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Wedding In Whitehouse

Amid Scenes of Oriental Splendor the President's Daughter Married to Congressman.

Washington, Feb. 19.—With a plain circlet of virgin gold, in the historical East Room of the White House at thirteen minutes after 12 o'clock Saturday, Alice Lee Roosevelt, eldest daughter of the President of the United States, and Nicholas Longworth, the Representative in Congress from the First District of Ohio, were united in marriage.

The ceremony was according to the liturgy of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of which the bride is a member. No ceremony of a similar kind was ever witnessed by a more distinguished assemblage. There were present as guests, not only the most eminent representatives of the American Government, but the personal commissioners of the Kings and potentates of the Powers of the civilized world, constituting an assemblage not only

at first, to the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom. It became necessary to include among the guests invited certain official classes and personal friends of Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth, and, in all, the people bidden to the ceremony numbered a thousand.

The ceremony took place in the East Room, made famous by a century of brilliant social functions, but no event in its history ever was so brilliant and beautiful as that of Saturday. The classic splendor of the great apartment was enhanced by exquisite and artistic decorations and the brilliant sunlight of a gorgeous day lent added beauty to the setting of the wedding.

It had been intended to light the magnificent room with hundreds of softly shaded electric lamps of the



CONGRESSMAN NICHOLAS LONGWORTH AND MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT.

one of the largest but the most distinguished that ever was witnessed at one time in the White House. Miss Roosevelt was the twelfth bride, according to accepted authorities, to plight her troth within its classic walls.

While the bride herself and the President and Mrs. Roosevelt had desired that the ceremony of the marriage should be simple and quiet as possible, it was found impracticable to limit the function, as was intended

great crystal chandeliers, but while artificial lights were utilized throughout the remainder of the White House it was determined to flood the marriage scene with sunlight. It was a beautiful conceit, founded upon the pretty proverb, "Happy is the bride the sun shines on."

Soon after the ceremony and the reception which followed it was over Mr. and Mrs. Longworth took an automobile drive to the country home of a friend.

Texas Legislature to Be Called

Austin, Tex., Feb. 19.—There will be a special session of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature, and it will convene in this city Monday, March 26. Such was the effect of the authorized statement of Gov. Lanham Saturday morning.

The Governor said that he would not issue his formal call or proclamation until the latter part of this month, but that this was notice to the Legislators to get themselves in readiness and arrange matters at home so as to be able to be present.

The Governor would not discuss matters to be considered by the Legislature, except to laughingly remark that they will be few enough, and answer in the affirmative as to the election bill error.

He positively confirmed the prevailing idea that the election bill be cured and errors corrected therein. As to any other subject, he would not even hint. He said public sentiment had reached the point where it expected a special session of the Legislature, and personally believing that this was necessary, he decided to give his answer

Lawyer Senator Elected.

Amarillo: In the special election held throughout this, the One Hundred and Sixth, Representative District Wednesday for a successor to Hon. W. B. Ware, removed from the district, Hon. J. R. Bowman, a young lawyer of Amarillo defeated W. R. Gibson of Claude by a vote of 770 against 47. The district comprises twenty-eight counties, a large number of which are far from railroads.

John A. McCall Succumbs.

New York: John A. McCall, until recently president of the New York Life Insurance Company, died at 5:33 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Laurel House in Lakewood, N. J., where he had been taken three weeks ago in the hope that the change might benefit his health, which had suffered a break-down two months ago. The news of the death was not given out by the family until some time after the end.

John B. Stetson, Hatmaker, Dead.

De Land, Fla.: John B. Stetson, the millionaire hat manufacturer of Philadelphia, died at his winter home at Gillean, near De Land Saturday. Mr. Stetson was stricken with apoplexy and died without regaining consciousness. His wife was the only member of his family present. Mr. Stetson had been feeling quite well. He attended the university trustees' meeting Thursday and the presentation day exercises at the auditorium Friday.

to the people in the affirmative.

As to whether or not the members will draw pay for the extra session, he would not say, stating that was a matter entirely with them; that he would issue the proclamation convening them in regular form and that was as far as he could go or say. Thus, it will be "up" to the Legislators themselves as to whether or not they will draw 20c mileage to and from Austin and the per diem of \$5 per day.

Great Shock in West Indies.

Kingston, St. Vincent, B. W. I.: The most severe and protracted shock of earthquake that has been experienced in this island since 1902 was felt at 1:40 p. m. Friday. Buildings of every description were rocked violently and the people rushed to the streets. So far as has been learned no serious damage was done here, at Georgetown, and elsewhere, beyond the cracking of walls of houses. A small landslide occurred at the Cedars in the Windward district.

Got Rich too Quick.

Port Arthur: A. Parkinson, who has been timekeeper for the Gulf Refining Company for the last four years, was arrested on a charge of embezzlement. It is charged that he has been carrying names on the payroll who never worked at the refinery at all, and that he has been drawing the money for them by orders supposed to come from the men whom he shows on the roll.

Four Men Killed by an Explosion.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.: Four men were killed by an explosion which occurred Saturday about two miles from this city. The explosion occurred in a small structure known as a timberman's shanty, located along the gangway a short distance from the foot of the shaft. In this shanty was stored a lot of giant powder. The supposition is that the heat from the steam pipes ignited the powder and exploded it.

Government Pays Expenses Anyway.

Vinita, I. T.: Judge Luman F. Parker, Jr., of the Northern District of Indian Territory has returned all of the complimentary annual passes he received from the railroads and when he makes a trip on the railroads now he pays his fare. He says he believes it is wrong for a federal judge to accept a pass from a railroad company, as he believes that a man riding on a free pass is necessarily under obligations to the railroads.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

The North Texas Eclectic Medical Association met at Sherman Friday.

Judge Burney has dissolved the injunction heretofore granted in the local option case at Uvalde. The saloons closed Thursday at 2 o'clock p. m.

W. G. Scarff has bought the M. H. Mahana 1,100 acre ranch in Dallas County, paying \$35,000 for it. The ranch will be converted into a fine stock farm.

The planing mills and the union carpenters of Fort Worth are at outs, the mills having declared for an "open shop" and nine hours, while the unions declare for closed shop and eight hours.

Thomas W. Dealey, late secretary-treasurer of A. H. Belo & Co., publishers of the Dallas and Galveston News, who died at Mineral Wells Thursday, was buried at that place Friday. Masonic services were held at the grave.

Two little girls were bitten by a mad dog in Dallas Friday. Madstones were applied, and adhered to the wounds of both for several hours.

Ennis business men are moving to organize a commercial club.

The directors of the Ellis County Fair Association met at Ennis to inaugurate plans for the next annual fair. The stockholders are called to meet soon to elect officers of the association.

The Dallas 150,000 club, an organization formed about a year ago with the avowed purpose of working concerted for 150,000 population for Dallas by 1919, elected officers Thursday night. Joseph E. Farnsworth was elected president; J. S. Kendall, secretary, and Elihu Sanger, treasurer.

A special election has been ordered for March 5 for the purpose of incorporating Troy School District into an independent one. Some territory has been added to the original district.

J. A. Highnote of Pryor, near Corsicana, reports that he had lost two hogs recently from the effects of hydrophobia, and that some of his neighbors had suffered similar experience.

The farmers in Dewey County, Oklahoma, have organized for a big wolf hunt, to begin on Feb. 28, and hunters from all parts of Western Oklahoma will participate.

The nomination of Ben F. Daniels to be United States Marshall of Arizona was contested in executive session, a vote developing that among those present fifteen were for him and the same number against him.

A shooting scrape at or near Karnack, Harrison County, occurred last week, in which Frank Blocker, bailiff, was shot in the leg by Manuel Raily, colored. Blocker returned the fire, shooting Raily in the heart. During the shooting a bullet from Raily's pistol killed his own mother.

The body of King Christian was removed from the Christianborg church to the Cathedral at Roskilde, where it was buried Sunday among the tombs of the Danish Kings, who, for a thousand years, have found their last resting place in the ancient capital of the kingdom.

A mass meeting largely attended by citizens and business men was held at Oklahoma for the purpose of passing resolutions asking that the clause in the statehood bill locating the capital at Guthrie until 1915 be eliminated.

Tarrant County has waked up on the road proposition, and the commissioner's court has appointed some 400 road overseers—about one to every 20 men in the county, outside of Fort Worth.

The board of school trustees of the Denison public school has decided to have erected a tablet bearing an inscription to show that the high school building of the Denison school system was the first public free school building constructed in Texas.

While whittling at Kit Berry's house a stove pipe fell, and in attempting to catch the pipe John Satterfield accidentally struck Berry in the throat with the knife, and Berry came near bleeding to death from the wound.

Mr. W. B. Newton, of Waco, aged sixty years, was found dead in bed Thursday, having died from organic heart trouble. He has been suffering in this way for twenty years and had an attack three weeks before which has never really loosened its hold.

The county commissioners have ordered a special election for Hunt County for a tax of 15c on the \$100 valuation for the purpose of raising funds to improve the public roads and bridges of the county.

An electric power plant is to be built at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas shops at Denison and will be used to run the machinery of the shops. The engine to furnish power will be a large enough to run the machinery and also to light the shops.

TEXAS CORN GROWERS MEET AND ORGANIZE.

Much Enthusiasm is Developed at Meeting.

