it as an "art drapery" or an "art ticking." One shopman has named a striped pattern the Cats, large and small, make the most "bedouin"-not a bad pun on its ori- careful toilet of any class of animals, gin. The material is colored and de- excepting some of the opossums. The signed very much after the order of lions and the tigers wash themselves chintzes and cretonnes, which it close- in exactly the same manner as the cat, ly resembles. It wears like iron, and as wetting the dark, indiarubber-like ball it retails for about 10 cents a yard it of the forefoot, and the toe, and passing is one of the most economical and sat- it over the face and behind the ears. isfactory fabrics for all sorts of up- The foot is thus at the same time a holstery purposes. These tickings will face sponge and brush, and the rough soon appear in the various college col- tongue combs the rest of the body. ors, so that a Yale, Harvard or Hares also use their feet to wash their Princeton man may have things adorn- faces, and the hare's foot is so suited in the hues dear to his heart.

A Church Needed.

for the stage. There is need of a Christian church that will proclaim a religion that will not take the place of personal rightnot alone true, but the simplest, largeousness, but will encourage and develop the righteousness itself. There is est, garndest and the cary one broad need of a church that will stand for a enough to include all Christians. The him feel more than he says. When purified humanity, for unselfishness of application of this faith to the lives of you see a girl that doesn't act ashamed life, for charity of judgment and of men has created the civilization of the to let you see she wears big shoes goods, for honesty, kindness, purity, nineteenth century, and the only hope you may be sure she has pretty feet. peace, gentleness and for spiritual up- of progress in the future is in the ap- There never was a married women who

lifting.-Rev. F. A. Bisbee. There are 233 convents in Great Brit- arise, -Rev. W. H. Moreland. DEAF-MUTES MARRIED.

Interesting Jewish Ceremony Which Circumstances That Kept Cleveland from Made Two Persons One. An interesting marriage ceremony

was celebrated recently in Philadelphia. the contracting parties being Sunde! Richmond and Miss Simes Spilkes both being deaf and dumb, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. The ceremon, was performed by Rabbi E. Steinhaus. The hall had been gayly decorated, and HE fact that bears | the bride, dressed becomingly in white bring from \$20 to satin, sat with the groom at one end, the law was that the President pro-\$50 each in the San receiving their friends and watching Francisco meat the dancing which preceded the cere. Presidential office in the event of the market and that mony. The most impressive part of death or incapacity of both President there is a lively the Jewish marriage ceremony is where and Vice-President. In the absence demand for all that the bride accepts the husband by the of a President pro tempore, the sucare sent there has utterance of the sentence : "You are cession devolved upon the speaker. moved many men married to me according to the laws of But either of these officers only acted who live in the Moses and the Israelites." Until she as President until congress could be foothills of the has said this she is not considered as convened on twenty days' notice and mountain ranges to married. Great, then, was the expec- a special election could be held. Early band and father. That is when the scour the hills for them and ship them tant curiosity as to how this part would in the first term of Mr. Cleveland, Vicepublic. She was born and brought up young ters have grown up, and, as he hence, says the San Francisco Chronibe bridged over. Promptly at 9 o'clock President Hendricks died at his home cle. Cubs are taken alive, kept in pits the happy couple moved to the center and fed until they attain several hun- of the room, where a velvet canopy held was without precedent existed. Up to lins Furman, was a Kentucky girl, who not to say shamelessly selfish. If his dred pounds in weight, when they are by four young girls was stretched over was greatly admired for her beauty of place of sojurn be rich in food, he ban- marketable. The carcasses usually them. All of the guests crowded had prevented the senate from electing person and of character. When Miss ishes his wife and children; if it be displayed by butchers during the holi- around and, lighting small wax candles. day season are of domesticated bears. held them high above their heads. This as the wild bears at that season of the expresses a desire to light the couple father was taken. Both parents were and then altruism is hardly the word year are hibernating. A stall-fed bear into a life of happiness and prosperity. intellectual, and the little girl inherited for his self-renunciation. Let Mr. Har- designed for the market is treated in The attendants joined hands and about the same way as a hog. He will formed a ring about the bride and parent birds while rearing their young eat the same food a hog will eat groom, walking around them several hardly eat anything themselves and and about the same quantity and his times. Rabbi Steinhaus then chanted grow as poor as a church mouse, every- flesh tastes very much like pork, ex- the marriage ceremony, which he supthing they find is carried to the young- cept for a gamy flavor which it pos- planted by an explanation in pantosesses. Aside from this the bear's mime. At the end of every sentence blubber makes the finest lard, his both the bride and groom nodded enering up to it and jostling one another in hindquarters furnish superior hams getically, and so the ceremony proceeded. There was an intermission in the midst to allow the orchestra to play a weird Russian marriage air, after Mineral King, Homer's Nose and Hos- which the rabbi continued his chantpital Rock. Bear meat is sold in San ing. At the close of this the marriage cup was held to the bride, who sipped pound. It is, of course, a delicacy re- from it and handed it back. Then the served for the rich. Some leading res- balance of the ceremony was conducted taurants have bear steaks on the bills in the sign language, which the rabbi of fare when the meat is on sale in had learned for the occasion. The town and they serve a steak for from couple were given the certificate to 40 to 50 cents. The region on the coast | read and then asked by signs if they most infested by bears is believed to accepted it and agreed to everything. KENTUCKY BEAUTY HONORED. be southern Oregon, near the California This they assented to and both signed border, and from twenty to fifty miles | their names. At the signing of the last from the ocean. In this district run letter every one shouted and the bride the Illinois and Rogue rivers, and was immediately overwhelmed by con-

> MOTHER-LOVE IN SNAKES. Marked Exhibition of It Seen by a Naturalist.

