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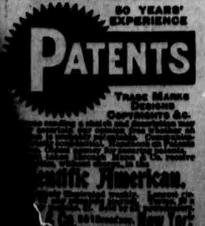
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HOGG TO THE FRONT.

Warns'the People Against Railway Consolidation Now Being Attempted.

people of Texas: A formidable or- and interest on these fictitious debts ganized movement to consolidate which have been created in violayour interests, I address you on the justly settle this question. subject. Unless you do something penalties of negligence.

lines, while others are yet short lines, three or four so-called "systems" in amount to \$221,816,207 more than The casualties reported are Capt. hundreds of cases of smallpox. It nerged into one.

plausible reasons why their several companies. special plans, if successful, would

conviction that these measures are for money, property or labor. It demanded by the masses.

against this movement. Consolidation of the railroads means also the masses of this state. concentration of their political strength to ultimately control the thinking, the independent, the selflic interests. If this conspiracy is take suitable action to check, to preing other wrongs will also be done tous measures. to the people:

1. It will violate the constitution competing lines of railway.

with light debts to pay the heavy, excessive debts of the absorbing trunk lines, and thereby enforce the maintenance of high traffic rates.

communities the headquarters, machine shops and offices of these small lines, and concentrate them at other points upon the main line, or out of the state.

5. It will forever prevent the extension of these short lines into trunk lines through the sections of this state which need and should and otherwise would get them.

6. It will prevent competition for interstate traffic at common as well as at other points.

7. It will minimize, strike down and practically destroy our gulf

8. It will make a truck patch out of Texas instead of building her up to the great empire to which she is

destined. 9. It will drive from our state the small factories now beginning to grow and prevent others from com-

ing in. 10. It will foster monopolies and trusts, and destroy individual effort

and independence. 11. It will build up a central corstrong in commerce and politics to be controlled by the state.

more than \$200,000,000 that is as "Characteristics and Possibil dishonest, as unjust as any forged Middle Western Literature."

order for making which any felon was ever sent to the penitentiary.

The overshadowing issue that should be made and settled between the people and railways of this state is: Shall the people, through traffic Austin, Tex., March 4 .- To the rates and charges, pay the principal

thwarted, there will soon be only fair. Their stocks and bonds most to Mariquina on the left. and intend to fix permanently, upon wounded. The "special agents" who are here the people of Texas, and make them

representing the different railroads pay more than \$200,000,000 of ficform the strongest, the most effective titious indebtedness is supported by lobby that I have ever known. They reason, logic and the facts. Most, state, and are accomplished, educat- created before the railway commis-

Through several sections of the issue is presented to support the state they have procured petitions proposition that these over-issues of from unthoughted people asking the bonds and stocks have been either legislature to pass the several pend- duly recognized, ratified or admitted ing acts of consolidation. In this to be in all respects valid. The way the members of the legislature constitution of our state prohibits who would otherwise oppose such the execution of any kind of indebtschemes are probably misled into the edness by a railway company except can be clearly shown that this ineffect of these laws, would revolt methods it is now sought to forever fasten these incumbrances upon the

I therefore beg to suggest that the state of Texas against general pub- respecting people should at once successful, I submit that the follow- vent and suppress all such iniqui-J. S. Hogg.

It begins to look very much as if which forbids the consolidation of the Hogg & Robertson fee, for which they contracted with Governor Cul-2. It will violate the old-establish- berson for collecting an old claim ed law of this state which forbids from the U.S. government, will not any railway from constructing or be allowed by the legislature. The owning any branch line at an angle senate claims that there is a constiof less than twenty-five degrees with tutional provision which bars its the general direction of the main payment, and for this reason will not pass a bill allowing it, even 3. It will force those short lines though it could be put through the house.

"The White Man's Burden" gives the keynote of the American Mon-4. It will take from the several thly Review of Reviews for March. The editor, in "The Progress of the World," discusses the Philippine situation and American prospects in those islands, as well as the bearings of the ratification of the Spanish treaty on the future of the Filof Aguinaldo is winning the admiration of the world. There are two articles on Philippine native types and characteristics, one of which porate power which will become too young Cuban leaders in the recon- ask for a large standing army and an wolves in some sections, it would ef-

MORE FIGHTING.

SHARP ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN THE NATIVES AND AMERI-CANS.

A Disagreeable Campaign.

Manila, March 7, 12:10 p. m .many of the railways of this state has tion of the constitution and laws? It detachment of Gen. Hale's and Gen. been perfected, and as it endangers is hoped that the courts may yet Wheaton's brigades was engaged for two hours this morning, clearing the The good miles of railway in this country in front of their lines on to check the scheme, it will not be state have outstanding in stocks and both sides of the river, the enemy The valuation of these railways, By a series of rapid advances, folbut if let alone, will some day also fixed by the railroad commission, lowed by flank movements, the enebecome long lines. If the present amounts to \$141,117,176, which, in my was completely routed as far out the world. The article follows: novement of consolidation is not all respects, seems to be liberal and as Guadalupe on the right and al-

the state, and all of these, ultimately, the commission valuation; so the O'Brien of company F, first Wyomby the same process, may become statement that these railways owe ing volunteers and two men slightly tings are filling. When Jenner dis-

The rebel loss was heavy.

No rebels were visible at noon. Maniia, March 7, 6:45 p. m .-This afternoon Gen. Hale's brigade that of Paris, published this recipe, have come from every section of the if not all, of this indebtedness was continued the work of driving out it passed unheeded. It is as unthe rebels from the waterworks, a failing as fate, and conquers in every ed men of good professional, politi- sion law and the stock and bond distance of about three miles. The instance. It will also cure scarlet cal, social and financial standing. law took effect. Since these laws country is now clear on the left of fever. Here is the recipe as I have In the service of their clients and were passed no fictitious indebted- the river, but the enemy is still in used it to cure smallpop: Sulphate principals they are able to give ness has been created by the railway front of Gen. Wheaton's lines. Near of zinc, one grain; digitalis, one grain; San Pedro Macati they have been sugar, one-half teaspoonful. Dissolve These acts of consolidation will be actively attempting to make the po- in a wineglass of soft water, or water be of material advantage to the pub- used by the several railways in the sitions of the sixth artillery untena constant fire all day.

> Private Lovejoy, Washington vol unteers, was killed by a stray bullet.

Two others were wounded to-day. This morning the enemy in front of Gen. Overshine's line sent out a flag of truce, but retired when Lieut. Koenier, with two men, advanced to your life use this recipe."

This afternoon they again showed

200 yards of the rebel party the latter dragged rifles from behind their backs and opened fire upon them, but fortunately without effect.

Hawthorne's battery fired two shells, killing several of the enemy. the land and naval forces, a general order was issued to-day directint the United States troops to give partiof furnishing full protection to the lives and property of all German, tuguese residents and with the cooperation of the resident German who were exposed to it. consul, to give aid and assistance whenever necessary.

temperature was 84 degrees and the heat was intense, especially on the

then and say that William J. Bryan ipinos. Col. William Conant Church, is a back number don't read the editor of the Army and Navy Jour- papers to much advantage. No man nal, contributes a sketch of Gen. in the United States today receives Elwell S. Otis, whose efficiency in as much attention or calls forth as subjugating the refractory followers much enthusiasm wherever he goes or speaks as Mr. Bryan does.

Congress has adjourned without having provided for any definite or was written by Senor Caro y Mora, permanent form of government in editor of the Voz Espanola, of Ma- Cuba, Porto Rico or the Philippines. nila. These articles are both illus- This means that they shall remain trated from a remarkable series of indefinitely under the domination photographs now published for the and control of the military arm of first time. Dr. William Hays Ward, the government at the expense of who has recently returned from an the mass of tax-payers of this counextended journey through Porto try. This seems to have been the be induced to come into the prairie Rico, contributes an article on deliberate purpose of the adminis- dog infested region and by experipresent-day conditions in that island, tration, as it is a fact that the pres- mentation succeed in inocculating with special reference to the effect ident neither asked for or demanded the dogs with a fatal contagious diof American occupation on the wel- from congress legislation settling the sease, as was done in the case of the fare of the people. Several of the status of these islands. But he did chinch bugs and has been done with struction of their country are sketch- enormous increase in the navy, feet a far cheaper and speedier exed by George Reno. This number showing that the republican party is termination of them than any law Bright's kidney disease. After usbe controlled by the state.

12. It may fasten upon the people on the late President Faue, of the present fictitious indebtedness of the railways, which amounts to more than \$200,000,000,000 that is as "Characteristics and Possibilities of dishorest as universe.

13. It may fasten upon the people taking every step possible toward that can be enacted will do. It may be that no fatal contagion can be found to which the prairie dog is think my troubles are at an end.

14. W. Brown.

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paper of March 1 the following arlong until you must begin to pay the bonds \$362,933,383. The duly concentrating with the apparent pur- and Cure," from Mrs. Roy B. Scott, constituted representatives of these pose of cutting off the garrison at which as a philanthropist without There are now fifty railways hav- railways last year rendered their the waterworks. The rebels bolted hope of pecuniary reward I beg of ing separate organizations and property for taxation in the aggre- at the first sign of the advance, but you to republish, with the testimony headquarters in this state, and each gate sum of \$68,510,926, or in the they separated into small bodies I now hand you in the hope that it is more or less independent of the amount of \$294,422,457 less than whenever the cover offered opportu- may reach the eye and ear of some others. Some of these are trunk their outstanding stocks and bonds. nities and kept up a running fire, one of authority in some state or county that will take proper steps to place the preventive and cure before

> has been used to my knowledge in will prevent, or cure though the pitcovered the cowpox in England the world of science overwhelmed him with fame, but when the most scientific school of medicine in the world, which has been boiled and cooled.

let fever.

that of a son-in-law. He recovered others who had been exposed to it price would be a clear profit. caught the disease. Not another chairman of the democratic party, is the city as all immediately began to quite positive that the party issues take this preventive and cure. My tions for a while, and hear the comcases of wonderful cures that I have better ideas on the subject. heard from by letters from friends to Those people who bob up now and whom I have sent it, thanking us in most extravagant terms and extolling the merits of this medicine and its wonderful results.

I have had it published in Nev Orleans, Memphis, Tenn., and at other places without any pecuniary benefit to myself, but purely for the benefit of my fellow men. But no notice is taken of it by the medical profession or the government while the valuable lives in our army and navy are being sacrificed as well as citizens in far away climes.

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disappear in twelve hours. For road in the senete. It is really a their methods. The Stockman says: children the dose must be diminish- little surprising that the bill went "The stock business is just now ed according to age. If countries through the house with as little undergoing an evolutiod. The dewould compel their physicians to use difficulty as it did, for it seems a mand is for better bred cattle and this treatment there would be no very hard matter for West Texas to the man with a herd of the old style need of pesthouses. If you value get anything at the hands of a Tex- range cattle is simply not in the runas legislature specially designed for ning and knows it. The result is I consider it a matter of so much its benefit, even though it is in no that the range men are rapidly getimportance at this time, that I feel way detrimental to other sections of ting out of the business on the old On the other hand, I am confident debtedness was not so created, but a white flag and a general with two it to be my duty to add my experithat the people of this state, if they is in fact, fictitious. By the process officers and an interpreter advanced.

> ing for what they conceive to be the ing much to recover the lost ground." The prescription as printed came interest of owners of western lands into my hands through a California who reside in other portions of the In accordance with instructions to paper some forty years ago. It has state, we are at a loss understand. been carefully preserved, used suc- If this is the reason it is only a supcessfully by my family, friends and posed one, for the bill will lay a tax relatives and has cured a vast num- upon no one that it will not ultima- tra war revenue tax, and about the tely benefit more than the amount of next thing we hear will be that the cular attention to the specific duty ber of scarlet fever cases within our tax in return. Cleared of the dog administration has decided to make own family and others under our nuisance the lands will bring more observation. I never knew it to fail per acre when leased or sold, and as Austrian, Dutch, Italian and Por- in a single case to cure or to prevent the demand for western lands is the disease from developing in those and purchase, it would be but a words borrowing large sums of monshort time-a year or two-until I have heard of its curing many even the nonresident owners would self condemning. cases of smallpox. In my own fam- be recouped for their present outlay At 3 o'clock this afternoon the ily I have had but one case of it, in destroying the dogs, and the enhancement in the value of their lands would be permanent and and no member of his family or thenceforward the increase in lease

If some of the eastern land own-Senator J. K. Jones, national case was heard of in that quarter of ers and legislators were to come out here and engage in the land business, or even take careful observafor 1900 will be practically the same son-in-law contracted it by coming ments of home seekers and persons as in 1896. He affirms that silver in contact with the infection in some in quest of pasturage when offered has gained strength instead of losing street car. I could mention many or shown a prairie dog infested tract of land, they would soon acquire

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Dallas, Texas, October 14, 1888. -This is to certify that I have been considered incurable by two good physicians, both saying I had

> H. W. BROWN, St. George Ho

The Denver Stockman sizes up the cattle business correctly in the Representative Peery's prairie dog following, except that some of the courts of the country whenever the able, their sharpshooters keeping up Take a teaspoonful every hour. bill, which has passed the lower "old style" raisers DONT seem to Either smallpox or scarlet fever will house, seems to have found a rough know that they ain't "in it" with

plenty of hay capacity for winter Why the legislators from other feeding and pure bred bulls. The themselves. It is a certain and in- sections of the state should oppose breeders who have already made the fallible cure for smallpox and scar- this measure, unless they are work- charge are enthusiastic and are do-

> low, notwithstanding our double and another bond issue. A money system that has to be constantly propey at interest to keep it going-is



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it can't prevent the sun from setstopping your clock.

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' is surprising what an amount of ling some people can accomplish.

's difficult for men to check their uses, unless they have a bank bal-

member when you break the ence that the least said is the soont mentioned.

When the sword and the pen join es, as in General King's case, sucis inevitable.

.ke a cable car appear.

The Spanish cortes will hardly be so no further notice was taken of his ab-Juctant as was the United States ite in ratifying that \$20,000,000.

"h" not predicting the total failure of e fruit crop somebody has been overooking a prolonged series of opporaities.

The king of Italy is the only vegerian among European monarchs and ae only king now living who was ever wounded in battle,

That New York judge who says he believes in suicide furnishes another example of the powerful influence of the law of environment.

The stockholders of the Keeley motor seem anxious to vindicate the late Mr. Keeley, but then they are not making additional investments in stock.

The Chicago couple who were denied the pleasure of a honeymoon trip be- that." cause thieves stole their wedding clothes have a grievance that the courts cannot too thoroughly avenge.

There is said to be little sympathy for Eagan in Washington. As we understand it. Eagan has something so substantial that he can manage to wiggle along even if he is deprived of some sentiment.

The sultan of Oman granted a coaling station to the French and then changed his mind and revoked the there are his boots on the ground! grant. His later meditations on the That's odd anyhow!" subject have been assisted by three British war ships.

The monotonous regularity with one pair, which, as you see, which insanity is put forth as a defense in murder trials reminds one of only the other day that he wished the the fact that the alleged crazy persons drays would hurry up, as he wanted a never kill a chicken or other animal. new pair." They are just sane enough to select a human being.

The United States Fish commission with a company of scientists aboard that I know of." who are going to find out something about conditions there. They will in- or strange in any way?" vestigate the fresh water resources of the island with a view to planting eggs or young fish in the inland waters to serve as a food supply. Some of the party will investigate the statistical am." side of the fish business there; travelof the island almost live on codfish re-States. Some interesting information are black trackers there who will soon may be expected from the Albatross trace him." on the flora and fauna of the island and its agricultural productions and

Consul-General Gowdy, in his annual ered. report, states that during the past year Mr. Hall began to feel uneasy, wonthere has been a marked increase in dering what could have become of the the adoption of automobiles, not only man, and, when evening approached, as pleasure vehicles owned by private Jack Hall started off to inform the individuals, but in the way of cabs police at Mount Gipps, some forty miles serving the public for hire and for away. beginning of the next year there are as they pulled up at the store. to be 100 motor cabs driven by electrical power running in the streets of Bob Luke, isn't it, Tom?" Paris, and if the experiment is success- marked. ful the cabs will be increased to 1,000. the housing of cabs and machinery der where he can have got to?" for electrical supply is being rapidly to the training ground for cabmen. The him?" automobiles which use petroleum products are objected to by the public by much, as it was all I could do to see on the Barrier Ranges," suggested all reason of their odor, noise and vibra- the track."

A continuation of the strike of the molders at the works of the American Steel Company at Granite City, Ill., will probably stop the progress of the Trans-Siberian ratiway building in Russia. The czar must now bow to the walking delegate.

A little fellow down at Pana, Ill. was poisoned from chewing newspa-If people will take those "embalmed" anti-expansion newspapers great care should be taken to keep them out of the reach of the little

pines to England in return for the inter power's belp to putting down the Insurrection. This is cheek of the genbesite of it like applicant will be once so morning daile adirection appround bestuel.

Agreement the server other Paristiness will once sent and in the country of Liveneys, her for mail to the write. "no one would was called the dead-house, as it was dane they spend and shower it this en- fast in the least supprised. But the most chiefly for putting customers into terprise summinorly studies in inform man was solver enough and showed when they were dead drunk. Outside at the rate of 190 strokes per second, them of the experience binnin had it see taken of excentrative so day as I can disc house, faring the mail-track, was a and to propel the bee at the rate of 30

A FELON'S LOVE.

BY HENRY W. NESFIELD.

CHAPTER VIII. "What horse was that I heard gal-

loping about in the night?" inquired simple solution to the puzzle after all." Mr. Hall on the following morning. "Did any break out of the paddock?" "No, sir; it was Baynes," replied one of the hands. "He rode up in the night.

"Baynes? What did he come back

"He said they were all drunk and fighting down at Sullivan's, and he could find no place to sleep in, so he rode home."

"He must go back at once then; I can't have those pack-horses hanging about down there for days together." "He has gone, sir. He started off at

daylight." Hall.

When the men who slept in Bob A fortune awaits the inventor of a Luke's hut got up that morning, they "kel which dropped in the slot will noticed that he had already gone out. "I wonder what made Luke turn out so early?" one of them remarked; but

> sence until breakfast time. "What's become of Luke?" asked a stockman, as there was no sign of him when that meal was nearly finished. "You had better put that stew on the fire to keep hot for him. Maybe he is

out after some of the horses." Dinner-time came, but no Luke; and shortly afterwards Mr. Hall happened to want him.

"No one has seen him this morning. sir," was the answer he received. "We can't think what's become of him." "No one has seen him?" repeated Mr. Hall. "What do you mean? He slept on the station last night, I sup-

"He slept in my hut," replied the man, "and turned in as usual last at the back, and her pale face and night. I noticed that in particular, because he was the last in bed, and had to put out the light. When we awoke out, but we didn't take much notice of

"Had his bed been slept in?" "I suppose so, sir. I never looked. He went to bed, I am sure, as I lay awake for a good ten minutes after I turned in, and I never heard him go

"Come with me to the hus and show me his bunk," continued Mr. Hall, The bunk that Luke was in the habit of sleeping in had evidently been used.

but the blankets had not been turned "There is his hat," cried a man, "and

"Perhaps he put on another pair," suggested the squatter

"No, sir. Bob Luke had only this for doing so." well worn through. He was saying

"It certainly is very singular," mused Mr. Hall. "He hadn't been drinking. had he?"

"No, sir. He's never had a drop of has sent the Albatross to Porto Rico anything since he's been on the station

"Did he ever seem queer in his head "Never a bit, sir. Rather the other way on. There's nothing wrong with Bob. He's no more chanky than I

ers returning state that the inhabitants go out at once and have a look for him. If we do not find him by sunceived from Canada, and this trade will down, I will send over to Mount Gipps now naturally be turned to the United and inform the police-sergeant. There

Men were accordingly sent out in every direction, and the country was scoured for several miles around; but no sign of Bob Luke could be discov-

business purposes in the way of de- Towards nightfall the pack-horses livery wagons, especially those for long arrived with Tom Baynes from Sullidistances. It is announced that at the van's public-house. Mr. Hall met them

"This is a very strange affair about

"Yes, sir," replied Baynes, busying With this project in view a large plot himself is taking off some of the of ground has been acquired, where packs. "I heard of it down at Sullithe building of works necessary for van's-from one of the chaps. I wen-

"You came back to the station in the completed. We have already referred night. I suppose you saw nothing of

"No, sir; but I didn't look about me "You galloped fast enough up past

the huts. I heard you from the house, and thought it was a horse broken loose from the paddock."

"Yes, sir; the old mare started off with me when she got near home, and I couldn't hold her in." "And you saw nothing of Luke?" his

master again asked. "No. sir-nothing!" "What made you come back from

Sullivan's?" Mr. Hall had already been told the reason, and Baynes' reply was simply a confirmation of what he had heard. The men at the public-house were all more or less drunk and fighting, and he could find no place to sleep in. The States to transfer one of the Philip old mare was handy, as he had left her in the stock-part with a good feed.

find the way lanck to the station, and nine British sursery. But I Equitable secure early as the deep the next every equation's side for thirty miles Mr. Right become more and more per-Discord mismil Latine's thinoppeninters.

and he thought he would be able to

"If the that meet firming hearing," but or twelve sleeping bunks, This York World.

perienced. Perhaps he will turn up in the morning, and we shall find a very The morning came and went, and day after day passed by, but no Rob-

ert Luke appeared. The mounted police, with the black trackers, scoured the country for over thirty miles around, and left hardly a big cheque." a rock or a patch of scrub unsearched. Every building on the station had been examined, and there only remained Tom Baynes' hut to visit.

should be searched. 'There's been a lot of talk, I know, sir," he said, "about my wife's shutting herself up so. Poor thing, she can't help that-I wish she could get aboutso I should like the sergeant to satisfy "That's all right, then," said Mr. himself that Luke isn't in hiding there!

