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## FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

### THE MARSHALL POSTOFFICE CONTEST.

Opinions on Tilden's Letter—Rivalry on Revision of House Rules—Items from the Land Office—General News.

Special to The News.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The fight over the Marshall postoffice still holds on, and no one can guess the result, but Congressman Jones and the other friends of Mr. Jennings, who has the endorsement of his Senators and Congressmen, assert that Jennings must win the prize. Mr. Jennings is here, and is a modest and unassuming gentleman, and certainly has most devoted advocates, who are working zealously for his appointment. Comanor, of Austin Gazette fame, but now of Colorado, is here, and says he wants to be a government timber inspector in his State. He has some friends and some very positive opponents in the Texas delegation. His opponents will try to defeat his appointment.

### INDICATIONS FOR TODAY.

For the West Gulf States: Light rains, slightly warmer, winds generally from east to south, becoming variable; generally lower barometer.

FOREIGN.—Don Carlos is reported dangerously ill—England has completed the possession of Burma—The reports of renewed fighting in Serbia were premature—Conferees are being held on the English political situation—The powers have recognized the union of Bulgaria and Eastern Roumelia—Twelve thousand laborers are engaged on the Panama Canal, and the work is being pushed with great vigor.

DOMESTIC.—A New York man while crazy drunk shot his wife and then shot himself—John Alexander was hanged at New Orleans for murder—A surveyor of public lands was found lying in a room with his throat cut, and a man lying dead by his side from a pistol shot wound—More survivors of the ill-fated steamer Oceanota reached Tawas, Michigan, others are still on the foundered vessel—By a decision of the Ohio Supreme Court all the Democratic legislative candidates in Hamilton County are elected—The Widow Smith did a wholesale shoplifting business at Everett, Mass.—The members of Congress are having a spirited contest about revising the House rules—Opinion on the Tilden-Carlisle letter—General Washington Intelligence—Lasters and shoe manufacturers, of Massachusetts, are still deadlocked on the question of wages—The Vanderbilt funeral obsequies were very select and exclusive.

### THE STATE.

Three Mexicans were killed in the raid on the smugglers' den near El Paso. One was Delgado, the leader of the gang, and another a former barber of El Paso. The third fell into the river and was washed away without being identified—Tom Varnell was denied bail—is not yet definitely settled that the Baptist University is to be located at Waco. If it goes elsewhere Dallas may get it—Freedmen are leaving Anstun County for the sea coast counties—The Lone Star newspaper at El Paso is being boycotted because of criticism of the Knights of Labor organization—A terrible boiler explosion in Austin resulted in the killing of the proprietor and the engineer—Ex-City Attorney Stubbs is suing the city of Galveston for salary claimed for the interim preceding the confirmation of his successor after his appointment—An exceedingly destructive fire at Navasota—Tom P. Varnell refused bail at Hillsboro—The old Castle Exchange Saloon closed at Fort Worth—Explosion casualty at McKinney—Decision of the higher courts—Phil Armour, of Chicago, denies that he is interested in the proposed extension of the Fort Worth and Denver Railway.

### RAILROADS.

The Texas Trunk takes a new turn—Light thrown on the route to the sea by the appointment of a receiver at Tyler—The route to be built from Cedar to Tyler—Eighty-eight miles of railroad to be built before Dallas can run trains to Sabine Pass—Principal passages in the life of the richest man in the world—The State Supreme Court at Tyler yesterday confirmed the \$2,000,000 judgment against the Houston and Texas Central.

THE CITY.—The Land Board of record; accused of a gross usurpation of power—Dr. Gordon granted a new trial—Run, nigger, run!—District Court—Got their commissions—The week's cotton transactions—Taking depositions—A fire in the country—Hotel arrivals.

### NEW YORK SPECIAL DAILY REPORT.

Opinion on the Texas Pacific Decline—Houston and Texas Land Sales, Etc.

Special to The News.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Special pains have been taken through the press and otherwise to make the affairs of the Texas Pacific appear most deplorable, but these efforts spent their force yesterday, though income sold further down to-day to 28, closing at 30, and shares to 15, closing at 14.

Rio Grande bonds sold at 40 1/2, and 51, and terminals at 67.

As before telegraphed, it is probable most of this rumpus is speculative.

Houston and Texas Central reports receipts from sale of lands for the quarter ending Nov. 1, 184,000.

Stocks were driven down while leading operators were at Vanderbilt's funeral, but closed strong, with the decline more than recovered. Sterling firm; payments 42 1/2.

Cotton declined on disappointing news from Liverpool. Inman's Atlanta crop figures are 6,700,000 bales and upward.

Sugar firm; hards 7 1/2.

Distilled wood firm. Local operators control the stock; sales weak; 800,000 pounds, including 50,000 fall at 14 to 23; 15,000 do., twelve months, 24 1/2; 6000 burry 14 to 15 1/2.

### THE MASSACHUSETTS SHOE STRIKE.

The Lasters and the Manufacturers Still at a Deadlock.

BROOKTON, Mass., Dec. 11.—Since the adjournment for one week of the manufacturers and the last conference both parties have abandoned their previous policy of silence and offer their respective explanations of the deadlock to the negotiations have been brought. The manufacturers assert that in accordance with the articles of agreement they named Preston Keith as their representative in the conference committee of three, and when he was objected to as being an interested party they substituted Judge Charles Sumner. The lasters offered the secretary of the Lynn Lasters' Union as their referee, and he being objected to presented no other man. The lasters reply that inasmuch as Judge Sumner is one of the best criminal lawyers in this part of the State his selection is not in the interest of fair play. The manufacturers assert that the manifest prices which the lasters refuse to accept are higher than the union prices which were previously considered to be satisfactory. This the lasters deny. There seems to be no immediate chance of coming to an understanding.

### GENERAL WASHINGTON NEWS.

MR. HOAR'S SUCCESSION BILL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Senator Thurman thinks Mr. Hoar's Presidential succession bill will be agreed upon by the committee on privileges and elections early next week, and be reported to and passed by the Senate without delay. There appears to be no division of opinion on the subject, and there was a unanimous expression at yesterday's meeting in favor of Mr. Hoar's proposition.

SENATE RULES.

The Senate committee on rules to-day authorized Chairman Frye to report a concurrent resolution which embodies the code of the joint rules adopted by the Senate during the last session. The committee decided, however, to strike out the clause which prohibits the selling of liquor in the Capitol, believing that the question was one for each house to determine for itself, and under the Senate rules it is strictly prohibited in the Senate restaurant. The chairman will submit this report to the Senate on Monday.

A great deal of speculation is indulged in at the Capitol to-day about the action of the committee on House rules. A large majority of the members seem to think that Mr. Morrison's scheme of amending the rules and distributing appropriation bills will be reported with unimportant amendments. In any event, it is the impression that the rules will be so amended, but that the work will not be completed before the end of next week, and that the announcement of the committees will be deferred till after the holidays.

### THE PANAMA CANAL.

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PANAMA, via GALVESTON, Dec. 11.—Operations are proceeding on two-thirds of the total length of the canal. The other third is most easy to excavate, and is composed of soft earth. The necessary work of erecting machines is in progress on this section. The company has also just concluded a contract for excavations of all lands of the Chagres Valley. The price generally varies from 24 centimes to \$2 40 per cubic metre in Colombian silver. The latter only applies to rocks situated nine metres below the sea level. The average price of excavating will probably not exceed \$1 per cubic metre, the rock being the exception in this part of the installation. The work is proceeding actively all along the line of the canal proper, as well as for deviations for railroad and water courses. The machinery in use is considerable, and is daily increasing. Excavators for Chagres River are now being disembarked and counting off a number of the power of excavation proved by trial, the material is sufficient to take out the bulk of the Culebra River in less than three years. The company and its eminent engineers are straining every nerve to complete the great work rapidly at any sacrifice. Nearly all buildings are finished and American dredges on the first twenty kilometers are in full swing. Twelve thousand laborers are at work and the number will certainly be doubled in the dry season, when all sections will be in full activity.

### THE SERBIAN-BULGARIAN WAR.

MILAN'S PLEDGE.

VIENNA, Dec. 11.—A Belgrade dispatch this afternoon states that King Milan has declared that he will abide by the decision of the powers if compatible with the interests and dignity of Serbia.

A PROPOSITION.

BELGRADE, Dec. 11.—The Serbian government has proposed that the powers shall appoint a military commission to establish a line of demarcation between the Serbian and Bulgarian armies in their present positions to be respected by both sides pending the settlement of peace.

NOT CONFIRMED.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—No particulars of the reported defeat of the Serbians yesterday in the attacks on the three Bulgarian outposts have yet been received, and it is not considered absolutely certain that such engagements have taken place. Bulgaria would have an object in reporting such violations of the armistice just at this juncture in order to create a feeling against Serbia while the conference of the ambassadors is discussing the settlement of the difficulties. An official dispatch from Belgrade states that the reported fight was more accidental encounters between scouting parties, and have no significance whatever. King Milan assures the powers of his purpose and ability to obey their mandate to keep the peace pending their final decision. The Times is no news from the front to-day, and so far as known no change in the diplomatic situation.

### PEACE AS GOOD AS SECURED.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—A dispatch from Constantinople to the Times of this (Saturday) morning announces that all the powers represented in the Balkan conference have agreed to recognize the union of Bulgaria and Eastern Roumelia. The powers have also approved King Milan's proposal of a military commission to demarcate an impassable line between the Serbian and Bulgarian armies. The commission has been appointed, and its labors will occupy a month. This insures a continuance of the armistice during that period, and can hardly fail to secure peace. The Times says editorially "that the Eastern difficulty may be regarded as virtually settled."

### BURMAH.

NO FRENCH ALLIANCE.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The cloud that threatened to result seriously in connection with the Burmese affair has been removed by the positive denial of France that any treaty of mutual defense ever existed between France and Burmah. King Theebaw will therefore receive no support from the French government. It is announced to-day that the brutal ex-monarch has been interned at Arcot in the Madras Presidency. Upon receiving the French Minister's assurance that France had only a commercial interest in Burmah, and that she would trust to England's sense of fairness for the protection of French traders there, Lord Salisbury has promised that every guarantee should be furnished to secure the rights of French subjects in the premises. This removes the only obstacle that was considered opposed to England's absorption of Burmah, which is already an accomplished fact.

### ENGLISH POLITICAL MATTERS.

OFF FOR A CONFERENCE.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—The Earl of Carnarvon, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, left this morning for London for a conference with Lord Salisbury and other members of the Tory Cabinet on the political situation.

The announcement on behalf of Mr. Gladstone that he would soon submit his views on the Irish question to his Liberal lieutenants arouses considerable interest. A speedy conference of the Parnellite and Liberal leaders is expected. The substance of Mr. Gladstone's ideas on the subject in the past are well enough known, and interest and speculation centers in the point as to how much he is willing to extend them in order to obtain Mr. Parnell's hearty support.

IRELAND.

"JO" SMITH, THE INFORMED, INSANE.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—John Kelly, a laborer, who recently gave himself up at Drumcondra, a village two miles north of Dublin, asserting that he was an incendiary, and

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### A PARDON SOUGHT.

MR. W. C. TORRY, of New York, called on President Cleveland to-day in behalf of his friend, W. C. Phelan, who was convicted three years ago in Boston for passing counterfeit money in that city in 1881. Mr. Torry, who says his friend was convicted through perjury, seeks a pardon for him and succeeded to-day in getting a promise from the President to personally examine the case.

### FREEDMAN'S BANK AFFAIRS.

Comptroller Carlson is his annual report on the affairs of the Freedman's Savings Bank said: "The affairs of the bank are steadily approaching final settlement. The total disbursements to the creditors of the bank amount to \$1,729,305. The comptroller renews his former recommendation, as well as that of his predecessor, Mr. Knox, asking Congress to relieve the unfortunate creditors of the institution. The great majority of them, he says, are of the poorest and most illiterate of our people. Many of them have grown old and dependent on the bank. No explanation can be given that the dividends paid them by the commissioners are but the interest on the earnings of their deposits, and that sooner or later their original deposits will be returned to them. No explanation can be given to convince them to the contrary, and calls are received daily, both orally and in writing, for their money. The Comptroller estimates that \$950,000 would cover the deficiency."

### ALLEGED LAND FRAUDS.

The general land office has received information that a man named Lingard, of Chicago, had, with six others, been indicted in the United States District Court at Omaha, Neb., for defrauding the government by hiring men to take up lands in Nebraska under the public land laws and then transfer their claims to him. Information has also been received at the land office of the arrest of several parties to the fraud syndicate of land speculators in Denver, Col., who have been engaged in similar transactions.

### AN OPPRESSIVE RULING.

The ruling of Commissioner Sparks, of general office, suspending the issuance of land patents in certain sections of the West, which embraces Dakota, has created no little excitement in that region. Indignant letters from settlers affected by the ruling are coming to Senators. The complaint is that the Commissioner's action makes the innocent suffer with the guilty; that it imposes the same hardship and inconvenience upon those who procured their homesteads honestly, as upon those who resorted to dishonest methods. A strong effort will probably be made to have the ruling changed, so as to apply only to persons known to have procured them through fraudulent means.