Dallas, Feb. 17.—With much show of interest in the proceedings and a very good attendance, farmers engaged in the culture of corn in Texas met yesterday and effected a permanent organization. Several addresses were delivered by farmers and by experts in culture of corn, a constitution was drafted and adopted, officers were elected and committees appointed and the convention adjourned. Many samples of fine corn were shown and there was practical demonstrations of methods of selecting and of growing the grain to the best advantage.

Capt. W. H. Gaston and Capt. Sydney Smith of the Texas State Fair Association appeared before the body and Capt. Gaston made a short address as head of the agricultural department of the fair. He said that it is the intention of the association to erect an agricultural building before the opening of the next entertainment; that the money is in hand for the purpose and that he wishes the farmers to advise with him as to the most suitable form and kind of building. The statements were applauded and the executive committee empowered to act for the association in this matter.

Officers of the Texas Corn Growers' Association were elected by acclamation. They are: President, Thomas A. McCallard, Denton; vice-president, John H. Garrett, Forney; secretary-treasurer, A. M. Ferguson of the State University, Austin.

INDIAN MINERAL LANDS.

The Disposition of These Causes Much Worry and Discussion.

Washington: The Senate Committee on Indian affairs has found the matter of providing for the disposition of the mineral lands in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations such a complex problem that the plan of reporting the bill to the senate last week was abandoned Thursday. It may be that the bill will not be ready even next week. This section of the bill is now being discussed informally and privately by various members of the committee, and an agreement may result which will enable rapid progress next week. Most of the members of the committee feel that unless great care shall be exercised in providing for the sale of this immense amount of property not only will great injustice be done the Indians, but that, at the cost of a song comparatively, a gigantic coal monopoly will be established and perpetuated in the Southwest.

What the solution of the problem will be no one will venture to predict, but it is not believed that a majority of the committee will favor the appropriation to give the lessees a preferential right to buy the lands at a price to be fixed by three appraisers, one of whom is to be named by themselves.

Man With a Roll Disappears.

Austin: Local police circles are much exercised over the disappearance of a hack driver who came here a month ago and suddenly disappeared after having exhibited \$1,000. He had been foreman of a livery stable in small Texas town and said he owned 100 acres of land in Missouri, which he sold for \$9,000. He claimed the \$1,000 was the first payment on the land. He was last seen Wednesday, and left town. His personal effects are still at his late boarding house.

Guthrie, Ok.: Rev. Parker, vice-president of Oklahoma Congregational College of Kingfisher, announces a \$25,000 endowment gift to the school from Andrew Carnegie. Mr. Carnegie withdrew his usual library request in making this donation. Recently this school received \$100,000 endowment from Dr. Pearson of Chicago, and Eastern parties, and has been notified by William Jennings Bryan that it will be remembered out of the Bennett estate bequests.

Improvements for Jefferson.

Jefferson, Tex., Feb. 17.—It is currently reported a large crosscutting plant for the treating of piling, ties, bridge timbers and so forth will be built here at an early day, employing some 200 men. Other parties are now figuring on a box factory, which will be installed. The greatest quantity of raw material lasting such a factory for years is easily reached. In fact, a year's supply would be in full view of such plant.

President Loubet's Last Presiding.

Paris: President Loubet Friday presided for the last time at the Council of Ministers. He showed emotion in thanking the cabinet for its support and hoped that the same ministers would continue their labors. Premier Rouvier replied, saying that M. Loubet retired from office with the love of the republic and esteem of the foreign governments. Later the president received farewell visits from the diplomatic corps.

TWITCHING NERVES

A Serious Hereditary Trouble Cured By Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Sufferers from ailments that have afflicted in regular succession one generation after another of their family are, as a rule, inclined to submit to them as inevitable. The case which follows proves that such hereditary difficulties are not beyond the reach of curative forces and should inspire hopefulness and a readiness to try remedies that have effected signal cures, such as that which is here given.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rannels, of No. 409 East Seventh street, Newton, Kansas, gives the following account of her ailment and her cure:

"For two years I suffered from a trying nervousness in my lower limbs from my knees down, as my mother and my grandmother had suffered before me. The situation was for many years accepted as unavoidable because hereditary. But about two years ago, when my son was realizing benefit from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I thought there might possibly be some good in them for me. My trouble had then become so serious as to make it difficult for me to sleep. I often had to walk the floor in restlessness the whole night. After taking some six boxes the twitching disappeared and I ceased to use the remedy. I evidently stopped a little too soon for nervousness came back after a month or so and I used the pills again for a short time. Relief came at once and since I stopped using them the second time I have been free from any return of the twitchings or from any interference with my sleep."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured the worst cases of bloodlessness, indigestion, influenza, headaches, lumbago, sciatica, neuralgia, nervousness, spinal weakness and the special ailments of girls and women. For further information, address the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Soldier's Rapid Rise.

Lieutenant Colonel Gordon Carter, First British Life-Guards, who retires under the age limit, is one of the most remarkable examples of rising from the ranks. The son of a farmer, he entered as a trooper in the life guards in 1873, and after serving eight years in the ranks was appointed riding master. A year later he became adjutant of the regiment and passed from rank to rank till in 1902 he was appointed lieutenant colonel and second in command. It rarely happens that a ranker receives a commission in the regiment in which he has served, and Colonel Gordon Carter was the first, if not the only, trooper who ever rose to the command of a regiment of household cavalry.

Punishment for Libel

Libel was esteemed a grievous offense in the old English law. In an old case, where the libelers had charged the lord keeper of bribery, this punishment was inflicted on two of the criminals: One thousand pounds fine each, and they were required to ride to Westminster from the Fleet, with their faces to the horse tail, and at the chancery bar, and in this court with papers on their heads declaring their offense, to acknowledge their offense, and ask forgiveness for it, and then be set on the pillory with one ear nailed to it, while the courts sit; and another day to ride into Cheapside in such manner as before, and there be set on the pillory with their other ear nailed, and be carried to prison, there to remain during life."

The Latest Disease.

New York is threatened with an epidemic of "hyperacusis." This, according to late medical authorities, is an extraordinary acuteness of the sense of hearing. It may be symptomatic of hysteria, facial paralysis with loss of power in the stapedius muscle and hypnosis. Allied with hyperacusis is dysacusis, the causing of unpleasant sensations by ordinary sounds. The noise and bustle of city life are said to be responsible for the new-fangled disease.

Rise in Scholarship.

Dr. Joseph Wright, professor of comparative philology at Oxford university, at 16 years of age was a mill hand and did not know how to read. Today he is considered one of the most learned men in England. He compiled the authoritative "England Dialect Dictionary" and has made a number of translations.

"Old Tecumseh's" Daughter.

Old Tecumseh Sherman's favorite daughter, Mrs. Alexander M. Thackara, wife of the United States consul general at Berlin, is the leader of American life in the Kaiser's capital. Her home is in that part of Berlin known as the "District of Columbia," because so many Americans are clustered in the vicinity.

No man wandered more easily than he who watches only another's ways.

Turtle 350 Years Old.

About the time the Galapagos Islands were discovered a young turtle was born there. He died the other day in the zoological gardens, London. He was at least 350 years old. When he was feeling well he would eat as much grass as an average cow.

No man can do himself any good by criticizing others; but any man can accomplish something by criticizing himself.

The Mail Race Ends.

The Mails for the Southwest are Divided Between the Katy and Gould System.

Washington, Feb. 17.—It has been a dead heat between the Gould lines and the Frisco-Katy combination, if the decision of the Postoffice Department in awarding the Southwest mails may be used as a criterion. For the division mail the superintendent for the Southwest received instructions today from Second Assistant Postmaster General Shallenberger to divide them between these two routes.

The South Texas mails and that destined for Dallas go to the Gould lines; the mails for Central, Northern and Western Texas go to the Frisco-Katy collaborators. The weighing will begin next Tuesday and the distribution will be made on this basis.

As to the South Texas goal, it was said, the advantage seemed to be clearly with the Gould lines. The fact that the South Texas mail goes entirely over one system was also a consideration.

While this decision is final for the present, it is dependent for its continuance upon the performances of the roads.

Demand of the Miners.

New York: The proposition to be presented to the operators by union representatives, has not been made public, but more or less accurate reports of their nature have leaked out. It has been learned among the proposals to be submitted are those for an eight-hour day without reduction in wages for all employees paid by the hour, day or week, a uniform wage scale in the three anthracite districts for different classes of employees; adequate compensation for "dead work" performed by contract miners; a reconstruction of the board of conciliation; an increase in wages from 10 to 20 per cent for all company men; the adoption of a system by which coal shall be paid for by weight wherever practicable, and the recognition of the union.

The union mine workers in the anthracite region never have been entirely satisfied with the award of the strike commission. The men gained considerable through the award, but they feel that they did not receive all they were justly entitled to.

Fire at Marshall.

Marshall: Wednesday morning at about 12:30 o'clock the Marshall Opera House building, located on the southeast corner of the court house square, and the only playhouse in the city, was discovered on fire and almost before the alarm could be turned in the entire building was ablaze and beyond the control of the firemen. The loss on the building and fixtures is about \$30,000. The front of the building was occupied by the city offices and a commission house. The losses on these were heavy.

Only a Dollars and Cents Matter.

Washington: From the many reports received by the state department from the East, relative to the anti-American boycott, its extent, the prospect of its continuance and the amount of injury it has inflicted on American trade, two selected at random from the north and the south have been made public. In neither is there any hint of violence and the movement is confined strictly to trade limits.

The Rock Island Thursday began operating its trains into Sherman over the Frisco rails from Randolph, I. T.

