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Professional Cards.

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Haskell, - - Texas.

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Attorney - at - Law,
HASKELL, TEXAS.

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HASKELL, - - TEXAS.

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All kinds of Dental work neatly and substantially done.
Prices moderate.

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960 acres W. 1/4 of A. J. Smith Headright. Located about 10 miles N. E. of Haskell on Gray Mare creek. Will be sold cheap and on favorable terms. Address the owner G. WEBSTER, San Miguel, Cal.

Start An Orchard.
I have again arranged with the Austin Nursery for an agency for the season of 1900. It is well known as one of the most and most reliable nurseries in Texas and its representations are correct and its guaranty as good as the gold. I shall be pleased to take your order for fruit trees, shrubbery, etc., for fall delivery.
B. T. LANIER.

A TEXAS WONDER!
Hall's Great Discovery.
One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cured my wife's chronic rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, lumbago, and all the troubles of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates the circulation of the blood, and cures all the troubles of the skin. One small bottle is two months' treatment and will cure any case above mentioned.
W. W. HALL,
Sole Manufacturer, 1000 N. 10th St., St. Louis, Mo., formerly of Wood, Texas.
For sale by J. B. Baker, Haskell, Texas.
READ THIS:
Ennis, Texas.—Dr. E. W. Hall: Dear Sir—Six years ago the 30th of June I was stricken down with a diabetic kidney trouble, then after a while I got into general trouble, and then back to diabetic and bladder affection. I began your great remedy in July, this year, and had I used it earlier I think I could have passed a critical examination for any life insurance company. I would very much like to see the patent, get the best and cheapest remedy of all down on the market.
Respectfully,
CYRUS Y. HOGAN.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.
Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Haskell National Bank will be held on Tuesday, January 8th, 1901, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., at the office of said bank in the town of Haskell, Texas, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before such meeting.
J. L. JONES, Cashier.
Haskell, Texas, Dec. 8, 1900.

Pneumonia Prevented.
Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and la grippe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thus, Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia." For sale by J. B. Baker druggist.

EPWORTH LEAGUE AND GENERAL RELIGIOUS ITEMS

Entered by Mrs. Levi McCollum.

The manner of the life is the best thanksgiving.
There is no glory like the glory of being young.
An ounce of help is worth a pound of complaint.
God lives. Let us hope, for while he lives we cannot die.
A hasty speech invariably burns the tongue that utters it.
A grateful heart is the complement of a well-trained intellect.
The man who has nothing for which to be thankful is himself only to blame.
There is a class of people who, failing to be useful, seem to feel called upon to become troublesome.
—H. M. DuBose, D. D.

A Man Full of Religion.
On one of the Samon Islands, John Williams found a small chapel and about fifty persons who called themselves Christians, each one of whom wore a white cloth tied on his arm, to distinguish him from his neighbor.
The leader among them said that he had heard a little about the Christian religion from some people not far away, and that he used to go to them once in a while to bring home some religion. "And when that is gone, I take my canoe and fetch some more. Now, won't you give us a man all full of religion, so that I won't have to risk my life going after it?"
That is what is needed in all lands; "a man full of religion."—Selected.

Faith.
A little child and her father were once walking at night when a gentleman over took them and said to the child: "Are you not afraid you will fall in the dark?" "O no," she answered, "father holds my hand, and he will not let me fall." If we would only have the same faith in our Heavenly Father, trust to His promises, instead of relying on our own strength, He would lead us through dark places and over stony ground and He would not let us fall.
ELSIE MALONE McCOLLUM.

Says He Was Tortured.
"I suffered such a pain from corns I could hardly walk," writes H. Robinson, Hillsborough, Ill., "but Buckle's Arnica Salve completely cured them." Acts like magic on sprains, bruises, cuts, sores, scalds, burns, boils, ulcers. Perfect healer of skin diseases and piles. Cure guaranteed by J. B. Baker. Price 25 cents.

Epworth League Program.
How to Listen, Matt. 13:1-23.
Reference word—Hear.
Leader—Miss Eva Fields.
Voyage Hearers—Mr. L. Garrett.
Stony ground hearers—Miss Edith Sowell.
Thorny ground hearers—Mr. Scott.
Good ground hearers—Mrs. McCollum.
How to Hear—Miss Emma Park.
Roll call and responses containing the reference word.

HASKELL AND STAMFORD TRANSFER.
Connects with incoming and outgoing trains, avoiding any layover at Stamford for passengers or express.

Livery Stable at Haskell
Good teams and vehicles furnished promptly to order.
J. W. JOHNSON & SON, Proprs.

MILLINERY
MRS. WEST.
Newest Goods. Best Prices.
Second door north of Postoffice.

RACKET STORE
2nd door North of Postoffice
HOME KEEPERS' MONEY SUPPLY HOUSE.
Motto
Most Value for Least Money.

Obituaries.

Miss Orpha A. Montgomery, daughter of W. T. and E. M. Montgomery, was born Sept. 14, 1876 and died Nov. 23, 1900, aged 24 years. Her death has cast a shadow over our community, as she was loved and respected by all who knew her. She professed religion about five years ago but had not joined any church, but lived a consistent life up to her death. The writer has known her for two years and always found her kind and considerate of every one about her, never speaking unkindly to or of any person.
A few minutes before she passed away she was asked by a lady friend if she loved and trusted Jesus and she said yes, and passed away.
The sorrowing father and mother, brother and sister, left here to mourn her loss have an abiding faith that they will find her again in a better world.
W. L. LOVELADY.

Oliver S. Montgomery, son of W. T. and E. M. Montgomery, was born July 12, 1880, and died of scarlet fever Nov. 16, 1900, aged 20 years. He was sick five days and suffered much during that time. About 3 o'clock of the fifth day he passed away. Oliver had not professed religion, but was a seeker after the better way, and a very quiet nice boy. Somehow we believe he has gone to heaven. God bless the afflicted father and mother and the brother and sister, and may they all meet beyond these shores in a better world.
W. L. LOVELADY.

A Woman's Awful Peril.
"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation" were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hunt of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney remedy. Cures Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite. Try it. Only 50c Guaranteed. For sale by J. B. Baker.

There are few ailments so uncomfortable as piles, but they can easily be cured by using TABLER'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTMENT. Relief follows its use, and any one suffering from piles can not afford to neglect to give it a trial. Price, 50 cts in bottles, tubes 75c at J. B. Baker's.

The supreme court of the state rendered a decision a few days ago sustaining the constitutionality of the absolute lease law. The court held that it was a matter within the discretion of the legislature, basing its opinion upon apparently sound argument.

How to Cure Croup.
Mr. R. Gray, who lives near Amenia, Dutchess county, N. Y., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy for croup and never fails to cure." When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. For sale by J. B. Baker druggist.

OUR NEW Line of Seasonable Fall and Winter Goods
embraces everything from the finest dress fabrics down through the whole line of staples, in fact we believe it covers Everything Anybody Wants.
IN NOTIONS AND TRIMMINGS and all the little odds and ends of the toilet and ladies' wear our stock is equally full, equally well selected and priced equally well proportioned to value. The ladies will find here everything required to trim the most fashionable modern costume.
GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING In these our stock is unsurpassed in style, quality and value. We bought our clothing under peculiar circumstances—a closing sale—and know we got it under regular prices. We intend to sell it that way.
BOOTS AND SHOES Besides our regular line of Footwear we bought a large special lot for men's and women's wear at special low prices—and they'll go that way.
Millinery We believe that we have become pretty well posted in what our lady friends want in this line and believe that we have the stock to meet their wants. To be sure that we got the latest styles and best quality of trimmings, etc. we secured the services of an expert milliner in making our selections.
Come and see 'Tis the larch string is out, you will be very welcome, and we will take pleasure in showing you through our stock and quoting prices.
Yours Ac
F. G. Alexander & Co.

OUR ONE THOUGHT
Everything you want At prices that are irresistible
IN OUR GREAT STOCK OF NEW GOODS

Smiling again because we have
In buying our one and all, is to find what you want and then meet it with a line of goods unequalled in price and quality. We have found that the only way to build up a permanent business is to secure what the people want and then make the prices as low as the quality of the goods will bear—in other words give full value for your money in every transaction. To this end we measure every value we put before you, both in buying and selling.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Texas:
You are hereby commanded to summon A. L. Liggett by making publication of this writ once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said District, to appear at the regular term of the Justice of the Peace court of Pre. No. 1, Haskell county, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Haskell on the 27th day of January A. D. 1901, then and there to answer a demand or claim on an account filed in said court on the 23rd day of November A. D. 1900, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 354, wherein Geo. F. Alford is Plaintiff, and A. L. Liggett is Defendant, and said claim or demand is an account for \$101.00 principal and \$117.71 interest to Nov. 17, 1900, due by said A. L. Liggett to said Geo. F. Alford, and to foreclose an attachment lien on 80 acres of land situated in Haskell county, Texas, same being an undivided 1/2 interest in the South half of Survey No. 46 in name of Geo. G. Alford, Abstract No. 8, Certificate No. 359, patented to Geo. G. Alford May 1862 by patent No. 547, Vol. 9, belonging to said A. L. Liggett to satisfy said debt and interest and cost of suit.
Herein fail to do but have before said court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
WITNESS, J. W. EVANS, J. P. Pre. No. one, Haskell county.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 23rd day of November A. D. 1900.
J. W. EVANS, J. P.
Pre. No. one, Haskell Co, Tex.

TERRELL'S DRUG STORE,
Southwest Corner Public Square
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Handles only the Purest and Best drugs. Carries a nice line of—
Jewelry, Notions and Sundries;
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FURNITURE.
We have just opened a new furniture store in
STAMFORD, TEX.,
and will sell you goods very low, and will appreciate your trade.
North of Post-office
Your Friends,
W. O. Blanchett & Co.

Dissolution Notice.
Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the partnership heretofore existing between R. H. McKee and W. W. Hentz, doing a general merchandise business in Haskell, Texas, was by mutual consent dissolved on the 5th day of Dec. 1900, R. H. McKee purchasing the entire interest of W. W. Hentz in their business, including the stock of goods, wares and merchandise as well as all notes, accounts, etc., owing to said firm and, said R. H. McKee becoming responsible for all the debts owing by said firm.
Witness our signatures this Dec. 6th, 1900.
R. H. MCKEE
W. W. HENTZ

All parties indebted to the old firm will please call and settle promptly, as it is necessary to close the books up. I will continue business at the old stand and will be pleased to have your patronage. Respectfully,
R. H. MCKEE.

Food Changed to Poison.
Putrefying food in the intestines produces effects like those of arsenic but Dr. King's New Life Pills expel the poisons from clogged bowels, gently, easily but surely, curing Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Fevers, all Liver, Kidney and Bowel troubles. Only 25c at J. B. Baker's.

Questions for Women
Are you nervous?
Are you completely exhausted?
Do you suffer every month?
If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, you have the which Wine of Cardui cures. Do you appreciate what perfect health would be to you? After taking Wine of Cardui, thousands like you have realized it. Nervous strain, loss of sleep, cold or indigestion starts menstrual disorders that are not noticeable at first, but day by day steadily grow into troublesome complications. Wine of Cardui, used just before the menstrual period, will keep the female system in perfect condition. This medicine is taken equally by men. There is nothing like it to help women enjoy good health. It costs only \$1 to test this remedy, which is endorsed by 1,000,000 cured women.
Mrs. Lena T. Freisberg, East St. Louis, Ill., says: "I am generally a nervous woman, by reason of my use of Wine of Cardui and Theodor's Black Draught."
In cases requiring special directions, address giving of "The Ladies' Advice" Department, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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The Bon Ton
Restaurant and Oyster Parlor,
West Side of Square,
For Both Ladies and Gentlemen.
Fresh Oysters Served to Order in Any Style at Any Time.
We carry a choice stock of
Fruits and Confectioneries.
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as we are the largest buyers of Pianos in the state, we can sell cheaper than any house in Texas.
We are state agents for
The Chickering Pianos,
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and other makes.
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WE HAVE ONLY ONE PRICE. We do not deceive buyers by asking high prices and accepting from \$100 to \$250 less, to make them believe they secure bargains.
Our guarantee is absolute protection.
—WE REFER TO ANY BANK IN TEXAS.—
GUITARS, MANDOLINS and VIOLINS AT CUT PRICES.
We carry in stock all the sheet music published.

THOS. GOGGAN & BRO.
DALLAS AND GALVESTON

WORMS! WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE
For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies. Sold by all Druggists.
Prepared by
JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis
For sale by JOHN B. BAKER, Haskell, T.

Nature has given us two ears, two eyes and but one tongue, to the end that we should hear and see more than we speak.

The Fairmount Park Art Association of Philadelphia has decided to erect a statue in honor of Robert Morris, the great financier of revolutionary days. It will cost \$15,000.

The Buffalo Bird protective society defends the English sparrow, ascribing to the birds the disappearance, in that vicinity, of the canker worm.

A notice was posted the other day in a West Kensington (London) church, announcing that five pews were for sale. And, according to the notice, one of the advantages of these pews is that the contribution plate is not passed to them.

The Cunard company has decided on building several steamships which will be expected to wrest from German-built vessels the speed championship now held by the latter. Other English lines will probably follow suit in the attempt to outdo the Deutschland.

In Wheeling, W. Va., the men paraded in Mother Hubbards to ridicule female suffrage. If the men of Denver should attempt a thing like that the rag men would reap a harvest next morning gathering up the remnants with which the streets would be strewn.

The mayors in Arkansas are to meet in convention in Little Rock the last of this month to review legislation looking to the welfare of their cities. Boards of trades, business men's leagues and commercial organizations are invited to send delegates.

The Netherlanders stand in the foremost rank as coffee drinkers, using 370 ounces a year to each inhabitant. We are but fourth on the coffee-drinking list, using 725,000,000 pounds a year, or 15 ounces apiece. Russia, however, allows but three ounces to each person.

Once, after exposing the ridiculous blunders of the editor of certain old plays, James Russell Lowell concluded with the remark, "In point of fact, we must apply to this gentleman the name of the first King of Sparta." No one remembered, of course, what this was, but when they looked it up they found it was Eudamidas.

A lady of literary fame once requested Doctor Reid, the celebrated medical writer, to call at her house. "Be sure you recollect the address," she said as she quitted the room. "No, I checked the street," "Madam," said the doctor, "I am too great an admirer of politeness not to remember Chesterfield, and I fear, too selfish ever to forget Number One."

Cheerful announcement and invitation printed by a paper in Holton, Kan.: "Albert Beler has just completed a course in the embalming school of Kansas City and returned with his diploma. He will have a full stock of coffins and funeral supplies ready by the first of the week and invites all needing his services or goods of this character to give him a call."