Even the cold-blooded and clammy snake evinces maternal affection, and head. The beautiful Miss Castleman, ing away over the flat country are I am fortunately able to produce evidence corroborative of this statement pected and far from welcome, was so huckle and salmon berries, and the low that is fresh in my memory, says the confused by the notoriety into which mountains are thick with the scrub Home Magazine. On March 29, while the Astor's artistic approval immedi- oak, which in the fall of the year yields seated on my front porch, I noticed one ately brought her that she left the city abundance of mast, all comprising the of my dogs, a yearling puppy, acting in the lives of the people that has been in and returned to her southern home, in most toothsome provender for bears, a peculiar way on my lawn. He was valuable to her. When in later years the suburbs of Louisville. Miss Cas- as they will not eat flesh when they circling around a small circumscribed tleman's mother was a Miss Alice Bar- can get vegetable food or fish. In this spot, every now and then thrusting his bee. On her mother's side Mrs. Castlecountry, bears—grizzly, black or brown nose toward the ground and then tial succession was laid before the oththankless beast?" exclaimed one of the tain little community in which she was man was descended from several dis- -abound. They are a nuisance to the quickly jumping back. On approachtinguished Irish and English families. farmers, on whose pigs and sheep they ling the animal I discovered that the should put pen to paper and tell about She was the daughter of the Hon. John often raid, but to the hunters they are object of his playful assaults was a the ludicrous and the pathetic inci- Barbee, who was the mayor of Louis- a source of profit and delight. There bunch or ball of snakes, a 3 or 4 year dents that thrilled the simple hearts ville in the palmy days of 1854 and are two seasons in the year for bear old mother and her last year's brood the circumstances the President ought in the sanctified town. It was equally 1855. The Hon. John Barbee was the killing-one a long, and the other a of young. The day was very warm, the grandson of Elias Barbee, one of the short one. The first is in the fall of sun shining clear and bright and these pioneers of the young state. He with the year, after the mast is well dror- creatures had emerged from their den his five brothers and his father, enlist- ped and Bruin is fat from feeding on or nest in the ground, a foot or so away Furman sent some of her stories to ed in a Virginia regiment of the Revo- acorns and nuts; the second is in the from the spot where they were lying, lutionary army. Upon the close of the spring, just as he is coming out of his and were sunning themselves. When war, father and sons, still united, went winter's sleep. When the ground in they observed me they made an attempt to Kentucky. Tall, straight as an ar- the fall becomes covered with snow to regain their nest; I killed two of row, General Castleman, the father of Bruin wallows in fat and cannot find them, however, before they could enter. this queen of women, was a famous more to eat. Then he proceeds to I had read somewhere that if a snake's figure all through the stormy days of hibernate. In that state his lair is young were taken and their bodies the 60's, when he rode as a major in sometimes betrayed by the steam dragged along the ground the mother which rises through the snow from his snake would follow the trail and, if she man is a girl of nineteen summers, body. In that condition he can be found them alive, would conduct them with oval face, broad brow, violet eyes, easily killed, for he will make no re- tack to the nest. I took the two which waving chestnut hair, Grecian nose, a sistance. When his hibernation is over. I had killed and, after dragging them mouth denoting determination, a per- in the early spring, he is still quite along the turf, deposited them on the fect chin, divinely dimpled, standing fat and game for the huntsman. But pavement some fifty feet from the den. five feet eight inches, a creature of he does not long remain in that con- I then resumed my seat on the porch beauty, grace and symmetry. Miss dition. There being no berries or mast and waited developments. In a short Castleman is a good dancer, an accom- when he comes out, he finds nothing to while the mother snake emerged from eat and in about a week he is run the nest and, after crawling about for down and as poor as the proverbial a second or two, struck the trail and at turkey of Job. In this low state of once followed it to the pavement and flesh it is wanton waste to kill him her dead young. Fortunately I had a and he is not hunted. Then the breed- witness in the person of my iceman, ing season follows, which gives his who was delivering ice at the time and bearship immunity from molestation. who was dumfounded at beholding munds' hurried visit to the White Bears slaughtered on the Oregon such high intelligence in a creature so ranges are packed out on mules to the low in the scale of animal life. I killed stations where they are shipped to the old snake (for these snakes-garbutchers in this city. It sometimes den moccasins-become harmful after happens that the location where the the third year, eating young birds, etc.) bear is killed is such that the hunters and ten of her progeny, leaving two cannot get the carcass out of the coun- pairs to carry on and perpetuate the try in good condition. Then the pelt race.

is taken off and the meat is cut into strips and dried on wire netting sus-Fought a Bear. pended over a fire built in a hole in the George Loftis, who met and fought a ground, a piece of canvas being thrown large cinnamon bear to death on Bad over all during the process. The grease also is tried out, a bear weighing 400 pounds yielding about twenty-five pounds of lard. This is eagerly bought it, nor could be stop it. He was trailby hotels and boarding houses in southing the bear and didn't know he was ern Oregon for cooking purposes. In within thirty feet of it until it came out of the brush and sat upright. He gave one ball from his Winchester. The Oregon. Occasionally a shipment of bear made three bounds to him, he givit is made to this city. Of all the bears ing another bullet while coming. The which come annually to this market first blow disarmed Leftis of the gun and the bear chewed him all over. Every grab the flesh was torn and was on his back. The bear tore his side, his leg and seized his head, his his skull. The right ear is lacerated and almost torn off, and he is deaf in that ear as a result. He was left for dead. He was three hours getting one mile to camp.-Salt Lake Tribune.

If there is no God, what is the poor man to me, or I to him? Let him suffer on. Let him bear his anguish today: to morrow he will be gone, and there is an end. If there is a God-if the world rolls round every day further into the light, and He is having His way among the children of men, then can go with my message, believing used to apply the "paint" to the face that in the fullness of time He will heal all sufferers.—Rev. David James Burrell.

able for a brush that it is generally

The Old Creed.

The historic creed of the church is

A woman would rather have a man say more than he feels than to have plication of the old, eternal facts to the sympathized with an old bacheler and new problems and conditions as they there never was a married man who

didn't.-New York Press.

PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION.

Hendricks' Funeral. Behind the law of Presidential succession is a curious chapter of unwritten history. It was told today by a Missourian, who has been for many years a trusted official of the United States senate. Ie explains fully an incident, almost forgotten now, but once the cause of much criticism of President Cleveland. Until ten years ago tempore of the senate succeeded to the in Indianapolis. A situation which was without precedent existed. Up to the time of his sickness Mr. Hendricks

I never have a word to say.

Concerning critics, that's profane, When they assert my favorite play a President pro tempore. He had been able to do this by declining to vacate the chair and to recognize that privilege. The senate was Republican by a narrow majority. The Vice-President, having some political advantage fused to let the Republicans organize.

When he died there was no President pro tempore. The death occurred between the dissolution of one congress

The hungry poor to entertain:

The Bradley-Martin's free champagne is wouldn't drink if I were bid;
I'm docile—but I say again, I wish they'd gag the Yellow Kid! in mind by so doing, steadfastly retween the dissolution of one congress and the regular session of the next

happen if the President shoold be threw a shilling down. killed or be rendered unfit for duty by an accident on this contemplated jour- the barmaid. ney to Indianapolis? "Senator Edmunds," said the Missourian, "was much disturbed. The and said: more he thought of the peculiar possibilities the graver the situation seemed drinks?" to him. He asked me to find some other senators and send them to him. Only two were about the capitol. They were soon closeted with Mr. Edmunds. He told them his opinion of the situation. He said that if anything should happen to Mr. Cleveland the country would be without a head. There would be no one with even the temporary authority to call an extraordinary session of congress. It would be impossible to take any step. No special election could be ordered. There would be no relief from the confusion until the regular date for the assembling of congress came round in December. Until the senate chose a President pro tem-

pore and the house elected a speaker.

to Indianapolis to attend the funeral.

Senator Edmunds was at the capitol,

busy in his committee room. The sug-

nobody could perform any of the duties of President. er senators. The anomalous condition had not occurred to them. They agreed at once that Senator Edmunds was Tit Bits. to be specially careful they approved the suggestion. As the result of the conference Senator Edmunds came out and asked me to get a carriage for him? him. He rode direct to the White House and told Mr. Cleveland he must get him to send oud our circulars mit not go to Indianapolis. He went over his congressional frank? the ground, showing the President that if an accident happened to him the country would be left without an executive for months, until December came. The President was astonished. He had not had the slightest realization of how much depended on his life What wuz his lay? at that time. He acknowledged the force of Senator Edmund's argument, lars. immediately cancelled the orders for transportation and remained in Washington.

There was much criticism over the failure of Mr. Cleveland to be present at the Hendricks obsequies. The newspapers couldn't understand the appar- he had them all on, and the weight ent lack of consideration. The President said nothing. This is the first time the circumstances of the sena-House have been told. As soon as condeath Senator Edmunds fathered and pushed to enactment a bill which made him for—a cannibal? impossible the repetition of such a crivis. The law of succession now is such that a vacancy in the office of President of the United States is beyond all probability. If the President dies the Vice-President takes the office and holds it to the end of the term. If both the President and the Vice-President die, Water, near Wind river, Wyoming, is the Secretary of State succeeds. Sucin Casper. Loftis is the worse for cession falls in turn upon the members . having had the scrap, but didn't begin of the cabinet, including the Secretary of Agriculture.

80-Year-Old Rigamist. Joseph Bishopp, aged 80 years, has been arrested in Anderson, Ind., for bigamy, the charges being preferred by his fourth wife, who is now residing in the state of Oh'o. Last week Bishopp married Rebecca Shaw. In some manner the Ohio woman found that hores cracked and broken. The man he had entered the matrimonial state again, and she proceeded to immediately bring action against him. He will teeth scalping the man and crushing fight the case. It is somewhat complihad a divorce from the woman.

