

LUMBER!

To those who contemplate building, we wish to say that we have located a first-class lumber yard in the Stonewall Wagon Yard stand in Stamford, Texas, and will at all times carry a well selected stock of

LONG LEAF, YELLOW PINE LUMBER.

Cypress Shingles, Sash, Doors, Lime, Cement, Cedar Posts, Moulding, Etc.

when we will sell at the closest possible price consistent with business and fair dealings. In fact we will sell you lumber as cheap, or cheaper than you can get it any where else in this section of the west, and should you need anything in this line it will surely be to your interest to see us before buying.

WE ARE HERE TO STAY AND HERE TO SELL LUMBER!

We give you exactly what we sell you as to grade, and accord you the most courteous treatment in all dealings. Others may treat you to "stick to old love," but it is to your interest to see Burton-Lingo Co. before closing a deal of lumber. If once our customer, we have no fears of the future. Send us your plans by mail and have them figured by a practical mechanic. It cost nothing but a good will.

BURTON-LINGO CO.

M. V. KERLEY, Manager.

IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?

This question is answered by thousands of dollars paid to the Doctors every year. Then take the opportunity to live. If you have that tired feeling, or indigestion, Constipation, Rheumatism, or any blood diseases we will cure you with Dr. Thurmond's Blood Syrup, or it will cost you nothing.

We Guarantee to Cure CATARRH

In all its horrible forms with Dr. Thurmond's Catarrh Cure. For twenty years we have successfully treated Catarrh,—cured thousands,—and can cure you. Go to Jno. E. Robertson, Druggist, and talk to him about it, and if he don't endorse it, don't take it. Not only does he endorse it, but puts our money behind it, and if it doesn't do all we claim, he will refund your money. Write to our Dr. Thurmond, and your letter shall have his personal attention. All enquiries strictly confidential.

For Sale by JNO. E. ROBERTSON, Haskell, Texas.

Haskell Telephone Company.

Has Long Distance Connection with All Points, and Direct lines to the following local places.

Ample, Aspermont, Broach Ranch, Shinnery Lake, Marcy, Brazos River, McDaniel Ranch, Pinkerton, Cliff, Irby Ranch, Throckmorton, Stamford, Rayner, Orient, Gatlin, Munday, Seymour.

Local Exchanges at Haskell, Aspermont and Munday. Telegraph messages received and transmitted. J. F. POSEY, Manager, Haskell, Texas.

HASKELL MARKET and RESTAURANT.

M. L. LYNCH, Proprietor.

FRESH MEATS

Of All Kinds at Reasonable Prices.

Special attention will be given to those who patronize the Restaurant. The choicest of things to eat will be served.

John L. Robertson, President.

A. H. Day, Secretary.

WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT CO.,

—Office West of Court House—
Haskell, - - - Texas.

Do a General Real Estate Business.

MONEY to LOAN on REAL ESTATE

Make complete abstracts of titles. Land for sale in Haskell, Fisher and other western counties and on the plains. CORRESPONDENCE CHEERFULLY ANSWERED.

The Free Press and Dallas News \$1.75

PROFESSIONAL.

SANDERS, & WILSON.

Attorney at Law and Real Estate Agent...

All kinds of bonds furnished in first class Guaranty Company, at reasonable rates. We furnish abstracts of title to land in Haskell county; and loan money on ranches and farm lands, and take up and extend Vendor Lien notes. All buy Vendor Lien notes.

Office on second floor, in the Court House.
HASKELL, - - TEXAS.

FOSTER & JONES.

Law, Land and Live Stock.

A. C. FOSTER, ATT'Y AT LAW
J. L. JONES, Notary Public.
Haskell, Texas.

H. G. McCONNELL.

Attorney at Law.

Office in the Court House.
Haskell, Texas.

OSCAR E. OATES.

Attorney at Law.

Office over the Bank.
Haskell, Texas.

S. W. SCOTT.

Attorney at Law.

Offers Large List of Desirable Lands. Furnishes Abstracts of Title. Writes Insurance.....

All kinds of Bonds furnished in a Standard Guaranty Company at reasonable rates.....

Address: S. W. SCOTT,
Haskell, Texas.

JOE IRBY.

Stenographer.

Office at the Court House.
HASKELL, TEXAS.

J. E. LINDSEY, M. D.

Chronic Diseases.

Treatment of Consumption.....A SPECIALTY.
Office in Wriston Building,
Ablene, Texas.

E. E. GILBERT.

Physician and Surgeon.

Office North 814 Public Square,
Haskell, Texas.

DR. A. G. NEATHERY.

Physician and Surgeon.

Office Southwest Corner Square.
Office 'phone.....No. 50.
Dr. Neathery's Res.....No. 23.

S. L. POST.

Physician and Surgeon.

Makes a specialty of diseases of women and children, both surgical and medical.
Residence 'phone 37

I. O. O. F.—Haskell Lodge, No. 025.
W. E. SHERILL, N. G.
ED. ELLIS, V. G.
WALTER MEADORS, Sec'y
Lodge meets every Thursday night.

Elmwood Camp No. 24.
T. B. Russell, Com. Com.
Joe Irby, Clerk.
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.
Visiting sovereigns invited.

REGISTERED

JERSEY BULL

"SCHLEY of TEXAS."

Register No. 60,051

His service fee will be \$3.00 for season.

N. C. SMITH, HASKELL.

A CORRECTION.

In the premium list of the street fair as published last week the several premiums credited to Miss Elsie McCollum should have been credited to Miss Martha McCollum. Also, we have since learned that the premium on best collection of laces was awarded to Mrs. W. F. Rupe, viz: a half dozen large folder photographs by Mr. E. L. Adams.

Hold your furniture trade for McCollum & Cason's car load of furniture soon to arrive. They are going to make close prices on it.

Terrells Drug Store

HASKELL, TEXAS.

On November 1st, 1898,—six years ago—the Terrells opened their Drug Store for business in Haskell, under the control and management of Dr. C. L. Terrell, who has, during all this time, earnestly endeavored to give the people of Haskell county, and to all who have had business relations with us, a first-class, up-to-date, Drug Store service; and our continued success and progress in our business leads us to believe that our efforts have been appreciated. It has at all times been our aim and purpose to give our patrons the very best of everything, in the Drug and Medicine line at live and let live prices.

We appreciate the liberal patronage and trade that has been extended to us, and it is our purpose to conduct our business along progressive lines, to make our Store your Store,—a first-class medicine house for all the people. Terrells Drug Store is everybody's Drug Store. Come and see us. Respectfully,
C. L. TERRELL, M. D.
Manager.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HASKELL.
Taken up by W. A. Bowman and Estrayed before J. T. Knowles Justice of the peace Precinct No. 1, Haskell County: One bay horse about 12 years old 15 1/2 hands high, branded O7x on left hip. Also one black mare about 12 or 14 years old 14 1/2 hands high, not branded. Appraised at twenty dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 26th day of Oct., 1904.
[L. S.] C. D. LONG, Clerk,
County Court Haskell County.

Tax-payers Notice.

The tax rolls of Haskell county for the year 1904 have been certified to my office and I am now ready to receive payments of taxes. Deputy collector J. M. Johnson will be in the office at all times. J. W. BELL,
Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Best Liniment on Earth.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but I have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

I am back in the Jewelry Shop now, and will be pleased to serve the general public in repairing all kinds of watches, clocks and jewelry. Will also keep a stock of Seth Thomas clocks, Elgin watches, solid gold wedding rings, etc. W. H. PARSONS.

Our line of millinery is the largest and most up-to-date that has ever been displayed in Haskell. Come and see and you will be convinced. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Helpful Reading

Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of The Semi-Weekly News to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department

Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experience of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer

If you are not taking The Free Press you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you The Free Press and The Galveston or The Dallas Semi-Weekly News for twelve months. The News stops when your time is out.

To The Public.

Judge P. D. Sanders has bought the interest of Mr. Oscar Martin in the law and abstract business of Martin & Wilson, and formed a partnership with Mr. H. S. Wilson, and the business will be conducted in the firm name of Sanders & Wilson. We are prepared to do a general law and real estate business and make abstracts of title to land in Haskell county and procure loans on real estate. If you have land for sale come and list it with us and we will sell it. Or, if you entrust any other business to us we will give it strict and prompt attention.

Our office is on the second floor of the court house. Thanking our friends for patronage in the past, we respectfully solicit a continuation of your patronage in the future, and will use our best efforts to serve you faithfully and protect your interest.

Your for business,
SANDERS & WILSON.

NOTICE.

The firm of Martin & Wilson, Lawyers, Land agents and abstracters, has been dissolved by mutual consent of the partners.

Mr. Martin, the senior member, having sold his library and interest in the land and abstract business to Hon. P. D. Sanders, who has associated himself with Mr. Wilson.

OSCAR MARTIN,
H. S. WILSON.

Teachers' Institute.

A teachers' institute was organized at the court house Nov. 19, for the benefit of the teachers of Haskell county.

Prof. L. T. Cunningham was chairman of the meeting and the following officers were elected:

President, L. T. Cunningham; secretary, Miss Maude Isbell; treasurer, Miss Geneva McWhirter.

Judge O. E. Oates spoke encouraging words to the teachers and will give his assistance in every way possible to make the institute a success.

Quite a good many remarks were made in behalf of the teachers' work, and a program committee was appointed by the President. The institute was adjourned to meet at Pinkerton Dec. 17, at 9:30 o'clock. All teachers in the county are not only invited but urgently requested to attend and bring up the duties given them by the committee.

Patrons, trustees and friends are cordially invited to come and meet with the teachers, and thereby give their encouragement and attention to the school work of this county.

MAUDE ISBELL, Secretary.

Read This If You Owe Me.

Since selling out my drug store, it is very important that I close up my accounts; so look me up at once, and pay me or make satisfactory arrangements, not later than December 15. Gentlemen, this is a business proposition, so come up and do business. JNO. E. ROBERTSON.

PROGRAM.

1. Course of study for Haskell county schools, by Prof. L. T. Cunningham.
Discussion by Professors Whitaker and Gatling.

2. Supplementary work in third and fourth grades, by Miss Maud Isbell.
Discussion by Misses Bettie Herren and May Fields.

3. The methods of teaching history, by Prof. Johnson.
Discussion by Misses Cecl Tucker and Hazzie Hudson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4. The teaching of literature, by Mrs. L. T. Cunningham.
Discussion by Misses McWhirter and Neabitt.

5. Methods of teaching mathematics, by Prof. Stovall.
Discussion by Profs. Lewis and Holly and Miss Ella Hogue.

6. Organization and government of schools, by Mrs. R. W. Williams.
Discussion by Misses Jefferson and Anderson and Mrs. Eula York.

All teachers in Haskell county are requested to attend. Respectfully,
COMMITTEE.

Neuralgia Pains.

Rheumatism, lumbago and sciatic pains yield to the penetrating influence of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It penetrates to the nerves and bone and being absorbed into the blood, its healing properties are conveyed to every part of the body, and effect some wonderful cures. 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Money, Money, Money.

I am still in the money loaning business, and can procure loans for you on good land in Haskell, Knox or Baylor counties, or take up and extend vendors lien notes, in a short time, and at as little cost as any one. If you want a loan come and see me, or write me. Office on second floor of court house. P. D. SANDERS.
(47-51) Haskell, Texas.

NOTICE.

I have sold half interest in my butcher business to Mr. Booth English and it is necessary to close up all previous accounts. All parties owing me will please come forward and settle by the first of next month. This is no idle talk, it is business and must be attended to, so please don't put me to the trouble of having to hunt you up. Treat me as well as I have treated you by coming up with the pay when it is needed.
J. N. ELLIS.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said that he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and it cured him. That was six years ago. Since then we have always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds it has no equal." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Geo. P. Ide shirts; 75 cts to \$2.00 at Alexander Mercantile Co's store.

Only Makes a Bad Matter Worse.

Perhaps you have never thought of it but the fact must be apparent to every one that constipation is caused by a lack of water in the system, and the use of drastic cathartics like the old fashioned pills only makes a bad matter worse. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are much more mild and gentle in their effect, and when the proper dose is taken their action is so natural that one can hardly realize it is the effect of a medicine. Try a 25 cent bottle of them. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Pinkerton People Take Notice.

Messrs. W. L. Norton and W. A. Brown have entered into a partnership to do a mercantile business under the firm name of Norton & Brown and have engaged in the grocery business at Pinkerton.

They respectfully solicit the trade of the people of Pinkerton and surrounding country.

They are offering an entirely fresh stock of staple and fancy family groceries and will make prices as reasonable as can be had at any other place. Call in and see them.

CONSTIPATION.

Health is absolutely impossible, if constipation be present. Many serious cases of liver and kidney complaint have sprung from neglected constipation. Such a deplorable condition is unnecessary. There is a cure for it. Herbine will speedily remedy matters. C. A. Lindsay, P. M., Brouson, Fla., writes, Feb. 12 1902: "Having tried Herbine, I find it a fine medicine for constipation." 50c bottles. Sold by I. P. Collier.

You are cordially invited to make our store your headquarters during the Street Fair. We have some attractions on display—come and see them. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Not a Sick Day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved, and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of rheumatism, neuralgia, liver and kidney troubles and general debility." This is what B. F. Baas, of Fremont, N. C., writes. Only 50c, at all druggists.

The cheapest and best you ever saw for the price—those new shirts at the Racket Store.

The Best Liniment.

"Chamberlain's Pain Balm is considered the best liniment on the market," write Post & Bliss, of Georgia, Vt. No other liniment will heal a cut or bruise so promptly. No other affords such quick relief from rheumatic pains. No other is so valuable for deep seated pains like lame back and pains in the chest. Give this liniment a trial and you will never wish to be without it. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

A. Frasb, a German farmer of Falls County, dropped dead while gathering corn in the field a few days since.

Severe earthquake shocks were felt Friday in central Italy, especially at Florence, Pisa and Urbino. No damage was done.

The county Commissioners of Navarro County have changed the date for holding the prohibition election from Dec. 13 to Dec. 16.

The last installment of the \$4,000,000 loan made to the World's Fair has been paid into the United States treasury by the Exposition officials.

John A. Conly, a pioneer in the button manufacturing business in the West, is dead at his residence in Chicago, from a stroke of apoplexy.

Mrs. Hattie Chauncey of Dallas, was seriously burned by gasoline which caught fire while she was cleaning some hair switches with it, Friday afternoon.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri is one of those mentioned as a cabinet possibility in the event that the President decides to go into the heretofore solid South for material.

The southbound passenger train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway struck and killed the little son of Joe Morgan, two miles west of Roysce City, Wednesday afternoon.

James P. Gillespie of Ellis County, who has lately been employed in the general land office at Austin, has resigned to accept the position of private secretary to Congressman Beall.

It is stated that Col. Cecil Lyon has a letter from President Roosevelt renewing his promise to visit Texas and naming a date about December first. The story is not generally credited.

Four-year-old Marie Martinez, at San Antonio, while at play stepped on a match, which set fire to her clothes, burning her so badly that after forty-eight hours intense suffering she died.

