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HASKELL, HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1926-10 PAGES

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demonstrated fact that this is a fine cotton country, we expect the farmers will plant heavy of the fleecy staple crop next year.

This cotton has gone through a drouth which sorghum could not the front as an agricultural country.

Hymenial.

From the issue of September 4, 1886. The largest crowd that ever assembled in Haskell county assembled at the ed in Haskell county assembled at the Henry Alexander, Haskell, Texas; church last Wednesday evening to with Mrs. V. L. Brown, Wilmette, Ill., Mrs. ness the marriage of Mr. C. D. Long to P. L. Harding, Belvidere, Ill., and J. Miss Addie Rogers and Mr. W. B. And L. McDill of Oakland, 'aif.' and J thony to Miss Mollie Hills. Owing to W. McDill of Oakland, (alif. This is the high social position of all the parties there was great interest manifested in the affair.

Diligent Deputies.

From the issue of September 4, 1886. A. S. Kauffman stands before Judge hapman with theft of a horse said to have been stolen from John Casner in this county about the 8 of July, 1886. About four days after the horse was missing our deputy sheriff R. W. Barrett and Wm. Edge, who is by the way prospective candidate for sheriff in Stonewall county, started in pursuit and followed Kauffman across the plains into New Mexico a distance of 525 miles and captured him with the horse and returned last Friday with as revived the him after a trip of 43 days and a ride of about 1200 miles. When the country the near future they passed through and the drouth is taken into consideration this is a nice piece of detective work and these gentlemen are deserving of a great deal of credit.

From the Issue of October 30, 1886 Wedding bells were tolled Saturday at the Baptist Church. The contracting parties being Mr. Tom Marr and one of our rociety ladies, Miss Mary Keister, Brother James officiating.

The happy couple took their depart ure soon after the ceremony was per formed, and though there were no slippers and rice hurled after them as was after Grover Cleveland and Miss Frankie when they started out in the cold world togehter, their friends no doubt had as good intention.

The home of A. J. Tuck about one mile south of town was destroyed by the fireside. fire early Sunday morning, and the family barely escaped with their lives from the burning building. When they and Manager Trammel showed his ap-The grew, we are headway that they were forced to flee see the show. Replicat this county from the building with only their night trod any country in clothing on, snatching what garments they could from the rooms as they ram Nothing was saved from the building here was just and all was a total loss. A small origin of the fire was caused by a defective chimney according to Mr. Tuck. An alarm was turned in and the local although it was out of reach of the city water mains, but the fire had gained such headway that the chemical appartus could not be used to any

> Music School at Wills Point last week. The boys made wonderful progress in next Sunday morning. their studies according to report.

Mitchell Wyche of Dallas is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wyche south of town

FATHER OF MRS. HENRY -ALEXANDER DIES IN ILL

Mrs. Henry Alexander received a telegram soon after midnight on Christmas night that her father had died in Belvidere, Ill., at 11 o'clock p. m. A telegram several days earlier advised that he had had an attack of heart Vernon about 3 p. m. Tuesday. He Mrs. Alexander left on the early morn ing train for Belvidere. Later telegrams to Henry Alexander announce stand. Haskell is bound to come to the funeral will be held in Belvidere at I o'clock p. m., Tuesday December

> Mr. McDill is survived by his wife, three daughters and two sons: Mrs. the first death in the family.

As scheduled, the Haskell Booster Band entertained their friends Monday evening at the High School Auditorium, and, from compliments gathered about the streets and business houses, the organization did itself proud.

Director McCollum seemed to feel the atmosphere, keenly, that prevailed, as he stood before that body of young folks all set for the signal, "PLAY." Bach twitch of his hand nap of his eye, it seemed, meant sething to that assembly.

Taking up a program suited to brganizations several years older than Haskell's, each number was turned to and disposed of as though they had been at it for years. Not an eye flickered as the music

was turned and while merriment prevailed off and on, not a soul suggested not to tackie this number of that. It was fine, is the way every one in attendance expressed it. Every member of the band scemed anxious to make good, and they did, each and all, and there is glory enough for all.

Director McCollum seemed to enjoy it as well, and after the several months of training there seems no doubt but that he is as proud of Haskell's Booster Band as Haskell folks are them-

The Free Press understands another program will be presented in the very near future and a cordial invitation is extended every one to attend. It is hoped the weather will be more suggestive, as to encouraging folks to leave

Pollowing the program rendition the band serenaded the Haskell Theatre,

Wichita Valley Changes Schedule Effective Sunday

J. L. Southern, agent at the Wichita Valley station reports a slight change fire department made a run to the fire, in No. 2 passenger train which now arrives from Abilene at 8:50 a. m. going north. Sunday morning January 3, this train will arrive at Haskell at 7:29 a. m., a little more than one hour earlier. No other train is affected by the change, and will arrive and depart Marvin Wheatley and Leonard on their regular schedule as in the Porce returned from the Vaughan past. Remember this change and don't get left if you expect to ride this train

> Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bickley and children of Abilene are spending a few days with Mrs. Bickley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Alexander.

Forty Years of Service in Haskell and Haskell County.

A PROMISE, A PLEDGE AND AN OFFER

This week marks the end of the Fortieth year of service of The Haskell Pree Press for Haskell and Haskell County, and it marks the beginning of a year in which the management will endeavor to reach a new high point in the service rendered Advertisers and Readers. This edition is not issued as a reminder of what the town or county might owe the Free Press for its work, but as a pledge of the continuation and betterment of the work that this paper has been doing. Those Porty Years have brought a reward and incurred an obligation. The Pree Press pledges itself to fulfill this obligation by working uncertained to the development of this town and obligation by working unceasingly for the development of this town and county. It promises its readers interesting and clean news of the whole county. And it offers its advertisers a medium that has a high reader-interest and quality circulation—a medium that brings profitable returns when it is used steadily and correctly.

We also thank each and every one who has contributed in any way to our success during the past.

THE HASKELL FREE PRESS

"With a Record of 40 Years of Service"

Brother of Haskell Man Accidentally Killed at Vernon

News reached here Wednesday morning of the death of Charley Li nam, brother of Albert Linam of this city, which occurred at the Humble Oil Loading station one mile east of was worknig on a large oil tank car with Frank Gilmore, a fellow workman and Linam went inside the tank to do ome work and was overcome by the fumes of gas and Gilmore was unable to get him out until his life was snuffed out. Albert Linam, his brother of this city, has gone to Vernon to attend the funeral.

Will Bland whose trailer with a bale of cotton was stolen from his farm in Center Point community on Thanksgiving night through a clever piece of detective work located the trailer with evidence to cause two men to be indicted charged with the theft It is alleged that the men arrested have confessed to the theft and have made sworn statements in regard to the theft. It is an interesting story how he located the trailer which had been sold to another party in Abilene and how he worked every clew to the undoing of the men charged with the theft

HASKELL COUNTY COTTON CROP EXCEEDS LAST YEAR

According to a statement sent out by J. E. Lindsey of Rule of the bureau of Commerce of Washington, Haskell county has a total of 3,811 bales more cotton ginned than in 1924. Below we give the figures of Mr. Lindsey.

There were 45.338 bales of cotton counting round bales as half bales, ginned in Haskell County from the crop of 1925 prior to Dec. 13th. 1925, as compared with 42, 527 bales ginned to December 13th, 1924.

DAUGHTER OF HASKELL LADY INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Willis Buchanan daughter of Mrs. W. J. Sowell of this city was serfously injured in an auto accident near, her home in Los Angeles California Although the accident was serrious reports say that she is expected to recover. Mrs. Sowell and two grand children will leave Sunday for Los Angeles and will stay in California until \$3.50 to \$25 per acre-June 1926

Barackman Beats Moore of Anson Here Tuesday

Bornar Moore of Anson, much-touted wrestler of this section, was downed by M Barackman of Knox City at the wrestling match sponsored by the Elks Club last Tuesday night. In a former match between these two men Moore came off victor, and the odds seemed in his favor, as he outweighed Barackman, but the skill and science exhibited by the former lead many to believe that he is the best man of the two by a wide margin. The first fall was scored by Barackman with a Japanese whirlwind hold, coming after the two men had fought for thirty-three minutes without any apparent advantage being gained by either. Moore came sack for the secondfall rather dizzy and Barackman easily pinned him for the decision.

Local fans were well pleased with the match, the first staged here, and a large number of fans were also present from Anson and Knox City. Backers of the Anson contender say that a return match will prove in Moore's favor, and this may be announced for a

The match, as well as the several preliminaries, was refereed by Joe Ackerman, former champion middleweight wrestler of the world.

The Gus Pappas vs. Barackman bout at Knox City was one of the hardest fought wrestling matches ever witnessed in the south, ending in a draw after two hours of fast blocking and breaking in an exceptionally clean match.

Pappas from the start used all the science and skill that he had but was blocked from every angle. And not a bit of advantage to either wrestler was credited only at times first one and the other would seem to be gaining a

HASKELL COUNTY AS IT APPEARED 40 YEARS AGO TOLD BY OLD FILES

Press of June 26, 1886.

Haskell County.

ounties in the state. The land is deep, sandy loam and produces fine crops of small grain Until last year, there had been no

ic was given to sheep, horses and This county was organized the 13th day of January, 1885, and emigrants

began to come. Some of them gut here "ime to plant oats, corn, millet and surg um. Oats made about 75 bushels per acre and corn 25 bushels per acre, and millet made one ton per acre.

We have a school at Haskell with about 75 pupils enrolled. This county is a level prairie with a few streams of clear water, well sup-

plied with several varieties of the finny Haskell city is a cozy little village of about 300 inhabitants, situated at the Haskell, the county seat, is situated

a beautiful inclined plain. The court house, a fine frame build-

The tail is one of the most secure in the state, and judging from its never having been used since its completion. it has a good effect on the community

Our poeple are of the most enterprisig classes, as within our knowledge, many came here poor, and have beome the proprietors of cozy little Haskell is situated conveniently to

the railroad at two points. Abilene and Albany. Abilene is aspiring to the position of a trade center. Albany is very favorably situated and has been getting a good trade from this county, but Abiline has done the principal lumber trade.