### GREATER MONEY ORDERS.

The Postmaster General has made an order fixing fees on international money orders as follows: For sums not exceeding \$10, 10 cents; over \$10 and not exceeding \$20, 20 cents; over \$20 and not exceeding \$30, 30 cents; over \$30 and not exceeding \$40, 40 cents; over \$40 and not exceeding \$50, 50 cents. This is a reduction of one-third of the present rates paid by remitters for such orders.

### WILL STAND PAT.

Whatever may be the result of the effort on the part of the House of Representatives to distribute among its several committees the annual appropriation bills, it can be authoritatively stated that there is no disposition on the part of the Senate to change its present method of handling the bills, and that they will all be referred to the appropriations committee for revision and report.

### THE SENTIMENT AS TO CONFIRMATIONS.

While the Republican caucus of Senators to-day failed to adopt a plan to govern the consideration of Presidential appointments, it is quite evident that there is a disposition among the Senators to confirm all nominations, except those made to fill vacancies caused by dismissals, resulting from charges preferred against Republican incumbents. In these cases the persons removed will be afforded an opportunity to meet the charges prior to the confirmation of their successors. Of course there will be a number of individuals opposed to confirmations, but the general sentiment prevailing among Republican Senators does not indicate that the President is going to suffer much annoyance at the hands of the Senate.

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DEATH PENALTY INFLICTED.

JOHN ALEXANDER HANGED FOR MURDER.

He Protests His Innocence and Will Meet the Ship of Zion Anchored in the River of Jordan.

Special to The News.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—John Alexander, convicted of wife murder, was hanged in the Parish Prison at 12:30 to-day. The execution was private, as the law directs, there being only fifteen witnesses. As a rule in cases of this kind, the negro population exhibit the liveliest curiosity, and crowd all the approaches to the prison. To-day there was a notable absence of the usual excitement, and the streets surrounding the jail were completely deserted. Just before the execution, as Alexander was being led to the condemned cell, he protested his innocence of the crime for which he was to be executed, but would die not fear death.

WOULD DIE GAME.

Turning to those present, with much fervor, he added: "You see that sun sinking out there? Well, where I am going it is bright like that all the time. There is no Monday there. It's all Sunday. Day is not going to have any trouble with me on the gallows. I ain't going to hold back; I'm going to push forward. I will meet the ship of Zion that is now anchored on the River Jordan, and will sail away to the happy land of Canaan."

Alexander was led from the condemned cell to the chapel, where Father O'Callahan and a sister of Mercy prayed with him. He was then placed on the trap and the black cap adjusted. He had promised to die game, and he did so. The preparations for the supreme moment were witnessed by him without any exhibition of emotion, and he awaited the

SPRINGING OF THE TRAP.

without a tremor. When the executioner, concealed in a cell below, sprung the trap, Alexander's body shot down a distance of eight feet, there was a sudden jerk, the neck was dislocated, and after a few muscular contractions, all was over.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—Alexander passed the morning chatting with prison officials and newspaper reporters. He gave the Deputy Sheriff some numbers to play in the lottery and protested against a picture of himself published in an evening paper. He was quite cheerful and frequently laughed heartily. After being baptized and shrived he ascended the scaffold and took a seat on a stool. The hangman, in black domino and mask, stepped from the east adjusted the rope and immediately sprung the trap. Alexander's neck was broken and death was almost instantaneous.

SPORTING NOTES.

NEW ORLEANS RACES.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—First race—Three-quarters of a mile: Fletch Taylor first, Ailie second, Vicinity third. Time—1:25. Second race—One and a half miles: Punka first, Bonanza second. Time—2:51 1/4. Third race—Seven-eighths of a mile: Spaulding first, Biddy Bowling second, Ligan third. Time—1:38 3/4. Fourth race—One-half of a mile: Gov. Roberts first, Lockwood second, Blue Bird third. Time—54 1/2.

BUSINESS FAILURES.

LEAK & SON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Leak & Son, wholesale provision dealers at 502 Hudson street, assigned to-day, with preferences of \$24,654.

Survivors of the Oconoto.

EAST TAWAS, Mich., Dec. 11.—Eight more of the passengers and crew of the propeller Oconoto got ashore yesterday afternoon, being six passengers and the mate and steward. They took the yawl from the wreck of the Joseph and reached the mainland at four hours. They then walked a long distance to this city where they are now stopping at the Strong House. They report all of the Oconoto's survivors lying in a hut on the island, except the Captain and crew who remained on board the boat. They have provisions enough for a few days, but all are very dependent as they have no means of conveying their property to the shore. They reached land or whether the fate of the vessel is known to their families and friends.

Killed by the Fast Line.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 11.—James Parks, his son and another man, whose name could not be learned, were struck by the Fast Line train going west, near Elizabeth Furnace, this county. The two men were killed outright and the boy received injuries from which he will die. The train was stopped and they were all brought to this city. The boy whose back is broken, and whose injuries are severe, is in charge of the company's physicians.

After Harlem Commons.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Dec. 11.—The heirs of Luke Covert, living in this section, met to-day and formed an organization to act in harmony with the New York claimants to Harlem Commons. Covert was one of the original owners of the Commons. The heirs claim that the title never legally passed from them. There were 175 persons present to-day. They are to meet again at Pittsburgh next Tuesday.

Big Civil Service Demonstration.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—In Music Hall to-night Carl Schurz, John E. Russell and others addressed a great audience, which included 500 ladies, upon a civil service reform. Dr. Man E. Eaton was announced to speak, but was unable to be present. Letters of regret were read from Seth Lowe, Wm. Crapo and several others.

A California Tragedy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—A horrible tragedy occurred at 11 o'clock in room 15, Nevada block. John Atkinson, surveyor of public lands, was found lying on the floor with his throat cut, and a man by the name of Brown, said to be from Wyoming, was lying within a few feet of him dead from the effect of a shot from a revolver.

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CLOSING SCENES.

The Masonic Grand Lodge Installs Officers and Adjourns—Pleasant Ceremonies.

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The finance committee delivered a report, which elicited a lengthy discussion, but the greater part was finally adopted. The finance committee finished their report, which was adopted.

The following officers were installed for the ensuing Masonic year by Past Grand Master E. W. Taylor, assisted by W. Robert Burns, Grand Marshal; W. W. Worthy, Z. E. Coombes, Grand Master; Worthy Grand Master; Right Worthy A. J. Rose, of Solado, Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master; Right Worthy W. S. Fly, of Gonzales, R. W. Grand Junior; R. W. W. Hudson, of Collinsville; R. W. Kins, Henderson, third district; S. J. Morris, of Schlenburg, Grand Marshall; James K. Lane, of Liberty Hill, Grand Chaplain; James W. Stubbs, of Galveston, Grand Secretary; John Meyer, of Honey Grove, Grand Pursuivant; Leopold Weis, of Galveston, Grand Junior Deacon; C. J. Arston, of Houston, Grand Junior Deacon; Robert C. Chen, of Houston, Grand Senior Steward; R. Rhode, Grand Junior Steward.

Grand district deputies: C. W. Preston, of Galveston, first district; Rufus Price, San Augustine, second district; J. H. Watkins, Houston, third district; S. J. Morris, Atlanta, fourth district; J. H. Newton, Mineola, fifth district; John Watson, Clarksville, sixth district; Guss Garrison, Springs, seventh district; J. B. Blount, Blount, eighth district; J. P. Gibson, Rusk, ninth district; M. C. Leslie, Montgomery, eleventh district; T. U. Lubbock, Houston, twelfth district; H. L. McCorkle, Baytown, thirteenth district; J. L. Miller, Wortham, fourteenth district; J. C. Priest, Willsboro, fifteenth district; J. F. Stout, Corsicana, sixteenth district; E. E. Brown, Kaufman, seventeenth district; Peyton Nowlin, Waxahachie, eighteenth district; W. P. Cochran, Dallas, nineteenth district; C. H. Wyson, Melissa, twentieth district; James P. Carlisle, Whitesboro, twenty-first district; H. W. Wilson, Fortsburg, twenty-second district; D. H. Howtner, Double Springs, twenty-third district; J. O. Abbott, Hillsboro, twenty-fourth district; G. W. Garvey, twenty-fifth district; G. W. Taylor, Belton, twenty-sixth district; D. G. Bower, Burton, twenty-seventh district; F. H. Simpson, Columbus, twenty-eighth district; J. B. Reynolds, Goldsboro, twenty-ninth district; B. E. Abernethy, Gonzales, thirtieth district; John McDonald, Austin, thirty-first district; J. E. Pritchett, San Marcos, thirty-second district; A. D. Evans, Floresville, thirty-third district; W. B. Woodward, Gatesville, thirty-fourth district; L. N. Frank, Stephenville, thirty-fifth district; F. A. Leach, Weatherford, thirty-sixth district; R. P. Baker, Graham, thirty-seventh district; J. N. Brown, Mobeetie, thirty-eighth district; J. G. Keenan, Seymour, thirtieth district; J. Thompson, Comanche, forty-first district; C. K. Strubling, Albany, forty-second district; J. N. P. Cremer, San Angelo, forty-third district; H. D. Donald, Decatur, forty-fourth district; Charles Davis, El Paso, forty-fifth district; David Doole, Mason, forty-sixth district; John W. Spear, Blanco, forty-seventh district; R. M. Harkness, Pearsall, forty-eighth district; S. T. Foster, Crockett, forty-ninth district; J. C. Cooke, Brownsville, fiftieth district.

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AN EXPLOSION.

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European Elections.

The elections in England, which practically ended with the week developed, even among men of the highest position, a stupid coarseness of personality, wholly unrelieved by the racy wit which had redeemed the savage assaults of Tom Corwin and Nye and our famed electioneers. Lord Randolph Churchill called Lord Hartington "a boia constrictor," and Chamberlain in reply styled Lord Randolph "a pitiful barking cur," and the whole menagerie was sacked for the most offensive zoological similes. There was no end, too, to the silly, ingenuity of wire pullers and candidates, in inventing reasons why electors should vote on their side. Keen as this competition was, we should award the palm to a Mr. Armytage, standing for West Saltord, who struck out a new line by demonstrating that Liberal rule promotes marriages. By dint of industrious research he made the discovery that five years of Liberal administration witnessed 763,000 more marriages than the same period when the Tories were in office; and that there was a chilling influence in Tory rule which nips young affections in the bud. When the sun of Liberalism shined forth over England all the young men and maidens instantly begin belling and cooing, but the moment the cold-faded moon of Conservatism appears in the sky they fold their wings and go to roost, a dejected and disconsolate covey. The weakness of the Liberal party has always lain in the variety of its opinion; the strength of the Tory in the dull fidelity with which its followers have leaped like sheep after the bellwether of the flock. All eyes are now turned to Lord Salisbury, and it will be seen how far he is equal to the hour. He will almost to a certainty decide to continue to govern until the new House has pronounced upon his measures—that is, until March—and then make propositions of so unexpectedly original and enlarged liberality as to cause the Tories to be regarded as Disraeli, by following this course in 1886, in the face and defiance of the charge of immoral inconsistency, remained in office for two years with a majority of 100.

THE WAR WITH TRIPOLI.

An Interesting Chapter in the History of the American Navy.

Boston Herald.

The second lecture in the course on the "History of the American Navy" was given last evening in Huntington Hall by Prof. James Russell Soley, U. S. N., whose subject for the evening was "The War with Tripoli." The lecturer began by saying that at the close of the revolutionary war the navy was dissolved, the officers and men discharged and the United States navy passed out of existence. This break was a very bad thing; it destroyed the continuity of the navy, and all that had been learned during the war went for naught. The want of a navy was first felt by the aggressions of the Barbary States from 1785 to 1795, when the United States, to her shame, paid enormous sums to secure its commerce from the depredations of these pirates. As much tribute was paid to these States as would have equipped and maintained a first class navy. The attention of Congress was called to this fact and the construction of six frigates was authorized in 1794. The first of these was the United States, which was launched on the 10th of October, 1794, and was armed with thirty-six pounders. This was agreed to as a compromise by the opposition. A treaty meanwhile was being under negotiation which, by the terms of the compromise, if signed and concluded before the construction of the ships, work was to be stopped on them. This did happen, as the treaty was concluded in March, 1795, which stipulated that the United States should pay tribute to the Barbary States. Three of the ships were, however, completed. This was the beginning of the present navy. Thus \$1,000,000 was to purchase immunity annually from a tribute of \$200,000. The roll of honor in the navy stand the four ships, the Constitution, Constellation, United States and the President, that were built during the war with Tripoli. Morocco, one of the four Barbary States was free, and with her we had a treaty for fifty years, of which, with the accession of a new ruler, it was necessary to purchase a renouveau. Algiers, Tunis and Tripoli were the other three Barbary States. With Tunis a treaty was secured at a cost of \$100,000. Every year it got more and more onerous, and finally, in 1801, the United States sent a fleet of three frigates and a sloop of war, with a landing party of 1,200 men, to Tripoli. No mention is made at this time of Tripoli. But we find a letter written by the Pasha to the President, without a parallel in diplomatic relations. No attention was paid to this letter. In 1804 the United States flag was cut down in Tripoli, and the consulate notified that war had been declared with the United States, whereupon he left the city. The first two years of the war passed without much action. Two squadrons were sent out under Dale and Morris, but they did nothing. 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STATE SPECIAL SELECTIONS.