Probably the largest potato ever raised by Texas was raised by Sam Nicholson of Joshua, Johnson County. It weighs 6 3/4 pounds and is one foot long and about eight inches in circumference.

Miss Nellie Jaynes was seriously injured at Alvarado, Friday, in a runaway accident. She with several other young ladies were out horseback riding when her horse ran away and threw and dragged her about fifty yards by her foot.

The work of securing deeds to the right of way for the McKinney Interurban electric road is progressing at a satisfactory rate. After this is finished the work of construction will begin.

Announcement is made of the completion of the fund of \$600,000 for the erection of a National monument to the late President McKinley. The National trustees of the association will meet and adopt a design for the monument soon.

The North American Land and Lumber Company of Lake Charles, which owns several hundred thousand acres of land in that parish, announce they will run an experimental farm next year to teach settlers how to raise small fruit and vegetables for market.

A company with \$25,000,000 capital stock will build an oriental city just south of San Francisco, and will place the present Chinatown on the resident portion of the city.

John B. Hecksher, secretary of the National Horse Show Association of America, and father-in-law of Mayor McClellan, was trampled upon by a pair of horses at the Madison Square Garden horse show, and it is feared that his injuries may prove fatal.

The Call says Champion James Jeffries will meet Jack Jackson, the negro pugilist, in the ring next March. It claims that the men have signed up and agreed upon the terms under which the battle will be fought.

Captain Peter Maytubby of near Caddo, I. T., states that he has perfected arrangements to commence boring for oil and gas on his allotment. Captain Maytubby is the owner of the Maytubby Springs and it is near this resort that the first well will be bored.

Commissioner of Pensions Ware has presented his resignation to the President, to take effect Jan. 1. He will return to his home in Kansas and resume his law practice. There is no intimation as to who will succeed him.

Eleven Japanese and six Chinese who arrived at San Francisco recently on the Steamer Manchuria, have been denied a landing by the United States immigrant bureau because they are afflicted with trachoma, a contagious disease of the eyelids.

Bryan Now a Reorganizer.

The Silver Apostle Commences an Early Campaign on His Own Initiative. Conference Called.

Washington, Nov. 21.—William Jennings Bryan has begun his active campaign for regaining control of the democratic organization. Autograph letters to approximately twenty leading Democrats have recently gone out from Lincoln. In these letters Mr. Bryan suggested the advisability of an early meeting for counsel and exchange of views on the political situation. He stated that no definite day was in his mind, but asked his correspondents to recommend a time for meeting that would be convenient.

The roster of Mr. Bryan's twenty leading democrats is not fully known. There are good reasons for believing that Judge Parker was not included.

A DOZEN LIVES LOST IN TENEMENT FIRE.

New York, Nov. 21.—Smothered before they could reach the fire escape in a burning tenement building at 185 Troutman street, in the Williamsburg district of Brooklyn, twelve persons met death shortly before 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

Two entire families, those of Marano Triolo and Charles Polognio, are wiped out, the last living member of each being now in a hospital, with no hope of their recovery. They are Charles Polognio, 33 years old, and Tony Triolo, 13 years old, both of whom are terribly burned. Although, in the opinion of the coroner, all of the dead were suffocated the bodies were badly burned before they could be taken from the building by firemen.

The burned building was in the center of a row of three story tenements extending the length of the block and were occupied by Italians. The fire is supposed to have started in the cellar of the grocery store of Antonio Giambalvo on the ground floor. The cellar was stored with inflammables and the flames spread rapidly. All of the occupants were asleep at the time and there was considerable delay in sending in the fire alarm. The Giambalvos family lived in the rear of the store and succeeded in getting out of the building, but before the occupants of the two other floors were aroused their escape had been cut off. Before the firemen arrived the fire had spread to the adjoining tenements, but the occupants had sufficient warning and all escaped.

FORT WORTH MUST GET REAL GOOD NOW

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 21.—From all appearances Fort Worth was closed tight Sunday; that is to say, none of the saloons were open.

Saturday night County Attorney McLean strated home at about 10 o'clock in company with Sheriff Honea. They had walked down Main Street and were attracted by lights in a place where it was supposed gambling had been carried on. The two officers made their way into the place. Their presence created a stampede. A sack of money to the amount of over \$325 was taken charge of by Mr. McLean. Three complaints charging exhibiting were made yesterday. On Jennings Avenue another place was raided and five arrests made.

"I had no intention of participating in any raid on the gambling houses when I started home Saturday night," said Mr. McLean Sunday afternoon, "but as Sheriff Honea and myself walked down Main Street we saw incontrovertible evidences of gambling and we immediately wended our way to the resort.

"The owners of the money can get it by claiming it and proving ownership. We are going to prosecute the men who were exhibiting and I am going to ask the jury to send them to the county jail. If the juries will back me up we will stop gambling, and that very quick. As a matter of fact I bet that the gambling has about closed already. Last night a thorough examination showed that there were only two places open.

"My information is that there have been between twenty and twenty-five running. How many gamblers and men who work in the places are there?"

Farmers Fixed Financially.

Temple: The report of the condition of the three national banks of Temple show that the combined deposits of the three institutions amount to \$1,241,569. Never before have the banks contained so much cash. Of the total amount one bank alone has deposits of \$668,310. Bankers say that this money is owned in a fair proportion by farmers and they are not borrowing money this year as a consequence.

Fighting at Port Arthur Resumed.

Chefoo, Nov. 21.—The general attack on Port Arthur was resumed Nov. 18 or 19, according to the report of persons arriving from Dalny. They say that the Japanese are so secretive that it is difficult in Dalny to learn the true facts. Even the officers detailed to work at the base do not know what their comrades at the front are doing. Nov. 16 as peculiarly heavy explosion thought to be a magazine shock every ship lying at Dalny.

On the Biggest Farm.

Guthrie, Ok.: Joe Miller, manager of the 101 ranch in Northern Oklahoma, the biggest farm in the world, stated a few days since that they have 9,000 acres sown to wheat, most of which is not yet sprouted, but which the recent snows will germinate all right. Wheat sown last year on Nov. 20, he says, did as well as that sown in September, and all that is necessary is for the wheat to take root during the winter.

Neither were several other prominent New York Democrats who figured as Parker's chief supporters in the recent disastrous campaign. Representative Hearst, now said to be grooming again for the nomination for President in 1908, has been written to.

Whether Mr. Bryan has addressed himself to Southern leaders is not known here. As he is known to be very desirous of winning over again to his standard and his leadership the only States that voted for Parker there can be little doubt that a few Southern men have been invited to convene with him. It is considered probable that the South will decline his invitation.

ter of a row of three story tenements extending the length of the block and were occupied by Italians. The fire is supposed to have started in the cellar of the grocery store of Antonio Giambalvo on the ground floor. The cellar was stored with inflammables and the flames spread rapidly. All of the occupants were asleep at the time and there was considerable delay in sending in the fire alarm. The Giambalvos family lived in the rear of the store and succeeded in getting out of the building, but before the occupants of the two other floors were aroused their escape had been cut off. Before the firemen arrived the fire had spread to the adjoining tenements, but the occupants had sufficient warning and all escaped.

Well, I should say in the neighborhood of about 300, but I am informed that they are getting their clothes together and leaving town.

"What will be my policy on the pool rooms? They will have to close their places of business, commission or no commission. It's against the law, according to my construction, to run on the commission basis, and I am going to let a jury pass on the cases if they are not closed immediately. I am not going to stop there. I am going after the owners of property who are renting to violators of the law.

"What about the sale of lottery tickets? Well, I am going after those who sell them, too. I am informed that lottery tickets are being sold on the streets of Fort Worth. Of course we can do no more than to fine those who are selling them, but if I can get the evidence I will put them out of business, too."

Fire at the World's Fair.

St. Louis: The Missouri State building was destroyed by fire Saturday evening, resulting from the explosion of a hot water heater in the basement. The flames shot up through the rotunda and the north wing and cupola were a mass of flames within ten minutes after the explosion. The principal loss is the contents of the building. The building's cost was \$145,000 and in the building were \$75,000 worth of furnishings, the most valuable of which were portraits of all former Missouri Governors and Supreme Judges.

A street carnival is being arranged for Rockdale, to come off Nov. 28 to Dec. 3.

Coming to Texas.

Washington: President Roosevelt according to his present intentions will visit Fort Worth, Tex., in the spring on the occasion of the reunion of the First Volunteer Cavalry (Rough Riders). He has given assurance that unless something unforeseen happens he will make the trip. With the possible exception of an address to his comrades, it is stated the president will make no speeches going or returning.

Killed Going to a Funeral.

Paris: Mrs. Neal, a widow 60 years old, who lived near Vasco, Delta county, was thrown from a wagon and killed Saturday. She and several others were in the wagon going to a neighbor's funeral. She was seated in a chair in the rear. The team started to run away and the sudden jerk tilted the chair backward in which she was seated, throwing her out. She was picked up still alive, but died in fifteen minutes.

Killed by an Explosion.

Chandler, Ok.: While blasting in constructing the waterworks system here, a flying piece of rock Saturday night fell into a box containing 100 pounds of dynamite and an explosion followed which shook the earth for miles. Mrs. Philip Hoffeld, although several hundred feet distant, was fatally injured, and numerous persons were slightly injured. Hundreds of window panes were shattered.

WAR NEWS NIL

Reconnaissance About All That is Going On.

Berlin, Nov. 22.—A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from Mukden, under yesterday's date, says:

The reconnaissance flights have assumed a more violent character during the last few days. Particularly hot was the fighting on Poutloff (Lone Tree) Hill, where the Japanese were repulsed with the loss of over 100 killed. All signs indicate that great events are imminent. The read to Sibirimintin, owing to the excellent patrol service, is quite safe from Chinese bandits, thus guaranteeing unhindered communication with Tien Tsin and establishing a second line of intercourse with the outside world.

The health of the troops is excellent. The Russians admire the clean lines, perfect order and equipment of the Japanese. One does not see any trace of race hatred. It is a fact that the Japanese, through French intermediation, restore all valuables found on dead Russians. This has made a deep impression here and is reciprocated.

Since the Japanese failed in the attack which they made on Poutloff Hill November 18, the old order of affairs has been resumed. There are frequent skirmishes, particularly in the vicinity of the Russian center. There was an exchange of artillery fire during the greater part of November 20.

It is reported that the affair November 18 was reconnaissance in force and that if it had been successful it was to be followed by a general attack. The Japanese got within thirty paces of the Russian out positions before being driven back. They left over a hundred dead on the field.

The Russian soldiers are quite comfortable in their dugouts. The weather continues extremely cold, the temperature recording 32 degrees of frost. The frost is accompanied by high winds, which carry clouds of dust.

Two Men Shot to Death.

Ardmore: City Marshall L. C. Hughes and Bud Works, both of Mill Creek, are dead on account of bad whisky on Work's part and an attempt of Hughes to arrest Works. Sunday morning Hughes, with the United States marshal and a posse followed Works out of town to arrest him, when an engagement took place and Posseman Will Elliott killed Hughes, said to be accidental. Works was also shot and died Sunday night from his wounds.

German Blockade Runner.

Tokio, Nov. 22.—The navy department reports the capture of the German steamer Batelan while attempting to run the Port Arthur blockade. The department says that at 3 a. m. November 19 the Japanese squadron cruising off Yental sighted a vessel steaming for Port Arthur. The gunboat Tatsuta pursued and overtook the steamer at 5 in the morning. On board the vessel was found a great quantity of winter clothing, blankets, medicine and corned beef.

Peacemaker Kills Belligerent.

Hillsboro: Charlie Bradford, a negro, was brought in from Malone Monday apparently mortally wounded. As reported by the officers, he and his wife were in a row and a white man attempted to quiet them, the negro started to shoot at him with a shotgun. Thereupon the white man shot Bradford in the head with a pistol. He was released on bond of \$200. The negro was brought here for medical attention.

Pumping for Silver Coin.

Oakwoods: The Harding Pumping Company has been pumping twelve days and nights throwing out 2,000 gallons of water per minute, and has lowered the lake thirty-six inches. They brought to Oakwoods about one thousand pounds of white perch which readily sold for 7c per pound. The lake is being pumped to recover a big wagon load of Spanish silver said to have been lost in it during the early days of Texas.

Fire at Thorndale.

Thorndale: The one-story brick building owned by Walter Lane and occupied by S. J. Wilson & Son as dry goods and grocery store, and the one-story frame owned and occupied by Lehman & Son as harness and saddle store, were destroyed by fire Monday. Loss on Lane building \$3,500, insured for \$2,000; Wilson & Son, stock \$5,000, insured for \$3,000; Lehman & Son, building \$750, total loss, stock partial loss, no insurance on stock or building.

James H. Admire Found Dead

Fort Worth: James H. Admire, a union veteran and old newspaper man and printer, was found dead in bed Monday afternoon. The deceased came here from the Territory about one week ago. He has a daughter, an actress, on the stage in Buffalo, N. Y., and a brother, who lives at Kingfisher, O. T. The justice held the inquest and a verdict that the deceased came to his death from natural causes was rendered.

PEACE CONFERENCE A GO.

Mexico, Sweden and Italy Among Recent Replies.

Washington, Nov. 22.—One by one the Powers are lining up in hearty support of President Roosevelt's suggestion that another session of The Hague tribunal be convened to complete the work outlined by the first peace congress. Secretary Hay yesterday received cordial acceptances from Sweden and Mexico. The Swedish Government expresses its gratitude to Roosevelt for calling the matter to the attention of the Powers, heartily accepts the invitation and expresses the opinion that one of the most important subjects which the court should consider is the effect of war on the rights of neutrals and a definition of contraband of war.

The official answer of Russia has not yet been received.

Mexico's acceptance is cordial. The Giornale d'Italia asserts the Italian Government to-day sent off a favorable reply to President Roosevelt's invitation to a reconvening of The Hague conference, though reserving assent as to date and details of the program of the conference.

Texas Midland Shops Burn.

Terrell: The Texas Midland shops were destroyed by fire Monday morning at 3:30 o'clock. The fire started in the machine shops and spread to the car shed and paint shops, completely destroying all three buildings. Two engines that were in the shops for repairs were damaged about \$900. One coach, the Commerce car, used in the regular passenger trains; one parlor car, one baggage car and three freight cars, together with the tools and machinery in the buildings, were burned.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but is thought to have been in the air compressor machine located in the machine shops. The night watchman passed through the building a short while before the fire was discovered, but saw no sign of fire. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

The Commercial Club and citizens of Terrell held a public meeting Monday afternoon to take steps toward expressing sympathy to Mr. Green and offering such assistance toward the rebuilding of the shops as the exigencies of the calamity suggests.

Will Test Half-Fare Law.

Austin: The clerk of the Supreme Court has been notified that the plaintiff in error have appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of San Antonio Traction Company vs. George A. Altgelt. This is the case involving the constitutionality of the Texas statute providing that street car companies in cities over a certain population must charge half fare for students and school children. The Texas courts upheld the validity of the law, but the company will continue the attack in the highest court.

Uxoricide Must Hang.