Owing to these two places being so close to Haskell, we have the benefit of nus of the Houston and Texas Central Pacfile Pailway.

Haskell is situated on a direct line will get that road as soon as it is in a condition to make an extention.

Land in this county has advanced 50 cents per acre in the last year, and peo far as is is from railroads. ple wanting homes should buy as soon The land policy of Texas has retard-

ed development, but the lease system will be thrown open to actual settlers unencumbered.

This county is a good location for unfavorable for them.

We invite emigrants to this place and think they can be suited in land. (From the files of Nov. 13, 1886.) Haskeli county was organized Janpary 1885 and at the first election poll-

ed about 55 votes the last election polled about 155 which shows a considerable increase in population. Up to the organization there had never been any experiments in farming. Last year Mr. W. Cook planted a crop and found that farming would pay so his example was soon followed by others.

This year the spring crops were ruin ed by the drouth but the farmers kept on trying and harvested a heavy crop of millet, sorghum and hav,

Mr. Cook says his millet was a go any he ever saw raised. There has been a heavy sowing of

wheat this fall and next year will show whether or not wheat can be raised with a profit.

The land lying along the double mountain and Salt Fork are sandy and seems to stand a drouth better than any other land in the state, the famous blackland excepted. Mr. Cook whose farm is of this kind of land supplied Haskell Throckmorton and Albany with the choicest of melons from which he derived a handsome revenue.

Lands are very cheap here at pre sent and those wanting homes would to well to come to Has'cell before buy-

(From the files of May 14, 1887) The following appeared in the issue

of May 14, 1887, almost one year later. Haskell county was organized in fall hold, but was soon blocked and January 1885. At the time it was ocganized there were not over 300 bon-Barackman is recognized as one the affed inhabitants in the county, sh. best wrestlers of his weight in the which time its population has increased price this seaso state, if not the entire South, winning to 1.000. The county is 30 miles square his matches with skilled and actentific and is composed of high undulating prairies, that have a few mesquite

The following history of Haskell groves that distinguish this county ounty appeared in the Haskell Free from the plains. The ground is covered with a nutricious coat of mesquite grass. The land is of two kinds Haskell county is one of the best sandy loam and black sandy and is adapted to drouth. The sandy loam is especially adapted to drouth, millet sorghum and peas, have been raised on this land, without rain from farming done here and the fertile praid the time of sowing until gathered. All kinds of vegetables grow fine, and persons who are conversant with the facts say this will be as good a country for fruit as California; as the land is of the same quality, as the rich fruit lands of that state. The county is traversed by the Dou-

ble Mountain and Salt Fork of the Brazos, and numerous creeks and branches, that do not go dry at all There are no large pastures in this county, and as there are no large bodles of land, the title to which is in one individual, the probability is that there never will be any large pastures in this county

head of a strong branch, that rises on at the head of Rice Springs branch on a high rolling prairie. For good water and good health it is not to be ing is situated in the public square and surpassed by any of its western conveyed by W R. Standifer, who was at that time, (in 1884) the only inhabitant within ten miles of the present town of Haskell. It was laid off on the south east corner of the Peter Allen survey, including Rice Springs. It was about a mile square, but since that time an addition has been made on the east making the present plot double its original size. Sometime in 1884 W F. Draper and

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J. L. Baldwin put up a grocery store which was soon followed by that of Wm. Harvey, L. M. Smith and others. until at preesent the square upon which stands the beautiful court house, is occupied by numerous business men in all trades and professions.

The public buildings are substantial and ornimental, and were built with an competition. Albany is on the termi- economical outlay; they having cost the county not over \$20,000 for which Railway and Abilene is on the Texas the county has a good court house, Brick Iail with best steel furniture Lime Rock Vault and Clerks office and of the Houston and Texas Central and three substantial bridges. The growth of business and population since 1884 has not been surpassed by any other interior town in the west, situated as

Haskell is 45 miles from Albany termas they can. We have witnesseed the inus of the H. & T. C. R. R. 60 miles advance in the price of land in one from Abilene on the T & P. R. R county for ten years that went from 30 miles from Anson in Jones county and 30 miles from Throckmorton; in county of same name.

Our present daily snall connections is proving impracticable and there is are with Abilene via Anson. When we some indication that the public land first secured a mail line it was with satisfied with the trade facilities, and opened up a mail line with Abilene, as men with small stocks of cattle and that city offered better inducements horses, sheep have not done so well in the lumber and grain trade. The for a year or two, the weather has been | change of the mail line caused a transfer of business to that city.

Among the men who have prospered

in their business since they came here, we mention: Draper and Baldwin, Saloon and Livery business; D. R. Gass & Co. General Merchandise, R. S. De Long, Groceries; J. W. A. Arledge Drugs; R. A. Anderson & Co. Drugs; H. L. Koontz Grocer and Hide Dealer B. H. Dotson Dry Goods and Grocer ies. W. H. Parsons I weler; Attorneys at Law, A. C. Foster, P. P. Morgan, Lomax & Jones, W. A. McDowell, Ed Wilfong and Oscar Martin; Land Agents, W. C. Ballard, S. H. Johnso & Co., W. R. Standifer and M. V. Col-lum W. M. McCreary Livery and Hotel, Wash Rupe Hotel J. S. Riddle, Joe Dewees, N. C. S. B. Miller, B. E. P. Tucker Carpenters and many others whom w now call to mind. The recent drouth

retarded the development of the coun ty, but if the year continues to be sea sonable the farmers will make a fine crop and as they are not in debt, what they make will be theirs. The sheep men went through the winter all right and have sheared very fine stips of wool, that is now being marketed

The cattlemen can hardly be said to be quite so fortunate but if the gras does well they will have recovered their losses, ere another year rolls around for if there is any business in the world that will recover losses, the cow business will and it in a short time.

The horse man is on an equal footing with the sheep man except he don't shear any wool to market but as the horses come out of the winter in a fine fix, they will bring an unusually good

Last, but not least, is the Pree Press,

(Continued on last page)

ROSE CHAPEL

(By Lillie Cloer) Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henshaw entertained the young people of this com-munity last Tuesday night with a "42" and play party. Everyone reported a

Miss Callie Cloer spent Thursday night wir Miss Gertrude Rose of Fos-ler.

The party of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Tyson's last Thursday night was well attended. Everyone re-

ported a nice time Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ross spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rose of the Poster community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henshaw and small boys spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Landess

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rose spent Christmas in the Elmo Phillips home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Webb and Verner Tyson returned Saturday night from their vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ray entertained

the young people Saturday night with a party. There was a large crowd present and everyone reported a very On account of the severe cold wea-

ther there was no Sunday School Sunday, but we hope to have a good at tendance next Sunday. Bro. C. B. Stovall spent Christmes

with his parents. Mr and Mrs J B Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. Miss Taylor,

Mrs. Stovall of Wichita and several children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stovall Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barton and family

returned Sunday from Stephensville where they had been spending the Christmas holidays School began again Monday with

several new pupil Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick and son Ford and Odeil Henshaw returned Monday from Winters and Roby where they have been visiting relatives. J. Peters returned with them.

NEW MID

(By Mrs. Mary A. Blakelev.) Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ballard of Spur spent Christmas and the week end with relatives here

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Love of Rule vis ited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pinkerton Sun-

J. E. Patterson and family were in Austin last week.
Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Mitchell and

daughter Jewel were in Abilene Saturancers, tumors, swas, ugly alcers, persisall kinds, take phe cancer day night and Sunday

cure is Blood Poise

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Jones and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Taft near Weinert.

Thomas Bevel, his sister Cora and Vernie Dean Wisenbaker spent Christ mas with their uncle. T. J. Bevel near Stamford.

N. C. Stogner of Munday spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Archie and Rayford Porch

Fred Pinkerton and Miss Ruth Malcom of Weinert were married Saturday evening.

Robert Patterson who has been on the Plains for some time, has returned

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Martin spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. John

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newberry spent Christmas day with Mr and Mrs B. O. Walker. Mr. Odie Brown and Miss Tessie El-liott of near Weinert were married Sunday afternoon

Henry Howard and family spent Christmas with his sister south of

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when I felt that way, and it
would relieve me, and I would feel better for days.
"My busband takes it for

billousness. He says he has never found its equal. When he has the tired, heavy feel-ing, he takes Black-Draught night and morning for a few days and he doesn't complain any more.

any more.
"I sure do recommend Thedford's Black-Draught."
Your liver is the largest organ in your body. When out of order, it causes many complaints. Put your liver in shape by taking Black-Draught. Purely vegetable.

Mat L. T. the time.

Mrs. Norton, who has been visiting her son, J. J. Beason, left Wednesday for her home in Oklahoma

Will Lewis and Miss Audra Beason were married at the home of the bride Saturday evening and left for Waco Monday.

Robert and Jack Hearne and families pent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Riggins spent Christmas with their grandfather, Mr Raeder at O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bean spent hristmas day with her father. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Greenwood, Mr.

and Mrs. Dick Greenwade spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Herring. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Riggins are

visiting relatives and friends in East-Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Greenwood are moving to Stamford.

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ay hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Haskell County, a copy of the following

The State of Texas:

notice:

To all persons interested in the estate of Samuel Hunter Deceased. S R Hunter, Sr. Administrator has filed in the County Court of Haskell County an application for an order to sell the following property of the said estate, situated in Haskell County, Texas, to wit: 3.50 acres of land, Lot Five and Share 'D" and 401.1 acres of land, Lot "Six" share "A" containing in the aggregate 410.30 acres of land as shown in Rob 27th day of November A. D. 1925. ert G. Watson, deceased, estate by commissioners sub-division report duly re-

to be published once each week for a corded in Vol. 3, page 222 Minutes of period of twenty days before the return the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the Ist. Monday in January A. D. 1926, the same being the 4th day of January A.