DRIFT CAUGHT IN THE NEWS DRAG NET.

All Sorts of Items of the Day Collected and Condensed from Every Point of the Compass in Texas.

Specials to The News.

McKinney.

McKINNEY, Dec. 11.—Bud Lawson and Sim Rice were blasting out a cistern for F. M. Hill. Bud was tamping the charge of powder and Rice was holding the light and pitching grains of powder on the light to see the explosion. One of the lighted grains fell into the can of powder. The can went off; so did Lawson, who struck top of Jud, knocking off portions of rock. Lawson's hair is all burned off. The skin on one of his arms and one side is parched and burned. Fortunately for him he struck on his head. He is colored. Rice was uninjured, save from his frantic calls for help. J. S. Daly, who resides at Grapevine, Tex., got into trouble with a sharper on a horse trade this morning, and was called on to make bond to recover his horse. Though among strangers he readily did it through members of the Farmers' Alliance.

James L. White, teller of the Collin County National Bank, was on the streets to-day stepping high. It's a girl. John Webb, after giving bond in the Scherck matter, was arrested last night about 1 o'clock, at Sherman, on a charge of assault to murder, sworn out by McClain. He was preparing to return to his business here.

The Sheriff to-day received a dispatch from Wichita Falls announcing that he had arrested R. A. McWhorter, well known in Collin, Navarro and Dallas Counties. It is thought that there is a mistake, as Bob has a younger brother with the same initials. Ben Eakles, shot by Pirtle, is doing well.

Gilmer.

GILMER, Dec. 11.—Mr. J. L. Deen has moved his family into the city. He is now superintending the Farmers' Alliance store here, which is doing a thriving business. Messrs. Marshall & Fretwell have purchased and are now having the store-house, recently vacated by Lowe & Mings, thoroughly refitted and repainted. They intend moving their stock of dry goods and groceries into it by Jan. 1. Mr. Robert B. Adams and Miss Susan B. Hix were married last night at the residence of Wm. Lyons; they departed at once for Fairfield, Arkansas, the bridegroom's home.

Mr. Zach Holliday passed through the city to-day. He is on his return from driving a large drove of horses to Mississippi to sell. He says he lives in Bee County, Texas, and that the large stockholders own and control nearly all the lands in that county.

Mr. Jonathan Hardmettle has closed the contract to re-write and compile the poems of Mr. Wm. A. Little, the blind poet and musician, which will be issued in pamphlet form January next.

Mr. T. P. McKissack is in the city to-day. C. W. Kerns, Esq., is in Pittsburg attending in court this week. So is Col. C. C. Galloway and J. S. Barnwell, Esq.

Carrollton.

CARROLLTON, Dec. 11.—Mr. DeWitt Smith and Miss Minnie Neely were married last Thursday by Elder J. M. Myers, all of Carrollton.

This station has shipped many carloads of grain and cotton seed this fall. Mr. Griffin has bought of J. R. West the steam mill at this place.

Prof. M. C. Portman has a large school near Carrollton.

What is not doing as well as usual for this time of year. The season has been too dry.

The school district voted last Saturday a tax of 20 cents on the \$100 worth to build school houses. Two are needed in the district.

Next Saturday is law day this place. Esquire Malone holds court the first Saturday of each month.

Elder H. Y. Lively, of Mesquite, is to preach at Union Church the second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

Gainesville.

GAINESVILLE, Dec. 11.—The grand jury has been reconvened and several indictments found.

There will be a church sociable at Dr. R. D. Madral's to-night, given by the ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Katie Putnam will be at the Opera-house Monday and Tuesday nights of next week.

Mrs. Rainey, wife of one of the men on trial for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Johnson, is quite sick, and is being supported by the charity of the citizens.

W. T. Roberts & Co. yesterday sold a large tract of land near Wichita Falls at \$5 an acre.

Every train brings a large number of immigrants.

Up to noon to-day seven jurors had been obtained in the J. H. Rainey case.

Geo. T. Yates, publisher of the Register, is sick.

Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 11.—The case of Lieut. J. W. Heard was called this morning, and out of the special venire of seventy men that was summoned upon the case only two were qualified to sit upon the case as jurors, and out of 120 men who have been summoned upon the case there have been but nine qualified jurors obtained. A third venire is being summoned, and it will probably be completed late this evening. The entire day has been spent by the officers in summoning the second and third venire, and it is thought there will be enough of qualified jurors in the third venire to fill up the jury box. The case creates considerable excitement.

The school at the college suspended yesterday for the want of sufficient attendance of pupils to authorize its continuance.

Bellville.

BELLVILLE, Dec. 11.—A strong and cold east wind prevails, with indications of rain. County Court has been in session this week and disposed of the criminal docket to-day. The civil docket will be called Monday.

Quite a number of freedmen are leaving this county for Fort Bend and Wharton Counties to reside. For want of thrift and good management they have failed to succeed on the same land on which the German population prosper.

Bellville has had more sickness than usual for the last few months. Chesley Sparks, the sprightly son of D. P. Sparks, is lying quite ill.

Greenville.

GREENVILLE, Dec. 11.—To-day has been a lively one in cotton. The Farmers' Alliance from Campbell Ridge, Kaufman County, bought fifty-six bales, which they sold for 8 cents, and left well pleased. Over 16,000 bales have been sold here to date.

The Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church is in session here.

Coleman.

COLEMAN, Dec. 11.—Papers were signed to-day to establish the First National Bank of Coleman, with the following stockholders: J. B. Coleman, J. D. Davidson, M. Lasker, R. H. Overall, J. D. Cummings, J. E. McCord, E. A. Lindsay, W. E. Lindsay,

G. E. Wilcox and E. T. Petty. The new bank building is nearing completion, and will be one of the handsomest buildings in West Texas.

A contract for four new stone buildings, two stories high, was let to-day and work will begin at once.

Hillsboro.

HILLSBORO, Dec. 11.—The weather this evening is threatening, and a cold wet spell is imminent. A good soaking rain would be of much benefit to the wheat crop. Stock work was also getting scarce, and many well exhausted, or becoming so. Dr. and Mrs. T. T. Tarlton, of Grand Coteau, La., are visiting relatives in this town.

Decatur.

DECATUR, Dec. 11.—This is a dull, raw day, quite a crowd, however, are in the city. A great deal of corn, wheat, oats and other produce is on the market to-day. Dr. Sandford, of Fort Worth, is in the city.

FIRE RECORD.

AT NAVASOTA, TEXAS.

NAVASOTA, Dec. 11.—There was a very destructive fire, beginning at 1 o'clock last night, in a brick store on Washington Avenue, owned by Mrs. A. P. Driscoll and occupied by B. Goodman, with clothing, dry goods and a branch store. In spite of efforts to extinguish it the fire destroyed the goods and spread to adjacent stores each side and ultimately consumed all the block.

THE SUFFERERS ARE

Jos. Brooks, two-story rock house, valued at \$7000; no insurance; occupied by Simon Levy, with stock of groceries and dry goods worth nearly \$20,000; nearly all lost; insurance \$5000. Jeff Preston; lawyer, lost \$300 worth in office furniture and books. J. E. Teague lost office furniture and books. Mrs. Driscoll's house, loss \$3000, insurance \$2000. Goodman's stock was valued at \$4000; insured for \$3500. Mrs. Judge Kennard's house, loss \$3000, insured for \$1850. F. W. Brasig's stock of furniture, worth \$2500, loss unknown; insurance \$1000. Louis Bock lost silversmith's tools; no insurance. M. Lasker, house worth \$4000, loss unknown; occupied as a bar room by Sol Levy; stock worth \$2500; insurance \$1000; loss unknown. C. V. Vaughan, lost house worth \$6000; insured for \$2400; stock worth \$20,000; loss insured for \$12,000; loss heavy. Mrs. J. C. Vaughan's house, loss \$3000; insured for \$1000. E. L. Bridges, insurance office, furniture, etc., loss \$150. F. W. Brasig, house worth \$7000, stock of hardware and tinware worth \$20,000, loss heavy; insurance on house \$6500, and on goods \$14,000. Joe D. Baker's livery stable and provisions worth \$10,000, lost provisions and building; insurance, \$2000 on house. J. Y. Chinski, John Mickelboro and others lost some by moving. Col. Preston came near being burned up, as he fell into bed with smoke, and was pulled out of his office.

A strong feeling of indignation prompted the assembling of the citizens in Mayor Yarbrough's office, and the appointment of a jury of fire inquest, according to the statutes. No verdict has been rendered yet. This is a stronger admonition for the establishment of waterworks and a fire department. The burnt block was the most compact in the city and the occupants did a very large business. A great many employes are thrown out of business.

FIRE AT MARSHALL.

MARSHALL, Dec. 11.—A fire broke out in the two-story brick building occupied by J. H. Brantley, as a hardware store, and Krautz as a confectionery and grocery. Brantley has insurance in the Nonvud Union of \$1000, Liverpool, London and Globe \$1500, and Queen \$1500. Mrs. Nesbitt, on building, has \$1500 in the Phoenix, of Brooklyn, and Mr. R. Knight, on the building, \$1500 in the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

The fire company were on hand in good time and did good work. The buildings and stock were well insured.

RAILROAD SHOPS BURNED.

TOLEDO, Dec. 11.—At 2 o'clock this morning the Toledo and Ann Arbor Railroad repair shops, situated at the junction of the Wheeling and Lake Erie and Michigan and North Toledo, were totally destroyed by fire, which caught from an over-heated stove. Two engines, a passenger car, a coach and a snow plow were destroyed. The transfer depot, near by, was also destroyed, but the loss was nominal. The total loss will be \$20,000.

OTTAWA BURNED.

AUSTIN, Dec. 11.—A little after 12 o'clock this morning a fire occurred in the extreme northern portion of the city, which completely destroyed one cottage and partially consumed another. Both houses were new, having just been completed, and were the property of Miss Mary Frith, of this city. That in which the fire originated and which was consumed, was occupied by Mrs. Royse, the other by Mrs. Simpson and her daughter, Miss Fannie Simpson. The firemen labored under great disadvantage, as it took 1000 feet of hose to reach the fire from the nearest fire plug. The houses were insured for \$1800 each, through the Nevins & Turner Agency in the Texas Atlantic Company of Hamburg. The fire is supposed to have originated from a kitchen stove.

SAN SABA.

Oran and Seaton, Alleged Stage Robbers, in Jail.

Special to The News.

SAN SABA, Dec. 11.—Jim Seaton and Dick Oran, the parties who are charged with robbing the United States mail about a week ago between Comfort and Fredericksburg, are in jail here. Dick Oran was caught some days ago by Sheriff Harkey, of this county, who immediately wired for Postoffice Inspector Hollingsworth, who came and identified him as one of the robbers. To-day Mr. Harkey, in company with Mr. Hollingsworth, effected the capture of Seaton, who was also identified. They secured only 25 cents from the mail. There is a reward of \$200 for them. Harkey and Hollingsworth start to-morrow for San Antonio with both men.

HOUSTON.

Accident to a Newspaper Carrier—A Coincidence in Accidents.

Special to The News.

HOUSTON, Dec. 11.—This evening while Lee Burroughs, son of Dr. Burroughs, was carrying his route for the Daily Herald, his horse ran away and threw him to the ground, and his left arm was broken. Although suffering greatly from the broken arm, young Burroughs mounted his horse and rode to a drug store, where his father set the bone. A few days ago Jim Burroughs, a brother of Lee's, broke his right arm while drilling at Lewance, Tenn. He was brought home.

THE HIGHER COURTS.

SUPREME COURT.

TYLER, Dec. 11.—The case of Robertson vs. Coates, from McLennan, was reversed and remanded for rehearing.

The case of Smith vs. Whitfield, from Panola, was dismissed for want of prosecution.

Bennett & Bernard's Fancy Slippers at Lewis Bros. & Co., 738 Elm st., Dallas.

THE LOCAL NEWS FROM WACO

UNIVERSITY LOCATION NOT SETTLED.

A Conviction and Sentence Followed by a Petition For Pardon—History of the Crime—The Varnell Case.

WACO, Dec. 11.—The fire department held its annual meeting to-night. Bart Moore was elected chief and A. M. Prescott assistant chief.