Corpus Christi: Judge Welch sentenced Apollinarice Hernandez to be hanged Friday, Dec. 23, for murdering his wife. The crime was committed Feb. 10 in this county, about twenty miles from Corpus Christi. Hernandez was convicted at the last term of court and his case appealed, but the decision of the trial court was sustained. He shot his wife in the breast because she refused to live longer with him owing to cruel treatment.

The First Methodist Church at McKinney, dedicated a very fine new building Sunday.

Victim of Coal Oil Can.

Austin: Mrs. O. J. Schwartz, aged 18 years, a bride of only two weeks, was burned to death Sunday at the family residence at Oak Hill, a village in this county, on the Fredericksburg road, the result of the explosion of a kerosene can filled with oil. She died in terrible agony and her husband, Otto Schwartz, is distracted with grief. It was the old story of lighting a fire with kerosene.

Lindale Loses a Block.

Tyler: Lindale, this county, was visited by a ten thousand dollar fire Sunday night at 12 o'clock. The fire originated in a restaurant where a crowd was drinking and smoking. The Lindale Reporter office and seven other frame buildings, constituting a block, were burned. The T. J. Odon grocery, the postoffice and Hallis & Morris are the heavier losers. Odon was the only one carrying insurance.

Decrease of Crime.

Austin: From the records of Jailer John Meredith of the Travis county prison, crime in this county is apparently on the decline. There are now only twenty-four prisoners confined in the county jail, most of whom are for minor offenses. This is the smallest number in the history of Travis county. It is thought work on the public roads has had a good influence.

THE PILLS THAT CURE RHEUMATISM

Mrs. Henry Story, of No. 532 Muskingum Ave., Zanesville, Ohio, says: "My husband suffered from rheumatism so that he could hardly stand. His back hurt and he had such pain in his left arm that he could not rest night or day. The doctor did him no good and it was not until he tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that he was helped. Six boxes cured him completely and he has not had an ache or a pain since. We think the pills are the best medicine in the world."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People

cure rheumatism because they make new blood. It would be folly not to try a remedy with such a convincing record of cures.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

If Cupid ever grows up and gets married he'll probably see the error of his ways and quit acting as a matrimonial agent.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 3/4 pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

The quickest way to get into Paradise is to open the doors of your own heart.

WORLD'S FAIR. For low rates to the World's Fair via the Texas and Pacific Railway ask any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas.

An old bachelor says it is impossible to keep women away from weddings. Of course it is otherwise there wouldn't be any weddings.

Save Your Lungs. Don't neglect that cough. One pair of lungs is all you'll ever have—treat them well. Simmons' Cough Syrup will soothe and strengthen them, stop the cough and give you a chance to sleep in peace.

Electric Road Easily Run. Germany possesses a miniature but most useful railway, to which no parallel is found in this country. Its peculiarity is that its trains have no drivers. It is used for carrying salt from the salt mines at Staassfurt. The trains consist of thirty trucks, each carrying half a ton of salt. The engines are electric, of twenty-four horse power each. As it approaches a station, of which there are five along the line, the train automatically rings a bell and the station attendant turns a stop it at any moment. To start it again he stands on the locomotive, switches the current and then descends again before the engine has gained speed.

Insist on Getting It. Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money. Do you want 16 oz. instead of 13 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

The homelier a girl is the more help she is to her mother.

The man who talks loudest on a street corner is apt to be dumb as an oyster when at home.

The humblest believer enjoys his belief; but the man always saying, "Now, that depends" enjoys nothing.

Never doubt a girl's word when she says she can't sing. It's ten to one she is telling the truth.

A woman has no business to get hurried until she can wash flannels to they won't shrink.

Let us forget, again we say, Cheatham's Laxative Tablets are guaranteed to cure colds.

Vacation time is when we all expect and hope to have a chance to be just a little bad after a whole year of being good.

W. N. U. DALLAS NO. 48-1906 BEGG'S CHERRY COUGH SYRUP cures coughs and colds.

Status of War Unchanged Fighting Mostly by Wire

St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.—Rejoicing over the undaunted spirit displayed by Gen. Stoessel in his telegram of congratulation to Emperor Nicholas on the anniversary of his ascension to the throne and officially announcing the failure of Gen. Nigi's nine-day attempt to present Port Arthur to the Mikado as a birthday gift is tempered by private information that the gallant commander of the garrison has been wounded.

Gen. Stoessel was struck in the head by a splinter from a shell while he was personally directing the repulse of a particularly desperate assault, but fortunately the wound is not serious and Gen. Stoessel has not been obliged to relinquish command. Gen. Stoessel is regarded as the heart and soul of the defense and his death or disability which would cause him to relinquish command would be regarded as an irremediable misfortune.

Other information sent by Gen. Stoessel which has not been divulged for strategic reasons, it is stated by the War Office, is by no means unfavorable.

Chefoo: Fighting at Port Arthur has taken place nightly since the Japanese began their general assault on Oct. 26, according to Capt. Ronberg, a pilot who was a passenger on the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Zestoropy.

The Japanese trenches, the captain says, are closest to the forts on the Rimlyung and Keekwan Mountains and to other forts on the northeastern group. The sharpshooters of both sides occupying the pits converse with each other and frequently make individual truces in order to borrow cigarettes or to relieve their cramped limbs. The Japanese are displaying general economy in the construction of trenches and the mounting of guns.

All of the railroad steamers belonging to the Russians, except the steel screw transport Amur, have been sunk by Japanese shells. The hospital ship Angora, formerly a transport, has been sunk in shallow water. The patients are still on the ship and are comfortable. The Japanese shells directed against the harbor are fired with remarkable accuracy.

Berlin: The Lokal Anzeiger prints a dispatch from Mukden saying:

It is confirmed from various quarters that the Japanese have double-tracked the railroad from Port Dalny to Liao Yang. Thirty trains are running daily.

The Chinese General, Ma, has received reinforcements again and has installed further Japanese military instructors. The Russians regard him with deep suspicion and are keeping a sharp watch on his actions.

The news of the revolt of the reserves in European Russia makes a deep impression. The army newspaper says that people who will betray their country in the hour of need are not worthy to bear the Russian name.

Mukden, Nov. 17, via Pekin.—If there is to be any activity at the front in the near future it is apparent that the initiative must be taken by the Japanese. It is reported that the Japanese are concentrating strong forces on their left and center. Unquestionably they must be assured of speedy success before attacking, as it will be impossible for their armies to remain in the field without shelter, owing to the bitterly cold nights.

Parker Goes to New York.
New York: Ex-Judge Alton B. Parker, recent Democratic candidate for president, opened a law office in the building at 32 Liberty street in this city Wednesday. At the same time he announced that he had become a resident of this city, and that Mrs. Parker would join him here and they would at once secure a home in the city. He said he had not entered into partnership with anyone and would practice law alone.

Took Leg Bail.
Texarkana: Five prisoners, all negroes, escaped from the new Miller County jail Tuesday night some time between 11 o'clock and daylight. They were all confined in one cell, one of the saw and chisel-pry of kind, and were only able to get out by forcing the door, bending back the brass bolt of the lock by the use of a number of strong steel bars which, in some unknown way, they were able to secure.

Permanent Camp Meeting Ground.
McKinney: A committee has been appointed by the White Grove Methodist Church, four miles southwest of McKinney, to arrange for the building of a tabernacle 50x50 feet and for a permanent camp ground, and make other necessary improvements annual camp meetings, beginning second Sunday in August each year. The first camp meeting was held last August and was a great success.

Dan Patch at Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City: Amid the greatest excitement and wildest confusion Dan Patch, the world's greatest pacer broke the world's record for a mile over a half-mile track at Colcord Park Thursday afternoon before an audience of 7,000 people. He clipped a quarter of a second off the record made at Birmingham, Ala., one year ago, when he paced a mile in 2:03.4. The time was 2:03 flat, and but for a break at the three-quarters would have made the mile in 2:02.

Waters-Pierce Competition.

City of Mexico: If the present plans of the J. M. Guffey Oil Company of Beaumont, Texas, materialize, early next year the Waters-Pierce Oil Company will have a competitor in the field. J. D. James, representing the Guffey Company, is in Mexico investigating conditions and if he reports favorably, his syndicate will enter Mexican territory and dispute the old company's control, even to the extent of \$25,000,000.

For Cleaner Elections.

Beaumont: Hon. George Carroll, a prominent reformer announced Tuesday that the recent county election will be contested on account of irregularities in wards one and two. The object is not to displace officers declared elected, but to punish violators of election laws and insure clean elections hereafter. He says he has evidence sufficient to throw out the boxes in the wards named.

Three Killed; Nine Injured.

Detroit, Mich.: In a rear end passenger train collision at Elmdate on the Pere Marquette road, three persons were killed and nine or more passengers and trainmen were injured. The mangled body of a colored man was dug out of the wreck. It is supposed to be the body of the porter, though it is so badly mangled as to make identification difficult.

Head Almost Severed.

Bryan: Will Price, a young negro man, was murdered Wednesday night at his home near Harvey. Price was living alone and when found in the morning he was lying on the floor with his head almost severed from his body and a deep scalp wound in his head, both made with an ax. A bloody sult was found near the house, but further than this there is no clew and no arrests have been made.

Pro Bono Publico

Brooklyn N. Y.: To the Associated Press: Will you kindly do me the great favor to most emphatically contradict any and all statements to the effect that I intend to make a public appearance on the stage or the lecture platform? Permit me to add that in no instance has there been the slightest ground for such a report. Very truly yours.—Florence Elizabeth Maybrick.

Four Were Killed.

Toronto: A street car with a trailer attached got beyond control of the motorman and crashed through the guard gates at the Queen street station crossing of the Grand Trunk Railway Thursday night. A Montreal train struck the forward car, grinding it to splinters. Every passenger on the street car was injured, two dying soon after being taken from the wreckage and two at the hospital.

Spring Carnival Proposed.

Fort Worth: A meeting has been called by D. T. Bomar, president of the Board of Trade, to consider the proposition to have a spring carnival in connection with the fat stock show here in March during the cattlemen's convention. The railways, Northern Texas Traction Company, the City Government, the Board of Trade, the labor unions, the newspapers and the live stock exchanges are expected to participate.

Root Rot Specialist.

Terrell: Prof. George E. Miles, specialist on root rot in the cotton plant, has just returned from a trip to Paris, where he has arranged to experiment on about sixty acres of land next year. He has also secured several acres near Terrell on which experiments will be made next season in exterminating the root rot, now so prevalent in cotton in many sections of the State.

To Advertise for Plans.

Dallas: At a meeting of the public building and grounds committee and representatives of the Fair Association it was decided to advertise for bids and plans specifications for the erection of the Fair Grounds exposition building and auditorium. A plan of the Belgium building located at the World's Fair Grounds in St. Louis was submitted to the joint committee, but its purchase was considered inadvisable.

WEALTHY WOMAN LEAVES CHURCH SHE BENEFITED

The Marquise des Monstiers Merinville, formerly Miss M. G. Caldwell, who, it will be remembered, founded the Roman Catholic university at Washington some years ago, has repudiated her former creed and left the Roman Catholic church.

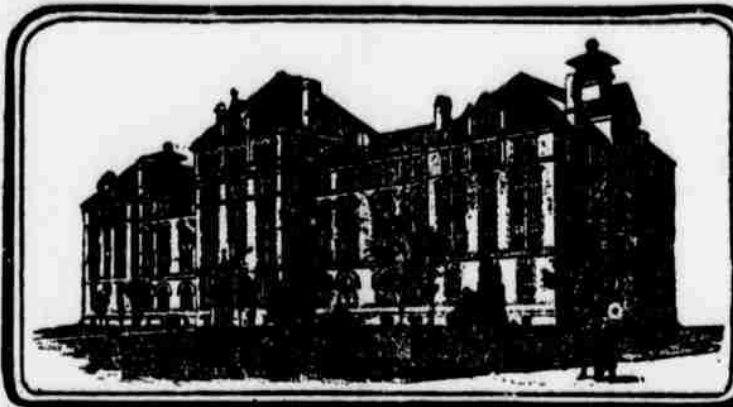
It will be remembered that the marquise des Monstiers Merinville and her sister, the Baroness von Zeedwitz, are the daughters of the late William S. Caldwell and his wife, who was a Breckinridge of Kentucky. Shortly before his death Mr. Caldwell became a convert to Roman Catholicism and left his children to the care of Roman Catholics in New York, whom his wife had met in church circles.

The younger sister married some fifteen years ago a German nobleman.

her mother's death inherited \$500,000 more.

After graduating from a convent she and her sister, the present Baroness von Zeedwitz, went abroad to travel with their aunt.

On their return to America, Gwendolin went to Louisville, Ky., rented an entire floor of the Galt house, and prepared to entertain in a manner new to the people of that place. Her first public appearance was at the opening night of Mary Anderson. After the play she entertained half of Louisville in her apartments. The newspapers the next morning printed columns of not too friendly comment on the appearance of the heiress and especially of her imported gown. It was low cut and Miss Caldwell objected to the manner in which it was



Main Building Roman Catholic University.

a Lutheran, and since then also has left the Roman Catholic communion. The elder has been in bad health for some years.

Prominent members of the Roman Catholic clergy in Washington expressed their surprise at the announcement that the Marquise des Monstiers, formerly Miss M. G. Caldwell, and the founder of the Catholic university at Washington had renounced the Catholic faith. In fact, they were loath to believe she had formed such a determination.

Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, when asked if he could assign any reason for the Marquise des Monstiers' action, he answered that he could not; that he knew her only as a good Roman Catholic, and until the announcement was made had given no thought otherwise. "It is all a mystery to me," he said.

One official of the Roman Catholic church attributed as a possible cause, taking the story to be correct, the notoriety which the university gained by the failure of Thomas E. Waggoner, its treasurer, by which the university suffered considerable financial loss.

Member of Kentucky Family.

Mary Gwendolin Caldwell is a Kentucky beauty and heiress, her mother



MARQUISE DES MONSTIERS MERINVILLE

being one of the famous Breckinridge family of the blue grass state. When a little girl she inherited from her father a fortune of \$2,000,000, and at

Girl Students Celebrated Election.

The girls of Wilson college, Chambersburg, Pa., celebrated the recent national election. There were torchlight processions of both republican and democratic students, the burning of red fire and the display of transparencies. The paraders marched to a gymnasium hall, where Miss Helen Paret, an Ohio girl, represented President Roosevelt and Miss Ethel Ball, a daughter of Judge Ball of Wilmington, impersonated Judge Parker. Miss Mary Schultz was Charles W. Fairbanks and Miss Clara Lee of Philadelphia Henry G. Davis.

Regretted Voting So Soon.

Representative Dalton, of West Virginia, says that on election day a friend of his met a darky coming from the polls at one of the precincts and asked: "Well, Sam, what are they voting for down there?" "Mars Thomas," answered the negro, "dis mornin' dey wuz votin' for two dollars an' er half, but I don't know what dey is votin' for now. I spects dat I voted too soon, Mars Thomas."

Too Busy to See Pyramids.

The Westminster Gazette reports the case of an English officer who was stationed for two years at Cairo and who never took the trouble to go out to look at the pyramids. In explaining his failure to see those landmarks of progress he said: "What with polo and parties and bridge and cricket I never had a minute to myself."

described. She returned to New York the next day.