A contract has been closed by a Milwaukee firm for furnishing the first complete set of brewing machinery ever sent from this country to Japan. Two natives of that country, after personally examining such machinery in various European countries, decided that the American article was what they wanted. The plant will be located at Kioto and will cost about \$100,000.

A dispatch from Louisville, Ky., says: "The 'hello' girls are walking long and loud. The Cumberland Telegraph and Telephone company, which owns all the leading lines in the South, has issued an order requiring operators to furnish a guarantee bond of \$25 that they will not talk over the lines themselves. This order was made necessary by the fact that a number of operators were accustomed to use the lines for gossiping with one another and with male friends."

De Wet, the elusive Boer commander, has got to the penny puzzle stage of popularity in England. Says an American, who purchased one of these "puzzle" cards from an itinerant vendor: "On it was an outline of the territory lately ruled by Mr. Kruger with the wording: 'This is the Transvaal; find De Wet.' I turned the card about, but could discover no outline suggestive of the old-like Boer general. Then I applied to the vendor for information. With a grin he answered: 'You can't find De Wet, gov'nor? No more can anybody else find him! He ain't there; he's sloped, as per usual. Now ain't the sell worth a bicoinin' penny?'"

An insurance against strikes is the latest idea in Austria. A number of manufacturers have adopted the plan of paying a certain percentage upon their respective pay rolls into a common fund. In the event of a strike occurring in the works of one of them an investigation is made by a committee representing the association and if it is decided the strike was declared unjustly the idle factory is indemnified from the fund. On the other hand, if the committee finds the cause of the strikers just there is no indemnity.

An actor recently tried the timeworn plan of "stolen jewelry" to obtain free advertisement in New Haven, says the Springfield Republican. The case was put in the hands of the police, who carefully questioned all the chorus girls, and then sprang a surprise on the actor by producing a search warrant and examining his trunks. The articles said to have been stolen were found carefully packed away, and the police gave the actor a withering "shell down" in the presence of the whole company.

GEN. J. B. GORDON

The Noted Georgian Delivers an Eloquent Address

AT THE SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL

Convention in the Metropolis of the Pelican State and Receives the Cheoest of Attention.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—The industrial convention assembled here yesterday. It is presided over by President H. H. Hargrove, who was elected at the Huntsville convention, and there are delegates present from twenty states, who seem bent on transacting the important business that brought them here. In the responses to the addresses of welcome Gen. Joon B. Gordon of Georgia made a speech which aroused much enthusiasm. He urged expansion and pleaded for the open door in the orient.

In the afternoon President Hargrove made his report and then there was an address by Dr. Alderman, president of Tulane university. The report of the committee on organization reported at the morning session and meeting with some opposition was deferred after considerable discussion.

John B. Gordon of Georgia delivered a most eloquent address. After detailing the changed conditions in Georgia and the evident prospects he continued as follows:

"And now in conclusion let me say a word as to the whole south. I note that we are forbidden to talk politics. That suits me. Like my friend from Arkansas, I was in politics some years ago, but I have reformed. I have some things on my heart and mind which I propose to say. I say them not as a representative for the governor nor for the state, but I say them on my own responsibility, that our land, once the Niobe of nations, bathed in tears, isolated in her unspeakable grief, is Niobe no longer. But she is now rather noble Cornelia, pointing with just exultation to her triumphant Gracchi, conquering all foes and trampling under foot every barrier to her progress. She is still it is true and ever will be. Rachael, inconsolable at the loss of her trust child, because she is a brave mother, and still more refined, by fire through which she has passed, engulfing her sons who went down in war. For her and her children she asks no narrow policies, no Chinese walls, but she looks with palpitating heart toward the boundless orient as an outlet for her great staples; she wants the Nicaragua canal, connecting the eastern and western oceans. She asks for the open door—and a wide open one—for a market for 11,000,000 bales of cotton, which she can see in the distant future, to convert into clothing for the nations. She bids China and far off islands of the seas to tear down their walls, to lift high the gates and let her in, and I want to say just here in this connection that the day is not far distant when there shall come from those redeemed millions the hosannas, praising God for the presence of the American flag and the hope of American freedom.

"Lift up your eyes, O ye people of the orient. Let us in, and we will do you good. We will bring to you the old-time civilization, the mother of the mightiest manhood and the most glorious womanhood ever seen on earth. We will bring you lessons in government from the greatest and grandest and freest republic on earth. We march to your help under freedom's banners, proclaiming liberty, regulated by law, holding high over all the pure, the spotless and immaculate banner of the prince of peace."

The night session was given over to the reading of papers on the Nicaragua canal. Ex-Mayor C. L. Lauratta of Mobile, W. A. Hemphill of Atlanta, Ga., and Sidney Story of New Orleans were the speakers.

At Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 5.—Two members of the crew of the United States auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, which recently foundered during a typhoon off the island of Guam, have arrived at Cavite on the United States transport Alava, which left Guam on Nov. 25 with seventy-five marines who had been transferred to Cavite from Guam. The names of the two men of the wrecked vessel are John Barry, carpenter, and Henry Cooligan, an apprentice.

The senatorial committee decides the ship subsidy bill will be acted on first.

The United States gunboat Wilmington has arrived at Port Said.

The Texas rate clerks are busy checking up.

American Arrested. New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—The steamer Stillwater arrived here from Port Barrios, Guatemala. Her officers and a number of the crew made statements relative to an outrage upon an American citizen.

Mr. R. H. May, who once served the government of Guatemala as the contractor for the Guatemala Northern railway, was arrested on the charge of attempting to leave the republic without paying debts.

PRIZE WINNERS.

Forme Cattle Capture a Number of Ribbons of Blue.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—Texas, the greatest cattle state and the foremost breeding ground in America has demonstrated at this exposition, which is now conceded by all hands to be the biggest thing of the kind ever held, that when it comes to prize winning her name must be printed right along with the rest, and that, too, first. The fact is the Lone Star state had things almost its own way, as against states like Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, and Nebraska on range cattle, and walked off with several prizes aggregating nearly \$1000. In the southwest district, which included Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Old Mexico, the Channing syndicate XIT carload of yearlings received all three prizes. In the calf competition the XIT's carried the blue and the red.

In the southern division, where all cattle are bred in that part of the United States and Mexico lying south of A. G. Pannill of Kaufman received the second premium. In the sweepstakes, in which only one carload lots were eligible, the Panhandle XIT's yearlings that never saw corn, and did not know what hay looked like, got first money, with the famous Swan-Land Cattle company of Wyoming second, and Eugene Grubb, a prominent breeder of Colorado, third. But the windings did not stop here.

In the fat cattle competition, the state fared equally well. Marion Sanson of Alvarado, who made himself famous at the Fort Worth Fat Stock show, is keeping up his reputation. The Alvarado feed had a certain walk-over, getting first and second prizes, and Pannill of Kaufman came in for the white ribbon on fat yearlings.

In the 2-year-old steer class Sanson was an easy victor for the blue. Col. Columbus Slaughter of Dallas was awarded the second prize on fat 2-year-old steers, the first prize going to J. K. Tear of Ormondale, Ill., who had XIT steers.

Col. Slaughter's two cars of thirty-one head attracted no little attention. They were inspected very closely during the day by the distinguished judge of thoroughbreds at this show, Mr. Ellis of England, who could not believe but that they had been on feed always, when as a matter of fact they were bred in Texas and shipped from there as 2s to Kansas to be placed in the feed lot. They tipped the beam today at 1800 pounds.

The Texans, of course, were filled to overflowing with joy, and they were receiving congratulations on all hands.

Two Slain. Selma, Ala., Dec. 5.—A double killing occurred at Wheeler's store, Loundes county. George Wheeler shot and killed A. Weldrop and Calvin Harris, both white men. Weldrop had been farming on shares for Wheeler and went to his store to have a settlement. Some dispute arose over money matters and Wheeler shot and killed Weldrop. Harris was in the store at the time and Wheeler says Harris attempted to reach a Winchester lying on a counter.

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Another Claimant. New York, Dec. 5.—When the attention of James W. Gerard was drawn to a printed dispatch from Washington saying that Frederick A. Rice, a messenger in the United States bureau there, had developed as the latest claimant for part of the William Marsh Rice estate, he said he had heard it. Mr. Gerard is counsel for the executors and heirs of Mr. Rice under the first will. He says Frederick A. Rice notified him.

Parliament Assembles. London, Dec. 5.—The house of commons after a visit to the house of lords where royal approval of the reelection of the speaker, William Court Gully, was signified, proceeded to swear in members. The only interesting feature in the house of lords was the Lord Chancellor's announcement of the receipt of certificates showing the Duke of Manchester and Baron Sudley had been adjudicated bankrupt, preceding their sitting.

LONE STAR LINES.

Whitesboro has twenty-five cases of small-pox.

Several cases of small-pox are reported at Elmo.

The Oriental hotel, Dallas, is to have a 100-room annex.

On the 28th ult at Clarksville forty-six divorces were granted.

Tom Johnson, colored, of Texarkana, was found dead on a street at Paris.

Richard Abraham, a young man of Manchester, Eng., died at McGregor.

Thanksgiving day was generally and generously observed all over the state.

Grading on the Denton-Sherman Inter-Urban railway is progressing rapidly.

Evangelist Joseph Yarborough, well known throughout the state, died at Houston.

The First National bank of New Boston, capital stock \$30,000, has been organized.

A number of deaths have occurred recently in Lamar county from scarlet fever.

The little child of Jim Donaldson, colored, of Paris, died from drinking concentrated lye.

The New Process Manufacturing company at Dallas was burned. The loss is about \$115,000.

A pan of burning grease caused Kearby's bakery at Paris and the Kimball hotel to be badly damaged.

Fire broke out in the cotton yard at Moody and damaged twenty-bales of cotton and destroyed three bales.

When the present term of the district court convened at Clarksville there were eighty-seven divorce cases on the docket.

The state association of the doctors of the osteopathic school was formally organized at Sherman at a fairly well attended meeting.

Another wreck of a large barge has landed on Matagorda peninsula. It shows signs of having been in the gulf since the storm of Sept. 8.

In the examining trial at Paris of Walter Gossett, charged with the murder of J. H. Ray, at Blossom, defendant was held without bail.

John H. Teller of Fort Worth has been appointed brigadier general to command the Texas brigade of the uniform rank Knights of Pythias.

A. E. Ray of Whitewright filed a petition in bankruptcy at Paris. He places his liabilities at \$49,249.94. There are no assets except as are exempt.

Dr. U. M. Glider has brought suit against the city of Ennis for \$5000, alleged to have been sustained by him by reason of backwater on his farm from the city's lake.

A family consisting of a man and his wife and fourteen children arrived over the Texas and Pacific from Arkansas at Paris and walked several miles to the country, where they have relatives.

Thanksgiving was celebrated at Cleburne with a sham battle, football game and harness races. The sham battle was splendid, notwithstanding there were only two companies participating.

At Galveston in the court of civil appeals Chief Justice Garrett delivered an opinion dismissing the case of the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company vs. the county of Galveston.

Jesse Goodman, a farmer living near Lindale, reports having seen a buzzard flying over his place a few days ago with a red flag tied to his tail. The bird was going south and did not appear to be the least bit disconcerted.

A. Schmidt & Co., of Laredo, wholesale dealers in furniture, who have been doing a large business in Mexico for the last twelve years, made an assignment. The liabilities are reckoned at \$50,000. Ex-Mayor Christian is named as assignee.

A novel feature of the Thanksgiving celebration at Cleburne was a drill, a la Hardee's tactics, by fifty ex-Confederate soldiers, the band playing "Dixie" during the same. A one-armed veteran carried the flag of stars and bars and the audience continuously cheered.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

SPEAKS ON ONE OF THE CHIEF CHRISTIAN VIRTUES.

The Need of Grace in the Affairs of Daily Life—Tears Discard Into Harmony—Final Reward of Patience—Causes of Pessimism.

(Copyright, 1900, Louis Kloepke, N. Y.) Washington, Dec. 2.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage is a full length portrait of a virtue which all admire, and the lesson taught are very helpful; text, Hebrews x, 36, "Ye have need of patience."

Yes, we are in awful need of it. Some of us have a little of it, and some of us have none at all. There is less of this grace in the world than of almost any other. Faith, hope and charity are all abloom in hundreds of souls where you find one specimen of patience. Paul, the author of the text, on a conspicuous occasion lost his patience with a co-worker, and from the way he urges this virtue upon the Hebrews, upon the Corinthians, upon the Thessalonians, upon the Romans, upon the Colossians, upon the young theological student Timothy, I conclude he was speaking out of his own need of more of this excellence. And I only wonder that Paul had any nerves left. Imprisonment, flagellation, Mediterranean cyclone, arrest for treason and conspiracy, the wear and tear of preaching to angry mobs, those at the door of the theater and those on the rocks of Mars hill, left him emaciated and invalid and with a broken voice and sore eyes and nerves a-jangle. He gives us a snap-shot of himself when he describes his appearance and his sermonic delivery by saying, "In bodily presence weak and in speech contemptible," and refers to his inflamed eyelids when speaking of the ardent friendship of the Galatians he says, "If it had been possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes and have given them to me."

Patience Under Difficulties. Some of the people ordinarily most excellent have a deficit in this respect. That man who is the impersonation of amiability, his mouth full of soft words and his face a spring morning, if a passing wheel splash the mud across his broadcloth, see how he colors up, and hear him denounce the passing jehu. The Christian woman, an angel of suavity, that some social slight is put upon her or her family, hear how her utterances increase in intensity. One of the ablest and best ministers of the gospel in America, stopping at a hotel in a town where he had an evening engagement, was interrupted in his afternoon nap by a knock at the door by a minister who had come to welcome him, and after the second and third knock the sleeper opened the door and took the invader by the nose by the collar and twisted it with a force that, if continued, would have been strangulation. Oh, it is easy enough to be patient when there is nothing to be patient about. When the bank account is good and in no danger of being overdrawn, and the wardrobe is crowded with apparel appropriate for the cold, or the heat, or the wet, and all the family have attested their health by keen appetites at a loaded table, and the newspapers, if they mention us at all, put right construction upon what we do or say, and we can walk ten miles without getting tired, and we sleep eight solid hours without turning from side to side, the most useless grace I can think of is patience. It has no business anywhere in your house, you have no more need of it than a life preserver while you are walking the pavement of a city, no more need of it than an umbrella under a cloudless sky, no more need of it than of Sir Humphry Davy's safety lamp for miners while you are breathing the tonic air of an October morning.

Causes of Pessimism. Now you understand how people can become pessimistic and cynical and despairful. You have reached that stage yourself. Now you need something that you have not. But I know of a re-enforcement that you can have if you will accept it. Yonder comes up the road or the sidewalk a messenger of God. Her attire is unpretending. She has no wings, for she is not an angel, but there is something in her countenance that implies rescue and deliverance. She comes up the steps that once were populous with the angels and the halcyons where the tapers are getting faded and frayed, the place now all empty of worldly admirers. I will tell you her name if you would like to know it. Paul baptized her and gave her the right name. She is not brilliant, but strong. There is a deep quietness in her manner, and a firmness in her tread, and in her hand is a scroll revealing her mission. She comes from heaven. She was born in the throne room of the King. This is Patience. "Ye have need of patience."