> Washing Out Typhoid Fever. that typhold fever can be washed out to give yer ether or chloryform an' of the system by water. He gives his then put yer in the bath?" patients what would amount to eight or ten ounces an hour of sterilized water. In cases of cholera, where the system secretes a large amount of fluid, of them, speaking of himself, said: enormous quantities of hot water are of great benefit.

An Old Typo. Sixty-five years ago Hiram Lukens entered the Intelligencer office at a Mark-Down Sale in the Olden Time. Doylestown, Pa., to learn printing, and he is there yet, setting type as fast as currency. anybody around the place. His record lishment is probably unequaled in the card reading: "Marked down to one business.

Husking Corn by Machinery. An Iowan has invented a machine, which he hopes to have in operation by the next harvest season, for cutting at the rate of fifteen acres a day.

THE JOKER'S CORNER.

WIT, HUMOR AND SATIRE ORIG-INAL AND SELECTED.

What He Wanted - Hard to Please Meddled with Water-Dog Eat Dog-A Modern Pairytale -- A Point of Grammar A New Use for Congressmen.

> That Awful Vellow Kid. READ the papers



every day: that they con-I'm hopeful that McKinley may Engage us in war wit Spain;

I grieve to read of Cubans slain-The awful things that Weyler did:

But yet one thing gives me a pain—
I wish they'd gag the Yellow Kid!

Is inexpressibly inane; My politics I swallow plain-

all opinions I am rid; I am docile quite, but still main-I wish they'd gag the Yellow Kid!

I tomach all scare-head display That tells of Seeley's raising Cain; I'm very glad, indeed, to pay.

ENVOY. congress. There was no speaker. At the White House President Cleveland was completing his preparations to go I wish they'd gag the Yellow Kid:

Fooled Her Once, Anyway. A little, timid looking man drifted gestion came to his mind: What would into a tavern on Fleet street. He

> "Mild and bitter, please," he said to The beer was served. Just as he was

about to drink it a big man came in "Hello, Shorty! Who's ordering the "I am," replied Shorty, with dignity.

"You!" scoffed the big man; "why, you never had one copper to rub against another. Your wife takes all your wages."

"That's all right," said Shorty. "Maybe she does, but I've got money today." "How did you get it?" "Well," said Shorty, "I don't mind

telling you. I had a couple of bad teeth and she gimme enough to get 'em pulled." "Didn't you get 'em pulled?" "Yes; but I got something extra for

A Modern Fairy Tale.

A party of vegetarians, while taking a walk in the fields, were attacked by a bullock, which chased them furiously

party, panting with fright. "After this I'll eat beef three times a day!"-A New Use for Congressmen.

Isaacs, Senior-Do you know der congressman from dis district? Isaacs, Junior-Vot do you vant mit Isaacs, Senior-I vonder if ve could

Large Currency. Sneak Thief Sam-Pity 'twuz erbout

Jimmy. He wuz making big money, and the perlice broke him all un! Footpad Sim-Big money, wuz he? Sneak Thief Sam-Coining silver dol-

Meddled with Water.

Dobson-What became of that man who had twenty-seven medals for saving people from drowning? Dockman-He fell in one day when

Dog Eat Dog. First Neighbor-That's a very dainty dog of yours. I threw him some cold

'em sunk him.

gress convened after Mr. Hendricks sausage this morning and he wouldn't touch them.

Second Neighbor-What do you take

Suggests an Improvement.



First Tramp-"I t'ink dey could cated and he claims that he thought he make dem model lodgin' houses putty nue if they tried." Second Tramp: "Not while dey insists on givin' yer a bath." An eminent French physician says First Tramp-"Well, s'posin' dey wuz

> Their Professions Two Irishmen were disputing. One

"I am a brick." "Sure, and I am a bricklayer." said the other, at the same time knocking him down.

Hewitt-Cattle were once used as Jewitt-And I suppose when you f continuous service with one estab- went to a mark-down sale you saw a

"Why did Simpson send his boy to the prize ring?" "Well, he always displayed a love for corn and separating the ears and stalks argument and the old man considers he field of law overcrowded."-Prince-

ton Tiger.

Poll a Victim Baren-"Did you hear about Backe

Egbert-"No: what now?" "I hear he fell a victim to woman's

charms. You don't say so!" "Yes; he was riding his wheel and he turned round to see what the woman had on, when he fell."-Yonkers States-

Chesp and Filling.

Seedy Willie (to barkceper)-Your refusal, sir, to trust me to a paltry drink of whisky fills me with astonishment and indignation.

Barkeeper-All right, sir; you can fill yourself up with astonishment and indignation, and it won't cost you a copper, but if you want to fill yourself with whisky, you will have to pay cash.

What He Wanted. Shopkeeper: "What can I show you,

Absent-minded Professor: "I want -let me see, what do I want? Dear me! I can't for the life of me remem-

ber what it is: . . . Well, well, it doesn't matter; give me the nearest thing you have to it." Arrested Development.

Mrs. Goodsole-"I can see, my poor man, that you never had the advantage of education or a good home. You started early in life on the stony path -- a sad case of arrested development." Lonely Straggles-"I should t'ink it

A Thoughtful "Thought."

wuz, mum. I wuz in jail before I wuz

14 years old."-Judge.



Old Gentleman-"Oh, say, Mr. Staylate; its snowing hard, so I thought I'd give you this snow shovel, as you will need it by the time you go, to clear a path to the gate."

Too Dull.

"A great many people sleep between these walls," said the guide showing the visitor through the ancient English church where the noble families were interred.

"Same way over in our country," replied the visitor; "why don't you get a better preacher?"-Judy.

Nobody Belleves It. If you really believe that foolish French epigram, "The unexpected always happens," why don't you back your opinion? It is easy to get odds that it will not. For instance, snowstorms in July are unexpected. Are you willing to wager there will be some this year?

The New Pugillism. "I'm tired of wasting words with Bluening about this proposed battle,"

said the champion pugilist. "Well, what do you propose doing?" asked his backer. "Send a substitute."--Philadelphia North American.

A Touching Plaint. "My trouble is deep-seated, your honor," said Mr. Tiff, who was applying for a divorce. "Give particulars," answered the

judge. "She won't patch my pants." He got his decree.

Plenty of Reasons. The Judge-Have you anything to

say why the sentence of the sourt should not be pronounced upon you? Teddy O'Reilly-Faith, yer honor, Oi have given distinct raisons, iny wan of which would convince mestif if Oi was only yer honor.

Another Century Run. "I think---" (it was old Father Time who thought he was thinking) "that it will not be long-indeed, I know that it will not be long-before I finish another century run. I was a cycler long before the bicycle was in-

Hard to Please. "The weather is very trying for verybody," said the physician. "Yes," replied Mr. Meekton. "I don't see how my wife is going to bear up under it. When the sun doesn't shine h gives her the blues, and when it does she says it's fading the carpet."

The Three Graces. Roxy Road-"Wot's de t'ree graces I've heard so much about, pard?" Willie Mush-"I'm s'prised at yer iggerance, Roxy, 'Eat, drink an' be

merry,' of course."-Judge. The Reason. "Vot for dey make all de shout?" "Because a goal was taken."

"And ees id because of all de noise. dat you do call de game de foot bawl? -Judy.

No Living Expenses. "There's one good thing about Philadelphia." "What is it?"

"You don't have any living expenses

Must Be. Carson-"And don't you think married love is true love?" Vokes-"It must be. Its course never does run smooth."-Truth.

A Point of Gramm First Girl-Gladys has had triplets. Second Ditto (absent-mindedly)-You don't say. Who are the father?-Pick-Me-Up.

Girls are more courageous than men. They are ready to make a match with a fellow twice their size .- Standard.