Soon after reaching her majority, Miss Caldwell, through her guardian, Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, announced to the Catholic hierarchy her intention of endowing the Catholic university, and a council was held to consider her offer.

Such a project long had been considered, but sufficient funds had never been provided. Miss Caldwell donated the eighty-eight acres on the edge of Washington, erected three of the largest buildings, including Caldwell hall, which is the largest of the present group, and provided for the maintenance of the university for three years. Her sister, the Baroness von Zeedwitz, gave Caldwell chapel to the university.

For this service Pope Leo XIII. bestowed upon Gwendolin Caldwell a diamond-studded medal, which he had struck especially for her, and also conferred the decoration of the Order of the Rose, which distinction no other woman ever has held.

The young heiress went to Italy in 1887, and there met Prince Murat, who was thirty-three years the senior of Miss Caldwell, and deeply in debt. He was the grandson of Murat, king of Naples, and of Caroline, sister of Napoleon I.

After their engagement was announced preparations for a regal wedding were made, a trousseau fit for a queen secured, and the day for the ceremony set.

The day before the marriage the prince and his legal representative and Miss Caldwell and her attorneys met to arrange the antenuptial contract. The prince insisted upon the control of the fortune. Miss Caldwell refused this. Then he offered to take half of it. This the American girl refused, saying that she had intended settling \$25,000 a year upon her husband. The prince wanted more. Miss Caldwell at once broke the engagement and returned to America.

Miss Caldwell, in 1892, announced her engagement to the Marquis de Monstiers-Merinville. It was said to be a love match. She was married on October 19 of that year, the ceremony being performed by Bishop Spalding. After her marriage the marquise went to Paris to live and her entertainments were notable there. She spent much of her time in charitable labors. Her health began to fail two years ago. Since then she has led the life of a recluse.

Gave Himself Away.

Prof. Ladd, instructor in psychology at Yale, while lecturing before the members of the senior class a short time ago, unconsciously "gave himself away" in this fashion: "Now, let me illustrate that point. One day a celebrated psychologist, a world-renowned psychologist, I might say, was walking down street when I met a little girl, and said to her—" What the professor said was drawn in the outburst of laughter from the students.

Woman Master of Foxhounds.

Many women in the British islands hunt their own harriers, but only one, Miss Edith Somerville, is M. F. H. (master of foxhounds when the title is borne by a man). Miss Somerville's home is in Ireland, the O'Donovan being the honorary secretary. In addition to being a noted sports-woman, she is a successful novelist, some of her books taking high rank among the humorous works of the past few years.

Gymnasium on Liner.

On the new North German Lloyd liner Prinz Eitel Friedrich, which leaves Southampton for China and Japan, is a gymnasium, twenty-five feet long, twenty-one feet wide and fifteen feet high. It contains machines for rowing, swimming and cycling, machines that will exercise every muscle in the body, and two Swedish electrical health machines.

PEACE JUBILEE IN 1915.

Chattanooga Proposes Holding a Great World's Fair.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 19.—Yesterday the first announcement was made of a formal movement to hold in this city in 1915 a world's fair, to be known as the Semi-Centennial Peace Jubilee Exposition, commemorating the end of the Civil War. It is learned that assurances of aid from the Government and various organizations have been received. The following address, explaining the nature of the exposition, has been issued:

"From 1861 to 1865 there was in the United States the greatest civil war the world has ever seen. Peace between the States was established on April 9, 1865. The year 1915 will be the semi-centennial anniversary of that event. It is customary to celebrate important periods in our history by holding exhibitions, which demonstrate the progress that has been made. Great exhibitions of this kind were held in Chicago in 1893 and in St. Louis in 1904, eleven years apart. Eleven years more will bring us to 1915, the year of our semi-centennial peace anniversary.

"Chattanooga is the geographical center of the scenes of the Civil War. It was the most strategic point and is immediately surrounded by some of the greatest battlefields of that war. With the great National interest which centers here, the United States Government would no doubt contribute generously to its support. It has had for years in contemplation the erection of a peace memorial arch in Chattanooga, which is to surpass anything of the kind in the world. This could be finished and dedicated in 1915.

"Therefore let us have in Chattanooga in the year 1915 a semi-centennial peace jubilee exposition, to which the world shall be invited."

Getting Busy Again.

New York: A revival of business on the railroads has, according to statistics gathered by the Herald, resulted within the last six weeks in the re-employment of more than 20,000 men dropped from the payrolls during a period of a few months sending with June 1 last. The Pennsylvania Company is estimated to have taken back 11,000 men; the New York Central has restored 6,000 more; the Reading System in the neighborhood of 2,000 and the independent lines as many more.

Strange Double Life.

Peoria, Ill.: Death has revealed an extraordinary case of double life led by Dr. T. C. Conklin, a prominent physician of Farmington, who died on Nov. 8. Thursday the wife with whom he was living at the time of his death went to Lewiston, Fulton County, to have herself appointed administratrix of his estate. She was horrified to find the records showed that many years ago her husband had been married to a Miss Steel, and that the first wife, together with four children, the result of the union, were still alive. The wife lives in this city. Two sons, Frank and Bert Conklin, live in Peoria, and one daughter, Mrs. Emma Burbridge, and one son, Edward Conklin live in Racine, Wis. The children of the first wife will make a fight for the estate. A peculiar feature of the case is that all the time he was living in Farmington Dr. Conklin afforded pecuniary assistance to his children and first wife in this city. The revelation has produced a sensation, as Dr. Conklin was prominent and well known.

A Hopkins County Show.

Sulphur Springs: On Dec. 13 and 14 the Hopkins County Products show will be held on the public square in this city. A mass meeting of citizens has so determined, and committees are at work arranging lists of animals and products which will be in the competition for prizes offered by the business men. Entrance will be free and the cost of exhibiting an animal or a product will be just what it costs to create and haul it to the show.

Japs Blow Up a Magazine.

Tokio: A telegram from Meiji reports the destruction of another Russian arsenal and magazine at Port Arthur. The Japanese discovered the location of the arsenal and centered their fire upon it. After dropping 200 shells in the locality they succeeded in blowing it up. The Japanese are widening their saps and using them to move their guns forward. The Russians continue using hand grenade in attacks upon the Japs.

Germans for Ctanford Country.

Stamford: Col. G. R. Spielhagen of San Antonio has been here a few days assisting in locating a Germany colony about fifteen miles west of Stamford. Several families have arrived. About fifteen families will locate on this land this season, while about seventy-five have invested and will follow as fast as they can close out their interests at other points. They have laid off a townsite on these lands and named it Brandenburg.

BLOWN INTO ETERNITY.

Four Are Killed and a Score Injured by Gas Explosion.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 19.—Four persons were killed and a score of others injured by a gas explosion, which completely destroyed the plant of the Pyle Electric Headlight Company in South Chicago yesterday. The shock of the explosion was so severe that all the buildings near the demolished plant were badly damaged and windows were shattered for blocks, and persons walking in the streets were thrown from their feet at a great distance. Overpressure on tanks containing gas is believed to have caused the accident.

Amid the hurricane of debris workmen were blown out of the structure far into the street about the building. Before any one realized what had happened retort after retort exploded in such rapid succession that it was almost impossible to distinguish the detonations. There were nine such explosions in all, which left the plant in flames. Part of the demolished structure was occupied by the People's Gas Light and Coke Company, and, with the spread of the flames, it was feared that two large tanks filled with gas would become ignited, but hard fighting finally subdued the flames and prevented an explosion which would undoubtedly have caused a great loss of life and property. The loss caused by the explosion is estimated at \$75,000.

THE BEEF TRUST NEXT.

That the Campaign is Out of the Way Business Now.

Washington, Nov. 19.—It is becoming evident that the administration contemplates moving on what is known as the beef trust in a very short time. At the last session of congress a bill was introduced calling on the department of Commerce and Labor to make an examination into the meat business of the country, or, in fact, to examine into the beef and hog-killing business as carried on by large packing companies and to make a report to congress. This was the effect of the measure. The father of the bill, a congressman from the Northwest, was told that the department was created for this very thing and that its reports should be made to the president, and the bill was changed to this effect.

All last summer agents of the department were in Texas and all the great stock countries making inquiries as to prices and in and around the packing houses inquiring into the methods of the packing concerns. Affidavits by the car load connected with the reports are now in the hands of the department and it is ready to move. It is thought that the method of procedure will first be along the line of publicity.

Mr. Garfield of the department will probably commence an open investigation on the part of the government at Chicago. He will there be close to the parent houses of the packing concerns. He will place the Armours, Swifts, Nelsons and others of the large establishments on the stand and have them interrogated that every detail and all the ramifications and profits of the business may be shown. The government will be able to bring out everything it desires since its secret investigation has given it absolute knowledge of the business. It is not thought that the government will fully expose its hand, since it will proceed by suit if the publicity does not have the effect on the concerns that it hopes to produce.

Wreck on the Campeche.

Campeche, Mex.: A wreck occurred on the Campeche Railroad Thursday. As a passenger train was entering a small station about four miles from here a switchman carelessly threw the wrong switch, shunting the train into an empty freight train on a siding. The engine toppled over, killing the engineer, fireman and coal passer, all of whom were Mexicans. None of the passengers were seriously hurt.

Coat Given Him by Mr. Lincoln.

New York: Alexander Freeman, a negro ninety years old, has brought suit here against an express company for \$300 damages alleged to have been caused by the loss of an overcoat that once belonged to Abraham Lincoln. Freeman escaped from slavery and fled to Washington. He became a servant in the White House, and since 1864 has jealously guarded as a treasure an overcoat that President Lincoln presented to him.

Hanged Himself in Jail.

Greenville: A. B. Elkins, about 30 years of age, who had been confined in the County jail for three or four weeks, hanged himself in his cell at 3 o'clock this morning. Without disturbing the guard the prisoner took one of the leather straps off his bunk and tied it to the top of the cell door and buckled the other end around his neck. He then drew himself up until his feet would not touch the floor, strangling to death.

THE FREE PRESS.

POOLE & MARTIN, Editors.

Entered at the Post Office at Haskell, Texas, as SECOND-CLASS MAIL MATTER.

SUBSCRIPTION:
One Year \$1.00 (Six Months .50c.)

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING

HASKELL, TEXAS, Nov. 26, 1904.

I take pleasure in announcing to the public that I have purchased the interest of Mr. J. C. O'Bryan in the Free Press, and in the future will be associated with Judge Poole in the publication of the same.

The Free Press was established in January 1886, and was printed at Throckmorton and brought over to Haskell by private conveyance to be mailed out.

This management was continued until May of the same year, when the writer purchased the plant and moved it to Haskell.

The first paper ever printed in Haskell was dated May 1st, 1886. Before the plant was moved to Haskell, the writer acted as local editor and would write up the local news and send to the office at Throckmorton by the horseman who delivered the papers at the post office to be mailed.

The plant consisted of an army press and a small lot of printing material. The paper prospered and a new plant with a Washington press was put in, in the year 1888. In 1890 a job printing outfit was added to the office. In January 1892 the plant and paper was sold to Judge Poole. In 1903 it was consolidated with the Headlight, established in 1902 by Mr. J. C. O'Bryan.

The two plants after consolidation constitute one of the best and most expensive printing plants in the western part of the state. In the past my predecessors have enjoyed a pleasant and profitable business, and I hope that, under the new management, the Free Press will continue to prosper and be a credit to the town and county, and continue to merit the confidence of business and reading public.

There will be no change in the policy of the paper, further than such improvements as both Judge Poole and the writer may hope to attain.

OSCAR MARTIN.

Having sold my interest in the Haskell Free Press to Mr. Oscar Martin and retired from the newspaper business in Haskell, I wish to say to my friends and to the friends and patrons of the paper, that my connection with the paper has been both pleasant and profitable and that I appreciate the friendship and patronage that have been extended to it.

And I desire to say further that the paper has been left in good hands. Messrs. Poole and Martin are experienced and capable newspaper men, and, having one of the best equipped offices in West Texas, I feel sure they will give you a home paper in every way worthy of your moral and financial support.

Hoping that the Free Press may grow in usefulness and popularity and that success and prosperity may come to you all, I am,

Sincerely yours,
J. C. O'BRYAN.

Haskell county is getting an excellent class of new settlers this fall. Many of them are the best and most substantial citizens of the older sections of the state. Until recent years they have been too well satisfied with their localities and condition to think much about making a change or to care to investigate other sections. But the ravages of the boll weevils and other insect pests, among other causes, have impelled them to make such investigation and finding this section entirely free from the boll weevil and but little infested by insects of any kind injurious to crops and so much better in every way than their preconceived ideas of it had pictured it, they have gladly taken refuge in it. It is not uncommon to hear men who come here on prospecting trips from the central and eastern portions of the state and see the broad reaches of fertile land and learn of the quality and large variety of crops that are being produced express surprise and even astonishment, so different is it all from what they have so often heard about it. With the people who are coming now to take part in intelligently developing it, it will be but a few years till Haskell county will take high rank among the agricultural counties.

We notice from our exchanges that the opinion is general that President Roosevelt will quit playing politics and will bring about some reform in the tariff. If our memory serves us well, we think a good big slice can be taken off of the tariff rates, without hurting the pets. If it were not for the tariff many of the eastern people would have to move south and west and help develop the resources of the country. This generation will ever see the great centers of popu-

lation give up voluntarily the graft they get by congressional consent.

Homes are cheaper in Haskell county now, than they will probably ever be again.

The prospect now is that Haskell county will enjoy a heavy immigration this winter.

Democracy, founded on the principles of justice and right, like truth, which, though crushed to earth, will rise again.

What does Judge Reagan think now of the colorless sort of national platform he advocated? We would like to see his postmortem diagnosis of the election.

Teach your child to read the newspapers and the question of its education will be half solved. The best paper to cultivate the reading appetite of a child is the local paper, that mentions people the child knows.

Dr. St. John, THE DENTIST,

Will be in Haskell Monday Nov. 28th, to remain six days only. Parties needing dental work will please call on him at Dr. Neathery's office.

Mr. S. J. Shy filed his bond Monday as commissioner, precinct No. 3.

Mrs. J. E. Iroy returned Sunday night from a visit to her mother in Arkansas.

Mr. E. T. Parrott, a leading merchant of Throckmorton, was here two or three days this week.

The little folks were entertained Thanksgiving night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cunningham.

Mr. Tom D. Whitford filed his bond this week as Justice of the peace for precinct No. 5, and is now the court in the Cliff ballwick.

We have just received a big line of ladies' and children's Union suits and also ladies' vests and pants. Call and see them. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Travelers Attention.

If you are going to Haskell, Plunkerton, Marcy, Mid, Carney, Knox City, Cliff or any intermediate point in the western or northern portion of Haskell county, you can save money and time by taking my hack at Stamford, where it meets all passenger trains.

I also run a daily hack line to and from Haskell to Munday in Knox county, carrying passengers, mail and express.

I have careful drivers, good teams and comfortable hacks, and always make connections.

