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NEW MEXICO and Arizona both are fighting for joint statehood. Each wants to be a state within itself. New Mexico is entitled to statehood and it should be admitted.

In some quarters a protest is being made against the law providing for court stenographers at the cost of the tax payers, and justly. The courts should have stenographers and should be allowed to have efficient ones of their own approval, but the pay for them should be taxed to the litigants the same as other costs.

SUBTREASURY officials in New York are being besieged for \$10,000 bills for Christmas presents. Of course such presents will be bestowed upon persons not needing it and no poverty nor distress will be relieved and there will be precious little happiness added to the recipients in consequence. Of course we would rather see the very wealthy spend their money for anything that suits their fancy than for them to hoard it and keep it out of circulation, but suppose these \$10,000 bills were invested in plain, comfortable clothing and distributed among New York's worthy destitute families. What an abundance of happiness would be scattered over the city!

A FIRM in Fort Worth shipped a car load of dressed turkeys to San Francisco Wednesday by express on which the charges were \$750. There were 20,000 pounds, representing 1800 turkeys. Other shipments are to follow. It is understood the wholesale price of turkeys in San Francisco is from 27 to 30 cents per pound. The Fargo company has recently carried three solid cars of dressed turkeys out of Houston to Boston. On account of the scarcity of turkeys in the North and West, Texas demand is unusual. Texas is making her mark in supplying the country with food stuff; whether beef, mutton, pork or fowl. Then for a change her fruits and vegetables cut quite a figure and she can soon supply the world with rice.

The stork made a visit to the home of Rev. J. H. L. Hawkins Thursday evening Dec. 10, and left a pair of twins, a boy and girl. These little youngsters should be loyal Frederickites, as they are the first pair of twins to be born within the city. It is rather a queer coincidence that the first child born in Frederick was the daughter of Deacon Pearson of the Baptist church while Rev. Hawkins, pastor of the same church is the father of the first twins.—Frederick Enterprise.

Rev. Hawkins has about the physical proportion of a willow bean pole and our citizens will remember him as the gentleman who told the lengthy hen story in discussing the college question at the Baptist Association.

Abilene has received 27,000 bales of cotton for which \$1,000,000 has been paid out this year.

The mails are now burdened with the holiday business and 30 additional railway postal clerks have been added to the division with headquarters in Fort Worth.

A writer to the Fort Worth Register from Collingsworth county says the cotton farmer is on top this year. He says, "The man with the cotton goes to town, drives his team to the wagon yard and pulls out to a hotel for his meals and bed, and the poor cattleman has to eat cold grub and sleep on a bunk in the wagon yard, when it was the reverse a few years ago. Now the cowman has no money and not too much credit, whereas the farmer has both money and credit. So, under these conditions, this section has got to change from a cow to a farming country. Land that will make \$25 to \$45 worth of cotton per acre a year cannot be kept for cattle. Collingsworth county will make 1500 bales of cotton this year.

The total amount of warrants registered against the general revenue fund of the state treasury now foots up \$643,242.72.

**Railroad Business Increased.**

How persons do miss it in saying Clarendon is a dull town because the shops and saloons have gone. We asked agent Kennedy this week how the railroad business was holding up. He referred to his books for last month's business as compared with November 1902. The freight business of last month amounted to \$24,000, \$16,000 of which was for freight shipped out. For the month 201 cars of stock were shipped from Clarendon and the net increase over same month last year was \$3,077.27.

Just keep your business eye on Clarendon. There is a class of people settling around her that will keep her alive alright.

**Miss Gould Don't Want It.**

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Miss Helen Gould's friends failed to prevail on her to accept the presidency of the board of lady managers of the World's Fair, which position was made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. James L. Blair.

The candidates for the place are Mrs. Daniel Manning of New York; Mrs. John Miller Horton of Buffalo and Mrs. Mary Phelps Montgomery, a Missouri woman living in Portland, Ore. Mrs. Manning seems to be the favorite candidate, but it is not known as to what surprises may be sprung at the meeting to be held tomorrow to elect a president.

**To Buy Friar Lands.**

MANILLA, P. I., Dec. 17.—An agreement has been reached by Gov. Taft and the friars providing for the settlement of the friar "land question."

The Pope has given his approval of the terms of the settlement and the approval of the War Department is awaited. The settlement provides for the purchase of 403,000 acres, comprising all the agricultural lands and holdings of the friars, with the exception of 12,000 acres, including a farm near Manila, which has been sold to a railway company, and also one sugar plantation.

The price agreed upon is \$7,250,000. The friars originally asked \$15,000,000. Gov. Taft offered then \$6,000,000.

**Black Eye to Texas Appropriations.**

General Gillespie, chief engineers, in his report to congress, recommends no further government improvements to the Sabine, the Guadalupe and the Sulphur rivers of Texas, and to Matagorda bay and Lavaca bay; also that no present improvement be made to Red river from Fulton Ark., to Denison, Texas, as the cost would be out of proportion to direct benefits, on account of subsequent reduction of railroad freight rates expected to follow the improvement of the Trinity river.

**Pension Report.**

The report of the commissioner of pensions shows that during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, the total number of pensioners on the roll was 1,043,933, and the number remaining on the roll at the close of the year was 996,545, a net loss of 2901 from the previous year.