The habeas corpus hearing of Tom P. Varnell, held for the murder of Mr. Land, was closed at Hillsboro this afternoon. The prisoner was remanded without benefit of bail to await trial at the March term of the District Court. The decision of Judge Hall was a surprise to Varnell and his friends, who were confident that bail would be allowed, and were prepared to fix the bond the moment the amount was fixed by the court. The mute testimony of Miss Ella Land is said to have been very affecting. It will be remembered that it was she who had inflamed the lust of the accused, and that Varnell lost his life in saving her honor, the shock to her nervous system rendered her both deaf and mute, and the unfortunate maiden was taken to Austin, where she has been an inmate of the asylum ever since, until her removal to Hillsboro to testify in the habeas corpus case. Immediately after the hearing Sheriff Bell took the prisoner to Fort Worth, where he will be incarcerated for safe keeping till the March term of court.

THE BAPTIST UNIVERSITY.

The location of the consolidated Baptist University in this city is by no means absurd. The conditions precedent are that Waco is to raise \$25,000 in money and furnish twenty acres of land eligibly located for the buildings. The funds are to be collected in six weeks, and the indications are that the community will not respond as it has been but comparatively recently since the sum of \$20,000 was subscribed in the city for the Waco University. The disinclination rests upon the facts that the Baptists, as a denomination, attempted to force propositions on the city in the late election, and at its State convention passed a resolution making the proposition a politico-religious question. Outside of this clerical bias are many favorable to the additional subscription, as it is certain that loss of the consolidated university will detract from Waco's prestige, and thus entail an eventual breach of promise that cannot be asked. The friends of Waco University are straining every point to consummate the terms.

Dallas and Belton are regarded as formidable competitors for the university, the former having able workers, backed with a \$50,000 offer, and the latter with an offer of \$50,000.

A PECULIAR CASE.

The murder case of Terry Reagans came up in the District Court to-day. On being arraigned he pleaded guilty to manslaughter and threw himself on the mercy of the court. The jury retired and returned a verdict assessing his penalty at two years in the penitentiary, accompanied with a petition, signed by every member of the jury asking Gov. Ireland to pardon him. The prisoner is an old crippled negro. His victim, Pinkney Davis, was a white paramour. The old man was set upon by Davis and badly injured, shortly afterward, as Downs was asleep, the old man, armed with an ax crept into the room, knelt down by Davis' bedside and dealt him two fatal blows in the head with the ax. The skull was crushed and the old man mounted his crutches, lit a pipe and quietly waited arrest.

EL PASO.

Fatal Accident in a Mine—Later from Robert's Roost.

Special to The News.

EL PASO, Dec. 11.—Two Mexican miners, named Pedro Martinez and Guillermo Flores, employed in Hart's coal mine, were crushed to death on the evening of the 9th. What is known in mining parlance as a "horse" fell on them in a room which they were mining, Martinez being instantly killed. Flores lived a short while after being extricated. A coroner's jury found no one blamable, and Mr. F. Hartz had the remains of the unfortunates brought to town and decently interred. This is the first serious accident in these mines for nearly two years.

Later developments in the fight below between the officers and the denizens of the robber's roost, on the Rio Grande, show that the names of the killed were Manuel Delgado and Justa, a former well known barber here. The name of the robber who was not shot and fled to Rio Grande, and was washed away, is not known.

Several days ago the local organization of Knights of Labor issued an order boycotting the Lone Star, one of the oldest papers in the city. In pursuance of the order, communications have been sent to the business houses of the city advising them to discontinue their advertising patronage. The Lone Star gave offense by alluding to the harm done by Gettysburg by the late strike in that city, and by commenting severely on labor organizations in general. The local organization of the Knights is strong, and exercises considerable political influence. The paper has so far suffered no ill effects.

MRS. SMITH THE SHOPLIFTER.

Career of a Thrifty Widow at Everett, Massachusetts.

Special to The News.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Last May a middle aged woman, who said she was unmarried and poor, and that she worked for a living, hired two rooms in a dwelling house at Everett, Mass., under the name of Smith. Every morning she went away empty handed and came back at night with some kind of bundle. In November last she disappeared. In a few days her landlord received a letter signed "Jane Weldon," saying Mrs. Smith had started to visit a friend. A few days ago the landlord, wishing to move and ignorant of the lodger's whereabouts, notified the police to take charge of the property belonging to Mrs. Smith. One glance at the lodger's immense collection of miscellaneous articles convinced the officers that she was a shoplifter. A short investigation identified Mrs. Smith with Mrs. Jane Weldon, the author of the before mentioned letter, and who is serving a six months' sentence in the House of Correction. An itemized account of all the articles would fill an entire page of a newspaper.

Result of a Long Litigated Case.

JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 11.—The jury in the long litigated case of P. J. Sexton, the well-known contractor who built the Cook County Courthouse, and who brought suit against the Commissioners to recover \$222,000 on a bill of extras, returned a verdict to-day in Sexton's favor for \$124,000. This result is considered a practical victory for Cook County, as the verdict is nearly 100,000 lower than the amount claimed.

Another \$10 Prize Given

to nearest guesser of winning number of Cook Street Grand Drawings, held on January 4, 1885. All guesses must come through the mail. B. O. WELLS & Co., the Hard Cash Crocers, corner Elm and Harwood.

The Great Prize of the Season!

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"The Waterbury."



ENLIGHTENING THE BOYS.

Reinhardt & Co., the Clothiers, ELM AND MURPHY STS.

MUCH-MIXED LITIGATION.

In Which Barbed Wire and Breach of Promise Are Factors.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—The long anticipated case of Levi, alias "Doc," Wilson, of Providence, L. I., against Philip L. Moen, of the millionaire barbed wire firm of Washburn & Moen, of Worcester, to recover \$116,000, came up to-day. It has been expected that the trial would explain the reason why Moen had, during several years past, paid the hitherto obscure horse doctor large sums amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars. It has been thought that Wilson was the inventor of the peculiar twist in barbed wire, which has been worth millions to Moen. However, the case is as mysterious as ever to-night. In court to-day Wilson testified that he was sued for \$50,000, in 1882, on two actions for damages for alleged breach of promise. The name of Moen appeared in the newspapers connected with that of Wilson, and Moen sought to induce witness to compromise the cases in order to avoid further publicity.

The following case, which took place at Moosehead Lake, the witness alleged that Mr. Moen urged him to settle with the plaintiffs, and offered him \$100,000 and what he might expend in settlement, if he would secure a compromise. Wilson says he closed the bargain on that basis, and soon after he received \$20,000 from Mr. Moen. His suit is to recover the balance of \$80,000, which Wilson says he never received, and interest amounting to \$116,000. On cross-examination witness stated that he did not know that Mr. Moen was in any way connected with the plaintiffs who had sued him (Wilson) for breach of promise.

Reeves County Ripples.

From the Toyon Mirror.

On the night of the 13th inst., about 3 o'clock, quite an expensive freight wreck occurred on the Texas and Pacific Road, about four miles east of Toyah. Four freight trains loaded with cattle for the Champion Cattle Company were en route for Toyah, running five minutes apart. When the first section reached the heavy curve grade four miles east of Toyah, its engine "died," gave out of steam, and was forced to stop and replenish. From some cause the proper signal was not given in time to stop the second section, and it ran into the first, telescoping a couple of cars, damaging the caboose considerably and tearing off the engine's pilot, besides killing thirty head of cattle and turning seventy head loose on the prairie. No human life was lost, and no one badly hurt.

We learn that Messrs. R. S. and G. B. Tinnin, of this place, have sold their ranch and cattle located in the northern part of this county, near the New Mexico line, to Messrs. A. C. Braxton, of Toyah, and James Walsh, of St. Joe, Mo., for \$100,000 cash. The calls for 500 head of cattle, 1000 head of horses, range outfit, and all the lands, proprietary and lease, controlled by the Messrs. Tinnin, in that locality, excepting that known as the "Rustler Spring Ranch," which is reserved by the Messrs. Tinnin for a horse ranch. The "417" brand of cattle and ranch is considered by cattlemen as one of the most desirable in Reeves County, and the Messrs. Braxton & Walsh have made a good trade.

The Champion Cattle Company will receive twenty carloads of blooded bulls from Missouri at this place in a few days, for service on their "C. A." brand, in New Mexico.

A band of cattle being driven to New Mexico from some locality back East, and being quite thirsty when they struck the Alkali Lake, in the Rustler Spring country, a few days since, pumped themselves full of that water, and as a consequence, a gentleman who was with the herd tells us, 243 head, out of a band of 500 head, quietly and deliberately walked out to one side, lay down and died. This lake is located in the northern part of Reeves County, near the New Mexico line, and drovers who value the lives of their cattle should give it a wide berth.

Col. R. G. Head has resigned his position as general manager of the Prairie Cattle Company. The Scotch capitalists composing the company wanted to reduce his salary to \$5000 per annum, and he sent in his resignation. The Scotchmen will find that the ability capable of successfully managing a range on which are 120,000 head of cattle is worth paying for. Col. Head owns a ranch in Presidio County, and will hereafter devote himself to cattle raising there.

Desperate Deed of a Drunken Man.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—James Murray, of 246 Loomis street, Brooklyn, came home crazy drunk to-day and began to abuse his wife. The woman tried in vain to pacify him. Suddenly he drew a revolver and fired three shots, two of which took effect under the left temple and the third passed through her throat. She ran down stairs and along the streets screaming for help. After shooting his own Murray fired another shot into his own head, coming out back on the right ear. He then ran his salivary house and ran through several streets until he fell exhausted. Both husband and

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New Mexico Stock Notes.

El Paso Land and Mining Journal.

L. W. Hurff, a cattleman of Eagle Pass, Texas, is visiting New Mexico.

Ex-Senator S. W. Dorsey and T. H. Lawrence have returned from the St. Louis convention, in which body they occupied conspicuous positions.

S. A. Jameson has located a fine ranch on the Pecos, about two miles from Eighteen Mile Bend.

B. C. Harmonson and Mr. Wheeler, Texas cattlemen, are in the southern part of the Territory looking up ranches. They desire to move about 8000 head.

Fifty-three cars of cattle were shipped from Springer during the past week, as follows: Dubuque Cattle Company 18 cars, S. A. Goldsmith 6 cars, A. Strauss 5 cars, H. D. Hall 3 cars, Frank Huntington 4 cars, Wells Brothers 3 cars, Red River Cattle Company 11 cars, Richard Steel 2 cars, Alton Cattle Company 2 cars.

W. L. Chambers, of St. Louis, who was born in India, and whose father is a Colonel in the British army, left for the Bell ranch to-day, in company with Col. Jim Beard and Dick Branche, both of Texas. Judge S. E. Booth and Mike Slattery follow to-morrow, and will come pretty nearly catching up with the boys, particularly if Mike holds the reins.—Las Vegas Optic.

The following stock has just been inspected at Trinidad: One hundred and thirty-five head of Hereford calves from F. E. Fredricks & Sons, of Shelburne, Mo., and consigned to a party at Las Cruces, N. M.; six head of Holstein cows and three head of Hambletonian horses from Syracuse, N. Y., consigned to George D. Whitcome, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Col. Lockhart is busy on the range, fixing up and stocking his Cedar Grove ranch, Grant County.

O. W. McQuiston has purchased the Capitan ranch of George B. Preston in Colfax County, and will fix up snugly for his future residence.

Silver City wants stock yards and will probably get them when the gauge of their road is broadened.

Twenty cars of stock were loaded Tuesday for Kansas City at Magdalena Station, Socorro County. M. M. Chase, of the Cimarron Cattle Company, also loaded twenty-three cars at Springer for the same market.

A Woman Duellist.

Toronto Week.

In Russian Poland a lady recently became her own champion by fighting a duel with the man who had calumniated her. It appears he had offered his hand, which she had refused. Stung by her rejection he set himself to spoil her good name by spreading false reports about her. Thereupon this plucky lady declared that a duel alone could vindicate her honor, and refusing the assistance of several gentlemen who were anxious to make her cause their own, she invited her traducer to "pistols for two and coffee for one." There was nothing for the man to do but accept the challenge, and the combatants met in a place outside of Warsaw. Both missed their aim. The lady proposed a second shot, but the seconds declared that full reparation had been made, and she had to defer to their ruling. As for her adversary, he was so moved by her masculine gallantry that he tendered her a formal and ample apology on the spot. She accepted it.

Misses' School Shoes, \$1 to \$1.50,

at Lewis Bros. & Co., 738 Elm street.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

STEWART—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Stewart died last evening at 5 o'clock. Funeral from their residence on Segar street, at 7 o'clock to-day. Interment in Trinity Cemetery.

TEXAS TRUNK RAILROAD.

OFFICE OF ADDITION, DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 4, 1885.—Notice is hereby given that the office of the Texas Trunk Railroad Company has been established in rooms 18 and 19 in the Merchants' Exchange Building, on Lamar street, Dallas, Tex.

W. H. GLEASON, Secy. Texas Trunk R. R. Co.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Engineer until Tuesday, December 15, at 6 o'clock p. m., for furnishing all material and labor for 2500 feet of eight-inch sewer pipe to be laid on Bryan street, from Olander street east to Benford street. Plans and specification to be seen at my office. The city reserves the right to reject any



RAILROAD RUMBLER'S REVIEW

THE FRESH TRAIL OF THE IRON HORSE.