D. 1926, at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and show why such sale should not be made, should they choose to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have execut ed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Haskell this the

Emory Menefee, Clerk, County Court, Haskell County Texas.

PROGRAM FOR THE

FRIDAY, JAN. 1st—

"THE KEEPER OF THE BEES"

SATURDAY, JAN. 2nd-"BANDIT'S BABY" with Fred Thompson

MONDAY JAN. 4th-"ZANDER THE GREAT"

TUESDAY, JAN. 5th-"THE GREAT DIVIDE"

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6th-"WAGES FOR WIVES"

THURSDAY, JAN. 7th-"THE ANCIENT MARINERS"

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BIRTHDAY

On this annivers Haskell Free Press it congratulations to this it many prosperous ren

The dissemination vertising is just as impo adequate financing and the Free Press is serving we are prepared to serve ner that will be pleasan tomers.

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40 YEARS OF SERVICE—

Best wishes are extended to the Haskell Free Press on the successful completion of its Fortieth year of service to Haskell and Haskell County. We are pleased to recognize the spirit of service this institution has maintained.

We too-may be considered as a pioneer institution of Haskell as we are nearing the 23rd year mark. For 23 years we have studied the needs of Haskell County people and today we are proud to announce that in our comptele store the needs of this county may be satisfied. We have what you want, if it is in our line.

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At the Nation's Capitol.

Democrats Introduce Tariff Bill. Burleson's Several Killed and Many Wounded in Anti-Information Bill Introduced.

nifies, it is believed, that a majority imported in seed. of that body are quite convinced the Congress lacks authority to regulate them under the commercial clause of the Constitution.

This is the action taken some time ago by the Senate on motion of Senator Culberson, who passed a resolution directing the Judiciary Committee to report whether, in its opinion. Congress is authorized to exercise supervision of these companies. The question was referred to a subcommittee, and that subcommittee has not reported, but it is pretty well understood even now that its report will be in the negative.

Congressman Burleson's bill to pre scribe a penalty for those who traffic Government was introduced. It pro- a mining car, by the explosion. vides that any officer or employe of the Government who divulers or Chicago Banks Alleged Collusionists. utilizes for his own profit and informodity or the securities of a corpostock that may be affected by infor- checks, mation procured by the Government.

A bill both of interest and importance to Texas was introduced by

poses, for one thing, to make violations of the law a penal offense, but is that it would enable a more expe-

there has been a for-

on to Democrats in the at however divergent eir views on most other ey could always get tother in opposition to subsidy grabs. ught now, for it in that consoling for is estimated that at last two Demo-cratic members of the Senate Com-cently organized at Memphis with mittee on Commerce will not sign the minority against the ship subsidy bill. business the 2nd inst.

The Republicans have made their report and the minority report has not signed it. It is thought that one seriously hurt. of these will, but it is doubtful if the other two will.

a few Southern planters whatever him instantly,

Third Victim of Toy Pistol.

Fort Worth: Roy Wilkerson, 7 his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Wilfrom the cartridge entering the flesh. poultry show.

Poreign Office that Great Britain anti- and instantly killed J. A. Hamilton cipates that Russia will repudiate the Monday night on the latters plantation statement made by Admiral Rojest- near Mansfield, La. Both men are Novoe Vremya in St. Petersburg re- and raised in Deesoto parish. cently that the British fleet in far clares is "absolutely unfounded." | strict regetarian

Roadmaster Killed by Train.

Enid, O.: Rock Island southbound passenger train No. 11, due here Fricrossing in this city. Mr. Booher was recently put in charge of the Enid and Anadarko line and main line of the Rock Island south to Pauls "Alley. The remains were shipped to els former home in Chickasha, I. T.

Washington. Jan. 5 .- The House's | benefits there may be in a protectaction in referring that part of the ive tariff duty. The bil proposes that President's message relating to the a duty of 10c per pound be levied regulation of life insurance compan- against all Egyptian or other longies to the Judiciary rather than to stapled cotton imported in lint, and the Ways and Means Committee sig- 4c a pound on all long-staple cotton

TY ATY-ONE ARE KILLED.

A Mine Explosion Takes Place In West Virginia. Bluefields, Va., Jan. 5 .- Twenty-one

miners were killed in an explosion of mine gas in the shaft of the Copper Mine Company at Coaldale, W. V., at noon yesterday. Immediately following the explosion, which was heard for several miles, rescue parties set to work to explore the wrecked shaft. Some idea can be formed as to the force of the explosion when, several hourse after the explosion, one of the miners, who could not be identified on account of being so badly mutilated, was found a distance of several hunin informations which comes to them dred feet from the mine mouth, havby virtue of their positions in the ing been blown there, together with

Chicago: Action which may matemation gathered by the Government rialize in prosecution of Chicago which may affect the price of a com- bankers in the Federal courts for

violation of the anti-trust law was beration, may be imprisoned, not less gun Wednesday by the Illinois Manuthan three and not more than ten facturers' association. The manufacyears, and, in addition, may be fined tureres are aroused at the recent dein any sum not exceeding \$10,000. cision of the Chicago Clearing House It provides the same penalty for him Association that all its banks charge who speculates in any commodity or a tax for the collection of out-of-tows

Rio Grande Water Division.

Washington: The proposed treaty Congressman Smith. It seeks to ap- between this country and Mexico propropriate \$25,000 to be used by the viding for an apportionment of the Secretary of Agriculture in experi waters of the Rio Grande resulting menting to discover a means of erad- from an international dam is perhaps icating or exterminating the ticks now in the Mexican Capital, and if which infect calife with spienetic fe- that Government should ratify it, as it is believed it will, a serious obstacle Mr. Smith also introduced his anti- to the agricultural development of trust act of the last session. It pro- the country around El Paso will have been removed.

perhaps a more important provision Prominent Citizen Dangerously Hurt Weston: James Helms, one of the ditious disposition of such cases, by most prominent and wealthy citizens

inmate of the Confederate Home, died hanged in McLennan county; criminal duige too implicitly in the State Cemetery.

> dow, being strangled. \$25,000 capital, opened its doors for

A small cyclone struck Jacksonville been drawn, but it has not been filed Tuesday night and did considerable perimental work, says that the weevil because three Democrates so far have damage to property, but no one was

Theodore Hunt, a young man from The Republicans have in a bill Illinois, but who had been there some Representative Clark of Florida in time, was found dead at Karnes City. troduced an opportunity to extend to A loaded wagon ran over him, killing

Poultrymen in Collin Get Busy.

McKinney: The Fine Stock and years of age, died at the home of Poultry Breeder's Association has issued a circular calling upon the peokerson, 904 Willie st , Thursday morn- ple of Collin County to assemble in a toy pistol received Dec. 23, 1905. As city, on Saturday, January 13, for the in the other two cases which have purpose of organizing the Collin proven fatal the boy was wounded in County Fair Association. This move

Rojestvensky's Statement Repudiated. In a difficulty over the transfer of Lordon: It was learned at the pegro laborers Frank Brownfield shot vensky in a letter published in the prominent planters and were born

Eastern waters intended to crush the In his annual address to the Salva Russians in case the Japanese failed tion Army, General Booth attributes to do so at the battle of the Sea of his robust health to the fact that for Japan, which the Foreign Office de the past seven years he has been a

Mrs. Browning's Sufferings.

Mrs. Browning wrote most of her day night, struck and instantly kill- ened chamber, to which only her own ed C. H. Booher, roadmaster of the family and a few devoted friends could Rock Island road at the Monroe street be admitted, in great weakness and almost unlitermittent suffering, with her favorite spaniel as her companion.

> No barber has a right to charge a man fifteen cents for natural gas that he does not want.

DEATH IN THE WINDS. CYCLONE SWEEPS TOWN.

Georgia Town.

Albany, Go., Jan. 4 .- A tornado of teriffic force passed over Albany at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, com- has issued an order absolutely proing from a southwesterly direction and hibiting officers, privates and employspreading ruin and desolation over ees of the Ministry of War from parpersons are dead, others will die as societies or attending their meetings. the result of injuries, and many are The use of the telephone between

Among those whose injuries will of the authorities. probably prove fatal are: Luke Glad- The number of arrests are increasden, Jennie Davis, Anna Davis, Jessie ing daily and the prisons are so

houses in the city.

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of the city. Some little apprehension had gone in the Russians' favor is And let me stand with the

nine out of ten being negroes. Prompt

ditious disposition of such cases, by giving them precedence on the dock giving them precedence on the dock of this community, was shot and probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for there provide that any reversing the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the making company is form ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with first region of the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The list is as for the making company is form ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with a strong of the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The making company is form ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with first region of the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The making company is form ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with first region of the probably fatally wounded at his home, been executed. The making company is form ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with first region of the probably fatally wounded at his home, all the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with first region of the probable fatally wounded at his home, all the fatally wounded at his home, all the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with all the fatally his probable fatal Mexican hanged in Caldwell county; John Freeman, aged 87 years, an attempted criminal assault. Negro and drawn up to the bars of the win-

Only Cultural Methods Beat Weevils.

New Orleans: Prof. W. D. Hunter. who has charge of the boll weevil exwas to be feared more at this time than ever before, although but little is no successful way to combat the an act of the state legislature requiring pest but by cultural methods, that is their active summer campaign

Penitentiary System Pays Its Way.

Austin: Texas penitentiary by the management of the different superin- mer living in the south part of Green tendents and the board of penitentiary | County, thrashed 2,000 pounds of half commissioners, has been made self- open cotton boils in a wheat thrasher, time they have lived together, occupying as a result of a slight wound from a mass meeting, to be held in this sustaining, and in fact the reports of had it ginned and sold it at 10c a the superintendent and financial agent pound. The bale weighed 513 pounds, the door is seldom closed. According generally show that the receipts are Other farmers are going to thrash their more than the disbursements. There colton which the frost prevented from left hand and death was directly due is the outcome of the agitation started are on an average of 1450 confined opening. This method of gathering to tetanus, caused by the substance some time ago for a fine stock and within the walls of Huntsville and late cotton will save the farmers of Rusk.