Rather Dead than Crazy.

Pawnee City, Neb.: After writing a note saying "I feel that I am losing my mind and I would rather be dead than crazy; to think about it makes me laugh, ha-ha," Howard L. Chapman, a wealthy farmer living near here, shot himself in the head. His wife, who had been away on a trip, stumbled over his body as she returned to the house.

Proxies Bought in France.

Paris: E. E. Ingersoll, European president of the New York Life Insurance Company, has been successful in securing proxies of scores of French policy holders, which he has obtained with the avowed intention of using them to foster the re-election to the board of trustees of Messrs. Clafin, Straus and Mackay. Securing of the proxies means the expenditure in France of thousands of dollars.

Mr. Green Buys Some Roses.

Richmond, Ind.: E. H. R. Green, son of Hetty Green of New York, has been spending some time in Richmond. Mr. Green is interested in the culture of flowers, and has greenhouses in Dallas. The purpose of his visit to Richmond was to inspect the new Richmond rose grown by a local company, and as a result he has purchased 40,000 of the plants to be sent to his Dallas greenhouses.

FIGHTING THE CATTLE TICK.

Southern Members and College Men Hold Conference.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Southern members of congress and the directors of a number of agricultural and mechanical colleges and of experiment stations in that section held a conference Wednesday afternoon in the minority room at the Capitol to agree on a plan of procedure, having for its purpose the procurement of a large appropriation to enable the Agricultural Department to combat the cattle fever tick.

The conference was called by congressman Ransdell of Louisiana at the suggestion of a number of Southern congressmen, who think that the loss occasioned by the cattle tick has become of such magnitude as to make it necessary to solicit the aid of the Federal Government in exterminating a parasite, which, according to estimates made by the Department of Agriculture, cause a loss of \$150,000,000 a year.

Most of the Southern Representatives were there as well as a number of senators from that section, and in addition veterinarians and agricultural scientists who have spent years in the effort to combat the pest.

Mr. Burleson of Texas was chosen chairman. Mr. Ransdell of Louisiana explained briefly the purpose of the conference and afterward a number of scientists, including Mr. Melvin, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, made statements.

All of these statements, most of which were the recitals of actual experience, showed that the situation is a most serious one, in that not only is the prosperity of the livestock industry menaced, but of the agricultural industry as well. Mr. Ransdell, for example, remarked that because of the ravages of the boll weevil as well as because of the need of diversifying the crops that the fertility of soil should be preserved it was necessary that farmers should engage largely in stock raising. But, he declared, the presence of the tick which produced splenic or Texas fever made stock raising unprofitable.

It was admitted by every one who spoke that no quarantine against cattle subject to Texas fever was warranted, but the fact that the Government instituted a quarantine, it was held was a sufficient reason why the Government should at least co-operate with the State governments in an effort to exterminate these ticks. As to the practicability of exterminating these ticks, all were in agreement that it could be done. It was shown by the veterinarians and scientists that the ticks could live only on the bodies of animals that when they dropped to the ground they soon starved to death. The remedy, therefore, or at least one remedy, was to move cattle from one pasture to another.

Cleans Cotton Seed.

Washington: A gin which makes a cotton seed as bald as a billiard ball is on exhibition and is attracting a great deal of attention, especially among those from Texas. This gin gets about 200 pounds of lint from a ton of seed turned out of the regular gin and the advantage of it not only is the greater amount of lint cotton obtained in this way, but in the fact that seed thus cleaned is worth more than when it comes from an ordinary gin.

Hugh R. Stevens, of Lannus, aged 83, and a Confederate soldier, who came to Texas 60 years ago, died in Fort Worth Monday.

Alaska's Governor Resigns.

Washington: President Roosevelt has received and accepted the resignation of John G. Brady as Governor of Alaska. The resignation was handed to the President on behalf of Gov. Brady by Judge Peck of New York. It is not unlikely that the appointment when made will go to Lieut. D. H. Jarvis, formerly an officer of the revenue cutter service, who conducted a relief expedition several years ago to a party of whalers at Point Barrow.

Dropped Dead in Ball Room.

Gainesville: F. R. Sherwood dropped dead here at 10 o'clock Wednesday night. He had just finished leading a grand march and passed over to the opposite side of the room and seated himself in a chair, when he dropped over, a corpse. The Daughters of the American Revolution gave a fancy dress ball, and Mr. Sherwood was taking a prominent part. He was secretary of the cotton oil mill of Gainesville.

Fatal Shooting Affray.

Galveston: Mack Robertson, thirty-six years of age, was shot Wednesday morning and died soon after. The tragedy occurred at the home where he had called to meet a lady to whom he was engaged to be married in June. The fiancée was a witness to the shooting. A 38-caliber pistol was the weapon used. George F. Abrahamson surrendered to the police and is held on a charge of murder.

Three Killed in a Wreck.

Fort Scott, Kan.: St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train, No. 118 north bound, was wrecked at Columbus, Kan., Wednesday. Harry Roundtree, of Fort Scott, express messenger, one of the passengers, and a newsboy, names unknown, were burned to death. George Woods, the engineer, was badly hurt, and W. H. Runyan, fireman, sustained a broken leg. The baggage and express car was telescoped over the mail car and both soon caught fire.

The flames from the forward cars caught the coach and the chair car and all four were consumed. The Pullman was saved. Several members of the crew were pinned beneath the burning express and mail cars. The passengers made strenuous efforts to save Roundtree and the newsboy, but were driven back by the flames. An unknown passenger is reported among the dead.

Mineral Wells After New Road.

Mineral Wells: The Commercial Club has authorized C. W. Wilson, its secretary, to correspond with officials of the Texas, New Mexico and Pacific with a view to securing the road. At a recent meeting held at Palo Pinto \$10,000 was pledged and right of way to the Brazos River and Western County line, provided Mineral Wells would give \$20,000 and right of way to the east county line.

The old fight between the old and new town of La Porte for the postoffice has been renewed.

Tuesday night unknown parties waylaid William Ramsey, a highly respected negro, living near Cushing, and shot and killed him. Sheriff Buckner was notified of the tragedy and left at once for the scene of the trouble.

Commander-in-Chief Thomas M. Owen has announced that he had appointed John P. Logan of Sylvania Springs, Ark., as commander of the Arkansas division of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The International and Great Northern railroad company will use the Texas and Pacific passenger station at Fort Worth as a model for the new station to be created at San Antonio.

Mrs. Mary E. Holmes, founder of the Mary E. Holmes Seminary at West Point, Miss., an industrial school for colored girls, and prominent as a scientist, is dead.

"Dead in his cell" is the entry after the name of Edward Parker, a negro, who was serving a sentence of ten days for vagrancy in the city jail at El Paso. Parker was found dead by the jailer.

J. B. Kimmel and Lorena Harris of Laredo were married in San Antonio by a local justice, just five minutes before a telegram arrived from the bride's father forbidding the marriage.

An Aged Preacher Dies.

Corsicana: Rev. Andrew Davis died here Wednesday after an illness of three weeks. The wife of the deceased, to whom he had been married sixty years, was buried here three weeks ago. Mr. Davis was born in the territory now comprising the county of Red River, March 9, 1827, and lived in Texas under four flags. He was licensed to preach by the Methodist church when seventeen years old.

In all the diamond cutting and polishing factories a higher standard of wages is to be granted and for the first time in ten years apprentices will be received, under the terms of a year's agreement just signed.

Stork Brings Triplets.

Dallas: Triplets, three fine boys were born to the wife of W. E. Derr, one and a half miles north of Dallas. Dr. W. O. Stephenson reports the mother and all of the boys doing nicely. The babies are a little less than the average size baby, according to the statement of Dr. Stephenson, although he pronounced them as being apparently healthy in every respect.

A fifty-year franchise has been granted B. F. Bond and associates for the building of a street railway at Cleburne. A bond of \$3,000 is required guaranteeing three miles of track to be in operation within twelve months.

A little 4-year-old girl, Lucille Brooks, of Lampasas, was badly scalded while playing about the yard, by falling into a tub of boiling water. She will, however, recover.

Caught by the Shafting.

Orange: W. S. Vines, a painter, was whitewashing the woodwork of the Miller Lumber Company's mill with asbestos. He was on a ladder and his jumper got caught on a shaft that whirled him around at lightning speed and at every revolution his head struck against a 12x12 timber. Before the machinery of the mill could be stopped his head and shoulders were terribly mutilated. Life was extinct when the body was taken down.

Algiers a Mixture of Old and New

The three-towered city of Algiers seems to be the product of repeatedly violent mixtures of orient and occident, the unrest of civilization and the power of persistence of that truly not enviable bliss which feels itself happiest in filth and dirt. Mustapha Superieure, city of villas and hotels, rises above the new and old city, the European and the Arabian quarters, voluptuous, decked with flowers, like an unchaste beauty mottled into the hilly country, which, as outermost spur of the snow-covered heights of the Atlas and the Djurjura, descends to the very boundary of the city, says Appleton's Booklovers' Magazine. Constructed with the white marble, adorned with far-projecting, horseshoe-shaped arcades, and crowned with fantastic cupolas and towers, the residences of the European and Arabian nobility lie amid their glimmering, glistening gardens. A fragrance arises from these gardens which accompanies the wanderer for miles and miles, completely bewitching his senses.

A City of Contradictions.