Facts, Figures and Fancies Gleaned, Originated and Wired Specially for this Department of the News

Tyler, Dec. 11.—The Supreme Court today affirmed the judgment in the case of the Houston and Texas Central Railway vs. Paul Bremond, from Harris County. The suit was against the railroad for \$1,250,000 and over, against W. R. Baker for \$511,848, Mrs. Van Alstyne for \$434,800, Cornelius Emnis for \$41,720, and William Rice for \$172,000, with interest from Dec. 9, 1875, at 8 per cent, making a total judgment due on Dec. 9, 1885, of \$2,267,087.

Dallas to Sabine Pass. A prominent New York capitalist was in the city from Tyler yesterday. Concealments were vain against the mephistophelian inquiries of the Rumbler, so this much was unfolded, which, for the purpose of keeping the author's name temporarily out of print, is communicated to the public in the shape of direct information:

It will be remembered that on the 1st of December, Mr. Francis L. Russ, one of the directors of the Texas Trunk, and Mr. A. B. Cowles, the leading attorney of the road and one of the stockholders, arrived suddenly in Dallas. They were accompanied by Messrs. R. H. Barker and Hugh Stevenson, who represent the New York stockholders of the Kansas and Gulf Short Line, recently completed from Tyler to Lufkin. These gentlemen were at Tyler on the 30th of November, just a few days prior to the foreclosure sale of the Texas and St. Louis. Some wisecrackers, who put this thing and that together rather more clumsily than gracefully, assured the Rumbler that this gathering at Tyler, meant, unquestionably, the consolidation of the recently sold Texas Trunk and the about-to-be-sold Texas and St. Louis; the hasty pushing forward of the former to a junction with the latter road at Athens, the subsequent widening of the gauge of the Texas and St. Louis, and then the "on to St. Louis" of a broad gauge anti-Gould trunk line, making Dallas the great southern terminus of a point of two of the strongest competing railway systems in the United States. These same wisecrackers were the same ones who saw a short time previous in the purchase of the Trunk by Eastern capitalists and the election of Judge Henry as president of the new company an unmistakable evidence that Gould had gobbled another road, and that the Trunk Road would be allowed to run down at the heel, be stopped where it was, the iron rails allowed to rust, the ties rot and the "injinies blast."

The information gleaned from the New York capitalists just in from Tyler enabled the Rumbler to say that these giddy guessers were away off in both their sets of surmises. Before coming over to Dallas on the 1st instant, Messrs. Stephenson & Barker, on behalf of the New York stockholders of the Kansas and Gulf, presented before Judge McCord a bill in equity praying for the appointment of a receiver for that road. The prayer was granted, and James G. Garrison has been appointed receiver.

It may be safely surmised that the majority of the New York stockholders in the Kansas and Gulf Short Line have a moneyed interest in the Texas Trunk. The next move on the checkerboard will be to compromise the jarring interests of the Texas and New York stockholders in the latter road, broaden its gauge and to merge it with the Texas Trunk.

The Trunk Road owners will abandon the contemplated route of the old company southeast to Athens on the Texas and St. Louis, and the extension of the road will be almost due east from Cedar, the present terminus, to Tyler, a distance of sixty-three miles. Here it strikes the Kansas and Gulf Short Line, a completed link in the chain of eighty-nine miles, ending at Lufkin on the Houston East and West Texas, the Narrow Gauge connection between Houston and Shreveport. The East Texas Railway, running north from Sabine Pass and ending at Lufkin on the Pacific at Beaumont is now completed to Shawnee Creek, an arm of the Sabine River, making a completed line of 114 miles. From Lufkin to the northern terminus of this latter road there remains a small gap of fifteen miles. So that there now exists between Dallas and Sabine pass a distance of seventy-eight miles to be graded, tied and trenched in order to give the metropolis of Texas an independent railroad line connecting it with the seaboard, and laying tributary to it one of the richest farming, lumber and mining regions in the world.

This is no visionary picture. It is straight goods, derived from business men and based on rock ballasted business reasons. The Rumbler has said it: Christmas after next, the "bum" Siler, with his auburn voice and clarion hair, both imported two years ago from the turpentine orchards of North Carolina, will be filling the lobbies of the Dallas City Hall with this song: "A-I-I aboard for the Texas Trunk. Put your tickets, check your baggage all the way to Sabine Pass! Say, who in the L—the hole to L, I mean—has got my hat?"

A STRAW ON THE SAME SUBJECT. TYLER, Dec. 11.—W. S. Herndon, in company with other stockholders of the Kansas and Gulf Short Line Railway, left here for New York last night, probably upon business in regard to said road.

DEED RECORDED. KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 11.—The West Shore Railway transfer was recorded in the Nester County Clerk's office to-day. The papers, containing about 300 folios, consist of the referee's deed in the foreclosure from Referee Cassidy to J. Pierpont Morgan, Ashabel Green and Chaney M. Dewey. The deed of the purchase is from Morgan and others, and shows \$90,000,000 mortgages to the Union Trust Company.

MR. GARRETT RESIGNS. TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 11.—Robert Garrett, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway, has resigned his position in the directory of the Central Railway, of New Jersey. He asserts that all preparations have been made for building the new line from Bound Rock to Staten Island, and, therefore, it would not be proper for him to remain a director of the Central Road.

COLOR BLINDNESS. BALTIMORE, Dec. 11.—The medical examiners of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway will soon have completed their work of examining employees of the road for color blindness. The work was begun last March, and the test so far shows that over 12 per cent of the examined are unfit for railway service. The number found to be color blind alone was 4 per cent of the whole.

MILLIONAIRE VANDERBILT'S HISTORY. WM. H. Vanderbilt was born in the tavern which his father and mother kept at New Brunswick, N. J., Aug. 19, 1821. He was taught to work as soon as he was old enough. His schooling was limited to the rudiments, and little spending money ever found its way into his pockets from the old commodore's bounty. William's brief school days were passed in New York. His father did not believe in the advantages of college training, and after a brief course in the Columbia College Grammar school, the lad was put in the counting-room of Drew, Robinson & Co., at a salary of \$150 a year. He was then 18 years old. The next year his salary was raised to \$300. The third

year he got \$1000. Then he married Miss M. L. Kissam, the daughter of the Rev. Samuel H. Kissam of Brooklyn. The wife of the old commodore, William's wife was a genuine help-meet in years when the young man was struggling for a foothold. She was simple and domestic in her tastes, and in later years was the same quiet, unostentatious woman that she was in her youth. The young man was delicate, and as his father feared, the strain of business proved too much for him. He was about to become junior partner in the firm.

HIS HEALTH FAILED and he was compelled to seek out-door occupation. The Commodore, either to give his son a rough schooling, or because he believed his business career at an end, purchased a farm of seventy-five acres near New Dorp, Staten Island, and established the delicate, unskilled young man as a farmer. The land was mostly uncultivated and sterile. William worked early and late, and never lost heart. The old farm showed signs of improvement under the young farmer's careful tilling after a few months, but capital was yet needed to put it in proper shape.

With some misgivings William approached his father on the subject of a loan. "A cent," blurted said the old Commodore. William went home despondent. The deed of the farm stood in his name and it occurred to him that he could mortgage it without the old gentleman's knowledge. He sought a business friend and after some negotiation went home with \$5,000 in his pocket. Capital told on the hard soil. Fertilizers were bought, stock purchased and other improvements made. The old commodore noticed these things in his rare visits to the farmhouse, but if he suspected anything he kept his own counsel. At last a storm came. The old commodore's growing wealth had already drawn to him those satellites who always hang around the rich, and one of these, who knew the secret of the mortgage, went to the elder Vanderbilt with his tale in the hope of gaining favor. The old commodore's

VIALS OF WRATH were suddenly uncorked. "Bill," said he, "you don't amount to a row of pins anyway. You won't never be able to do anything but bring disgrace upon yourself, your family and everybody connected with you. I have made up my mind to have nothing more to do with you."

"What have I done to displease you?" inquired Bill, meekly. "Done! Haven't you mortgaged your farm to so-and-so?" "Yes," was the reply. "I had no money, you would not lend me any, the farm needed the outlay of capital, and I got it as best I could. I have always tried to do what would please you. I am so glad to hear of your improvement of the farm. Not a cent of the money has been used for my personal expenses. It all went into the farm, and I see no reason why I can't pay it back. I don't see that I have by far exceeded the amount of \$5,000."

William went home without a word from his father on the unpleasant subject. The next day THE SON GOT A CHECK for \$5000 from the commodore with the stern injunction to "go and pay that mortgage right away." The old commodore was heard to say about that time, "There's something in that boy Bill after all."

Henceforth there was more intimacy and mutual confidence between father and son. It was not very long before William had a profit of \$12,000 from his surplus produce. He began to be looked upon as a prosperous man by the neighbors and the old commodore was greatly tickled by the reports brought him of "Bill's" popularity.

Soon after, by universal consent of all parties, he was made receiver for the Little Staten Island Railway, which had been wrecked and was without money, credit or organization. He knew nothing of railroad management, but in two years he had paid the mortgage upon the road, put it upon a secure basis, and connected it with the city by an independent line of ferry boats. His father saw his mistake, and he went to the opposite extreme of thinking there was no more in William in the world.

He sent him to Europe to take care of his invalid brother, George, and when he returned after the latter's death he made him vice president of the New York and Hudson River Road. This was in 1854, and a year after he secured his election as vice president of the New York Central. In this position he was his father's able and efficient assistant, and aided him in carrying out the highest and most comprehensive plans. His advancement was rapid, and he was a brilliant executive officer, and suggested the consolidation with the Hudson River, which was accomplished in 1859. He completely had he won his father's confidence that but little surprise was felt when he was left at the death of the Commodore in May, 1877.

THE ENTIRE FORTUNE which the latter had accumulated, with the exception of a few trifling bequests and a million or so to each of his other children. The inevitable contest followed, but William paid a round sum to prevent further prying into his father's affairs. For six years he devoted all his time to the vast interests which his father left, and all the corporations with which he was connected were the greatest prosperity. In May, 1882, after six years of hard work at the head of this great system, he astonished the world and himself by withdrawing from active business and his position in his place. He was still the real head, for nothing was done without consulting him, but he was done with the details of management. His father left him nearly \$100,000,000, and in the eight years that have elapsed since he came into his inheritance he has almost doubled it. In January, 1885, just before he retired, he told a friend that he was worth \$194,000,000 and was the

RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD, because the Duke of Westminster, though said to be worth a little more, got only 2 per cent per annum upon it. It is indeed, he got as much as that. His ordinary expenses, he told a friend, were about \$2,000,000 a year. He gave away a great deal more money in charity than people have any idea of, and his public gifts have been of a princely character. He gave the \$100,000 that it cost to bring the obelisk to Central Park, and in the same year, 1880, he gave \$100,000 to found the Theological School at Vanderbilt University at Nashville, originally endowed by his father. Last year he gave \$200,000 for the land on which to build a school of medicine, under the auspices of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and \$300,000 more for the building. The offer to cancel the mortgage given by Gen. Grant to secure the loan of \$50,000 to Gen. Grant is well remembered. He leaves eight children—Cornelius, who is about 40; William K., 30 or 37; Fred; W. S. or 32; George W., 28; Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard, Mrs. William D. Sloane, and Mrs. William McK. Twombly and Mrs. Seward Webb.

HINTS FROM HOUSTON. Night before last C. M. DeBalegethy, night watchman at the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio and Texas and New Orleans Railway depot, found a pocket-book lying on one of the seats in the passenger's waiting room. He immediately took the pocketbook to Superintendent Irwin, who, upon examining its contents, found it to contain a draft on New York for \$13,000 and various other valuable papers and checks, making the total value of the contents amounting to about \$25,000. The pocketbook also contained a number of annual passes over different roads issued in favor of Capt. W. H. Wise, general attaché of the Queen and Crescent route. By these passes and papers it was ascertained who was the owner of the property. Superintendent Irwin has telegraphed to Capt. Wise in regard to the finding of the property, and will also write him apprising

him of the fact that the pocketbook was found by Mr. DeBalegethy. There is no doubt but that the honest young man will receive what he deserves—a suitable reward. The Houston and Texas Central Railway brought in 1797 bales of cotton yesterday. The Southern Pacific Railway shipped ten car-loads of cattle to New Orleans last night. The Wallace circus train, composed of sixteen cars, will be in to-night over the "Sunset" route. Heavy fires are reported along the line of the Columbia Tap Railroad between Arcola and Pierce Junction.

The Houston Direct Navigation Company shipped three barges of cotton and one barge of oil cake to Galveston yesterday. Mr. S. R. Lyons will, to-night, ship thirty car loads of stock, 600 head in all, over the Southern Pacific Railway, for Chicago. The Texas Traffic Association meeting is still in session at the office of the pool commissioner, at Frank's street.