Many of the nations of the earth have put their admiration of this virtue into proverb or epigram. One of those eastern proverbs says, "With time and patience the mulberry leaf becomes satin." A Spanish proverb says, "If I have lost the rings, here are the fingers still." The Italian proverb says, "The world is his who has patience." The English proverb declares, "When one door shuts, another opens." All these proverbs only put in another way Paul's terseness when he says, "Ye have need of patience."

Warm Hearted Christians. But here comes a warm hearted, sympathetic, Christian man. He says: "There is a man down in the ditch. I must get him out. God help me to get him out." And standing there on the edge of the ditch the good man so eloquently and says to himself, "If I had had as bad a father and mother as he had and all the surroundings of my life had been as depraving as those that have cursed him I myself would probably have been down in the ditch, and if that man had been blessed with as good a father and mother as I have and he had been surrounded by the kindly influences which have encompassed all my days he would probably have been standing here looking down at me in the ditch." Then the good man puts his knee to the side of the ditch and bends over and says to the fallen one, "Brother, give me your

hand," and with one stout grip lifts him up to God and heaven. There are wounds of the world that need the probe and the sharp knife and severe surgery, but the most of the wounds want an application of ointment or salve, and we ought to have three or four boxes of that gospel medication in our pocket as we go out into the world. We all need to carry more of the "balm of Gilead" and be more cautious, more benediction and less anathema. When I find a professed Christian man harsh and merciless in his estimates of others, I silently wonder if he has not been misusing trust funds or beating his wife. There is something awful the matter with him.

We also have need of patience with slow results of Christian work. We want to see our attempts to do good immediately successful. The world is improving, but improving at a deliberate rate. Why not more rapidly and momentum? Other wheels turn so swiftly, why not the gospel chariot take speed electric? I do not know. I only know that it is God's way. We whose cradle and grave are so near together have to hurry up, but God, who manages this world and the universe, is from everlasting to everlasting. He takes 500 years to do that which He could do in five minutes. His clock strikes once in a thousand years. While God took only a week to fit up the world for human residence, geology reveals that the foundations of the world were eons in being laid, and the earthquakes and volcanoes as through centuries and millenniums they were shaping this world, before that last week that put on the arborescence.

A few days ago my friend was talking with a geologist. As they stood near a pile of rocks my friend said to the scientist, "I suppose these rocks were hundreds of thousands of years in construction?" And the geologist replied, "Yes, and you might say millions of years, for no one knows but the Lord, and He won't tell." It took so long to make this world at the start, he is not surprised if it takes a long while to make it over again now that it has been ruined. The Architect has promised to reconstruct it, and the plans are all made, and at just the right time it will be so complete that it will fit for heaven to move in, if, according to the belief of some of my friends, this world is to be made the eternal abode of the righteous. The wall of that temple is going up, and my only anxiety is to have the one brick that I am trying to make for that wall turn out to be of the right shape and smooth on all sides, so that the Master Mason will not reject it, or have much work with the trowel to get it into place. I am responsible for only that one brick though you may be responsible for a panel of the door or a carved pillar or a glittering dome.

Patience Under Injury. Again, we have need of patience under wrong inflicted, and who escapes it in some form? It comes to all people in professional life in the shape of being misunderstood. Because of this how many people fly to newspapers for an explanation. You see their card signed by their own name declaring that they did not say this or did not do that. They fester and worry, not realizing that every man comes to be taken for what he is worth, and you cannot by any newspaper puff be taken for more than you are worth nor by any newspaper depreciation be put down. There is a spirit of fairness abroad in the world, and if you are a public man you are classified among the friends or foes of society. If you are a friend of society, you will find plenty of adherents, and if you are the foe of society you cannot escape reprobation. Paul, you were right when you said, not more to the Hebrews than to us, "Ye have need of patience."

I adopted a rule years ago which has been of great service to me, and it may be of some service to you: Cheerfully consent to be misunderstood. God knows whether we are right or wrong, whether we are trying to serve Him or damage His cause. When you can cheerfully consent to be misunderstood, many of the annoyances and vexations of life will quit your heart, and you will come into calmer seas than you have ever sailed on. The most misunderstood being that ever trod the earth was the glorious Christ. The world misunderstood His cradle and concluded that one so poorly born could never be of much importance. They charged Him with infidelity and called Him a windblower. The sanhedrin misunderstood Him, and when it was put to the vote whether He was guilty or not of treason He got one vote, while all the others voted "Aye, aye." His misunderstood His cross and concluded that if He had divine power He would effect His own rescue. They misunderstood His grave and declared that His body had been stolen by infamous resurrectionists. He so fully consented to be misunderstood that, harried and slapped and submerged with scorn, he answered not a word. You cannot come up to that, but you can imitate in some small degree the patience of Christ.

Patience Under Physical Pain. Again, this grace is needed to help in time of physical ailments. What vast multitudes are in perpetual pain while others are subject to occasional paroxysms! Almost every one has occasionally subjected. It is rheumatism or neuralgia or sick headache or indigestion or old spell and you think you would rather have almost anything else, but that is because you have not tried the other. Almost everyone has something which he wishes he had not. There are scores of diseases every ready to attack the human frame. They have been in pursuit of our race ever since Adam and Eve resigned their innocence as well as the world's health. It is amazing how persistent and methodic those disorders are in their attack on the world, and how regular is the harvest which with the sharp scythe of pain they mow down for the grave. No such methodical and courageous army as the army of physical suffering. They do their work in the order I name, and you may depend upon their keeping on in that same order for a good while yet; first of all tuberculosis, next organic heart disease,

next pneumonia, next in number of its victims is apoplexy, next Bright's disease, next cancer, next typhoid fever, next paralysis. These eight diseases are the worst despoilers of human life. The doctors with solutions and lancets and anodynes and cathartics are in a brave fight against these physiological devils that try to possess the human race. But after all the scientists can do there is a demand for patience. Nothing can be the place of that. It is needed along the ment in every sickroom and along the streets and in business places and shops where breadwinners are compelled to toil when physically incompetent to move a pen or calculate a column of figures or control a shovel. But every pastor could show you instances of complete happiness under physical suffering. He could take you to that garret or to that hospital or to some room in his parish where sits in rocking chair or lies upon a pillow some one who has not seen a wild day in ten years and yet has never been heard to utter a word of complaint. The grace of God has triumphed in her soul as it never triumphs in the soul of one who is vigorous and athletic.

Establishment of Care. Now, let us this hour turn over a new leaf and banish worry and care out of all our lives. Just see how these perverts have multiplied wrinkles in your face and addicted your disposition and torn your nerves. You are ten years older than you ought to be. Do two things, one for the betterment of your spiritual condition and the other for the safety of your worldly interests. First, get your heart right with God by being pardoned through the atonement of Jesus Christ. That will give security for your soul's welfare. Then get your life insured in some well established life insurance company. That will take from you all anxiety about the welfare of your household in case of your sudden demise. The sanitary influence of such insurance is not sufficiently understood.

Many a breadwinner long since deceased would now have been alive and well but for the reason that when he was prostrated he saw that in case of his decease his family would go to the poorhouse or have an awful struggle for daily bread. But for that anxiety he would have got well. That anxiety defied all that the best physicians could do. Suppose those two duties attended to, the one for the safety of your soul in this world and the next, and the other for the safety of your family if you pass out of this life, make a new start. If possible have your family sitting room where you can let in the sunlight. Have a musical instrument if you can afford it, harp or piano or bass viol or parlor organ. Learn how to play on it yourself or have your children learn how to play on it. Let bright colors dominate in your room. If there are pictures on the wall, let them not be suggestive of battlefields which are always cruel, or deathbeds which are always heart-breaking. There are enough present woes in the world without the perpetual commemoration of past miseries. If you sing in your home or your church do not always choose tunes in long meter.

The Reward of Patience. This last summer I stood on Sparrow hill, four miles from Moscow. It was the place where Napoleon stood and looked upon the city which he was about to capture. His army had been in long marches and awful fights and fearful exhaustions, and when they came to Sparrow hill the shout went up from tens of thousands of voices, "Moscow, Moscow!" I do not wonder at the transport. A ridge of hills sweeps round the city. A river semicircles it with brilliance. It is a spectacle that you place in your memory as one of three or four most beautiful scenes in all the earth. Napoleon's army marched on it in four divisions, four overwhelming torrents of valor and pomp. Down Sparrow hill and through the beautiful valley and across the bridges and into the palace, they surrendered without one shot of resistance because the ranks of troops was irresistible. There is the room in which Napoleon slept, and his pillow, which must have been very uneasy, for oh, how short his stay! Fires kindled in all parts of the city simultaneously drove that army into the snowstorms of which 95,000 men perished. How did triumph march turn into a bloody demoralization. Today, while we come on a high hill, a glorious one of Christian anticipation. These hosts of God have had a long march, and fearful battles and defeats have again and again mingled with the victories, but today we come in sight of the great city, the capital of the universe, the residence of the King of kings, and the home of those who are to reign with him for ever and ever. Look at the towers and hear their ring with eternal jubilee. Look at the house of many mansions, where many of our loved ones are. Behold the streets of burnished gold and hear the rumble of the chariots of those who are more than conquerors. So far from being driven back, all the twelve gates are wide open for our entrance. We are marching on and marching on, and our every step brings us nearer to that city.

Complimented His Wife. Some automobilists along a lonely country road stopped at a wayside cabin to get a drink. The men of the house answered their knock. When he withdrew from pitcher and glass there came a voice from within as of some one objecting—a high feminine voice not likely to languish for want of practice. Through the open door the automobilists could see the exquisite cleanliness prevalent, the hair orderliness without had preceded the life of them. As they quaffed the "Your wife must be a fine bodied creature," remarked one of the party, "Ye-ss," said the man thoughtfully, "his eyes fixed on the horizon, 'she' the automobilists could see the exquisite cleanliness prevalent, the hair orderliness without had preceded the life of them. 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DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm - A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Poultry Briefs.

Whether or not ducks will prove profitable will depend on both the situation of the farmer and on the variety of ducks to be raised. The variety that is near a body of water or has a large water area on his farm can utilize it as a feeding ground for ducks. If he expects to raise his birds in the general market he should not depend on the common duck, but should use only the highly developed breeds like the Black Cayuga, the Rouen, the Aylesbury and Pekin. These all prove very acceptable to the growing public. The young of these breeds are very hardy and soon attain a good weight.

Stock intended for breeding should never be permitted to get fat, as the breeding powers will be greatly lessened if not entirely destroyed. The birds that are intended for the production of future flocks should be selected now and kept by themselves. We know that on most farms no such distinction is made but all the birds permitted to run together. At the present time a good quality of all the poultry is being fattened for market and corn is fed indiscriminately. This is the proper thing for the birds that are to be sold, but is an unwise thing for those that are to be kept for service next year. Thus, two distinct methods of feeding should be adopted, one preparatory for marketing and the other preparatory for egg production. This applies as much to the male birds as it does to the laying hens.

According to reports from South Water street, Chicago, the supply of chickens for the holiday season promises to be about the same as last year. The supply of turkeys is reported larger than usual, as is indicated by the low prices now prevailing in the retail markets. A good quality of turkeys that are to be purchased at 10 cents per pound, and this was the case even a month ago. The low prices will greatly stimulate the consumption of this kind of poultry. The large supply of turkeys is due to the good prices that have prevailed for some years, added to the abundance of the season for the supply of poultry. The supply of ducks is reported somewhat less than last year. We, however, see no indication that the prices for ducks and geese will be high, as the abundance of the turkey supply will have a tendency to lessen the demand for ducks and geese.

One writer on poultry, in a book issued by him, says: "As the result of my experience of nearly half a century, I do not hesitate to affirm that no one breed of fowls has been taken in hand by the fancier that has not been seriously depreciated as a useful variety." This is a very sweeping charge, and doubtless has some truth in it, though we notice that some of the writers in the poultry papers deny it. There is no doubt that the work of the fanciers during the last half of a century has been along the line of feather, symmetry and of beauty rather than along the line of utility, especially when we consider the egg producing qualities. So it may be that it is a more than ordinarily useful bird that must to some extent build itself. The fanciers, however, do not blame for the course they have taken. They have responded to the demands of the general market, which calls for qualities that are pleasing to the eye.

Some experiments carried on at the western stations two lots of eggs were fed differently, with the object of ascertaining what the effect would be on the winter production of eggs. One lot was fed merely green peas and corn, while the other more favored lot had a variety of food and meat in abundance. The lot fed on wheat and corn alone did not begin to lay till nearly March, but they laid during the year an average of 150 eggs. The better treated lot only laid 153 eggs each. But a very large share of the eggs from the well-fed hens came in December, January and February, when eggs were more favored and the average price obtained was 15 cents per dozen. The eggs from the hens that were fed on wheat and corn alone brought only 11 cents per dozen. The difference of 4 cents per dozen is a difference of 65 cents per year. The reason is that the eggs were laid very slowly and matured very slowly and they were not laid till the time when the price fell to the lowest point.

Soundness of Butter.
The meeting of the California Poultry Association the question of soundness of butter was taken up. It was believed that the body, or curd, of butter is largely within the feeder and butter making. It was thought by some that butter made from milk containing large globules has a lower melting point than that made from milk containing small globules. According to this theory, butter from Channel Island stock is softer than that made from the so-called "cheese" breeds. A proposition was that was opposed by some. It was stated, also, that butter made from milk taken during the latter part of the period of lactation is harder than that from milk taken soon after calving. That the curd of butter can be easily affected by variations in manufacture is well known.

The important cause of difference in the soundness is supposed to be difference in the relative proportions of the component parts of the butter fat caused by various kinds of feed. An increase in the stearin and palmitin, which are the ordinary temperatures, and a corresponding decrease in olein, which is an oil of ordinary temperature, would cause butter to be harder, and changes of the opposite nature would make it softer. Practical ex-

perience and a few experiments show that the hardness of butter can be affected to a certain extent by the feeds given to the cows. It was generally agreed that butter is made hard by the addition to the ration of a small amount of potatoes; cotton-seed meal has a similar effect, but too much of it will taint the butter. One person said that hay and green corn fodder also have somewhat the same effect. On the other hand, linned meal causes soft butter, and alfalfa hay when used alone does the same. An instance was given of a herd which had been fed on alfalfa and Bermuda grass and was changed to a pasture of young barley that had dried up before it was fully grown. The butter immediately became very hard. A commission merchant reported that the butter from one of his shippers suddenly became hard and would not melt as readily as usual. Upon investigation it was found that the herd had recently been turned onto a stubble field.