Baynes was the first to suggest that it

"Nobody would be foolish enough to suppose he was, Baynes," replied Mr. Hall, smiling at the young man's anxiety; "but we had better, as you say, look everywhere while we are about

Mr. Hall had really a secret desire to behold this hidden treasure in the way of a wife, who was so persistently sheltered from the vulgar gaze. Accordingly he made one of the party to examine the hut.

When the troopers knocked at the door, it was standing a little way open. "Come in." said a low voice.

Half-sitting, half-reclining upon the bed which occupied one corner of the one room the hut possessed, dressed in the ordinary printed calico gown of a working-woman, a shawl over her feet, and some needlework on which she was engaged upon her lap, was Mrs. Baynes. Her jet-black hair was neatly smoothed in front and braided nervous manner denoted the invalid. She wore colored spectacles.

"Very sorry to intrude, Mrs. Baynes this morning, he was already up and I am sure," said Mr. Hall, "but we are compelled to search everywhere for this lost man. Your husband has no doubt told you about it?"

"Yes, yes," replied Mrs. Baynes. "It seems very strange that he should have gone on like that!"

"What a nice woman," thought Mr. Hall, "and a good-looking one, too! It's a thousand pities that she should be broken down. No wonder Baynes is careful of her." Then he said aloud. "If we were only certain that he had gone off somewhere, it would be satisfactory, but we can find no traces of him anywhere. Besides, a man does not run off in the middle of the night without his boots, leaving two or three months' wages behind him, unless he has a very important reason

There was very little for the sergeant to inspect in the hut-a deal table, two rough benches, the bed upon which Mrs. Baynes reclined, and which had no hangings or drapery upon it that could conceal anything, and one or two small boxes containing clothes. These articles made up the entire furniture of the apartment. The walls, which were of roughly-hewn slabs nailed to the frame of the hut, were carefully papered over with old Sydney Morning Heralds, while the two small window-

frames were covered with calico, A hut which is built for the dual pur pose of cooking and sleeping in generally has a large fireplace which entirely occupies one end of it. Such a one had this, and upon the hearth there blazed a log-fire, beneath a kettle which hung from an iron bar.

Altogether the visit to the but did not occupy above five minutes. The sergeant declared himself satis-

fled, and Mrs. Baynes, rising from the bed, begged Mr. Hall to stay and accept of some tea. "The kettle is already on the boil,

sir," she said. "Pray do not disturb yourself, Mrs. Baynes," the squatter answered, as she stood up. "We are too sorry for hav-

ing had to come at all!" When the search-party had withdrawn, the sergeant remarked to Mr.

"That's the woman, I suppose, I've

"I dare say," replied Mr. Hall. "People say all sorts of things. She's the was well illustrated by the remark of cook's wife, and is a hopeless invalid, but she is very good at her needle. and my wife is uncommonly glad to

have her here. Poor thing, she looks very white and ill!" The disappearance of Bob Luke re-

mained a complete enigma. The colonial papers, under the heading of "The Mysterious Disappearance sorts of solutions to the riddle, and penny-a-liners found in it a large

scope for their imaginations. All the remarkable disappearances that had ever been recorded were brought to light again, and, as a last loophole out of the difficulty, it was suggested that the man had for some urgent reason determined to lose his identity, and so had gone off, leaving his boots behind him in order to throw

people off the scent. Like most other mysteries, this soon became a thing of the past. The subject at last grew monotonous, and in a very few months people had ceased to think any more about it. What, after all, was a bushman more or less of whom no one knew anything and for whom nobody cared?

CHAPTER IX.

Eullivan's public-house, the thorn in proposit, was a small wooden shanty sectioning of four or five rooms. At the tack was a building containing died out it densir any time I ever as | we mideb, if a continuation of the miles an nour.

shingled roof supported by rough posts FARM AND! GARDEN.

dignified by the name, Beneath the shade of this rough MATTERS OF INTEREST TO verandah, one hot afternoon, lay two or three drunken wretches overcome by the fumes of the lightning rum. Inside the bar were five or six bushmen busily engaged in throwing dice for drinks. "Odd man out" was the game and at the rate of one shilling per nobbler the amusement could hardly be considered a cheap one, especially when the after-effects of the "lightning" upon the consumer were taken

into consideration. Very few station hands on their way planning for the establishment of a down to town ever succeeded in getting past Sullivan's; some had attempted education. At a recent meeting of the it a score of times and failed. Even agricultural council, an advisory body before the unhappy pigeon had arrived of which the minister of agriculture the news was brought that "Long is chairman, an outline presented by Jim" was "going down to Sydney with the minister was considered at length

over two years now on the station ably inferior soils of western Europe. since he had his last burst," the bloat- Almost everywhere in Russia the ed-looking ruffian of a landlord would primitive processes of farming are remark. "I dare say he's got over a duction to this document states that hundred pounds!" And when Long notwithstanding the fundamental im-Jim hove in sight he was sure to be portance of agriculture to Russia and hailed by half a score of loafers and the great fertility of some of the Ruspressed to stop the night.

the next stage. His horse was fresh. and he was anxious to get on. Well, he would stop and have a plate of soup persistently followed by the farmers, and a bite? No-he had got some "tucker" with him.

"At any rate you'll have a drink?" some one would cry. No, he was "on the tectotal tack."

"Well, you ain't a-goin' off like that loafers would suggest.

probed in his weakest part. "Of universities; (2) agricultural high course 191 shout! There's nothing schools, which are in the nature of mean about me, anyhow. What are technical schools and schools with you all going to have? Drinks all courses in agriculture; (3) lower aground, and one for yourself, Sullivan." ricultural schools; and (4) the diffu-Jim, just to show that there's no ill tion. The schools for the so-called will, you know," the landlord would lower education include (a) secondary suggest.

"Oh, not for me, Sullivan! I know classes, and (d) practical agricultural your game of old. Well, just to show there ain't no animosity, give me a small drop of what you've got. Here's better luck!"

(To be Continued.)

RUSSIA AND PAX VOBISCUM. In Its Policy of Spoliation There Has part of their support from the govern-Been No Sign of Peace.

The bishops and the salvationists and all the sentimentalists are still busy with their hosannas, of course, but there is not a man in England who has to deal practically with affairs who believes that the scheme is honest. Why, he asks, was the moment chosen by Russia to declare in favor of peace? Has not her policy for years past, in the far east especially, made directly for war? She has been aggressive, unscrupulous, untruthful 'n her dealings with China, with Japan and with England; she scared Japan out of the Liaotung peninsula, and claimed it for herself; she bluffed Eng- ticulture, gardening, etc., together with claims it for her sphere of influence, application to agricultural machinery. in all this policy of spoliation there was no sign of peace, nothing that are open to all who can read and write suggested the temper of conciliation. and have a knowledge of arithmetic at our foreign office the czar's gov- from one to three years. They include ernment would have received an ulti- aside from general studies, instrucmatum months ago, and even Lord tion in the elements of agriculture, Salisbury could not have withstood the with practical exercises. The classes indignation of the country many weeks in agriculture are intended for the inlonger. At an early date there must struction of young men of the peasant have been war between this country class. The course does not last longer and Russia, with the alternative that than two years, and consists in the Russia should give up her pretensions study of the rudimentary principles in northern China and her sinister of agriculture and their application to policy at Pekin. The issue was clear, but Count Mouravieff evades it by coming forward smilingly with this evangel from his august master. "Let us forget all the past," he seems to say, 'all the lies I have told you, all the tricks I have played upon you. Think no more of the fortifications at Batoum or Port Arthur, trouble no more about the huge navy Russia is building. "We have worried each other a great deal lately. Let us have peace-now that I have got the spoil." It is all very pretty and very pleasing, but this form of repentance at the eleventh hour is cially to the conditions of the peasnot likely to deceive any man of sense ants. The diffusion of general agriin England. From the patriotic Eng- cultural information is to be provided lish point of view this rescript is a for by (1) the organization of public fraud.-Saturday Review.

CHOATE'S CAREER AS LAWYER Choate's career as a lawyer that his gardening, apiculture, etc., and prodistinguished nephew omitted to dwell viding the public schools with small upon in his oration, doubtless for reaheard so much talk about-the one sons of propriety. This was his inpeople said was mad and shut up sidious power over a jury, which was riculture in the normal schools, and something that the jurors themselves never quite understood. This power a hard-headed old farmer who was one of a jury that gave five verdicts in succession for Choate's clients once upon a time. "I understand, sir, that you are a relative of Lawyer Choate,' said this juror subsequently to one of Choate's nephews, "and I want to tell you that I was not swayed or influenced in the least by his flights of fancy, but I consider him a very lucky lawyer, for there was not one of those cases that came before us where he wasn't on the right side."

Clearly it was advisable to go to war. 'But how about revenue?" ventured the courtly Sir Godfrey. "Revenue?" repeated the queen, lightly. "I have but to stamp my foot and abundant revenue will be forthcoming!" It will be observed that in those days there. was no stamping of bank checks, vaccination certificates or chewing gum, to say nothing of cigarettes and keg pilsener.

Hard on Jones.
They met in a cafe. "Ever take anything?" queried Smith. "Oh, yes, occasionally," replied Jones with the happy air usually worn by a man who accepts an invitation. "Well." sued Smith, as he tossed off a cocktail while Jones looked on, "you ought to quit it. It's a bad habit, and will be the death of you. So long."-New

AGRICULTURISTS.

SomeUp-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof-Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Agricultural Education in Russia

A report sent out by the United States department of agriculture says: The government of Russia is quite extensive system of agricultural and a general plan of agricultural ed-"Let me see-Jim must have been ucation was elaborated. The introsian soils, "the crops obtained even No-he had determined to push on to on the chernozem (black soil) are only one-third to one-half as large as those harvested from the incomparwhile the number of persons who are fitted by education and training to disseminate information on the rational methods of agriculture is comparatively insignificant." The scheme outlined for (1 higher education, furaished by independent agricultural inwithout shoutin', Jim!" one of the stitutes located in the chief agricultural zones of Russia, and by chairs of "Shout?" the pigeon would cry, thus agricultural and allied sciences in the "You must have a small drain, too, sion of general agricultural informaagricultural schools, (b) primary agricultural schools, (c) agricultural

courses. These lower schools are to be under the jurisdiction of the minister of agriculture and imperial domains. They are to be maintained at the expense of municipalities, local communities, associations, etc., but may receive a ment. They are to have the franking privilege for official mail matter and packages not exceeding 36 pounds in weight. The secondary schools are to be established on government land or land donated for that purpose. The other lower agricultural schools may be established on private estates. The secondary schools are open to young men of all conditions who have completed the course in the primary public schools. The course of instruction covers four years, and includes in addition to the general studies the elements of the natural sciences, agricultural and rural economy, cattle raising, veterinary, agricultural law, horland out of Manchuria, and she now carpentry and blacksmithing in their

The primary agricultural schools the local conditions. The successful completion of the course in these three grades of the lower agricultural schools carries with it certain reductions in the military requirement, dependent upon the grade.

The practical agricultural courses are designed to impart popular information in particular branches of agriculture. The instruction does not continue for more than a year, and consists in demonstrations, talks, and practical exercises in different branches of agriculture in their application to local conditions, and espereadings or lectures on agricultural questions for the benefit of different classes of the population; (2) instruction of the teachers in the public schools in agriculture, horticulture, plats of land and means for cultivating the same; (3) the teaching of ag-(4) the introduction of supplementary courses in agriculture in the village schools. There are now in Russia three schools for higher agricultural instruction, nine agricultural high schools, 83 lower schools, and 59 special courses. Steps have already been taken for the establishment of about 50 additional agricultural schools.

Blackberry Crops

No blackberry can be brought to perfection withou abundant moisture, says R. M. Kellogg in Western Fruit Grower. This can be secured by keeping the ground full of humus or vegetable matter and then begin cultivation early in the spring and keep it up after every rain. Careful experiments have proven that a loose earth mulch of three inches is best for conservation of moisture. The roots are prone to come near the surface to get the influence of the sun and oxygen of the air, and so if we adopt three inches as the proper depth, great care should be exercised to go no deeper, lest we tear the roots of the plant and deprive them of their feeders and cause them to send up many suckers, which become a nuisance.

The cultivation should continue regplarly, at least once a week. When the ground is filled with water in the winter and spring we must not let it get away. Cultivation does not add any water to the soil, but it prevents the supply from getting away. water draws to the surface by capillary attraction and film movement, and cultivation, or making the loos earth mulch, destroys these capillary passages and checks the film movement so water cannot rise and must remain below until it is breathed away by the plants.

Now, when the berry pickers tramp

down hard and thus the water rapidly flows to the surface, where it is promptly picked up by the sun and wind and carried off. At this season of the year a drouth usually prevails and the berries dry up, shrinking the number of quarts many times, to say nothing of loss of flavor of fruit, re-

ducing its consumption and price All this will be prevented largely by having the horse and cultivator ready immediately after the pickers every time the fruit is gathered. Ther the last picking will be as large and luscious as the first.

"Winter killing" are not the wards to use! We should say "summer kill- as millons of people say. ing," for while the actual killing is done in winter, the cause is effected in summer and is the result of bad cultivation. While we are conserving moisture, as explained, to prevent the berries from drying up, we are preparing them for winter. Everything we can possibly do to force a vigorous growth in the early part of the season should be done and anything which can prevent growth after the first of August should also be done.

How Many Sheep Per Acre. In this country there are perhaps few if any farms devoted entirely to sheep, and it is a question open to diversity of opinion as to how many sheep a farm will carry or produce per acre. Those who have not had experience will differ widely on this point. Some have an idea (although I think an erroneous one) that sheep above all other animals are particularly hard on pasture. It is true they will do well on pasture too short for cattle to thrive on, and if run together they would be hard on cattle. On the contrary pasture grazed close by sheep is something like cropping a hedge; it will thicken up in the bottom and rather improve than otherwise; and while sheep will do better than other stock on short pasture, in growthy seasons they can be fed on long pasture with less waste than if horses or cattle were fed on it. Their small feet do less damage in tramping, and anything left can be made into good clean hay. The number of sheep that could be kept or produced would depend on the kind or friend I was advised to use Pe-ru-na breed. No doubt some kinds consume very much more food than others. A sheep farm need not necessarily be an expensive one; a rather heavy soil is the best. Farms rather far from market, and especially from towns or vilages where a lot of worthless dogs are kept, would be well suited for sheep farms. Now to estimate the probable number of sheep that could be raised per acre, I think that about two to the acre would be a fair estimate, which should make an average of from \$5 to \$6 per head. If Merinos more could be raised, and if some of the larger,

coarser kinds perhaps less. There are some who will hardly believe that two sheep can be raised annually on an acre of land, but with the experience I have had with sheep I believe it is quite within the range of possibility; and the farm will improve from year to year. To do this may on a farm of one hundred acres there should be about seventy acres in grass, ten of which might be in rye. This would afford two weeks of early helped me in many respects. I was pasture, allowing the other pastures to troubled with colds, coughs, sore get a good start before turning on throat, etc., but as soon as I had taken pasture, allowing the other pastures to them. The advantage of this is too your medicine I began to improve and This rye would still produce two cuttings of feed even in the divest season. Now with seventy acres in grass there would be thirty acres for grain, roots, and green crops. Suppose we take twenty of this for grain, oats, peas, and a mixture of the two. This would furnish all the grain required, and if cut a little on the green side the straw would make good winter feed. The bal- has effected these cures. ance (ten acres) would be for roots and green feed. The green crop should be composed of several varieties. Corn twice, and if fed principally through the month of August, when frequently the weather is hot and dry, it would save the pasture and bring the sheep through in the best of shape.-C. C.

The Apple Orchard. At a recent institute the subject chosen for discussion was The Apple, says

I am able to draw the following: corn is suitable for the trees. In the number," was the answer. visable to choose strong, healthy trees member. You'll have to measure about two years old; but this rule in regard to age is not a set one. Upon planting the trees wrap them up well in order to protect them from the sun, worms and rabbits. Some of the speakers said they cut back the top, while others did not; some paid no attention to the roots, while others did. It was advised to keep the orchard planted in corn for three or four years, and after this to keep a row or two on the outside to serve as a sort of wind-

break and for feeders. The general opinion was to cultivate around the body of the tree when the soil first gets soft in the spring, and plough the rest later, the whole to be harrowed immediately after the ploughing. Some thought constant use of cultivators would do just as well; but as dust is nature's mulch, it appears that plan of cultivating would hardly do as well as the other. Spraying two or three times a year is, of course, a necessity, if it is intended that the orchard should be successful; and the examination of trees during both June and September for borers was also recommended. A knife or s piece of wire is the best thing to use for these pests. The only stock that should ever be allowed in the orchard is chickens or hogs. Both of these would be beneficial. Much pruning was discouraged, as it was elaimed that it made more work and no fruit. It was advised to trim out the cross-

Cows Need Water.-Cows need much water. They should be watered twice or three times each day if they can be induced to drink. The average cow, while in milk, requires about eighty pounds-nearly ten gallons-of water a day, and nearly sixty pounds when dry. Of this she will get three gallons in her feed, and the remainder must be given to her. More than onethird the weight of feed consumed by

"Only the First Step is Difficult."

The first step in Spring should be to cleanse Nature's house from Winter's accumulations. Hood's Sarsaparilla does this work easily. It is America's Greatest Spring Medicine. It purifies the blood.

It makes the weak strong, as nervous men and women gladly testify. It cures all blood diseases, as thousands of cured voluntarily write. It is just the medicine for you, as you will gladly say after you have given it a fair trial.

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Governor St., Annapolis, Md.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills, the non-irritating and the only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

GOVERNOR M'CORD.

Recommends Perru-na to All Catarris

Victims. Hon, Myron H. McCord, ex-governor of New Mexico, in a letter to Dr. Hartman, from Washington, D. C., says: Gentlemen-At the suggestion of a for catarrh, and after using one bottle



ommending your great remedy to who are afflicted with catarrh .- M. H.

Thousands of cases of chronic catarrh have been cured by Pe-ru-na during the past winter. In spite of changeable weather, in spite of the natural set-backs from catching cold, and confinement to illy-ventilated rooms, the great catarrh remedy-Pe-ru-naspring is here. The days are longer, the sun is warmer, and the blizzard is gone for another year. This presents a much more favorable opportunity for might form a part. A mixture of oats the permanent cure of chronic catarrh, and peas is very good, but perhaps the especially old, stubborn cases. Now best is rape. These will bear cutting is the time to begin treatment. Other things being equal, one month's treat-ment in the spring is worth two months' treatment during the inclement weather of winter. Insist upon having Pe-ru-na. There are no successful substitutes for this remedy. Send to Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O.,

for a free catarrh book,

His First Shoes. A pathetic incident of the cold New York Witness, and from the weather, says the Atlanta Constitution, points made by the different speakers is the case of a barefoot little fellow who walked into a shoe store, planked It is advisable to plough the whole down a dollar and said: "I want a field before planting the trees, and any pair o' shoes fer that!" "What numland which will grow a good crop of ber?" asked the clerk, "I dunno what matter of selecting the trees it is ad- never wored no shoes since I can re-

Some unwritten laws are better ob-



There's Only One ard of n Athletic Goods-Spaiding." Accept no sustitute.

SMUGGLING ON THE FRONTIERS OF FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

Men and Dogs Oppose Each Other, for Officers and Outlaws Alike of the youngsters. But the employ-Employ the Faithful Animals.

[ROUBAIX, FRANCE, LETTER.]

is not in Belgium instead of France. Strange names are read on shop signs. Strange food is eaten in the restaurants, and foreign manners mark the

The factory workingman character of the population exaggerates this im-Roubaix and Tourcoing form the center of an industrial district which has quadrupled the number of its inhabitants in the last twenty-five years. Far beyond their boundaries populous factory suburbs spread out to join the suburbs of the Belgian towns across the border. Moseron is a Belgian town, and Halliun is French; but walking on the streets of either you may cross the boundary without knowing-were it not for the douanier, the soldier of the French custom house.

To speak of "a custom house is a derision; the whole frontier is an armed picket line of untiring soldiery -Belgian free trade against French protection. The resources of a great centralized government are against the connivances of whole city, country and village populations. On the other frontiers of Germany and Italy the smuggling trade is next to impossible because of the military strain and national hatreds; but here on the pacific borders of a friendly land the merry smuggler works by night and plays by day.

It is a constant temptation for the young factory workman of Tourcoing to throw up his ill-paid work and go into the pay of the smugglers. Wine, song and female loveliness are used as baits to tempt him. As to patriofism, he scarcely knows if he is Belgian or French. In every one of these border towns there are establishments where he knows he will be received with favor, get credit and meet the approving eye of beauty for his bold resolve. There is nothing to stop his walking across the frontier one fine day and joining the band.

This is organized, business principles and systematic smuggling, with capital behind it.

The men who actually run the gauntlet with the goods are only the paid tools of mysterious backers, after all. They have adventure and a life of debauch, but the profits go to more respectable citizens. All they know is that they are to meet at such and such a place in Belgium, be loaded, safely cross the line by night and be received where money, joy and flattery wait them.