The road ascends in broad serpentine, constantly leading into more tempting, more fascinating beauty. The land glitters in its robe of green, a haze of blue covers the sea and one marble structure next to the other gleams in pure white, but this trial of colors is buried under the cascades of wildest variegated colors which seem to cover every foot of earth, seem to pour down on us from every crevice in the rocks, from every branch of every tree. The very air seems to be dyed with these same rich hues, and, plying the glorious colors of the setting sun, draws a mantle of harmonic splendor about the city below—this city of curious contradictions.

It is assuredly interesting that the best examples of Arabian art in architecture are standing close together in the heart of the European quarter. We are almost astonished to find that at least some of these, above all the two principal mosques, have remained absolutely untouched. Two towers have been added to a third mosque which in its construction is by far the finest, thus transforming it into a cathedral, though each single nook and corner loudly remonstrates against its present designation. The interior is marvelously decorative, and its almost chaste marble arabesques, its ornamental and scrolled texts belonging to a totally different faith, stand in decided contrast to the magnificent pomp of a high mass which the archbishop is celebrating with grand ostentation to roaring, almost operatic music. We see halberdiers in gold, glittering uniforms, carrying their majestic weapons, canons in costly embroidered vestures, the long rows of choir boys in their red and white surplices.

In the Cathedral.

The archbishop, with the fine mild head of a patriarch, a white flowing beard soft as silk, with the characteristic dignity and enlightenment of his movements, truly appears as a sort of higher being. The service being ended, the entire mass of people moves down the steps of the cathedral across the small square leading to the residence of the archbishop, formerly the palace of an Arabian dignitary. A dense crowd hems the way in the hope of winning the blessings

all these intertwined narrow kennels. So-called streets are lined with walls which long ago would have fallen in if strong posts did not maintain the small spaces separating them. Next to decaying rocks stand artistic old gates and isolated pillars which here truly speak of bygone glory. Obscure by-ways run into magnificent court where we cannot even detect the slightest trace of the palace to which it formerly belonged. Then again we come upon long rows of walls, and nothing but walls, into which hollows and recesses have been cut, just large enough to accommodate a small stock of goods and a human being, the latter in such crooked, distorted positions as only an oriental can assume. Everywhere are crouching, smoking, playing, or musing figures, clothed in dirty white or dusty gray, sitting in the front of or in the center of their



Arab Boys.

goods sometimes as if thrown together with the very decay and crumbling of their surroundings.

As if out of sheer irony almost at every step we find long-winded instructions by the French authorities regarding the cleanliness, removal of rubbish, sanitary matters, all of which no one can read, no one can understand, and certainly no one obeys. Rather gliding than walking, veiled women appear from side paths or quickly opened gates, only to disappear again with a shy glance. Even they, with very few exceptions, lack all charm, all fascination of color.

Old Maids and Cats.

"It's all nonsense to say it is old maids who are fond of cats," said an amateur scientist who has a fondness for research along unusual lines according to the New York Press. "I have looked into the question and I find that married women, young girls and widows are the ones who go in for tabbies. Old maids take to dogs." He says tax officers will prove the verity of his assertions. Bachelor girls, who make a great pretense of renouncing the other sex, generally start studio life with cats as pets. If such a girl remains single, in ten years' time tabby is replaced by a dog, first a big one, then a smaller pet. The dog is changed for a still smaller one as the dreared middle age approaches. The learned man instances Mrs. Roosevelt,



Mosque Djedid.

the prelate is bestowing or kissing the hand he is holding out to every one.

Later we stand in the large mosque, one of the oldest, as well as one of the most artistic Mohammedan structures. Here and there Mohammed's faithful stand in deep prayer. In the extraordinary perspective, disappearing into mysterious space, each suppliant seems the center of a worship full of the deepest humility and endless subjugation to the will of a higher being.

Fortress Crowns the Hill.

The old city seems to crawl and climb to the ancient fortress which crowns the hill. Streets chaotic and bewildering, without light and air, are wrapped in shadows fitting to the dirt, which covers them to the putrid smells which stream together from

Men's Evening Dress.

"The attempt to introduce some variety into men's evening dress," says the London Express, "by the adoption of braided trousers, double coat cuffs and plaited shirt fronts has ended in failure. Fashion is now compelling a charge to the old and simple style."

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In the preliminary hearing of the beef trust case at Chicago to determine whether or not Commissioner of Corporations Garfield's acts and promises were of a character to give the packers immunity from prosecution, the packers concluded their evidence Tuesday and the government began the introduction of rebuttal evidence. Several of the packers and their chief employes or managers testified that Commissioner Garfield promised them, in consideration of being allowed to examine their books and take their evidence during his investigation, that the facts thus secured by him would not be given to the Attorney General's department or so used as to aid in a prosecution of them. When the government began taking testimony before the court Tuesday, Commissioner Garfield was the first witness put on the stand. He swore that he made no such agreement or promises with the packers; except that certain confidential figures given him would not be used by him in a way that they could be used as evidence against them, which agreement he said he had kept. Thus the matter becomes a question of veracity for the court to determine between Mr. Garfield and the packers, with the preponderance of the evidence on the side of the packers.

SHIP SUBSIDY PASSED.

Last week the U. S. Senate passed the subsidy shipping bill by a vote of 38 to 27. Every vote for the bill was by a republican, and every vote against it, by a democrat and five others voting against it. The additional burden on the tax payers were—Burkett, Dolliver, La Follette, Spooner and Warner. Under this bill millions of dollars will be paid yearly to ship owners in extra bonuses for absolutely no service rendered to any one, but under the specious plea that it is to encourage American ship building. The measure is a twin to the protective tariff law under which we pay hundreds of millions every year into the pockets of the manufacturers, steel trust, etc.—"our infant industries" for sooth. The measure is an unjust and iniquitous imposition upon every man who earns his living by the sweat of his brow or in any legitimate business—but it will buy more financial support for the republican party, for owners of steamship lines are rich and they will give part of the bonus received under this law to help keep the republicans in control, knowing that the democrats would repeal it. What will they find next to make the recipient of a bonus and special privileges?

Mr. J. W. Bell returned Thursday night from a trip to Garrison and other points in the southeastern portion of the state. He tells us that he met several parties who contemplate coming to this part of the state to engage in business and that they had heard of Haskell and were impressed with the fact that, owing to its location in the heart of an extensive and fine section of country and being a county seat centrally located in the county, it was bound to take the lead and make a substantial and prosperous town. Among others Mr. Bell mentioned a Mr. Birdwell, who is an extensive lumber dealer, who is coming out with a view to locating and establishing a lumber yard here, also some parties who are old experienced brick makers that are coming to investigate the feasibility of manufacturing brick here.

Here Friday morning, 23rd Inst., to Judge and Mrs. P. D. Sanders, a son.

Suggestions for the Enlargement of Its Sphere of Usefulness.

The Free Press has noted with approval the steps taken by the ladies of the Magazine Club for the establishment of a public library in Haskell. That the beginning is small is no argument against its eventual success; indeed, it rather argues in favor of it, for if they are willing to start on a very modest scale and give of their time, effort and means to build it up, it evinces a spirit and a determination which will eventuate in success. Few things are of more value to a community, especially its young people, than a public library stocked with judiciously selected books, including the best in fiction, travel, biography, reference works and popular or untechnical scientific works. The young who are given access to, and are led to read, such a line of books will inevitably rise to a higher plane of thought, ideals and life than will those who do not have the opportunity, or, having it, do not read them. It is lamentable that many homes able to provide such a line of books do not have them, as well as that many do not have them because not able to provide them. Here comes in the office of the public library—it affords the opportunity at so moderate a cost that all can afford to make use of it and have the advantages of books that it would require hundreds of dollars to procure for private use and ownership.

We understand it to be a recognized fact that the existence of a public library in a town or city for a few years produces a very appreciable favorable effect upon the intelligence and culture of its people. And young men and women have been known to receive an inspiration from the reading of some book, at a cost of a few cents, that led them into successful life careers which they never would have thought of, or dreamt of aspiring to, had it not been for being brought into contact with the book in the public library. Thus it is evident that a public library is an institution eminently worthy, yea, demanding, the encouragement and support of every person who feels any degree of interest in the moral and intellectual elevation of the community—of its young people especially—and he who dares to say that he does not brand himself a heathen or a moral pervers.

So much for the public library as a prelude to the suggestion we purpose making: We think its sphere of usefulness can be greatly enlarged and extended by combining with it a free public reading room and place of resort for the boys and young men, and old ones for that matter, to be located so as to be conveniently accessible to them at all times.

Our idea is that, besides the books kept for hire, this room should be supplied with the leading magazines, scientific and trade journals and some of the high-class literary and pictorial weekly and daily newspapers for the free use of visitors, but not to be taken out. The room should also be made as attractive as available means would permit with pictures, mottoes, etc. and, if possible, this idea should be carried further by providing it with an organ or piano. There are many ladies in Haskell who possess fine musical accomplishments and who could make it convenient to drop in from time to time—even of nights with proper escorts—and play for the visitors. Then some of our leading citizens, teachers and ministers, could go occasionally at night and make little talks or short lectures of an encouraging and interesting nature.

Possibly some of our readers are beginning to think that we

are Utopian. We think not. In our opinion the thing is highly practicable and should be in operation in every town the size of Haskell and larger. We believe it will appeal to the judgment and to the heart of every parent as well as to all who are philanthropically inclined or who desire to see our boys and young men given better environment and association and led to higher and better aspirations and life instead of being left to chance with the chance largely against them of being led into idle and evil ways and in turn of leading others astray.