I also hire rigs for special trips to any point in the surrounding country. I have been in the business for twenty years and understand what is required in all these matters.

Office at the Iron Stable, Haskell, Texas.
J. L. BALDWIN.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Of the Haskell National Bank at Haskell, in the State of Texas, at the close of Business Nov. 10th, 1904.

| RESOURCES. | |
|---|--------------|
| Loans and discounts | \$108,965.84 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured | 7,989.15 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 25,000.00 |
| Premiums on U. S. Bonds | 175.80 |
| Banking-house, furniture and fixtures | 9,820.40 |
| Other real estate owned | 7,416.48 |
| Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) | 11,706.87 |
| Due from State Banks and Bankers | 344.39 |
| Due from approved reserve agents | 12,249.95 |
| Checks and other cash items | 93.80 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents | 15.90 |
| Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: | |
| Specie | 9,291.00 |
| Legal-tender notes | 13,867.00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation | 1,250.00 |
| TOTAL | \$198,966.64 |
| LIABILITIES. | |
| Capital Stock paid in | \$0,000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 12,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 14,434.69 |
| National Bank notes outstanding | 25,000.00 |
| Due to other National Banks | 622.51 |
| Due to State Banks and Bankers | 578.89 |
| Individual Deposits subject to check | 78,921.77 |
| Time certificates of deposit | 7,408.78 |
| TOTAL | \$198,966.64 |

State of Texas, County of Haskell, ss:
I, G. R. Couch, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
G. R. Couch, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Nov. 1904.
G. W. Thomson, Notary Public.

CORRECT ATTEST:
M. S. Pierson, S. W. Scott, J. Pierson, Directors.

J. C. BELL,

MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN

Saddles and Harness.

Full Stock on Hand. Work Promptly Executed.

Repairing done neatly and substantially. Prices reasonable and satisfaction with goods and work guaranteed.

YOUR TRADE SOLICITED.

Texas Central Railway Company

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
Arranging Sale of Holiday Excursion Tickets To the Southeast. Season 1904-05.

Waco, Texas, Nov. 9th, 1904.—As a matter of information that you may give proper information to prospective passengers to the southwestern territory during the holiday season, the sale of tickets will be authorized as follows:

Territory to which Tickets will be Sold.

To the territory east of the Mississippi river, on and south of an imaginary line drawn from Memphis via the Illinois Central Railroad (C. & O. S. W. Division) to Central City, Ky., thence to Glasgow, Ky., Somerset, Ky., Bristol, Tenn., and thence along the northern state line of North Carolina to the Atlantic Ocean.

Rate: One fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip.

Dates of sale: December 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1904. Final return limit of ticket will be thirty days from date of sale. W. F. McMILLIN, General Passenger Agent.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
TO THE SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF HASKELL COUNTY, GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon Newton McFarland and S. M. McFarland each in person, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the regular term of the Justice Court of Precinct No. 1, of Haskell County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, on the 19 day of December, A. D. 1904, then and there to answer a suit filed in said Court on the 27th day of October A. D. 1904 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 439, wherein Alexander Mercantile Company (a corporation) is plaintiff, and Newton McFarland and S. M. McFarland defendants, the plaintiffs' demand being for the sum of \$64.74 due upon account for goods sold by F. G. Alexander & Co. to Defendants, and said account being now owned by plaintiff, the term of the running of account being February 11th 1901, to December 13th 1902.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand, officially, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1904.
J. T. KNOWLES, J. P. Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, Texas.

I have 25 head well graded, gentle milk cattle, Duram and Holstine, for sale on easy terms. G. J. Miller. 46-50

Just Received

— BY —

WILLIAMS!

The
"Tell the Truth"
Groceryman,

The following line of choice fresh goods:

- JELLIES,
- PRESERVES,
- JAMS,
- PICKLES,—Bottle and Keg,
- CHOW-CHOW,
- SAUCES and RELISHES,
- KEG KROUT,
- MACKEREL,—1904 Catch,
- CANNED FRUITS,—All Kinds,
- CANNED MEATS—Best Assortment to be found in the West.

COMPLETE LINE OF STAPLE and FANCY GROCERIES

The above mentioned goods are all now in stock, ready for immediate delivery. You don't have to wait for them to arrive.

... WILLIAMS...

The "Tell the Truth" Groceryman.

TO MY FRIENDS, CUSTOMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

I am receiving large shipments of General Merchandise, consisting of full lines of

STAPLE DRY GOODS!

NOTIONS OF ALL KINDS!

BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS!

Gents' Furnishing Goods and Suits!

MILLINERY! Ladies' Skirts!

MEN'S OVERCOATS! TRUNKS! VALISES, ETC.

— AND A BIG LINE OF —

Rubber and Duck Goods!

Which are just the things for the cotton picking season and heavy work generally.

NOW AS TO MY

GROCERY DEPARTMENT!

I have to say that I intend to keep one of the best and freshest stocks that will be found in Haskell. In the matter of prices

LOOK OUT FOR TROUBLE

For I will GUARANTEE ANY PRICES you can get ANY PLACE—including Stamford. In other words, will say that I intend to

CUT AND SLASH PRICES ALL TO PIECES!

So do not go to Stamford and say you bought there because they were cheaper than Haskell until you get MY PRICES. I run my own teams, haul my own goods, have no city taxes, rents, or anything of this kind to pay. SEE!

LOOK OUT FOR TROUBLE! Yours for business,

T. G. CARNEY.

S. L. ROBERTSON,

DEALER IN

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

We beg to call the attention of the buying public especially to the lines mentioned below, on which we are making very attractive prices:

Ladies' Dress Goods.

The ladies will find our dress goods and notions department very complete, including the latest colors and weaves in Ladies' Cloth, Broad Cloth, Novelty Suitings, Brilliantines, Etimeines, Novelty Waisting, and a full line of ladies, misses and childrens' Jackets; and, in fact everything usually found in an up-to-date store.

Star Brand Shoes.

"STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER"

We will convince you that this is correct if you will call and examine our new fall and winter stock of these shoes. The styles are the latest, and you can get better values for the money than will be found in any other line shown in Haskell. Call and examine them.

"STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER"

Mens' Clothing.

Have you seen our new line of fall and winter clothing? Our line is unusually large and prices quite reasonable. We bought them to sell, and they must go. So call at once before sizes are broken. If you wish a tailor made suit, you will find one of the most complete lines of samples at our store that are shown anywhere. Fit guaranteed.

Hats and Gloves.

Don't fail to see our line of the celebrated "Thoroughbred" and the "Statesman" Hats before buying elsewhere. We have been handling this line of hats for years, and do not hesitate in recommending them to the public. We also have a full line of Stetson Hats. We also carry a full line of Mens' Gloves, in all grades.

A Full Stock of Staple Dry Goods.

In addition to the above we have at all times a full line of Staple and Fancy Groceries at Lowest Prices.

S. L. ROBERTSON, Haskell.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

If you buy fall goods of the Stamford Dry Goods Co. you'll save money and wear the best.

Owing to the mislaying of some of our notes last week we failed to mention the removal from our midst of Mr. J. E. Murfee and family, who left the first of the week for Lubbock county, where they will make their future home. Mr. Murfee and family were, for many years respected and valued citizens of Haskell and had scores of friends who regretted their departure and whose best wishes go with them to their new home.

Some people travel a hundred miles to buy goods of the Stamford Dry Goods Co. and save money by doing so. They have an elegant stock of fall goods.

Prof. F. L. Busey of Marcy, was in the city this week.

Our line of shawls and fascinators are the cheapest ever brought to Haskell county. Ask to see them. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Mrs. Jack Glasgow of Seymour, was in attendance at our district court this week.

We might save you money on that lumber bill. Have you tried us? Better come around before buying.

Burton-Lingo Co., Stamford, Tex.

Mr. J. A. Stephens esq., one of the leading attorneys of Benjamin, was here this week looking after some legal business in the court.

Don't you want one of those nice Chase buggy rugs at McCollum & Cason's?

Mrs. S. A. Gregory returned last night from McGregor and other points in central Texas, where she has been visiting for the past few months.

Be sure and see our line of boys' clothing, ages from 6 to 18 years, we will save you money. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Mr. S. J. Redwine of Cliff spent a pleasant half hour in the Free Press office Tuesday evening and expressed his appreciation of this paper by paying another year's subscription for the Free Press in advance and subscribing for the Dallas News.

Wait and see Collier's holiday goods and you will not need to order your presents.

Don't err by thinking that one place is as good as another to buy lumber, but try Burton-Lingo Co., Stamford. They will please you.

Mr. J. W. Blake of Pinkerton was in the office Tuesday and cashed up for another year's subscription.

The best riding boots in Texas are sold by the Stamford Dry Goods Co.

Squire T. D. Whitford, the new Justice of the Peace of the Cliff precinct, was in the city this week attending court, and while here, called on the Free Press.

New furniture—car load just received McCollum & Cason. They will interest you in the matter of prices.

Ex-Sheriff Cope and Mr. Cole of Foard county were in the city on the 22nd instant.

Just received—a big line of boys' and men's gloves. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Ex-Sheriff Matlock, of Childress county was in attendance to the District court Tuesday.

Furniture—a car load of furniture just received. We will make prices that will make it to your interest to buy of us. McCollum & Cason.

Mr. Andrew Reeves, of Munday, was in Haskell Tuesday.

Overstocked on cotton sack ducking—come and get it cheap at Carney's.

Messrs. Walter McDaniel, J. P. Whiteside and J. S. Morrow of Stamford were in the city on the 22nd instant.

Just received a nice line of ladies' and children's jackets and cloaks. Get our prices before you buy—we can save you money. Mrs. E. J. Hunt & Co.

Mr. Robt. Goodfellow, sheriff of Coleman county, was here this week on official business.

Pigs—I have a lot of thoroughbred pigs for sale at my place on the G. B. Couch ranch northeast of Haskell. A. M. Allen.

Mrs. J. W. Collins and nephew, Mode Collins, visited friends in Stamford the early part of the week.

Collier's opening, December 8th.

Miss Annie Baker of the Marcy neighborhood, was in our city Tuesday shopping.

The next show will be Collier's show of Holiday goods. Dec. 8th.

Our New Crop molasses, also, Farmer Jones' new crop sorghum, is in. Our prices are below anybody's. Can give you cans, five gallons, half barrels or barrels. See us for low prices and trouble. T. G. Carney.

Mr. Pope McLemore, who is traveling salesman for Bass Bros. of Abilene, made Haskell another visit this week.

There is no trouble ahead for those who buy fall goods of the Stamford Dry Goods Co., for they sell the best goods for the least price.

Mr. W. E. Dickenson came in a few days ago from Del Rio. He left for that place Thursday and will be absent until about January 1st.

Call in and settle your accounts at Terrells Drug Store. Don't pay every one else before you pay Terrell.

Mr. Jas. A. Stephens of Benjamin, has become a subscriber to the Free Press.

I will have my holiday opening on December 8th, 1904. You are invited. Collier's Drug Store.

Messrs. R. Fortenberry and brother, J. Fortenberry, of the north side made a business trip to Stamford this week.

Mr. Baxter Fortenberry is now on our subscription list with a paid subscription for one year in advance.

Yes, K. Jones has them—red hot tamales.

Mr. Tom Absher, of Calpa, Runnell's county, and an old friend of K. Jones, was in the city Tuesday.

If you want to rent a farm call on the West Texas Development Co.

Mr. F. G. Alexander and daughter have returned from the M. E. church conference, which was held at Mineral Wells.

Rev. J. H. Chambliss has returned from conference, and reports that he has been returned to Haskell for the ensuing year. His return is welcomed by all.

LOST:—Between Haskell and Stamford, one hand grip, the finder will please leave same with Mr. N. T. Smith, of Haskell.

Mr. W. H. Sowell was in the city this week.

The old stand is good enough. You will find me there again this year. At the northeast corner drug store. Santa Claus.

On last Monday news came by phone that the dead body of Roscoe Orr had been found on a prairie in Dickens county. Mr. Orr had been traveling salesman for Penick & Hughes of Stamford, and had not been heard from in several days. When killed he was traveling in a two horse buggy. Searching parties had been looking for him for several days, and on the morning of the 20th, the team was found; later in the day the buggy was found where it had been overturned and the body was lying under the buggy with the dash board across his neck. From appearances he had been dead for ten days. It is supposed he was driving across the prairie at night and a ditch caused the buggy to be overturned, the horses to become frightened—and brake loose and run away. The body was taken to Stamford for entombment.

Say boys—what do you think of the price on barbed wire today, ain't it a dandy. Stay with me. Look out for trouble. T. G. Carney.

Following is list of the grandjurors who have been serving this week: J. F. Albin, J. W. Carter, J. H. Cooke, J. E. Greenfield, W. H. Berry, P. B. Broach, T. W. Langston, T. A. Greer, W. L. Cason, A. H. O'Keefe, L. C. Irick, G. A. Draper.

We have just received the largest line of men's hats and gloves we have ever handled, just from the factory, and will guarantee to make trouble on prices in this line. T. G. Carney.

Following is the regular panel, petit jurors, serving in the district court this week: A. M. Allen, N. C. Smith, J. S. Menefee, J. P. Ashley, Joe Blake, A. Chaney, W. M. Chapman, J. E. Cloud, A. B. Carothers, J. A. Couch, J. M. Costephens, C. C. Cunningham, Sam Cox, W. C. DeLong, J. H. Hicks, A. D. English, I. M. Fowler, D. G. Hisey, R. S. Denson, J. R. Hutto, T. G. Jack, A. J. Tucker, J. C. Turner, W. E. Underwood, J. F. Vernon, T. E. Warnock, T. D. Whitford, T. J. Pannell, R. W. Williams, G. Rader, J. F. Pinkerton, S. J. Redwine.

Mr. J. M. Morgan has returned from a business trip to Weatherford.

For a good, cheap sewing machine go to McCollum & Cason. They will sell you a New Conover for only \$16.50.

Messrs. McCollum & Cason have a talk for you this week. See what they have to say on our eighth page.

Mr. E. H. Green an old citizen of the southwestern portion of this county, met with a serious accident at Stamford Thursday night. He was returning from a trip and getting off the train, started to go to a hotel, the night be cloudy and dark, when he was run into by a transfer wagon. The pole of the wagon struck him in the back and knocked him down and the team and wagon passed over him, the wheels bruising his legs. His hurt is quite serious but not thought to be fatal.

A CARD.

Having accepted a position in the grocery and supply house of H. P. Williams, I wish to say to my friends engaged in agricultural and stock growing, I would like to have you call and let us reason together. You will find this house full of first class merchandise, and the prices as cheap as any one can sell at, and live and let live. In fact this house is head guarantors for the stockman and family supplies.

I am in full sympathy with you, I know your troubles. Call on us, and if I can, I will be glad to relieve you. Bring in your families, leave them at my house, we will care for them, and cheerfully entertain them, and before starting home call by the store and let me sort out and box you up a lot of good things to do you 'til Christmas. Then I know you will come again.

To the school children all over the county, come in and see me and it will be my treat. Come and get it.

Forty-five years ago I was a boy and I know what you like, so come and get or 'phone for what you want.