The money is soon spent with these

same companions in these same establishments. Then they must begin again. Their case is scarcely different which humbler individual smugglers promoted to this special service, where locating the ambushed guardians o mploy. The dog is walked back and a duty which often forces them to sleep the frontier in time for warning and forth from France to Belgium until out twenty nights hand running is rehe knows the particular route with warded by a pittance of fifty cents a his eyes shut. He has a master at day, with food and clothing. They each end of the journey. Only his themselves are under constant sur-Belgian master whips and underfeeds veillance, and their wives may no him, while his French master caresses and pampers him. So when the Belgian master loads him with a pack he watches cunningly. Soon the stupid the - spy. On the German fromman will ingivertently leave the . is this corps which would be house door open and the smart dog charged, immediately on the opening weapons, they can make but little

It is hard to realize that one here | will slip out stealthily, and so run | of hostilities, with the defense of through the night to France, where savory messes, warmth and love await

> The bands of the organized smugglers move by night. Each man is loaded with a great pack of contraband goods on his back. The pack is heavy, yet fleetness of foot is essential to make the run, however short it may be. So here comes on the scene a different kind of dog. He is a smuggler dog, an evil-doer, an enemy of the law; but honor must be done to his strength, his courage, his devotion and his sagacity. He is always a powerful beast, because he must' pull his master along, and so accelerate the speed. This is half his duty; but his other business is to sniff the air and warn his master of the neighborhood of the police dogs.

> These police dogs are of yet another moral nature. Where all the smuggler-dog's sympathies are against the law and its minions, the police dogs are the guardians of the frontier, the defenders of the fiscal statutes. Between the two tribes there is undying enmity and infinite disdain. To the third or fourth generation the descendants of smuggler-dogs fall to become good police dogs, such is the force of heredity.

It is the duty of each set of dogs to smell out the other in the night and darkness there loom four shadows, give timely warning. The customs marching Indian file, or in the form guardians may be bivouacking any- of a triangle. They are the smugglers, where beneath the stars. They form a and it is only a question now of line along the whole frontier. They whether their smuggler dogs will be backers of the scheme,

bridges and tunnels, with the blowing up of the same in case of need, with the surveillance of telegraph lines and railroads and the maintenance of communications. And in time of peace, when not engaged in hunting smugglers, their small leisure is eaten into by the making of endless reports.

communications and plans. In 1870 it was customs soldier like this, a certain Jean Mouty, who fired the first shot against the enemy at Schreckling, near Thionville, the morning after the declaration of war, and he was the first Frenchman to fall under Prussian fire.

The customs guardian passes his days and nights in ambush, on expeditions in the fields and woods. Accompanied by two companions and their dogs they will bivouac under the stars night after night.

Night falls and the men sleep. But one of the dogs is always on the alert. Attention! The subtle senses of the beast perceive an odor or a distant murmur. The intelligent animal growls, he pushes his nose against his master's cheek to wake him. The sentinels awake; their eyes question the dark country round; they press their ears to the ground, all their over-excited faculties are aimed at one object, like those of a savage. Out of the

HOUSE ON THE LINE IN HALLIUN THAT CA USED TROUBLE

Sometimes the smugglers turn out

to be a band of fifteen or tweaty boys

of 10 to 13 years old. At the first

warning from their dogs they break

ranks and scatter in all directions.

The guardians of the frontier do not

dare loose their own dogs on them,

because of the public opinion, and so,

bampered with their animals and

progress against the superior fleetness ment of children for this night-smuggling is held dangerous, because they are tempted so easily to betray the cause. With men-smugglers there is dways question of fighting if the pursuit grows hot. The guardians may let their dogs loose on them-they half in France and half in Belgium. will shoot them. On their side the | The frontier was determined in 1815 guardians are forbidden to use fire- by a "conventional line" drawn on the

contraband in many of their lines, £nd it seems only just, from one point of view. Why should a box of matches be two cents on one street and only half a cent on another? If the shops did not sell smuggled articles, every citizen would smuggle the family supply on his own account simply by walking around the corner.

In one respect the town of Halliun is unique. It has houses which are arms, except to defend their lives. The | map of Europe with the pen and ink



HOT RACE ACROSS THE LINE.

unequal, and so the guardians of the frontier must be picked men.

The struggle is always unequal, and the law is always suffering defeat. The "running" of the frontier is no figurative expression. Such smuggling afoot and by night is in favor, because it presents the most chances of success. In case of detection, escape may often be accomplished at the price of abandoning the merchandise. And in case of capture there is less material evidence to incriminate the moneyed

of fighting through with a strong

force and team of merchandise. The

team approaches the custom house on

a lonely local road. It is fully day-

time, and there is nothing suspicious

looking. It slackens its pace as if

about to stop. The guardians come

amination. But just at the critical mo-

ment two or three of them receive a

dose of pepper in the eyes the team

stax's off at a breakneck pace, and

the remaining guardians find the n-

Here in Roubaix contraband cigars.

tobacco, matches and playing cards

are sold almost openly in the streets

and saloons. Many of the saloon-

keepers are great politicians, mayors,

prefects and even deputies from time

to time. And the saloon business is

the natural fosterer and guardian of

smuggling. It is almost as cheap for

a traveling Parisian to stop off at a

frontier city like this and supply him-

self with Havana cigars, as to buy

them up in free trade Belgium, and

run the risk of smuggling them across

himself. All the commercial travelers

and buyers who rendezvous in Rou-

balx feel the temptation to take away

with them at least cigars and laces in

In factory towns nearer still to the

frontier, like Halliun, two other kinds

of smuggling, one wholesale, the other

retail, are in daily, hourly practice,

Night and morning Frenchmen cross

the frontier to and from their work

in Belgian factories, and Belgians pass

in the same way between their homes

and the French factories. Men, women

and children take work where they

find it, and in Halliun half the town

is in Belgium, half in France. It is

impossible to search thoroughly those

bands of workingmen and women,

boys and girls, hurrying to their fac-

tories in the morning and home to

their suppers at night. It is notorious

that not half the grocery stores of this

good quantity.

selves covered with revolvers.

hand-to-hand struggle is, therefore, | of the conquerors of Napoleon. As a matter of fact this line was found, necessarily, to traverse hamlets, towns and even particular properties. Thus certain fields remained half French. half Belgian without ceasing to belong to the same proprietor. It happened that only a few actual buildings were thus cut through by the imaginary line, and as 1815 is a long while ago, nearly all that existed at that time have passed away, not to be rebuilt; but it is easy to see how convenient such a house would be for smuggling.

The French law is of such a formal character that it actually favors the illicit traffic that prevailed for twenty years in the house at Halliun. Its occupants for that space of time were smugglers on a large scale and almost openly defied the excise authorities. They could enter whatever goods they pleased through the doors of their Belgian domicile and impudently move them out the door of their French domicile. The treaty with Belgium guarantees to these peculiarly situated frontier town. "liberty of circulation in the same ward," and it is under this clause that it is so impossible to fix wrongdoing on the petty smugglers of the factories who pass night and morning.

In the case of the house at Halliun there could be no preliminary inquiry as to the destination, bulk and number of packages. The French authorities dare not cross the Belgian frontier to identify goods going in the Belgian back door. Once inside the house the packages could be broken up and changed; and by their mere passage through the French front door they became French merchandise, or, from that of the bamboozled dogs are honest, ill-paid French soldiers, | equal to the far more difficult task of . A more bare-faced and dangerous at least, free to circulate in the ward or commune. They were thus systematically circulated, identification was impossible and every one made fortunes. The illicit business was a courageous but unlawful seizure of persons, property and documents on the part of the customs director of out in a readiness to make their ex- Lille,

The proceedings smacked of the old Spanish Inquisition, but the bold effort was successful and evidence was obtained which sent the ringleaders to prison. Had he been unfortunate enough to fail or make a slip, the daring customs director would have been politically and officially ruined. The good people of the frontier do not dislike the smugglers.

STERLING HEILIG.

First-Rate Plant at Havana-

Commodore B. J. Cromwell has been sent to take command of the naval station at Havana. The plant there is first-rate in most respects, though lacking a dry dock. Not long before the opening of the recent conflict the Spaniards established at that port s floating dock at a cost of \$1,000,000. It never worked satisfactorily, but much might have been done with it by American engineers, and it is a great pity that it should have passed out of our hands by the terms of the peace agreement. The territory occupied by this station covers 40 acres, on which are machine shops, repair shops, barracks, storehouses, magazines for the storage of gunpowder and projectiles, and officers' quarters, etc. There is also a hospital and a marine railway for bringing small vessels upon the land and repairing and cleaning them. No plans seem to have been formed as to the retention of a naval station in Cuba by the United States when the island is turned over to the Cu-

A Station in the Samoan Islands

A contract has just been given out for establishing a coaling plant at Pango-Pango, in the Samoan islands. It will consist most importantly of a steel pier and a steel coal shed. The pier will be of the most modern pattern, with screw piles planted in the coral rock. The pier will be 256 feet long and 48 feet wide, and will have an approach 208 feet in length. The shed will be 150 feet long and 100 feet wide, and will contain 5,000 tons of coal. There will be a small power apparatus for bringing the coal into the shed by means of cars, which will be run by a cable into the top of the in the evening with a number of boon structure and will dump their contents upon the coal piles beneath. Labor is so extremely cheap in Samoa that it is not deemed worth while to go to the expense of putting in a complete plant for handling the coal entirely by machinery.

Wedding Among Smoldering Rules. A determined bridal party at Strood, near Rochester, England, on reaching the charch found that the building was on fire. It waited around until the fire was put out and made the pastor par-

SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR JUNIOR READERS.

What One Boy Accomplished-The Story of What Happened on Clifford Ray's Birthday Wine Drinking Will Never Make a Man of Anybody.

Love at a Distance.

Upon my bedroom mantel shelf.
With many knickknacks lader Two figures stand, at either end-A china man and maiden.

So lovingly they sadly glance As if to say, "Come nearer." While each replies, "Alas, I can't! But, love, you're all the dearer

She holds a crook in one plump hand, Her hair is bright and gr len. Her dress is flowered and strbelowed In dainty fashion olden.

He wears a three-cocked beaver hat And coat of satin yellow, With dark brown eyes and powdered

He is a handsome fellow. A gun is slung across his back, But you need never fear it. A heart has long been his sole aim-

Ah! if he were but near it! And still they smile and sadly glance,

As if to say, "Come nearer,"
While each replies, "Alas, I can't,"
"But love, you're all the dearer."

What One Boy Did.

By Anne Guilbert Mahon.

They were just sitting down to the table, twelve boys, their faces bright, their eyes sparkling with the anticipation of the dinner that was before them. It was Clifford Ray's birthday and his mother had said he might invite eleven of his friends to a dinner

Clifford was an only child and an only grandchild and, strange as it may seem, he was blessed with three grandmothers. The way he came to have more than his share of grandmothers was that his mother had married again, so there was her mother, his father's mother and his step-father's mother; stranger yet, they lived together, to all appearances in peace and concord, and vied with each other in

petting and spoiling Master Clifford. The boys lost no time in starting on the good things, and they ate as only healthy, growing boys can eat. They did not talk much at first, they were too busy for that; but they enjoyed themselves thoroughly, which made Mrs Ray and the three kind old grandmothers who waited on them, beam with pleasure.

After they had got fairly started, Mrs. Ray unlocked the door of a little cupboard, built in the wall, and said smilingly, "Now, boys! I am going to give you your choice of some very fine wine. I have all kinds here, and you can take your choice, in honor of Clifford's birthday."

"Oh, that's fine, mother!" exclaimed Clifford. "Come, boys, what kind will you have?" No one answered, so Mrs. Ray turned to the boy at the head of the table, George Warner, the biggest of the

twelve, and the most popular; George usually took the lead in everything. As Mrs. Ray turned to him, he answered politely, but without the slight- the French mesmerist, has such power est hesitation, "I won't take any, thank you, Mrs. Ray."

The boys looked at him in surprise. and Clifford's mother said, "What! broken up only a few years ago by Not any wine? Oh, you are not so particular! Of course it wouldn't do for boys to make a practice of drinking it; but this is something extra, and a glass won't hurt you; it will make a man of you."

George was tempted to reply that he knew just what kind of a man it would make of him, he had seen men like that; but he did not like to say anything rude to Mrs. Ray, so he answered politely but as firmly as before, "No. thank you. I really can't take it. Please don't urge me!" "Come, now! You won't refuse a

lady. I'm sure!" All eyes were turned on George, He colored slightly as Mrs. Ray poured out a glass of the sparkling beverage and set it before him; but his resolve was not shaken and he repeated, "I'm sorry to have to refuse you anything. but indeed. I can't take it."

Mrs. Ray was evidently annoved. "Well, I won't press you, if it's against your principles to drink it," she said, and turned to the next boy with, "Well, you'll take it, Harry Clark?"

George's refusal had given Harry courage to act. He knew his mother would not want him to take the wine; but he would not have been strong enough to refuse if it had not been for his friend's example, so he said. "I don't believe I'll take any, either, Mrs.

Frank Miller, who sat next to Harry said the same, and so it went all around the table until it came to Clif-

"You'd better shut up the cupboard, mother, I don't believe any of the fellows want it." Then they went on eating their din-

ner and were soon as merry as if the

interruption had not occurred. The inident was seemingly forgotten. But there was one who did not forget it. In the next room there was a listener of whom none of the boys were aware. Mrs. Ray's brother had long been a source of trouble to his

family. It was the old story of bad company and then all sorts of dissi-pation. He had tried one business after another, to make a failure of all. At last he had gone away, and his family hoped that the separation from his old companions might reform him; but he came back an utter wreck and

Howard Morse had come in while the boys were at dinner. He was sober then; but he intended going out later companions, and "making a night of it" as usual. The door between the dining-room and the library, where he had thrown himself down on the divan, was open, and he heard his sister's offer of the wine and George's re-

It reminded him of the time when he took his first glass of wine and then he thought of the events which folowed. Like all drunkards, at times, he would have given anything he pos-sessed to break the awful bendage, and he now wished heartly that when he had been offered his first glass he had.

remarkable town sell anything but FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. fuse. Then the thought came to him. "Am I going to be outdone by a boy twelve years old? What he can do, I can; it isn't too late yet. If God will only forgive me and help me, I'll never touch another drop."

A few minutes later the boys and Mrs. Ray and the three grandmothers were greatly surprised to see Howard Morse walk into the dining room and greet them cordially. Since he had started on the downward path he had kept taciturnly to himself when he was at home, and avoided meeting any of the people who visited there. This was a new Howard, surely!

After dinner, instead of hurrying out of the house, he joined the boys in the library. He was so entertaining, instituting new games, and telling thrilling stories, that no one could believe the clock right when its hands pointed to the hour for leaving.

Reluctantly the boys went home. after bidding "Uncle Howard" a hearty. good-night. As George was going Howard oaught

his arm and drew him aside. "I want to tell you, George, that you

have saved me tonight." George's eyes opened wide in astonshment. "Saved you? I?"

"Yes; it was your example in refusing the wine, that set me to thinking, and I resolved never to touch another drop of liquor or have it in the house. I would like to join your temperance society. I want to help save

others who have been as low as I was." George was very happy that night. and when he prayed to his Heavenly Father he did not forget to thank Him for the privilege which had been given o him, to save a soul by his example. Howard Morse kept his word. He not only joined the temperance society.

but later on the church, and was well known throughout the community as an earnest worker. Some years afterward he started out as a temperance lecturer and was the means of leading many from the

"broad way that leadeth to destruction." And in all his lectures he never failed to give credit to the boy who had stood firm for his principles, and by his example, pointed him to the way. in which he was now walking.

Birds on Her Hat. That quick wit is not confined to cities was proved the other day by a young woman who was rambling along one of our roads.

She was dressed smartly, and when she met a small, bare-legged urchin carrying a bird's nest with eggs in it, she did not hesitate to stop him.

"You are a wicked boy," she said. "How could you rob that nest? No doubt the poor mother is now grieving for the loss of her eggs."

'Oh, she don't care," said the boy, edging away: "she's on your hat!"-Cape Ann (Mass.) Advertiser,

Mesmerized by a Ball.

One of the most interesting and novel effects in the new drama at the Princess, says the London Evening News, is the demonstration of mechanically produced hypnotism by means of the revolving crystal globe that gives its name to the piece. This globe, which is the latest invention of that the actors and actresses on the stage have to exercise great care to keep their eyes away from it. There is no risk to the audience, as the globe is focused "up stage,"

Two Brave Girls.

William Bridon, a proment farmer of Canal township, Franklin, Pa., was attacked by a vicious bull and fatally injured. Two brave daughters of the wounded man, hearing his cries for help, got axes and went to the assistance of their father. They went at the enraged animal in true butcher style. Blow after blow was sent home on the body and after a hard battle they finally dispatched it. The wounded man. it is believed, cannot recover.

Fish as Brain Food. "One of the most ludicrous of the old-time hygienic superstitions," said a New Orleans doctor, "is the idea that fish are brain food. It is the most widely spread of all the popular fallacies, and must have originated in the circumstance that fish became phosphorescent in certain stages of decay. The inference, probably, was that they contained a great deal of phosphorus. and, as that element enters into the chemical composition of brain matter, it is not unnatural to conclude that fish were good brain builders. The truth is that the system gets its necessary phosphorus from different sources altogether, and a man might eat all the whales between here and Labrador without adding a single grain to the weight of his brain. Still, I know of an old gentleman in this city who has eaten fish regularly four times a week for over half a century, believing firmly that he was greatly increasing his mental capacity by the diet. Lots of parents urge their children to eat fish for the same reason. If the old theory was current the natives of the South Sea Islands would be the smartest folks on earth, instead of the stup-

Where Are the Missing Coins? There are, it is claimed, 109,900,000 old style copper pennies somewhere. Nobody knows what has be them, except that once in a while a single specimen turns up in change. A few years ago 4,500,000 bronze 2-cent pieces were set affoat. Three millions of them are still outstanding, but are never seen. A million of 3-cent silver pleces are scattered over the United States, but it is very rarely that one omes across any of them. Of the 800,000 1/2-cent pieces not one has be returned to the government for coinage or is held by the treasury.



keep shops. In time of war the

gabelous is not only the first to re-

ceive fire, but he is even forced into

How India's Hain God Is Worked. Artificial means of obtaining rain are not unknown to the modern scientific world. A curious custom prevails ong the lowest classes of Southern india for obtaining main in times of drouth. A signatic figure of a woman is stretched to its full length on its back, on an open, very low, fourwhoeled carriage, and the carriage is dragged round the streets, the Indian land Mail. easantry accompanying it with the eafening noise of their tom-toms. drums and bugles. The custom is exained by the popular notion that the gure on the cart represents the wife of Varuna—the god of rain—and that he sees his favorite wife dragged ruthlessly slong the streets he sends lown torrents of rain to wreak his

Fanny French Colony.

A French newspaper has lately written up the colony of Yamson. Yamson a on the Godavery, some distance to be north of Pondicherry. There ac-

| officials, including a governor, a chaplain, a tax collector, a judge, a commissaire de police, an officer of health, and a director of education, are ongaged in looking after the place. It is stated that the few French colonists who were included in the 5,000 inhabitants of Yanson in 1885 have migrated to British territory to escape from the tracasseries des fonctionnaires.-Over-

Tidal Waves and Air. Pressure. The so-called earthquake or tidal waves that are frequently noticed along the coast near Sydney, N. S. W. are found by H. C. Russell to be mostly traceable to low atmospheric pressure. Their period, about twenty-six minutes from crest to crest, is that of earthquake waves. Mr. Russell has proved, however, that only 1 per cent are produced by earth disturbances. while 60 per cent are due to low pres sure areas, which causes the sea level to rise, with currents along the south and east coasts that meet in Bass using waves that affect strait, producing waves that anoct the Sydney and Newcastle tide gauges.

Star Gazers in a Balloon Mr. Janssen, the French astronomer is arranging for balloon ascents from three stations, one in Europe, another in America and a third in Siberia, to observe the November shooting stars this year. The balloons are to measure 50,000 to 60,000 cubic feet and carry three men, one aeronaut and two observers, with electric lamps, chronometers and star maps. They are to go up 10,000 feet. Free balloons are also to be sent up to test the high atmos-

How to Be Happy. Thoughtful persons of much experience know that the way to be happy is to give up all attempt to be so. In other words, the cream of enjoyment in this life is always impromptu; the chance walk, the unexpected visit, the inpremeditated journey, the unsought conversation or acquaintance. The been written or spoken "to order." They came unbidden, in easy-flowing

came without thought of "what people would say." They stepped out because the time had come when they couldn't stay in. In a word, they were natural, as little children are, and, consequently, delicious and fresh. Happiness comes. It would not be challenged. It glides only when you have closed the door and turned your back upon it and forgot it. It lays a soft hand on your face when you thought to be alone, and brings a joyful flush of surprise to your cheek, and a soft light to your weary eye, and ineffable peace to your soul.

given up to the dead, the worship whom is the first principle in Chinese

When a married man turns out had

Private Grave Yards in China-

There are no large cemeteries in China, Every family has its own graveyard, as spacious as possible and thus a large part of the best land is

mother says his wife didn't untand him, and his wife says his

AWFUL EXPLOSION IN FRANCE.

The Country Laid Bare for a Radius of at Least Two Miles and a Number of Casualties Result.

Terriffe Explosion,

Toulon, March, 6 .- The naval powder magazine of La Goubran, between La Seyne and Toulon, in the department be dredged. of Var, southern France, exploded at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning. All of the sentries on duty at the maga- \$50. zine were killed and a number of inhabitants of the surrounding district, at Owensboro, Ky., burned. Loss \$25,the buildings in which were razed. Forty corpses have already been recovered. The cause of the explosion is not

Fifty thouand kilogrammes of black powder exploded. It looks as though a volcanic eruption had occurred, the country being swept almost bare within a radius of two miles, houses destroyed, trees overturned and distorted, fields devastated and covered with stones and brick dust.