> Texas Cotton Growers' Association. Austin: The Texas division of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association ident R. T. Milner, Henderson; Vice-President, C. H. Jenkins, Brownwood, Secretary, R. B. Hudson, Waxahachie; Treasurer, Ed Cunningham, Waxaba ufa chie. About twenty-five delegates were present. It was decided to meet annually in Austin the first Wednesday in January.

Trouble Anticipated in China.

from Washington, D. C., says: The at- day. He was a prominent citizen, enbeautiful poems confined in a dark- titude of the Chinese toward foreign gaged in the vehicle business for a ers and foreign interests generally long time, and was active in municipal has become sufficiently hostile to wan matters. rant preparations on the part of the The Frisco Examiner says that to remain in Asiatic waters

PUTTING ON THE SCREWS.

Russian Government Using Stern Measures Against Revolution.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4.-The Gover and lighter. War Minister Rudiger portions of several blocks. Several ticipating in any fashion in political

more or less seriously hurt. The St Petersburg Moscow, and other known dead are: Ben Jones, a negro points, which has been employed in machinist in the employ of the Vir- communications between the revoluginia-Carolina Chemical Company, tionists, has been prohibited to pri-Jake Johnson, a 9 year-old negro boy, vate individuals except by permission

crowded that the Nash Shish says The list is still incomplete, owing rooms with air space for fifteen are to the fact that much of the destruct holding sixty people. So far as ascertion wrought was well beyond the tainable, not one of those arrested city limits. Reports from the tornal during the last three weeks has been do after it left Albany have not been released. The same paper says that received. Hundreds of negroes in the newsboys who, since the imperial this city are homeless, and many of reform manifesto was issued had been them lost their household effects. The crying the most sensational news in injured are being cared for and ef- the streets, have been prohibited paforts are being made to secure shell der pain of three months imprisonter for all. This is difficult, owing to ment and \$150 fine from even mention- him in the management of his king- in the footsteps of the son. They are the scarcity of all kinds of dwelling ing the names of the papers they are selling.

Under direction of Mayor Raiston Prof. Paul Mitukoff's Narodbala relief was secured and promptly fur. Svobda, which made an appeal the nished to those in the greatest dis- day before yesterday, to the electors to prepare for the campaign and to It is difficult to estimate the prop organize meetings for the propagation erty loss. The Virginia-Carolina of the program of the constitution

pany is among the heaviest sufferers. In readiness to destroy the Russian Its lines were down in several parts fleet if the battle of the Sea of Japan

Judge Lynch's Record.

Lynchings in Texas, 1905 were: Two were burned and eight others hanged line out of ten being negroes. Prompt

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For Mills matried Will and when to church list week went I, and when to be other chump would ask her first, bet girls go by were burned and eight others hanged with the Japanese, who had concentrated his forces at Wei Hai Wei in action of officers saved several other expectation of receiving an order to lynchings, but in only one instance annihilate the Russian fleet if this final object of Great Britain was beyond

through his left lung. A neighbor has surrendered to the sheriff.

Lamar County, has let the contract for tories and a place of confinement for epileptics and insane inmates.

An Important C. O. D. Ruling.

Dallas: Late Tuesday afternoon, Judge Edward R. Meek of the United States district court, filed in the office of United States Commissioner J. damage was done the past year. There H. Finks a ruling to the effect that express companies to return all C. O. by raising early varieties of cotton D. shipments of liquor to local option which mature before the weevil begin points if not called for within seven days is null and void.

Cotton Thrashing in Oklahoma.

Lawton, Ok.: Charley Brown, a far-

V hy Lumber Is High.

Ennis. J. D. Burr, president of the Burr Limber Company, in speaking met Wednesday. They elected officers of the advancing prices on lumber, for the ensuing year as follows: Pres says: 'Many people think the ralld ates cause number to go up, but ot the case. The freight rates too high. The lumber manpurposely create a shortage stock and if the roads should reduce the freights the lumber trust would soon add on as much to the selling price as was taken off of freight." Major T. C. Tibbs, a resident of Waco until eight years ago, when he Chicago: A dispatch to the Tribune removed to West, died in Waco Tues-

various governments for the suppress three regiments of United States insion of another demonstration such as fantry and two batteries of artillers that whih occurred in 1900. The Or, and one squardron of cavalry are unegon, preparing to return, has orders der orders to leave for the Philippines during this month.

KING OF CARIBBEAN ISLAND

Capt. C. C. Rivers is now absolute , ruler of the Island of Orchilla, in the Carribean sea, says the Baltimore Sun. ernment is putting the screws tight. He threw out his lines and made fast there twelve years ago, and will probably make it his harbor the rest of his life-this though he is the only white man on the island, and though he has seen the members of his family. who live at 2103 Gough street, only wice in fifteen years.

Capt. Rivers is king and cabinet entlined, and not one of his thirty West Indian negroes under his eway dures question his tule, but when he

as plumes when he's on the throne, hundang their eags. tallsts first bought the product of Or | they want that, They secured Capt. Rivers' more. Other islands are to be ac Dutch West Indies and once every quired by the company, and the cap- six months I take the old crew in the tain is here loking for a vicercy to aid | footsteps of the father and grandson

Do the cares of royalty wear heavily upon him? No: he simply sees that the men get out at their work at sunrise-there are no women on the island-and that they keep at it until sundown, save for the two-hour rest DESTRUCTED Need an army or courts of justice? The captain smiles. No: of mouras, there are times when discipine must be enforced, but then a man knows how to do that. The exerate had not had twenty years of westaring for nothing before he took charge of The labored

"My greatest difficulty," he said, "is the fact that the men will get drunk caves Orchilla he leaves his royalty | How do they get it? Easy enough. Or-The captain is not a comic-opera smaller islands. In the seasons when ing. He doesn't wear birds of para- birds are there there are many men ut down there in that lonely little carry rum. Soldenly you find your pot, with the blue Carlibean about grew drink on you, and you know im and the tropical nights above, he that somewhere out on the keys are sperintends the gathering of guar the egg hunters. What emusements o from the coral reefs, which the sen | have they? Sleep. When they've s eternally uncovering. Boston capi- been working from sunrise to sunset

"Of course you can't keep the men ervices fifteen years ago. The island from their women and children all the now owned by a company of Balti- time. They come from Bonaire, in the

OTHER TIMES. OTHER GIRLS

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And let me stand with cheffing boys, and wait for Mills Ray with first sense in the property of the county. The tornado came from that direction and as the telegraph lines were down nothing can be heard from there.

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TEACHING THE YOUNG CHINESE

"School lasts usually from 8 o'clock ally the father teaches his sons the in the morning till sunset, with one

ty; the government has rarely any- ground when it is the time to give a thing to do with it. The teacher, a cuff or a blow. We see boys enjoy-The county commissioners' court of former disappointed expectant official, ing the games of ball, blind man's does his best to pour into his scholars buff, soldiers, robbers or horses, from old age. He served in Company
C, Thirteenth Texas Cavalry, Walker's
Brigade. The remains were interred in the State Cemetery.

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"Girls as a rule are not sent to well-known games." son as he was roped while in his cell will cost \$13,800 and will have dormi- the treaty ports have had no other school; the mother superintends their school education and have attained at training in housework. most only to some pigeon English, the girls are old enough they are and yet they are in active and suc- taught to cook, sew, make and mend cessful dealings with the Europeans, clothes and indeed to do all domestic knowing well how to count and to work. But the enlightened Chinese hold their own. We have to admire | sends his daughter to school when the

the gift of preception and the busi- nearness of a mission or some other ness capacity of the Chinese under school gives him an opportunity.

CALL FOR AN EXPLANATION

Now, what are you going to do with a story like this, when it comes from two dignified, veracious men, who solemnly declare it to be true?

David and Zebulon, bachelors, are old cronies-not so old that they have to tie their teeth in with brown yarn, you understand, but old enough to have settled down to the serious matters of life, such as hair invigorators and obesity belts. For a long ing adjoining rooms, between which to be testimony of both, neither of

them is given to talking in his sleep. asleep?" The other night, however, Zebulon dreamed that he was telling a funny story to David. It seemed excruciatthis community thousands of dollars, ingly funny to Zebulon and he was annoyed at David's apparent inability to see the humor of it, so he told it again, emphasizing the point of the joke so energetically that he actually spoke aloud, thus waking himself. He was sure he had spoken, for when he

was well awake the tone of his own voice still lingered in his ears.

For a moment he lay, trying to recall the story, which on the instant of waking, had vanished from his mind, when suddenly David, in the next room, uttered a loud laugh, which, in turn, awoke him.

Zebulon hopped out of bed and went to David's room. What are you laughing at?" he ask-

'Did I laugh aloud?" David wanted to know. "I thought I did." "You certainly did. Were you

"Yes," said David; "I woke myself

laughing at a funny story you were telling me. He then went shead and told the story, which Zebulon recognized as the one he had dreamed of telling to David. Now, then, ye psychologists and me-

taphysicians, get to work on that and see what you can make of it .-- Brooklyn Eagle.

NOVELIST AS A DETECTIVE

sels as an American detective consulted R. L. Stevenson. Arthur Johnstone, in his "Stevenson in the Pacific," tells the swiking tale. As they sat together one evening in the veranda of an inn at Waikiki the detective confided to Stevenson a case and also his theory of its solution. As Stevenson hardly seemed to attend, for he sat looking dreamily at the sea, the detective left him to have lord. On his return to the veranda, however, Stevenson suddenly roused it right, it will work out right. Now, I for nothing." But it won.