Balm of Glicad The real balm of Gilead is the dried luice of a low shrub which grows in

Syria. It is very valuable and scarce, for the amount of balm yielded by one shrub never exceeded sixty drops a day. According to Josephus the balm or balsam of Gilead was one of the presents given by the queen of Sheba to King Solomon. The ancient Jewis's physicians prescribed it evidently for dyspepsia.

Jack-"I called on Miss Fitz last night, but didn't stay long, as she was complaining that her teeth ached." Jess-"Isn't it a shame? And it was such an expensive set, too."—Tid-Bits.

Minister-"I hope you began the new Sable (an undertaker)—"Fairly well. I had two funerals."—Philadelphia

North American.

Reforms Need More Than a Day To bring them about, and are always more complete and lasting when they proceed with steady regularity to a consummation. Few of the observant among us can have failed to notice that permanently healthful changes in the human system are not wrought by abrupt and violent means, and that those are the most salutary medicines which are progressive. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the chief of these. Dyspepain, a disease of obstinate character, is obliterated by it.

If a man could only get as much for his old family horse as his wife thinks the animal is worth!

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it falls to cure, 250

A good many men think it is no sin to drink whiskey in a drug store. Doubles the Pleasure of a Drive.

A fine carriage doubles the pleasure of driv-

on his rose a well defined mark of Statesman.

the story of an Atchison woman who, facing public thoroughfares, and the disgusted at her husband for putting 50 cents in the contribution box at church. took out the half dollar and put in a nickel when the plate reached her.

A curious case of "a long sleep" has recently occurred in an Alsatian village. A country lad, aged 20, went to sleep on Jan. 10, and only awoke after twelve days and nights of uninterrupted sleep on Jan. 22.

About the first lie a liar or a lover tells, is that he isn't fickle.

Smoking Meat Without Fire.

Smoking Meat Without Fire.

It may sound absurd to make a statement about "smoking meat without a fire," for it is a well known saying that "where there is smoke there must be fire." The advance of science, however, has made this idea obsolete, and today with the use of Krausers' Liquid Extract of Smoke it is possible to quickly, economically and successfully smoke meat without a fire. This liquid extract is made by distilling the smoke from hickory wood and is absolutely harmless. In fact, meat smoked by this method has a genuine smoke flavor, remains moist and soft, and is not infested with insects. Every objection of the old method is overcome, every trouble ended method is overcome, every trouble ended and the unsightly and dangerous smoke house is a thing of the past. Krausers-Liquid Extract of Smoke long ago passed the age of experiment, and thousands are using it today with profit and satisfaction. By writing E. Krauser & Bro., Milton, Pa., those who are interested can secure free of charge instructive printed matter about methods of curing and smoking all kinds

As soon as a paper becomes a newspaper, it begins to lose money.

THAT SPLENDID COFFEE. Mr. Goodman, Williams County, Ill., writes us: "From one package Salzer's The interiors of the houses of the rich German Coffee Berry 1 grew 300 pounds of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 30 cents a pound."

A package of this and big seed cata-Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice, w.n.

When a man succeeds, he does it in spite of everybody, and not with the assistance of everybody.

Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces, such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the lamage they will do is ten fold to the good you am possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Foledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the gendine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, D., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle.

More people are making fools of themselves this year than ever before. Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away To quit tobacco easily and forever, be mag-netic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaran-need. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Marbles are too cheap: boys load their pockets down with them now, and ruin their clothing.

A COUNTERFEITER CAUGHT.

The Police of Syrucuse Make an Important Capture.

On Monday the 15th, Harold Marquisee, of Citica, N. Y., was arrested in Syracuse, N. Y., on a warrant sworn out by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., charging him with forgery. On the 15th of December Marqui-Williams' Medicine Co., charging forgery. On the 15th of December Marquisee visited a photo-engraver in Syracuse, saying he was the representative of the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., and arranged for the making of a full set of plates for the direction sheets, lables, etc., of the famous Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. News of this reached the home office, and no time was lost in arranging for his arrest when he should return for the plates. He returned on the 15th and was accordingly arrested and is now in jail in Syracuse awaiting examination.

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This arrest proves to be an important one. In addition to various plunder, such as medical books, typewriters, rugs, etc., found in Marquisce's trunk when arrested, the police also found counterfeit coin both in the trunk and on his person; and in a search of his apartments at Utica found a complete outil for counterfeiting consisting of crucibles, bellows, nickel, lead, hismuth, satimony, a small blacksmith forge, a charcoal furnace, and several plaster-of-paris molds. The United States marshals want him just as soon as the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. are through with him, and, no doubt, he will be sentenced for a long period.

or a long period.
In selecting Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for tance. In selecting Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for his counterfeiting operations, he showed his knowledge of the proprietory medical mainess; for these pills are in such great lemand that they are easily sold at any lrag store in the United States. His scheme was to work the country druggists and sell in imitations at a discount of from 3 per cent to 5 per cent, explaining the reduced rice by the fact that he had picked them p in small lots and at a discount from calers who were over-stocked. By working fast and making long jumps, he would neve secured many hundreds of dollars in short time. The proprietors of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are most fortunate to ave caught the reque, before he had fair started, and to have thus kept these various goods out of the market,

THECITY OF BAGHDAD

THE ANCIENT CAPITAL AS IT IS TODAY.

A Fitting Monument to Civilization That Followed the Rule of the Great Eastern Plutocracy - Filth, Squalor and Touring Mosques.

(Special Letter.)



HE famous old city of Baghdad, long renowned for its commerce and its wealth, is now the capital of the Turkish pashalic of the same name. It stands on both banks of the Tigris, and is situated on

an extensive and desert plain, which has scarcely a tree or village throughout its whole extent. The city is surrounded by a brick wall five miles in circumference, and the Tigris is crossed by a bridge of thirty boats. The city has a most picturesque appearance from a distance. It is encircled and interspersed with groves of date and other trees, through which one may catch the gleam of domes and minarets. On closer inspection, however, the view does not improve. The streets are narrow, dirty, crooked and unpaved, full of ruts and strewed with the carcasses of animals. The task of removing this offal is left to dogs, the only public scavengers known in Baghing. Intending buyers of carrages or harness can save dollars by sending for the large, free catalogue of the Elkhart Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., Elkhart, Ind. tricate and winding than those in most The young man whom you see com- other oriental cities, and with the ing out of the deep recess of the con- exception of the bazaars and some open servatory with the debutante, having squares the interior is little else than a labyrinth of alleys and passages. The he feels supremely happy.—Yonkers streets are unpaved, and in many places so narrow that two horsemen can scarcely pass each other, and as it is It is a Kansas newspaper that tells seldom that the houses have windows of rye, 3 guilders seewan; 1 ell of cloth, on both sides the gloomy appearance of | 6 guilders seewan. Whenever the col-

WHEN WAMPUM WAS MONEY. The Popular Token of Value in New

York Two Centuries Ago. When Stephen Van Cortlandt was in the money-changing business-1680 to 1690-the kind of money in most common use in the vicinity of Manhattan Island was seewan or wampum, says the New York Times. Almost all the sfore trade was done with seewan, either loose or braided, and all church collections were taken up in seewan. Van Cortlandt was frequently called on to change seewan into silver money. which was at that time the standard. Payments of interest and principal of loaned money were made in Dutch pieces-of-eight, realties and loan dollars, the value of all of which was reduced to guilders seewan. A piece-ofeight was worth 12 guilders in seewan, a realtje was worth 1 guilder and 20 stivers in seewan, a loan dollar was worth 11 guilders in seewan, and an English pound was worth 40 guilders in secwan. The American dollar in its present relation to the English pound would have been worth 8 guilders in seewan. A Dutch guilder has 100 cents, or 20 stivers, and is equal to 40 cents in American money. A stiver is equal to 2 cents American money. Contributions to the poor relief fund were usually made in seewan and provisions and clothing for distribution among the poor were paid for in seewan. The early Dutch settlers took generous care of the needy poor. For instance, in 1688, the deacons of the old Dutch Church of Bergen paid Dr. Robinson of New York 240 guilders in seewan for curing a destitute man of insanity. At another time the deacons of the same church paid Surgeon C. Viele of New York 130 guilders seewan for surgical attendance on a poor member of the congregation. In those days it cost 90 guilders in seewan "to send poor Johannis Kruyer back to Amsterdam." In 1673 the price of one schepel of wheat was 6 guilders seewan; 1 schepel of Indian corn. 4 guilders seewan; 1 schepel 5 guilders seewan; two blankets, 58 doors are small and mean, they present guilders seewan, and 2 schepels of salt,



VIEW OF BAGHDAD.

furnace burnt bricks of a yellowish-red square, and furnished with subterranean rooms into which the inhabitants retreat during the day for shelter from the intense heat of summer; and with terraced roofs on which they take their evening meal, and sleep in the open air. are splendidly furnished, and decorated in a most gorgeons manner.