During the month of October the number of through passengers carried over the lines of the Southern Pacific Company were 3034 east and 5400 west. Total 8434. The fastest time ever made on a Texas Road was recently when the International and Great Northern. The record of the train was 158 miles in 185 minutes. The Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railroad has experienced considerable trouble with prairie and timber fires along the line of road extending all the way from Houston to Glidden.

The Galveston, Houston and Henderson passenger train, while backing out of the Houston and Texas Central yard yesterday morning, jumped the track, owing to the miserable condition of track in the vicinity of the passenger depot. One of the International and Great Northern freight trains coming south brought in nine car loads of rock, which will probably be used at the piling of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson drawbridge, recently repaired.

GALVESTON. Suit to Test Amendments—Death of a Steamboat Captain. Special to The News. GALVESTON, Dec. 11.—The County Court was engaged all day to-day in the hearing of the case of James B. Stubbs, ex-City Attorney, vs. the City of Galveston, for salary claimed by the plaintiff as due him as attorney during the interim between the nomination by the Mayor of the present incumbent, George P. Finlay, and his final confirmation by the Council, a period of something over a month. The amount involved is small, being only \$212, but the principle is an important one, as bearing directly upon the constitutionality of the late amendments to the city charter, under which the appointment was made, which is substantially that appointive officers of the city government, such as the City Attorney, etc., shall be nominated by the Mayor, and provided that any nomination of the Mayor is not confirmed by a majority of the Council, the person so nominated shall hold the office to which he was nominated until the next regular meeting of the City Council, after which the Mayor shall nominate again; and if the person so nominated is not confirmed, it shall be the duty of the Mayor to continue to nominate some person for such office at each regular meeting of the City Council, until his nomination shall be confirmed by a majority of the Council, and each nominee of the Mayor shall hold the office to which he was nominated until his nomination shall be confirmed by a majority of the Council, and his nomination failing of immediate confirmation, the plaintiff claims that he was entitled to the emoluments of the office during the interim between the nomination by the Mayor and the salary of the office was paid Col. Finlay, dating from his nomination.

DEATH OF CAPT. BLOHM. Capt. Henry Blohm, of the Bark Ingo, now berthed at Lufkin wharf, died to-day at St. Mary's Infirmary, of an affection of the heart. Capt. Blohm had been ill for some time past and on his arrival here some three weeks ago from Rio, his illness took a more serious turn. On Wednesday morning he was removed to the infirmary, where he died at 10 o'clock. He was a German and a native of Elsfeld, Germany, where he leaves a large family. He was half owner of the bark he commanded. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning and will be attended by the German Consul and the masters of all German vessels in port. Flags among the shipping and upon the consular building were at half mast yesterday for the deceased.

PALESTINE. Suit Still Pending—Arrested for Procuring Absence of Witness. Special to The News. PALESTINE, Dec. 11.—In the suit of the Box heirs vs. Reagan & Ward, the plaintiffs claiming a two-fifths interest in one-fourth of a league of land, part of which is a suburb of the city, the jury this morning rendered a verdict for the plaintiffs. The chief point in the plaintiffs' suit was that the land sold after Box's death was not disposed of to satisfy debts made by Box and wife previous to his decease, or for the benefit of the heirs.

Escaped Convict. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 11.—Thomas Kahoe, serving a nine year sentence, escaped from the penitentiary this afternoon. Kahoe, with other prisoners, was doing some work outside the walls, and was guarded by three men. He quietly walked away, and has not as yet been overtaken. This is the seventh man that has made his escape in the last three months.

Common Sense and Facts. Winter is here. Warm Clothing and Underclothing are now necessary for one's health and comfort. As we're the most extensive dealers in Clothing, common sense will convince you that we are in a position to name the Very Lowest Prices, and we do, for all that's good, honest, fine. We are determined to keep our present stock to the last possible quantity, previous to doing it, and have made Prices to accomplish this end.

The laborer, mechanic, clerk, merchant, banker, professional man, philanthropist, can be acceptably clothed here, as well as the boys big and little, for our assortment is varied, handsome and well selected. In a word, our Clothing was specially made for the men and boys of Dallas and the South, and the prices (for reasons stated) are certainly the Lowest for the same quality. Common sense and a visit to our quarters will convince you that these things are so.

This is a fact that we're offering Men's and Youth's Overcoats in this market from \$5 to \$20. Finer ones in splendid variety. This is a fact that we're offering the best quality of suits from \$8 to \$20. This is a fact that we're offering the best Suits and Overcoats in this market for large boys from \$5 to \$20. This is a fact that we're offering the best Suits and Overcoats for small boys from \$3 to \$15.

Warm Underwear, Comfortable Hosiery, Good Fitting Shirts, Handsome Neckwear, and a host of Gents and Boys' Goods are so. Our prices for Furnishing Goods are the most reasonable in Dallas. If in need, we'd like you to call, for our inducements are not equalled by any other Clothier in the city. Bear in mind, please, that these are no idle statements—they're simply incontrovertible Facts. We can't afford to be misled, and we can't convince you that our Low Prices, with the Exception of a strike to the very root of the Trust Economy in Clothing. E. M. KAHN & Co., Corner Elm and Lamar streets.

Denison. Fight Between United States Marshal and Desperadoes. Special to The News. DENISON, Dec. 11.—The News this morning publishes an account of a desperate fight in the Nation on last Saturday at White Head Hill, I. T., between two well-known desperadoes, Lige Meadows and "Shorty" and Deputy United States Marshal Dyer and an Indian policeman, in which they met face to face and simultaneously were robbed of all some time ago, and two brakemen were arrested and jailed for the offense. Coleman is charged with hiring him to stay out of reach of the grand jury. Saunders was brought in under attachment and is said to have divulged the whole affair.

Suicide in Chicago. CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Angus Martin, aged 60, living at 418 Austin avenue, hanged himself in the sitting room of his residence this afternoon during the temporary absence of his wife. Mrs. Martin attributes the suicide to temporary insanity, brought on by ill health. Mr. Martin leaves, besides his wife, five children, all in comfortable circumstances. It came, we rubbed it, conquered our pain. \*Twas St. Jacob's Oil. It never fails.

LOCAL NEWS FROM SHERMAN

BROTHERS JAILED AS HORSE THIEVES.

Convictions in the District Court—Valuable Horse Dead—Church Entertainments—And Other Items of the Day.

Special to The News. SHERMAN, Dec. 11.—Bob May, a deputy sheriff, came in this evening with Ulysses and G. W. Garlett, brothers, captured in the Indian Territory, and charged with having stolen four horses from G. M. Brackett, of White Mound. They were captured about fourteen miles from Caddo, or about 100 miles north of this city. These two brothers came to this city some time since, stating that they were from Illinois, and after remaining a while, went out into the country and were picking cotton at the time the horses were stolen. As they disappeared about the same time as the horses, suspicion attached itself to them, and they were traced, where the capture was effected and the horses found in their possession.

In the District Court J. W. Norton pleaded guilty to a charge of theft from the person and received five years. Fred Wilson was found guilty of burglarizing Missouri Pacific cars and given two years in State Prison. Eli Ross was placed in jail to-day on a capias profine from Justice Hinkle's Court. The United Methodist Church had an entertainment at the residence of J. R. Cole. The church social which was to have taken place at the residence of C. F. Schwer to-night was postponed in order not to conflict with the progress at Mr. Cole's.

The fine thoroughbred saddle stallion Bonner, valued at \$1500, died to-day of blood poisoning. There was a serial entertainment at the residence of A. L. Darnal in East Sherman last night. The Christian congregation at this place are deeply disappointed over the inability of Rev. Mr. Black to hold a series of meetings here.

Mr. E. J. Kenner, traveling auditor for the Baltimore and Ohio, is in the city checking up the accounts of Manager Edwards, of this office. A MONTAGE AFFAIR. News reached this city to-day of a terrific, though bloodless, shooting affray near the northern border of Montague County, in an interior part of the county, about sixty miles west of Sherman. It seems that Holburne, the manager of the Broadrun ranch, had the winning horse in a scrub pony race and when he went to Watson, the steepleholder, that individual refused to give the money up. This incensed Holburne to such an extent that he pulled his Winchester and at once began to let drive on Watson, who managed to get away from being hit. After Holburne had emptied his rifle he ran into a little house near by and closed the door after him, presumably to get a fresh supply of ammunition. Watson placed his horse between his person and the house, and at once began to shoot into the thin pine door. door happened to be the only means of exit, and Holburne didn't rush out upon his enemy with any great degree of enthusiasm, but preferred to remain until Watson had emptied his gun, which he soon did, but he immediately mounted his horse and struck out for the north and "Cretary." Other persons were secured, but not until some time after the affair had occurred, and as yet nothing has been done in the matter. The cause of the misunderstanding is traced to the presence of a can of "peach cider," but which was a powerful intoxicant. The indignant settlers held a meeting and the following notice was posted in a conspicuous place: "To Whom it May Concern: The next fellow who brings alleged peach cider into these dignified will be fired bodily and his bug diggings. COMMITTEE."

THE WEBB-SCHERCK AFFAIR received another push by a little scene at the Central passenger depot this morning as the 2:40 train was pulling out for the South. During the early part of the night E. C. McLean had sworn out a warrant for the arrest of John E. Webb, charging him with having committed an assault with intent to murder (Patrolmen Melton and Middleton just as he was getting on the train. He was taken to a justice of the peace, who allowed him the sum of \$500, which he easily made. The occurrence last night grew out of the attack said by McLean to have been made upon him at Scherck's office just prior to the cutting scrape. Webb, in making made the assault with the intent alleged by McLean, and says that he did not have a deadly weapon in his hand at the time he was in the private office of Julius Scherck. McLean says that he did attempt to cut him with a knife, and that he was only restrained from so doing by three bystanders, of whom Julius Scherck was one. Webb, after making bond, left for McKinney on the afternoon train for the accommodation train. Julius Scherck, the wounded man, was not as well this morning as was expected, and is said to have passed a very restless night. He is not considered to be out of danger from blood poisoning, or some similar calamity.

FOR SALE. THE WELL KNOWN MULLIN'S RANCH OF 20,000 acres in Tom Green County, fine land, plenty of grass, good water in abundance, for sale cheap. ROBERTSON & TAYLOR, Land Agents, San Angelo. FOR SALE—Half block of well improved property, consisting of four cottages, one large stable, two cisterns and plenty of well water, always occupied by good tenants; healthy locality and good neighborhood. Terms reasonable. Apply to W. P. Siler, Grand Windsor Hotel. BANK FOR SALE—In one of the richest sections of Texas; owns a handsome bank building, centrally located, and is doing a large and lucrative business. Will sell a controlling interest in the stock or will sell the bank, building, steel chest and furniture, thus affording the purchaser a choice "twist" an incorporated private bank. Add. Lock Box 298, Dallas. FOR SALE—Calligraph writing machine, at most new, in perfect order, cheap. Address Calligraph, for particulars address "Stationer."

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE for Dallas city property, two lots in the town of Lampasas, each 60x125 feet, favorably located. For further particulars, inquire of J. P. JONES, 300 Main Street, Dallas. FOR SALE—A paying book and stationery business in one of the best towns in Central Texas. A good opening for a man with small capital. For particulars address "Stationer," care News office, Dallas, Texas.

FOR RENT. FOR RENT—Furnished room in private family; one or two gentlemen; reference required. J. M. L. Add. Box N, this office. TO EXCHANGE. WILL EXCHANGE for corn at 40 cents one 80 saw gin, one 60 saw gin, one Steadman cotton dress. LAND & THOMPSON, 100 Sycamore street.

HELP WANTED. WANTED—A competent white servant for household. Apply at once. MRS. A. H. BELO, Corner Ervay and Cadiz streets. WANTED—If you want work of any kind apply at the Intelligence and Employment office, 602 Main street, Dallas.

WANTED—Chambermaid at St. George Hotel. None but first class need apply. WANTED—A bright young boy who writes a good hand. Apply in own handwriting. P. O. Box 1, Dallas, Tex.

WANTED—A first-class salesman for a dry goods retail store, combined with shoes and gent's furnishing goods. Address with reference. MAYER & CO., Galveston. WANTED—A capable white woman for general household in a small family. Apply to Mrs. C. H. Edwards, 1119 Commerce st.

SITUATIONS WANTED. WANTED—Copying to do at home, by a young lady who is a rapid and legible writer. Address Box 31, this office. WANTED—By an experienced hardware clerk a situation for the incoming year; references. Address Box E, News office.

HOUSES AND ROOMS WANTED. WANTED—To rent house of four or five rooms, with ten beds, on Merchants' Exchange. Address Box O, News office.

BOARDING. PRIVATE BOARDING. WITH OR WITHOUT ROOM. Apply 215 Ross avenue.

MASQUERADE COSTUMES. A elegant assortment of masquerade costumes for rent by Mrs. Egger, No. 1410 Main st., near Union Depot.

FINANCIAL. MONEY TO LOAN ON REAL ESTATE—At low rates, and on time to suit borrowers. C. E. WELLESLEY, Dallas, Texas. MONEY TO LOAN—For long time at reason able rates, and in amounts to suit. J. B. WATKINS L. M. CO., Dallas, Texas.