Some of the stones are enormous. One weighing fifty Kilogrammes fell in the suburb of Lone de Las. Signs of the explosion are evident in all the suburbs of Toulon and in the city ieself. Even at St. Jean de Var, five miles inland, houses were shatteded and doors batter in. Later reports show that of the seven soldiers four were killed outright and the others severely injured the corporal being literally scalped.

A large number of soldiers are now employed in clearing away the debris, but the work is very difficult.

It is impossible to ascertain accurately the number killed, but it is believed that no fewer than a hundred were injured.

Although it was a clear night, the explosion was so terrific as to produce rible manner, gagged them and took

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Fortunately the neighboring people escaped. It is now believed the explosion originated in chemical decomposi- in Kemper county, Mississippi, in tion in smokeless powder. There is no which Dr. W. H. Lipscomb was given suggestion of foul play.

Cyclone in Tennessee.

cyclone passed over a portion of Madi- supreme court of Mississippi. sonville and Monroe county Saturday night with disastrous results. Early in the evening a strong wind arose Baltimore, Md., March 6.-The leadand at 7:30 a cyclone about sixty or ing manufacuring industries of the seventy yards wide struck a portion of week as reported by the Manufactur-

manner in which Jack Moser met his 000 clothing factory in Kentucky; death. He was hurled by the wind's \$50,000 lamp factory. 300-ton sugar al control of China, and it added if the force from his house, a distance of 700 factory and \$50,000 tobacco company policy of "spheres of influence" is yards, until his progress was impeded in Louisiana; \$300,000 brewery, \$5000 severed his head from the body. The plant for cotton mill, \$25,000 chemiremains were found in that condition cal works and \$40,000 addition to

Not Confirmed.

Washington, March 6 .- Among the most important nominations that fail-

Senators Morgan, Cullum, Repre-Walter F. Frear to be Hawaiian commissioners: the naval advancements in with the Schley and Sampson nomfor the western district of North Carolina; Frank Simmons to be Marshal for the southern district of Alabama; C. D. Keyes of Wichita Falls, Tex., to be Indian agent for the Apache agencey, Ariz.; Samuel J. Burrows of Massachusettes to be librarian of con-

All the army brevet nominations sent to the senate were not confirmed. These included men nominated for gallant action in the Spanish war. John Weber, naval officer customs

New Orleans, La.

Fing Raised.

Manila, March 6.-Admiral Dewey raised his flag as an admiral on board the Olympia Saturday morning and was saluted by the guns of the forts, of the foreign warships, the British cruiser Narcissus and the German American ships in port.

Four Killed.

Decatur, Ala., March 6 .- A terrible storm of wind, hail and lightning \$85,060; Aransus Pass, \$60,000, Buffalo struck this place, doing great damage and causing the loss of four lives.

The huge tower of the long distance telephone company, 140 feet high, which carries the wires spanning the Tennessee river, was snapped like a cabled their thanks for the honors conreed. Several manufacturing plants ferred on them—the former to the rank buildings and machinery.

Manila, March 6-At Daylight Saturday morning Gen. Wheaton's outposts discovered a large body of rebels attempting to cross the river for the purpose of reinforcing the enemy at Guadalupe and a gunboat advanced under a heavy fire nd poured shot into the nington and the latter shelled the jungle on both sides of the river and place. shelled the enemy's position at Guadalupe, effectually, but temporarily, scattering the rebels. The enemy's loss Schley two numbers ahead of Samp-

SOUTHERN NEWS.

The Yazoo canal in Mississippi is to

Burglars dynamited Lamberg Bros.' safe at Fort Smith, Ark., and secured

The John D. Elliott tobacco factory

John P. Fone, residing near Wesson, Miss., was killed by an unknown as-

In a dispute over business matters Mayor Converse of Zachariah, La., was expected that he will submit a Conkilled by J. W. Thompson, a contrac-

Rev. Dr. John B. Gregory, a prominent Methodist divine, died at Tuscaloosa, Ala. He leaves a widow and nine tive ministry. children.

Sections of North Carolina were visited by a terrible hailstorm and cyclone and much damage done. Near Greensboro two men were killed.

Huntsville, Ala., is to have a cotton mill that will be the largest single industrial plant of the kind in the south. It is to be operated by the Merriman corporation of Lowell, Mass.

Rev. J. C. Rexroad, a minister of Lewis county, West Virginia, and his neighbors. Clark Simmons and James Bennett had a pistol fight, in which the minister was mortally wounded. The trouble was about a fence.

Three masked men entered the residence of Fritz and Henry Pape, near Wheeling, W. Va., beat them in a horabout \$5000. They stole horses from the Papes' stable and escaped.

The famous Lipscomb poisoning case life imprisonment on the charge of poisoning C. T. Stewart for the alleged purpose of receiving insurance on the Athens, Tenn., March 6.-A terrible latter's life, has been affirmed by the

Medisonville, killing three persons, ers' Record were: A 250-barrel flour wounding ten or twelve others and mill and 120-ton oil mill to cost \$100,completely destroying twelve or fif- 000 in Alabama; \$25,000 machinery openly say the new development is teen houses and several barns. The company in Arkansas: \$10,000 mills the beginning of a policy of partition killed are: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moser, company and \$10,000 cigar factory in upon the part of the powers. Florida: \$100.000 quarry company, The most frightful feature of the 25,000 spindle, 750 loom mill in Georterrible Madisonville tornado was the gia; \$5000 roofing company and \$50,by a wire fence, which completely bolt and iron works. \$10,000 dyeing by the rescuing party, which did faith- foundry and machine shop in Mary- prefer the province of Chih-li. ful work after the storm had subsided. land; \$25,000 electric plant company, \$250,000 electric plant and \$20,000 box factory in Mississippi; \$25,00 saw 000 spindle, 300 loom mill, 8000 cise history of the navy yard and ar- similar announcements. spindle, \$50 loom addition and \$100,lumber company in North Carolina; was started in 1799, just 100 years ago, sentative Hitt, Sanford B. Dole and 50-bale round bale ginnery, \$20,000 by the Spanish admiral, M. De Alava, company in West Virginia.

Washington, March 6 .- The house of representatives of the fifty-fith congress passed 1635 bills and resolutions against 1200 by the fifty-fourth, 951 by the fifty-third and 892 by the fiftysecond congresses respectively. The work of the house for three sessions appears as a new valuable feature of the house of the calendar. This covers recapitulation of the whole work and an appendix of over fifty pages, giving the status of every bill presented to the house during the last two years. Under the title "Army" forty-two discruiser Kaiserin Augusta and by the at a glance full information on all that has been done on any subject.

The river and harbor bill just passed gives Sabine Pass \$150,000; Texas City, \$250,000; mouth of the Brazos, bayou for a twelve-foot channel to the guif, \$300,000.

Admiral Dewey and Gen. Otis have

A snowslide on Granite mounutain. Colorado, killed Mrs. Alta Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swazee, and one of their children, besides causing a property

Rebels in the village of San Jose near Manila. fred on the gunboat Ben-

Madrid Matters.

Madrid, March 4.-Admiral Montejo, pending trial for their conduct at Manprosecution of Gen, Linares, who was the time of the capitulation to Gen.

Shafter. The queen regent as the result of her consultations with the statesmen, generals and political leaders informed Senor Segasta that she desired to retain the present chamber and she invited him to reconstruct the cab-

Senor Sagasta replied that it would be impossible for him to remain premier without a dissolution.

Thereupon the queen regent referred the same request to Senor Montero Rios, preident of the senate, who declined for the same reason.

Finally Senor Silvela, the Conservaservative ministry to her majesty for her approval.

The newspapers predict that popular demonstrations will greet a Conserva-

In the Silvela cabinet cabinet it is believed that Marquis Pidal, former vice president of the chamber of deputies, will hold the portfolio of foreign affairs. Lieut. Gen. Polavieja, who has held the posts of governor general of Jenkins of Wisconsin. Cuba and of the Philippines, the porthold that office

y Castillo, ambassador to France, have tendered their resignations. The prefects and secretaries of state have also resigned.

Italy and China.

Pekin, March 4-The demand of the Italian government upon the government of China for the lease of San Mun bay as a coaling station and naval base, on the same conditions as those under which Germany holds Kioa Chou bay, including a demand upon the part of Italy for a concession of three islands off the coast for the Italian demand. Diplomats ward Lee McFadden \$40.50.

ment has now arrived for internationreally inaugerated, the United States is expected to have a say in the matter, and is further said that there are indications that America will likely

Concise History.

Washington, March 4 .- Through the senal at Cavite. It appears that this improvements to cotton mill in South the materials being provided from San Tennessee: \$20,000 ginnery company, Eurile in 1834, when a large frigate,

> United States Ambassador to Mexico Clayton has gone to New York. He returning to Mexico.

Washington, March 4.-To show the depth of the sympathy felt by the has arrived here. United States government with the The 61st Indiana regiment had a fif-United States warship to convey the remains of Lord Herschell to England. turned in the ambulance. The particular vessel has not yet been The two yellow fever suspects in the selected, but it will be one of the camp of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee are convanorth Atlantic squadron if the British lescent and sufferers from typhoid feembassy cares to accept the offer.

Santiago de Cuba, March 4.-Between good limiting the expenditure during under that contract. are suspended on account of damage to of admiral, the latter as a brevet major the month of March for the entire province to \$10,000.

Washington, March 4 .- The senate in executive session ratified the treaty with Great Britian in regard to the laws of descent, which was earlier in the day acted upon by the committe on foreign relations.

Picton, Capt. Payne, which sailed from worth was taken the second time Newport News on Jan. 20, for Sligo. and has not since been heard of, have abandoned all hope for her.

Cranford's Pathetic Death.

Washington, March 4 .- Representawho was in command of the Spanish tive John W. Cranford, who has been squadron destroyed by Admiral Dewey a constant sufferer for many weeks, in the battle of Manila bay, and the died Thursday night. Thursday after- here, at the Providence hotel at mid- ness. Three score or more of minor Riverside, this state. commander of the Cavite arsenal, was noon he had a sinking spell and sent night last night of heart disease and bills were passed, the calendar being incarcerated in the military prison for his four children, expecting to bid other complications. them a last farewell, but he ralied ila. The government also ordered the after a time and the physicians Grove Hill, Clark county, Alabama, thought that the end might be deferin supreme command at Santiago at red for many days. Later in the evening, however, he grew worse and when was left without father or mother or Judge Burke told him good night at 9 the means of support or education. By o'clock it was evident that the end was industry, perseverence, self-denial and not far off. Cranford realized this, and intimated to the judge that he could not survive the night. He sent for his oldest son and talked wit hhim sericusly about the approaching end and tutor. He removed to Texas about requested him as a dying wish to be a twenty-two years ago, locating at Sulprotector to his little brothers and sisters. It was a pathetic meeting and made a lasting impression on the boy. Not long after the end came and brought relief from the intense suffering his majority he was admitted to ing which marked the closing weeks of Cranford's life. Yesterday morning when the house met Judge Burke, who had been the dead man's most constant tive leader, accepted the task and it is friend throughout the last illness, was recognized by the speaker and announced the death of his colleague and offered the customary resolutions, which were immediately adopted. The speaker appointed the following committee to attend the funeral: Messrs. Burke, Lanham, Henry and DeGraffenried of Texas, McRae of Arkansas, Brewer of Alabama, Moon of Tennessee, Smith of Kentucky, McCreery of Minnesota, Mahany of New York and

Mr. Chilton announced the death of folio of war, and Senor Date, the pres- Mr. Cranford in the senate and offered senate as chairman of judiciary coment minister of the interior, will again the usual resolutions, which were California, Chandler of New Hampshire and Mason of Illinois.

The remains will arrive at Sulphur Springs Tuesday morning.

The court of claims has rendered judgment in favor of Texas letter carriers for overtime work as follows: Houston, Clarence O. Skinner, \$6.75; San Antonio, David E. Hughes \$23.45, Leon T. Mareschal \$99; Dallas, James H. Bishop \$30.86, John B. Leamon province of Che Kiang, with the right \$28.27; Galveston, Charles L. Heine to construct a railroad from San Mun \$98.03, William T. Snipes \$74.87; Ausbay to Po Yang lake and preferential tin, Benjamin E. Ericson \$48.49, Alono mining and railroad rights within the Gerard \$11.98, John W. Marison \$33.59; sphere of influence covering the south- El Paso, Sheldon E. Bovee \$226.58. ern two-thirds of Kiang province has Robt. L. Greenwood \$18.98, Julius caused great excitement here, not only Schultz \$11.34; Fort Worth, John R. among Chinese, but among diplomats. Jackson \$41.82; Gainesville, John A. The Chinese are firmly convinced that Atchison \$17.75. Tyler, Henry C. But-Great Britian is chiefly responsible ler \$35.41, Frank B. McCool \$40.72, Ed-

Wages to be Raised.

Boston, Mass., March 4 - Advi in the course of conversation are New England make it apparent that the action of the Fall River cotton factories, taken this week to restore the schedule of wages paid in the cotton mills in 1897 has become general. Following the action of the Fall River Mills in New Bedford, Rhode Island towns and other manufacturing centers of southern New England, the seven corporations of Lowell, the Amoskeag. Stark and Amory mills of Manchester, and mills at other places courtesy of a Spaniard at Manila the April 3. The Chicopee mills, Farnamsmill, 7000 spindle, 300 loom mill, 12,- navy department has secured a con- ville company and others have made

Bills Signed.

Washington, March 4.-The presi-Carolina; \$10,000 steam laundry, cot- Blas, Cal. The arsenal developed dent has signed bills authorizing the ton factory, 150-ton fron furnace in greatly during the command of Gen, construction of public buildings at Anniston, Ala., Columbus, Ga., New inations; H. D. Ewart of North Caro- \$50,000 lumber company, 75,000-bushel the St. Esperanza, was launched liberia, La., and enlarging public buildgrain elevator and 60-ton oil mill in there. A great part of the buildings ings at Macon, Ga., for taking the Texas: \$50,000 furniture factory, glass were destroyed by earthquakes in twentieth census, the Buffalo exposiworks, \$40,000 knitting mills and 1828 and 1865. The arsenal and navy tion bill, to reimburse governors of \$9000 rail mill in Virginia; \$90,000 yard cover 71.61 square miles, and it states and territories for expenses inmining company and \$50,000 mining is reported the yard can be made one curred in the Spanish war, providing of the best naval stations in the far a new building for the department of justice in Washington, making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the relief of the will visit his Arkansas home before International Cotton Press company, New Orleans.

Havana, March 4.-Abner McKinley

British government and the family in teen-mile practice march. The men the loss of the late Lord Herschell our enjoyed it. Fourteen of the soldiers, government has proffered the use of a suffering from over-fatigue, were re-

Will Hold Her to Terms.

2000 and 3000 men have been suddenly ic announces that the British minister thrown out of work in the province of to China, Sir Claude MacDonald, acting Santiago, over 700 in the immediate upon Lord Salisbury's instructions, has neighborhood of this city. Although notified the Chinese foreign office that Gov. Gen. Brooks has wired \$30,000 re. Great Britain will hold China to the quired for the February pay roll, there railway loan, and will also support her is still a deficit of nearly \$20,000, and in resisting any aggression intended to the orders from Hayana still hold force her to repudiate her obligations

The Fort Smith and Western Railway company has been organized.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sims, residents of Denison for twenty-four years celebrated their fifty-second marriage anniversary on the 2d. They wedded in Cumberland county, Virginia, in

For the second time within a month tonio has been robbed. Nearly \$3000

Death of Cranford.

Washington, March 3 .- Representative John W. Cranford of the fourth congressional district of Texas died senate was engaged in routine busi-

John Walter Cranford was born near about in 1859. He was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. At the age of 13 years he indomitable pluck he bought books, studied them and prepared himself for the best high schools of Alabama, finishing his education under a private phur Springs, where he studied law under Judges J. K. Milam and Sam J. Hunter, associate justice of the court of civil apepals. Upon attain-

the bar, and soon thereafter became the junior member of the law firm of North Greenland, fishing in Florida Hunter, Putnam & Cranford, and in a waters, snow shoeing in western wilds, short time forged his way to the front as one of the ablest lawyers in Texas. on terriers and spaniels, wolf hunting, diers have recovered. The senior members of the firm having bicycling and yatching afford a pleaslater gone on the bench, he became the ing variety. senior member of the firm, and was three other members who accepted actively engaged in the practice of commissions in the army had thereby the law up to the time of his death, vacated their seats, but the house by when not engaged in his public duties an overwhelming vote refused to conas a member of the legislature or of sider them. The political division congress. He was elected to the state upon this vote was significant. The senate of Texas in 1888 for a term of vote stood 77 yeas, cast by 21 Repubfour years, and was re-elected in 1892. licans, 43 Democrats and 13 Populists, although he did not offer as a candidate for re-election. He served in the mittee No. 1 and was elected president adopted. The senators appointed to pro tempore of the twenty-second sen-Count de Rascon, Spanish ambassa- attend the funeral are Messrs. Mills ate, being the youngest member ever dor to Great Britain, and Senor Leon and Chilton of Texas, Morgan of Ala- elected to that position. In 1896 he bama, Berry of Arkansas, Cockrell of became a candidate for the Democratic Missouri, Foraker of Ohio, Perkins of nomination for congress from the fourth congressional district, carrying nine out of the eleven countles composing that district over Hon. James G. Dudley, the chairman of the state Democratic executive committee. He was elected to the fifty-fifth congress as a Democrat, after one of the hottest joint canvasses ever known in the state, receiving 21,187 votes, against J. H. (Cyclone) Davis, Populist, who received 12,703 votes, and M. W. Johnson, gold standard Democrat, who received 3756 votes. In the present congress Mr. Cranford was a member of the committee on private land claims. He was not re-elected in 1898, the Democratic candidate in the fourth district being J. L. Sheppard, who went

> in by a heavy majority. Mr. Cranford was well liked by his illness frequent inquiries were made eral weeks before its occurrence.

> dates, resulting in a deadlock, which consenting to serve for another term. As stated above, Mr. Crapford became candidate for the nomination to succeed Mr. Culberson two years later and

The American Monthly Review of son, Miss., and Hot Springs, Ark.; al-Reviews for March has a sketch of the so an appropriation of \$20,000,000 to late President Faure of France illus- carry out the peace treaty of Spain. trated with portraits and other interesting pictures.

In Iloilo there is not a hotel or pub-

Quiet at Blueffelds.

Washington, March 3 .- Mr. Clancy, United States consular agent at Bluefields, has informed the department of state that "to prevent unnecessary bloodshed revolutionists under command of Reyes surrendered to Nicaragua tien. Reuling yesterday afternoon on advice of Capts. Symonds and Burr. The lives of Gen. Reyes and followers are guaranteed. Foreigners who participated must leave Nicaragua. Forces

landed by Symonds and Burr Thursday

Tupelo, Miss., March 3 .- The Mobile and Ohio train bearing the second battalion of the second Missouri volunteers, homeward bound from Albany, Ga., where they were mustered out of the service, was wrecked two miles south of this place yesterday morning.

Four cars in which the soldiers were seated jumped the track and were hurled down a twenty-foot embankment. The third car from the engine was a total wreck, and from it the escapes were miraculous.

night. Quiet prevails."

Little Rock, Aak., March 3 .- The Kansas City, Hot Springs and New Orleans railroad, with a capital stock of \$1,350,000, file1 papers with the secretary of state. It is proposed to construct a railroad from Hot Springs to Mansfield. The incorporator are J. C. Donogue, P. J. Ledwidge, M. H. Jodd, John D. Ware and C. H. Weaver.

brother of Ensign Worth Bagley, who was killed in the battle off Cardenas It is probable that the Marietta will thirty-three powerful warships comearly in the Cuban campaign, will be convey Reyes to a place of safety in manded by Admiral Seymour. appointed in a day or two a cadet in the naval academy at Annapolis.

The steamer Labrador is reported lost. All the passengers, among whom was Agoncillo, were saved. The Labrador went on Skerrymore rock, off the coast of Nova Scotia.

Albert Burke, arrested at Chicago, charged with murdering his first wife, Bills Rushed.

Washington, March 3 .- During al most the entire session yesterday the cleared entirely of private pension bills and of measures correcting military and naval records. Two measures of national importance were passed, the fortification appropriation bill and the bill providing a code of criminal

laws for the district of Alaska. The former was passed precisely as it came from the house without amendment and goes to the president. The conference reports on the census to and these measures also go to the

In the house yesterday an attempt was made to consider the resolutions reported by the judiciary committee declaring that Gen. Wheeler and the Outing for March is a seasonable and fine illustrations. Walrus hunting in mo City.

and 146 nays, cast by 101 Republi-

cans. 44 Democrats and 1 Populist. A half million dollars was appropriated for the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo and the Ohio centennial at Toledo. The senate bill carrying \$1,000,000 for a new building for the department of justice was passed, and a number of conference reports on minor bills were adopted.

Fired On.

Manila, March 3 .- The outposts bevond San Pedro. Macati were fired upon by the rebels from the walls of the Guadaloupe church. A gunboat advanced 300 yards beyond are lines and cleared away the enemy with Gatling guns. No casualties are re-

Gen. Miller has been ordered to quarter his troops in Ilollo in the customhouse or other public buildings, and authorized to make the necessary changes at a cost not to -xceed \$40,000, the same to be met from public revenues collected at Iloilo.