The gains to the rolls during the year were 40,086 new pensioners and 4401 restorations and renewals, a total of 44,487; of this number 231 were pensioned by special acts of Congress. The losses to the rolls during the same time by death and from other causes 6481 a total of 47,388, a net loss of 2801. The number of deaths of soldier pensioners for the year were 29,123 and of this number 27,842 were volunteers of the civil war. The pension rolls at the close of the year contained the names of 728,732 soldiers, 267,189 widows and dependents and 624 army nurses.

As a result of a family difficulty between Ottus Reeves and his brother-in-law, Fred Braidfoot, at Silverton, they indulged in a shooting scrap a few days ago at that place. The latter was shot twice in the leg.

You should read the CHRONICLE during 1904.

**Wright Says Wage System is Doomed.**

Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, before the Society of Ethical Culture of Philadelphia last week said the wage system will pass away. He added, in a speech on the "Wage System:" "In its stead, I believe there will come a system which will be composed of the profit sharing and the co-operation ideas. The great labor questions mean the struggle of humanity for a higher standard of life. The employer must consider his employe, as well as the stockholder, as an investor."

Of scarcely less interest than his prediction of a new labor system was Colonel Wright's approval of a plan to insure labor against incapacity resulting from accident, illness or advancing age.

He quoted the German idea under which the employer pays one-fourth the cost of a sick and death benefit policy, the employe one-fourth and the Government one-half.

"England," said Colonel Wright, "has taken up this question and the of the United States are readily approaching it."

Continuing, Colonel Wright said: "Capital charges to the consumer the depreciation of property and machinery. Why should not the depreciation of labor's machinery, its hands, its brains, its body, be included in the final cost?"

"We see in every progressive community that the demand of the workingman is no longer for a wage sufficient to enable him to keep body and soul together.

"Labor has been taught to feel that it is a social as well as economic power in the community, and this educating process has gone on until the demand of labor is for a reasonable margin beyond that fixed by the iron law of wages.

"The wage system will pass away. It is, as has been shown, unsatisfactory in many of its applications. It depends too largely for its equities upon the generosity and great-mindedness of employers.

"That there are such who would scorn to influence votes or actions of their employes, and who would be incapable of taking petty or great advantage of their workmen, is happily true. That there are others, however, who make use of these opportunities proves the weakness of the system and argues for a greater measure of independence for those who labor.

"The system that will take the place of that under which mere wages are paid probably will be composed of the profit-sharing and co-operation plans. The worthy will find their level."

October 20 has been designated as Christian Church Day at World's Fair.

Clark Hunter, a young newspaper man, suicided at Cooper Wednesday night.

Saturday & Dunlap were buried at Anna, Collin county, Monday night. Loss \$6,000 on stock and \$1,000 on building. Insurance \$5,000.

Near Georgetown Wednesday E. E. Hayden and Will Thompson, on horseback, started on a gallop to stop a runaway team by heading them off. While going at full speed they collided with such force that Hayden was killed and Thompson dangerously injured.

**Doll, Doll! Fine Doll!**  
We are going to give away one of the finest Dolls ever seen in Clarendon Dec. 24th 1903. Every 25 cent purchase gives you a chance at the Doll. We have a good stock of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Christmas goods. Please examine them before buying.

Yours,  
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**Dogs To Be Killed.**  
The city council has ordered me to kill all dogs without a tag. If you want to save your dog see me at once and pay 30c a tax.  
J. F. PATMAN,  
City Marshal.

**Christmas Trees.**

The Christmas tree industry is now at its height in Maine, many carloads being prepared for shipment to the large cities. The total output of trees from Maine this year, however, will not exceed half a million, as compared with a million and more in past seasons. Fashion in Christmas trees appears to change like everything else and it is due to this change that the total output of firs is to be much smaller during the coming holiday season than in former years. In spite of good times the jobbers in Boston, New York and other cities supplied by the Maine market have sent orders to the pineries for larger trees and fewer of them.

They declare there is no longer any demand for what are called children's trees, which are from 5 to 8 feet tall. The increase in social and religious organizations in the cities and villages has transferred the Christmas festivities from the family parlors to lodge rooms and churches, so that the number of presents which will be distributed this year is larger than ever before, the management has been taken from the hands of individual parents and guardians and placed under the control of the Sunday schools and benevolent associations, making an increased demand for big trees, from 12 to 20 feet tall.

Notwithstanding the decreased number of trees that will be shipped this year, the industry undoubtedly will continue to pour thousands of dollars into the pockets of the Maine farmers and woodmen. Men, women and children often work together in gathering the Christmas tree harvest, and in some localities the cutting of the evergreen is made the occasion of a general merry-making, as at huskings and other farm festivals. The trees are bundled up, according to size, in lots of six or a dozen, conveyed on hay-racks to the railroad station, and there either sold to traveling buyers or shipped direct to Boston or New York. The farmers get about 5 cents each for the smaller trees and from 10 to 25 cents for the larger ones. In all Maine people realize about \$300,000 a year from their crop of Christmas greens.

**Democrats Talk Early Convention.**

There is a movement in the Democratic party to smash precedent and have the Democratic Convention held before that of the Republicans. A Democrat of national prominence in Washington says that he is in favor of such a move and that it probably would be made.

The Republican Convention, having been called for June 21 in Chicago, it is probable that the Democratic Convention, if the plan set forth above is carried out, will be held during the first week in June. The drift is strongly in favor of Chicago, although efforts will be made by St. Louis, Milwaukee and Baltimore to secure the convention.

Just what is the purpose of holding the Democratic Convention at such an early day has not yet developed, except that Democrats say they want a long campaign. The Democratic National Committee will meet in Washington on January 12 to fix the time and place for holding the National Convention.