Scotland Yard would no doubt scorn | your theory does not do at all, because to take Sir Conan Doyle into its coun- it will never work out. Let me give you my theory of the case, and then tell me what you think of it." The detective did not at first think anything of Stevenson's theory of the case. It was daring even for a theory, and dangerous to work if it did not happen to come off. But on thinking it well over, with Stevenson's shining eyes of extreme difficulty he had in hand. fixed intently on his face, the professional began to believe there was something in it. When Stevenson at last asked, triumphantly, "Well?" replied, "Well, sir, I shall try your a chat with the more responsive land- theory; but if it don't win you and I will lose between us the \$1,900 fee I am to be paid for a conviction." At nimself to say, "I think I have solved this Stevenson laughed and said, "Sir, that riddle of yours. You see, it's if it doesn't win I will pay you the just like writing a story. If you go at \$1,000 and thrown you the theory

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What is the Commercial club doing?

What are you doing to make Haskell the business center of the county?

tortoise passed him and won the race, much to his astonishment and disgust. The people of Hasselves and find out whether they are asleep or awake.

John D. Oilyfellow's last rake off of dividends was six millions at McKinney and which proposes of dollars. At Standard Oil to build westward through this prices it costs money to turn immediate section of country, is darkness into light.

A recent news item states that St. Louis capitalists have pur-La Salle and Dinmit counties, Texas, and are arranging to colonize it with 800 families from the north and northwest.

Remember that this is a general election year, Precinct, county, district and state officers are to be elected and if you don't pay your poil tax before the first day of February you will not have any voice in their selection.

A man without a poll tax receipt counts for no more in the government of this country than a Russian serf does in the government of Russia.

ty Commissioners' association week ago that the company had will meet in Dallas on February placed orders for 200,000 ties 8 and 9th. It is said that a for the section of its road from

ing the question of removing its headquartes from Omaha, Neb., to Texas. The action of Nebraska in levying a tax on the reserve fund of the order, which a-POOLE & MARTIN, Editors. mounts to about \$3,000,000 and woul require the payment of \$30,000 or \$40,000 in taxes annually, first led to the discussion of the question of removal from that state. The matter of the validity of the Nebraska tax law is DR. A. G. NEATHERY now before the supreme court and should its decision be adverse to the order and requre it to pay the tax removal is certain. Dr Neathery's Res It is said however, that the removal may be made in any event as the order has a much larger The hare took a nap and the membership in Texas than in any oter state, there being now about 80,000 Woodmen in Texas, as against 20,000 in Missoukell would do well to pinch them. ri, which has the second largest | I E LINDSEY, M. D. membership.

The Texas, New Mexico & Pacitic Railroad, with headquarters a proposition with which Haskell should keep in touch. Overtures have been made by the company for right of way and chased 140,000 acres of land in bonus to build through the town. The enterprise has been brewing for a couple of years and for some time it was considered an exceedingly problematical scheme and was given but little thought by our people, who had more immediate prospects for a road in view and which materialized in a contract with the Wichita Valley to come via of Haskell with its extension from Seymour to Stamford.

It appears, however, from late reports that the Texas, New Mexico & Pacific is to become a reality. Its surveyors have been in the field locating a line west-The County Judges' and Coun- ward and it was announced a large majority of the county McKinney to Denton. It is tated that the Rock Island Con-

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of men's, youths' and children's clothing on sale at actual cost for cash. I have a large stock of medium and heavy weight clothing and take this means of reducing it before the season for it is over. Here is the

Best Chance to Dress Up... ...For the Least Money

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This sale will be a money saver for all who take advantage of it. Don't miss it.

Come early and get first choice before the stock is picked over.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

ances and the administration of an independent proposition or county affairs are discussed, will be an M, K, & T, or a Rock Such discussion and exchange of Island property views will tend to produce uniformity in the construction of laws affecting the counties and should prove very beneficial to public.

It seems from reports in Wednesday's daily papers that the cold snap early this week was more severe in the southwestern penses.—Eauts Daily Review. portion of the state than it was in this section. At Maria in Presidio county, some two hundred miles south and three hundred miles west of Haskell, the snow was reported nine inches deep Tuesday. At San Antonio sleet and snow fell nearly all day Tuesday, and it extended southward nearly to Brownsville, which is more than five hundred miles south and a hundred miles the cold wave passed south and west of us, which probably accounts for the unusual circumstance that snow fell here Tuesday night with a south wind.

The Post states that all of the right of way has been secured and the last obstacle to the completion of the ship channel to Houston thus removed. It says that the channel is now comburg, which is about five miles depth of nineteen feet and a width of one hundred feet up to that point, and that the government engineer will proceed at once with the completion of the channel to Houston. The completion of this channel will give Houston full water rates and put her nearly on a par with Galveston.

The Woodmen of the World, which has become one of the leading fraternal insurance or- coughs, colds and croup is unsur- saved his life. At Terrells drug ders of the country, is consider- passed. For sale at Terrells drug store, store; price 50c, guaranteed,

speculation

Haskell should keep an eye on it.

The Austin Statesman urges that the officials as well as to the there are several questions of greater importance in state matters just now than the correction of section 120 of the election law. One matter suggested is to set on foot some plan to raise enough money to pay current ex-

THE ELECTION LAW

We think the Statesman and Review, which seems to approve its idea, are mistaken. Section 120 of the election law was changed surreptiously after its final passage by the legislature and amounts to a forery on our satute book. It thus involves a principle, and a question of principle should always receive first attention. The change was no doubt effected by or at the or more east of Haskell. From instance of politicians who wantthis it appears that the center of ed the law in a shape that would allow a better play of their quesnominations. It may not make much difference in final results whether the law remains as it appears on the books or whether it is corrected to read as it did when enacted by the legislature. The gravity of the matter lies in the brazen effrontery that would seek to bunco the people by such ord. a trick. Hence we say that the pleted from the gulf to Harris- law should be speedily corrected and, if possible, the crime against south of Houston, and has a the public rebuked and its perpetrators punished. Neither the Govenor, the legislature nor the people should rest until it is done

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lutely Harmless.

Compressed air, clean towels and Sharp Razors. Try him for a HAIR CUT.

HASKELL, TEXAS.

Irrigtion Does.

Okiahoma soil irrigated is the finest in the world," said a gentleman yesterday who has been observing the progress of experiment irrigation to Southwestern Okalahoma, "When such fine crops are raised in Colorado, where they have no soil, what could be done in Okalahoma, where the soil is as fine as any in the world even

without irrigation?" W. L. Fullerton, who has a farm on Turkey creek near Olustee, last year tried irrigation on a small scale and found that turnips, which will pro- Stomach Troubles and Constipation duce from fitty to sixty bushels on the an irrigated, will produce 300 bushels equaled in the world: Californ's does store. not nearly equal it-Fort Worth Rec-

Oklahoma lands are practicall, of the same quality as those of Northwest Texas and whatever irrigation will do there it will do in this section

Sickening Shivering Fits

of Ague and Malaria, can be relieved and cured with Electric Bitters. This is a pure, tonic medicine; of especial benefit in malaria, for it exerts a true curative influence on the disease, cine containing injurious substance, driving it entirely out of the system. disease from which they are suffering. having none of this drug's bad after-Every mother should know that effects. E. S. Munday of Henrietta, Chamberiain's Cough Remedy is per- Tex., writes: "My brother was very feetly safe for children to take. It low with malarial fever and jaundice, contains nothing harmful and for till he took Electric Bitters, which



for homes or investment, to buyers of that are needed in every household from time real estate, on easy terms. We want some small farms for quick sales. We to time and we propose to make prices on them can sell your land for cash. Come and SANDERS & WILSON, that will induce you to buy of us. HASKELL, TEXAS.

WANTED.

Several small farms for our customers, also large tracts. If you need money on your land or notes see us.

North side square WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT Co.

"Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver tionable methods in securing on land irrigated; sweet potatoes, that Tablets are the best thing for stomach produce sixty to seventy bushels on troubles and constipation I have ever unirrigated land, produced 400 bash- sold," says J. R. Culiman, a druggist els on irrigated land; one half pa acre of Potterville, Mich. They are easy of cotton produced a bale orgethe irrato to take and always give satisfaction. gated land and one sore p educed a I tell my customers to try them and if half bale on unirrigated in hd, and not satisfactory to come back and get other crops grow in the same propor- their money, but have never had a tion. The strength of the sor is un- complaint." For sale at Terrells drug

At the Christian Church.

Thanks you for your patronage

and solicits a continuance of your tovors in the

We will keep "a thousand and one" things

Wishing you all prosperity and happiness,

Yours very truly,

Sermon at the Christian church next Sunday 11 a. m. "The Year of Beginnings." This is the fifth ser- young people. mon of the series of discourses I am delivering on the life of Christ. Subject at 7:15 p. m. "A Glimpse at the

PRAYER MEETING PROGRAM, Jan. 17. Leader-R. D. C. Stephens. Subject-Am I on Probation?

W. H. WYMAN & CO Duett-Mrs. Baker and C. Hunt.

Paper-Miss Winnie Bevers.

Discussion by all. Clippings from "Standard" by the

Benediction. J. H. SHEPARD.

An agreeable movement of the bowels without any unpleasant effect is produced by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale at Terrells drug store.



A POWERFUL

Kidney...
Medicine

Cures Quickly and Permanently

SOLD EVERYWHERE

OUR 16th Annual Greeting

AFTER TAKING

INVENTORY, WE WISH TO SAY TO OUR CUSTOMERS THAT, WE FIND ourselves contented with the success of the past year, and, we now start out upon the new year with the determination to make it better than the last both for ourselves and our customers.

We will say to all of our old customers and all the new ones who may come our way, that you may rely upon receiving the best of attention and a careful consideration of your every interest.

Fifteen years have sped by since we began business in Haskell and we have been gratified as, year after year, we have been able to reckon each of them a success. Our experience has shown us that it takes pluck and energy and a careful study of the wants of our customers to bring success, so we will make this our aim in the conduct of our business.