Washington, March 3 .- It is said at colleagues in the house, and during his the state department that the death of and none are in contemplation. It Lord Herschell, who was a member of will be at least two months, before the as to his condition, while the press as- the arbitration commission on the repairs to the Iowa can be completed. sociations sent out frequent reports. Venezuelan boundary, will not undo His death had been expected for sev- what has been done toward a settlement of that important question. The retary of war directing the choosing In 1894, when Hon, D. B. Culberson general practice, in case of death of congress. Mr. Cranford's friends placed point a successor in exact accordance and who are able to undergo competihim in the field for the nomination with the terms under which the orig-He had 23 out of 53 votes, the others inal appointment was made, and the meet on or before March 20. being divided between several candi- British government will doubtless

appoint his successor at an early date.

Washington, March 3.-The president has approved bills as follows: For the investigation of leprosy in at Beaumont and Abiline, Texas, Jack-

Bank of Clarendon at Clarendon, Tex. was killed in an accident on the Rock tice and the opinion and pressure of Island road. He was quite wealthy

Washington, March 3 .-- The troop transport Sherman, carring the entire talion of the seventeenth infantry, has arrived at Perim en route to Manilla with reinforcements. Perim is on the Egyptian side of the Red sea, just above the southern outlet and is a Brittish naval station. The Sherman will make her next stop, in all probability, at Colombo, Ceylon, and should reach Manilla about March 15. She Jim Davis, Elmus Jones and Joe Robis out-footing the Grant, which preceeded her by two weeks.

South McAlester, I. T. March 3 .-It is believed that the backbone of the strike is broken. The Krebs miners, by a vote of 400 to 64, decided not to strike and will resume labor at once. The Cherryvale, Lehigh, and Coalgate mines were shut down, but it is thought they will resume in a day or so. All mines on the Choctaw railway are working and new men arriving tosh. daily and unless the unforeseen happens all the mines will be running full blast within the next few days.

Washington, March 3 .- The course pursued by the commander of the gun- | that place. boat Marietta at Bluefields in giving an asylum to Gen. Reyes, the leader of the defunct rebellion, is fully approved here. It said that Capt. Symonds probably saved much bloodshed and rioting and incidently the destruction of American property by regulations will be maintained David Ragley of Raleigh, N. C., a offering this refuge and thus terminating the active resistance of the rebels. some other country unless he can in order is the United States, wi make terms with the government of Nicaragua.

> The filibustering expedition from Kansas City, bound for Nicaragua, was stopped at New Orleans by United States officials. Most of they returned

MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES

Private Warren Lee, 18 years old, died at Camp Mosby. He lived at

It is vigorously denied at the war and navy departments that Dewey

fired on a German vessel. It is thought that the work of mustering out the fourh Texas will be

finished by the 12th inst. Lieut, S. A. McKnight of the ninth Illinois volunteer infantry was killed in a railroad accident in Cuba.

Lieut. Dwight D. Ryther has been made a first lieutenant and transferred and naval personnel bills were agreed from the sixth to the twelfth infantry. Private John Allison of the thirtyfourth Michigan died at San Antonio and was buried in the national ceme-

Capt. W. B. Wheeler, formerly stationed at San Antonio, was wounded satisfying number, which carries many at Manila. His family are at the Ala-

There were over thirty cases of measles at Camp Mosby, near San Anshooting in South America, articles up; tonio, but the majority of the sick sol-

> A grand brigade drill in which infantry, cavalry and artillery participated was held at Fort Sam Houston last week. It was witnessed by hundreds of San Antonio citizens.

> Upon recommendation of the commanding officers the second division of the second ship's crew of the naval malitia of Illinois at Moline, has been mustered out of the naval service of

> Private John O. Brazelton of battery G, first artillery, William Tugle and Corporal Henry C. King of th same command, stationed at Fort Point, Galveston island, have been

> Gen. Gomez says he is firmly convinced from consultation with American military officers and others that the United States will loyally keep its promises and that Cuba will become free and independent. Col. Ainsworth of the quartermas-

> ters' department is engaged in ascertaining the number of Confederate dead and where they are interred. Gen. Wright, who had charge of Confederate statistics, is assisting him. The hospital ship Relief, en route from New York to Manila, carries 150

picked men from the hospital corps and ten doctors, in addition to the regular equipment of doctors and men. She is also well supplied with drugs. The navy department has given no orders to the navy deapriment to proceed from San Francisco to Manila,

An order has been issued by the secof a board for the examination of en-

tive examinations. This board is to Hoping to secure an American guarantee of Cuban bonds for many millions and under conditions which will mean something less than an actual protectorate over the island, Gen. Gomez will visit Washington and confer with President McKinley before

the last of April. Private statements in weil-informed quarters of London divide the blame for the suspension of the Anglo-American commissioners' negotiations with the United States equally between the exigincies of Canadian domestic poli-

The Spanish senate, by a vote of 130 to 7, approved of the motion of Marshal Martinez de Campos, signed by all the Spanish generals in the senate, demanding a parlimentary inquiry in-

to the conduct of the recent war, Eight McKinney boys who were members of the third Texas regiment arrived from Fort Clark, having been mustered out of the service. They are Sam Davis, Jack Crockett, Wm. Watson, T. L. Bailiff, Marion Cummins

The crew of the cruiser Raleigh have been the recipient of much attention at the various ports where they have stopped on their way home. The Raleigh, it will be remembered, took a prominent part in the Manila.

bay battle. Hospital Steward Richard Noaks, who has been on duty at Fort Sam Houston for some months, has been ordered to Fort Bliss to take station there, relieving Steward Daniel Millen, who has been ordered to Fort McIn-

been made by Col. Byrd of the quartermaster's deapriment there remain at Manila 2000 of the 5600 Spanish troops that were turned over to Gen Otis as the result of the surrender of

Lieut, Col. Woodhull, deputy surgeon general, who is en route to Manila, is one of the most efficient medical officers in the army. He has given special attention to sanitary matter and with his assistance strict health

In point of naval strength in Asiatic waters Great Britain ranks first with will consist of twenty-three fig ships when the Oregon she

and Gen. Gomes, each to

reached Manila Gen. Maximo Gomes,

Austin. Tex., March 6.-Ex-Gov. Hogg has issued an address to the on the convening of the senate yes- the senate the first business was the people of Texas against railroad con- terday morning James offered a reso- special order. Davidson's bill permitsolidation. In brief he says it bodes lution of respect to the memory of the people no good and endangers Congressman John W. Cranford, who brought in any county in which cartheir interests .The governor assigns died at Washington Thursday night, riers on whose line the freight or bage following twelve reasons why the vement should be checked:

1. It will violate the constitution. which forbids the consolidation competing lines of railway.

2. It will violate the old-established any branch line at an angle of less than twenty-five degress with the general direction of the main line.

3. It will force those short lines with light debts to pay the heavy, excessive debts of the absorbing trunk lines, and thereby enforce the maintenance of high traffic rates.

4. It will take from the several communities the headquarters, machine shops and offices of these small lines, and concentrate them at other points upon the main line, or out of the state.

5. It will forever prevent the extension of these short lines into trunk lines through the sections of this state which need and should and otherwise would get them.

6. It will prevent competition for as at other points.

7. It will mimimize, strike down of Texas instead of building her up to triotism and elicited applause. the great empire to which she is de-

9. It will drive from our state the small factories now beginning to grow and prevent others from coming in. 10. It will foster monopolies and

trusts, and destroy individual effort 11. It will build up a central corporate power which will become too strong in commerce and politics to be controlled by the state.

12. It may fasten upon the people the present fictitious indebtedness of the railways, which amounts to more than \$200,000,000 that is as dishonest, as unjust as any forged order for making which any felon was ever sent to the penitentiary.

Austine Tex., March 6 .- In a mes-Gov. Sayers recommends no exemption the operation of the text book law.

This sum has increased to \$1,339,342.20. ual work. Several opportuniuties for its safe in vestment have already been lost, and I trust that the legislature will at interest accruing upon the permanent are maintained."

Invited to Tozna.

Austin, Tex., March 6.-In the house up his motion to reconsider the vote the city and the bill was finally pass- route to Manila. ed." yer was the ..

Rochelle called up his bill, No. 530. putting Bowle county under the protection of the penal statute in relation to theft of cattle. Wilbarger county was added and the bill was passed.

Kitttrell offered a concurrent resolution thanking Indiana for its purpose of returning a captured Terry rangers' flag and inviting the governor and leg- the city hall was buildt over the cis- street, just as the southbound passenislature of Indiana to visit Austin for tern. The city council has ordered ger train was nearing the same point. the ceremonies in the state capitol. steps taken to pump out the water and In the wagon with Mr. Allen were his It was adopted.

Queer Well,

L. Hillhouse of Whitney is astonished at the queer antics of a well in his yard. He dug the well eighteen years ago, and it is forty feet deep and was dry until a few days ago. Some dress Thursday. Two cowboys-John embankment. The train was stapped time that night two streams of water issued from opposite sides of the well of Childress county, and Tom Parmer the people were hurt beyond some about twenty feet down, and next day of Cottle county—fought a duel to the slight cuts and bruises. there was five feet of water in the well. death with pistols. The two had had The streams still flow in. The wonder previous trouble and when they met at it is increased by the fact that they in a saloon at Childress in the afterwere never seen before, and made their appearance during a dry spell.

Gov. Sayers has issued the usual contagious disease proclamation, ef-fective April 1.

Gatesville, Tex, March 6.—The tockholders of the City National bank at here and selected W. E. Brown as t to take charge of the property of the bank. Receiver Thornton will be relieved when the bond of W. E. Brown is approved by the comptroller of the currency. The intire indebtedness of the bank has been paid with 6 per cent interest without an assess-ment on the stock.

Kipling is fast improving

Waco, Tex., March &-Lina Shannon ted suicide by cutting her throat por at an early hour Saturday ing while suffering from temporerration of the mind, the result dy. Line was a bright mug member of the graduating class

Mrs. A. V. Pesony, a well known

Senate and House.

Austin, Tex., March 4.-Immediately setting apart a page in the Senate Journal to his memory.

on third reading repealing the penal- ed, or in any county in which is situty of 10 per cent for failure to pay ated the depot, town or point to which taxes when due, and limiting recovery the freight or baggage was consigned law of this state which forbids any of back taxes against innocent pur- or shipped, and to permit two or more railway from constructing or owning chasers of lands to only two years carriers to be joined in one suit. The prior to suit therefor,

Greer secured adoption of amend- several errors. ment providing that no interest shall suit, or the collection of the delin- pending. nucht taxes.

The bill then passed finally by vote of 16 to 12.

Stone's bill to confer authority on the penitentiary board to issue paroles to meritorious convicts and to sible for convictions to be had for catmake and establish rules and regula- tle stealing, where a ranchman uses tions to carry the same into effect was considered under suspension of the regular order. No final action was

In the house Peery rose to a ques the Lane reason for voting no against engrossed and finally passed under a a resolution to read the declaration of Texas independence yesterday, found in the journal. The reason characterand practically destroy our gulf ports. ized the resolution as "sentimental 8. It will make a truck patch out hypocrisy." Peeery glorified in his pa-

Henderson of Lamar, against the res- adopted. plution, objected, as far as he was con cerned, to the language.

Lane spoke and stood pat on

Smith of Collin county moved to ex- surance. punge the reasons of Lane from the

the motion, but Smith of Collin withdrew it and the incident closed.

A resolution of sympathy over Cranford's death was adopted. Several bills were discussed, but no ness.

A Veteran's Views.

the legislatures of Tennessee and maintained. Texas, has never lost interest in pub- Grinnan secured adoption of an sage sent the legislature Saturday lic matters. He discussed the state amendment providing that this act of cities having 10,000 inhabitants from gave it as his opinion that representatiown in this state in which the insurtion in the upper house should be con- ance company has a local agent. He again urges upon the legislature fined to one member from each conthe prompt investment of the perma- gressional district and representation nent school fund. Says the governor: in the lower house to three members the rules. When the legislature convened, that is, from each congressional district which Hanger's bill authorizing corporaon the 9th day of January, A. D., 1899, would of course decrease clerical hire tions to condemn land for the purre was idle in the treasury and and saye stationery bills He thought pose of constructing passenger depots ould not be invested, under the re- that the saving would be at least \$800 thereon was ordered engrossed and strictions imposed upon the board of per day during the sitting of the legis passed finally under a suspension of education of this fund \$1,213,342.87. lature, and would result in more act the rules.

Texan in China.

once take suche action in the premises W. H. Elliott of this city received a cent for receiving and the same for as in its judgment may be proper. The letter from his son, Eugene Elliott disbursing school funds was passed fin- to be exempted. who is now in China. The letter is ally. school fund is one of the principal dated at Hong Kong, and gives a long Wayland secured adoption of his means by which the public free schools and highly interesting description of joint resolution requesting the goverislands, for the past four years as the tor. Saturday Henderson of Lamar called firm's confidential agent, and he is now on a prospecting tour for a syn- cussed and sheriff fee bill passed. passing the Paris city charter. He dicate of Hawaii of which the Spreckamended it by adding "field notes" of els are leaders. The young man is en

Waco, Tex., March 4.-The city hall is, is dead. is damp and mouldy on the first flour from the evaporation of a cistern once which the building was erected. The cistern holds 100,000 gallons. It was Allen, who lives in Paris, was coming water for fighting fires, and in 1888 the Santa Fe track at Washington fill up the cistern. The damage has daughter, Mrs. Dietz, two small chilprobably make costly repairs neces. The wagon was nearly on the track sary on the city hall.

Dual Deaths Due to Duel. noon the matter was referred to and the two men immediately began shooting at each other. Bailey died in less was over and Parmer expired about pulled to the dining room door, breakthreee hours afterward.

Large Realty Deal.

Cleburne, Tex., March4.-Yesterday damage to the team or wagon. morning a big realty deal was consumated whereby J. F. Yates sold S. M. Hill of Moline Ill., 1517 acres of land four miles northwest of Cleburne. seat of this county.

Church Burns.

Mineola, Tex., March 4.-St. Paul's Saptist church of Mineola was destroyed by fire early Thursday night under circumstances that point, incendiar ism; fully insured. This church was built by the colored Baptists about a year ago, and was insured for \$1100.

resuman Bailey says he will not adidate for leader of the Dem-

Austin, Tex., March 3 .- Yesterday in ting suits against carriers to be gage originated or was first shipped has an office or agent, and against The first business was Grinnan's bill whom, with others, damages are claimbill was slightly amended, correcting

The ameidment by Morriss was be recovered or collected for any time adopted, providing that this act shall prior to two years before the filing of not affect the venue in any cases now

> The bill was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of

Turney secured engrossment and final passage of his bill making it posmore than one brand.

The vote by which Yett's anti-cocainc-onjum-morphine bill was engrossed was reconsidered and an amendment adding the emergency tion of personal privilege, objecting to clause was adopted, the bill ordered suspension of the rules.

> Terrell secured consideration of his bill establishing a normal school at Denton.

> Terrell's amendment changing name to North Texas Normal college was

Further action was postponed.

The next business was the committee substitute for Atlee's bill further defining and prohibiting overhead in-

Atlee secured adoption of an amend ment exempting boiled insurance com-Henderson of Lamar moved to table panies from the operation of the act. Grinnan secured adoption of an amendment providing that where there are no agents in a county the agent in

an adjoining county can transact busi-Odell secured adoption of an amendment providing any licensed local agent can write policies in counties McKinney, Tex., March 4.-Col. R.D. where local agencies writing a like Allison, aged 89, who has served in character of such insurance are not

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of

Dibrell secured final passage of the substitute libel bill.

The bill by Goss, on third reading, amendment. Texarkana, Tex., March 4.-Judge allowing county treasurers 1-2 of 1 per

the scenes and customs of the orient nor, the comptroller and the state rev-Young Elliott has been connected with enue agent to consider the advisabil-Claus Spreckels at Honolulu, Hawaii ity of cresting the office of state audi-

In the house several bills were dis-

In a head-end collision near White Plains, Nev., four persons were killed.

Ex-Gov. P. W. McKinney of Virgin-

Paris, Texas, March 3 .- N. J made in 1875 to supply the city with in from the country and started across been in progress a long time and wn dren and a man named John Dennis. pulled the team around parallel with the track. The road at this point runs through a cut and the wagon was Bailey, son of ex-County Judge Bailey within a short distance and none of

Horse Enters Dining Room

Hillsbore, Tex., March 3 .- The team of M. Frier got frightened and ran away with his wagon in his yard yesterday afternoon. After running ing the door facing in, tearing down the door and frightening the ladies hadly in the kitchen. There was no

Corpus Christi, Tex., March 3 .- At a meeting of the board of trade the The consideration was \$26,044. The steamr soliciting committee reported purchaser intends the property for a about \$7300 subscribed. It was deciine stock farm and will at once begin ded not to abandon the project and to make it an ideal place for that pur- several additional gentlemen were pose. The land lies on the high reported to assist the committee to prairie and it includes the old county raise additional funds. Canvassing will be resumed at once, and it is now confidently believed by many that the deficit will be raised after a while. The committee will visit Galveston to take action in purchasing a steamer.

> eamship Ashmore, which sailed from here yesterday, carried what is said to be the largest cargo in proportion to registered tonage ever carried by any ship from any port. The Ashmore hav a net registered tonage of 1574, and she curried a cargo equivalent to 10.000 hales of cotton, or 6.25 b.lcs per net registered ton like was loaded by Daniel Hipley, agent.

Largest Cargo.

Galveston, Tex., March 3 .- The

Legislative Proceedings.

Austin, Tex. March 2.- In the senate Yett secured consideration of his anti-cocaine-opium-morphine bill.

Miller offered an amendment seeking to prevent an evasion of the law largely increased this year. by means of patent compounds having as their principal ingredients cocaine. Adopted.

Linn secured the adoption of an amendment preventing druggists from

Hanger secured the adoption of an Louis amendment changing the penalty from \$5 and \$25 to \$15 and \$50. The bill was ordered engrossed

Miller offered concurrent resolution making as the flower of Texas, at the request of the Colonial Dames, the wild lupin or blue bonnet. Adopted and a motion to reconsider was made and spread on the journal.

The house tabled Terrell's resolution to act from now on upon platform demands in preference to other

The resolution of Smith and Collin excluding lobbyists from the floor of the house and committee rooms was referred to the committee on state af-

Morrow and Bridges offered a redhot expansion federal resolution,

which were referred to a committee. Kennedy offered and the house adopted a resolution calling upon the supreme court, court of criminal appeals and civil courts of appeals for definite information as to the fees of those courts, number of clerks em-

ployed and salaries paid them. By permission onother bill was introduced by Henderson of Lamar and Schluter, authorizing the lease of any railroads connecting at the state line, not exceeding thirty miles in length, by any railroad company so connect-

ing with same. Senate bill 22, paying \$10,000 for the publication of the late constitutional amendments, came up as a special order. The bill was engrossed and fin-

The speaker signed the Austin city charter.

Upon motion of Walton senate bill asylum was taken up, engrossed and ery. finally passed.

On motion of Barbee senate substitute bill 19, repealing occupation tax on physicians and surgeons, was taken

Bailey offered an amendment exmatters yesterday, during which he shall not apply to any other county or empting lawyers. Peery wanted undertakers also exempted.

Pfeuffer wanted merchants exempted. Pfeuffer's desire was in the form of a substitute, which the house tabled by a vote of 78 to 27.

Prince favored the bill and was opposed to the lawyer and undertaker amendments

Oliver wanted the tax graded on the incomes of the professions. Morrow opposed the whole bill, say-

ing doctors were able to pay the tax. Peery

Bailey defended his lawyer exemption amendment, if the doctors were

The house adopted the amendment

by a vote of 55 to 52, and the bill was engrossed.

Safe Robbed.

Paris, Tex., March 2.-The safe in the saloon kept by J. C. DeShong, near the Texas and Pacific depot, was robbed of \$140. The money was all \$5 bills. Forty-five dollars in silver was not touched. Mr. Deshong had step-ped into his back yard, where he has planted a small garden which he attends when business is dull, and was few minutes. The officers think the thief was some one familiar with the place. # to 1

Ground to Pleces. Texarkana, Tex., March 2.-While the southbound passenger train on the Pittsburg and Gulf railroad was under full way between Wilton, Ark., and Texarkana, the baggage car broke loose, precipitating two young men named D. Tong and William Tong from the platform. D. Tong fell under the wheels of the car and was crushed into an unrecognizable mass. William Tong struck the embankment and rolled down the grading, thus saving his life. The men were brothers and were A double killing occurred at Chil- turned over by the wheels striking the aged 22 and 25, respectively. They lived in Prescott, Ark.

Austin, Tex., March 2 .- The corporation of Marx & Blum, incorporated, filed an amendment to its charter with the state department. The amendment changes the name to the Galveston Hat

and Shoe company. The Traders and Investors' Publish than five minutes after the shooting around the house one of the horses ing company filed their charter in the state department. Capital stock .20,-000. Purpose, general publishing and printing business at San Antonio.

Father and Daughter Die. Itasca, Tex., March 2.-Rev. A. R. Stone, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, died Tuesday evening about 4 o'clock while his little 9-year-old girl, who died Monday, was being buried. Both died of meningitis. There is more sickness in this part of the country than ever was known be-

Hit in a Beiler.

Denison, Tex., March 2.-William Nortrip, a boiler-maker's helper, while working in the Katy boiler shops yesterday morning, was struck on the head by a heavy sledgehammer in the hands of a fellow employe, and received severe injuries. He was working on the inside of a botler and the man working with him missed the obect aimed at, accidentally striking Nortrip's head.

PASTURE AND FARM.

Corn planting is under way around

Elgin. Corn acreage of Bee county will be

Several horses have died with blind staggers near Alma, Ellis county. A great many Irish potatoes will be planted in Lamar county this spring.

seven carloads of fat cattle to St.

At Eddy, N. M., some sheep that are being fed on Alfalfa and beet sugar insurance, burned. pulp are fast fattening.