The first three days of this week Fort Worth received over 11,000 head of cattle.

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CUBAN BILL PASSES SENATE.

Mr. Bailey For Party Regardless of all Else.

Washington, Dec. 17.—By the decisive vote of 57 to 18 the Senate passed the bill carrying into effect the reciprocity treaty with Cuba. The final vote came at the close of the day, which was marked by a debate which, while at all times animated, was never acrimonious.

The principal speeches were made by Mr. Spooner for the bill, and by Mr. Bailey against it. Both senators were subjected to frequent interruptions. In his remarks Mr. Bailey referred to the recent agreement of the Democratic caucus to stand solidly on party questions and notified the Republicans that in the future they could not depend on straggling Democratic votes in support of Republican measures, regardless of whether they were or were not in accord with Democratic doctrine.

The bill passed carries into execution the treaty between the United States and Cuba which was ratified last March. The treaty provides for a reduction of 20 per cent from the rates of duty under the Dingley law on all Cuban articles imported into the United States and varying reduction of 20 to 40 per cent from the established Cuban duty on articles brought into Cuba from the United States.

Russo-Japanese Trouble Drags Along.

Paris: Well informed diplomatic circles believe that, despite the discouraging news regarding the Russo-Japanese situation, war will not occur. It is said that Japan has introduced into the negotiations new demands which Russia did not expect when she presented her recent note, and it is added that the czar hardly would have made the concessions in respect to Korea unless he had been convinced that Japan would not extend her demands. The sympathetic attitude of the British press toward Japan is regarded as exercising a stiffening influence on that country, but the British government has not changed its policy and is working to prevent war, so far as is known in Paris.

After Louisiana Whitecaps.

New Orleans, La.: The Louisiana supreme court has given damages in the sum of \$5000 each to Peter Warner against thirty citizens of Dodson, Winn parish, who whitecapped them in an effort to secure information as to the author of several incendiary fires recently. The jury in the district court gave each of the victims \$500. This was increased tenfold by the supreme court, which declared the action of the whitecappers reduced the community of which they professed to be representatives to the level of a lawless and ignorant horde of savages. It is believed the decision will break up whitecapping in Louisiana.

Stockmen Happy Again.

San Angelo: The rains which fell over different parts of the stock country the last few days, after such an extended spell of dry weather, were welcomed most cordially by the stockmen, although it is feared that not enough has fallen, and the stockmen, especially the sheepmen, would like to have "a little more in their'n." Enough wetness to provide winter needs for sheep and to fill the waterholes and stock creeks with an abundance of stock water is what is wanted. What is needed, and would be procured had the stockmen the ordering of the calendar of the weather clerk, is a generous, soaking rain all over the whole stock country.

Meets Most Tragic Death.

Georgetown: During the progress of the fair at Florence Wednesday a team of horses driven by Miss Radloff and Miss Jones ran away. E. E. Hayden and Will Thompson, who were on horseback, started on a gallop to stop the team by heading them off. While going at full speed they collided with such force that Hayden was killed and Thompson dangerously injured. The young ladies escaped without injury.

Gonzales Want Gold and Oil.

Gonzales: The San Antonio Gold Mining Company has begun operations on the Fullilove place, fourteen miles from town, near Sandy Fork, on the Southern Pacific Railroad. This location has long been noted as a mineral section, and an old shaft is still to be seen where a couple of prospectors over thirty years ago mined for silver ore. W. C. J. Quash is going to prospect for oil and miners on his place five miles north of town.

Burke Cochran for Congress.

New York: W. Bourke Cochran will be nominated by Tammany Hall to succeed Mayor-elect George McClellan as the Representative from the Twelfth Congressional District as soon as McClellan resigns his seat to undertake his duties as the municipal executive. This was determined at Mr. Cochran's office, where he met Charles F. Murphy and gave the Tammany Hall leader his consent to run.

Nacogdoches and Northeastern.

Austin: It is said that the Nacogdoches Southeastern Railroad company has been organized and will soon file its charter for record in the secretary of state's office, having been approved by the attorney general. It has a capital stock of \$500,000 and its general offices are situated at Nacogdoches. It is formed for the purpose of building a railroad southeast to a point on the Atoyac river, a distance of thirty miles.

THE BOLL WEEVILS TROUBLE.

The Bill Before the House Will Go Through.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The house committee on agricultural affairs held a hearing Wednesday on the boll weevil bill. Representative Burgess made a detailed statement, explaining the bill and the emergency which made the enactment of such legislation necessary.

Most of the members of the committee knew very little about cotton and frequently asked questions as to the industry. Mr. Burgess read the vital portions of the recommendations of Secretary Wilson, and went further to show that injury to the cotton-growing industry inevitably entailed serious injury to the cotton manufacturers of New England. Dr. Galloway, of the bureau of plant industry, and Dr. Howard, chief of the division of entomology, were heard at length. They both endorsed the provisions of the bill and explained how the investigations already made had accomplished much good.

Representative Field, himself a large producer of cotton, was also heard. He gave his practical observations relating to boll weevil ravages and the necessity for government aid in eliminating the evil of the pest.

It was evident that every member of the committee was favorable to the legislation.

Sea of Azof is Disappearing.

St. Petersburg: The sea of Azof is disappearing and remarkable scenes are in course of enactment. At Taganrog the waters have receded to such an extent during the last few days that the bed of the sea is visible for a distance of thousands of feet. High winds hurled clouds of sand shoreward, covering the town. Vessels are lying high and dry and the greatest confusion prevails in the harbor. Work in the factories has had to be reduced to a minimum, owing to lack of water.