I am yours to serve,
G. J. MILLER.

FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

New Way of Using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mrs. Arthur Chapman writing from Durban, Natal, South Africa, says: "As a proof that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a cure suitable for old and young, I pen you the following: A neighbor of mine had a child just over two months old. It had a very bad cough and the parents did not know what to give it. I suggested that if they would get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and put some upon the dummy teat the baby was sucking it would no doubt cure the child. This they did and brought about a quick relief and cured the baby." This remedy is for sale by C. E. Terrell.

See Burton-Lingo Co., Stamford, for anything in the lumber line, that's all

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Pleasant to Take.

The finest quality of granulated loaf sugar is used in the manufacture of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and the roots used in its preparation give it a flavor similar to maple syrup, making it quite pleasant to take. Mr. W. L. Roderick, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of the remedy says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with my children for several years and can truthfully say it is the best preparation of the kind I know of. The children like to take it and it has no injurious after effect. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

It will be to your advantage to figure with us on buggy and wagon harness, collars, pads, bridles, whips, etc. McCollum & Cason.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are becoming a favorite for stomach troubles and constipation. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

You can get good, fresh chilli at K. Jones'.

A Runaway Bicycle.

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer unyielding to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured. It's just as good for burns, scalds, skin eruptions and piles. 25c, at all drug stores.

Don't overlook our ladies' ready made tailor suits, Alexander Mercantile Co.

Doesn't Respect Old Age.

It's shameful when youth fails to show proper respect for old age, but just the contrary in the case of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They cut off maladies, no matter how severe, and irrespective of old age. Dyspepsia, jaundice, fever, constipation all yield to this perfect pill. 25c, at all drug stores.

Young men and young women of Haskell county, you must be educated. If you are really interested in an education, call upon me or write me. Yours for an education, L. T. Cunningham.

Disastrous Wrecks.

Carelessness is responsible for many a railway wreck, and the same causes are making human wrecks of sufferers from throat and lung troubles. But since the advent of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption and coughs and colds, even the worst cases can be cured, and hopeless resignation is no longer necessary. Mrs. Lois Cragg of Dorchester, Mass., is one of many whose life was saved by Dr. King's New Discovery. This great remedy is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by all druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

For fresh oysters go to K. Jones.

YOU HEAR A GOOD DEAL

About Winter Suits and Overcoats these days. It is an important question with most men, and is one that has our most careful attention. But after all has been said and done, after the advertising, the selecting, the fitting and the sale made, then comes the crucial test, when every suit and overcoat must stand on its own merits.

We exercise every precaution to have the clothing we sell stand the test of quality as well as of style.

That's why our clothing is hand tailored at every point where it possibly can be an advantage in shaping and holding shape. That's why every suit and overcoat that goes out of our store adds to our reputation for good clothing.



COPYRIGHTED 1904 BY CROUSE & BRANDEGEE, UTICA, NEW YORK

Seasonable Underwear.

A large stock of winter weights in several grades—the kind that will make you laugh at winter's icy blasts. Try our men's Extra Heavy Fleeced Shirts and Drawers at \$1.00 per pair. You will be in for comfort.



COPYRIGHTED 1904 BY CROUSE & BRANDEGEE, UTICA, NEW YORK

Lion Special Hats

Are accepted as the standard of men's wear. Their beauty and style win at sight. Their merits earn your lasting friendship. We also carry a full line of the well known and popular Stetson hats.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

This department in our store is in the front of anything to be found west of Fort Worth. In it the gentlemen will find all that is needed with which to array themselves in accordance with the latest mode.

SHOES! SHOES!

Shoes is one of our strong points. Having exclusive control of the Hamilton-Brown make in this market, it couldn't be otherwise. This shoe is the standard of quality and style in footwear everywhere. We have them in all grades, from the finest dress shoe to the heaviest work shoe,—the interesting point is, the prices are right.

We have called attention to only a few lines, but think we have in our big stock almost everything you may happen to want. Give us a call. We will appreciate an opportunity to show you our goods and quote prices.

Alexander Mercantile Company

Sold by Candle.

The letting of an acre of land has just been sold near Bridgewater (Eng.) by the burning of half an inch of candle, the last bidder before the flame died out being the purchaser. The land was left four centuries ago for church purposes, the testator directing that the letting should be sold every twenty-one years by the "burning of the candle," and the quaint process has been observed periodically ever since.

Made Big Money on Election.

One of the heaviest Eastern winners by the Republican victory of Tuesday is Timothy L. Woodruff, ex-lieutenant governor of New York State, whose bank account has been swelled by about \$50,000. Of this amount \$20,000 was wagered with Senator McCarron and his friends that Parker would not have 25,000 plurality in Kings County, \$10,000 that Roosevelt would carry the State and \$300 even that Higgins would be elected. The bet on the State was made at 2 to 1. The morning of election Mr. Woodruff sent word to the McCarron people that he had \$20,000 more to bet that Parker would not get 25,000 in the county. He could not place the money. Congressman Tim Sullivan backed Parker and is a heavy loser on the result.

Nearly every great achievement of humanity was evolved from crank's theory.

"WHACKS"

And What They Mean.

When Old Mother Nature gives you a "whack" remember "there's a reason," so try and say "thank you," then set about finding what you have done to demand the rebuke, and try and get back into line, for that's the happy place after all. Curious how many highly organized people fail to appreciate and heed the first little, gentle "whacks" of the good old Dame, but go right along with the habit whatever it may be, that causes her disapproval. Whiskey, Tobacco, Coffee, Tea or other unnatural treatment of the body, until serious illness sets in or some chronic disease.

Some people seem to get on very well with those things for a while, and Mother Nature apparently cares but little what they do.

Perhaps she has no particular plans for them and thinks it little use to waste time in their training.

There are people, however, who seem to be selected by Nature to "do things." The old Mother expects them to carry out some department of her great work. A portion of these selected ones off and again seek to stimulate and then deaden the tool (the body) by some one or more of the drugs—Whiskey, Tobacco, Coffee, Tea, Morphine, etc.

You know all of these throw down the same class of alkaloids in Chemical analysis. They stimulate and then depress. They take from man or woman the power to do his or her best work.

After these people have drugged for a time, they get a hint, or mild "whack" to remind them that they have work to do, a mission to perform, and should be about the business, but are loafing along the wayside and become unfitted for the fame and fortune that waits for them if they stick to the course and keep the body clear of obstructions so it can carry out the behests of the mind.

Sickness is a call to "come up higher." These hints come in various forms. It may be stomach trouble or bowels, heart, eyes, kidneys or general nervous prostration. You may depend upon it when a "whack" comes it's a warning to quit some abuse and do the right and fair thing with the body.

Perhaps it is coffee drinking that offends. That is one of the greatest causes of human disorder among Americans.

Now, then, if Mother Nature is gentle with you and only gives light, little "whacks" at first to attract attention, don't abuse her consideration, or she will soon hit you harder, sure.

And you may be sure she will hit you very, very hard if you insist on following the way you have been going.

It seems hard work to give up a habit, and we try all sorts of plans to charge our ill feelings to some other cause than the real one.

Coffee drinkers when ill will attribute the trouble to bad food, malaria, overwork and what not, but they keep on being sick and gradually getting worse until they are finally forced to quit entirely, even the "only one cup a day." Then they begin to get better, and unless they have gone long enough to set up some fixed organic disease, they generally get entirely well.

It is easy to quit coffee at once and for all, by having well made Postum, with its rich, deep seal brown color which comes to the beautiful golden brown when good cream is added, and the crisp snap of good, mild Java is there if the Postum has been boiled long enough to ring it out.

It pays to be well and happy for good old Mother Nature then sends us her blessings of many and various kinds and helps us to gain fame and fortune.

Strip off the handicaps, leave out the deadening habits, heed Mother Nature's hints, quit being a loser and become a winner. She will help you sure if you cut out the things that keep you back.

"There's a reason," and a profound one.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

A Commonplace Life.

"A commonplace life," we say and we sigh. But why should we sigh as we say? The commonplace sun in the commonplace sky. Makes up the commonplace day. The moon and the stars are commonplace things. And the flowers that bloom, and the bird that sings. But dark were the world, and sad our lot. If the flowers should fall and the sun should set— And God, who studies each separate soul, Out of commonplace lives makes His beautiful whole. —Susan Coolidge.



Francois Barbasse left his house one morning in the frame of mind of a man who has decided to jump off the Eiffel tower.

Evidently there was no luck in life for him. For the tenth time in less than a year he had that morning received a letter in his mail that dealt a death blow to his hopes. A letter that contained a polite refusal to his offer of marriage made the week before.

You must not think that this letter came for the tenth time from the same hard-hearted beauty. No, indeed! Francois Barbasse was not capable of such impertinencies. Besides, the real truth of the matter was that it was not a woman he so ardently sighed for; it was a home and conjugal happiness. He dreamed of sitting at the head of his own table, when nothing would ever be served that could possibly suggest the menu of a boarding house. And he longed for a cozy fire where he might smoke his pipe in peace and listen to the idle chatter of a pretty wife.

For Francois Barbasse was by no means insensible to feminine charms. He had fallen desperately in love with Mlle. X—, whose beauty had for long seemed to him the perfection of earthly grace.

For a long time he suffered in silence. Then at last he ventured to propose.

Poor Francois. His request was met with a clear and firm refusal; a no wreathed in polite excuses, but nevertheless a no.

Then for six months he was miserable indeed. At the end of that time he tried again.

But Mlle. G— was no kinder than Mlle. X— had been.

Fresh disappointment, alas! for Francois Barbasse.

A month later, with a third young lady, he made a third proposal. The result was still the same. And thus it went. From one "no" to the next, he descended the silken ladder of grace and beauty that led to marriage.

Consequently, the letter he had received that morning wounded only his pride. His heart was not affected.

But why, do I hear you ask, did poor Barbasse get so regularly and sadly thrown down on his proposals?

Why? This is treading on delicate ground.

Francoise Barbasse was the best of good fellows, always attentive to the old ladies as well as to the young ones, young, rich and a good dancer. What more could have been required for a very model of a lover or woman-law?

But alas! all these advantages were rendered as naught by a small, but terrible infirmity.

In his calm moments, Barbasse might even have been called fairly good-looking, but at the approach of any emotion, however slight, he would begin to wink with one eye in such a ridiculous, unexpected way that the most serious people on the face of the



A clear and firm refusal.

sarth could not keep from laughing. Whenever one eye was wet with emotion, or shining with tenderness, the other would commence its infernal dance. Beneath the winking, blinking lid, the eye ball would rush back and forth, dilating and contracting, as if worked by the very master of mischief himself.

And the poor ladies were scarcely to blame, if at Francois' first words of love and longing, they should burst

into a peal of laughter that wrecked their would-be suitor's hopes.

Barbasse had consulted every optician in France. But each and all had said:

"A mere trick of nervousness, my dear sir. It will pass away with advancing age."

But what good would it do Francois to have a normal eye at 60? He would be fitter for his grave than for a domestic fireside by that time.

Accordingly, you may understand the poor man's feelings as he left his house that cold, gray morning.

It was February and a high wind was blowing, a wind that scattered



Then darkness.

papers and tore the slates off people's roofs. But little did Francois reckon of the weather—the storm only suited his misery.

Suddenly a woman's cry reached him, then confusedly he was conscious of a terrific blow. Then darkness.

A heavy brick from a neighboring chimney had struck him squarely on the side of the head.

He was hastily carried to a hospital and there lay for a week, unconscious and blissfully removed from a world where no woman smiled for him.

But, little by little, memory and thought came slowly back. He was hungry, he could speak words and recognize voices. But it was still imperfectly, for his head was yet swathed in bandages and the light of day was denied him.

At last, however, he was completely cured and the good old doctor who had taken care of him said gruffly:

"Well, you are on your feet again, Barbasse, my man. You may well be thankful to get off as you did. That was a brick and a half! You hadn't many ideas left after that struck you, hum, hum."

The doctor stopped and seemed at a loss how to go on.

"Well, I'm glad I'm out of it," said Francois, "but I'll be even gladder when you take off this rotten old bandage. Why do you keep it on any longer; is there anything more the matter with my eyes?"

"The truth is, my dear Barbasse," began the doctor, hesitatingly, "there have been complications and"—

"And what? Speak out, man," ordered Francois.

"Very well. One eye has been very much injured and you will lose the use of it in a very short time."

"An eye? Which, doctor, which one?"

"The left eye, my poor friend," the doctor answered sadly.

Francois Barbasse sprang from his chair and did a cake walk then and there.

"Are you perfectly sure, my dear doctor," he cried, "you are not mistaken as to which eye? Oh! it is too good to be true! I shall be happy now all my life."

For a moment the good doctor thought that half his patient's reason had gone with half of his vision. Then Francois explained.

The first time he went out after the accident Barbasse hastened to the house of Mlle. X—. She had been his first and only love, despite his later matrimonial attempts. He fell at her feet in an ecstasy of passion, imploring her to listen favorably to a second request of her hand in marriage. The young lady listened, looked at her kneeling lover, wavered—and was lost. She whispered a soft "yes," and Francois, fathoms deep in bliss

clasped her in his arms. And in spite of the joy of his emotion, both eyes were steady and well behaved. His left eye, once so implacable and so damaging, beamed with a perpetual smile. It was made of glass!—Boston Herald

HORSE RODE TO FUNERAL.

Ironic End to Career of Hard-Worked London Animal.

Here is a true and pathetic story of a "bus" horse. It was told to me a day or two ago by a medical friend of mine who has an extensive and peculiar practice in the south of London. One Sunday morning, during the hottest days, he was asked to come round to an omnibus yard as quickly as possible. It seemed that one of the horses, driven to desperation by the heat, had insisted on climbing into the "bus," instead of taking its proper position alongside the pole. The stablemen had endeavored to get the animal out of the "bus," but the poor horse, during the course of the struggle, had plunged its head through one of the windows and cut its neck. The doctor, unfortunately, arrived too late to be of service, with the consequence that the horse bled to death. And here comes the ironic sequel of the grim little tragedy. Even when the horse was dead the men were unable to remove the body from the inside of the omnibus, and thus it happened that they were compelled to harness two other horses to the vehicle and drag the corpse to the nearest carpenter shop, in order that the "bus" might be taken to pieces. Truly, it is better to die gloriously than to live out a life of hateful and ignoble bondage. It would be interesting to know the thoughts of the other "bus" horses on seeing their former comrade riding, like any gentleman, through the streets of London.—The Sketch.

Warned Away.

Anna, who combines the duties of waitress and doorman in a West Twenty-sixth street boarding house, weighs 190 pounds. Every time the door bell rings she has to climb a steep flight of stairs from the English basement. After four or five trips she gets winded.

Sloper, who had got in the habit of forgetting his latchkey, was the bane of Anna's life. One morning last week he moved; but he did not forget Anna. For the joke of the thing, he stopped at three or four employment agencies on Sixth avenue and left orders for waiter girls to be sent around to the boarding house on approval between 10 and 12 that morning.