Winter wheat and oats are nearly all killed in the vicinity of Marble Falls, equal to a hurricane. but farmers are sowing again.

County Commissioner Dugan Grayson county says wheat around Bells is in fine condition. Edens Bros. & Wilson of Corsicana

have shipped to o lots of cattle to Chicago, one consisting of sixteen carloads, the other fourteen. J. D. DeBird of Sulphur Springs, shipped four cars of meal-fed steers ance,

H. L. Huffman two cars. In the cold weather wild been in Central Texas fared much better than doches. their domestic brethren, hollow trees

seemngly being warmer than hives. A farmer near Paris intends putting in cash and \$600 worth of diamonds in several acres of artichokes this taken. season for seed. By next year he ex-

The recent proclamation excluding \$15,000 building. Texas cattle from the Creek and Cherokee nations after April 1 it is the clothing of Mrs. Pearl Smith said will cause great inconvenience caught fire at Gause and she was

and distress to cattlemen. ican horses has rapidly increased dur- invoice about \$20,000.

ing the past five years. of beeves to St. Louis, while J. A. child born in Fort Worth. Wood of the same place, shipped a 155 to repair the San Antonio insane lot of fine hogs to the Houston pack- for boys is to be erected at Waco. It

> Harrison county farmers are in bet- silian Fathers of Toronto, Can. ter condition than for years. Many of them have ample corn in their cribs, potatoes, peas and molasses for the Huntsville marched to Houston's grave table and their smokehouses filled

> with ham and bacon. Cato Chas. Schreiver, the well known banker and stockman of Kerr- Maizie Robinson were the principals ville, sold to P. S. Witherspoon, a in a double wedding at Hillsboro. prominent feeder of Gainesville, 7000 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers at

\$23.50 per head, or a total of \$164,500. In conversation with farmers, stockmen and ranchmen in the Childress country they all unite in saying that cattle losses have been small, excepfrigidity of the recent cold weather and will be stabled there. the herds of cattle had to contend with lately.

President J. W. Springer of the Napersonal investigation of the cattle in landscape, with glens and slopes. Texas places the loss from the blizwhen about 90 per cent of the range cattle perished.

The Mexican Trade Review gives a age would indicate. list of prices of public land in the va- Fred W. McMillan, for the rious states for the fiscal year 1899- three years cashier of the Cotton Belt will, therefore, probably startle a good 1900 as fixed by President Diaz. The freight office at Texarkana, resigned prices, in Mexican silver, are per hec- to take service with the Texas Traffic tare, 2.17 acres, and are, in Chihauhau, association as their agent at Texar- could the infants of a year be ranged Coshuila. Colima, Durango, Nueva kana. Charles J. Snooks of the late in a line in cradles the cradles would Leon, Sinolos, Sonora and Tamaulipas, traffic office of the Texarkana and \$1; in Lower California territory, 50 Fort Smith Railroad company suc-

Dr. L. C. Chittim of San Antonio concluded a trade with O. J. Hugo of affidavit that a brilliant star was vis-Dilley for the purchase from the latter thic to the naked eye at 10:30 a. m. of between 1100 and 1200 steers, coming 2s and 3s, at per head around. it was seen all day. The herd includes 800 coming 2s and the balance 3s, and the young steers are said to be a well bred and well colored herd of cattle. A 10 per cent cut back is given to the purchaser.

Delivery will be made April 1. Stock losses in Clay county have been light, as all have been provided abundant feed, losses having been confined to late "immigrants" from east and south. Deaths among these cattle, too, were from the chilling or freezing of the feet and legs, fences preventing the instinctive traveling that would have kept up the circula-

Ben R. Hackett returned to Fort Worth from a trip into King county. He reports the loss of cattle small, part of which he attributes to the by him have been well provided with

feed. Reports are in from all the section tributary to San Angelo of the damage done to stock by the recent unusual cold spell, and while cattle have been drawn to some extent, yet there have been very slight losses, so San Angelo parties say.

Some of Quanah's cattlemen repor losses of cattle, not however to an alarming extent. The cold spell has shown cattlemen the value of the farmer, as the feed raised in that section has gone far toward helping many steers through the weather.

From careful experiments Dr. W. K Lewis has concluded that even severe cold weather cannot kill the well matured cattle ticks. He tried hard to freeze out some healthy specimens of the boophilus bovis, only to find that they come up smiling and with an ap-petite for business at the end of sev-eral days' congealing process. clothes catching fire while near a stove.

The cold weather made all kinds of ed stuffe in Cherokee county go by the wholesale. All kinds of stock that was well fed made it through the blisTEXANETTES.

Citizens of El Paso county want the

rangers retained. Work on the Fort Worth oil mill

contemplte several improvements at

C. A. Miller, manager of the Furlow ing over their heads, and making Berry Gatewood of Ennis shipped drug store at Groveton, Trinity county, them work themselves to death when died suddenly.

> The gin of Eli Fairman near Goldthwaite, valued at \$2500, with \$1500

blinding sand storm that was almost on 25 cents a day, and if the woman The residence of Rev. J. M. Camp-

bell at Van Alstyne burned, Loss \$2500 on house, furniture and library, and ends of meat and bones that may The second annual convention of the be had for next to nothing that will Woman's Christian Temeprance union make good soup. As for clothes, all for the ninth district met at Brenham.

Its value was \$5500, with \$2000 insur- or dyed when they are faded or spotto St. Louis, Swinson seven cars and | Jose Marie Montes, born at San An- second-hand shoes that the cobblers tonio in 1820, a veteran of the Mex-

A gin belonging to L. F. Garland

ican and civil wars, died at Nacog-The residence of H. S. Hart, a Hous- awake at night. It is the rent. That ton jeweler was burglarized, and \$200 goes steadily on, no matter whether

The Southwestern Telegraph and pects to raise a great quantity for feed- Telephone company has purchased a lot at Paris and will soon erect a

While sweeping near the fireplace

roasted to death. A recoport just prepared by the de- H. C. Helig & Co., general merchanpartment of agriculture at Washington dise dealers of LaGrange, have filed shows that the export trade in Amer- a deed of assignment. The stock will

Maude Daggett of San Diego, Cal., T. K. and James Moore recently died at Fort Worth of meningitis. She The house belonged to a family in shipped from Bastrop sixteen carloads was the daughter of the first white which there were some minors, and

> will be under the control of the dents of Sam Houston normal at

and held appropriate exercises. B .Y. Cummings and Miss Jewel Knox and C. M. Smithdeal and Miss ing it, for if it hadn't been for that

John U. Bluntzer, a wealthy stockthrown from a horse against a tree, ger of her starving unless she is too breaking his right shoulder blade. A carload of race horses, the prop-

tionally so, considering the extreme ham, have arrived at the latter city and pays for them in provisions. proved at once. It consists of thirty

erty of Hon. J. W. Bailey, the con-

acres and is to be inclosed and seats tional Live Stock association, after a provided. It is a beautiful piece of zard at 10 per cent. This is the most died in her home on Red River, twelve rate of production is, therefore, about serious loss, he points out, since 1886, miles north of Bonham, several days seventy per minute, or more than one

> ceeds Mr. McMillan at the Cotton Belt. Four citizens of El Paso have made

> on the 2nd at that place. Others say A gang of men were put to work cutting out the right of way for the Gulg, Texas and Northern. Work was commenced one mile southeast of Marshall, Capt. Lee W. Lloyd, vice president of the road, stated that the contractors who will bid on the work

will arrive shortly. Manton M. Carrick of Dallas, a medthat he had received the appointment of assistant interne in the Texas and Pacific hospital at Marshall. The appointment was made by Dr. B. F.

Eads, the company's chief surgeon. George W. Noel, a resident of Simonds, a village near San Antonio, while leisurely riding along a road was shot in the head by a man whom fact that cattle in the section visited he knew with a dynamite cartridge, death resulting in two hours. Two

cartridges were fired.

The plaintiffs in the \$20,000 libel suit against the Norwegian ship Katy came into the United States court at Galveston and announced that a compromise had been made between the libellants and respondents and the case was dismissed from the docket. A paper was circulated for signa-

portions of New Mexico and West Texas. Lillie Gravly, daughter of Barney Gravly, seven miles north of Dallas, died from the effects of a burn received a week previous. She was 9 years old. The accident which resulted in the girl's des'h was caused by her

Prof. Ferando Beltran and nineteen other teachers of note from City of Mexico passed through El Paso on their way to the territory occupied by the Yaqui Indians, where they will establish schools and colleges for the

TROUBLES OF THE POOR.

Food and Clothes Are Possible but Bent

"If you own the roof over your head

you don't know what real trouble is,' said the factory hand to the New York Times man, "Of course folk have got to eat and they've got to have clothes to wear, but it isn't the thought of that that's always hangthey've got work and fret themselves to death when they haven't. Every now and then we see something in the papers showing how easy it is for a poor widow (or worse than widow) to Colorado City has been visited by a feed herself and a family of children has got good judgment and understands marketing such stories are not so far wide of the mark. Oatmeal and potatoes are cheap and there's odds poor folk who try to keep themselves looking decently know how far contrivance will go in making them hold. burned at Poetry, Kaufman county, out. Skirts may be turned inside out ted and there's a lot of wear in the sell cheaply. Of course we'd all rather eat the best steaks and wear silk and velvet, but it is not having to do without them that keeps folk you are lying around idle, and it is a happy day for a tenant when the landlord can be talked into bringing down the rent by a dollar. Not that all landlords are hard-hearted, as some folk seem to think. Landlords are just like all other men, some being better and some worse. Now, there's a poor woman who works in the same place with me-a widow with two childrenand she lives in one of the toughest neighborhoods in the city. Well, last fall, when that woman was too sick to go to work, she got \$18 behindhand with her rent, and found out afterward that the man whose business it was to collect it had been paying it out of his own pocket right straight along. so all expenses and revenues had to be accounted for to the family lawyers, and that was why the eldest son, who collected the rents in person, could not remit the widow's \$6 a month, as his father might have done; but all the same he wasn't going to see her turned out on the street knowing her to be a good tenant. Of course she began to pay the money back as soon as she got to work again, but it was a great help, his advancshe would have had to part with her sewing machine, which she had just finished paying for on the installment plan. As long as she can hold on to that machine there is no great dansick to hold her head up. There is a benevolent society that, when she is laid off from the shop on account of gressman, and E. D. Steger of Bon- pers a week to make at 50 cents apiece work being slack, gives her four wrap-

THE SUPPLY OF BABIES. A Few Statistics That Make One Fairly

Gasp. It has been computed that about 36,-000,000 babies are born into the world "Aunt Nancy" Galbraith, aged 105, each year, says Woman's Life. The ago. She was probably the oldest per- for every beat of the clock. With the son in that part of the state, as her one-a-second calculation every reader is familiar, but it is not every one who stops to calculate what this means when it comes to a year's supply. It many persons to find, on the authority of a well-known statistician, that, extend around the world. The same writer looks at the matter in a more picturesque light. He imagines the bables being carried past a given point in their mothers' arms, one by one, and the procession being kept up night and day until the last hour in the twelfth month had passed by. A sufficently liberal rate is allowed, but even in going past at the rate of twenty a minute, 1,200 an hour, during the entire year, the reviewer at his post would have seen only the sixth part of the infantile host. In other words, the babe that had to be carried when the tramp began would be able to walk when but a mere fraction of its comrades had reached the reviewer's post, and when the year's supply of babies ical student, has received information was drawing to a close there would be a rear guard, not of infants, but of

romping 6-year-old boys and girls.

Cats delight in racing about, but not so often, I think, in circles as dogs do. They prefer straight lines and sharps turns with the genuine goat jump. This sudden flight into the air, which appears to take the place without the animal's knowledge or intention, cannot here be preparatory to life in the mountains, but the cat finds the high jump very useful, not only in pounding on its prey, but in escaping its hereditary enemy. Brehn records a movement play of young chamois. When in summer the young chamois climb up to the perpetual snow, they delight to play on it. They throw themselves in a crouching position on the upper end of a steep, snow-covered incline work all four legs with a swimming tures at El Paso among business men motion to get a start, and then alide to call a convention that city March down on the surface of the snow, often traversing a distance of from 100 to 16 and 17 to take action with refer-150 meters in this way, while the spow ence to formation of a state out of flies up and covers them with a powder. Arrived at the bottom, pring to their feet and slowly up again the distance ther

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.

Turkey Talk.

The uninitiated often wonder and ask why more farm wives do not raise turkeys, and the thought intrudes itself more forcibly on their minds when they read of the Thanksgiving and Xmas trade in turkeys. Turkeys are such silly things when young and seem to stand around waiting, even inviting disease and accidents that the turkey raiser's path is decidedly thorny and strewn with boulders.

A year ago last November, after hearing of the neat sum that a neighbor's small flock of turks brought, we decided to try our hand at turks, along with chicks and ducks. We bought three good-sized, nice old hens and a young tom in December, bought them early, so they could get acquainted with each other and their surroundings. No amount of persuasion would induce them to rest any place but up in the boughs of the maple tree, and we finally left them in peace and ceased trying to persuade. They began to get restless near the middle of March. and on the 29th of March we got the first turkey egg. (It is well to say here that one of the hens wandered to a neighbors and he refused to give her up, so we had but two hens to gather eggs from. They were given free range, which meant they had the run of a sixty-acre farm, forty acres of which were woods, so the finding of their nest was easier to talk about than to do.

To us it seemed they selected the very poorest kind of a brush heap for a nest, but they probably knew what they were doing. It was brush from an oak tree, half way down the hill, and if we had not seen the hen on the nest we would never have looked there for the nest. Both bens laid in the same nest, and as the weather was freezing of nights, the eggs were gathered every evening. Two or three hen's eggs were placed in the nest after removing the turks' eggs. Both laid every day until the 16th of April, when both wanted to sit. They were promptly shut in a coop, and on the 20th were released. In six days one began laying in the same nest, and in two more days the other began also in the same nest. They both laid with scarcely a day's miss, until the 23d of April. when both wanted to sit again. They were again jailed until the 27th, and then the fun began again. They did not go to the old nest, and with all our watching we failed to discover the nest until the 11th of June, when the in good order. Butter may be spoiled hen was watched to her nest, and it was found in a patch of tall rag weeds. much nearer the house than the old

The one hen was sitting and had thirteen turkey eggs in the nest. These were taken away and hen's eggs given her, the turkey eggs being placed under a chicken hen, and here was one the butter from the best cows, and in another paper.

In a few days the other hen went to it. she was given hen's eggs. A shelter of boards being placed over the two hens. All the turkey eggs were set under chicken hens, and with the exception of the last clutch, every egg was fertile. Two turks got mashed in the nest, otherwise all were taken off the nest as pert as could be, although or more will keep it if the milk is out some of the eggs had been laid three of it. For laying down, a stone jar

weeks when set. EMMA CLEARWATERS.

A Brown Leghorn Skit. breeds that attracts more interest in is not essential. the exhibition hall or the breeding yard than Brown Leghorns, and such has been their record for more than a quarter of a century, says a writer in Inland poultry. Wherever a comparison for egg production becomes necessary the Browns are used as a model. Their qualities have been written about and talked about so often that even those not conversant with chicken fore invariably advocate their cause Browns have always been the beau ideal with us and we have watched their progress with keen interest. We, as a breeder, are not in accord with the present day Leghorn. We think the majority of them are becoming too small and too dark in color. In the males there is a tendency to produce a dark hackle and saddle in order to establish the black stripe. It undoubtedly succeeds, but it also sacrifices that brilliant contrast between the stripe and the oftside lacing. Birds mated to produced the dark hackles in males will also produce a very dark back on females and eventually destroy all lacing. The penciling on a Brown Leghorn pullet should be as distinct as

that of a Partridge Cochin or Dark

Brahma, and infinitey more delicate.

Another detrimental point of the later

Brown is the reduction in the size of

the comb. The standard requires a

indicate size as proportioned to that

variety. It is not meant that the comb

of a Leghorn should approximate that

of the Cochin or American varieties On the other hand, it is not required to

emulate the comb of the Minorca, al-

though it is of the same family. We

believe more attention should be given

to texture and shape of comb and wat-

is a well known fact that the heavy-

headed female is invariably the ultility

bird, and were we breeding for eggs

alone-here's heresy-I would select

the heavy-combed, red ear lobed hens

and reap the reward of daddy dollars. Denmark's butter has gained quite reputation in England, yet we make it quite as good in our best creameries. The general introduction of pasteurization, no doubt, has secured the Danes their reputation chiefly by the uniformity obtained. Ninety per cent of the creameries there pasteurize. [It may here be remarked that a law now compels creameries in Denmark to asteurize the skimmilk (by heating to

pread of tuberculosis.] It is only to raise the general aver-

185 degs.) in order to prevent the

DAIRY AND POULTRY, shall not venture to give offense by FOR WOMEN AND HOME, shake it up well. Pure ten will only guessing at the number of creameries which really do this, but will say that until patrons of creamerles and their hired men become angels on earth, there will be some day in most creameries when pasteurization would improve their butter.

But this will not be realized as long as we have commission men flattering their patrons and returning one-half cent above a market price, which they depress to correspond, it will-I fearnot be realized until we have daily butter auctions after baving it scored by disinterested judges.

I venture to say that I could improve over seventy per cent of the butter output by pasteurization, and in the case of fifty per cent improve its actual value to the tune of 2 cents a pound by virtue of making it more adapted for exportation.

Be it not believed that I would credit all the improvement directly to pasteurization, but a great deal would be due to the better buildings and better attention from the makers which pasteurization absolutely demands.

And with these better buildings with this better care in the creamery would come a better example in care and cleanliness for the patrons, badly needed in many cases. Shiftless buttermakers would soon have to return to the simpler duties on the farm and those who know and love their art would be able to demand the salary to which their knowledge and education entitles them.

Cement or flagstone floors, if not brick buildings, would be the order of the day and when once the patrons got accustomed to pasteurized skimmilk, they would appreciate its value, leaving out the question of tuberculosis, and they would be compelled to deliver better milk to enable the creamery men to pasteurize.

For all these reasons when I am asked today what are the improvements most needed in our creamcries, I say introduction of the "Fermentation Test" and "Pasteurization. J. H. MONRAD.

What Alls the Butter ?

Dealers and consumers frequently complain of butter as "strong" because it has white streaks, when perhaps it is fresh from the churn; only the salt has not been properly worked in, writes a correspondent of New England Farmer. Sometimes they think the white streaks are due to milk in butter. In fact the best butter that was ever churned will be streaked if the salt is unevenly mixed. A friend lately asked for directions for laying down butter. Some people have an idea that "laid-down" butter must be strong after keeping awhile; but this is a mistake. It will not have the flavor of new butter, certainly; but I have kept butter from fall to spring anywhere between the pasture and the table, for all the way there are little points which go to make the difference between the poorest quality and the gilt-edged article. There are three essentials to good butter: a good cow, good feed and a good dairy woman or man. A poor buttermaker can spoil mistake that will be explicity stated those that have the best care; even the milker has a good deal to do with

Butter taken from the churn in granular form will take the salt more evenly than if gathered into a lump, besides which the milk can be more thoroughly separated. Tastes differ as to the amount of salt, but this is not essential to the keeping qualities of butter; anywhere from one-half ounce is as good as anything; press the layer down as solid as possible, then sprinkle a handful of salt over to keep the next layer from sticking. A cloth There is no variety of the laying may be put between the layers, but it

> The call now is for freshly-made butter, and with the improved breeds of cows and winter calves this is the most profitable part of farming in many localities. The old-time cow that made five pounds of butter per week and went dry three months has gone by with many other worn-out things, and her place is filled by her betters.

Feeds Low in Protein. Very few farmers can afford to buy feeds low in protein and high in carbohydrates at any price at which they have been or are likely to be offered The farmer should grow all the coarse feeds that he needs. Oat and similar feeds are very much like corn stalks or oat straw in composition. Some of the feeds have cottonseed or other nitrogenous feeding stuffs added to them so that they carry more protein than straight oat feeds, but these mixtures are always more expensive sources of protein than are the glutens, cottonseed and linseed meals. One hundred pounds of an ordinary oat feed has from eight to eleven pounds protein. At seventy-five cents per hundred the protein costs from seven to nine cents a pound. One hundred pounds of a good gluten meal has from thirty-four to forty per cent of protein. At \$1.10 per hundred the protein costs about medium size in comb and is supposed to three cents a pound and it not only costs less than half as much but it is better digested.-Bulletin 48, Maine

> Long on Culls.-The breeders of New Mexico find at this time of year that they are frequently long on cull or runt lambs which are left over from the cutting out of the flock by lamb buyers from Colorado or elsewhere. It is hardly fair to turn these weaklings lack to the open range to rustle for a living throughout the winter in competition with the grown wethers and ewes nor can they be expected to hold their own against such odds. 'The best way to handle them is to take them up and feed them on alfalfa throughout the winter so that they can go on to grass in the spring as strong and lusty as the others in the flock and in this way they will become sheep worthy of a place in any man's herd.—Field and

Oleomargarine and Butter.-Before the advent of oleomargarine in its neck twice, tying into a large bow guise of creamery butter, real cream- front, ery butter sold at a price that made result of the oleomargarine fraud the price of winter butter has kept down, age and to secure uniformity that I as is evidenced by the reports of the advocate pasteurising. I need hardly do so, for those creameries which now butter of first quality sells at 18 cents, make perfect butter the whole year, I it is evident that something is wrong.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

The Fashions of the Day-Dark Purple Cloth for Afternoon Wear-Crase for Big Bows The Correct Walk-Cook-

When Ships Put Out to Ses. It's "Sweet, good-by," when pennants fly And ships put out to sea; It's a loving kiss and a tear or two. eye of brown or an eye of blue-And you'll remember me,

Sweetheart, And you'll remember me.