Harvard's "Banjo King."
The late Charles H. Brackett, of Haverhill, Mass., was graduated from Harvard in 1872, and was rated a good scholar and a jolly good fellow. He achieved distinction as a school teacher, and after studying law in the office of his brother, the late Mayor Brackett of Haverhill, was admitted to the bar. He followed his profession for a time, but his fondness for his banjo and his passion for burnt cork were too strong within him to give him contentment in a solemn law office, and he joined a minstrel company, assuming the name of Charles Brackett.

Jersey Seal of Points.
C. A. Rosebrough asks us how to tell a Jersey calf. The following are some of the points of the Jersey cow:
Head.—Small and lean; face dished, broad between the eyes and narrow between the horns.
Eyes.—Full and placid.
Neck.—Thin, rather long, with clean throat and not heavy at the shoulders.
Back.—Level to the setting on of tail.
Leans.—Broad across.
Barrel.—Long, hooped, broad and deep at the flank.
Hips.—Wide apart; rump long.
Legs.—Short.
Tail.—Fine, reaching the hocks, with good switch.
Hide.—Mellow; inside of ears yellow.

As to whether a calf is a high grade or full-blood there is no particular way to tell. A full-blooded calf may not always have all the conformity of the Jersey pure bred, while a high-grade, on account of the prepotency of the Jersey blood in him, might not show the small proportion of alien blood.

Horse News from France.
Messrs. McLaughlin Bros., of Columbus, O., write:

"We have just received a letter from Mr. James McLaughlin from Caen, France, under date of October 9, in which he says:
"Arrived here at midnight last night and have just seen the 'Epreuxes' for the horses that were shown at Paris. It was held today in order to accommodate the horses especially. All the horses at Paris succeeded in making the required time for the 4,000 meters (2 1/2 miles) that they were required to go before they can be presented to the commission for purchase as government stallions.

"Yesterday I saw the big race at Vincennes, the Prix du Ministere de l'Agriculture, where the commission purchased three stallions for the government at 20,000 francs each—Triolet by Obus of Vicomte de Langie, Ternus by Harley of M. P. Bastard and Trior by James Watt of M. Th. Lallouet.

"The Achats (presentation to the purchasing committee of the French government) begins tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock. I will be on hand to look over the horses as they are shown."

The Hog and the Steer.
The writer was quite surprised some time ago, at a convention, in which L. H. Kerrier read a paper on the cheap production of beef and how to get high prices for it, to hear him say that there would be for him no profit in it. It was not that he had hopes to follow the steers, and utilize the corn they do not digest. When a successful beef raiser like Mr. Kerrier says that tribute to the value of the hog, it is time that every beef maker gave the hog the place he rightly merits on the farm. Under existing conditions no profit can be made out of beef growing except by the assistance of the hog. This is a truth that some of our beef producers do not like to acknowledge, but it is a truth that seems to have been pretty fully demonstrated, at least in the west. Above all things it applies to the great region of country where corn in its underground state is the principal food in addition to the pasture and other roughage.

No Sour Whey for Pigs.
The feed for little pigs should be sweet, and not sour food, in the souring of the whey some of the sugar is converted into acid. Lactic acid has no feeding properties. It has a slightly helpful digestive action, so that whey which is sour will do a pig no harm, but a part of the food value has been lost. If a pig be fed with some grain with sour whey, the sourness in the whey will have an anti-feral action—will tend to ally fever in the pig's inside, caused by devouring a large quantity of grain. At the same time sour whey is extravagant food and unsuitable for pigs. All meat fed with whey had better be mixed meal, and rich in albuminoids; that is, fresh farmers, like peas, wheat, shorts and bran.

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THE OPEN-TOP CAR CHILILITLI.

The very newest thing in railway car architecture is a passenger car for steam roads, built very much on the lines of the summer trolley car, except that this car can open up the top as well as the sides. The car was built by the Pullman Company for the American Tourist Association, of Chicago, and was intended as an observation car in the great canons of mountainous



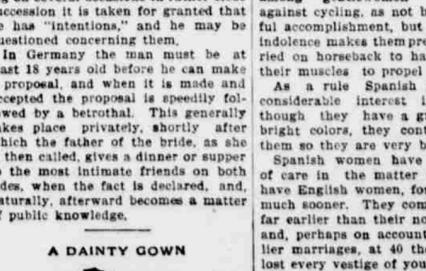
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WOMAN and HOME.

folded belt of blue silk, with gold braid in the folds, ties on the right side of the back. Girl Life in Spain. According to our ideas the life of a Spanish girl is not an enviable one, for she has none of the free and happy time our boys and girls enjoy after emancipation from the drudgery of the school room and before the cares of womanhood begin. All Spanish girls are convent bred, and their education consists very largely in learning to embroider, which is an art in which they excel. At 14 or 15, or even sometimes at 12 years old, they make their debut in society, and are considered marriageable, says the New York Telegram. Girls of 14 and boys of 16 frequently marry, and a girl of 15 or 16 has often a family of two or three little ones. These early marriages are seldom happy, but divorce is unknown in Spain. If a husband and wife cannot agree, they separate and live apart. The "new woman" as we know her is unknown in Spain, and though the ladies of that country are often graceful and clever horsewomen, the bicycle is only just beginning to make its way among them. Not only is there among English women a prejudice against cycling, as not being a graceful accomplishment, but their natural indolence makes them prefer to be carried on horseback to having to exert their muscles to propel a "bike." As a rule Spanish girls take a considerable interest in dress, and though they have a great love of bright colors, they contrive to wear them so they are very becoming. Spanish women have greater need of care in the matter of dress than have English women, for they fade so much sooner. They come to maturity far earlier than their northern sisters and, perhaps on account of their earlier marriages, at 40 they often have lost every vestige of youth and beauty and are perfect old hags.

A DAINTY GOWN.



Of gray crepe de chine, with small white silk dot. The pleated waist has wide lapels of blue silk, lace and gold braid. The collar is gold cloth, edged with lace. The undersleeves and vest are of white chiffon. The sleeves have three rows of the gold cloth, edged with lace, running up and down. The

On Friendship. In all ages friendship has been regarded as one of the highest gifts given to man, and after love, it has been regarded with more blossoms of poesy and fancy than any other attribute of humanity. Considering it from every point of view, it is a precious boon, and yet how many times in our lives do we allow sweet friendships to slip beyond our grasp, just from a lack of the scanty nutriment the tender plant requires to keep it alive? An occasional call, a letter once in a while, a remembrance of dates and anniversaries, a tender word or two to show that the heart has not grown away from its once proud position of nearness—these are all that a real friendship requires to make it blossom with benefits, says the Pittsburg Press.

Love, the burning, consuming emotion, we pursue with avidity, never allowing it to rest, until with many of us it is consumed itself in the chase, but calm and tender friendship, always ready to repay the smallest care from the outstretched hand, most of us neglect until a true mutual friendship and trust is rare.

Every woman is afraid of his dentist and every man is afraid of his minister.

SHORT SESSION.

The Beginning of the End of the Fifty-Sixth Congress.

BUT LITTLE BUSINESS WAS DONE.

The President's Annual Message, as Usual, Was Read in Both Houses of the Nation's Legislature.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The opening of the last session of the Fifty-sixth congress found nearly all the members of both branches in their seats. For an hour before the floor of the house was packed and members were greeting each other and exchanging congratulations or sympathy, as the occasion demanded. The Republican side was a wilderness of flowers. As one newspaper man expressed it, looked like a major general's grave on Decoration day. Mr. Hawley of Texas was handsomely remembered. On the Democratic side there were not many flowers. Messrs. Cooper and Bailey received attractive floral compliments, and so did Senator Culberson, at the other end of the capitol, but as a general proposition, estimated according to the floral standard, Washington loves a winner and has few blossoms to throw at losers.

The business session consisted of swearing in new members and the reading of the president's message, and then adjournment out of respect for the memory of deceased members.

The bill of general interest introduced in the house was Crumpacker's apportionment bill, the distinguishing feature of which is the proposed reduction of representation of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Louisiana. The first-named state is reduced one, North Carolina four and the others three.

Crumpacker is going to urge the measure before the committee, but if Republican testimony is worth anything the bill will never emerge from the committee, even in the shape of a minority report. The Democrats have not been disturbed over the measure for two weeks. They know the president and influential Republican leaders are against it and that it is effectually dead.

Representative Hawley introduced his bill, providing for a survey and estimates for a breakwater at Galveston. Cecil A. Lyon, chairman of the Texas Republican state executive committee, has arrived and will remain several days. Mrs. Lyon will join him here the latter part of the week. All the Texas congressmen are here, save Sen-

Resolutions of Sympathy.

Washington, Dec. 4.—A resolution in behalf of ex-President Kruger has been introduced in the house by Representative Fitzgerald of Massachusetts. It recites:

"Whereas, The heroic struggle made by the Boer republics to maintain their existence has excited the sympathy of the whole world; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the efforts of Paul Kruger to obtain the assistance of the civilized nations of the world in securing peace and proper terms of settlement between Great Britain and the Boer republics is deserving of the praise and sympathy of the American people."

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

By a Blowup Five People Were Killed and Many Injured.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 4.—Five railway employees were instantly killed and twelve were injured by the explosion of a boiler in the power-house of the Chicago and Northwestern railway. Several of the injured are hurt so badly that they will die.

The power-house was a two-story structure which stood west of the passenger station and north of the tracks leading to it. On the first floor was the boiler-room, containing a battery of four boilers, and the dynamo-room, which held nine dynamos. Twelve men were employed around the building, and in addition to such of these as were present at the time a number of strangers were standing around watching the dynamos.

A train was pulling out at the time, and a number of passengers were injured, two cars being wrecked.

After Green Cloth Devotees.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 4.—Judge Burford convoked a special grand jury and instructed it to investigate thoroughly the question of gambling and gambling houses in the city; to summon every witness they had reason to believe had any knowledge of gambling going on during the past two years and return indictments against all violation of the laws against gambling without fear or favor. The charge causes a great sensation.

Much Comment.

Paris, Dec. 4.—Emperor William's telegram to Mr. Kruger refusing to receive him continues to be the chief subject of comment in the French press. The afternoon newspapers strike a note of sadness. They say they see in his majesty's action the withering of his reputation for chivalry. The Temps and Journal des Debats explain Emperor William's message by the Anglo-German understanding of African questions.

CATTLE SHOW.

It Opens at Chicago With a Tremendous Attendance of Visitors.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 4.—With music and oratory, banners and bunting on every side, the International Livestock exposition was formally opened Monday night. It was expected that Hon. R. W. Hall of Texas would deliver the address, but he announced at the eleventh hour that pressing business detained him at home, and in his absence President John W. Springer of the National Livestock association spoke. He faced the audience of fully 17,000 people, and his flashes of wit at times caused a thunder of applause. It seemed as if Chicago had grown livestock-crazy, for fully 8,000 people were denied admittance to the exposition simply because the vast amphitheater was crowded to suffocation and would hold no more people. The governors from six states were present, and representatives from as many foreign nations heard the address.

Mr. Springer said that the show was the greatest of its kind ever held in the world, and after paying a high tribute to the stockmen, he stated that he had the pleasure of shaking hands with a Texas cattleman who had but recently drawn his check for \$500,000 and put half a dozen Kentucky men out of the business.

The reference was made to S. B. Burnett of Fort Worth, who some time ago bought the Louisville Land and Cattle company property.

Roswell Z. Herrick, vice president of the National Livestock bank, entertained several friends Monday night, including Hon. Mortimer Levering of Indiana, Hon. John W. Springer and Fred P. Johnson of Denver. Eugene Grubb of Colorado, O. P. Updegraff of Topeka, Mr. Wade, a distinguished stockman of Canada, Dr. G. Howard Davidson, a prominent breeder of New York, General Manager Skinner and others.

A toast was proposed to several absent Texans, and a response was delivered by President Springer, who said, among other things, that he was a child of Illinois by birth, of Texas by adoption and of Colorado by necessity. He paid a high tribute to Texas, and was followed by Mr. Herrick, who declared that even Texans did not know what a grand and glorious state they had; within the next ten years, he said its growth and development would be nothing short of wonderful, he said, its growth and development had in his statement, he had invested considerable money there.

Colombian Matters.

Kington, Jamaica, Dec. 4.—Advice brought from Colon by the Royal Mail steamer Dom, Capt. Newton, indicate the continuance of considerable rebel activity in all quarters of Colombia. Last Wednesday a strong force of insurgents captured the town of Chagres, fifteen miles from Colon. Eight hundred government troops were sent immediately to relieve the town and sharp fighting followed. The government forces lost heavily, but the rebels were defeated and compelled to retreat.

Before the Don fell news had reached Colon that insurgents had attacked Port Colombia and that the government reinforcements had been ordered there.

It was believed at Colon the insurgents had changed their plan and would concentrate against Colon via would of Panama, owing to the strict precautions taken by the government at the latter city. Martial law was being strictly enforced in Colon and large numbers of people had been imprisoned under suspicion.

W. C. T. U.

Washington, Dec. 4.—National convention of the Woman Christian Temperance union was called to order at the Lafayette theater Monday morning. President Mrs. Lillian Stevens delivered her annual address. Nearly 500 delegates were assembled, representing nearly every state and territory in the Union, among them being delegates from five state unions. The delegation is larger than in ten years preceding and much interest shown.

Tragedy at Durant.

Durant, I. T., Dec. 4.—A bloody tragedy was enacted here Monday morning about 4 o'clock, in which John Adams and P. S. Fleming were shot. The trouble occurred in a gambling house on the north side of the public square. Fleming died at 12:30 Monday from the effects of a shot. Adams was shot in the left leg and is in a dangerous condition. The two men were alone in the room at the time the difficulty occurred.

Increase of Crime.

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 4.—Reports of increase of crime reach Marshal Hamner's office daily. The situation is regarded as serious by the federal authorities. The state of affairs is thought to be the recent ruling of the controller, in which he holds that field deputy marshals are not entitled to fees where the punishment is provided for by the Arkansas statute. Deputy marshals are not making the usual arrests since the ruling went into effect.

Wild Interiors.

Paris, Dec. 4.—Funeral services over the remains of Oscar Wilde were held in the church of St. Germain des Pres. The ceremonies were of modest character and only a few friends, attendants. The body was removed from the hotel, where the deceased had stopped followed by five carriages. The cortege proceeded to the church, where the casket was placed before the chapel of St. Joseph. Wilde embraced Catholicism three weeks ago.

STORY OF THE STORM.