We extend a cordial invitation to all to come and see us in a business way, assuring you that we will do our best to make our business relations pleasant and mutually profitable.



Yours for the most successful year of your life,



ALEXANDER MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Mr. E. &. Johnson favored us with a renewal of his subscription.

Groceries without profit at Ballews, of his health.

in the county capital Xesterday. Mr. W. P. Caudle of Sagerton was in town Friday.

A choice line of molasses and syrups at Williams'.

Mr. W. H. Day of the east side was doing business in town yesterday.

Mr. W. P. Whitford of the Cliff country was in yesterday with cotton.

county capital Tuesday. Mr. J. Cooke, late of Santo, has bought the Parsons barber shop.

Mr. T. B. Harris of Killene is prospecting here with a view to locating. For quick loans-see West Texas Development Co., Haskell, Texas.

E. B. Groves of the west side was doing business in town monday.

The next lyceum entertainment is due on the 20th of this month.

Mr. C. C. Searbrough of the Marcy meighborhood was in town this week. Judge, L. M. Buie of Stamford pass-

ed up the road Tuesday on his way to Mr. O. E. Patterson of the new real

estat firm spent several days at Munday this week. Have you tryed Gold Dust for your

washing and kitchen cleaning-get it at Williams'

ranch there. Mr. T. P. Martin of the Pinkerton

neighborhood was in town yesterday selling some corn. He told us that he gathered 700 bushels last year from 20 acres, which gives a yield of 35 he intends puting up a gin on it. bushels per acre.

reserves, jeilles, sauces and seasonings at Williams

Mr. A. C. Hoit was in yecterday here Tuesday on his way up to Munwith the last bale of his twenty-five day to look after his firm's business at bale crop of cotton last year.

n the city the other day.

business in town yesterday.

at Ballews because he is closing out his stock to quit business, on account you.

J. M. Abbott and Judge Weinert

Mr. Frank Burris of the Sagerton town yesterday.

FREE PRESS sent to his son Roy, who Mr. W. W. Powel of Cliff was in the is attending school at Fort Worth.

neighborhod sold cotton in Haskell

merly of Haskell, and a brother of the interested in learning that he has been tendered and has accepted the position of cashier of the First National Bank of Knox City. He has been engaged in teaching school in Lubbock the past year

ness on account of failing health, and to do so quickly will sell auything in the house at about cost, and my store house will be for sale or rent on reasonable terms. G. E. Bailew.

Have all our correspondents forgotten how to write or lost their penetle? Mr. Sam Pierson is moving to Stone- How about it Nelly Bly, Swamp Fox, wall county to take charge of his Fritz, Me., and the rest of you? Sharpen your pencils and tell the country what is going on in your

a lot near the jail and rumor has it

Mr. R. E. Sherrill returned a few A fresh and full line of pickles, days ago from a business trip to Abi-

Mr. R. L. Penick of Stamford was

Remember that groceries are cheap

neighborhood was doing business in

M. W. B. Underwood of the west side was doing business in Haskeli

Mr. G. W. Pierce of the Marcy

Messrs. Couch of this place, will be

Mr. W. T. McDaniel has purchased

Messrs W. C. Lane and Wm. Helton of the Jud community were doing

lands in this section, were here this ant, especially when prospectors are the matter up and is actively at work. week looking after their interests.

Mr T. G. Marks of Cliff was down

Mr. M. S. Shook has ordered the

The friends of Mr. Ed Couch, for- about cost at G. E. Ballews.

I am closing out my grocery busi-

neighborhoods.

returned from Fort Worth and will make their permanent home in this

Mrs. A. H. Day is visiting relatives at mittee so that there would be no de-Sweet Home and Mr. Day is keeping lay in the work.

he feels lonesome. Mr. J. A. Couch, Sr., of Munday, visited the families of his sons here several days this week. Mr. Couch gives a good report of the prosperity yesterday and remembered the FREE in the Munday country and compli-Mr. J. E. Irby was in the city Fri. Press with some subscription money mented the Free Press on its recent medicine which meets modern require. very complete and gave a very fair

presentation of the country. If you have about gotten all your accounts settled with George and Alex, Sam, Peter and Paul, you might let Terrell have something, if nothing

but a kick. Apples, oranges, bananas, cocoanuts and all kinds of dried and canned truits and pickles-in fact a complete stock of staple groceries are going at

On Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Lindell hotel in this place, Mr. Carl F. Shaw of Jones county and Miss visit her mother in the northern part Cecil Florence Morgan of Stephens, of the county, county were joined in wedlock, Eld. J. H. Shepard performing the cere-

Haskell people were somewhat surprised Wednesday morning when tonic. they arose from their beds to find the earth covered with about two inches of snow. The surprise was the greater from the fact that on the previous evening there was little or no indication of a snow fall and the wind was the next morning. The sun shone most of the day Wednesday and by night the snow was about all gone. Wednesday night was clear and crisp and Thursday morning there was on the ground one of the heaviest frosts

Mr. R. S. Tudor of Erath county has engaged with Mr. J. S. Fex, one of our leading builders, to do carpenter liver, kidneys, stomach, and bowels.

formed our Railroad Committee that the grading forces would soon be The time has arrived when Terrell ready to take up the work on the dineeds the money you owe him. Call vision between Haskell and Munday in and settle up and help us to help and requested that the rest of the right of way be secured by the com-

Acting upon this the committe took around, but it isn't hard to see that Mr. S. W. Scott and County Surveyor H. M. Rike, acting for the committee, went up the line Friday to see parties whose lands are affected

Greatly in Demand.

Nothing is more in demand than a -a thing that always tickles the special editor. He thought it was ments for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. Road Notice to Non-Resident Land At Terrells drug store, 25c, guaranteed

GIN NOTICE.

Beginning next week we will holders, citizens of said Haskell counof each week. EARNEST & SANDERS.

Mrs. E. L. Adams left Thursday to

PRIEKLY ASH SITTERS cures the fles the bowels. A valuable system thence proceed to survey, locate, view, C. E. Terrell, special agent.

Officers Installed.

The Haskell Camp of Woodmen of Thouce north to the north line of said of said Fields the World justailed the new officers Owings survey in Haskell county. and had an oyster supper Tuesday from the south-and was still there night. This camp is quite a flourish- com who resides in Owingsville, Ky., north to north line of Owens survey, bers. The newly installed officers through which said road may run, are: J. F. Collier, consul commander; that we will at the same time proceed Ed Ellis, escort; D. W. Morton, sen- road, when they may, either in pertry and J. E. Wilfong, watchman.

that strengthens and stimulates the by them. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is a superior Nov. A. D. 1905. system regulator. It drives out all unhealthy conditions, promotes activity of body and brain, restores good I have 20 good, young, broke horses appetite, sound sleep and cheerful for sale. S. S. Cummings, Haskell, Tex. spirits. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

W. D. REYNOLDS, Pres.

G. T. BURNS, Sec'y

PIONEER MILL and ELEVATOR CO.

Wholesale Flour, Meal and Feedstuffs.

We the undersigned Jury of Free-

run our gin only four days each ty, Texas, duly appointed by the ly, Texas, duly appointed by the week, that is, on Wednesday, Commissioners' Court of Haskell coun- Commissioners' Court of Haskell Thursday, Friday and Saturday ty, Texas, at its August term, 1905, to county, Texas, at its August term, county to the north line of the Thos. Dye Owing Sur. and having been Sur. No. 13 in Bik. 1, H & T. C. R'y, to survey, locate, view, mark out and kidneys, regulates the liver and puri- Co. Sur. with said Owings. Sur. and mark out and establish said road, be-

And we do hereby notify S. C. Basing one, having about seventy mem- and any and all persons owning lands L. V. Smith, advisor lieutenant; Joe to assess the damages incidental to inglands through which said road Irby, cierk; R. D.C. Stephens, banker; the opening and establishment of said son or by agent or attorney, present to us a written statement of the lishment of said road, when they A system regulator is a medicine amount of damages, if any, claimed

Witness our hands this 25th day of

J. D. STODGHILL, R. E. LEE, D. R. LIVINGGOD KETBON,

Road Notice to Non-Resident Land Owners.

STATE OF TEXAS,) 88 Haskell County.

We, the undersigned Jury of Freeholders, citizens of said Haskell connview and establish a second class road 1905, to view and establish a second from the Curtis school house in said class road from the Curtis school house to the north line of the Thos. Dye Owings survey and having been duly sworn as the law directs, hereby duly sworn as the law directs, hereby give notice that we will on the sixth give notice that we will, on the 6th day of January, 1996, assemble at the day of Jan. 1906, assemble at the Curintersection of the northwest cor. of tis school house and thence proceed establish said road, beginning at the Curtis school house, thence north to the N. E. Cor. of O. E. Whites 150 ginning at said intersection of the acre tract, thence east to a point in said N. W. Cor. of said Sec. No. 15 in the west line of the J. E. Field Sur.; the south line of said Owings Sur. thence north to N. W. Corner thence west to S. W. Cor. of Sec. No. 12, W. J. Montgomery Sur.; thence on the most practical route,

And we do hereby notify W. L Curtis and any and all persons ownmay run, that we will at the same time proceed to assess the damages incidental to the opening and estabmay, either in person or by agent or

statement of the amount of damages, any, claimed by them.
Witness our hands, this 25th day of Nov. A. D. 1905.

STEADY GROWTH OF TRADE

Each Succeeding Month of the Past Year Has Witnessed Improved

The secret was its deposits at \$2,554,845,124. the second of the second I I have the mare-THE RESIDENCE WAS mint lunant for the manediate inad expanding scene. The latter ealf of the period developed a demand ter surprises, which taxed the capacity of farmeres, may wand mines to supply. This was the stimulation of an unprecedented crop of grains upon a murket expanded to normal proportions: The earlier activity was the continuation of the previous year. when business revived from a year of stagnation and mactivity, from a year of liquidation and pessimism. The movement gathered force during the winter, and with the open weather the building operations of the people became general, calling every idle handinto use. The indices of material affairs pointed to a strong pressure everywhere, reflect the bounty Dame Fortune in the ranks of the capitalist and the laborer.