The inhabitants of the city are plied with water from the Tigris, which logue is sent you by John A. Saizer is brought to their homes in the skins of goats; water works, cisterns and pipes being unheard of in Baghdad.

number about a hundred thousand, and is a mixture of nations from various countries of the east. The chief offi-Beware of Ointments for Catarch that cers of the government, civil and milltary, are of Turkish extraction; the merchants and traders are almost all of Persian or Arabian descent, while the lower orders consist of Turks, Arabs, Persians and Indians. There are some Jews and Christians, who remain distinct from other classes; while the strangers in the town are Kurds, Persians and desert Arabs in considerable numbers. As every nationality retains its own peculiar dress, it may be easily conceived what an extraordinary variety of costumes is to be seen daily in the streets of Baghdad. The dress of the female is mean; women of all classes being enveloped in blue checked cloth. with their faces covered by hideous

veils of black horse-hair. Baghdad has much declined from its ancient importance, but is still the seat of considerable commerce. The city today contains upwards of a hundred mosques, the domes and minarets of which are said to be finer than those of Constantinople.

Wonderful dapanese Clock.

Some time ago a description appeared in an American journal of a Japanese clock, standing in a frame In the foreground were plum and cherry trees in full bloom, while in the rear was a hill, gradual in ascent from which flowed a cascade of crys-, and tal. From this point a threadlike stream glided along, encircling rocks and tiny islands in its wanderings, but presently losing itself in a far-off stretch of woodland. In the sky turned a golden sun, indicating as it passed the striking hours, which were all marked upon the frame below, where a slowly creeping tortoise served as a hand. A bird of exquisite plumage. resting on the branch of a plum tree, proclaimed by its singing the expiration of each hour; while when the song ceased, a little mouse sprang from a grotto close by, and, running over the hill, hastily disappeared in the dis-

> "I heard you fought a duel with Parker?"

"X did." "Weren't you afraid to stand up betore a loaded pistol?" "Not with Parker holding it, I'm insured in his company."-London Tit-Bits.

Virtue is like a rich stone; it is best when plain set.-Lord Bacon,

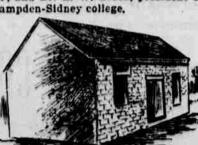
dead walls. All the buildings, both lections in the church exceeded the current expenditures the surplus seewan terrified by their conduct, h was usually invested in cows. Such color. A house is generally laid out in cows were given into the care of rea range of apartments opening into a sponsible members of the congregation on a yearly "butter rent" of 12 pounds -that is, those persons accepting a cow from the deaconry had to pay an annual rent of 12 pounds of butter or its value in seewan. The price of butter amounted in the winter of 1679 to 22 stivers per pound, so that the deacons then received 13 guilders and 4 stivers for one cow. After 1715 the deacons quit the "butter-rent" business and confined themselves wholly to money-lending as a means of increasing the revenues. Some ranging from 10 guilders to 4,000 guilders were put The population of Baghdad is said to out at interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, though in a few cases borrowers were exempt from paying interest. It cost from 2 to 5 guilders in

seewan to get married in this vicinity two centuries ago, and a funeral was accompanied with a pall rent of 6 guilders seewan for an adult and 3 guilders for a child.

OLD SCHOOLHOUSE. of the Alleghenies. (Special Leter.)

On a hillside, near the border line that divides Woodford from Fayette county, in Kentucky, stands a dilapidated stone building that was the first educational institutions erected west of the Allegheny mountains. It is considerably more than 100 years old, and the school conducted within its walls was the original branch of the famous Transylvania university. Two presidents, George Washington and John Adams, made liberal contributions toward building and maintaining this school.

Among the famous men who, as boys, received the first rudiments of an education in this old stone schoolhouse were Governor Allen Trimble of Ohio; Governor Clark of Kentucky; J. Cabell Breckenridge, the father of General John C. Breckenridge; Dr. Robert Breckenridge and his son, ex-Congressman W. C. P. Breckenridge; Thomas F Marshall, Kentucky's famous orator; and Dr. L. W. Green, president of Hampden-Sidney college.



THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE. For the past ten years the historie building has been utilized as a storehouse for plunder.

Russia's Big Pipe Line. The hundred-mile pipe line of the Natural Gas Company of Pittsburg is at present the longest in the world, but a line is building in the Caucasus from Michailove to Batoum, which is 214
Russian verst, or 150 miles long. It
will be finished within a few weeks,
and its estimated cost will exceed

have disappeared."-Detroit Journal.

A MYSTERIOUS PLOT.

TWO PERSONS THE VICTIMS OF AN ATROCIOUS DEED.

Reported, at First, That She Had Died of Fright, but Arsenic Was Subse- linenquently Found-Nest Victims Were Boys, One of Whom Died.



WO boys named Beagle and Davis, from Scranton, Pa., dozen paterns." were taken suddenly and mysteriously ill, and Beagle died the same night. Davis is still suffering

from the effects of his illness, but it is expected that he will recover. It was discovered by Coroner Longstreet that the boys were the victims of arsenical somewhat suddenly and under suspicious circumstances. It was reported at first that she had been frightened to that she had been poisoned by arsenic. in good shape. The poisoning of the two children at the same place has produced a sensation. One of the theories advanced is only a captain! Have you been prothat a well in the vicinity had been moted, yourself, during the night? poisoned by some revengeful persons, but no definite proof of the fact has de quo'te'-master. been obtained. The scene of the poisoning mystery is a remote and desolate place called World's End, on the mountain side, about two miles from wife live in an isolated house. Rush is employed to watch timber lands and has on several occasions incurred the enmity of timber thieves, who, it is supposed, have taken this method of being



JOSEPH RUSH.

When the girl Almira Hadsell sudhad taken from them some days before. this wonderful medicine, they were ca-They were violent and demonstrative, pable of again performing their funcbut did her no bodily injury. She was wever, and factory manner. In narrating his excalled aloud for help, and shortly after they left the place she fell dead. Then it was reported that her death was due to fright, but an inquest revealed that her death was due to arsenical poisoning. This was followed by the story. that she had taken the poison because she had been disappointed in love, but the poisoning of the two boys has given the affair another and deeper meaning.

This statement was forwarded hurriedly to Coroner Longstreet of Scranton by Doctor Steuger of Rendham the other day: "I have been called on again to call you down to World's End. Two little boys, aged nine and seven named Beagle and Davis respectively. left their homes about 9 o'clock and went to the house of Joseph Rottch, or Rush (the same house where Almire, Hadsell died from arsenical poisoning) They returned about 12 o'clock. Both boys were sick, vomiting, and pains in their stomachs. The Beagle boy took convulsions and died. The other boy is out of danger. He has gastro enteritis (inflammation of the stomach) The boy died at 7 o'clock at night It's in Kentucky, and Is Erected West saw him in convulsions about 4:30 p. m. I gave him chloroform, and the convulsions would cease for a short' time, but come on again. I tried vomit-

ing, but without any results. This case needs rigid investigation at once. I' will look for you to-morrow or this

evening." Coroner Longstreet upon visiting the scene found arsenic in the dead boy's stomach, furnishing proof conclusive that he had been poisoned, but nothing definite could be ascertained.