A History of Galveston Before and After the Great Disaster.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 30.—To the Press of Texas: A generous desire to assist the public schools of Galveston in their struggle for rehabilitation and existence and in a larger sense to aid all the people of Galveston prompted Mr. Wm. C. Chase of Atlanta, president of the Southern Publishing and Book company, as publisher, and Mr. Clarence Ousley of Galveston, as editor, and the great book manufacturing house of R. R. Donnelly & Sons company of Chicago, to place before the people of the United States a book entitled, "Galveston in 1900."

The book contains a sketch of Galveston as it was before and after the great cyclone of Sept. 8 and a forecast of its future, and has the indorsement of the governor, of the superintendent of public instruction of the state of Texas and of the local authorities of the city of Galveston.

The net proceeds of this book are donated by the generous publisher and his co-laborers to the public schools of Galveston. The various titles of the book were written by citizens of Galveston acquainted with their subjects, and represent trustworthy and reliable accounts of the matters to which they relate.

The chapter describing the great storm was written by Mr. Ousley, who who passed through its entirety himself, and is a graphic and realistic picture of the fearful cataclysm.

All who desire a faithful record of the unprecedented disaster or who are disposed to aid in the education of the children who survive its ravages may attain both purposes by purchasing a copy of this book.

The noble purpose to which this publication is devoted, I believe, justifies me in calling attention to it in this public way and requesting the publication of this letter at your hands.

M. E. KLEBERG, President of the Board of Trustees of the Public Schools of Galveston.

Forty-Five Buried.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 30.—Forty-five bodies of storm victims were found and buried on the island beyond the city limits this week by a gang of men authorized by the central committee to do this work.

Prior to any action on the part of the central committee to have the bodies in the swamps and marshes down the island interred, there were several reports from these quarters of the neglected dead, and volunteer parties organized and engaged in the greswome work. Probably fifty or seventy-five bodies, victims of the late storm, were buried before the matter was brought to the attention of the central committee.

The party went well equipped, prepared to remain ten days if necessary. Few of the bodies were found in the open prairie, but in the swamps and low marshes many were recovered. The bodies were decomposed beyond recognition, and not a thing of value was found upon them. The pockets of the men's clothes were turned inside out, showing that the corpses had been robbed. Many of the bodies of the males were clad in jumpers and overalls, which led the burying force to believe that most of the bodies found down the island were those of working men.

The work of the burying squad was done systematically, and it is believed all of the bodies on the island have been buried.

It is probable that the burying force will go to the mainland in a few days to continue the search for unburied bodies.

Burnett Acquitted.

Woodville, Tex., Nov. 30.—In the district court on Monday the case of the state vs. Lon Burnett, charged with murder, was taken up. Wednesday the jury rendered a verdict acquitting him. About one year ago at a dance at the house of Mr. George Rudd a difficulty arose between Lon Burnett and Walter Rudd, Burnett went outside the yard and was followed out by Walter Rudd and Robert Rudd, brothers, and the row came up again, and Burnett fired three shots, killing both the Rudd boys. The grand jury returned two bills of indictment against Burnett, the one for the killing of Walter Rudd being for manslaughter and the one for the killing of Robert Rudd being for murder. The court took up the one for murder first and the jury brought in a verdict of acquittal, after which the bill for manslaughter was dismissed.

Alleged Diabolical Deed.

Texarkana, Tex., Nov. 30.—The people of DeKalb and vicinity, some twenty-eight miles west of here in Bowie county, are considerably wrought over the commission of a criminal assault upon a young white woman by a negro. Tuesday night the young woman is a deaf mute living on a farm with her widowed mother. The negro was employed on the farm, and it is alleged, entered the young woman's bedroom. He was arrested and jailed.

To Erect a Fine Church.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 30.—The lot and church building of the First Baptist church on Twelfth street have been sold by the church congregation to Mr. C. W. Cherry for \$3000 preparatory to the erection of a \$10,000 church building on the corner of Collins and Fourteenth streets. The new church will be after the style of the celebrated tabernacle at Salt Lake City, that style having been adopted in order to obtain the best acoustic.

ELECTION RETURNS.

The Official Figures as Given Out by the Secretary of State.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 3.—The count of the vote for electors for president and vice president for the state of Texas as made by the secretary of state, shows the following results on the three important tickets, the Democratic, the Republican and Populist:

Democratic 267,432
Republican 121,173
Populist 21,160

The corresponding vote four years ago was as follows:

Democratic 284,298
Republican 158,811
Populists 76,926

It shows the following loss to these tickets:

To the Democratic ticket 16,866
To the Republican ticket 37,683
To the Populists ticket 55,756

The plurality for W. J. Bryan over Wm. McKinley this year is 146,259.

The following counties made no returns for presidential electors, to-wit: Calhoun, Coke, Collingsworth, Crosby, Eastland, Ector, Franklin, Jack, Jefferson, Kaufman, Morris, Sabine, Shelby, Upshur, Ward and Wheeler. Returns from Bowie and Pecos counties were received after the count was closed, and the returns from Victoria county are not in any way authenticated. The returns from one of the above named counties give so many votes "for Wm. J. Bryan" and so many votes "for Wm. McKinley," which of course, are not counted.

The Kentucky will be sent to Tangier, Morocco, to collect an indemnity.

Resolutions Adopted.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 3.—The delegates were rather late in assembling Saturday morning and it was 9:30 o'clock when Chairman Smith called the convention to order. He introduced Col. Wash Hardy of Corsicana, who briefly addressed the convention, saying: "Our friend Capt Jack Labatt, formerly of Galveston, has obtained two very fine and valuable pieces of wood her from Morro castle in Havana. This mallet is made from wood taken from the door sill of Morro Castle leading into the cell; the handle is made of wood taken from the chamber. The colors around this mallet are the colors of Spain and the stars and stripes of the United States. Our war with Spain was brought about for the sake of suffering and down-trodden humanity, which was relieved by the United States. This convention has been called to consider the matter of relief for suffering humanity, and it is desired that this mallet, having a history in the beginning, shall have a historical record hereafter. It is desired that it be presented to the chairman of this convention and that he be requested to knock with the colors of Spain downward and the stars and stripes forever floating upward, showing that the United States ever stands for the relief of suffering humanity. To that extent at least Texas lends its aid to Galveston."

Chairman Smith in accepting the gavel said: "In behalf of this convention I will state that the spirit in which this gavel is given is appreciated. In behalf of the convention I return its thanks, and in behalf of myself I express the hope that it will be wielded fairly and impartially."

The report of the committee on resolutions in regard to the relief of Galveston and the matter of improving Texas harbors and waterways, was read by Hon. Alvin C. Ownsley, chairman of the committee, and adopted.

Child's Close Call.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 3.—While Mrs. R. H. Smith, living on J. F. Pettigrew's farm, six miles southwest was engaged in washing out in the ward her 16-months-old child was playing on the gallery near a barrel of rain water. The mother stepped in the house to glisten up her hair. She was not gone more than five minutes, but when she returned found the child in the barrel drowned and floating on top. The child was resuscitated.

Had to be Amputated.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 3.—"Papa you are killing me!" This was the exclamation that caused John Schluniger to turn suddenly around in his buggy on Lake avenue, Saturday afternoon and make the discovery that the left leg of his 9-year-old son, who had been clinging to the rear end of the vehicle, had been caught in one of the wheels and nearly torn from his body. The boy's leg had to be cut off Sunday.

Died at Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 3.—The death of H. C. Heath of Rockwall occurred at St. Paul's Sanitarium.

Mr. Heath was brought to Dallas about two weeks ago and a difficult surgical operation was performed, involving the removal of sections of two ribs. Complications with pneumonia caused death.

Judge E. C. Heath, former nominee for governor on the Prohibition ticket and brother of deceased, with him.

Two Wanted One Girl.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 3.—A young man living south of town applied at the Clerk's office for a marriage license. He had not been gone a great while before another young man called and asked for a license to marry the same young lady. The Clerk informed him that a license had already been issued. At first he insisted on the issuance of a license any how, but finally walked out of the office without it, remarking that he would "study about it."

...As the World Revolves...

Devoted to Her Father.

Although the re-election of Charles A. Boutelle of Maine to a seat in congress will probably never reach him, it is a source of great satisfaction to his daughter, Miss Grace, who is devoting her life to his comfort. As is well known, Mr. Boutelle has been for many months an inmate of a private asylum at Waverly, Mass. His mind is a complete wreck and even the most sanguine of his friends have given up hope of his restoration to reason. During his entire illness Mr. Boutelle's daughter has been a ministering angel. She is a beautiful young woman and was long a favorite in Washington society. She would be gladly welcomed back to the scenes of her social triumphs, but has chosen instead to remain close to her father. She has sacrificed everything to be as near the one she loves as possible. Not a day passes but she drives from her lodgings to the insane asylum to spend as many hours with the patient as the doctors will allow. By her tender and loving caresses she seems to soothe the uneasy patient, and if Congressman Boutelle recovers the doctors declare the credit will be due to his affectionate daughter.



GRACE BOUTELLE.

Editor, Justice, Etc. The editor of the Fairfax, Mo., Forum inserts this notice in his paper: "W. H. Hambaugh, J. P.—All kinds of marriages performed while you wait. Magazines and old books bound in the best manner. All long standing accounts—except those against this paper—collected in rag-time. Orders for good printing executed promptly. Information on legal matters imparted at cost. Subscriptions taken for the best newspaper in the language. Try our triple-knot marriage ceremonies. Satisfaction guaranteed."

Marquis of Anglesey.

The Marquis of Anglesey, who has just been sued by his wife for divorce, is Henry Cyril Paget, and head of the famous Paget family, whose members are intermarried with prominent American houses. "The marquis is only 25 years old and succeeded his father two years ago. His wife is the daughter of Sir George Chetwynd, the famous turfman. She is a beautiful woman of 20, with violet eyes and Tritian hair. The pair have never got on well together since the marriage. She left her husband in the middle of their honeymoon because of the marked symptoms of insanity exhibited by him. He tries to dress like a woman, carries pug dogs in his promenades, wears rings on every finger, and appears on the public stage as a skirt dancer. The marquis inherits his eccentricities. His mother was erratic and committed suicide because she was not happy with her husband. The marriage of Anglesey and his wife was made to secure inheritance on both sides, and it was not their intention to live together."

Pay Sunday School Teachers.

The pastor of an eastern church stated recently that certain teachers in his Sunday school were paid for their services. According to the pastor the prime requisite of a capable teacher is the ability to tell stories. That is the form in which moral lessons can best be conveyed. And good story tellers, he concludes, are always worthy of their hire.

Gen. Forestier-Walker.

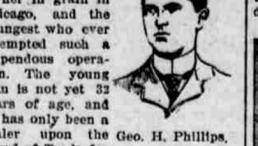
Lieutenant General Sir Frederick W. E. Forestier-Walker, K. C. B., who went out to take command at the Cape before the war began, who has since rendered signal, if unseasonable, service in charge of the lines of communication, and for whom a career of further usefulness now opens, was born in 1844. He was the elder son of the late General Sir E. W. Forestier-Walker, K. C. B., by his marriage with a daughter of the sixth Earl of Seafield. After leaving Sandhurst, he entered, in 1862, the Scots Guards, and saw service in the Kaffir war of 1877-78.

Governor Bayers of Texas.

Governor Bayers of Texas is said to have contributed to the Galveston relief fund more money in proportion to his private means than any other person interested, but what he gave was very quietly given and not publicly acknowledged.

It Called the Corn King.

A new star has risen on the Chicago Board of Trade. This latest star on 'change belongs to the constellation taurus, for he has given corn such a boost as it has not had for many a day. The big institution is more or less accustomed to all kinds of financial sensations, but George H. Phillips has given the board a nervous shock of the kind probably a little different from any received heretofore. Mr. Phillips is the youngest man who ever engineered a corner in grain in Chicago, and the youngest who ever attempted such a stupendous operation. The young man is not yet 32 years of age, and he has only been a dealer upon the Geo. H. Phillips, Board of Trade for a period of eight years. The extremely boyish appearance of the big bull has occasioned no end of remark since he jumped into such prominence. Mr. Phillips is slender and short of stature, is light, almost pale, complexioned, with light eyes and hair and a man of most unpretentious appearance and address. He is so extremely modest and unassuming that the notoriety he has attained and the attention which he has attracted have been almost painful to him.



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MRS. CHARLES H. HERREID.

removed to South Dakota with her husband and has since been a resident of that state.

Has Run the Naval Gamut.

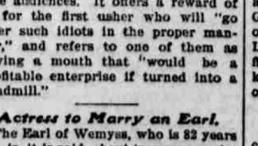
Rear Admiral Andrew Kennedy Bickford, C. M. G., has been appointed commander-in-chief on the English Pacific station, in succession to Rear Admiral Beumont, who goes to the Australian station. The son of Mr. W. Bickford of Newport House, South Devon, he was born in India, but was educated at the South Devon Collegiate school. He entered the navy in 1858, and first saw active service in China. Admiral Bickford. He was senior and gunnery lieutenant of the Amethyst at the time of its encounters with the Peruvian rebel ironclad Huascar. Service in Alexandria and elsewhere brought him on to the captaincy he exercised as senior officer of combined French and English and German and English squadrons at various operations in the South Pacific during the course of which he put a stop to civil war at Samoa. He commanded the Revolution in the Channel squadron; became captain of first reserve at Portsmouth; captain-superintendent of Sheerness dock yard in 1896; rear admiral in 1899, and A. D. C. to the Queen. His C. M. G. was gained for services as captain of the allied squadron at various operations in the South Pacific.

Theater "Blabbers."

Under the head-line, "Bunce the Blabbers," a Cedar Rapids paper makes vigorous protest against the chatters who disturb theater and lecture audiences. It offers a reward of \$5 for the first usher who will "go after such idiots in the proper manner," and refers to one of them as having a month that "would be a profitable enterprise if turned into a windmill."

Actress to Marry an Earl.

The Earl of Wemyss, who is 82 years old, it is said, about to marry again. Gossip has it that the bride is to be Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the well-known actress. The earl's wife died in 1896.



EARL OF WEMYSS.

(Who is to Marry Mrs. Patrick Campbell, an English Actress.) and he has a large family. Lord Wemyss is the ninth earl and the lord of the Charteris family.

In the Public Eye

Deems Actor's Kiss Rude.

The vexed question of kissing on the stage has been vividly brought back into prominence by the amended complaint in the suit brought by Miss Katherine Gray (Mrs. Mason of San Francisco) against Richard Mansfield in the courts of New York city. The complaint brought by the actress is unusual in the fact that Miss Gray does not so greatly object to the kiss of itself, regarding such osculation as an exigency of the part in which she was playing, but she objects strenuously to Richard Mansfield's manner in performing the act. The amount of her objection is placed at \$2,500, the damage being asked for the reason



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MISS KATHERINE GRAY.

that the plaintiff "became seriously ill and shocked so that she required medical aid and attendance." The amended complaint also contains some strictures on the eminent actor himself, which venture into the realm of the expulsive. Miss Gray also alleges that Mansfield insulted her by coming into the stage box when she was before the footlights, and by mocking her caused her to become nervous, an attack of nervous prostration which occurred soon after being ascribed to this cause. The case will come up for trial shortly.