As it is, when the boy or youth becomes restless at home and goes upon the streets day or night—and many of them go of nights—there is no place of resort for them, no place where they may go and find only good behavior and respectful conduct, for in this room the best of behavior must be exacted of every one at all times; no place where they can find only innocent amusement, but they must mingle with the vicious and the thoughtless or wilful tempter, and they congregate in groups where all sorts of talk is indulged in, and this sometimes by men who seem to delight in putting immoral thoughts in the minds of boys—be it said to the shame of their manhood. The extent and influence of this not many mothers know, perhaps, but the minds and hearts of their boys are being continually poisoned by it. Most fathers know it.

To call attention to these facts should be enough of argument and persuasion to rally every father and mother—every well wisher of the young—to the establishment and maintenance of such a place of resort for them as we have suggested.

But, some one will say, I will keep my boy or boys at home and away from such association if it is a fact that they are subjected to such evil influences when they are away from it. It is a fact that they are, and it is also a fact that you can not successfully keep them at home—not one in twenty. How many have tried it and failed? Under too close restraint many will tire of home and leave it in their teens.

We believe, therefore, the best you can do is to lessen the evil by a counter attraction, one like this that is without compulsion and will appeal to their higher instincts, awaken their interest by its refinement and develop the latent manhood in them.

We have said that we believe the scheme suggested is highly practicable. To be so there must be some way of supporting it, and the expense probably would be several hundred dollars a year to make it the ideal place it should be. Well, if parents realize that the evil influences and tendencies which their sons are subjected are anywhere near as great as we have said they are, will they not spend a little money to better the situation? The membership of the four or five churches in Haskell send away something like a thousand dollars a year for state and foreign mission work and, while we do not wish to be understood as detracting from the importance of foreign missions, we are emphatically of the opinion that if this work for our boys can not be done in addition to what is being done for these missions, then, we would be justified—it would be right—to cut the foreign mission contributions in two and spend half of it on this work. "Charity begins at home" and "He who provides not for his own household is worse than an infidel."

Finally, we will say that we believe that a place conducted upon the lines suggested would lead many a boy and young man, and some older ones, to a higher life; its influence would tend to intellectual elevation and aspirations and it would be moraliz-

ing and refining, and the chances of some of them seeking the churches later on would be greatly enhanced, so that the missionary work would be accomplished at home instead of among strangers and heathens.

Ideas suggest themselves by which the scheme might be made partly if not wholly self supporting, but we can not go further into it now.

We invite any who will, to contribute their views on the subject for publication.

IT IS A FACT

that one had as well hope to enter heaven by copying the Apostles Creed, to become an astronomer by gazing at the moon and writing its name, to develop into an expert farmer by reading agricultural books and repeating the words "Gee" and "Haw," or grow into a Jay Gould by copying bucket shop reports, as to expect to become a practical bookkeeper and business man by reading and copying theoretical text books, as is done in most schools. Ask your merchant, ask any business man, and you will find that such training only builds the skeleton, the empty forms. The Byrne Practical Bookkeeping and Business Training, of which the Tyler (Com'l.) College of Tyler, Texas, has the exclusive control in this section, is a system of "Learn to do by doing," actual business from start to finish. Students buy and sell goods, discount notes, draw drafts, write up deeds, mortgages, carry on a regular banking business, in fact our school room is a miniature city, carrying on the various lines of business under the latest and most improved business methods. No competitor criticizes the Byrne Practical; none dare do so, for everyone knows that it gives a knowledge of business as well as how to record it. To tackle the system that makes one a business man, not merely a memorizer of forms, that develops thinkers not machines, and that also gives full ability to record transactions intelligently, and well, would brand one as a foggy. The Byrne Practical Bookkeeping is a landmark in business progress and as far ahead of the ordinary as the Byrne Simplified Shorthand is ahead of the Pitman and other rule burdened systems.

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Startling But True

People the world over were horrified on learning of the burning of a Chicago theatre where nearly six hundred people lost their lives, yet more than five times this number, or over 3,000 people, died from pneumonia in Chicago the same year, with scarcely a passing notice. Every one of these cases of pneumonia resulted from a cold and could have been prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. A great many who had every reason to fear pneumonia have warded it off by the prompt use of this remedy. The following is an instance of this sort: "Too much cannot be said in favor of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and especially for colds and influenza. I know that it cured my daughter, Laura, of a severe cold, and saved her life when she was threatened with pneumonia." W. D. Wilcox, Logan, New York. Sold at Terrell's Drug Store.

Mrs. J. W. Meadors received a telegram yesterday from Mr. Meadors, who left Tuesday for Fayetteville, Ark., to see his mother who was reported seriously ill, informing her of his mother's death and saying that they would bring her to Haskell for burial, expecting to arrive Sunday night and that funeral services would be held at the Presbyterian church Monday at 10 o'clock a. m.

Prof. W. W. Heutz of Ardmore, I. T., was here this week. Prof. Heutz resided here several years and was principal of the Haskell school for two or three terms.

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THE FUTURE OF HASKELL.

Last week we published a composition written by one of the pupils of 11th grade of the Haskell High school, dealing with the past history of Haskell.

Below we give one which casts the horoscope towards the future and hints at what it is to be, written by Miss Lockie Sprowls of the 11th grade:

On Jan. 31, 1916, I find my lot is again cast in Haskell, the first time since Jan. 31, 1906, ten years ago; and what is Haskell to day compared with what it was at that time?

I traveled on a railroad which had been built from Seymour. I found that the Stamford road had been extended to Haskell, also an interurban between this place and Stamford. Street cars on every street, electric lights which make the nights as bright as day. It is also the center of trade, being the greatest city of West Texas. Several of the largest wholesale firms have branch houses here. Again there are the flour mills, packing houses and some very fine business houses, hotels and residences.

In the northwest portion of the city is a beautiful city park.

Besides the public schools there are four colleges, several night schools, kindergartens, and medical and dental schools.

Here also is one of the largest libraries in the state, begun by the Ladies Magazine Club and greatly advanced by the support of the Young Ladies Self Culture Club.

The Masonic lodge has a beautiful building just nearing completion. There are many more changes in the once little town, but I have not time to mention them all.

Nevertheless, Haskell, the Empire City of the West, is still noted for its quantity of water and the remarkable health of its inhabitants.

Mrs. C. D. Long has returned from Austin, where she has been visiting Mrs. W. B. Anthony.

Eggs

Plymouth Rock.

I will have for sale from now on during the spring, eggs for setting from pure bred Barred Plymouth Rock chickens.

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Mr. O. B. Roberts of the east side was in town yesterday. He is just back from a trip to Denton county and says that section is not in as prosperous condition as this owing to excessive rains last year which damaged the crops.

Miss Elsie McConnell entertained a large party of friends Thursday night in celebration of the birthday of George Washington. The house was decorated in the national colors and the color scheme was carried out in the refreshments, red and white cakes being served in blue tinted plates. The party was entertained until a late hour with music and games.

Mr. C. M. Hunt has returned from Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago markets, where he spent some time selecting a complete stock of spring goods.

Mr. J. W. Dunnington, who has been in Haskell some weeks engaged in carpenter work was joined Wednesday by his family from Ennis, Texas, who have come to make their home here.

Rev. S. B. Knowles and family of Brackenridge, Colo., are here visiting Rev. Knowles' parents, Squire and Mrs. J. T. Knowles.

Organ For Sale.—I have a fine second-hand family organ, cost originally \$125. I will take \$50 cash for it.
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See Patterson if you mean business.

Mr. B. T. Lanier of Carney was in town the early part of the week.

Mr. W. G. Cypert of the north side was doing business in town Thursday.

Mr. Mode Collins made a business trip to Stamford Wednesday.

If you have real estate to sell, see O. E. Patterson, he has the buyers.

My friend, let me tell you, when you want groceries go to Williams'.

Mr. I. D. Killingsworth called the other day and handed us his annual subscription.

Full blood S. C. Brown Leghorn eggs for sale, 75c for 15 eggs.

MRS. J. W. MEADORS.

Mr. J. C. Draper of Pinkerton was in town Wednesday with three bales of cotton.

Mr. M. L. McGowan of Pinkerton was in town Wednesday with three bales of cotton which he sold in this market.

Mr. Jno. E. Robertson made a business trip to Stamford Wednesday.

List your property with O. E. Patterson, he will sell it.

A \$2,500 shipment of Hamilton-Brown shoes and slippers just opened up at Alexander Mercantile Co's store.

I am overstocked on tobaccos and am offering some popular brands at bargain prices. W. H. Patterson.

Mr. J. J. Stephens, a contracting painter of Stamford, was here Thursday.

Squire T. D. Whitford, the dispenser of justice in the Cliff precinct and an enterprising farmer besides, was selling corn in Haskell Thursday.

Big line of wall papers, latest designs and all popular colors at Collier-Andrus Co.

Mr. G. C. McCullough of the east side was in town Wednesday and reported that farmers were pushing the spring work.

Mr. J. W. Meadors left Tuesday morning for Fayetteville, Ark., where he was called to the bedside of his mother who is very ill.

I have a jack to let on shares for next spring. J. F. PINKERTON.

A large line of Red Seal ginghamas just received by Alexander Mercantile Co.

Say neighbor, go to Williams and tell him I told you he was the man to get groceries from, and he'll do you right.

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Mr. T. J. Head called in Wednesday and renewed his subscription for the FREE PRESS and Dallas News.