Boasts of a Prodigy. An oratorical prodigy in the person of Benjamin Goldsberry, a lad 12 yearq old, has recently developed at Colfax. Ind. A few nights ago he appeared before an audience with a lecture of break from start to finish. The lecture is entitled, "Why God Don't Kill the Devil," and is an argument in support



BEN GOLDSBERRY. of original sin and abounds in witty expressions and is freely interspersed with anecdotes. The boy is a son of F. M. Goldsberry, an attorney, who assisted him in the preparation of the lecture to Dr. Hartman for advice. He gives at the suggestion of the son. He is all letters careful and prompt attention. easy upon the stage, his gestures being He will tell you what your troble is, and its estimated cost will exceed 5,000,000 rubles (\$3,000,000).

It Looked That Way.

"Somebody must be cultivating the widow." "Yes." "Anyway, her weeds have disappeared."—Detroit Jerusal.

HE GOT THERE.

A Dry Goods Clerk Who Sold Things That Were Not Wanted. "Have you black liama lace?" she inquired, stopping at the linen coun-

"No'm, we don't keep lace at this counter, but I have some new damask

.Sir. you are importment. not ask to see damask-

"Excuse me, ma'am. You should not have stopped to ask questions at the linen counter. I thought you after visiting the looked like a lady of taste and elehouse of Joseph gance and would want to inspect our Rush at Rendham, Mrs. Colonel Jones just ordered a new royal damask imported linens.

"H'm! it dosen't cost anything to look at them. Dear me, what a beautiful finish! You may duplicate Mrs. Jones' order. I'm not going (sotto voce) to let the old cat get ahead of me.

"Inat's what I call a clear case of buil-dozing," said a fellow clerk as

the customer walked away. "Oh, that's all right," responded poisoning. The house they visited is the other, "any fellow can sell a custothat in which a young woman named mer the goods that she wants, but it Almira Hadsell died some weeks ago takes an all-fired smart salesman to sell her what she doesn't want.' Pullman Promotion.

Pullman Porter-Now, Colonel, death, but an investigation revealed you'll stan' up, I'll jes' brush you down say a word.

Passenger-Ah! I'm colonel this morning, am I? And last night I was

Fashion Note.

Mr. Murray Hill-If the Venus de

Mrs. Murray Hill-That's where you are mistaken again. The Venus de Medici would have on a pair of corsets

One of the strangest things to a busy man is to hear people talking about

We wish we could cash our time for P. P .- No. Colonel. Guess I'm still what it seems to be worth to us when

LOST APPETITE.

Rendham, where Joseph Rush and his COULD NOT EAT THE MOST TEMPTING DISHES

Many Days Without any Food at All-Can Eat Four Square Meals a Day Now-The Cause of the Change.

From the Leader, Cleveland, Ohio.

For the restoration of an appetite could searcely life an arm or a leg. This which has been impaired or lost through sickness, no remedy can compare in elfectiveness with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. This statement is substantiated by the experience and declarations of men and women with whom these pills have become a household medicine. Among the many who can offer testimony to this particular

Many a day I would not take any nour property of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is ishment, and whenever I did the quantity was George Marshall, Jr., who lives at No. insignificant to materially hasten my im-19 Norwich Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Marshall is a news agent on the to become more or less alarmed as did my pa Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, and his territory extends from Cleveland to Toledo. Like thousands by a neighbor who regarded them as nothing by a neighbor who regarded them as nothing the state of the of others who owe their health and short of miraculous, and dewit so enthusiast vigor to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. | cally on their excellent qualities that mother Marshall never hesitates to sing their prises. In his case it was necessary to use man who cannot cat three or four square only a few boxes of the pills to restore uneals aday, do l? "Three boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pill denly died there it was reported that she had been frightened to death by a health. His digestive organs had begang of Italians who called at the house while she was there alone, and demanded a wheelbarrow that Rush time. That is my experience, and I am glapable of again performing their func-tions in a regular and perfectly satis-

> was affected. To releve the safering mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Control of three months treatment I became convalescent, but the attack had supped my strength and left me extremely weak and feeble. I box. or six boxes for \$2.50. Mrs. Emma Moss Booth-Tucker, wife of Commander Frederick Booth-Tuck- whistler. er, of the Salvation Army, appeared in the naturalization bureau in the county court house in New York a few days ago, and took out her first naturalization papers. She came to this coun-

"Last spring I was taken sick with inflam-

try about a year ago with her hus-To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

These days a statesman seems any man who gets a majority of the votes. Mrs. Winslove a Soothing Syrup Frechildren teething, softens thegums, reduces inflam-nation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

There are some women who are reminded that they are superior creatures every time a man takes off his hat to them. "STAR TOBACCO."

As you chew tobacco for pleasure use Star. It is not only the best but the most lasting and, therefore, the cheapest. Probably the first thing every man resolves when he gets up in the morning is that he will go to bed earlier the

next night. A HEALTHY WOMAN

Is Becoming More and More Rare.

There are very few women in the United States who have not got catarrh in some form. A perfectly healthy woman is rare. But comparatively few woman who are suffering with catarrh know that this is the case. Their trouble is called dyspepsia, heart trouble, female weakness, weak lungs, nervone hour and forty-five minutes in ous debility; indeed, almost the whole length, which he delivered without a category of medical terms has been applied to catarrh of some organ of the female anatomy. Of course these women will take medicine, employ physicians, take all sorts of hygienic measures, but still continue to suffer, suffer, suffer. They drag wearily about their daily tasks; their nerves tingle and thrill with every emotion. They scold; they are cross. Who

blames them? If these women would only realize that their trouble is only chronic catarrh of the stomach, or liver, or lungs. or pelvic organs, and treat themselves accordingly, how much unnecessary suffering would be saved. Pe-ru-na will cure catarrh wherever located. How many times has this sentence been printed in scores and hundreds of papers all over this country! Pe-runa will cure catarrh wherever located. But still there are people who do not know this. The spring time aggravates these difficulties. It will be a very trying time to almost every woman. This is especially true of those who do not know of Pe-ru-na. what to take to cure it, what you must

do to be saved. Any one desiring a free copy of one of Dr. Hartman's latest books on catarrhal diseases may have one free of charge by addressing The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, ColumGreat Good Fortage.

Good luck is of all kinds, some of queer. The San Francisco Post, for instance, tells how a inboring man in that city found himself fortunate in a way most unexpected.

When the noon whistles blew the other day, he sat down on a box in the shade, thrust his hand into his overcoat pocket, looked surprised, and then remarked:

"I've lost my lunch." He pondered over his predicament a moment and then added:

"Well, I've got something to drink, anyway," and he pulled a bottle of coffee out of his other pocket.

He slowly drained the bottle, threw it aside, and sat lost in thought for a moment. Suddenly he sprang up, slapped his thigh, and exclaimed:

"It's a good job I lost my lunch!" "Why so?" inquired another work-

Why, I left my teeth at home."

Medici could be animated into life women would only remark that her waist

before anybody would have a chance to

a lonfer occupies it.

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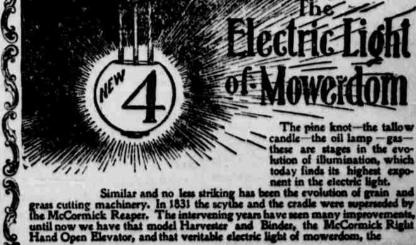
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Saturday, April 10, 1897.