A Murder Most Foul.

Waxahatchie: A murder, clouded in mystery, was committed at Ennis Wednesday morning at 5:29 o'clock. Josh Reager, a farmer started to his farm a few miles from town, and when in the outskirts of Ennis he was waylaid by four men. After being left for dead Reager regained consciousness, got back into his buggy and drove home. He told his wife he had been attacked by four men and beaten. He died without being able to give a description of the men who assailed him.

Still They Come to Texas.

Dallas: Immigration to Texas from the states of the southeast is increasing in a degree that rivals the homeseeking that comes from the north. In one day the Texas and Pacific railway received more than 200 immigrants from gateways of New Orleans, Shreveport and Memphis. These people are all coming to Texas to remain, having already made arrangements for the new homes they are to occupy.

Lottie Allen, a Negro Woman of Lake Charles, 50 years old, was burned to death in her room. The ashes from a pipe which she had been smoking fell on the bedclothes which immediately caught fire. The flames enveloped her, and before assistance arrived she was dead. The old woman was a cripple and helpless.

Tom Henry, a 16-year-old boy, was accidentally shot and severely injured southeast of Denton Tuesday. He had been hunting, and when he set the gun down it was accidentally discharged.

A letter demanding \$500 from Peter Winchester Rouns of Brooklyn, son of the late Charles Broadway Rouns, the blind millionaire merchant, with the accompanying threat that failure to pay would be followed by the destruction of the Rouns stable, is being investigated by the Brooklyn police.

While out driving J. A. Ford of Texarkana, met with what is feared may prove a fatal accident. The team he was driving took fright and ran away, throwing him out on his head, which came in contact with an iron rail of the street car line, and was badly fractured.

Thomas Show, colored, employed as helper at the roundhouse of the International and Great Northern railroad at San Antonio, was run over and instantly killed Wednesday in the freight yards by an engine.

Jim Bolton, who lives at Leesburg, was suddenly stricken ill Wednesday and died that night at the home of his mother in that place.

A southbound passenger on the Houston and Texas Central, ran into a landcar at Cypress, killing George Hoseman and badly injuring William Pullicks, whose arms was broken.

A cutting scrape at the Science Hall schoolhouse, eight miles northeast of Terrell, in which Reuben Cotton, 12 years old, was stabbed in the left shoulder, arm and hand with a knife. The injuries are not thought to be of a fatal character.

A Fort Worth jeweler submitted a design which was adopted and will be worn by the members of the national board of lady managers of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

A large ice plant with a daily capacity of seventy-five tons is to be built at Lawton, Ok., about the first of the year. Some of the material is already on the ground.

The Corsicana Transit company may want to run a summer theatre during the season.

The New Army Divisions.  
Gen. Lee Commands Texas.

NEW YORK THE PLACE.

On Holding of the National Democratic Convention There.

Washington, Dec. 16.—If New York wants the Democratic National Convention it can get it. While there has been no discussion of the time and place of holding the Democratic National Convention, the above seems to be the consensus of opinion among the conservative leaders of the party in Washington. It is argued that New York is the pivotal state in the coming election. All the strategy of the campaign revolves around the 29 electoral votes of the Empire State. In no calculation which is made by Democrats as to how they can win New York omitted, while the Republicans profess to be able to calculate that they can carry the election without New York. The Democrats admit that the east is the battle ground. If they can carry New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and one or two western states they can gain the presidency. But if they can not carry New York then there is no use in attempting to carry any other state. Hence, they reason the convention should be held in some eastern city, and of all the large cities New York is pre-eminently the place Democrats of Texas are expected to favor holding the convention in the east.

The rivers and harbors committee is arranging for a series of hearings on important projects which are to come before that committee. This fact about disposes of the rumors which have been heard since the assembling of congress, to the effect that there will not be a river and harbor bill. There are evidences already that the bill will be as large as usual, if not a great deal larger.

Six Men Drowned in a Towboat.

Natchez, Miss.: The 145-ton stern-wheeler towboat Mattie M., owned by the Dixie Transportation company of New Orleans, and engaged in towing cotton seed for the Standard Cotton Oil company of New Orleans sank in twenty feet of water Tuesday morning in the old bed of Lake Concordia. The white fireman and five negroes were drowned. The boat was overloaded, and the high waves washed over her guards.

Torn to Pieces by Dynamite.

Bacone, Wis.: The 150 molders employed by the Case Threshing Machine company did not return to work Tuesday, and it is probable that the entire plant, employing about 1500 men, will be closed down for at least two months. The men have been out of employment for four months, but were expected to resume Wednesday. The men demand that last year's wages be restored. The new scale was reduction of 10 to 20 per cent.

Wouldn't Accept a Reduction.

Dallas: Horace Williams, colored, while preparing to blow up some stumps on the farm of Lee Gracey, three miles south of Oak Cliff, was mortally torn to pieces Tuesday morning by the explosion of ten rounds of dynamite. Ben Wright, also colored, who was working with him, was thrown to the ground and momentarily stunned by the shock of the explosion, which was felt by people a considerable distance from the scene.

Mexican Finances.

City of Mexico: The statement of Finance Minister Limatour shows the Mexican treasury cash surplus of \$31,000,000, though during the last four years \$11,599,000 has been drawn out for public works and other purposes. The total revenues of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30 last amounted to \$76,923,416, giving a surplus of \$7,860,000 over expenditures, and showing a gain of \$9,878,000 over the preceding year.