For an hour or more Anna toiled up and down stairs. The mistress was out, or she would have quit the job, she was so tired. Finally, flinging responsibility to the winds, she wrote a sign with a blue pencil that belonged to a newspaper man on the first floor. When the boarders came home to dinner they found this on the door bell.

Needn't No Waiters
Wring Here.

—New York Press.

Joker and the Bride.

At one of the recent weddings the bride carried a prayer book, marked to open at the marriage service, and from which she was to read the responses and follow the service. The practical joker was present, of course, for there was never a wedding at which the practical joker was not. Just before the ceremony he slipped the bride's prayer book into his pocket and left another in its place which he had borrowed for the occasion. When the bride opened it at the altar she was a bit surprised, and for a moment was lost in wonder as to what had happened. Then she "caught on," bit her lips to keep back a smile, and bent her head over the book with no evidence of anything wrong.

The practical joker had substituted a prayer book printed in German, and the bride could read only English. Nevertheless, she had studied the ceremony carefully and made the responses at the proper time and in the words set down in the ritual.—Utica Observer.

The Coward.

The night before the battle met. He sang the splendor of the fray. Till all our legions, hard beset. Took heart against another day.

He sang the thunder-swift attack. The shock of shields, the overthrow; The shout that roared the chorus back. Startled the camp-fires of the foe.

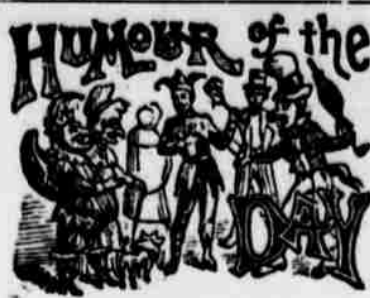
The harp's hour passed. Dawn heard alone. The high heroic bugles' cry. But ere a blade had crossed his own. The singer turned his horse to fly.

They slew him as he fled the field; But all day long the foe in vain Shattered against our spearsmen steeled With memory of his noble strain.

So half fell foul into the snare. And half sped splendid to the goal— What earthly tribute can declare The doom of this divided soul? —Frank Little Pollock in the Atlantic

Put Cardinal Under Arrest.

Very few knew that the present pope was once arrested. He had visited a poor man dying and stretched on the bare ground. On retiring to bed the thought of the poor man without a mattress came back to the prelate. This was too much for his fatherly heart and, without more ado, he rolled his own up as well as he could and slipped out with it on his shoulders. But he had not bargained for the watchful police and he was presently in the custody of two Venetian gendarmes. As soon as they recognized him, however, they took charge of the bundle themselves and carried it to where the good cardinal directs



Had Learned to Save.

Father—Halloa, where did you get all those toys?

Son—I bought 'em with the money you gave me.

Father—But I gave you that money to teach you how to save.

Son—Yes, pa; I kept it for three weeks, until I learned all about saving, and now I am learning how to shop.—Stray Stories.

Sarcasm.

"Why, John," said Subbuts, returning from a month's vacation, "the lawn is all dried up."

Can't understand it, sir," replied the lazy caretaker; "I worked hard on it all the time you was gone."

"Ah! You shouldn't work so hard. You probably ran the lawn mower over it so vigorously that you scorched it."

Couldn't Touch Him.



The Golfer—Are you laughing at me, boy, because I missed the ball again.

The Caddy—No, I was just thinkin' what a cinch it would be to be your bad little boy.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Sizing Him Up.

"Pon my honor!" complained Mr. Tragedy, with an air of great disgust, "that railroad is positively atrocious. It took me thirty-two hours to come from Chicago."

"What are you talking about?" demanded Lowe Comerdy. "That's mighty good time for a freight train."

Laid It to the Sermon.

Rip Van Winkle awakened rather flustered from his twenty years' sleep.

"Yes—yes," he muttered hastily, "the sermon was very fine."

Perceiving, however, that he was not in church in time, he tottered down the hill.

Some Relief in the Situation.

"Don't you sometimes feel discouraged about our political system?"

"No," answered Farmer Cornstossel. "I kind o' like it. It's a great relief to have a man come around shakin' your hand an' tellin' you stories without tryin' to sell you books or lightning rods."

A False Alarm.



Hotel Guest—What's that, boy?

Bell Boy—A clean towel, sir.

Hotel Guest—Oh! all right. I thought it was some reporter sending up his card.

Before and After Taking.

Askitt—Say, do you believe it is possible for two people to live as cheaply as one?

Knott—After reading all the statistics I could find on the subject before I married I was convinced that they could, but—

Askitt—Well?

Knott—After I had been married three months I lost all faith in statistics.

How He Got Even.

She had just worked the "I'll-be-a-sister-to-you" degree on him.

"Excuse me, Miss Chillington," he said, "but as I am already well supplied with elder sisters, would you mind being a grandmother to me instead?"

A Bachelor's Guess.

"There is a boy in London who can understand three different languages." "What are they, baby talk, grandma talk, and English?"

The Rose is picked

BEFORE THE WALL FLOWER—

Nothing so surely stamps a woman—man's ideal—as a fair clear complexion. Keep the cuticle clean, flexible and wholesome by continued use of—



WOODBURY'S FACIAL SOAP.

A product successful for over 30 years as the exclusive skin soap.—25 cts. a cake.

Woodbury's Facial Cream, is ever an ideal balm for chapped or irritated skin.

INITIAL OFFER.

In case your dealer cannot supply you send us his name and we will send prepaid, to any address for \$1.00 the following toilet requisites.

- 1 Cake Woodbury's Facial Soap.
- 1 Tube " Facial Cream.
- 1 " " Dental Cream.
- 1 Box " Face Powder.

Together with our readable booklet Beauty's Masque, a careful treatise on the care of the "outer self."

Booklet free on application.

THE ANDREW JERGENS CO., CINCINNATI, O.

Wiggle-Stick FREE

If your grocer does not sell Wigglestick Wash Blue send us his name and address and we will send you a free Wigglestick.

MAGAZINES FREE

We will also tell you how to get any of the following Magazines for one year free of charge: LADIES HOME JOURNAL, McCLURE'S, MUNSEY'S, POPULAR MECHANICS, EVERYBODY'S, LIES, COSMOPOLITAN, PEARSON'S, SUCCESS, STRAND.

Write at Once. Wigglestick, 14 Michigan St., Chicago.

Success of a Reporter.

Joseph C. Hendrix, long an important Democratic politician in Brooklyn, where he was postmaster under Cleveland's first administration, and later a banker, has died in his 52d year, after an interesting career. He was born in Missouri, but of an old Dutch family; had three years' study at Cornell, became reporter on the New York Sun, and then in charge of its Brooklyn news. In 1883 he was chosen to run against Seth Low for mayor of Brooklyn, and made a good showing. He was elected in 1884 to the board of education of that city, and served six years; from 1886 to 1890 he was postmaster. Meantime he had become engaged in banking, and continued in that line of business as bank director and president; also he served in the Fifty-third Congress, and was one of the foremost gold Democrats. The New York Evening Post reports that it was said that on his retirement from the presidency of the National Bank of Commerce last year the directors gave him \$250,000 as "honorarium." Thus the reporter would seem to have achieved "success."

Good News for All.

Bradford, Tenn., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Scientific research shows Kidney Trouble to be the father of so many diseases that news of a discovery of a sure cure for it cannot fail to be welcomed all over the country. And according to Mr. J. A. Davis of this place just such a cure is found in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Mr. Davis says:

"Dodd's Kidney Pills are all that is claimed for them. They have done me more good than anything I have ever taken. I had Kidney Trouble very bad, and after taking a few boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills I am completely cured. I cannot praise them too much."

Kidney Complaint develops into Bright's Disease, Dropsy, Diabetes, Rheumatism, and other painful and fatal diseases. The safeguard is to cure your kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills when they show the first symptom of disease.

Was This Origin of "Uncle Sam"?

A curious version of the origin of "Uncle Sam" has been discovered in an old almanac published in Lesangton, Ky., in 1814. The phrase is explained in the following words: "Uncle Sam" is a cant phrase significant of the United States, as John Bull is significant of England. The origin of it seems to be this: In the law the raising of a regiment of light dragoons. When the company first appeared their caps bore the letters U. S. L. D., signifying the United States Light Dragoons. A countryman, seeing the company in dress parade, asked a bystander what the letters stood for. "Why," was the answer, "that means Uncle Sam's Lazy Dogs." Since that time the use of the term has become general.—London Chronicle.



A prominent club woman, Mrs. Danforth, of St. Joseph, Mich., tells how she was cured of falling of the womb and its accompanying pains and misery by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Life looks dark indeed when a woman feels that her strength is fading away and she has no hopes of ever being restored. Such was my feeling a few months ago when I was advised that my poor health was caused by prolapsus or falling of the womb. The words sounded like a knell to me. I felt that my sun had set; but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound came to me as an elixir of life; it restored the lost forces and built me up until my good health returned to me. For four months I took the medicine daily, and each dose added health and strength. I am so thankful for the help I obtained through its use."—Mrs. Florence Danforth, 1007 Miles Ave., St. Joseph, Mich. —\$5000 Forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

"FREE MEDICAL ADVICE TO WOMEN."
Women would save time and much sickness if they would write to Mrs. Pinkham for advice as soon as any distressing symptoms appear. It is free, and has put thousands of women on the right road to recovery.

MEXICAN Mustang Liniment
cures Cuts, Burns, Bruises.

"All Signs Fall in a Dry Time"
THE SIGN OF THE FISH NEVER FAILS IN A WET TIME

In ordering Tower's Slickers, a customer writes: "I know they will be all right if they have the 'Fish' on them." This confidence is the outgrowth of sixty-nine years of careful manufacturing.

A. J. TOWER CO., The Sign of the Fish Boston, U. S. A.

TOWER'S Slickers Limited Toronto, Canada

Makers of Warranted Wet Weather Clothing

CRISTAL WHITE LAUNDRY SOAP
Largest Pure 50 Bar.

LEARN TELEGRAPHY
and STATION WORK for RAILWAY SERVICE. We will teach you quickly, thoroughly, practically, and mark you superior if situation is not assigned you. For full particulars address DALLAS TELEGRAPH COLLEGE, Dallas, Texas.

Reduces Fever, Relieves Aches, Stops Cough
BRITTON'S BAD COLD BREAKER
A Positive Cure for Colds and La Grippe. Your Druggist or by Mail... Britton Drug Co., Dallas.

WELL DRILLING MACHINERY.
A Full Line for all requirements in stock at Dallas. Come and see, or write to us and we will send you Free Catalogue No. 88, showing our many different styles of machines. AMERICAN WELL WORKS, Dallas, Texas.

Women are naturally tender-hearted. No woman ever wilfully stepped on a mouse.

You never hear any one complain about "Defiance Starch." There is none to equal it in quality and quantity, 15 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now and save your money.

It is easier to kick up a row than it is cheerfully to accept the kicks resulting therefrom.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

The man who borrows your wad is always first to forget that you ever had a speaking acquaintance.

Write **MURINE EYE REMEDY Co.**, Chicago, if your eyes are sore or inflamed, and get oculist's advice and free sample **MURINE**. It cures all eye-ills.

The world is satisfied if one be good morally; but only spiritual goodness satisfies God.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy for Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, Sciatica, etc. Sold by all druggists.

A convincing orator is one who has sense enough to shut up before his audience acquires that tired feeling.

FIT'S permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 62-09 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. J. M. Kline, Ltd., 281 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

It's a great comfort to a father who has been a sower of wild oats to see that his daughter is going to grow up ugly.

This is No Joke.
Hunt's Cure has saved more people from the "Old Scratch" than any other known agent, simply because it makes scratching entirely unnecessary. One application relieves any form of itching skin disease that ever afflicted mankind. One box guaranteed to cure any one case.

No man can look a savage dog in the face and accept the theory that hydrophobia is purely an imaginary disease.

Perhaps a girl is called a miss because she seldom hits anything she throws at.

The way of the transgressor is very like skating on thin ice. You may glide along all right, or you may land in a mighty cold berth.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WALTER D. KELSO & MARSH, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

It discourages a young woman who has just been married to find out how much it costs to buy plain, uninteresting things, like potatoes and laundry soap, to say nothing of flowers and sweet chocolates.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best, or money refunded. 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

A married man tells me that the jaws of death are not in it with the "jaws" of life.

Important to Mothers.
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of **Chas. H. Fletcher** in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

A woman will never talk over her matrimonial woes to another woman if she can find a man to play telephone receiver.

More Flexible and Lasting.
Don't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

Did it ever occur to you that the majority of so-called women haters are married men?

It's Strenuous.
There is no true superiority except that created by true merit. The reason Hunt's Lightning Oil outclasses all other liniments—it has the merit—it does something. See what it will do for cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, sore and stiff muscles and joints. Your surprise will only be exceeded by your gratification.

In marriage the measure of our happiness is usually in proportion to our deserts.

His Banner Over Me.

Surrounded by unnumbered foes,
Against my soul the battle goes,
Yet, though I weary, sore and drest,
I know that I shall reach my rest,
I lift my tearful eyes above,
His banner over me is love.

Its sword my spirit will not yield,
Though flesh may faint upon the field;
He waves before my fading sight
The branches of palm, the crown of light,
I lift my brightening eyes above,
His banner over me is love.

My cloud of battle-dust may dim,
His veil of splendor curtain him;
And in the midnight of my fear
I may not feel him standing near,
But, as I lift my eyes above,
His banner over me is love.

MRS. CRUSOE'S WEIS
BY GEORGE WINTEROP

"I might swim for it," suggested Tucker with the accent of one who knows the impracticability of what he suggests.

"You might fly for it," retorted Nan Carroll, "for all the good it would do. You should have tied the boat."

"You forgot," he pleaded, "that I only came last night and have not yet had opportunity to become familiar with the tide here. How was I to know that you had a regular Bay of Fundy tide here?"

"If you knew as much about geography as you do about some things," he hinted darkly, "you would know that this is the Bay of Fundy tide. It doesn't come in as a tidal wave, but it rises as high."

He glanced ruefully at the canoe fast disappearing on the tide, and scanned the shore to see if it offered any hope. Apparently they were as thoroughly lost as though they were on an island in the Pacific instead of three miles from a summer resort. It was Tucker's first experience with a land where they built steamship docks two stories high because of the fall of the tide from the Bay of Fundy, and he had supposed that when he had drawn the canoe well up on the shelving bank the long rope in the bow could not possibly be needed.

He threw himself down beside her. "Nan, dear," he cried, "don't take it so to heart. It will come out all right if I have to swim over to the mainland and steal a boat."

She rose in all her five feet five of injured dignity. "I do not see, Mr. Tucker," she said coldly, "that the situation should permit the levity you assume. It may be all right for you, but a woman's fair name—" Her sobbing broke forth afresh at the thought of what might be said.

"What's the use of taking on so?" he demanded. "You told me last winter that at the end of the season you thought—"

"Do you suppose I thought then that I'd think what I think now?" she cried hysterically. "Do you suppose that I imagined that you would abduct me to a desert island to force me to marry you? Never."