MONEY TO LOAN—In sums to suit on any security which would realize at cash sale the amount loaned. All business strictly confidential. W. J. B., Lock Box 261, Dallas P. O. WE ARE PREPARED to loan \$50,000 on Dallas County property. LAND & THOMPSON, 109 Sycamore street.

PIANO MANUFACTURERS. GEO. C. MANNER, 440 Collin st., cor. Orange, Dallas, Tex. Piano Forte Manufacturer. Formerly pianoforte of the Arion Piano in the city of New York. Specialty: Pianos tuned and repaired under guarantee.

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COMMERCIAL. DALLAS, Dec. 11.—Business continues in unabated activity. Buying was strongly in evidence to-day.

ORANGES, lemons and bananas are in good demand, well met, and at nearly former rates.

COFFEE is in steady demand and unchanged. The consumption of the country from Jan. 1 to Nov. 30, as compared with the same period for the past three years, has been as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Bags, Value. Rows for 1885, 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, 1878, 1877, 1876, 1875, 1874, 1873, 1872, 1871, 1870.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT. The overland movement direct to Northern Mills has been very large during the month, amounting to 167,075 bales, against 166,464 during the corresponding month last year.

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RECEIPTS TO-DAY. By wagon..... 146 By rail..... 4

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Ford Howe as a candidate for the office of City Assessor and Collector. He will be voted for at the ensuing election to be held Tuesday, April 6, 1886.

The Morning News.

THE CITY.

No one is authorized to make any purchases for our account or have work performed for any department of our establishment without the written order from the business manager, and these orders should invariably accompany monthly statements rendered at the close of each month.

Notice to Advertisers.

Next Sunday's edition of The News will be a twelve page, seventy-two column paper, replete with the latest telegraph news and interesting reading matter, and will prove an invaluable medium for the advertiser.

The Week's Transactions.

The following are the cotton transactions of the week expired yesterday, according to the records of the Merchants' Exchange: Receipts, 1022 bales; shipments, 1386; stock, 1791; total receipts, 18,800; total shipments, 17,000.

Get Their Commissions.

The officers of the Dallas Light Guards have received their commissions from Gov. Ireland. The company's uniforms will arrive next week and a military ball will follow at the Merchants' Exchange some time during the Christmas holidays.

Disposing of a Balo of Cotton.

As Wesley Goodson, a good looking country colored man, was winking down Poydras street yesterday, he forgot that there was a hole in his pocket which his wife did not have the thread to sew up, and the result was that his pistol, an old Queen Ann, fell to the pavement with a clatter that attracted the attention of Officers Beard and Ramsey on the opposite side of the street.

District Court.

In the District Court yesterday a motion for a new trial in the case of John Leggett was overruled and notice of appeal given. Leggett was found guilty and his punishment assessed at five years, for killing John Andrews, colored, at Hutchings, on the last 4th of July.

Amusements.

Mr. J. B. Polk, in "Mixed Pickles," will be the attraction at the Opera-house this evening and Monday evening next. The play will be new to a Dallas audience, but it comes well recommended, both by the press and those who have seen the performance.

Opera Glasses.

An elegant line of opera glasses of our own importation just received. J. W. Webb, 610 Main street.



Most Perfect Made. Prepared with special regard to health. No Ammonia, Lime or Alum. Price Baking Powder Co., Chicago. St. Louis.

PERSONAL.

Mr. G. F. Thomas, of Bowie, is in the city. Miss Bessie Brooks, of Ennis, is at the St. George.

Mr. Ralf Jefferson, of Clarendon, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. W. H. Mordock is rapidly recovering from a bilious attack.

Dr. W. Bell, of Farmersville, is registered at the St. George.

Mr. H. A. Parsons, of Houston, is stopping at the Grand Windsor.

Mr. J. M. Dawson, a Pecos stockman, is quartered at the Grand Windsor.

Mr. John Whiteley, Katie Putnam's manager, passed through the city yesterday.

Mr. W. A. Garner, of the Fort Worth Live Stock Journal, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. Wheat Thompson, of San Antonio, was a welcomed visitor at THE NEWS last night.

P. F. Terrell, of Wheatland, was in the city yesterday, and called at THE NEWS office.

Judge O. E. Dunlap, of Waxahachie, was a pleasant visitor at THE NEWS office yesterday.

Mr. J. H. Gausman, advance agent of the "Mrs. Winthrop" party, is booked at the Windsor.

Mr. W. B. Wells, of Fort Worth, passed through yesterday, homeward bound from St. Louis.

Messrs. Charles Bullock and J. M. Douglass, of Corsicana, are registered at the Grand Windsor.

Mr. Seth Shepard, of Galveston, is in the city, and will make his home here after the 1st of January.

Mr. W. A. Bamberger, a popular New Orleans commercial traveler, paid THE NEWS a visit yesterday.

The melodious voiced Pratt leaves this morning for the Fort to look after the Abbott provincial engagements.

The News was favored yesterday with a pleasant call from Mr. John Orr, of Calvert, and Capt. George Walshe, of Galveston.

Mr. R. P. Gray, occupying a responsible position on THE DALLAS NEWS, returned yesterday from New Orleans with his bride.

Mr. L. V. Randolph, a New York capitalist, and at one time treasurer of the Illinois Central Railroad, is in the city. He visits Texas with an eye to business.

Capt. A. W. Hilliard, whose knee bellow on the sunny banks of the Pecos, is registered at the Grand Windsor. He furnishes the only case on record of a journalist evolved into a cattle king.

Dr. Morton returned yesterday from Brownwood, whither he went to see Mr. Chapman Bradford. He states that Mr. Bradford is not in immediate danger, but that it will take several weeks to restore him to his strength.

W. P. Siler left last night for Houston, whither he goes as a witness in a case wherein a lady sues a transfer man of that city for damages resulting from mashing up her trunk and spoiling her silk dress. Mr. Siler will testify that the trunk was shipped from Dallas in bad order.

LOCAL NOTES.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Alexander Smith and Clara Shirley.

The Central pay car passed through yesterday, going north. Returning it will pay off at Dallas.

John Raimey and Tom Presley were fined \$25 each yesterday in the Mayor's Court for carrying pistols.

Mr. John M. Hawkins and Miss Jennie L. Kennedy were married at the residence of the bride's father, at Midolonia, Thursday night.

The trial of A. M. Jones, charged with taking \$3 from the person of a drunken man, is set for Monday next in Justice Kendall's court.

The Times has established branch offices at follows in the city: D. Goslin, China Hall, corner Elm and Murphy streets, S. H. McBride, 1315 Elm street, East Dallas.

J. B. Rochester, who has been in jail several days as an attached witness in the case of the United States vs. Moran, has made bond and gone home to spend the Christmas.

The new money boxes on the Main street cars ring an alarm bell and strike an electric light whenever a fare is dropped in. Something of the kind is needed against burglars.

Prof. Albert Leuben, late organist at the Temple Emanuel Church, got a verdict in Justice Schuhl's Court of \$50.70 against that congregation for extra musical services rendered during the holidays.

Prof. Black will preach to-night on the "Conversion of the Jailor and His Household." Sunday evening at 3:30 he will lecture at the Opera-house. Subject: "The Safeguards of Life." This is one of his most popular lectures.

Taking Depositions.

Depositions are being taken in the case of Isaac Elam & Co. vs. Walworth, Walton & Rhodes, in a suit brought in Harper County, Kas., for \$300 alleged to be due for driving 889 head of cattle last October from Stephens County, Tex., to Cherokee Spring, I. T. It appears that the litigation sprang out of the loss of sixty-four of the cattle, which the defense attribute to the neglect of the plaintiffs, while the latter claim that they were stolen by red and white thieves.

Depositions are also being taken in the case of Nancy B. Daley et al. vs. John F. Lacy et al. to set aside the sale of a large tract of land in Iowa on account of alleged fraud. The suit is pending in the federal courts at Des Moines.

Books Received.

THE NEWS has received from Mr. J. D. A. Harris, two beautiful Christmas books published by the Worthington Company, New York, entitled: Ring-Around-A-Rosy, an artistic and beautiful book for children, and Worthington's Annual, the latter, a series of interesting stories, biographies, papers on natural history and miscellaneous sketches, beautifully illustrated with oil chromos and superior wood engravings.

Free storage and free delivery, and all arrangements made, if you choose to buy your goods at the China Hall now, when the stock is more than complete and the rush not quite as great as is usually the case Xmas time, your goods will be marked, stored and delivered at the time and place designated by you. Remember, for choice of goods and prompt attention there is no place like the old reliable China Hall, corner Elm and Murphy streets.

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President Elrott, of Harvard, advocates making the entire curriculum optional.

THE LAND BOARD CRITICISED.

IN ACCENTS LOUD AND REMONSTRATIVE.

Accused of Gross Usurpation of Power Involving Dangerous Precedent—A Remedy Suggested by a Stockman.

"There is a clause in the constitution," Mr. E. M. Powell proceeded to say yesterday, "authorizing the Legislature to make legal provision for the disposal of the school, university and asylum lands, but the Legislature has not the right to transfer the law making power to the State Land Board or any other association of individuals. The Legislature did not do so, however, for when an effort was made to engraft on the land bill an amendment giving it flexibility by lodging discretionary power with the Land Board, the Legislature defeated it. Yet, in the face of this, by an act of usurpation which bid defiance to the Legislature and the courts of the country, they set aside the law of the State and enacted one of their own to take its place. The Land Board evidently rested their hope for popular approval on the success of their enactment; but, as it has proven a failure, entailing a heavy loss to the schools, which has to come out of the pockets of the taxpayers, it is difficult to perceive what act of apology can be offered to the public in exoneration. Usurpation for any purpose is a dangerous precedent to set a people who are committed to popular government, and, in this instance, the political power which indorsed such an arrogation of authority has come to learn that the aggregate judgment of the State Legislature is, on all subjects, more likely to prove correct than that of half a dozen men who have presumed to rule the State in the management of a most important interest."

"The court erred in admitting testimony, relying on their immunity against writs of injunction or mandamus, should presume to raise the maximum rates of passenger traffic or define the penalties for offenses, would you consider such an act in the light of the worst sense revolutionary? They would seem to have as much and no more authority to do such things than they had to alter the minimum rates prescribed by law for men, or the school laws, I indorse Col. Hughes' position as given in THE NEWS. I think it is as strong as the rock of Gibraltar, and cannot be reduced by shooting feathers at it. I have no objection to Mr. Powell, who is a good man, loves his church, and doesn't like to get out of temper, commenced talking of matters and things not germane to the Land Board matter."

Later in the day a NEWS representative came across Capt. A. W. Hilliard, a leading cattle man and merchant of Pecos City, who, in the face of the prairie and the hope in the future for a circle of the county two hundred miles in diameter he proceeded to give his opinion of the Land Board and their land act. "I feel in my heart," he said, "that good sense of Americans and their ability to rectify errors, if any have occurred, by constitutional and legislative methods; and when the time comes that it will be necessary to transfer the law making power from popular representatives to governing boards, then we can only acknowledge that the experiment of popular government in this country has not come yet, and if our people do not take leave of their senses, it is not to come. Neither do I admit that there was an error to be rectified, except in the sense that the law is not perfect. I am opposed to that system, because I consider it wrong in principle. Its effect in practice would be to consolidate huge monopolies upon the prairie, and to give them the power to develop a landed aristocracy. As it is, men owning small bunches of cattle, unable to lease in competition with huge syndicates, have been driven out of the State by the rich, and the State loses in population and trade by those monopolies, besides laying a wrong corner-stone for a sound political and social structure. Ask your merchants what effect the fencing in of Nueces, Bee and several other counties has had upon trade? I think the remedy to be applied lies in enacting, in the place of our complicated and unworkable constitution, the United States relative to the sale of its public domain, and supplementing them with liberal irrigation laws. Make the land laws apply to quarter sections, half sections and sections, reserving thirty feet for public roads. Then, as the wave of settlement advances westward, let the cowman be pushed back, and back, back. There was a time when you weather was already coming in the State of Texas, but they have been driven back, not by trying in vain to force them to pay for using the grass on the unfenced domain, but by the progress of settlement, the United States government has adopted a land code similar to that which is designed for West Texas, the country would be oppressed by the worst landed monopoly in the world. As said by the Hon. J. W. Wells, and Board credit for meaning to set in the best interest of the public; but they do not foresee the complications that have arisen in their system. I think that Col. Hughes' views are the only ones that are very clear and forcible. The trouble is that the State has been ruled by politicians, and I think it is high time for the people to entrust their government to men up in political economy, and having no other motive save We have an abundance of such men in Texas, but unfortunately for the State's interests they have been kept in the background. The effect of the leasing system, as I have said, is to reserve the land for a rebel instead of promoting settlement. It promotes the growth of the most dangerous of monopolies; it presents an incongruity of government that begets a disrespect for a law which, from the nature of things, cannot be enforced. It says if I cannot enforce this law I will drive you out of the State; it makes him a trespasser on the prairie fire and the buffalo."