LOCAL DOTS.

-Mr. Claude Mooneyhan has a daughter.

-Pure Louisana sugar house molasses at S. L. Robertson's.

-See those belts at T. G. Carney & Co's, strictly up to date and something entirely new.

-Judge 'Hamner left for Austin yesterday.

at S. L. Robertson's.

T. G. Carney & Co's.

-T. G. Carney & Co. received quite a nobby delivery wagon this week.

-S. L. Robertson is still selling everything low for cash.

-Ladies' waist goods in silk, cotton, linen and novelties of the latest designs a specialty.

T. G. CARNEY & Co. -Mr. Parker of Dallas came in Thursday on a visit to his children.

at Mr. Cason's. -We are Western agents for Racine Spring work. Our stock is large and our prices are right.

ED S. HUGHES & Co. Abilene, Texas.

-Dr. Gilbert says enter one 11 lb. boy to the credit of Mr. Cowley, arrived Saturday morning.

-Our stock of embroidery and insertion is full of the latest styles and prettiest designs-the prices are all right. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

-Mr. S. W. Scott leaves for Austhe supreme court.

-We can give you any width in ribbons and any color in satin, silk, velvet or novelty ribbons at prices too cheap to think of. T. G. Carney & Co McLemore Drug Store. Promptness

-Our job department finished up and satisfaction guaranteed. a 30 paged law brief this week for Messrs Foster & Scott and W. T Andrews.

-IF YOU HAVE CASH TO PAY FOR GOODS GO TO S. L. ROBERTSONS.

pants, shirts, boots and shoes, J. B merous to mention. Come and see with it at par, thus making another Stetson hats, neck ties, bows, collars, for yourself. T. G. CARNEY & Co. speculation on the resident and takcuffs, handkerchiefs and both riding and work gloves, we can suit you in all you wish, and ESPECIALLY in T. G. CARNEY & Co.

the finest prospect for good wheat R'y will sell round trip tickets Seyand out crops he has had in five mour to Ft. Worth at one price \$4 .years.

pecially for this and western climates and will stand the racket. ED S. HUGHES & Co.

Abilene, Texas. -We had to leave out nearly all

of our editorial and local matter this week to make room for communications.

Dress Goods, Notions, Gloves &c. T. G. Carney & Co.

-Miss Fannie Hudson gave a de- charge. lightful musical entertainment to a number of her friends Wednesday night.

hats in all styles, all prices, all kinds. cyclone that Cisco did about two Don't buy until you look at OUR years ago.

stock and get OUR prices. T. G. CARNEY & Co. -We are daily expecting our 4th car-load of Racine Buggies and Hacks. They have given entire sat-

isfaction and will stand the racket. ED S. HUGHES & Co. Abilene, Texas.

with us-come get the goods.

T. G. CARNEY & Co.

his stead.

LACES-We have them sure. Any width with insertion to match. Latest designs either in white, butter color us at same prices others sell ordinary stuff at. T. G CARNEY & Co.

-Prot. Core, Bert Farmer and Frank Allen of Throckmorton, were visitors in Haskell this week.

-We are Western agents for the celebrated J. I. Case Threshing Ma- ample appropriation should be made chinery. We offer you our services to enable the comptroller's departif you need goods in this line.

ED S. HUGHES & Co.

-Mr. J. L. Baldwin recieved yesterday the sad news of the death of his his home at Windom, Texas, from consumption.

-I am better prepared than ever to fit your eyes with the best glasses -Always something good to eat made, and at an honest price. Satisfaction guaranteed or money reand throat. J. E. LINDSEY, M. D.

A Card of Thanks.

Through the kindness of the Free Press I take this method of thanking the labor of the pioneers of the coun ness to me in the donation of this extra burden, shall have made them

express the gratitude of my heart. I pray God's blessings upon every one alone and it illustrates the whole sit-M. L. MOODY.

chants sell goods so cheap in the fall 1885 to 1895, inclusive, is \$13,826, and so high in the spring? We sell divided among the several funds as them the same price the whole year follows; general fund, \$4994; court immense stock now on hand.

T. G. CARNEY & Co.

Dental Notice.

Dr. W. A. Morris, dentist, anservices should call at once.

DR. W. A. MORRIS -Leave your watch work at the

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Wichita Falls, Tex

Special R. R. Rates.

Account meeting of Grand Lodge, -Mr. Thurwhanger says he has April 21st and 22nd, '97, the W. V. 95, selling date Apr 19th and 20th. -Racine vehicles are made es- Tickets limited to Apr. 23rd '97.

April 23rd, '97, we will sell round trip tickets Seymour to Denver, Col., at \$21.55, final limit to return May L. P. DAVIDSON, Agt. 8th, '97.

-We are still giving away ladies and misses hats. We have given away over a hundred, have about 150 left. If you would like one of these -We guarantee to please the come and get it with trimming to most fastidious taste of any lady on match free. These are left over stock, but many of them can be made to look quite nice-we do it free of T. G. CARNEY & Co.

AID has been freely sent to Chan dler, Oklahoma, which last week -Ladies', Misses and Children's suffered about the same fate from a CALIFORNIA DOG POISON.

-We sent wagons to Seymour this WAGON OR BUGGY PAINT. week for corn, but they returned Thursday evening without being able TABLETS, to get any. They reported that the grain dealers at Seymour said that WRITING PAPER. they would have corn in a few days but would not sell at less than 45 LANTERNS. cents in wholesale lots. We are in--We can please any one on shoes, formed that the retail price at Abi- LAMP (00DS, slippers, New Port ties, sandals, lene is 49 cents. So it appears that opera slippers, &c., in any color of since we quit furnishing corn at cost tans, cherries, ox-blood, etc., also Seymour and Abilene have jumped hose to match. Prices cut no figure the price up. Now we don't propose to see the people imposed upon in this way, and if a sufficient num--The M. E. church at this place ber of our people want corn at cost held its second quarterly conference again to make up a car load or nearly Wednesday. Presiding Elder Dan- so, we will order it by telegraph and iels was not present on account of knock a crimp in 'em again. There sickness in his family, and Rev. is no feed here for sale now at any Rogers of Throckmorton presided in price and if you want corn let us P. S. Condition Powders 15cts lb know at once. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

The Back Tax Question.

The legislature now in session or ecru-they are out o'sight. Prices should delegate to its best legal talso low that you can buy the best from ent the work of correcting any defects, uncertainties and weak points there may be in the law passed by the last regular session, known as the Colquitt law, for the collection of back taxes due the state and counties. And when the law has been made iron-clad in every detail an ment to turnish the delinquent lists to the several counties as rapidly as Abilene, Texas. an efficient clerical force can perform the work.

For ten years and more, large land younger brother, Van, which occurr- owners throughout the state, and ed on last Tuesday, the 6th inst. at especially in western Texas, have persistently and systematically dodged and shirked the payment of taxes, leaving almost the entire burden of supporting the county governments in many of the sparsely settled counties on the resident citizens, whose burden as the forerunners of civilization funded. I am still making a spec- and developers of the country, is waists, ties, Jabots, bows, &c., at indicate shift is in the country, is heavy enough without this unjust treatment. The tax dodgers as a rule have acquired their lands at a small price or by inheritance and are holding them for speculation when all the friends for their great kind- try, on whom they are throwing this valuable by the establishment of Words, I feel, are inadequate to society, schools, churches, farms, etc.

and shall use the gift as a faithful uation. We have personally examined the records and find the amount round, so come, see and price our house fund, \$4456; rord and bridge \$1782. Now it is clear to any person that if this tax had been paid property could have been assessed at a lower valuation, or, the tax rate could have been lower, maknounces to the citizens of Haskell ing taxation lighter on both the citiand vicinity that he is now in Has- zen and the non-resident property kell prepared to serve them in any owner. But owing to this large detin to-day to argue some cases before line of dentistry. As he will remain linquency the county has been forcbut ten days, parties desiring his ed to place both the valuation and tax rate as high as possible in order to meet its expenses and has not then time for EASTER been able to do it. On account of scrip have in many instances had to -Come to us to fill your bills, sell it at a large discount, not being We have what you are looking for, able to wait an indefinite time for Everything up to date in raised but- the county to pay it. Non-residents tons, parasols, fans, &c., in fact every or their agents frequently buy this de--As for you men and boys: On thing, in the latest novelties too nu- preciated scrip and pay county taxes

> ing advantage of their own wrong. There are dozens of other counties in the state in the same condition with Haskell and they should urge Knights of Pythias at Fort Worth, their legislators in no uncertain terms to prompt and decisive action in this matter.