STRENGTH IN MONEY CENTERS.

Greatest Fear of All on the Stock year, Exchanges.

every point of view, but gauged par-ticularly by New York stock exchange standards, 1905 has been the great standards, 1905 has been the great standards and the great standard

the the head that of money surand the country went and of 1 per cent, and to digore right eller of the get almost 6 per to the same market The same not above it per cent. And affairs con there, and the same of the control of the sucressed gold productwelve months snowth in all lone of the line the Transvaal, Australia, Alascontinuental enterprise was main on and the United States proper addka and the United States proper add-ed abundantly to the stores of money this country is found to have received There was not a month in which wealth of the world.

the financial position of the nation in November of 1904 much stress was not strengthened. The business live been laid on the fact that the toof the removery amount momentum as thi deposits of the national banks of the year progressed intil in the final the country had reached the pinnacle. vesus the muc comurkable state of 0f \$5,230,039,949. Each recurring reunity star unpared in the leatory port of the compareller of the curlinear many withesaut rency, however, showed this record it resistance in many respects, the corpassed, until that one published I limb in its finan- last month showed total national bank

Of the total deposits at the close of 1904 New York held \$1,224,206,600, or a little less than one-fifth, and of the total loans of the country New York had accommodations to the extent of \$1.145,989,200, or more than one-third.

Earnings of Lines Go Over Two Billion Dollars.

For the first time the steam railroads of the United States have earned more than \$2,000,000,000 in one year, the high water mark being reached in 1905. Not only were the gross earnings heavier than in any previous year, but the net earningswere also larger, despite the fact that more money was spent for physical improvements, locomotives, freight and passenger cars than in any former year.

1905 was 165,455, an increase of 3,000 over any former year, while the num- a large sectional interest, her of passenger cars bull was 2,551, an increase of over 400. There were 5.491 locomotives built in 1905, an increase of 2,000 over the previous year and of 450 over 1903, the next largest

There were 4.979 miles of new rail-

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Following education the benefac lous of 1905 rank as follows: To galleries, museums and societies of kindred aims went \$7,024,0001 "homes," hospitals and asylums, \$5,-391,500, with \$4,700,175 to miscellage ous charities. Church works of various sorts followed close with \$4,424,-757, and \$1,993,000 for library buildinus. Add to these totals \$2,435,000 which came in gifts other than of in all \$81,089,432-\$2,015,000 was sent to do its work in foreign fields,

The "roll of honor," where one may

rank the givers of m	illions,	reads:
Andrew Carnegie		\$14,000 m
John D. Rockefeller		11,635,0
Mrs. Jane L. Stanford		4,985.00
Stephen Salisbury		W. (150.0)
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Mrs. E. D. Rand		1,250.0
Murgaret A. Jones		1,055,0
George W. Clayton		2 (800.0)
Cyrus McCormick		1,005,0
W. F. Milton		1,000,0
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MOST NOTABLE BOXING EVENTS.

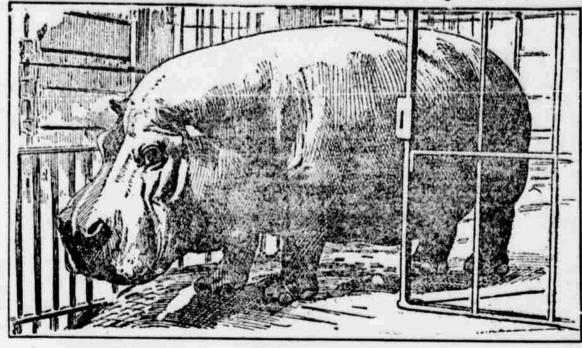
RAILROADS HAVE MADE MONEY. Two New Champions Have Fought

Their Way to the Top. Perhaps the three most notable boxing events of the past year were the retirement of James J. Jeffries, the succession of Battling Nelson to the lightweight title of the world through his victory over James Edward Britt, and the final defeat of Robert Fitzsimmons by "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien. Each of these events added to the interest in the sport, as they brought new names and new faces be fore the public. In a general way the bouts of the year were remarkably free from scandal, and there was no The number of freight cars built in taint attached to any of the bigger ones or even to one which commanded

DEATH LIST IS A LONG ONE. Many Prominent Men in All Lines Called During 1905.

Among the persons of world wide reputation, leaders in their various Considered from almost any and road built last year, 700 miles more departments of the world's activities,

Captured Hippopotami Now in Central Park Zoo, New York



"Calluh" the Giant Hippopotamus of the Central Park Menagerie, New York Sity.

While few menageries or zoological gardens include hippopotami among the members of the animal world which they contain, the general public is nevertheless quite familiar with the appearance and characteristics of the great ungulates. They have been described in word and picture by innumerable naturalists, historians, and writers, even of the earliest times We find unmistakable reference to them in the records of the ancient Egyptians, and to-day there is little doubt that the behemoth of the Bible was identical with the hippopotamus The Central Park Zoo of New York City, is particularly fortunate in the possession of three splendid specimens, a pair of older animals and a young one. The pair, Caliph and Miss Murphy, are well known, not only to those directly interested in these matters, but also to the reading public, for the huge brutes have been described and pictured in various publications.

Callph, the great male which is the subject of the accompanying interesting engravings, has been in the Central Park Zoo since 1889, while his mate, Miss Murphy, has been included in the collection for a somewhat shorter period. These two have proven remarkably prolific, and have presented an admiring public with eight healthy offsprings, and these, with the exception of the young one at present in the Park, have been sold to other menagfor strangely enough these



"Caliph" Musing.

though if this be accomplished success- in captivity. They are fed every day fully, he takes kindly to captivity, and usually early in the afternoon, on often lives contentedly for many years. | fresh grass or hay, various vegetables, In fact, a single specimen existed in and bread. They have very healthy the Zoological Park in London for over twenty-eight years.

Hippopotami in captivity do not require the excessive care and attention stomach of a large specimen will meawhich are usually necessary for the sure as much as eleven feet in length. well-being of tropical animals. One factor which is of considerable advantroubles. Natural attrition keeps his tage in this respect is the fact that the animals lack the restlessness and | time, within proper bounds. As he not nervousness so commonly found in only spends most of his waking hours wild creatures. Though terrible fight in the water, but often sleeps there

Hippopotami are purely herbivorous, the usual attention regard the animal uninjured to civilization, is approximated as nearly as possible lation of the temperature

appetites, and one can imagine the quantity of food that a "hippo" can consume, when one considers that the

The hippopotamus is heir to few teeth, which grow throughout his lifeeries. This is not an exceptional case, ers if aroused the even-tempered for strangely enough these learn to beasts above the company of the even-tempered learn to his thick skin in a healthy condition.

ate not less than fifty five degrees and sindness and seidem if ever required must be maintained to the same year around. With the exce

cial over expansion and speculative and being built. The country year debanches of immediately previous will see a great amount of new road years, and 1904 brought the moderate built in the Northwest, as the St. ers; Jan. 18, George H. Boughton, the afterclap of the upheaval of the exchanges in moderate commercial research and successful a years, and 1904 brought the moderate pression, the year now closed has cific coast, and the Northwestern is changes in moderate commercial rebeen tuned to one dominant note-op-

timistic progress. out so strongly is proof of development that to cite them is conclusive. Briefly, these may be summarized as follows

Never has the farm wealth of the country equaled that of 1905.

Commercial failure liabilities, spite of exceptional banking disturbances of speradic character, have been less actually and relatively than in any period since the panic days of 1893, with the exception of 1899.

Total deposits of the national banks of the country are greatest in history, and aggregate loans of the banks like wise at the highest level indicate that money is being closely employed.

Using pig iron production as one of the tests of general industry, an estimated increase of about 374; per cent in both production and consumption indicates unparalleled activity.

Railway earnings of the roads of the country roughly exceed all previous records by 714 per cent.

Both imports and exports of merchandise in the foreign trade of the country once more have attained new high records.

Prices of leading securities, both railway and industrial, used to ascertain the mean level of stock market values, during the last month of the year have eclipsed all previous high

marks . Speculation of the country, as measured by the sales of stocks on the New York stock exchange, has surpassed even the enormous totals of 1961, when trust financing was at its height.

Finally, seats on the New York stock exchange have sold at the phenomenally high price of \$95,000, suggesting what the Wall street forecasters think speculation "barometer of trade" will indicate from prosperity's signals in 1906.

When the year opened, progress, delayed enough for a season in the year to show temporarily decreased railway traffic, steel and iron depression, dormant speculation and glutted money markets, had been resumed. The success of the crops of 1994, and the very plentifulness of money supplies the world over were the basis on which this resumption

Given good harvests progress al ways is more or less certain, but the tor of cheap money just a year ago and the knowledge that in 1903 liquidation had cleaned out most of the weakest spots in business brought up one pertinent argument before merchant, manufacturer, banker and speculator. That was that, with ever-in-

Are Considered.

With enormous crops of grain over the West it is natural that farm prices should average lower, but declines as compared with the high average of 1904 were small as compared with years prior to 1904, with the exception of corn, oats, and barley, which are lower. Farm prices Dec. 1 for the past six years as reported by the Department of Agriculture compare as

	follows:	1904	1905	1902	1901.	1900
200	Wheat, per bu. 78.2 Corn, per bu. 41.2 Oats, per bu. 20.1 Rye, per bu. 60.7 Bariey, per bu. 40.3	44.1 21.3	69.3 42.5 24.1	60.0 40.3 30.7 50.8	62.4 60.5 33.9 55.7	61 1 05 25 1
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58.7 62.2 60.7 59.5 56.3 Potatoes, per cl. 7 45.3 61.4 47.1 76.7 43.1 Hay, per ton . \$8.52 \$8.72 \$9.08 \$9.06 \$0.01 \$8.52

ENORMOUS SUMS GIVEN AWAY.