Mr. W. T. Jones, our public weigher, reported to us that he had weighed 4075 bales of cotton this season up to noon Wednesday. He weighed only 3200 last season.

Owing to the scarcity of money there are a few Round Bale accounts that we would like to be squared at Terrell's.

If you have a room or a house to paper call at the Racket Store and learn something to your interest.

Mr. J. C. Bohanan, the market man at Rule, was in the county capital Thursday.

Mr. J. W. Sowell received a phone message Thursday night informing him of the serious illness of his little daughter Erma, who is with relatives and attending school at Terrell. He left Friday morning to go to her.

The attention of our customers is called to the advanced styles of embroideries just received by Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. S. T. Florance of the west side had several bales of cotton on the Haskell market Thursday.

Mr. Wm. McGain, a contractor and builder of Stamford, was in Haskell Thursday.

If you want to keep your land you had better not list it with O. E. Patterson.

We have sold \$66,395.00 worth of land in the country and \$6,700.00 of Haskell town property since 1st Dec., and if you will list your property with us we will sell it for you.

SANDERS & WILSON.

Red-rust proof seed oats for sale at my farm 3 miles south of Rule.

W. P. MCCARTY.

Mr. P. S. Hammett of Itasca was here the early part of the week looking for a house in which to put in a stock of furniture and undertaking goods, but failed to secure one. He seemed to be much disappointed, and says he was informed that some buildings were going to be erected right away and he still hopes to be able to secure a house.

Mr. W. T. McDaniel called at our office Tuesday and cashed up his subscription account. Mr. McDaniel informs us that he is going to put a gin plant on the lots he owns near the jail and move to Haskell.

Mr. L. D. Morgan left the early part of the week for a prospecting trip out west.

We are selling as much land as any concern in Haskell County. We have the best line of co-operative real-estate men in Middle Texas and can give you the best service. List with us for quick business. Loans made in 8 to 20 days. Yours for a square deal, WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT CO. North Side Square.

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Mr. Solon Smith was in from his ranch the early part of the week.

Mrs. J. D. Smith has lately returned from a visit to "the old home" in Missouri.

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Mr. J. W. Reeves of Pinkerton called at our office the other day and set his subscription account a year ahead.

Mrs. Wells of Cleburne, an experienced dressmaker, has located in Haskell and offers her services to the ladies of this vicinity. Phone No. 2.

Don't forget O. E. Patterson has office connections at Taylor, Stamford, Munday and Seymour.

Ladies call and see the pre-cut glass at the Racket Store. It is next thing to cut glass, but is far cheaper.

Mr. W. T. McDaniel was in town Wednesday and remembered the FREE PRESS in a substantial manner. We learned from him that he has made all arrangements for putting a complete 4-70 saw gin plant in Haskell and will have it ready for the next crop of cotton.

This is the time of year to insure your house against cyclones. We write both cyclone and fire insurance policies. Come and see us about rates, etc. Sanders & Wilson.

New spring goods in every department of our store and we cordially invite you to call on us for your needs in our line during 1906, believing we can give you better values than you've been getting. The Stamford Dry Goods Co.

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On last Monday Mr. Luther Millsap and Miss Alpine Murray of Jones county drove up to the court house and, calling to their aid squire J. T. Knowles, they were soon married by authority of license issued in Jones county.

The subject for discussion at the Baptist church next Sunday is "The Relation of Baptism to Salvation." Everybody is invited to attend.

Mr. J. Julian of the Carney neighborhood was in town Monday and favored the FREE PRESS with a cash renewal of his subscription. He told us some of the farmers out there were still picking cotton.

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The family that keeps on hand and uses occasionally the celebrated Prickly Ash Bitters is always a well-regulated family. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

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O. E. Patterson has the cheapest and most desirable lots in Haskell; if you don't believe it, get him to show them to you and be your own judge.

Dr. M. W. Rogers, who has recently located at Rule in this county for the practice of his profession, called on us yesterday and subscribed for the FREE PRESS. We found Dr. Rogers a very pleasant gentleman and in conversation with him learned that he was a regular graduate of the Medical department of the University of Texas, class of 1898, and that during the seven years since that time he has been engaged in the practice of his profession at Alexander, Texas. Dr. Rogers is well pleased with this country and thinks he is permanently located.

If a man can raise five bales of cotton and get \$250 for it he is a fool to raise seven bales for the same money. Moral—Keep cotton production down and keep the price up.

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The FREE PRESS is authorized to announce as candidates the persons named below for the office designated next preceding the name of each, subject to the Democratic primary, July 9, '06.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
M. E. PARK.
For Assessor of Taxes:
T. J. HEAD.

Mr. J. F. Armstrong of the southwest part of the county was in town Thursday. Speaking of the farming situation Mr. Armstrong expressed the fear that the good prices of cotton was giving the black eye to diversification. He thought a good many farmers were disposed to plant cotton to the neglect of wheat and feed crops. There is no doubt that some short sighted people will pursue that course. But it does not require a wise man to see that if many do it they will run the price of cotton down and miss their calculation.

List your property with O. E. Patterson, he will sell it.

Mr. S. J. Redwine of the Cliff neighborhood was in Thursday. He said that cotton picking was still retarding farm work with quite a number in his section and that he still had about eight be's to pick. He said that farmers were paying \$1 and \$1.25 per hundred for picking, and some were giving half the cotton to get it picked.

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The CONVICT COUNTRY: OF FIGHTING for a MILLION

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CHAPTER I.

Jim Denver, the Detective, and His Great Scheme.

"I believe this is Louis Lang?"
"It is."
"Well, how are you to-day?"
"Oh, fairly well," replied the young man addressed as Lang. He was sitting before a small table in one of the secluded corners of a high-class saloon on Clark street, Chicago. When first accosted, the youth looked up quite surprised at being spoken to, and saw a very gentlemanly-looking personage standing before him. "You certainly have the advantage of me," he replied, cautiously, eyeing his interrogator enquiringly. "Whom have I the honor of addressing?"

The gentleman smiled, and drew up a chair beside the youth. "I am Jim Denver, lately from New York," he replied somewhat harshly, then in an undertone he added abruptly, "who once arrested you on suspicion of having committed a murder!"

It was a cruel stab, and Lang was flushed for a moment, an angry flush spreading over his face. A shudder seemed to pass through his frame, that passing, he composed himself almost immediately. "Well, what's your 'lay now'?" he inquired.

"Still have hard feelings against me, I see," said the detective, as if surprised at the bitter tone of the youth.

"I have no love for you, certainly—and as far as that goes, no grudge against you, either," answered Lang. "The arrest was made in the line of your duty—but I was innocent! You can bet that you will have no further cause to 'take' me!" The subject was very painful to Lang. He flinched around in his chair as if sitting on a red-hot gridiron.

"Keep on in the way you are go-



"I have a scheme to rob a colony of thieves of over a million dollars in gold,"

ing," intimated the detective, "and you will end in a different manner than you expect."

"Oh! I don't care what becomes of me!" said the young man, moodily toying with the empty beer glass on the table before him.

"Life, then, has no attraction for you?"

"Not much!" answered Lang.

"What would make life of interest to you?" asked the detective, as if interested in the answer.

"To be able to lift up my head; to become respectable—wealthy," said the young man, fiercely.

"Pardon me, Lang," said the detective, quite earnestly, "if I seem to be reading you a lecture. But do you imagine that you are going ahead in the right direction—to attain all these—when you begin by throwing away what little respect and manhood you may have had left? You, and everyone else, owe the world your best efforts. You are really a criminal, as much to be despised as a thief, when you sink to a low level!"

"Fate," said the youth, taking the rebuke in good part, vainly striving to frame an excuse. "The best years of my life were taken away from me. I have no ambition to begin over again. I have struggled to combat fate, but I am no better off now than I have ever been."

"Fate, indeed," retorted Denver, contemptuously. "One would think, to hear you talk that you were an old man looking back upon a life of feeble opportunities! Instead of striving and overcoming opposition, you make your condition worse. Your dreams of wealth and honor, are they dead now?"

"No! If I didn't dream, all hope would indeed be gone! I would put an end to my existence now if I did not hope."

"How do you expect to realize this hope—to become rich, if you don't toil, respectable, if you do not respect yourself?"

Conclusive.

"Does he believe in the survival of the fittest?"
"He does."
"On what ground?"
"Why, he says he's here and that proves it."

Its Advantage.

Knicker—Why do you prefer serial stories?
Flatter—Because it's the only thing on the installment plan they can't take away.

In Those Days.

Methusalem—What, my little man! Not going to school? Why not?
His Little Man—Please, sir, 'cause I've got to mind my brother. And anyhow there's lots of time; I'm only 55, sir.—Puck.

A Self-Assertion.

Professor Troncum (shaking pupil by the collar)—I believe Satan has got hold of you, you little scamp.
Tommy Terror (panting)—I believe he has.

Professionally Considered.

"Public opinion is a great power," remarked the earnest citizen.
"Yes," answered Mr. Dustin Stax; "a great deal may be done with it. The trouble is that it is so hard to capitalize."

Literary.

Miss Readloz—How do you like Thackeray?
Mr. Numschul—I never could order from a French bill of fare.—Terre Haute Star.

right kind of a man to make a good detective of."

"If there is anything that I can do to aid you, you can depend on me," earnestly replied Louis.

"You would have no fear, then of losing your life?"

"Not if the object to be gained was worth the risk. I think I would be willing to attempt almost any desperate scheme to prove my worth to the world. But, of course, you do not expect me to promise to do something blindly—to run into danger without fully realizing of what the danger consists?"