Took Leg Bail.

Baton Rouge, La.: The boll weevil bill providing for the appointment of a crop pest commission and making an appropriation of \$25,000 to prevent the spread of the cotton boll weevil in the state was unanimously passed by the senate Tuesday afternoon. The appropriation bill, which was amended by reducing the amount of the expenses of the extra session from \$25,000 to \$16,000, was also passed by unanimous vote.

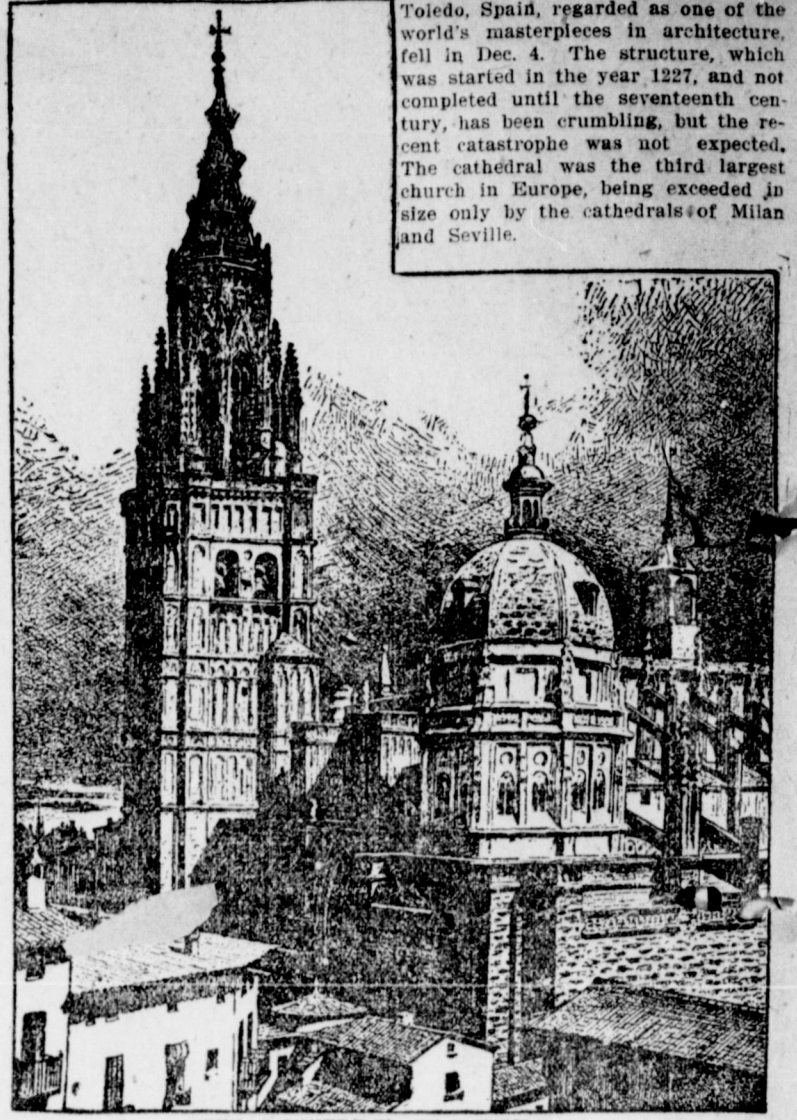
To Lick the United States.

London: The will of the late Cardinal Herrera y Espinosa contains, according to a special dispatch from Madrid, the extraordinary bequest of \$10,000 to the "first Spanish general to land in United States territory with an army sufficiently strong to avenge the defeats of Cuba and the Philippines." Pending the happening of the event, the legacy is to remain deposited in the Bank of Spain.

Louisiana After the Weevil.

El Paso: Burt Alvord, under sentence for train robbery, and Billy Stiles broke jail at Tombstone, Ariz., Tuesday evening. Six other prisoners escaped with the train robbers, and all are still at large with several hours' start of the sheriff's posse which has gone in pursuit. It is thought that Alvord received assistance from outside the jail. Great excitement prevails as a result of the wholesale delivery.

FAMOUS MASTERPIECE OF ARCHITECTURE IS FALLEN



THE CATHEDRAL OF TOLEDO

HERBERT SPENCER IS DEAD.

Was One of the Intellectual Giants of the Nineteenth Century.

Herbert Spencer, author and great philosopher, and the last of the great thinkers of the Victorian age, died Dec. 8 at Brighton, England. Mr. Spencer was 82 years of age, and his death was due to old age. He was the contemporary friend, and co-worker of such intellectual giants as Darwin, Huxley, Tyndall, and Lyell. He was born at Derby, England, April 27, 1820. In 1842, when 22 years old, he began the publication in a paper called the Nonconformist of a series of letters on "The Proper Sphere of Government."

In 1848 Spencer secured a position upon the Economist, of which paper he afterward became editor. He held this post until 1852. The following two years he wrote "Social Statics," dealing with social problems in an original way, which was considered radical by many Britons. This work brought him into contact with Prof. Huxley and other prominent literary men and women, including George Eliot, the novelist, to whom, it is said, Spencer proposed marriage.

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Open to Discussion.

Michael Clancy, a New York tractor who has become rich, by some race horses and entered the recent Saratoga meeting, runs his horses for fun and profit, but one day he had a good so he backed it for \$10. When horses not away Clancy stood grand stand watching them his field glasses. Some of his knowing of his \$10 bet, crowded and began to joke him. "Your horse now?" Clancy was Clancy surveyed the field of horses, and he replied, "He's the best in the third race or first in the fourth."