More Than \$65,000,000 Distributed by Generous Philanthropists. The contributions to charitable and

educational institutions during the year just past have exceeded those of 1904 by a large sum. The total amount of gifts reach the immense figure of \$65.104,432, or \$137 a minute. The records upon which these fig-

ures are based are necessarily incomplete, as the amounts published from day to day in the papers are taken to compile the estimate, and \$5,000 has been the minimum considered. It is probable that the multiplicity of small donations would raise the total by \$10,000,000 at least. Individual givers, too, are here accounted for only, which fact prevents the list from enrolling the big contributions to the R ssian Jews.

More than one-third of the contributions has gone to educational institutions. Eighty-two colleges and schools are named in that part of the annual report, though, even so, the gifts to this cause would not have stood in such everwhelming proportion to the benefactions of the whole twelvemonth had not the three largest donations of all fallen under this head. In April Mr. Carnegie set by \$10,000,000 as a fund for aged educators. to:lowed a month later by Mr. Rockefeller, with another \$10,000,000 for the cause of general education, while the tragic death of Mrs. Leland Stanford threw into this same scale \$4,875,000 more.

The dozen most "lucky" universities rank then as follows:

tions more that the year a mile continue agitator; Jan. 16, Robert to age build built. The continue year taffin Gifford, one of the best of the will see a great amount of new rold old school American landscape paintbuilt in the Northwest, as the St. ers; Jan. 18, George H. Boughton, the

try; Feb. 9, Adolph Wilhelm Menzel, the greatest of modern German painters; Feb. 15, Lew Wallace, the sol-The signs are many, but a few stand FARM URICES SLIGHTLY LOWER. dier and novelist; Feb. 16, Jay Cooke, Inevitable When the Enormous Crops war; Feb. 17, Grand Duke Sergius of Russia; March 23, Jules Vernes, the brilliant French novelist; Feb. 25, Pietro Tacchina, the Italian astronomer; and popular actor; May 26, Baron Al. placed upon the maps of a state whose phonse de Rothschild, governor of the Bank of France; June 13, Baron Nathaniel de Rotchschild, the Austrian representative of the financial house; June 13, Archduke Joseph of Austria; June 17, Maximo Gomez, the Cuban patriot; July 1, John Hay, secretary of state, whose successful diplomacy helped to make the United States a world power; July 4, Jacques Elisee Recius, the French geographer; July 23, Jean Jacques Henner, the modern Titian among artists; Aug. 20, Adolphe William Bouguereau, the wellknown French figure painter; Aug. 21, Mary Mafer Dodge, the editor of St. Nicholas; Aug. 31, Francesco Tamagno, the Italian operatic singer; Sept. 18, George MacDonald, the English novelist; Sept. 22, Mme. Galli-Marle, the French prima donna; Sept. 21. Dr. Thomas John Barnardo, the London philanthropist and "father of the waifs"; Oct. 12, Sir Henry Irving, English actor; Oct. 22, Florent Willems, at the head of the Belgian landscape school; and Nov. 6, Sir George Williams, founder of the Young Men's Christian association.

in politics the leading names of the dead are those of Secretary Hay, Senators Hawley and Platt of Connecticut, George S. Boutwell of Massachusetts, John H. Reagan of Texas and Gen. Fitzhugh Lee.

Conspicuous in the religious list are the names of Bishops Merrill and Joyce of the Methodist Episcopal church, Bishop McLaren of the Protestant Episcopal church and Archbishop Chapelle of the Roman Cath-

olie church. Deaths during December were as John Bartlett, compiler of Bartlett's Familiar Quotations," at Cambridge, Mass. aged 75; United States Senator John H. Mitchell of Oregon, at Portland, aged 70; Louisa Eldredge (Aunt Louisa), well-known actress, in New York city, aged 75; Edward Atkinson, social and political economist, in Boston, aged 78; Sir Richard Claverhouse Jebb, noted Greek scholar, in London, aged 64; William Sharp, Scotch poet and novelist, author of novels published under the pseudonym of Miss Flona Macleod, in Sicily, aged 50; Judge Murray F. Tuley, Nestor of the Chicago bench, well known as jurist throughout the United States.

control of street experienced kindness and punishment. logical parks. Needless to say, it is and in the wild state feed upon grasses cleanliness of the today be far more common in zoo-

Country Editor's Day of Triumph Very likely you have not heard of eous splendor makes us chuckle to much which it wis. Without so much Chula, cause Chula has but recently been

and who refuse to give proper cultivation to their credulity. It is not exactly correct to say that Chula has been placed upon the maps, for on one bright red-letter day in its lexicon it was thrown upon the maps in a bright red splotch by a country editor. This editor came to the city the other day as the guest of the St. Paul railroad. He occupied an entire drawing-room car, ate rich food and drank sparkling wines and received adulations from the colored porter all the way from Chula and back again at the expense of a "soulless corporation."

The man who compelled the map makers to take notice of Chula enjoys the not uncommon name of Smith E. H. Smith.

Smith's great opportunity came when the St. Paul put the Southwest Limited train into service between Chicago and Kansas City. The train passes through Chula on its eastward and westward flights, and there were things about it that made a great impression upon Smith's imagination. He watched the flight of the Southwest Limited as it tore great holes in the atmosphere of Chula, and then wrote this about the train; "The new train on the Chicago, Mil-

waukee and St. Paul railway passed through Chula for the first time Sunday night, about three hours after There was no hesitation at Chula town, at least none perceptible. There are no high places in Chula town, hence we question whether she ever touched the track. She just ripped a great fiery hole in the darkness and left the atmosphere heated steam hot for a second, then whistled for Niantic or Chicago, we are not certain which. If 'Central' had not been closed, we would have telephoned to Chicago to see if she hadn't run clean through the Union station. She is sure 'buf a 'hurry-up train.' Chicago ia only about three miles up the track now. She is a gleam of summer sun-light, vestibuled and electric lighted from the cowcatcher clear back a hundred yards behind the last coach. She is knee deep with velvet carpets, and her cushions are as soft as a girl's cheek. She is lighted to a dazzle and heated to a frazzie. She was built to best the world and her gorg-

think we have a pass on her. She as a look at its fellows the Chula but recently been goes so fast that the six porters look News' editor furned and hastened to like one big fat nigger. She is called "The Southwest Limited.' She stops, going both ways, at Chillicothe, and you can get on her there, but you'll

have to hurry. In the gratitude of his heart the general passenger agent wrote the poet-editor that whenever he desired to come to Chicago he would be more than pleased to cause the Southwest Limited to pause long enough at Chula to take him on and again to let him off. The offer was accepted by wire, as Editor Smith does not believe in toying with fortune nor flirting with opportunity. Then he wrote a piece for his paper, as everything that happens, if anything does happen, Chula is news, and told the citizens that he was going to Chicago on the limited and as the guest of the general passenger agent and of the road

As might be expected, the entire business of Chula was suspended the following day and every man, woman and child not bedridden was down to the depot bright and early. The Chula band in full uniform was there playing suggestive pieces about conquer ing heroes, and Chula's mayor revised his last Fourth of July "oration" to fit the occasion. It was a gala day for Chula, and the editor had to tell them with becoming modesty how he had achieved greatness.

About the time he reached the spread-eagle stage of his address there was a long, mournful wall pitched in a minor key which sounded like the expiring war whoop of an Apache Indian. It was the Southwest Limited hailing Chula, Mo. Editor Smith grasped his new \$2.75 suit case firmly by both straps and waited, all a-tremble with excitement The band be gan a furious fanfaring and the citizens of Chula held their breaths. There were two more long wails, followed by two short ones, as the limited's mogul swept down upon Chula's only grade crossing, a cloud of blinding dust, an answering "toot" to the tower man as he dropped the semaphore indicating a clear track and a faint moan was borne upon a passing breeze to Smith and to Chula's population as the mogul whistled for "Nian tic or Chicago, which?"

Smith, standing disconsolate with grip in hand, and with Chula's popula-tion gazing seemingly with a million eyes clear through him, didn't care

which read: "When it comes to four flushes there are others."

Needless to say that it was all a mistake The general passenger - ent apologized by wire, the limited did not forget to hesitate at Chula the following day. And thus was Chula, Mo., placed upon the map.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Thinks They Are Safa.

In the spring term of the past year the athletic young women of Smith college developed a passion for baseball. In conversation with a distinguished visitor at the college, President L. Clark Seelye spoke of the fresh enthusiasm which the students.

were manifesting in the national game. The visitor, having his own ideals of intelligent gentlewomen, looked somewhat distressed at this announcement.

"Aren't you afraid," he asked, "that

baseball will have a tendency to make the girls masculine?" A humorous expression stole over

President Seelye's face. "Masculine?" "My dear friend, if you he echoed. could never have further fears pitching the ball you would never have any further fears on that score."

Simeon Was Given No Choice

Amos Saunders of Rowley, Mass. once employed a boy to turn the grindstone for him. The boy turned until he was tired and then stopped. "Turn, Simeon, turn," commanded Mr. Saunders.

"I can't; I'm tired," was the reply, "Turn, Simeon; turn or die," thundered Saunders.

"I'll die, then," said Simeon. "You can't have your choice," turned Saunders; "turn, Simeon, turn.

Ju-Jitsu Champion. The champion ju-jitsu (not flu jitsu) wrestler of Japan offers \$5,000

to any man who will come forward and defeat him. This is no betting matter. The opponent puts up no stake. Tarro also promines \$100 to any man he falls to defeat 'n ten minutes, and \$5 a minute to any one who stands before him five minutes without being forced to acknowledge that he had been "bested" in the struggle.—New York Press.