New York Sweatshops.

It is a striking but notorious fact that, through the vigorous factory legislation and inspection carried out by Massachusetts, the sweatshop has been abolished in Boston and throughout that state. It is also true, however, that the trade formerly carried on there has to some extent simply transferred its habitat to New York city. The latter city has thus gained in an injurious and impolitic form of industry, and actually sends the product thereof to Boston to be sold over its counters. Notwithstanding this partial nullification, however, of the action, Massachusetts has the satisfaction of having added to the honorable traditions of the old Bay States in this line, by again blazing the way, even at its own seeming cost, in progressive public action.

Ada Rehan as "Sweet Nell."

Ada Rehan, generally acknowledged the foremost actress on the American stage, appeared in a new character last Monday evening for the first time since the death of Augustin Daly, with whose company she was so long identified.



ADA REHAN.

The new play produced is "Sweet Nell of Old Drury," written by Paul Kester, an American dramatist, but first produced four months ago in London. A large audience gave demonstrative approval of the play and the acting.

"Sweet Nell of Old Drury,"

a three-act comedy, tells the story of Nell Gwynne from the days when she sold oranges in the king's theater in Drury Lane to the time when she lived in a fine house in Pall Mall and was acknowledged the most popular actress of her time.

For Compulsory Peace.

The most important result of the recent Latin-American congress at Madrid was the adoption of an agreement providing for the settlement of disputes by compulsory arbitration. The proposition was made by the Peruvian delegates and was supported by all the other nations except Chile. As that country can hardly withstand the united wishes of all the rest of South America it may acquiesce in the sweeping plan for compulsory peace. If the arrangement should be put into practical force it is likely to have far-reaching and beneficent effects upon the whole southern continent.

An Exclusively Negro City.

The town of Eatonville, Fla., has 1,200 inhabitants, with it a single white among them. It has its full quota of public officials, a bank and other business establishments requisite in a town of its size. James E. Clark, the negro postmaster, is in trouble, for alleged violation of the local option law and it develops that in addition to his federal office he holds a local office and conducts a mercantile business.

Affidavit of Commissioners' Court to Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF J. E. Murfee, Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas. } COMMISSIONERS' COURT Haskell County, Texas. In Regular Quarterly Session, Nov. Term, 1900.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Haskell county, and the Hon. D. H. Hamilton, County Judge of said Haskell county, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of J. E. Murfee Treasurer of Haskell county, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 1st day of August A. D. 1900, and ending on the 31 day of Oct. A. D. 1900, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Haskell county, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 31st day of Oct. A. D. 1900, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Haskell county at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 16th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	\$ 77.60		
To amount received since said date	21.65		
By amount disbursed since said date		\$ 13.09	
By amount to balance		86.16	
Total	99.25		99.25
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 16th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			\$ 91.16

ROAD and BRIDGE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	1250.12		
To amount received since said date	240.90		
By amount disbursed since said date		234.23	
By amount to balance		1256.79	
Total	1491.02		1491.02
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 16th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			1323.63

GENERAL FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	755.86		
To amount received since said date	584.93		
By amount disbursed since said date		1210.60	
By amount to balance		130.19	
Total	1340.79		1340.79
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 16th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			248.67

COURT HOUSE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	653.07		
To amount received since said date	187.06		
By amount disbursed since said date		218.10	
By amount to balance		622.03	
Total	840.13		840.13
Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 16th day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15 day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			568.57

Road & Bridge Int. and Sinking Fund		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	40.97		
To amount received since said date	123.77		
By amount disbursed since said date		3.00	
By amount to balance		161.65	
Total	164.74		164.74
Balance to credit of said Road & Bridge Int. and Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 16 day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15 day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			185.92

Court House Int. & Sinking Fund		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Aug. 1900	130.91		
To amount received since said date	397.39		
By amount disbursed since said date		9.93	
By amount to balance		518.37	
Total	528.30		528.30
Balance to credit of said Court House Int and Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 16 day of Nov. A. D. 1900, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1900 and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of			596.17

DATE	RECAPITULATION	AMOUNT
Nov. 15 1900	Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day . . .	\$ 91.16
" " "	Bal. to credit of Road & Bridge fund on this day . . .	1323.63
" " "	Bal. to credit of General Fund on this day	248.67
" " "	Bal. to credit of Court House fund on this day	658.57
" " "	Bal. to credit of R. & B. Int. & Sink'g fund on this day . . .	185.92
" " "	Bal. to credit of Ct. H. Int & Sink'g fund on this day . . .	596.17
	Total cash on hand belonging to Haskell county in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us	\$3084.12

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 16th day of November A. D. 1900
 D. H. HAMILTON County Judge,
 J. T. BOWMAN Comr. Pre. No. 1.
 B. H. OWSLEY Comr. Pre. No. 2.
 W. K. PERRY Comr. Pre. No. 3.
 E. D. JEFFERSON Comr. Pre. No. 4.
 SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, by D. H. Hamilton County Judge, and J. T. Bowman and B. H. Owsley and W. K. Perry and E. D. Jefferson County Commissioners of said Haskell county, each respectively, on this, the 16 day of Nov. A. D. 1900.
 C. D. LONG Clerk
 County Court Haskell Co, Texas.
 By G. R. COUCH Deputy.

Congress met last Monday and the president's message was read. It is more in the nature of a general report of conditions and the various enterprises in which the country is now engaged than the recommendations of a statesman to the law making body of the nation on lines of national policy and legislation for the country's good. It in effect says everything is rosy and turns congress loose with a free hand.
 President Kruger of the Transvaal, South Africa, has just made a tour of France, where he was given an enthusiastic welcome at all points and great sympathy was expressed for the Boers.

DENOUNCES WAR.

"One of the Blackest Spots in British Annals,"

SAYS CAPE COLONY EX-OFFICIAL

He is of the Opinion that the Worst Elements Have Been Encouraged and Speaks Plainly.

Cape Town, Dec. 3.—Replying at Stellenbosch, Cape Colony, to an address presented to him by the leaders of the Afrikaner Bund, J. X. Merriam, former treasurer of Cape Colony, in the course of an impassioned speech, denounced the war in South Africa as "one of the blackest spots in British annals."

"The present methods of warfare," he said, "were such as encouraged the worst elements on both sides, and were bound to prove fatal to the ultimate of the country." He declared that neither he nor J. W. Sauer, former commissioner of public works, would attend the Worcester congress, lest it should be said that the congress was engineered by politicians, and he appealed to all Afrikaners to speak boldly when upholding their rights and yet to "avoid wild language or actions which might lead to the abrogation of the last vestige of freedom."

Mr. Sauer, whose speech was rather more military, demanded the removal of Sir Alfred Milner, whom he described as "violently anti-Dutch." He declared that if Great Britain repudiated the two republics of their independence, she would lose the affection of all South Africans. Referring to the Worcester congress, he urged the delegates to show firmness.

Further details have been received regarding the fight near Rietfontein between the British under Gen. Paget and the Boers under Commander Van Jaan on Nov. 23 and 25. Gen. Paget toward evening of the second day closed in upon the Boer position with the intention of attacking. The Boers, however, with reinforcements, including three guns, made a desperate attack and severe fighting ensued.

The Boers, who were repulsed with heavy loss, withdrew in an easterly easterly direction. Gen. Paget, having occupied their position, sent mounted infantry in pursuit.

The New Zealanders displayed great gallantry, having five out of the six wounded officers.

Lord Roberts, who arrived at Ladysmith on Friday, inspected Majuba and Laing's Nek while en route.

Replying to an address from the township people here he expressed admiration of the gallant defense of the town, which he characterized as a glorious memorial of British pluck and endurance, only equaled by the determination and bravery of the relieving forces.

He said he trusted the time was not far distant when peace would reign supreme and "without ill feeling toward a conquered foe."

Lord Roberts has visited Colenso and the surrounding battlefields.

It is said the Boers will ask the United States and Europe to end the war.

Kruger was warmly received at Colenso.

Havana, Dec. 3.—Gen. Wood had a decree providing for the union of separate organizations of provincial guards under one head. Hereafter they will be known as rural guards of Cuba and will be subject to the orders of the controlling government. It is proposed they shall preserve the future peace of the island. The provincial guards have never gone out of their respective provinces. Here they will be so.

The Fund Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 3.—The committee of the general assembly having in charge the raising of the Twentieth century fund of the Presbyterian church states that the entire expense of the work necessary to the gathering of this fund has been provided for by certain generous men. Every dollar, therefore, contributed to special objects or to the general fund by churches or individuals, will go as directed by the respective donors.

Thought Captured. Ashland, Ky., Dec. 3.—William Gibson, who is charged with burning his stepdaughter to death with a poker, is undoubtedly captured and the officers have given up the chase. A message from Rush, Ky., says he has been captured there and is being held for the reward. His captors are miners, and have been concealed in the mines. Gov. Beckham offered a reward of \$500, but his captors will not turn him over unless the reward is raised to \$1000.

Meets Next Month. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3.—A call has been issued by the National Livestock association for a convention to be held in Salt Lake City on Jan. 25. The convention will deliberate on the extension of the industry and its general improvement. Every state and territory is entitled to representation, as are state livestock sanitary boards, chambers of commerce, stockyard companies and all allied industries. Several important topics will come up.

NOT DESIRED.

It is Said Emperor William Does Wish a Visit From Kruger.

Berlin, Dec. 3.—Mr. Kruger has abandoned his proposed visit to Berlin, owing to the receipt of an official intimation that Emperor William regrets that an account of previous arrangements he will be unwilling to receive him. The Boer statesman will therefore proceed direct from Cologne to Holland. He telegraphed to this effect.

The Cologne Gazette, in an inspired communique, says:

"Mr. Kruger's visit is not agreeable to Germany, his aim being to obtain intervention in South Africa. It would be a grave political mistake, it would have been a great crime to allow him to entertain even a spark of hope that Germany would render him any political support."

This declaration is accompanied with reproaches, Mr. Kruger being charged with "having encouraged a useless guerrilla warfare and having disregarded Germany's advice when he might have followed it."

The press generally strikes the same note.

Emperor William's refusal to receive Mr. Kruger has caused general surprise at Paris. Most of the powers make it an excuse for refusing to sympathize with the Boers or condemning the kaiser. The kaiser is no longer a modern Lohegrin, says the Echo de Paris, "but a simple disciple of Bismarck. His attitude is in the interests of Germany, which are identical with those of England."

Some of the papers published the contents of a telegram of 1896 to Mr. Kruger, side by side with that of yesterday. It is said the Transvaal and other socialist organs comment with their customary violence.

Many Killed.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 3.—A frightful wreck, in which a score of people lost their lives and over three score were wounded, occurred on the Mexican Central between LaMancha and Symon, fifty miles south of Jimulco. The news of the disaster was brought here by Edward Rische, a resident of this city.

The train crashed in a valley at the foot of two large hills. The three engines and about forty cars were piled in debris fifty feet in height. One of the trains had on board a construction gang numbering about 150 persons. The other train was a string of fifty-five empty cars. The engine crews of both trains with the exception of two men were killed outright. Several Americans were among the train crews. Two Americans were forced to flee for their lives, as the uninjured Mexicans attempted to lynch them, believing they were responsible for the catastrophe.

The wreck is attributed to errors of native dispatchers. This wreck is credited as being the most serious one that has ever occurred in the Republic of Mexico. No names of the killed and injured are obtainable.

Large Increase.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The population of the Indian Territory is 391,950, against 180,182 in 1890 an increase of 211,778 or 17.5 percent. Population by nations and reservations is:

Cherokee Nation 754, Chickasaw Nation 129,250, Choctaw Nation 99,681, Creek Nation 40,674, Seminole Nation 3736, Modoc Indian reservation 1180, Quappaw Indian reservation 500, Seneca Indian reservation 970, Shawnee Indian reservation 297, Wyandotte Indian reservation 1213.

Emperor's Decree.

Berlin, Dec. 3.—Emperor William's decree regarding the reform of the higher schools provides that, owing to the importance attaching to the English language, attention shall be given hereafter to this branch in the gymnasium where it is expected with Greek classics and shall displace French as an obligatory study in the upper three classes, French being made optional in the latter.

Was Successful.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 3.—Cartwright Eustis, a business man of New Orleans, died in Milwaukee of acute pneumonia. Mr. Eustis underwent an operation for some affection a short time ago, and was recovering, when he caught a cold, which developed into pneumonia. Mr. Eustis was a member of the board of public works of New Orleans, and a member of the board of administration of Tulane university. He was a prominent Confederate.

Triple Tragedy.

Alexandria, Egypt, Dec. 3.—A triple killing occurred at Parkdale, Ark. The two Killian brothers, merchants at the place, having had a previous falling out with Station Agent Phillips over railroad business, on Saturday night went to the station, smashed every window and then went in search of Phillips, who was at his boarding house. They called him out and after a few words drew pistols and the three men were dead almost instantly.

Car Floated.

East Liverpool, O., Dec. 3.—The express car of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh train wrecked at Beaver Wednesday morning was discovered in the river a mile below Wellsville Saturday morning. The car was roofless, the roof having floated down the river, lodging near the Steubenville bridge and causing the report that the car had gone to the bottom at that point. The wrecking crew pulled the car out of the water.

DEED OF DEMONS.

Turpentine Poured on a Man's Clothes and Fire With Fatal Result Applied.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 4.—Because of the outrage perpetrated here Monday morning at 1:30 o'clock, this city was stirred more deeply than for years.

Screams of agony brought policemen on a dead run to a saloon in East Dallas at the hour named. Seated in a chair, evidently unable to move, was a man whose garments were a mass of flames. Standing behind the bar, calmly smoking cigars as they watched their fellow-being roast to death, the officers allege, were two men.

"Bring some water here quick!" shouted an officer.

"Get it yourself," it is alleged one of the men retorted. "Let him die. What's the use of worrying over him?"

One officer took off his coat and with it beat out the fire. The man was sent to Parkland hospital, where he died at 6 o'clock that morning. Soon after his arrival at the hospital two men were brought before him for identification. Then it was that the discovery was made that his eyes had been burned out. The man was Pate Bain, for many years a constable at Garland, in this county. Bain was married.

Ere his death the tortured man made a statement to Assistant County Attorney H. F. Lively. This was reduced to writing, and in the afternoon turned over to the grand jury. From the information it contains and from what they had been able to ascertain, the officers have woven the following statement of the occurrence:

Bain, said to be under the influence of liquor, reclined in a chair. While in this position nearly a pint of turpentine was poured over him and a match applied. The flames shot up into the air fully two feet above his head. When the heat and pain partially revived him he called piteously for help, and when none came, screamed and attracted the officers. They found him burned from head to foot. Some portions of his body had already been reduced to cinders.