Split in British Society.

There is trouble ahead of the young duchess of Roxburgh, formerly Miss Goelet. It is understood that she will endeavor to assume her position as premiere of the Scottish duchesses, and should she do so she will arouse the antipathy of the "weird" duchess of Buccleugh, whose dislike of all Americans is well known. It is thought in England that the new duchess will affiliate with the king's set, which is regarded as inferior to the Buccleugh's faction.

"English" Away from Home.

Attention has been drawn to the evil effects on one's health that may result from sucking postoffice pencils. Much more dangerous to our mind, and in the opinion of the entire dental profession, is the suggestion that managers of restaurants and others should follow an American custom and exhibit a notice on rainy days: "Visitors will when entering just rub their gums on the mat."—London Punch.

Remarkable Wedding Gifts.

By far the most wonderful wedding presents ever given to an American bride are those presented Miss M. Goelet on the occasion of her marriage to the Duke of Roxburgh. The gifts represent a wonderful fortune. If they were all conveyed into cash the figure would reach into the millions.

Man's Superiority.

What a woman envies is that when she wants to cry she has to do so in any way she can. —London Punch.

Stood by Her Conviction.

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To Celebrate Louisiana Transfer.

The French ambassador and Mme. Juserand will go to New Orleans soon, when there is to be a celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the transfer of Louisiana from France to the United States.

Book Production.

Stated in figures, the average of books produced to every million inhabitants is as follows: German Empire, 254; France, 344; Switzerland, 338; Belgium, 337; Italy, 309; Sweden, 300; Norway, 262; Great Britain, 175; Russia, 85; United States, 31; Spain, 65. On the other hand, an average of periodicals to a million of inhabitants, the United States is far ahead, having 510, and Switzerland coming next with 320.

Veteran Colonial Legislator.

Sir Robert Hoak, who has been for twenty-five years president of the legislative council of Nova Scotia and has just resigned that office at the age of 81, is one of the oldest legislators in the empire, and in recognition of long service was made a knight bachelor at the coronation of King Edward. Mason H. Gouge of Windsor, N. S., senior member of the council, has been appointed to succeed him.

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# JUST JOKES

**He Was Interested.**  
Wife—You seem to find something very interesting in that paper. What are you reading?  
Husband—The Woman's page.  
Wife—Well, I am glad you have at last awakened to the vast importance of woman's place in civilization.  
Husband—Yes, indeed. I've struck some mighty fine cooking recipes.—New York Weekly.

**A Diplomatic Act.**  
"Isn't that the woman's home over there?" asked the stranger within our gates.  
"It was formerly so called," replied the native, "but now it is known as the Old Ladies' Home."  
"Why did they change the name?" he asked.  
"It was getting too crowded," was the reply.

**At the Woman's Club.**  
"Madam President," said that officer's envious enemy, "I think we ought to put a pin under the committee."  
"My dear Miss Jones," replied the president, smiling her sweetest, "the chair appoints you to the vacancy on the committee."  
"Why do you put that drop of candy and so many almonds in the baby's hand?" asked the close friend.  
"Oh, that's a little trick of mine," whispered the druggist. "When I do that the mother never notices that I charge her 20 cents extra on the prescription."

## THE REASON.



He—George is out of work again. She—I thought he had a steady job. He—Oh, the job, was steady enough, but George wasn't.

**Baiting a Gossip.**  
Miss Kidder—"They's only been married six months, but whenever her husband goes away on a business trip she's delighted and prepares to have a good time."  
Miss Meanley—"Aha! Do you know I suspected something like that? I always said—"  
Miss Kidder—"Yes. You see, he takes her with him."

**Crafty Druggist.**  
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**Prompt.**  
"George certainly is a man of action."  
"What has he done?"  
"Why, the very next day after the heiress accepted him he gave up his job at the bank and joined the Don't Worry club."

**Fitting Him Out.**  
Mrs. Bond—"George, dear, I've bought you a new macintosh."  
Mr. Bond (surprised)—"What for, pray?"  
Mrs. Bond—"I hear there is so much water in the stock market these days."

**Sudden Industry.**  
"If I'd offer you a dollar a day for doing chores, what would you do?"  
"I'd get industrious right away," answered Meandering Mike.  
"You'd take the situation?"  
"No, I'd run."

**As Indicated.**  
Bifkins—"Skinner's conversion to religion must be the real thing."  
Mifkins—"Why do you think so?"  
Bifkins—"He has quit selling mince and stock and engaged in the green-goods business."

**All Right in the Day Time.**  
Clark—Is Jynks honest?  
Dearborn—You can trust him all day long.  
Clark—Can, hey?  
Dearborn—Yes, he works nights.—Chicago News.

**Very Dainty.**  
Viola—"Fred sent me some of the daintiest articles for my cozy corner."  
Ida—"What were they?"  
Viola—"A scimitar, a skull and a warclub."

**A Sharp Return.**  
Mr. Toothandnail—"I can't imagine what we ever got married for; we're totally different at every point."  
Mrs. Toothandnail—"Oh, you flatterer."