By way of answer, Denver replied: "Suppose a million dollars was the reward—what would you do for a million?"

"Anything!" exclaimed the young man. "Anything save to kill a man in cold blood! I draw the line there! No amount of money could tempt me to have the blood of an innocent man on my hands!"

"You would have no conscientious scruples against retaining any valuable plunder recovered from a thief providing you did not know the owner?"

"Not at all. But why all these queries?" the young man rather impatiently asked. "If you are not sure of me, why do you approach me on a subject of such vital importance?"

"I am getting at it," the detective replied calmly. He arose from his seat, making sure that no one was listening at the door, then he leaned over the table and looked his companion in the eye.

"I have a scheme to rob a colony of thieves of over a million dollars in gold!" he finally said.

CHAPTER II.

The Theory of the Convict Country.

"A colony of thieves?" questioned Lang.

"Yes! A colony of thieves!" said the detective. "No doubt you have often wondered where all of our rich defaulters and criminals go in order to keep from falling into the hands of the law?"

"It is commonly supposed that they take up their residence in Canada or other foreign countries."

"I have every reason to believe that there exists a colony composed of 'escaped' or 'wanted' criminals—not in Canada, but right here in this free and enlightened republic! More than one have hinted at the possibility of the existence of such a place, and it seems to me more than reasonable. How else can we account for the many complete disappearances of such men as Snell's murderer (with \$50,000 on his head) and the mutilator of Amelia Olsen? I would not be surprised if it could be proven that they there rest secure from the law they have outraged. Bombthrowers, murderers, thieves—these are the colonists."

"A select gathering," said Lang. "And you imagine, because these gentry cannot be traced to Canada or Mexico, that they have formed a colony in some secluded part of the United States. Bearing the lens of the law in their dens, as it were?"

"That's my idea exactly. And the thing which is most to my liking," exclaimed Denver, "is the fact that these colonists must have a world of gold money in their possession!"

"Where did you get your idea?"

"From a dying criminal, who confessed to having a knowledge of such a place, though he could not tell me where it was located. It was described as a barricaded town. For a certain sum of money prisoners or accused persons are assisted to escape from custody, and taken to this place to live. The sum demanded as an admission fee is so large that none but criminals of renown and wealth become 'colonists,' and as they can hardly have use for money in a place undoubtedly supported by co-operative effort, I estimate that they must have accumulated about this sum of money. Even if this is not so, a vast fortune could be made by capturing or killing ten or twenty of those rascals for whom extra large rewards are offered. Tascott, for instance, and the abductor of young Cudahy, there's a hundred thousand dollars right there for some brave man to pick up. I want you to help me discover this place."

"These 'colonists' must have a powerful clique on the outside—agents in every city of importance in the United States," said Lang, "to recruit the colony in the way described by you." (To be continued.)

Uncertainty of Life.

"Young man," said the clerical-looking passenger, addressing the heedless individual across the aisle, "do you ever consider when you lie down at night that you may never see the sun rise again?"

"No," replied the party at whom the query had been fired, "I can't say that I do; but every morning when I wake up I realize that I may not live to see another sunset."

"You do?" queried the surprised C. L. P.

"I do," answered the young man. "You see, I'm a baseball umpire."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

WHITE HOUSE WEDDINGS

Recent Ceremony the Twelfth Held in the Executive Mansion—Twenty Years Since Miss Folsom Married President Cleveland.

President Jefferson's administration was the first that began and ended in the White House. He was a widower, and whatever success his administration had of a social character was due to the presence of Mrs. Madison, wife of the Secretary of State and the greatest social factor of Washington official life.

The election of James Madison brought this most popular of American women to the highest social position in the Republic.

There were two weddings in the White House while she was its mistress. The first wedding to occur in the President's house was that of the widow of a nephew of George Washington—Lucy Payne, Mrs. Madison's younger sister, who was married at the age of 15, in 1792, to George Steptoe Washington, and lived during her widowhood with the Madisons in Washington.

The second White House wedding took place after the War of 1812 was ended. Mrs. Madison gave her cousin a simpler but still a large wedding. The bride was a relative by marriage, Miss Anna Todd of Philadelphia, and the bridegroom was a member of Congress from Virginia, John G. Jackson, a great-uncle of Stonewall Jackson.

The third wedding was that of Miss Monroe. The fourth marriage celebrated in the President's house was that of John Adams, the son and private secretary of President John Quincy Adams. He was married to his cousin, Mary Hellen of Philadelphia.

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A year later occurred the death of Mrs. Letitia Tyler, the wife of President Tyler, and from September, 1842, until the second marriage of the President, in 1844, eight months before his retirement, the life of the Executive Mansion was not gay. But when President Tyler left Washington early in the morning of June 25, 1844, to be married in New York, Washington society looked forward to another gay season. His bride was Miss Julia Gardiner, a young woman of twenty.

The bridal reception at the Executive Mansion in Washington occurred on the Saturday following and was attended by nearly every official in the city, all the foreign Ministers, army and navy officers and great throngs of women. All Washington, in fact, was represented at that reception, which was as notable an event as the wedding itself.

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Miss Grant was 18 at the time, a handsome, happy and affectionate girl. Both on her own account and on account of her father and his position there was immense public interest in the marriage. The bridegroom was Algernon C. F. Sartoris. He was in his twenty-second year and by birth an Englishman.

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On a raised platform facing the large east window and under a bell of white flowers the bridal couple stood. The service was that of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The bride's dress was of ivory white satin, covered with a skirt of rose point lace. The skirt had a very long sweeping train lined with white silk. The edges of the lace overdress had a fringe of orange blossoms and lily of the valley sprays.

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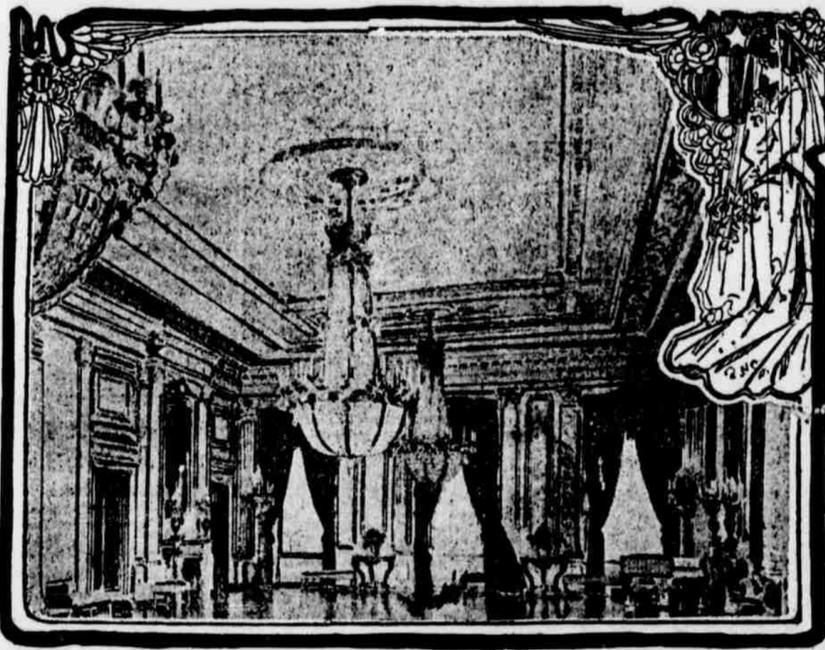
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The fifth marriage in White House history was that of Miss Della Lewis of Nashville, Tenn., whose father, William B. Lewis, was one of President Jackson's most intimate personal friends. Miss Lewis was married to Mr. Alphonse Joseph Yver Pageot, a native of Martinique, who was secretary of the French Legation at the time of his marriage.

President Jackson was intensely fond of his wife's relatives, and being a childless widower and having not a relative in the world of his own, gathered about him many young people, among whom were several of Mrs. Jackson's nieces.

Mary Easton, a Tennessee girl, was one of these nieces, and when she was married to Lucien B. Polk of Tennessee the President arranged to have the ceremony take place in the Blue room.

Another White House marriage that occurred during President Jackson's administration was that of Miss Emily Martin, a niece of Mrs. Donelson, who became the bride of Lewis Randolph, a grandson of Jefferson.

Andrew Jackson, Jr., the adopted son and private secretary of President Jackson, married, soon after the inauguration, Miss Sarah Yorke of Philadelphia, and the wedding reception was held at the White House. This was the first of several wedding receptions of the sons of Presidents which have occurred there.

The next wedding festivity to take place in the President's house was in the administration of President Martin Van Buren. He gave a very brilliant wedding reception to his son, Maj. Van Buren, whose bride was the accomplished Miss Angelica Singleton of South Carolina.

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To the strains of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," played by the Marine Band, the bridal couple, unattended, passed down the stairway and entered the Blue room from the western corridor. Dr. Sunderland met them under the glittering center chandelier and the wedding service followed.

The bride wore a gown of ivory satin, with trimmings of India silk arranged in Grecian folds over the front of the high corsage and fastened in the folds of satin at the side. Orange blossoms and buds and leaves outlined this drapery and adorned the edge of the skirt.

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Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar made of rich, mellow tobacco. Cures your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures whooping cough, croup, croup, croup, croup.

All is not gold that glitters, and all is not guilt that seems to be.

Taylor's Cherry Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great remedy. Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At drug-gists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle.