"For want of a better occupation he searched along the shore for clams, finding a few, but deciding after one taste that it would be better to look for berries. It was too late for berries apparently, and there was another pause and reflection. He had just decided that it was as well that Nan Carroll would not marry him when that changeable young woman plumped herself down upon the moss beside him.

"Why don't you talk?" she asked cheerfully. "It's awfully lonesome around here."

Tucker gasped, but for a moment he did not dare speak. When he found words it was not of casual affairs he spoke, not of himself nor of their predicament, and presently they were chatting as merrily as though there had been none of the stormy scenes of the afternoon.

They were still talking when of a sudden they heard footsteps behind them and they sprang to their feet.

Just behind them a tall, clerical



"I might swim for it," man in blue overalls and checked calico jumper.

"I hope I don't intrude," he said quickly.

"Are you Man Friday?" demanded Nan. "You see we are Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Crusoe, and our boat is wrecked—or at least I hope it is," she amended viciously.

"I am sorry, Mrs. Crusoe," he said, falling in with her humor. "I am the Rev. Philip Hartman of Boston, summing on this island with my family."

Nan gasped. "Why didn't you think of looking to see if there was any one living there?" she demanded of Dave.

"You told me it was deserted," he said defensively, "and I supposed you knew. 'I only came last night,' he added in explanation to the clergy-



"We could fool that gossiping crowd," man. "Mrs. Crusoe forgot to tell me about the tide and the boat floated away."

"Come over and have tea," suggested the clergyman hospitably, "and I have a boat that will take you over to the hotel."

He strode off, leading the way, and Nan and Dave followed. Once or twice she hummed softly to herself and Dave could have sworn it was the wedding music from "Lohengrin." At last, as he was helping her over a rock which barred her path, she held his hand in hers as she lightly dropped beside him.

"Dave," she whispered, "didn't he say he was a clergyman?"

Dave nodded. "The Rev. Philip Hartman," he affirmed.

"We could fool that gossiping crowd, pretending we did it on purpose."

More than ever Dave marveled at the ways of woman, but they were married before supper, for Dave explained to the clergyman that he was afraid she might change her mind again.—San Francisco Call.

Why the Preacher Objected.
A story of an eccentric minister is too good for the "rasure of oblivion." One Sunday he caused some surprise by declaring that he did not in the least object to people sleeping while he was preaching.

A few minutes later he and his hearers were disturbed by the loud snoring of a man just below the pulpit.

"Give him a tap on the head," said the minister.

This was done, ineffectually.

"Give him another," same the order again.

Still the man slumbered; but at length, by dint of much tapping and shaking, he was recalled into abashed consciousness.

"You are making a wretched noise," roared the minister, leaning over the pulpit edge. "I don't mind your sleeping, but you are preventing other people from sleeping!"

At Bacon Ridge.
"So Silas Rytton went to the circus?"

"Yes, by hen! An' he came home mad enough to chew up a crow."

"What happened?"

"Why, Sil bought a photograph of each of the freaks of the side show. After that he was mistaken for a pickpocket and arrested."

"That must have made him furious."

"But wait until the worst comes. They found the freak pictures, and the local paper stated that 'the suspect had a pocketful of family photographs.'"—New York Telegraph.

Premiums for Live Stock.
The Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland, Ore., has voted \$40,000 for premiums for a big livestock display.

GOVERNOR OF OREGON Uses Pe-ru-na In His Family

For Colds and Finds It an Excellent Remedy.



The Magnificent State Capitol Building at Salem, Oregon. PRAISE FROM THE EX-GOVERNOR OF OREGON.

PERUNA is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Letters of congratulation and commendation testifying to the merits of Peruna as a catarrh remedy are pouring in from every State of the Union.

Dr. Hartman is receiving hundreds of such letters daily. All classes write these letters, from the highest to the lowest.

The outdoor laborer, the indoor artisan, the clerk, the editor, the statesman, the preacher—all agree that Peruna is the catarrh remedy of the age.

The stage and rostrum, recognizing catarrh as their greatest enemy, are especially enthusiastic in their praise and testimony.

Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-nigh universal; almost omnipresent.

Peruna is the only absolute safeguard known. A cold is the beginning of catarrh. To prevent colds, to cure colds, is to cheat catarrh of its victims.

Peruna not only cures catarrh, but prevents it. Every household should be supplied with this great remedy for coughs, colds and so forth.

The Ex-Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Peruna. He keeps it continually in the house.

HAVE YOU A HORSE?

WOULD YOU LIKE US TO SEND YOU A BEAUTIFUL SADDLE?

FOR THE MOST WONDERFUL SADDLE OFFER EVER HEARD OF, an offer by which anyone can have the finest saddle in his neighborhood, out this ad and send it to us and you will receive our New, Big and Beautiful Special Saddle Catalogue, large, handsome photographic illustrations of all kinds of Men's, Women's, Boys' and Girls' Saddles, Stock Saddles, Ranch and Range Saddles, ALL MEDIUM AND LARGE, PLAIN AND PATENT, ALL COLORS, EVERY IMAGINABLE KIND AND STYLE AND SHAPE OF SADDLE. OUR PRICES WILL ASTONISH AND PLEASE YOU.

You will get our Very Latest and Most Astonishingly Liberal Offer, you will get our New Free Trial Plan, you will receive a saddle offer that every horse owner should have at once. If you own a horse, don't fail to cut this ad out and send to us today and see what all you get by return mail, free, postage.

ADDRESS, SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., CHICAGO.

LEWIS' SINGLE BINDER
THE BEST QUALITY STRAIGHT 5 CIGAR ALWAYS RELIABLE

Dealers supplied by their jobber or direct from Frank F. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

W. L. DOUGLAS

3.50 SHOES

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's \$3.50 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world.

The reason W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes are the greatest sellers in the world is because of their excellent style, easy fitting and superior wearing qualities. If I could show you the difference between the shoes made in my factory and those of other makers, you would understand why W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes cost more to make, why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater intrinsic value than any other \$3.50 shoe on the market today, and why the sales for the year ending July 1, 1904, were \$6,243,040.00.

W. L. Douglas guarantees their value by giving you his name and price on the bottom. Look for it—take no substitute. Sold by shoe dealers every where.

SUPERIOR IN FIT, COMFORT AND WEAR.

I have worn W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes for the last twelve years with absolute satisfaction. I had them supplied in St. Louis, Mo., and kept in others coming from \$2.00 to \$2.50. W. L. Douglas, Dept. 100, 100 N. 4th Street, Richmond, Va.

W. L. Douglas uses Corona Coltskin in his \$3.50 shoes. Corona Coll is conceded to be the Best Patent Leather made. Fast Color Syclets used exclusively.

W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Massachusetts.

GET A GRASP ON OUR TRADE MARK

GET TO KNOW IT WHEN YOU SEE IT AND THEN NEVER BUY STARCH WITHOUT IT. DEFIANCE STARCH IS WITHOUT EQUAL. IT IS GOOD. IT IS BETTER. IT IS THE BEST AND MORE OF IT FOR TEN CENTS THAN ANY OTHER STARCH. IT WILL NOT ROT THE CLOTHES. YOUR GROCER HAS IT OR WILL GET IT IF YOU ASK FOR IT.

SATISFACTION OR MONEY BACK.

MANUFACTURED BY THE DEFIANCE STARCH CO., OMAHA, NEB.

Your first introduction to **Potash or Lye**

pleases us, your further acquaintance pleases you. Sold everywhere. None genuine without trade mark **PICTURE OF A RABBIT.**

A Beautiful Match Safe Free.
Illustrated in five bright and permanent colors, sent to your address free for just one Lye label and name of this paper. Get a label and write to-day.

E. Myers Lye Co., 402 S. 34 St., St. Louis, Mo.

This Lye is a thorough cleanser and disinfectant. Makes the best clear soap, splendid for sheep dipping, saving feet disease of the sheep, preventing hog cholera and swine fever.

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

In the Matter of County Finances
IN THE HANDS OF
R. D. C. STEPHENS,
Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT,
Haskell County, Texas,
In Regular Quarterly Session,
November Term, 1904.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Haskell County, and the Hon. D. H. Hamilton, County Judge of said Haskell County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 17th day of November, 1904, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of R. D. C. Stephens, Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 8th day of August, A. D. 1904, and ending on the 31st day of Oct., A. D. 1904, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Haskell County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

| JURY FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of November, 1904..... | | 146.24 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 3.80 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | 123.09 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 26.95 |
| Total..... | | 150.04 | 150.04 |

Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of November, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 26.95

| ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of November, 1904..... | | 216.71 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 43.30 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | 5.18 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 254.83 |
| Total..... | | 260.01 | 260.01 |

Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 254.83

| GENERAL FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Nov., 1904..... | | 7.38 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 106.55 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | 68.62 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 45.31 |
| Total..... | | 113.93 | 113.93 |

Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 45.31

| COURT HOUSE FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of November, 1904..... | | 112.30 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 33.19 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | .83 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 144.66 |
| Total..... | | 145.49 | 145.49 |

Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 144.66

| R. & B. INT. & SINKING FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of November, 1904..... | | 260.45 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 24.91 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | .62 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 284.74 |
| Total..... | | 285.36 | 285.36 |

Balance to credit of said R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 284.74

| COURT HOUSE INT. & SINKING FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Nov., 1904..... | | 111.80 | |
| To amount received since said date..... | | 70.51 | |
| By amount disbursed since said date..... | | | 1.76 |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 180.55 |
| Total..... | | 182.31 | 182.31 |

Balance to credit of said Court House Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 180.55

| ESTRAY FUND | | Dr. | Cr. |
|--|--|--------------|--------------|
| Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Nov., 1904..... | | 58.64 | |
| By amount to balance..... | | | 58.64 |
| Total..... | | 58.64 | 58.64 |

Balance to credit of said Estray Fund as actually counted by us on the 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 11th day

of Nov., A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..... 58.64

| DATE | RECAPITULATION | AMOUNT |
|---------|--|--------|
| Nov. 17 | Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day..... | 26.95 |
| " 17 | Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund on this day..... | 254.83 |
| " 17 | Balance to credit of General Fund on this day..... | 45.31 |
| " 17 | Balance to credit of Court House Fund on this day..... | 144.66 |
| " 17 | Bal. to credit of R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund on this day..... | 284.74 |
| " 17 | Bal. to credit of Court House Int. & Sinking Fund on this day..... | 180.55 |
| " 17 | Balance to credit of Estray Fund on this day..... | 58.64 |
| | Total Cash on hand belonging to Haskell County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us..... | 995.68 |

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

The bonded indebtedness of said County we find to be as follows, to wit:
28 Court House Refunding Bonds, at \$1000.00 each, \$28,000.00
13 Road and Bridge Refunding Bonds, at \$1000.00 each, \$13,000.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness..... \$41,000.00

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 17th day of Nov., A. D. 1904.
D. H. HAMILTON, County Judge.
S. V. JONES, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
B. H. OWSLEY, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
LEWIS HOWARD, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
W. F. WATTS, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, by D. H. Hamilton, County Judge and S. V. Jones, and B. H. Owsley, and Lewis Howard, and W. F. Watts, County Commissioners of said Haskell County, each respectively, on this, the 17th day of November, A. D. 1904.
C. D. LONG,
County Clerk, Haskell County, Texas.

New Stock of Furniture!

We have just put in a car load of good, substantial furniture—the kind made for service. As the season is somewhat advanced we have determined to put prices down and move it out.



Wilson Heaters!

If you need a heating stove, try a Wilson Heater. The dampers so regulate the draft as to make them give a more uniform heat than any other, and they are guaranteed to burn less wood than any other stove. Ask for the Wilson.

We also have various other styles of heating stoves, and a complete line of **COOK STOVES.**

KEEN KUTTER AXE
IS THE BEST AXE IN THE WORLD
ASK FOR IT & TAKE NO OTHER
ASK FOR KEEN KUTTER POCKET KNIVES
BUTCHER KNIVES, SHEARS & SCISSORS
& FOR THE ROYAL KEEN KUTTER RAZOR

We have a very complete stock of Hardware and Implements, including the "Mr. Bill" planter and other Avary goods. Let us figure with you when you want anything in our line.

McCollum & Cason.

HASKELL NATIONAL BANK,
—OF—
HASKELL, TEXAS.

With correspondent Bank in the leading commercial cities of Texas and the East, we are prepared to issue exchange for the convenient transaction of business in all parts of the country

We solicit alike the deposits of the people of Haskell and surrounding country and the business of persons abroad who may have need of the services of a bank here.

The personnel of our officers and board of directors is a guaranty that the interest of all patrons will be protected and promoted.

OFFICERS.

M. S. PIERSON, President; G. R. COUCH, Cashier;
LEE PIERSON, Vice-President; M. PIERSON, Ass't. Cashier

Directors.

M. S. PIERSON, G. R. COUCH, MARSHALL PIERSON, T. E. BALLARD, F. M. MORTON, S. W. SCOTT, LEE PIERSON



**DO YOU
NEED
A SUIT
of Clothes,
PAIR OF
PANTS
or a
Coat and Vest**

If you do, call at the Haskell Racket Store and see samples, get your measure taken and we will send your order to one of the leading tailoring houses of America.

Quality of goods, cut, style and workmanship are guaranteed, and we will see that the price is satisfactory.

W. H. WYMAN & COMPANY.

A. C. FOSTER,
Attorney at Law.

J. L. JONES,
Notary Public.

**FOSTER & JONES,
Law, Land and Live Stock,
HASKELL, TEXAS.**

WE HAVE FOR SALE THE FAMOUS

WILD HORSE PRAIRIE LANDS!

Also a large quantity of other very fine farming and ranch lands, and town property..... We have a COMPLETE ABSTRACT OF LAND TITLES and give special attention to land litigation. CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED. Write us for any information desired about land and live stock.

**TEXAS CENTRAL Railroad.
STAMFORD.**

No. 1 Arrives from Waco,..... 5:45 P. M.
No. 2 Leaves for Waco,..... 10:00 A. M.

GOOD CONNECTIONS AT WACO FOR ALL POINTS IN CENTRAL, EAST AND SOUTH TEXAS TO POINTS IN THE OLD STATES!

VIA Cotton Belt Route and Memphis, H. & T. C., So. Pacific & New Orleans.

Write us a letter, Stating When and Where you want to go. We will advise you promptly. Lowest Rates, and give you a Schedule of the Trip. W. F. McMILLIN, THOS. F. FARMER, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Agent, Stamford. Waco, Texas.

HASKELL SALOON

WILLIAMS & POGUE, Proprietors.

WILL SELL THE BEST BRANDS OF

Liquors, Wines and Brandies

AT POPULAR AND REASONABLE PRICES.

Double Stamped Sour Mash is a favorite brand of liquor. This whiskey is served over the bar every day.

E. A. WILLIAMS

SOLICIT A LIBERAL SHARE OF YOUR

BLACKSMITH and Woodwork

AT LIVE AND LET LIVE PRICES.

HORSE SHOING A SPECIALTY.

REAR OF SHERRILL BROTHERS STORE.



CITY MEAT MARKET....

ELLIS & ENGLISH, Proprietors.

West Side of the Square.

Your Patronage Solicited.

We Keep all Kinds of Fresh Meats Obtainable in Their Season.