A Fire in the Country.

The residence of Mr. Buck Barbee, on Mr. Perry Overton's farm, a few miles southwest of Dallas, caught fire yesterday from a defective fire and was burned to its foundation. The proprietor had gone over to Mr. Overton's to aid in hog killing, and the female inmates who remained behind were unable to deal successfully with the fiery demon. Mr. Barbee's loss is estimated at \$700, no part of which is covered by insurance. He is a very poor man, and it is said that the good people of the neighborhood propose to extend him a helping hand.

Run, Nigger, Run.

Sam Tegner, a colored individual, who has a weakness for the fandango delights of the dark precincts, was arrested yesterday by Officer Gaines on the charge of stealing a hide. Sam said he did not propose to resist the discovery, of which he was a citizen, but as the weather was cold and the fall the most comfortable winter quarters in Dallas, he would like to put on his coat. The proposition being entirely in order Sam proceeded to draw on his coat, but just as his left arm seemed entangled in that article his right hand suddenly clove to the officer's pistol and a scuffle ensued, in which Sam being the longer of arm, came out ahead. He succeeded in wrenching the pis-

tol from the officer, and in doing so cut the latter's hand with the sharp corner of the firing arm. The bold darkey then ran a-muck through the city and succeeded in gaining that great refuge of Dallas peccatorium, the bottom, which furnishes hiding places innumerable for malefactors. A detachment of constabulary started out immediately with dogs to round him up, but the dogs had bad colds and their smellers did not catch on, although Sam was a daisy and several of the constabulary are splendid at giving tongue and will chase a jack rabbit from Dallas to the mountains of Hesperidan, but their noses seem better adapted to pointing than smelling.

Dr. Gordon Granted a New Trial.

Dr. W. F. Gordon, who, on Thursday of this week was found guilty of performing abortion, and his punishment assessed at two years in the penitentiary, applied yesterday for a new trial through his attorneys, Messrs. Crawford and Crawford, setting forth the following reasons:

- 1. Because the court erred in its instruction to the jury in this: In submitting to the jury the law defining principal offenders and in instructing the jury in any event to convict this defendant for acts which were, or might have been, committed by Eliza Conger.
2. The court erred in its instructions to the jury in directing them what the State and what the evidence must show to their satisfaction in order to convict the defendant by omitting entirely from said clause the word "doubt."
3. The court erred in the first subdivision of that clause. The charge should have been that the jury must believe that the abortion upon Eliza Conger was actually produced by this defendant and not by any other person.
4. The court erred in the second clause of said article in instructing the jury that they must believe that Eliza Conger did not, unaided, procure an abortion upon her own person, and in the third clause in instructing the jury that they might convict if this defendant was present and assisted by acts or encouraged by words and gestures the person or persons actually engaged in performing the abortion.
5. The court erred in assuming in its charge that Eliza Conger, by the procurement of an abortion upon herself, could constitute an abortion at law, or that the said Eliza Conger, by consenting to the commission of abortion upon herself, could become an accomplice in law to the crime of abortion as a principal offender.
6. The court erred in admitting testimony over the objection of this defendant, as shown by bills of exception thereto.
7. The verdict of the jury is contrary to law.
8. The verdict of the jury is contrary to and unsupported by the evidence.
9. For other reasons apparent on the record, for which the defendant asks the court to set the verdict aside and grant him a new trial.
Judge Aldridge disposed of the application in the afternoon by granting a new trial, he holding in substance that as Miss Conger could not commit on herself an abortion, at law the doctor could not be held amenable as an accomplice.
Unless new testimony can be produced to show that the doctor was a principal in the crime it is thought that his acquittal is certain. The doctor says he feels he is himself again, and expects to give bond immediately.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

GRAND WINDSOR.—W. R. Jackson, New York; W. A. Garner, Live Stock Journal, Tex.; W. B. Wells, Jr., E. E. Simbal, St. Louis; South Shepard Galveston; O. E. Dunlap, Waxahachie; Charles Bullock, J. M. Douglas, Corsicana; Mrs. C. B. B. Moody, Tex.; John Whiteley, Galveston; Putnam Company; Ed Keeling, Louisiana; W. H. Boykin, Corsicana; S. Weyer, Philadelphia; F. E. Boyle, E. B. Kinney, E. B. Kinney; James Ware, R. DeArmond, McKinney; Miss Mollie Stovall, John Brazill, T. Frank Turner, Texas; Giles P. Buck, St. Louis; G. W. Higgins and daughter, Seville, Mo.; W. N. Moore, St. Louis; Ben Levy, New Orleans; J. Coleman, New York; H. A. Parish, Houston; H. Chapman, Chicago; J. H. Gausman, New York; Shannon, St. Louis; H. C. Herndon, McKinney; G. E. Bennett, city; Seth Miller, New York; H. C. Gausman, J. L. Harrison, Fort Worth; Dr. W. F. Gordon, Dallas; W. M. Erwin, G. W. Sharp, Ferris; J. T. Kelly, Abilene; W. M. Bamberg, Houston; G. E. Briscoe, Philadelphia; Blachman, Taylor; George Walshe, Galveston; J. A. Smith, Cincinnati; H. Morton, Galveston; B. O. Sweeney, J. R. Patsy, Hillsboro; J. E. Kenna, G. Lankester, Pueblo, Col.; H. F. Fawn, Cleburne; E. Collins, McKinney; J. C. Tate, Ennis; W. Bell, M. D., Farmersville; J. H. Smith, Fort Worth; L. C. W. Byrd, Colorado City; John Grizzell, Fort Scott, Kas.; John Orr, Calvert; A. D. Hagin, Cleburne; Miss Bessie Brooks, Ennis; W. H. Overton, Houston; John Taylor, Merit, E. M. Taylor, Memphis; H. P. Ruddell, Denton; S. S. Johnson, Knoxville, Tenn.; E. L. Jones, New Orleans; F. G. Wittenberg, E. S. Campbell, Midolonia; K. H. Embree, W. C. Gutchen, T. L. Eldridge, Duck Creek.

A Maine newspaper of 1769 contains the following pathetic notice: Attention.—The editors respectfully remind their customers that they are in immediate want of wood, bark, meat, meal, sauce and cash. As cold weather has already come on, the want of wood and bark for fuel is felt at their fire-places. With regard to the articles—Oh! what dreadful things are empty stomachs and the horrors of a jail.

Out in Montana the larger towns charge \$200 a month for skating rink license.

Diamonds and Watches.

We are offering specially and positively the finest line of diamonds and watches ever offered by any jeweler in this State. Remember that J. W. Webb is positively headquarters for these specialties.

The grand jury of Cobb County, Tennessee, makes report that since the adoption of prohibition quiet reigns where once was disorder. Property values have increased, towns show unwonted prosperity, and everybody indorses the change.

The Argus of Monterey, Cal., says the brig Natalia, in which Napoleon made his escape from Elba, was wrecked in 1841 near the harbor of that town, and the hull can still be seen at low tide. Several fragments came ashore the other day in a storm.

Blankenship & Blake Company.

We offer the remaining stock of the Blankenship & Blake Company (about \$50,000) to the citizens of Dallas and dry goods merchants throughout the State. The company is organized under the laws of the State of Texas, and commences business Jan. 1, 1886. The paid up stock will be \$300,000; shares \$300 each. The company is bound to become one of the grandest wholesale and manufacturing concerns in the State. We shall make it a source of great pride and profit to all who take stock with us. We will own a controlling interest in the company, and will give to all other stockholders a guarantee of their stock and a dividend of at least 10 per cent per annum. Our Eastern friends would take all the stock we have, but we prefer to have the fruits of our labor at home. We believe our company will be one of the leading factors in the commerce of the State long years after we have passed over the river of life.

Persons interested are invited to call and get all the information they may desire.

B. BLANKENSHIP, S. D. BLAKE.

Sunday dinners a specialty at the Lamar Hotel, Paris.

Great Slaughter.

SILVERWARE.

Have just received the largest stock of silver plated ware ever brought to the city. These goods are all on consignment with the factory to sell at any price. Call and examine them. It will be to your advantage.

J. W. WEBB, 610 Main Street.



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It is true that our Clothing is the best fitting, most stylish and reliable of any sold in this market.

It is true that we are having a big trade and crowded in every department. We guarantee all goods as represented. We cheerfully refund your money if you are not satisfied with the goods you purchase.

We offer you bargains in every department. Our Overcoat Department is full of warm and comfortable overgarments. In our Hat Department you will find all the newest shapes and styles of Wool and Plush Caps; Fur Gloves and Gloves of every kind. Our Furnishing Goods Department contains many warm, beautiful and appropriate things that are suitable for Christmas Presents for gentlemen.

E. M. BARNES

Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers, CORNER ELM AND LAMAR.

Lumber.

I have bought the H. S. Mathews lumber yard on Ross avenue, not the accounts. Will keep a well selected stock of everything in the building line and ask for a fair share of the public patronage. Will give estimates on buildings of any character at the following places where I have yards: Sherman, Whitesboro, Gainesville, Alvarado, Hillsboro, Bowie, Henrietta, Wichita Falls, Harrold and Kemp. By calling at the above yards parties can get information concerning prices. I buy in large quantities and can offer inducements in prices and selections equal to any one in the trade. Respectfully, O. T. Lrox.

Household and kitchen furniture for sale at residence of Mrs. Doyle, 922 Live Oak st.

Dr. F. L. Foscus, Physician, Surgeon, Oculist, 810 Main street, Dallas. Office Telephone, 47; Residence, 208.

Infants' Kid and Goat Button 50c, Sizes two to five, at Lewis Bros. & Co's.

Visit the New 9c Cash Store, 719 Elm street.

Our Bulk Baking Powder

is sold by all grocers at 20 cents per pound. Do not be humbugged by lottery schemes into paying high prices for bogus goods. BABCOCK, FOOT & BROWN.

As Usual.

Useful and ornamental Christmas Gifts for children, young people and grown folks. Fine Books, Toys, Fancy Goods, Christmas Cards. J. D. HARRIS, 730 and 732 Main street.

A Dazzling Display.

You will appreciate our efforts after a careful inspection of the dazzling display of diamond goods now on exhibition at the great jewelry house of Knapp & Sons, Dallas. Never before have we shown so complete an assortment. It is unrivaled, and commands your attention, and their prices will excite your wonder.

Globe Clothing House.

We offer this week the greatest bargains ever given before. Come and see us. 703 Elm street.

If with ailments you're afflicted, if to pains you are addicted, and the peace-disturbing fiend you wish to foil, the deed is quickly done if you go to Patterson and apply his famous Rabel's Colic Oil. So pleasant the sensation of each application. The patient seldom fails to cry for more; (again) 'Twill take away your pain, and bid you come to "The People's Druggist," Patterson's Drug Store.

Lewis Bros. & Co., Boots and Shoes,

736 Elm street, Dallas, Tex.

Save the Chickens

By using Basse's Chicken Cholera Cure. For sale, wholesale, by Crowds Drug Company, Dallas, Texas.

Many of THE NEWS people have had shoes made by the Hunstable Boot & Shoe Company, 712 Elm street. They are well pleased with them. Will Hunstable be people correctly.

Fish and Oysters.

I. M. Lewis has removed to 607 Main st. Keeps on hand fresh fish, crabs, oysters, clams, shrimps, shell oysters, at all times. Families needing anything in Mr. Lewis' line will do well to telephone him.

Groceries at Low Prices

at J. F. Caldwell & Co.'s, Court House square.

Lewis Bros. and Co., Boots and Shoes,

736 Elm street, Dallas, Tex.

To have your watches and jewelry repaired go to L. E. Curtis, jeweler, 701 Main street, Dallas.

Christmas cards at the New 9c Cash Store.

Bargain every day in holiday goods and toys at Goldsmith Bros.

A thing of beauty is a joy forever. So is Pozzoni's Complexion Powder. For sale by all druggists and fancy goods dealers.

From 25 to 50 per cent saved by buying your holiday presents at the New 9c Cash Store, 719 Elm street.

SCHOOLS

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Composed of Petroleum Tar, pronounced by Dr. Griffin as a specific for consumption. Certain it is that it has worked wonders in curing the worst forms of Chronic Bronchitis and Consumption, purifying the breath, allaying the cough, creating an appetite and restoring to health the most obstinate cases. The old saying is here repeated, that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, for all coughs and colds commence with sore throats or Croup with children. With this Syrup you have an immediate cure. Composed of Syrup of Wild Cherry, an old and long-used remedy, soothing the irritated Lung and Nervous System, quelling the most annoying Cough. Composed of Syrup of Opium, an "old woman's remedy for sore throats."

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I also have TWO FOUR-YEAR-OLD STALLIONS, by Foster, he by Lexington; dams richly bred.

Also a number of JACKS, 4 years old next spring, from Mammoth and Black Hawk stock. Postoffice address: Houston.