Policemen Brandon and Will awoke out warrants against Eugene Faulkner and J. W. Chapman. Murder is the charge. Faulkner and Chapman were promptly placed in the county jail.

News of the manner in which Bain had met his death aroused the greatest indignation. Threats of lynching the men arrested were freely made. Monday night a number of men gathered in front of the jail, but nothing was done. It was said that the word was passed around over town for an assault on the jail, which is one of the strongest in the south.

Deputy Sheriff Allen Seals and Grant Reddick placed the prisoners in a hack, and with them drove to Grand Prairie. At that place they caught the banned cannon ball Texas and Pacific train to Fort Worth. In the Tarrant county jail they left Faulkner and Chapman and returned to Dallas.

From Masons.

Bryan, Tex., Dec. 4.—Gen. H. B. Stoddard, deputy grand master of the Knights Templar of the United States, says in reply to inquiry regarding funds collected by the Masons for the Galveston flood sufferers that he has made no public statement of the disposal of the funds passing through his hands, because it is a matter, which does not concern anybody but the Masons, and that the money has been placed where it would do most good.

Cane Belt Extension.

Wharton, Tex., Dec. 4.—On the Cape Belt railway steel has been laid nearly seven miles south to Wharton on the Bay City division. The grading force at work on the prairie have the grade ready for as many miles more of steel. The officials of the road are preparing to lay out a new town between this point and Bay City, twenty miles from Wharton. The management has placed switches where convenient when asked for by shippers.

Big Ranch Deal.

Beaville, Tex., Dec. 4.—A deal has been consummated within the past few days by J. M. Chittim, one of the best known and wealthiest cattlemen of southwest Texas, becomes the owner of the Kampman ranch, located near Normanna, in the northern part of this country. The sale includes 12,300 acres of land and 1360 head of high-grade Durham and Devon cattle. The total monetary consideration was about \$90,000.

Effort to Oust Easton.

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 4.—Thomas D. Brick, candidate for district clerk on the Democratic ticket at the recent county election, filed suit in district court to oust Alex. Easton, the incumbent, who has held the office for the last twenty years. Brick in his petition alleges that the action of the county commissioners in throwing out the votes of the seven and a half precincts because of alleged improper returns deprived him of the office.

Revenue Stamps.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 4.—The comparative report of the sales of revenue stamps at the office of Collector P. B. Hunt of the northern district of Texas showed Monday that the receipts for the first Monday in December, 1899, were \$1,697.31, and the receipts for the first Monday in December of this year were \$5,552.10, showing an increase over the same day of last year of \$3,854.79.

ROOF COLLAPSES,

Causing a Great Number of Persons to Fall

INTO VATS OF LIQUID GLASS.

About Two Hundred People Were Getting a Free View of a Football Game and Nine Met Death.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 30.—Nine people were killed and fully fifty badly injured by the collapse of the roof of the Pacific Glass works on Fifteenth street Thursday while it was crowded with men and boys watching a football game on the field adjoining.

About seventy-five people fell through the roof upon the red-hot furnaces and glass vats below. All were horribly burned, and it is feared that in addition to the nine deaths already reported there will be several more.

Four bodies have not been identified. Eighty-two persons, more or less injured, have been taken to the various hospitals or removed to their homes. Most of those killed or injured were boys between 9 and 16 years of age. Nearly all of the victims had their skulls fractured or limbs broken and sustained serious internal injuries.

Two hundred men and boys had gathered on the sheetiron roof of the glassworks to obtain a free view of the annual game between Stanford and the University of California. About twenty minutes after the game had commenced there was a crash plainly audible from the football grounds and a portion of the crowd on the roof went down.

The fires in the furnaces had been started for the first time Thursday and the vats were full of liquid glass. It was upon these that the victims fell. Some were killed instantly and others were slowly roasted to death. The few who missed the furnaces, together with the workmen in the glassworks, saved the lives of many who lay unconscious by pulling them away from their horrible resting place. The police and fire departments were soon at hand and every patrol wagon and ambulance in the city was summoned. They were not enough, express wagons and private carriages were pressed into service to carry off the dead and wounded. Many of the injured were unconscious, while other were hurled away, shrieking with agony, to the hospitals. The Southern Pacific Railway hospital was only two blocks away and was quickly filled. About forty wounded were taken there. Others were sent to St. Luke's hospital and the city receiving hospital, to private residences and other places.

At the hospitals there was soon a shortage of surgeons and some of the wounded had to wait until help came. The roof of the glassworks was half a block away from the games, but the crowd at the game were too interested to see what was going on. People rushed through the crowd calling for doctors. Hundreds of people left the grounds and gathered about the fence enclosing the glassworks. News of the disaster spread rapidly and thousands of anxious people quickly assembled.

The manager of the glassworks realized the danger before the accident occurred and had sent for the police to compel the crowd to leave.

Thanksgiving at Washington. Washington, Nov. 30.—Thanksgiving day was generally observed in Washington. All the executive departments of the government were closed and deserted save a few officials who came to attend to the mail. Many of the government employees left the city to spend the day in other states. The municipal offices and most of the stores were closed. The white house had a deserted appearance. President McKinley spent a little time in the morning in his office, and at 11 o'clock entered his carriage and was driven to the Metropolitan Methodist church, where he attended Thanksgiving services. Rev. Dr. Frank M. Bristol, pastor of the church, conducted the services. The President went alone. Mrs. McKinley took a short drive during the forenoon, returning in time to send the carriage after the president. The day was spent quietly by the presidential household.

Four Hundred Persons Attended the Thanksgiving Dinner Given by the American Colony at Berlin.

Counterfeits in Haiti. Port au Prince, Haiti, Nov. 30.—The judicial authorities, having been informed that many \$20 gold pieces, made by counterfeiters, were circulating in Haiti, consulted with the national banks. The latter, after an investigation, found that a large number of counterfeit gold coins of the denomination mentioned were in circulation. It is estimated that the counterfeiters amount to about \$20,000. The police are now inquiring into the matter.

Only From Duty.

New York, Nov. 30.—Some of Lord Wolsey's admirers are forecasting an important speech by him in the house of Lords in December and are intimating that he is resigning the chief command before Lord Roberts' return of lords in December and are intimating up the results of the war and the merits and defects of the military system. Lord Wolsey's health has not been good and he has remained at post only from duty.

Terrible Mistake.

Atoka, I. T., Nov. 30.—Ed. Barr, who shot and killed his brother, Decatur Barr, by mistake near Coalgate, I. T., last Monday morning was held in the sum of \$1000 by United States Commissioner Balls. He did not know that it was his brother when he shot. Decatur Barr had been away from home several months. He returned during the night. He carried a Winchester. He was shot near his house, the brother believing him to be some evil doer.

DEAD MAN'S ACCOUNTS.

It is Alleged a Deceased Official Left Behind a Large Shortage.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 30.—The accounts of George R. Griffiths, who was clerk of the board of education here for thirteen years previous to his death Oct. 1, 1900, are short at least \$100,000, and it is thought that when the exact amount of the arrearage becomes known they will be found to be nearer twice that sum. His peculations covered the whole term of service as clerk of the schools. The auditor's reports say that his misappropriation amounted to nearly all the tuition fees paid by non-resident students since 1893. He kept one private cash book in which accounts were correctly entered, and he kept four fraudulent cash books with forced balances made to fit the case of each examination as it might arise. He had forged receipts for moneys purporting to have been paid by him into the city treasury, the forgery consisting of fraudulent signatures purporting to be the genuine signature of the city treasurer.

G. R. Griffiths was one of the best known public men in Cincinnati, and the news of his peculations has come as a thunderbolt to all who honored his memory.

Griffiths was also a follower of horses, and it is thought that he lost most of the money backing his favorites. He was known to make large wagers on tracks at Chicago and elsewhere. He was one of the leading spirits in the organization of the Oakley race track, which closed down two years ago, after the stockholders had lost thousands of dollars in improving the track. It is known also that he was fond of card games, but it is thought that most of his money went on the horses. His bond was \$5000. He left an estate, but it is said this will not meet more than one-fifth of the shortage, and his bondsmen will have to make up the remainder.

A special meeting of the school board has been called to take action. Shortly after his death Mrs. Griffiths removed with her daughter to Evansville, Ind.

Suitsmen Shaken Up.

Constantinople, Nov. 30.—The arrival of the United States battleship Kentucky at Smyrna has so shaken up the palace of the porte that indications are accumulating of a desire to hasten a settlement to the satisfaction of the United States. An irade has been issued, calling for the purchase of a cruiser at Philadelphia, the price for which is to include the \$90,000 Armenian indemnity. This is regarded as a subterfuge designed for local consumption, in order to save the face of the porte. Nevertheless, it is no believed that Turkey will find the money and order a cruiser in the hope of propitiating the United States. Despite the dispute, the relations between the United States legation and the porte continue cordial.

Fatal Fend.

Waco, Ga., Nov. 30.—Henry Robinson, a well-known young man of this county, was shot through the heart and instantly killed here in a fight.

Jesse McClellan, deputy sheriff of Ware county, met Matt, Curt, Jim and Henry Robinson and a fight ensued, in which McClellan's pistol was taken from him. All the parties were put under bond and it was thought the trouble was over. About noon, however, the three McClellans and the three Robinsons met and a general engagement ensued. It is said Jesse McClellan shot and killed Henry Robinson, while Matt and Jim Robinson were badly hurt. None of the McClellans were seriously hurt.

Gibbons to Attend.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 30.—Cardinal Gibbons has officially notified the officials of the Southern Industrial convention that he would be in attendance on the same and would accept the invitation extended him to open the second day's session with prayer. Cardinal Gibbons will arrive in New Orleans on the evening of Dec. 4 and will attend the convention Wednesday, Dec. 5, and the succeeding days. Delegates continue to come into headquarters indicating a very large gathering, especially from all portions of the United States.

Eighty-eight horses were sold at Madison Square Garden, New York, Thursday for \$60,000.

Prof. Hindsale of the University of Michigan is Dead.

Lost Wife and One Daughter. New York, Nov. 30.—Walter A. Donaldson, whose wife and daughter Marie fell victims of yellow fever in Santo Domingo, arrived on the steamship Cherokee, bringing home his only remaining girl, Kathryn, aged 8.

Mr. Donaldson was collector of duties for the Santo Domingo Improvement company. Puerto Plata. He relinquished a position in the United States treasury department to take the place.

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SECOND DOCUMENT

The Other Purported Will Presented in Court.

PATRICK'S ATTORNEY HANDS IT

To the Surrogate Court in the City of New York, With a Number of Provisions Embraced Therein.

New York, Dec. 1.—M. E. Harby, the attorney representing Albert T. Patrick, Friday filed in the surrogate's court what is called the "second" will of the late Texas millionaire, William Marsh Rice. In the petition accompanying the will counsel for Patrick says:

"You petitioner further states that the estate given to the petitioner in and by the said last will and testament of William Marsh Rice must be taken subject to a trust in favor of certain purposes and beneficiaries intended to be benefited by the said will."

Counsel also said that he is now preparing for execution by Patrick a paper in which the petitioner may in legal form make effective the instructions constituting the secret trust, the provisions of which, it is promised, will be made public about the middle of December. Among the bequests on the so-called second will are the following:

To the William M. Rice Institute for the Advancement of Literature, Science and Art of Texas, \$250,000, to each of the directors of the William M. Rice Institute \$5000 and to A. H. Cohen of Houston, Tex., \$5000. All bequests are subject to the condition that the beneficiaries accept without contest, "and that they will execute such conveyances and releases of any or all of my estate whatsoever situated and of whatsoever nature to the said Albert T. Patrick as he may demand, and any legatee not so doing is forever barred from taking under this will or in any manner inheriting any portion of my estate, and such portion shall inure to the said Albert T. Patrick."

Following these bequests the will says: "I give, devise and bequeath to Albert T. Patrick, formerly of Texas, all the real and residue of my estate, real and personal and mixed, heretofore or hereafter accruing and whatsoever situated."

R. G. Potter of the law firm of Hornblower, Byrne, Miller & Potter, who represent W. M. Rice Jr., John D. Bartine and James A. Baker Jr., the executors of the will executed by Mr. Rice in 1896, with a handwriting expert made a microscopic examination of the signature, "Wm. M. Rice," of the two wills.

Lawyer Sargent filed the petition signed by Patrick, asking that the second will be admitted to probate, and the citations issued to the several heirs-at-law and next of kin to Mr. Rice mentioned in the petition. The petition declared that the residence of a nephew of the testator was at the present time unknown, and that his last known place of residence was Hartford, Conn. The petition was dated Friday.

Lawyer Sargent, having presented the petition and will, said that since the petition had been signed by Patrick it had been discovered that Frederick William Rice, the nephew, was at Saranac Lake and presented an affidavit to the probate clerk to that effect.

Jessie Morrison Case. Eldorado, Kan., Dec. 1.—The trial of Jessie Morrison, charged with the murder of Mrs. Olin Castle, began Friday with the opening of court. Prosecuting Attorney Brumback stating the case for the state. The courtroom was filled with spectators, the majority of whom were women.

The Morrison family, the Castles and the Wileys were all present. A. T. Kramer stated the case for the defense.

Dramatization of "Cranford." Marguerite Merlington, the well-known dramatist, has converted the famous "Cranford" story of Mrs. Gaskell's into a play for the Ladies Home Journal. In the evolution she has been remarkably successful in preserving the atmosphere of Cranford, and of most convincingly reproducing the quiet life and the individual, harmless peculiarities of the maiden ladies, and the charm of their courtesies. The play is for amateur presentation.

Oscar Wilde Dead. London, Dec. 1.—Oscar Wilde, the noted writer, passed away in the Latin quarter of Paris on Friday.

For three days he lay in a comatose state and partly in delirium from an abscess in one of his ears, which gradually reached the brain. He was surrounded by a few faithful companions. A few years ago Mr. Wilde was one of the most prominent men before the reading public.

Mrs. Amelia E. Barr's last novel, "Souls of Passage," is the leading Christmas feature in the "New Lipincott" Magazine.

L. A. Coolidge, in Anslee's Magazine for December, has an interesting article on "The Congress of the United States."

Louis Gilmore was killed in a football game at Lowell, Mass.

AID TO BE ASKED.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 1.—The convention, which assembled here Friday in response to a call issued by the Fort Worth board of trade to consider matters relating to the rehabilitation and protection of the city of Galveston through the federal and state governments, was attended by 800 delegates. Cecil Smith of Grayson county was elected chairman. Messrs. Prince, Turney, Wooten, Alvin, Ousley and Lieut. Gov. Browning made speeches.