It's "Friend or foe?" when signals blow And ships sight ships at sea: It's clear for action and man the guns As the battle nears or the battle runs— And you'll remember me, Sweetheart, And you'll remember me

t's deck to deck and wrath and wreck When ships meet ships at sea: It's scream of shot and shriek of shell, And hull and turret a roaring hell-And you'll remember me,

Sweetheart, And you'll remember me

's doom and death and pause a breath When ships go down at sea; It's hate is over and love begins And war is cruel whoever wins-And you'll remember me,

Lweetheart, And you'll remember me,

A Correct Walk.

Hip movement must be in the 'lengths"; hip movement in the 'breadths" is not only bad form, but

slightly color the water, while a strong infusion is quickly got from the adulterated or painted leaf. Now boll both separately, and let them stand until cool, and the difference between them will be most marked. The false tea will become still more strong after long standing, but will remain transparent, whereas the pure tea will become muddy or milky. This last appearance arises from the tannic acid, which is a natural property in pure tea, but which in artificial tea is entirely absent.

Silk Dress Made from Spider Web. One of the curlosities of the Paris exhibiltion of 1900 will be a silk dress made entirely of silk manufactured from the spider's web. This silk was made in Madagascar under the direction of the Jesuit, Father Cambue, and will not be exhibited merely as a curlosity, but in order to show the practical use to which the big Malagasy spider, known as the black spider. may be put. Father Cambue has been devoting himself for the last two years to solving the problem of utilizing the silk spinning capacities of the spider. He has found in the Malagasy black spider a subject of practical usefulness, and he has already a colony of spiders spinning the cocoon. The silk is much finer and lighter than ordinary silkworm's silk. Father Cambue says that the black spider is not at all pleased when put to spin the cocoon, but that when well fed and supplied with plenty of drink, it can spin a really enormous quantity of thread. The spider is very fond of vulgar and inconvenient, as, for in- native brandy, and spins best when



MANTEL OF GREEN VELVET

stance, in a crowd and in rainy weath- | thoroughly drunk. When the cocoor er, when the swaying figure carries au umbrella that pitches and rolls like a sea-beaten ship. Step in the "lengths" -that is, forward and in as straight a line as possible. Do not turn the toes or the knees out. The idea is to glide alone on an imaginary chalk line and not interfere with other pedestrians. Keep light feet. Try to have the feeling that all the weight and size are at the chest and shoulders. Forget the feet. Keep an "up" feeling. Let the toes come down first, not the heels. A graceful walk is more expressive of refinement than words or worldly goods.

This season many pretty effects are shown in neck dressings, from the small bow with very long ends to the large bows with no ends at all. It is quite the rage to wear enormous double bows of white tulle, but, although the bow itself is exceedingly pretty, white tulle is extremely trying

to the average face. The illustration

shows a very pretty neck arrangement

of pale-blue chiffon. It encircles the

A silver buckle set with pearls ornaat least winter butter valuable. As a ments the center. THE LATEST.

> To Test Test. To test tea take a pinch in a glass,

is complete, the spider dies, but this is not of much importance, for the power of reproduction of the race is enormous.

Dark Purple Cloth. A charming and very stylish after-



cloth. It is cut in the fashionable princess style and held about the waist with a narrow and very tight band of

The corsage is cut in squares at each side, over a purple vest with pretty appliqued designs of black lace. The edge of the squares is trimmed with rows of black velvet and flowers embroidered in several shades of violet. The outer skirt is also elaborately embroidered in flowers to match the corsage, and toward the hem opens gracefully off a plain, purple skirt. A black satin band encircles the neck. The ruche and jabot are of cream lace.

An odd and pretty conceit is the putpour upon it a little cold water and ting of a big bow of gauze or the

same fabric as the frock just at the front of the low-necked bodice. The bow is bordered all around with a quilling of ribbon, gauze or lace. It is tled with short loops and ends that come just over the walst line. Over the knot in the center there is fastened a miniature or other big fancy pin. Often, to give a scarf effect, the piece of gauze is arranged to outline the low neck, having both sides finished with quilling to correspond with the bow. But more often the bow is a separate affair pinned on just at the bust. For s slender figure this is very fetching. but the plump, short-waisted woman should not attempt it.

The New Pin Hox. The care of pins and being able to keep a supply on hand is something which the average woman has so far found very difficult to accomplish. The new pin box is designed to obviate this difficulty. It is nearly a foot long and about five inches wide, and is made of white metal or solid silver. Inside it is lined with velvet and divided into compartments for shell hairpins, ordinary hairpins, safety

pins-in short, all kinds of pins. The

box is a beautiful ornament for the

handsomest dressing table, and a great

boon to women.-New York Herald. COOKING SCHOOL.

Amber Soup.

A large soup bone (two pounds), a chicken, a small slice of ham, an onion, two sprigs of parsley, half a small carrot, half a small parsnip, half a stick of celery, three cloves, pepper, salt, a gallon of cold water, whites and shells of two eggs and caramel for coloring. Boil slowly for five hours beef, chicken and ham; add the vegetables and cloves to cook last hour, having first fried the onion in a little fat. Strain the soup into an earthen bowl and let remain over night. Next day remove cake of fat on the top; take out the jelly, avoiding the settlings, and mix into it the beaten whites of the eggs. with the shells. Boll quickly for half a minute, then pass through a jelly bag.

Washington Cake. Three quarters pound butter, one and one-half pounds brown sugar, six be taught to let the telephone lines eggs, whites and yolks beaten sep- alone. arately, one pint sweet milk, one and three-quarter pounds flour and two teaspoonfuls baking powder. Three quarters pound currants, washed and dried, one-quarter pound raisins (stoned), one-quarter pound citron. sliced, one grated nutmeg, one wineglass wine. Sprinkle fruit with part of flour. Cream the butter with the sugar, add beaten yolks, wine, milk. nutmeg and flour and whites of eggs alternately. Put in fruit last, mix well and bake one and three-quarter hours. An old and excellent recipe.

Wedding Fruit Cake. Two pounds raisins, stoned, two pounds currants, one pound sliced citron, a few figs cut in small bits. Pour over this one goblet sherry and port wine and one-half goblet brandy or yolks of twelve beaten eggs

whisky. Let stand over night, and in the morning pour off what liquor has not soaked into the fruit. Mix one pound butter creamed, one pound two tablespoonfuls mace, one tablespoonful cinnamon, two grated nutmegs, one pound of browned flour and whites of eggs added alternately. Dissolve one teaspoonful soda in a little water, add just before putting in the fruit, Mix with the hands. Bake

Oyster Salad. Let fifty small oysters come to boil in their own liquid. Skim and strain. Season the oysters with three tablespoonfuls of vinegar, one of oil, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-eighth teaspoonful of pepper, and place on ice for two hours. With a sharp knife cut up a pint of celery, using only the tender part, and when ready to serve mix half pint of mayonnaise dressing. Arrange in a salad dish. Pour over angarnish with white celery leaves.

One and one-half cups sugar, onehalf cup butter, one-half cup sweet milk, one and one-half cups flour, one teaspoonful baking powder, one-half cup corn starch, whites of six eggs. Bake in two layers and fill with fig filling. Chop one pound figs, add one half cup sugar and one cup of water. Stew until soft and smooth. Spread between the layers and ice the whole cake with boiled icing.

Mock Turile Soup.

Boil a calf's liver and heart with a knuckle of veal for three or four hours. skimming well; then strain off. Chop the meat fine, and add to it a chopped onion, salt, pepper and ground cloves to taste, thickening, if necessary, with a little browned flour, cooking again in the liquor. Have the yolks of four or five hard-boiled eggs cut up for the tureen; also, slices of lemon.

Slices of halibut, sait, pepper, butter. Cut the slices of fish about an inch thick, season with pepper and salt and lay them in melted butter one-half hour, allowing three tablespoonfuls of butter to a pound of fish then roll them in flour and broil about twenty minutes. Serve very hot,

One quart of potatoes, boiled with skins on, one small white onion, two adapted to be worn by men engaged teaspoonfuls of olive oil, pepper and in breaking some, to protect the head salt and a little parsley, one-half cup and face from flying particles. of weak vinegar. After potatoes are cold cut up in small pieces. Chop the onion and parsley fine and mix all to-

New Use for a Trochs. "Those Perkins girls seem to be

popular. "Popular? Their father advertised for bids to build a barb-wire trocha around the house."-Chicago Record.

Scientists now announce that whisky

SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

CURRENT NOTES OF DISCOV-ERY AND INVENTION.

An Iowa Telephone Company Makes Discovery Relative to Induction-Horse Mest to Be Put on Sale for Table Use -Above the Clouds.

Induction Puzzle.

A telephone company in an Iowa

town has made an interesting dis-

covery and at the same time solved mystery which has been puzzling it for weeks. The telephone lines, which had previously given good service, began a short time ago to develop all sorts of queer symptoms, the induction in some cases being so strong that a person using a receiver could hear half a dozen peaple talking at once. The linemen had a bad time searching up and down the wires for the trouble. At length, they found a spot where a heavy lead cable had received a shot from a 22-caliber rifle. The bullet had twisted and cut the wires and worked several varieties of damage. The injured section of the cable had to be cut out and spliced. Later on other bullet marks of the same character were discovered. It was evident that some one was in the habit of making a target of the wires, and as each shot cost the company about \$25 to repair, the superintendent of the line was a little anxious as to who should pay the bills. He was not long in finding out. The son of a prominent resident of the town was caught prowling around an alley with a small rifle, shooting at birds on the wires and in as much as one of the cables near his home was ruined by the shooting, it is assumed that the boy is responsible for the induction that has been bewildering and exasperating the telephone subscribers of the town. The town has determined to put in force a local ordinance which makes it fust as much of a misdemeanor to shoot a target rifle within the town limits as it would be to fire off a Gatling gun. Town marshal has given instructions to the patrolmen to arrest any one seen going about with a target rifle, and mischlevous boys are to

Pres. Murphy of the NewYorkHealth Board lately received a communication from the Medora Meat and Provision Company of Medora, N. D., asking for permission to sell horse meat in this city. The agent of the concern is Henry Bosse, who at one time was the proprietor of a horse slaughter house on Long Island. Mr. Bosse informed President Murphy that the new provision company intended to slaughter horses in North Dakota and sell the horse meat throughout the United States. The horse meat would be dressed for the table use and shipped from the west in refrigerator cars. The company asked for permission to build an icehouse in New York somewhere in the Italian quarter or in the center of the Bohemian district, in the neighborhood of Avenue A. In connection with the icehouse they propose to have a building for the sale of the meat. Mr. Bosse said that the national dish many foreigners living in New York prefer horse meat to the best western dressed beef. He said the company proposed to do its slaughtering under the inspection of a representative of the Bureau of Animal Industry. He said that 34,326 horses had been used for food in Paris in 1897. President Murphy informed Mr. Bosse that the board would give him a hearing at some future day.

Want to Sell Horse Meat.

To Keep Out the Cold

Henry Beach of Grand Forks, Canada, has just secured a patent in this country for a protective head screen. for which there may be a more or less constant demand in northern climates with the oysters, adding about one- and which may occasionally be put to use in this country. It is designed for use by those exposed to the seother one-half pint of dressing and vere weather and consists of a hinged globular screen of fine wire, adapted to be put on over the head, and at the top are projecting fingers, clamping pivotally, extending inside and normally engaged at the ends, so that they may be locked to button on the top of the cap, and thus to be held in place. The lower part of this device is fitted with a loose cloth, which grants further protection by falling



Floors can be easily scrubbed by Western man's device, consisting of a tank to be suspended from the wall and filled with water, a piece of flexible hose connecting it with the end of a hollow brush handle to discharge water to the bristles when the valve

In a newly designed toeclip attachment for bicycles a shaft is suspended under the pedal, with the curved porcontains ptomaines. In ante-bellum tion of the clip fastened to the front days in St. Louis they were called end to swing toward the outer end of the pedal when at rest, the rider pla- her machine.

cing his foot on the pedal and pressing a plate to turn the clip over his toe. An instrument has been designed for indicating the condition of railroad tracks, to show when the rails are out of line, two spring arms being set in a frame to be swayed by the car as it passes over an uneven sur-

face, ringing a bell and registering the amount of curvature of the rail. To prevent flatirons from burning the cloth when not in motion a newlypatented support is formed of a slotted bar clamped to the top of the iron with a sliding bar to be adjusted at the rear to form with the handle two legs on which the iron can be tilted to raise the hot portion from the

table. An improved drinking fountain, which does away with the use of cups and which will not spread disease germs, is formed of a funnel-shaped cup attached to the spigot, the latter turning upward and filling the cup when the valve is opened. The user drinks from the center of the cup instead of the edge.

Taking the Baby Sleighing.

An attachment which makes the baby coach available for use in the winter months as a sled has been patented by George R. Chisholm of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The body and the running gear are much the same as



the old type of coach, except that there is the addition of the runners. These are connected with the axles by means of a jointed elbow and adapted to be thrown in or out of use and locked firmly in either position. A lever extending back to the handle makes this action instantaneous if desired. When the ground is covered with snow the runners are dropped to a point where they relieve the wheels of the weight of the coach and contents, the rims of the wheels clearing the ground by several inches.

Above the Clouds

Airships have not yet been invented, yet it is possible to sail for a day and a night in a fairly comfortable steamboat at a height of over two mile above the sea. The water on which you accomplish this remarkable feat is Lake Titicaca, which lies between Peru and Bolivia. It is a huge lake, 120 miles long and nearly sixty wide and is over 1,000 feet deep. It is awa up in the mountains, above the clouds Nine rivers flow into it, besides a vast amount of snow water, yet it has no visible outlet. The 600-ton steamers which sail on Lake Titicaca were built in Scotland, carried over the passes in sections and put together on the spot The fuel is Australian coal, brought from 7,000 miles away. In the lake are many beautiful islands and the cliffs which line the shore, are magnificently rugged. In no place can a ship anchor. The water, even sixty feet from shore, is hundreds of feet deep. The native boats on Lake Titicaca have straw sails.-Philadelphia Inquirer.

Ideas for Bicylers

The cyclists of Berne adopt the customary Swiss cape for winter riding. It is made in dark blue or black frieze, with a peaked hood which can be drawn over the head. The appearance is distinctly picturesque, though, perhaps, somewhat suggestive of a witch on a broomstick.

Dwellers in a damp climate are liable to suffer from rheumatism and many and diverse are the suggestions for alleviating the pains thereof. Some recommend whisky as an antidote, while others swear by celery. No less a person that the Princess Christian declares that she has found cycling to be most efficacious as a cure for this painful complaint. A royal testimony such as this should do something to increase, if that be possible, the popu-

larity of the already popular pastime. Apropos of China is an amusing account of how a Chinaman trains. The training is divided into three periods. each consisting of 100 days, so that it is almost a year before the athlete be-comes "fit." The first period must begin at the time of the new moon. The subject has to rise at 4 a. m., walk out into the open air, draw seven deep inspirations and afterward undergo a gentle massage. During the second period the treatment becomes more severe; wooden planks are substituted for the human hand in the massage What takes the place of the wooden plank in the third period is not stated: possibly milestones might then prove

The irrepressible John Chinaman is making himself obnoxious as a cyclist in Shanghai. He evidently fancies himself a trick-rider, and is anxious to show off his dexterity regardless of the safety of the general public. An aggrieved resident wrote to one of the Shanghai papers, regretting that such things should be. He complains that young native scorchers ride at a reckless pace through the crowded streets, with arms folded across the chest. He remarked one who was not only riding 'hands off," but had actually taken off the handlebar of his machine and was holding it over his head! If a man chooses to make a goose of himself in this manner and runs into a brick wall he has only himself to blame; but in this particular case the young celestial did worse-he lost control of his machine and ran into a lady w was riding on the opposite side of the street, knocked her off and smashed



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Ex-Private Arthur Wright, lately discharged as medically unfit from the king's dragoon guards, is at the service of ladies and gentlemen desiring a perfectly safe medium for secret correspondence, says the London Mail.

sensitive skin, upon which a weal, such as in the case of schoolboys results from the heavy stroke of a rod light pressure. If you draw your thumb nail smartly across Mr. Wright's arm, though it may leave no scratch nor other mark at the moment, yet in a few moments up comes the white line of a weal to mark in the clearest and most distinct bas-relief the line of the nail stroke. And if you take a pencil or a piece of wood, such as the butt end of a penholder, and with it trace any signs, letters or characters upon any part of Wright's body, the design will presently appear as plain as print, will remain so for twenty minutes or half an hour, after which it will fade away and totally disappear, leaving not the slightest trace behind. The advantages which the ex-

dragoon's skin offers to those having occasion to conduct secret correspondence are obvious. As the proceedings of the divorce and other courts are always reminding us, "litera scripta manet," but the most compromising communications may be committed to Mr. Wright's skin with the absolute certainty of their never being produced in evidence. Suppose a pair of young lovers have

difficulty in carrying on their correspondence under the jealous eyes of unsympathetic parents or guardians. Wright's simple course, having been consulted by a young man, is to get employment in some capacity in the young lady's house. Once there it is an easy matter on some pretense to turn toward her the back of his hand on which in her lover's unmistakable handwriting appears the message: "Fear nothing. Love like ours cannot be conquered." Wright, who is discretion itself, will warn her in a whisper to repress her cries of joy and will tell her what to do. Seizing her crochet needle, she will trace upon his forearm the following message: Your love sustains me. I am yours alone," It will be useless for the dragon governess or the stony-hearted stepmother to search her portfolio or to look between the leaves of her current copy of Horner's Penny Stories for telltale notes. For by the time Wright, who has gone out under some pretense, returns from showing his forearm to the lover, all traces of the

two messages so plainly legible a few

minutes before will have vanished

will to wed in order to save the family estate and her father's good name -Wright's sense of conduct would not allow him to be concerned under any other circumstances with the love affairs of a married lady—his plan is to disguise himself as a French colffeur or the manicure man. Though the when they set out with the baby evanlady's maid, who is suspected of being in the husband's pay, is in the room watching with all her eyes, still she will not suspect that when Wright opens his hand he will disclose to her mistress' gaze, written in white raised letters on his palm, the welcome message: "When all is still I will be outside the garden postern with a fourwheeled cab. Bring nothing but your jewel case." The writing will soon fade away into nothingness and .the private detective who is subsequently called in will be foiled when he holds the blank blotting pad up to the un-

responsive mirror. For plots, conspiracies, raids, espionage and other affairs of state requiring lengthier documentary communications Wright's back and chest are available. Wright, as has been said, is a marvel of secrecy and discretion, but in very secret matters where even he could not be intrusted with incriminating lists of names, passwords, etc., a communication inscribed upon his back has the advantage that he him-

self cannot see it. A practical test which a representative made proved that full instructions for a coup de'etat in France, with all the arrangements for the movements of troops, could be so conveyed. Wright is at present negotiating with a view to entering the service of the general staff in Paris in the capacity of cryptic communicator. Failing that, he has it in mind to exhibit his wonderful skin properties to the scientific and curious world at home.

Not Worth Her Consideration. A Chicago girl was recently asked why girls of the present day don't marry.

"Well," she replied laughingly, "to tell the truth I suppose it's because we don't want to be poor in the first place. In the second place, we can do much better for ourselves than any man can do for us, and thirdly and finally and most emphatically, I don't think any man is worth a girl's good

Storrette "Jube" Josey, constable of the town of Claiborne, Tex., was recently to levy on some calves in a stable, but his mission was unsuccessful for the reasons set forth in the following memoran-Sedom and Gomorrah of New York is full of these size." dum, which he jotted down on the levy before returning it to the Court: "The above calves were seable through the kraks, but not gitable, as the door was locked."

"You don't think you will make any one think you are younger by dyeing

your beard, do you?" "No; but they will realize how old I am and treat me with a little more consideration."—Indianapolis Journal.

YET HE IS AN EXHORTER. ing Opinions About the Negro Child Preacher in New York-Wonder of

Whether Lonnie Lawrence Dennis is an inspired prophet or mental prodigy is a disputed question. But be this decided as it may, the colored boy of 5 years has created considerable interest in New York theological circles. He is the boy evangelist who has gone He is endowed with a remarkably to New York to save what he calls the "new Sodom." The boy is anxious to interest John D. Rockefeller, and hopes to persuade the multimillionaire or cane, rises in response to a very provide the money to send him to Africa. He wants to spend the rest of his life, after he has converted New

> ancestral continent. The child is preaching every other day at African churches in New York and vicinity. He has a keen, eager face, lit with large, black eyes. He has the attitudes, the seriousness and the sonorous voice of a maa, and his face has the gravity of a man's, too. His parents say he is inspired. Preachers, negro and white, agree with them. Physicians say he has an abnormally developed brain, with a bias for religion. Ministers say he is taught of God, and that he is divinely appointed as a leader of his people. They predict a long life of usefulness for him. Physicians say he is likely to die of

York, to saving the heathen of his

brain fever at an early age. The throngs who, prompted by curiosity or religious fervor, visit Lonnie Lawrence Dennis at his poor lodgings, 334 West Thirty-Seventh street, cannot solve the mystery.

His father, Green Dennis, is an octoroon, a quiet man of feeble frame and about 50 years of age. His mother is a stout, vigorous negress, talkative,

self- asser-

tive and

than her

h usband,

They lived

in Atlanta,

Ga., until a

year ago.

gelist on his soul-stirring tour.

The mother has Indian blood in her

veins. Her mother was a half-breed.