## MILLIONAIRE PROUD OF MARRIAGE TO ACTRESS



"I am in full accord with the ancient Spartan law which compelled a man to marry by the time he attained the age of thirty-six."  
William Astor Chamber, former congressman, African explorer, author and millionaire, thus announced three years ago his views on man and matrimony.  
In his thirty-sixth year he took unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Minnie Ashley, who has won fame by her beauty and cleverness on the stage, being formerly a member of the San Toy company.  
Mr. Chamber met his bride while he was at Harvard. She was then on the stage in Boston. Miss Ashley has a handsome home at Great Neck, L. I., where she has spent the greater part of her time lately, as it is about a year since she was seen on the stage.  
It is announced that Mrs. Chamber's stage career is forever ended. Henceforth she will be a member of society and will be received by reason of her marriage into the inner circle of

## DAYS OF OLD RECALLED.

**Recent Death of Capt. Pharr of Berkeley, Louisiana.**  
Capt. John H. Pharr, the wealthy sugar planter and lumberman who died at his home in Berkeley, La., the other day at the age of 75 years, was the leading figure in one of the most exciting electoral contests ever held in Louisiana. In 1896 he was nominated for governor by the Republicans, but was defeated by Murphy J. Foster, the Democratic candidate, though the race was very close. Capt. Pharr alleged that Foster had won by fraud perpetrated in the negro parishes and carried the case before the legislature, declaring that he would take the governorship by force if pronounced elected. The legislature, however, declined to go behind the returns.

**City Children for the Country.**  
The Earl of Meath, a somewhat enthusiastic British humanitarian, has suggested to the London school authorities that children of the elementary grades be taken from the city and brought up in model country villages, the parents to pay only the bare cost of food, the county council footing other expenses. He urges that in this way children of the very poor would have an otherwise unobtainable chance to grow up strong, healthy and good citizens. In addition, many of them would probably stay in the country, thereby helping to repopulate the rural districts.

**The Problem of Education.**  
Dr. Louis Duncan declares in a magazine article that in this country technical education is too technical. "There is too much instruction," he says. "We should not attempt to make mental storehouses of men, but mental factories. The ability of a man to work out any specific problem depends upon his being able to make a mental plot of the problem and keep it constantly before him. This requires an imagination that has been developed and not suppressed."

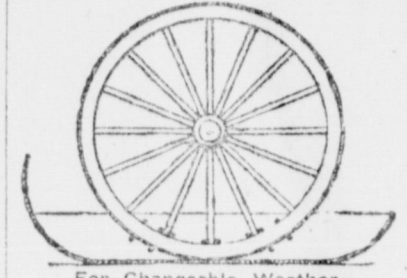
**Death for Kidnapers.**  
Incited thereto by the mysterious disappearance of the young millionaire Wentz in southwest Virginia, a bill has been introduced by a member of the legislature of that state making the crime of kidnaping for a ransom punishable with death. The alternative, at the discretion of the jury, is confinement in the penitentiary for not less than eight or more than eighteen years.

**Speakers of the House.**  
There have been thirty-three speakers of the national house of representatives. Eleven of them became United States senators and one of them, James K. Polk of Tennessee, president of the United States. The position has been filled by only one merchant, one physician, one preacher, three editors, while twenty-four of them have been lawyers.

**Honor for Lord Kelvin.**  
The University of Wales has conferred the honorary degree of doctor of science upon Lord Kelvin in consideration of his eminent services to science.

## SCIENTIFIC

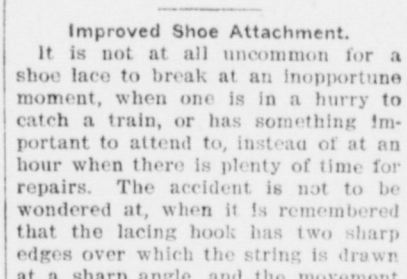
**Runner for Wheeled Vehicles.**  
How well the old resident remembers the time when we had summer in the summer time and winter when it was due, which lasted until spring; and with what pleasure he tells of the cold weather and good sleighing for weeks in succession! But whether it is the destruction of the forests to build our houses and serve other purposes, or from some other cause, we do not seem to have good winter weather for very long at a time, and sleighing and skating are soon destroyed by a thaw. In Canada and some portions of this country this is not the case, and when a farmer or tomatist puts up his wagons and gets out his sleighs for the first snow he has fairly good assurance that he will not have to change again until the spring thaw. But in a vast area of the country the man who drives may find himself riding through mud in a sleigh or slipping over a snowy road in a carriage, and it is to meet just such occasions as this that the in-



**For Changeable Weather.**  
The invention shown in the picture has been designed. A set of sheet iron shoes is provided, with steel runners, and perforated at intervals for the insertion of bolts. When there is a fall of snow the driver has only to put the shoes on the wheels and bolt them in position, and he is ready for a sleigh ride, with no worry over what the future state of the weather may be. The shoes are light enough to be carried in the wagon when not in use, and should prove a great convenience to the man who has to drive every day.

**Artificial and Real Pearls.**  
A report from the Osaka, Japan, exposition, published in European papers, says a Japanese has devised a plan for the artificial production of pearls. His method is to put a grain of sand or foreign substance forcibly into pearl oysters, which he afterwards puts back in the beds. In this way he gets pearls so like natural pearls that connoisseurs cannot tell them apart. It would be strange, thinks one writer, if they could, for the method employed by the Japanese is the one employed by nature. It is a well-known fact that pearls are produced by a grain of sand or some other foreign substance falling into the open oyster and being covered by the same substance as the interior of the shell. The pearls thus produced are being sold so cheaply that a fear is gaining ground that they may affect the market for "real" pearls—that is, pearls produced by accidents to the oysters rather than by the efforts of man. The "artificial" pearls are being put to exactly the same uses as the "real" ones.