A rolling stone always takes a downward course.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Drug-gists are authorized to refund money if PAIN OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

The rest cure becomes a habit with some people.

This is So.

We wish to state in as plain and vigorous way as words can express it, that Hunt's Cure will positively, quickly and permanently cure any form of itching skin disease known. One box is guaranteed to cure. One application affords relief.

About an eighth of Scotch marriages take place in June.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all his business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by him. WALKER, RYAN & MARTIN, 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.

Ignorance of the law is no excuse, unless you have a pull.

Garfield Tea, Mild Laxative.

Nothing has yet taken the place of Garfield Tea, Nature's remedy for kidney and liver trouble, constipation and sick headache. Contains no harmful ingredients, nothing but medicinal herbs. Sold at all drug stores. Send for free sample to Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Verkes Once Mined Gold.

It seems that the late Charles T. Verkes was a gold miner in his youth, having been sent by his father to manage what was known as the Dodge mine, at Lisbon, N. M. It is said that \$65,000 worth of gold was mined there, but the cost of operation was twice the value of the product.

Coming to Leavenworth School.

Lieutenant Brugere, son of General Brugere, commander-in-chief of the French army, having accepted the invitation extended to him by the American authorities to attend the Infantry and cavalry school at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., has been ordered to the United States.

One Woman's Record.

Nellie Collins, at Hartford, Conn., between August 13, and January 17, 1906—when she was given 180 days in prison as a common drunkard—has been arrested forty-six times and has spent over six years in prison, chiefly for offenses against morals.

Populous Paris.

The average number of residents to the acre in Paris is no less than 128. There are nearly 700,000 apartments or lodgings in the French metropolis which rent for less than \$100 a year. About 17,000 bring \$800 or more.

UNDER WHICH KING

"The More Postum the More Food—The More Coffee the More Poison.

The Pres. of the W. C. T. U. in a young giant state in the Northwest says: "I did not realize that I was a slave to coffee till I left off drinking it. For three or four years I was obliged to take a nerve tonic every day. Now I am free, thanks to Postum Food Coffee.

"After finding out what coffee will do to its victims, I could hardly stand to have my husband drink it; but he was not willing to quit. I studied for months to find a way to induce him to leave it off. Finally I told him I would make no more coffee.

"I got Postum Food Coffee, and made it strong—billed it the required time, and had him read the little book, 'The Road to Wellville,' that comes in every pkg.

"To-day Postum has no stronger advocate than my husband! He tells our friends how to make it, and that he got through the winter without a spell of the grip and has not had a headache for months—he used to be subject to frequent nervous headaches.

"The stronger you drink Postum the more food you get; the stronger you drink coffee the more poison you get." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.

Queen With Few Jewels.

The new Queen of Norway is not very well equipped with jewels—that is, for a queen. As the youngest of three sisters, her share of pretty things was naturally smaller than those of the other two. The most imposing ornament of which she can boast is a diamond necklace left her by her godmother, the old Duchess of Inverness. A condition attached to the legacy was that on no account should it pass into her possession until her wedding day. It is said that when at last she was permitted to clasp it about her neck she said coquettishly to her husband that he must not take too much credit to himself as her bridegroom, for she felt she must "make some sacrifice" to gain possession of her godmother's legacy.

Even the hour of adversity only contains sixty minutes.

It's a Hustler.

Hunt's Lightning Oil is up and doing all the time. It cures your aches, pains, cuts, burns and bruises while you sleep. Rub a little on your misery and feel it disappear.

Some fellows are like sponges, except that sponges will take water.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

Unlike a man, an umbrella is most serviceable when it is under a cloud.

Bad Stomach Makes Bad Blood.

You can not make sweet butter in a foul, unclear churn. The stomach serves as a churn in which to agitate, work up and disintegrate our food as it is being digested. If it be weak, sluggish and foul the result will be torpid, sluggish liver and bad impure blood.

The ingredients of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery are just such as best serve to correct and cure all such derangements. It is made up without a drop of alcohol in its composition; chemically pure, triple-refined glycerine being used instead of the commonly employed alcohol. Now this glycerine is of itself a valuable medicine, instead of a deleterious agent like alcohol, especially in the cure of weak stomach, dyspepsia and the various forms of indigestion. Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., of Bennett Medical College, Chicago, says of it: "In dyspepsia it serves an excellent purpose. It is one of the best manufactured products of the present time in its action upon feeble, disordered stomachs; especially if there is ulceration or catarrhal gastritis. Instead of a deleterious agent it is a most efficient preparation. Glycerine will relieve many cases of pruritis (heartburn) and excessive gastric acidity. It is useful in chronic intestinal dyspepsia, especially the flatulent variety, and in certain forms of chronic catarrh of the stomach. It is a most efficient preparation of the secretory and excretory functions of the intestinal glands."

When combined, in just the right proportions, with Golden Seal root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Queen's root, Blood-root and Mandrake root, or the extracts of these, as in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, there can be no doubt of its great efficacy in the cure of all stomach, liver and intestinal disorders and derangements. These several ingredients have the strongest endorsement in all such cases of such eminent medical leaders as Prof. R. Bartholow, M. D., of Jefferson Medical College, Chicago; Prof. Hobart A. Hare, M. D., of Medical Department, University of Pa.; Prof. Laurence Johnson, M. D., Medical Director, University of New York; Prof. Edwin M. Hale, M. D., of Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago; Prof. John M. Scudder, M. D., and Prof. John King, M. D., Authors of the American Dispensatory, and scores of other among the leading medical men of our land.

Who can doubt the curative virtues of a medicine the ingredients of which have such a professional endorsement? Constipation cured by Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. One or two a dose.

Most men are made by their enemies and marred by themselves.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch is being absolutely superior to any other. It is put up in ounces in package and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

Where there is no heart in the work there is always plenty of hardship.

Many Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, made by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, Break up Colds and Destroy Worms. At All Drug-gists. 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Odd Method of Fishing.

Very curious is the method of fishing followed by the Chinese in the Straits of Malacca. The fisherman lets down from the side of the boat a screen of white canvas stretched on wood. The shoal of fish mistake this for some floating obstruction and try to leap over it, with the result that the fish jump into the boat and are thus captured. This method is employed by Malays in their waters.

Banishing Grand Dukes.

In addition to the five grand dukes—Alexis, Paul Michael, Nicholas and Cyril—who have been banished from Russia for loving "not wisely but too well," many other scions of the imperial house are daily leaving the country. Mountains of luggage arrive at the frontier stations and the kaiser has given orders that no inquiries are to be made at the customs offices.

No Stage Novelties for Them.

In Japan much of the business conducted with the stage is hereditary. Recently a manager, wishing to be very realistic, brought the drop scenes for his theater from Europe. The Hasegawa family, which has painted the scenery for Japanese theaters for eleven generations, grew furious at this interference with their prerogative.

It's the first step that counts in the long run.

RAISED FROM A DEATH-BED.

Mr. Pitts, Once Pronounced Incurable, Has Been Well Three Years.

E. E. Pitts, 60 Hathaway St., Showhegan, Me., says: "Seven years ago my back ached and I was so run down that I was laid up for four months. I had night sweats and fainting spells and dropped to 90 pounds. The urine passed every few minutes with intense pain and looked like blood. Dropsy set in and the doctors decided I could not live.



My wife got me using Doan's Kidney Pills, and as they helped me I took heart, kept on and was cured so thoroughly that I've been well three years."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Sometimes a man is so poor he can save money by nobody ever expecting him to spend anything.

Don't Delay.

If you have a bad cold, cough or sore chest. Go right in to cure it. You can do so by using Simmons' Cough Syrup. It's sure and quick and will save you money and health.

Happy is he who never knows when he gets the worst of it.

Worth knowing

—that Alcock's are the original and only genuine porous plasters; all other so-called porous plasters are imitations.

It is always a pleasure to the average man to boost another sinner down.

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 4-pound packages, and the price is the same, 1 cent. 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.

Dried Milk.

Australia has adopted the system of drying milk, which is said to have been very successful in London, England. The milk is dried between steam rollers and sold as a powder, from which nothing but water has been extracted, and to which nothing but water requires to be added to make wholesome, clean and sterile milk. A leading medical officer is reported to have said that the adoption of dried milk at some of the asylums for consumptive patients and in general hospitals has proved a success.

Literati in Parliament.

In the recent election of members to the English parliament a number of literary men were chosen, including Herbert Paul, well known in the literary world; C. F. G. Masterson, the author of "The Abyss," and other novels, and G. P. Gooch, a Cambridge historian and writer on historical themes.

Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

Good Humored M. Fallieres.

M. Fallieres, the new French president, is expected to occupy his place with the same calm dignity as characterized his predecessor, M. Loubet. His rubicund visage overflows with good humor and camaraderie. Many are the devices that the new president has adopted to reduce his embonpoint, which is the one defect in a physique otherwise singularly robust. Sometimes he will set out for a promenade from his apartment to a distant point on the outskirts of Paris or in the afternoon after returning from the public offices he will mount a fixed bicycle arrangement in his dressing room and get exercise in this way.

Must Show Where Made.

According to Le Journal de Geneva, Swiss watch manufacturers have been notified by their agents in America that the New York custom house authorities have just issued an order that every watch and watch case imported into America must have the name of the country stamped in English.

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Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to the cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Men who spend their time knocking never open any doors.

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The things of life are likely to get in the way of life itself.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds. N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1906.

The religion that cannot stand camping out had better be left at home in the lee box.

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