The father has more of the charac-

teristics of his white than of his black

ancestors. Three races-white, negro

and Indian-make up the origin of the

child. Savants assert that the product

of two or more races is of a much

higher grade of intelligence than the

child who is either all white, all negro

or all Indian. Some accept this theory

as the solution of the mystery of Lon-

nie Lawrence Dennis, the child

The Rev. George G. Hepburn, the

venerable clergyman, who is the guide,

counselor and friend of most of the

Episcopal clergy of the city, visited

the boy preacher and interviewed him.

He asked him such questions as are

put to 14-year-old candidates for con-

firmation. His decision is that the

child's theology is sound, and that he

The child appears to be in an en-

tirely normal state, as far as intelli-

gence and the physical being is con-

cerned," says Mr. Hepburn. "Spirit-

ually considered, he is a phenomenon.

I am impressed particularly by the

unwavering firmness of his religious

convictions. His theology is sound. It

is so phenomenal that a child of his

tender years should have such knowl-

edge that I cannot but believe he is

inspired, and that he is taught of God.

It struck me as I listened to the child

that his replies were like those of

Joan of Arc, and that he, like her,

was an agent of a higher power. The

child may be divinely appointed for

some special mission, probably as a

A stenographic report of the inter-

view between the aged clergyman and

the child demonstrates at least that

the latter has an abnormally active

mind. Here are some of the questions

'What do you know about God?"

"I know what he wants me to do."

"God's mersage of salvation to man

"Stealing and drinking and gam-

bling and prize-fighting and bearing

false witness and adultery and not

goin to church—they are all the

works of the devil and sin. This

spiritual leader of his race."

"What is that?"

What is sin?"

from sin.

"Preach the gospel."

"What is the gospel?"

has been taught of God.

of arrest?"

save souls."

bave a meeting."

development.

men revile and persecute you for His

Lonnie thinks New York is a very

"The only way for all the sinners in

this Sodom and Gomorrah of New

York-for all sinners-is to wash in

the blood of the Lamb and be saved."

"Can you read or write, Lonnie?"

"Who taught you all these things?"

"God. He tells me what to say and

what to do and what to answer. I

want to be a carpenter like him and

"Come all, bless the Lamb; let us

The men of medicine, on the other

hand, reject the idea of inspiration.

They call it absorption and abnormal

"I have examined Lonnie Lawrence

Dennis," said Dr. Carleton Simon. "He

is a prodigy, no doubt the result of

prenatal influences. The child's weight

ence of his head, measuring above the

eyes to the posterior portion, is twen-

ty-two and five-eighths inches. A per-

son weighing 150 pounds at adult age

has an average cranial circumference

of twenty-one and five-eighths inches.

"Examination of his head bears out

the phrenological theory that the fac-

ulty of religion, when largely devel-

oped, is shown by cranial develop-

ment. The highest point of the head,

oped, and the skull at that point is

very thin, showing that the develop-

ment is of brain, not of bone. Ac-

cording to phrenological theories this

enormous size is due to a correspond-

ingly enormous activity of that por-

"The child's intelligence is abnor-

mal. If not restrained and dissociated

from his life of a preacher I believe

he will meet an untimely end. There

is great danger that the brain will not

be properly nourished because of the

insufficiency of the circulation in so

small a body. Any childish disease he

may have will be almost certain to be

complicated by some brain affection. He should not be allowed to preach.

His case is one in point in the history

of evolution. He is a prodigy. The

negro race has produced more prodi-

gies, especially since the civil war,

A Migrating Thought.

"You must have been awfully home-

"I was. If it hadn't been for think-

ing of the lawn-mower I don't be-

lieve I could have stood it."-Cleve-

than has any other race."

sick, Johnny."

land Plaindealer.

tion of the brain.

at the center, is enormously devel-

wicked place, for he spoke thus:

"No: there is no other way.

Farther along the answers show something of a childish mind, yet are far beyond what could be expected in one so young. For instance, in reply to the question whether he played with little children, he says:

"I do not like to play with little children. They are wicked and spiteful and mischievous."

Then these follow: But didn't Christ say, 'Suffer little children to come unto me?" "He never played with 'em."

"How do you know that?" Because there is only one record of Christ's childhood in the Bible, when he confounded the doctors in the temple. Read St. Luke, chapter 2."

all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers."

"But no one will listen to you. You look like a little 3-year-old baby." "When they saw him they were

amazed. He said unto them, 'How is it that you sought me? Knowest ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" "Aren't you afraid that the police-

men or Mr. Gerry's men may arrest you and lock you up?" "Now, some are puffed up. I fear

only God. Wasn't Paul, the prisoner of Christ, let down through a window in a basket and escaped?" It should be mentioned in passing

that the Gerry agents have caused the arrest of the boy and will test the matter in the courts. But the boy seemed to feel no fear, for he expressed himself thus in the interview: "Do you believe that old, hardened

sinners will listen to a 5-year-old preacher and exhorter to repentance?" "St. Matthew, the evangelist, said: Jesus said: "Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise." ' "

"Will you preach in the churches always?"

"Yes, or on the sidewalks,"

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The Earl of Ancaster, in his sixty-

etter From the Ransas and Nebrasks Delegates to Dauphin. Prince Albert, Sask. 17th August, 1898.

peers. He began life as Mr. Heath-William McCreary, Esq., Immigra-tion Commissioner, Winnipeg, Man: Sir—We, the undersigned delegates cote, the son of Lord Aveland; at the age of 37 he succeeded his father as Paron Aveland: ten years ago he befrom Kansas and Nebraska, U. S. A., in came twenty-second Lord Willoughreporting the results of our trip to came twenty-second Lord Willough-Dauphin, and subsequently to Regina, by de Eresby in succession to his Prince Albert and the middle Sas-katchewan country, beg to say that our tickets were limited to 21 days, and as mother, and six years ago he was made Earl of Ancaster. It was through his mother that he came into possession we had other large regions to visit, we of most of his 122,000 acres, and of his could only spend a short time in the three castles in England, Scotland and Dauphin country. We examined, how-Wales ever, the principal cultivated areas in the southern parts of township 25, range 19, the great wheat fields of Wis-But you are too young to preach." hart, Buchanan, Owen, Smith, Ross, "Christ was only 12 years old when Sinclair, the Whitmores, Drinkwaters, land in connection with a missionary etc., and subsequently, others to the society was shown a collection of phonorth, and never, in our experience, have we seen finer grain. The whole country is watered by numerous streams flowing from the slopes of "That is a snapshot taken during a Riding Mountain, and excellent scr!mmage at a Rugby football game. water is found everywhere at from 9 to 18 feet. Extensive forests of spruce to send among these epople" he deand tamarack cover the northern parts manded. of the mountains, from which timber is manufactured in Dauphin and elsewhere, and sold at \$12 a thousand at the mills. Wild hops and wild fruits are abundant, and ripen in the open Vegetation throughout is surprisingly luxuriant, and without hesitation we would rank the whole region amongst the best grain growing areas of the continent. The output of wheat last year was about 75,000 bushels, but this year it is estimated at over a mil-Westward lie the homestead lands which now, and when fresh surveys are completed, will afford comfortable homes to thousands of dillgent families. The great Gilbert Plains, also, we were unable to visit, where grain growing has been conducted with the best results for years, and which will become a vast wheat field as soon as a branch railway reaches there. Settlement is speeding in all these regions, reminding us indeed of the early days in our own states; and, as we have examined, since our visit to Dauphin, a portion of the great country lying south and east of Prince Albert, we can readily imagine the tide of immigration which will soon flow

into the Canadian west.
(Signed) George S. Bennett. Hall's
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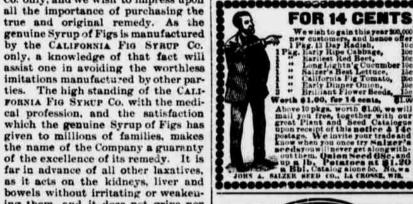
It is a pity a man's mistakes are not forgotten as soon as he is.

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Entered at the Post Office, Haskell, Texas,

Saturday, March 11, 1899.

LOCAL DOTS.

- -Electric lights next, eh?
- -Fresh onion sets at Robertson's. -Dr. Gilbert returned from Dalllas Tuesday.
- -Pure Lousiana sugar-cane molasses, New crop, at S. L. Robert-
- -Mr. S. L. Robertson made a Watch for new goods at his store.
- -New garden seed at S. L. Robertson's.
- -Mr. W. T. McDaniel got home Thursday from an extended live stock trading expedition to Louisiana.
- -Fresh groceries received every week and always sold at lowest prices at S L. Robertson's.
- -I have good millet seed for sale at 40 cents per bushel.
 - J. L. JONES.
- -Mrs. M. A. Fields, mother of Messrs W. W. and R. B. Fields, arrived Wednesday from Fort Worth months more. and probably will remain with them during the summer.
- -Try W. W. Fields & Bro. on molases, they can fill your order for the cheapest or the best-prices
- -We were mistaken in our inforing in school in Dallas.
- and see him, he will always treat bank only in mild weather.
- to confer with President Jones.
- -You can save money by going to to send by seeing us. W. W. Fields & Bro. for your groceries—they are making very lov prices just now.
- week into the residence purchased days in the Iron Mountain region of by him some time since in the north part of town. He has had it much improved.
- -Carry all hides and furs you have for sale to W. W. Fields & Bro., they will pay you the highest market price for them.
- -Messrs Shook, Lemmon, Rhome, Collins, Scott and probably Mr. Bailey will start to Fort Worth tomorrow to attend the regular annual meeting of the Cattlemen's Association.
- -For pure big German millet, corn seeds go to W. W. Fields & to take a new interest in their books.
- -Messrs Bryant & Yarbrough have the lumber on the ground on the south side of the square to build a house to be occupied by them as a cold drink stand.
- a local telephone exchange an as- young they should mark out some sured fact, just hook your thumbs in high point in life, then earnestly the arm holes of your vest and rear strive to reach it. And, he said, back and watch Haskell begin to any earnest, industrious boy or girl take on city airs.
- -For a nice selection of ugeensware, glassware, lamps and lamp chimneys W. W. Fields & Bro. can't be beaten,-they also have some nice churns and a good assortment of stoneware generally.
- -Mr. Robert Norvel, who is travthat his lecture was quite interesting.
- -Miss Lena Wilson's many friends were pleased to welcome her return this week. She has resumed her position at the head of the millinery department at Messrs Alexander &
- siderably.

-Mr. F. G. Alexander got back TO THE PUBLIC: Tuesday from his trip to Chicago.

goods at very satisfactory prices.

- overwork, worry and germs. We at their business. need a vitalizing power to sustain I shall try to merit the confidence us. Learned men and experience and patronage of the public by doing point to whiskey. Primitive men a straightforward, honest, legitimate did not need whiskey. We do. business at the lowest margin of pro-Changed conditions bring fresh fit that will allow me a fair living. needs. And THE whiskey is HAR. Trusting you will give me a call and PER. Sold by Keister & Hazle- a trial, I am wood, Haskell, Texas.
- -A telegram to relatives here and also an item in the Dallas News Notice of Disolution of Partnership. reported that Mr. Hill Walton was shot and killed in Corryell county It is hereby mutually agreed by on last Sunday morning by a man and between T. G. Carney and R. business trip to Abilene this week. named Charley McCanless, but we H. McKee, composing the firm of have not heard the particulars of the Carney & McKee, that the partnerdifficulty. Mr. Walton came from ship heretofore existing between this county about a year, moving to Carney having sold all his interest coryell county last December.
 - -Messrs Lindsey & McLemore operation. They already have 32 the name of R. H. McKee. subscribers and expect to secure the full 36 by the time the system is ready to operate, and, won't be surprised if the number is increased to
- -Mr. Oscar Martin told us the mation last week that Miss Stella of the vegetables most easily and Seymour, returned to Ft. Worth pointed presiding officer to hold said Lula returned, Miss Stella remain- others would do well to try this headquarters. We are informed, same. -S. L. Robertson is strictly in for might in this way be had to eat all gether reliable, that as many as four business and wants your trade. Go through the winter by opening the lines were run from town to the river ing precincts in Haskell county, to
 - - J. B. JONES,
 - Last week a Cheyenne and North--Mr. J. E. Fitzgerald moved this ern train was snow bound for six Wyoming. There were forty-two persons on board. Finally as provisions had about given our and they were on short rations a messenger succeeded in getting to Cheyenne and a relief train with 100 shovelers was sent out to release them.

Mesquite School Items.

- To the FREE PRESS:
- After the celebration in honor of Washington, which passed off so nicely and to the enjoyment of everybody, the scholars seemed to genuine Amber sorghum and Kaffir feel an inspiration of patriotism and
- On Monday morning we all returned with bright and smiling faces. After having a few lessons we all listened attentively to a good lecture on education, made by Rev. B. R. Wagner of Benjamin. He gave us some good advice; impressing the -With all this railroad talk and thought upon all that while they are can almost surely reach any worthy aim they set their energies to ac-
- We would remind Free Press readers abroad that in view of the favorable prospect for one or two railroads to penetrate this section at an early date, they might do well to eling for educational interests, lect- catch time by the forelock, come and ured here on Thursday night and secure a home in the best county in made an appointment for a lecture all west Texas, before the inevitable
- last night also. We understand raise in the price of land takes place. We do not herald this as a land flowing with milk and honey requiring only to be ladled up and convert--Mr. Dick Pogue was the victim mers, are getting along better, have mode of cultivation, etc. Send surveys to N. E. cor. of Rucker surof a rather unusual occurrence last more freedom and better advantages your articles to the News for publica- vey so as to intersect the Seymour Monday. He was coming to town and an easier time generally, than tion. By so doing you will not only road as now laid out, if in the judgin his wagon, driving a somewhat in other portions of the state which stand a good chance of winning a ticable and over as good ground as restive team, when one of the horses have the reputation of being the cash prize of \$5, \$10, \$15 or \$20, the route heretofore designated. got astride the wagon tongue, and crack farming sections. This we say but will also be aiding a great movewhile Mr. Pogue was trying to ex- notwithstanding the more or less ment for the betterment of the tricate him from that position the merited reputation of this section for southern farmer's condition. horse seized his right hand in his drouth. And as a stock tarming Drop a postal card for a free samteeth and bit it quite severely, bruis- country, including every kind of ple of The Semi-Weekly News to ing it and lacerating the flesh con- stock, it is par excellence. To the wise a hint is aufficient -come.

- I wish to say to my friends He reports a very pleasant trip, barr- and the public generally that having ing the intense cold part of the time | bought Mr. Carney's interest in the and looks improved in health. The business of Carney & McKee and trip also was a very successful one now being the sole proprietor of in a business way, he thinks, as he same, I shall be pleased to have a secured a large and choice stock of continuation of the patronage of the firm's old customers and I also in--The dangers of civilization are vite all others to give me a chance
 - R. H. McKee.

- Missouri to Texas and resided in them is this day dissolved, T. G. in said partnership business to R. H. McKee, who assumes all indebthave ordered the poles-first-class edness due by said firm and becomes cedar from Michigan-and the full the owner of all notes and accounts outfit, including 36 phones, for put- due to said firm, and will continue ting their city telephone exchange in the business at the same place in
 - Haskell Texas, March 1st, 1899. T. G. CARNEY, R. H. McKEE.

The W. V. R'y Engineer Ready to 50 phones within two or three

other day that he had just opened a Ft. Worth & Denver road, sent out fund apportioned to said district, bank of beets that he covered up here with a party of surveyors last was granted. Election ordered to late last fall, similarly to the old week by Colonel Morgan Jones to be held on the 15th day of April, way of banking sweet potatoes, and make surveys and find a crossing on 1899. Sheriff was ordered to post sweet and good. As the beet is one the Wichita Valley railroad from No. 10, and A. B. Lowry was apmethod of saving them. They though our information is not alto--two to points south and two north hold said offices for the ensuing two -The public school which closes of the bridge-but as to which of years, or until their successors are -Benjamin is making an effort to March 28th will be supplemented the number, if either, would be resecure the Wichita Valley railroad. by a six weeks private school begin- commended, is not intimated. It is We notice that they have held a ning April 3rd, for all grades. Tui- impossible to tell from the surveys meeting and appointed a committee tion \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. Satis- made by Mr. Granger the course the factory terms made to all who wish road will take when it leaves Seymour-whether it will go to Benjaplainly evident, and that is, no mat- residence. ter what the objective point may be, it is Colonel Jones' desire to make the extension from Seymour and not from a point a mile north of town. A reasonable effort on the part of our people will secure the removal of tion at Lake Creek school house. the depot from its present location to a point convenient to the business tion at Wild Horse school house. portion of the city, and this is about all the interest we have in the mat-

Prizes to Farmers.

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COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

Called Term, March 6, 1899.

The court met on Monday with the full membership present, when the following business was transact-

- The petition presented by a majority of the property taxpaying qualified voters of public school district No. 10, lying partly in Haskell county and partly in Knox county, asking that an election be ordered to be held in said school district to determine whether a tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of property therein shall be levied for the pur-Mr. Granger, chief engineer of the pose of supplementing the State
 - Following persons were appointed presiding officers for the several votappointed, to wit:
 - S. L. Robertson, Pre. No. 1, Election to be held at court house.
 - Frank Ross, Pre. No. 2, Election to be held at School house.
 - D. H. Hamilton, Pre. No. 3, Elec-
 - at Willow Paint school house. Z. M. Marcey, Pre. No. 5, Elec-
 - tion at Mesquite school house. B. H. Owsley, Pre. No. 6, Elec-
 - E. T. Farmer, Pre. No. 7, Elec-Ordered that a bridge be built across Brushy creek on the Seymour sent every day during the month road and that H. R. Jones, county ending March 1st, The number
- building, for best interest of the Ordered that J. M. Perry be and endeavoring to bring about a healthy is authorized to have the bridge
- reaction in Texas farming. They across Paint creek on Anson road
- Petition of more than twenty property taxpaying qualified voters of financial condition. The News be- public school district No. 1, Haskell heves in prosperity, and is convinc- county, asking that an election be ed that no real prosperity can exist ordered to determine whether the that does not begin at the fountain school tax levied in said district head of civilized society-the pro-shall be increased from 15 cents to 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of To encourage prosperity in Texas, property in said district, for purpos-The News is offering a series of cash es of building and repairing school prizes, aggregating \$250, for state- house and suplementing the state ment of actual operations and re- fund apportioned to said district, sults in diversified farming from granted and election ordered to be Oct. 1, 18998, to Sept. 30, 1899. held in said district No. 1 for said The prizes are so arranged that any purposes, on the 15th day of April, intelligent, progressive farmer in 1899. Sheriff ordered to post the Texas can compete with a good proper notices and W. M. Towns ap-Four cash prizes of \$5 to \$20 will said election and make proper re-
- Ordered that the jury of view apthe western, four in the eastern and pointed at February term to change four in the northern portion of the and lay out Seymour road are authorized to lay out said road 40 feet Farmers throughout Texas are wide along west line of Jno. Huffcordially invited to write their ex- man survey, and along west and perience, based upon this year's north lines of Winburn survey; proed into gold-there is no such coun- crops, specifying total number of vided, the owners of said surveys dotry in this age of the world. But we acres in cultivation, stating how nate the 40 foot right-of-way, and, do say that from observation and many acres for each product; total in such case, to continue said route distress they cause are abated by it, and information we believe the people of amount realized, stating average, east along north lines of Vannoy, this country, even the one horse far- gross and net results per acre, with Stephenson and Rucker 320 acre ment of the jury said route is prac-

Communicated.

- Wild Horse Prairie, March 6, '99. As the Free Press has been kind enough to offer space in its columns for communications from the schools, it is due the editor that we thank him for his courtesy and avail ourselves of the privilege.
- Teachers in country schools are so isolated that they should neglect no opportunity to let each other know what they are doing.
- The enrollment of our school is fifty-eight with an average attendance of over eighty per cent. of enfound them to be perfectly sound, the Brazos river for the extension of the proper notices in said district rollment. We have one pupil doing first-grade work, and a class of seven well up in second-grade work. Dodson had returned. Only Miss successfully grown here, he thinks yesterday to make his report to election and make proper return of We have two months longer to teach but will not quite finish the work laid out for the term. Pupils all work, we have the best school building in the country, furnished with comfortable seats.
 - Judge Jones visited us last week, but we claim another visit before the close of school.
 - We did not torget Washington's birthday, tho' we had no special exercises. We were glad to know the min or Haskell-but one thing is tion to be held at D. Livingood's Mesquite school had such an enjoyable occasion. Special Day exer-W. F. Smith, Pre. No. 4, Election cises are of great benefit, and can be made one of the most effective means of impression upon children and young people, the character of our heroes and the great events of
 - our history. I hope some other teachers will let us hear from their schools.
 - Below I give a list of pupils prejudge, is authorized to buy lumber, that made ninety-five per cent. in receive bids and let contract for attendance was thirty.
 - Jimmie Bowman, Theordore Bowman, Maggie Bowman, Ova Vernon, Angie Vernon, Seward McDaniel, George Bennett, Oscar Rose.
 - Please to publish the names. you do not care to publish the com munication it will be all right to Miss E. Robinson.
 - The communication is goodconveys some good suggestions, we think, and we publish it entire.]
 - Wonder if the author of "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" had the Manila situation in view when he composed that rolicking chorus-it fits, any way-in pointed presiding officer to conduct two ways, temperature and burning gunpowder.

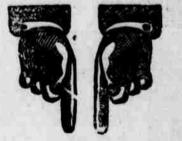
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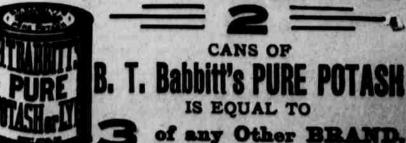
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