> > The same argument of course applies to the delinquent taxes due to

We say again that the legislature should leave no loophole for these tax dodgers, they have been dallied with too long already. Make the law definite and certain in every particular, iron-clad and impregnable.

save you money when you need:

MACHINE OILS WALL PAPER,

or any kind of

I want your trade,

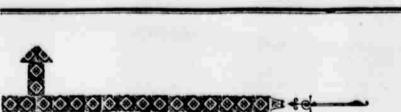
A Chapter on Prairie Dogs-

We have experimented on prairie dogs for 11 years and have discovered the best poisons yet used. We prepare two poisons. One is put up & bottles containing poison for a peck of grain; 4 bottles \$3.50 or 6 bottles \$5.00. One grain of the poisoned wheat has been known to kill a dog. This is the best poison when you wish to prepare the grain yourself and is for sale by most druggists. The other poison we mix with millet seed and sell at &r per peck or \$3 50 per bushel. It has no taste or smell and the dogs will always eat it. Never put out poison in bad or windy weather. We can give close

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THERE'S pleasure and money saving for the ladies of Haskell at our store, --- pleasure in seeing and money saving in buying our

New Spring Goods, New Spring Silks. New Spring Shoes and Slippers,

In short, new spring goods in all lines crowd every nook and corner of our store.

New Spring Millinery.

LOOKING will not cost you a cent, and BUYING not much more, as the prices are very low.

A DAINTY PAIR OF SHOES

Is the finishing touch to any costume, especially an Take the case of Haskell county EASTER outfit. Shoes that look neat enough with an ordinary dress will look shabby stealing in and out beneath your New Easter Suit. It is quite necessary in order to have your costume complete in every detail of delinquent taxes due the county that you walk to church Easter morning in a pair of shoes or slippers se--Why is it that so many mer- by non-resident land owners from lected from our elegant new line of footwear.

A woman's crowning glory is said to be her hair. There is an for business, for our stock is now exception, however. On Easter morning, if she is a Haskell lady, it will complete and we are able to save fund, \$2594; district school fund, be one of our ELEGANT SPECIMENS OF MILLINERY.

> All the skill and taste of our modiste seems to have crystalized and taken concrete form in the hats we are showing for our spring trade. They are dreams of beauty and lovelines.

THEN there's one more point, -and it's a very important one, that is: THE PRICES ARE EASY TO PAY. We shall be glad to have you look elsewhere and then come here. You will at once see the difference between last year's stocks and the latest novelties shown in the best markets.

We will have some other dainty novelties on exhibition in

The way our DRESS GOODS have been moving out, together not having the money to meet its with our general line, renders us much satisfaction and pleasure scrip it has had to pay higher prices in showing us that we have met the demands of our friends, and for all supplies and services employ- we tender you, one and all, our thanks, and promise you to try ed, and those who have received its and merit your trade by honest and fair treatment.

Yours. F. G. Alexander & Co.



J. W. BELL.



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Best Wind Mills on earth at reasonable prices.

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Good Lumber offered, and big trade asked for.

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Our aim is to keep a well assorted stock of general hardware, tools, cutlery, etc. We also handle a good line of stoves, wind mills,pumps, etc.

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planters, cultivators, wagons, etc. Anything not in our stock will be procured promptly. We shall continue to handle furniture, carpets mattresses and general housefurnishing goods and

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We keep in stock an assortment of coffins, trimmings, etc., and can fill orders promptly.

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8 lbs Roasted Coffee, . . . \$1.00 1 lb Pure natural leat tobacco, .28 Calicoes, novelty patterns included,

adies' nice leather belts. . . Come and see us. Respt'y. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

IF THERE is one thing that needs to be purified, it is politics, so the reformer says, and many agree thereto. But blood tells, and as a blood ner. purifier and liver corrector Simmons Liver Regulator is the best medicine. 'I use it in preference to any other.' - So wrote Mr.S. M. Hysell, of Middleport Ohio. And Dr.D.S. Russell. of Farmville, Va, writes, "It fulfills all you promise for it."

LAST week a trial shipment of Nolen. about 400 beef steers was made from Galveston to Liverpool, England-Quite a number of prominent cattlemen from various portions of the state went down to see the shipment cock. off. This is the initial step in the revolution of the export livestock business of this country, and is the beginning of the truition of the hopes based on the achievement of a deep water port on the Texas coast. We have no doubt but that the great bulk of the livestock and grain shipping of Texas and the great Northwest will be going through the port

of Galveston within a year.

FOR WOMAN'S PECULIAR **VEAKNESSES**



Fairview, School Exhebition.

April 4th, 1897.

The school at this place closed last Friday night. Miss Nannie good school; all the patrons and rustees are well pleased with Miss

We had a nice time at the school house Friday night, the pupils acquitted themselves nicely with speeches' and dialogues. The following is the programme in part as renderad:

The exercises opened with a song by all the pupils: "A Happy Band." Welcome Address: Mabel Nolen. "A Little Girls Speech:" Mollie

"What'to Drink:" Robert Clen-

"Ambition:" Ada Pittcock,

DIALOGUE. Laurence Carter, Hattie Fay smith, Mary Witten and Ida Walton.

"The Pear Free:" Tom Witten, Jr. "Strangers on the Sill:" Boyd Tan-

"Curiew Must not Ring To-night:" Miss Allice Walton.

"A Queer Sermon from a Queer Fext:" Mr. Hill Walton.

"Beautiful Gates " Ajar:" Lena

"The Reaper and the Flowers:"

A Song: Mary Witten. "A Smack in School:" Lewis

"Two Little Kittens:" Elsie Car-

Adams. "A Little Boy's Belief:" Luke

Clendennen. "Conceited Grasshoppor:" Asberry Pittcock. "How to Turn the Grind-rock:"

Shirley Smith.

"Seeds of Kindness" Effie Adams. "Johny on Easy Writing:" Everette Smith.

"Grand and Gay:" Little Geo. Walton. We failed to learn Willie Walton's

G. R. Walton says that is not allthe ballance is a new girl at his

A. Frank Smith.

As a remedy for all forms of Head

Editor Free Press:

Standefer, our teacher, has taught us Vannie's teaching.

"We Little Boys:" Quinton Car-

"A Litlle Boys Speech:" Warner Smith.

"A Wife Wanted:" Ed Clenden-

"A Boy Who Told a Lie;" Herschall Adams.

DIALOGUE,-"Editing a Newspaer:" Misses Bettie Adams, Allice Walton, Ala Tanner and Willie Pit-

Hattie Smith.

Witten. "Two Victims:" Miss Ala Tanner.

"The Maniac:" Miss Bettie

Another rain last week, but Mr.

Mrs. T. A. Witten has been quite sick, but is better at this writing.

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ache Electric bitters have proved to he the very best. It effects a permament cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headache yields to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habit ual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only 50 cents at McLemore's.