On motion of Mr. Clarence Ousley Mr. Wheelers was asked to explain the views of the Galveston deep water committee as to what should be presented to the convention.

Mr. Wheelers said the deep water committee had agreed that the conditions and needs of Galveston should be placed before the convention, not in the nature of a demand, but as a statement of the views of the people of Galveston, leaving it to the convention to make such recommendations as it might determine just and necessary. It was the sense of the committee, in the first place, that the charter of the city of Galveston should be repealed or amended so as to provide for the administration of the municipal government by a commission to be appointed by the governor, this being in the interest of economy. It was contemplated that the expenses of such government should be paid by the state for the period of two years. Mr. Wheelers said a bill along these lines had been carefully prepared by Mr. R. Waverly Smith and Mr. F. D. Minor.

The next proposition, he said, was to remit the state and county taxes for a period of two years and to extend the time for the payment of delinquent taxes two years, so that there should be absolute exemption from state and county taxes for the time mentioned.

The third proposition was to refund the debt of the city at 3 per cent, retiring all the outstanding bonds, which bear a higher rate of interest.

The fourth proposition was to remit the state taxes for the period of two years, as above stated, authorizing the commission or the municipal government to levy a tax equivalent to such state tax for the purpose of raising money with which to fill the devastated portion of the city.

None of these things, said Mr. Wheelers, was to be presented in the nature of a demand. The Galveston delegation was on hand to explain what is necessary, but it would be left to the people of Texas to determine what they should do.

So far as the federal government is concerned, he said, it was the sense of the deep water committee that the convention should be asked to recommend to the national government the inauguration of measures for the building of a breakwater at Galveston. This was to be asked, he said, not at the sacrifice of nor in antagonism to any other public improvements in the state of Texas.

Mr. Wheelers further said it was the wish of the deep water committee that Mr. Ousley should respond to the address of welcome in the convention; that Sol. Walter Gresham should be chosen as Galveston's representative on the committee on resolutions, and that Messrs. R. Waverly Smith, Col. Gresham and himself should act as floor managers from Galveston.

On motion of Judge W. B. Lockhart the action and plans of the deep water committee, as explained by Mr. Wheelers, were ratified.

A committee on resolutions was appointed. Their report favors state and national aid to Galveston.

No New Developments.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 1.—No new developments came to light in Thursday's killing over labor troubles. The telephone company did not attempt to place any non-union employes at work repairing wires or telephones. Smith, the non-union man, is still in jail. His attorneys have made no attempt up to the present to obtain bail for him. Phillips, one of the striking linemen, who was in the melee, was released on \$1000 bond.

The condition of Brandon, one of the wounded men, took a turn for the worse, and he is not expected to survive.

The funeral of Policeman Lacey took place Friday afternoon. The funeral cortege was a mile in length and one of the largest ever seen here. The entire police force and about 500 union men attended the funeral in a body.

Two more boys died at San Francisco from the fall of the glass factory roof.

Held Without Bail.

Athens, Tex., Dec. 1.—Wednesday argument in the Frank Martin examining trial was closed and Judge Arvriest announced his decision remanding Martin to jail without bail.

Two witnesses testified that they saw Martin shoot Grigsby repeatedly after he had begged for mercy.

Grigsby is said to have been connected in both Hill and Sm.

Protection Asked.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 1.—The situation involving the Southwestern Telephone company is about the same as it has been for the past week except that a letter has been here showing that the official telephone company in an attempt to protect their property from their grievances. They received from Austin Friday.

The Roman Catholic Dallas, Tex., burned.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

To the senate and house of representatives. At the outgoing of the old and the incoming of the new century you have met in the city of Washington...

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Miss Alice Sinclair, of Cincinnati, O., who acted as bridesmaid at the wedding of a friend, found a thimble in the piece of bride's cake which she ate. This was regarded as proof that she would be an old maid. To prove that the sign was false she agreed to marry William Keeler, to whom she was engaged, at once, and invited all the wedding guests to be present at her marriage. A minister was found and the ceremony was performed within three hours of the time when she was acting as brides. And thus doth Cupid do his work.

Justice Waits for an Execution.
"During the course of my career in the police department I have seldom come across anything more humorous than a letter recently received at the detective headquarters," said Captain of Detectives Lohrer of Cleveland, O., to a reporter. "We arrested a man wanted in a city not a hundred miles from here and we wired the marshal to come at once and get his prisoner. He wrote us a letter and said: 'Please hold—' for one week. There is an excursion to Cleveland then and I can get cheap rates. Don't forget to hold him.'"

AT EAST LAVINGTON.
The Grave of Cardinal Manning's Wife Is Neglected.
Some interesting passages in the early life of Cardinal Manning are related by a writer in the Sunday Strand. We are told that the son of his life Manning had flowers sent to him every spring and summer from a little village in Sussex—East Lavington by name. "Why (asks the writer) should the great cardinal receive flowers from this little place? The answer lies in the fact that from the early summer of 1833 to the end of 1850 he was rector of the parish, and that for four of these years (1833-37) he enjoyed a married life there so perfectly happy that from the day his wife died down to that upon which he himself folded his hands and closed his eyes for the last time on earth, he could never even trust himself to breathe her name to a living soul." Mrs. Manning was Caroline, the third of the four daughters of the Rev. John Sargent. One of her sisters was wife of the Rev. Samuel Wilberforce, afterwards the well-known bishop. This gave in neglected today. It is almost, the writer says, the only one in the little churchyard that has neither stone nor cross upon it, and its turf is fast moldering away. "It was Manning's wish that it should be so. Late in life he told his friend and biographer—the late Edmund Percival—that he had received a letter from the churchwarden announcing that the grave was falling into decay, and asking for instructions as to putting it and keeping it in order. His reply was: 'It is best so. Let it be. Time effaces all things.' But he was mistaken. Time had not effaced, nor will it efface, the memory of that brief idyll." The house at Lavington—which was Manning's home—is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wilberforce and their family. It was Mrs. Wilberforce who, in old age, sent the cardinal day by day flowers from Lavington.

Pink of Great Price.
The Baroness Reinold of Trieste, whose husband died, leaving a fortune of 20,000,000 florins for benevolent purposes, went to a bazaar and was offered a pink by a lady at a stall. "How much may I pay for this flower?" she asked with a most charming expression. "There are no limits set to your generosity, madame," was the reply. "Well, then," she said, "I will pay enough for it to cover the arrears of the music exhibition." The amount required for this purpose was 95,000 florins, or £8000.

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Never Too Old to be Valued.
Two homely old men were in police court at Atchison, Kan., on the charge of fighting. It seems that each had apartments on the same floor of a rooming house. One of them was visited by a woman one day, and after she had gone the other old man objected to her visit, saying that when people saw the woman coming into the house they would think she was visiting him. Then the fight commenced and it was continued until a policeman came and pulled the old men apart. We are never too old to be vain.

Music for Libraries.
Some of the principal public libraries in the country have adopted music for their circulation department, and with marked success. The practice is spreading now to the libraries of the smaller cities. Seattle has just adopted it, beginning with 200 books of vocal and instrumental music in the Seattle, as in the other libraries which have adopted this feature, the aim is to encourage the taste for good music. Scores of the most popular oratorios and light and grand operas are the chief feature. In fact, these libraries fill nearly every requisite.

A NARROW ESCAPE. A GRATEFUL WOMAN.



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Cough takes the place of conversation, speech gives way to spitting, the repulsive odors of chronic catarrh poison the kiss of the fondest lovers, and thickened membranes bedim the sight, impair hearing and destroy taste.
Like the plague-stricken Egyptians a cry of distress has gone out from every household, and the mildew of woeful clings to every hearthstone. Catarrh in some form, catarrh in some stage lurks as an enemy in the slightest cough or cold and finishes its fiendish work in heart disease and consumption.
No tissue, function, or organ of the body escapes its ravages; muscles wither, nerves shatter, and secretions dry up under its blighting presence. So stubborn and difficult of cure is this disease that to invent a remedy to cure chronic catarrh has been the ambition of the greatest minds in all ages. Is it therefore any wonder that the vast multitude of people who have been cured of chronic catarrh by Peruna are so lavish in their praise of this remedy? That the discovery of Peruna has made the cure of catarrh a practical certainty is not only the testimony of the people, but many medical men declare it to be true.
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GIRLS FELL VICTIMS.
A Romance of the Plague in Perthshire, Scotland.
The last time the plague visited Glasgow with excessive virulence was in August, 1645. Then, on the 16th of that month, the Marquis of Montrose, who fought under the standard of Charles I., signally defeated the Covenanters under Gen. Baillie at Killybeg. Thereupon the provost and corporation of the pestilence-stricken city sent envoys with a message of congratulation to the Marquis and a warm invitation to him and his soldiers to partake of Glasgow's hospitality. Montrose, at the head of his troops, entered the city and was sumptuously entertained, but would not stay on account of the epidemic. However, as a matter of business, apart from sentiment, he levied a heavy tax for supplies upon his Glaswegian hosts, to their huge disgust. A memento of a pathetic romance connected with the 1645 plague visitation in Scotland is a wall enclosure on the bank of the Almond, in the parish of Methven, Perthshire. It marks the spot where he interred the hapless "Bessie Bell and Mary Gray," famed in Scotch song. Daughters respectively of the laird of Kinvaig and the laird of Lynedoch, the maidens were much attached to each other, and when they heard of the ravages of the plague they retired to a bower near the Almond and died in perfect seclusion. The fair recluses, however, had their place of retreat discovered by a young man of their acquaintance, who supplied the twins with provisions. He caught the plague himself, unluckily, and communicated infection to Bessie and Mary, to which the girls fell victims. According to the stern custom of the time their bodies were not allowed interment in Methven kirkyard, to they were buried together in a spot contiguous to the bower.—The London Chronicle.

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ITALIAN NEGRO FARM-HANDS.
The Illinois Central, Louisville and Nashville and Queen and Crescent railroads report that they have taken over 2,000 Italians to New Orleans to work on the Louisiana sugar plantations. The Italians came mainly from St. Louis and Chicago and were secured by the payment of large premiums. They went at once from the city to the sugar plantations. There arrived also during one week 2,200 Italian immigrants direct from Palermo, who also went straight to the sugar plantations, making an addition of 4,200 Italian laborers in the sugar field during a single week. A large number of Italians have located there permanently. The planters find the Italians the best labor for farm work, and they have crowded out or are rapidly crowding out the negroes throughout the sugar district.

Good Cause of Action.
In Louisiana, if a creditor finds that his debtor intends to leave the state and stay away he can, without further bothering, get out an attachment and seize whatever property the unfortunate may have, says the Chicago Journal. A creditor, who was one of Col. Proudfoot's clients, performed this operation one morning and the debtor was so hurt about it that he fell dead. The debtor's heirs went to law later and claimed the property on the grounds that the death made the seizure invalid. "The law in this case, gentlemen, is very clear," said the colonel, when his chance came. "It says that if a man is about to leave the state permanently, his property may be seized. If our late lamented friend was not about to leave the state permanently I never want to handle another case."

Always the Wrong One.
The New York Times relates a rather gruesome club joke, apropos of the custom of lowering the club house flag and posting a mortuary notice on the club bulletin board when a member dies. "It is such a delusion," said a clubman, with some protesting disappointment in his voice. "I catch sight of the pole on my way up here and discover the flag at half-mast. 'Ah, I say, 'is it possible he is gone?' My spirits brighten and my steps quicken. Perhaps now, at last! I hurry into the club and up to the bulletin board, but—it's never the right one. Never!"

Somehow or other, you naturally expect the season's holidays to wind up with a wedding ring.
Some women make more fuss over a sickly rubber plant than their own men do over a teething infant.
Judging from their earthly careers, some people would not be pleased with the fit of their heavenly crown.
Some girls weep over a novel here while their mothers wrestle with a scrubbing brush.
He who courts three instead of six nights per week usually makes better progress.
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Mr. R. A. Jones and wife of Aspermont were over Wednesday shopping. New crop Louisiana Molasses at W. W. Fields & Bros. Try it if you want something good. Mr. W. J. Webb dropped in a couple of full moons on subscription this week.

Cheese, Kraut, Apples, Cabbage, fine, large Greely Potatoes, red and yellow Onions at S. L. Robertson's. I want 100 head of cattle to pasture through the winter on my farm 14 miles northeast of Haskell. E. BIVINS.

Miss Laura Garren spent two or three days this week with friends in town. Ladies you should see the handsomely decorated tea and dinner sets at Fields & Bro's.

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JAMES F. BALLARD, Sole Proprietor, 310 North Main Street, ST. LOUIS, MO. For sale by J. B. Baker, Haskell, Texas.

Mr. Sam Pierson came in Wednesday on a visit to the home folk. It is a matter of some speculation, however, as to how he came to put Benjamin on his route from Emory to Haskell. To those familiar with the geography of the country it looks like a very roundabout route.

Mr. C. C. Frost returned Monday from Fort Worth and Mineral Wells, at which places he visited the families of his sons S. E. and H. N. Mr. Frost says that prosperity appeared to be general over the country; substantial improvements are frequently seen and the people generally seemed flush with money.

We now have in stock the nicest line of queensware, both decorated and plain, that we have ever handled, also a nice line of glassware, lamps and lamp chimneys. Call and see these goods if you want anything in that line. The prices are right.

Yours &c W. W. FIELDS & BRO.

There was heaved a great sigh of relief by those persons who have heretofore had to decipher the chirographical hieroglyphics employed by lawyer Martin in his correspondence and the preparation of legal documents, when it became known to them that that gentleman had secured a typewriter.

Mr. Jno. B. Baker's opening came off Tuesday night according to schedule and was quite a success. His drug store was very prettily festooned and decorated with cedar and bright colored tissue paper and the display of Xmas goods was neatly arranged. The store was thronged and overflowing with a good humored, joking crowd of people of all sizes and all ages for several hours.

Mr. Baker tells us that he intends making this Holiday opening an annual feature of his business.

Our young townsman, Mr. Charley Martin of the Bon Ton restaurant and confectionery, returned home on Tuesday as happy as a lark. We discovered the reason in the fact that on Sunday last he led a charming young lady of Sweetwater, Miss Mollie Haley, to the marriage altar and had brought her home with him. Charley tells us that, besides the fact that he was securing the lady of his choice, the occasion was a very pleasant one, as they were tendered a fine supper and reception and his bride was the recipient of many nice presents. The FREE PRESS has to add "And may they be happy ever afterward."

A. P. McLenon expects the few who have not settled their old drug accounts left with me for collection, to do so at once, no further time will be granted.

OSCAR MARTIN Notice

Fruit tree patrons, owing to railroad, it has been impossible to get trees, so will let you all know when to look for trees.

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The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by J. B. Baker druggist.

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Whenever there are as many as two passengers either from or to Stamford I will take them at some price charged by the mail hack and I guarantee to furnish better rigs and make better time.

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