**Improved Shoe Attachment.**  
It is not at all uncommon for a shoe lace to break at an inopportune moment, when one is in a hurry to catch a train, or has something important to attend to, instead of at an hour when there is plenty of time for repairs. The accident is not to be wondered at, when it is remembered that the lacing hook has two sharp edges over which the string is drawn at a sharp angle, and the movement of the foot saws the lace over these edges at every step. A simple but effective arrangement to prevent this wear is that shown in the picture, consisting of a series of flattened rings, which are secured to the hooks in place of the laces themselves. The latter are inserted in the rings, which, having no sharp edges, and presenting only a rounded surface in contact



**Entire Misunderstanding.**  
While a new member of the senate Mr. Blackburn got into a heated argument one day with another senator concerning a certain kind of brandy. He saw Senator Blair of New Hampshire coming down the corridor, so he referred the matter to that fervid prohibition statesman. "My dear sir," exclaimed Blair in astonishment, "I do not know the taste of brandy from whisky." Blair passed rapidly on and Blackburn remarked: "I was just about to ask him up to Beck's room and test the thing, but it's no use. His stomach must be a devil of a condition if he can't tell brandy from whisky."

**Mrs. Hanna's Taste in Dress.**  
Mrs. Marcus Hanna has acquired an air and society manner generally to which she was a comparative stranger when the senator first became prominent in public life. She has fairly mastered the fine art of dress. In the past she was noted for rather too striking color schemes, but now she has a fondness for black and white. Her hair, which is silver gray and plentiful, is worn in a high knot, and her hair-dresser waves it becomingly.

**Cheap Campaign Expenditure.**  
W. A. Powers, recently a candidate for delegate to the legislature of Virginia, in reporting his campaign expenses to the secretary of state, places his total outlay at 45 cents, 15 cents of which sum was expended for a dinner for himself and double that sum for a meal for his horse.

**Octogenarians.**  
Hubbardston, Mass., with a population of a little over 1,200, has twenty-five people that are eighty years and over. The average age of these people is eighty-five years. All of them, with the exception of two, are in good health.

**Great Strawberry Patch.**  
From a patch of land only thirty feet wide and 200 feet long, Mr. Jennings of Portsmouth, N. H., raised 1,700 boxes of strawberries, which sold at an average of nineteen cents a box.

**Education Is No Bar.**  
More than one-third of the inmates of the Elmira (N. Y.) state prison are well educated.

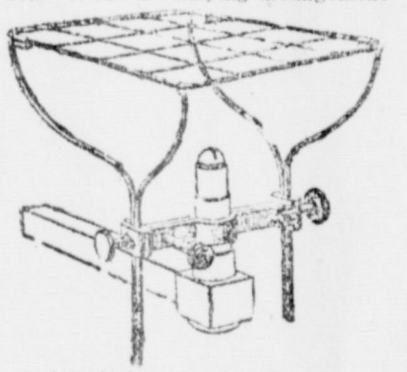
which latter dissolves out the fatty matters. The fats recovered by distilling off the benzole are of a slightly yellow color. Thus has science not only provided a way to dispose of sewage, but has actually transformed it into a cleaning agent for household use!

**Preservation of Potatoes.**  
It is reported that a German has made the discovery that by means of a chemical preparation being poured over potatoes they may be kept in condition of preservation for years. If this is true, it will be of the utmost importance to all countries, enabling them not only to keep on hand a large stock of potatoes for their armies, and thus better preparing them for some unforeseen war, but in times of great abundance the potatoes could be preserved for the benefit of the poor in years when the tubers were scarce and higher in price.

**Successful Electrical Transmission.**  
The greatest success in the electrical transmission of electricity generated by the aid of water power has been obtained in this country. Forty-three companies, having a total capacity of 17,389 horsepower, transmit power over a line distance of 1,549 miles, at an average of 26 miles, with a voltage of from 10,000 to 60,000. The minimum distance over which power is transmitted by wire is from Colgate to San Francisco, a space of 220 miles, with a loss of 25 per cent. At the power station the volume of water is small, but the fall is 1,500 feet.

**Electric Lighting in the North.**  
It is suggested that Thorshaven, in the Faroe Islands, should be provided with electric lights. The water power is abundant for nine months of the year, and during all that period it is so dark that artificial light is necessary. Petroleum lamps are generally used in the shops and houses, and the streets are lit by electricity during the seasons when lights were most needed. During the months of May, June and July, when the streams are at the lowest, no lights would be needed, as it is daylight constantly.

**Convenient Little Heater.**  
The oil or gas stove which cannot be utilized to cook a meal of victuals while heating a room has little place in the system of economies. Many a lamp flame and gas jet have produced poor cups of tea, coffee or chocolate to accompany a frugal lunch prepared and eaten in a small room by those too poor to afford "square" meals on all occasions. This class of economists will probably see a merit of the burner attachment recently designed by a California inventor, and shown in the accompanying illustration. It has a clamping arrangement



**Attached to the Gas Burner.**  
which grips the burner and supports the standards depending from the flat wire screen at the top. These standards are adjustable by loosening the screws in the clamping member, and may be regulated to correspond with the size and heat of the flame issuing from the jet.

**Transportation of Live Fish.**  
Acting upon the principle that fish live with ease in any water which is supplied with oxygen, European exporters are beginning to use metallic tubes to which oxygen generators are affixed in such a manner as to feed the water regularly with gas, which escapes when the pressure surpasses that of the atmosphere. Recently by this means 40,000 trout were exported from Switzerland to England, Germany and Austria, of which number only 400 died.

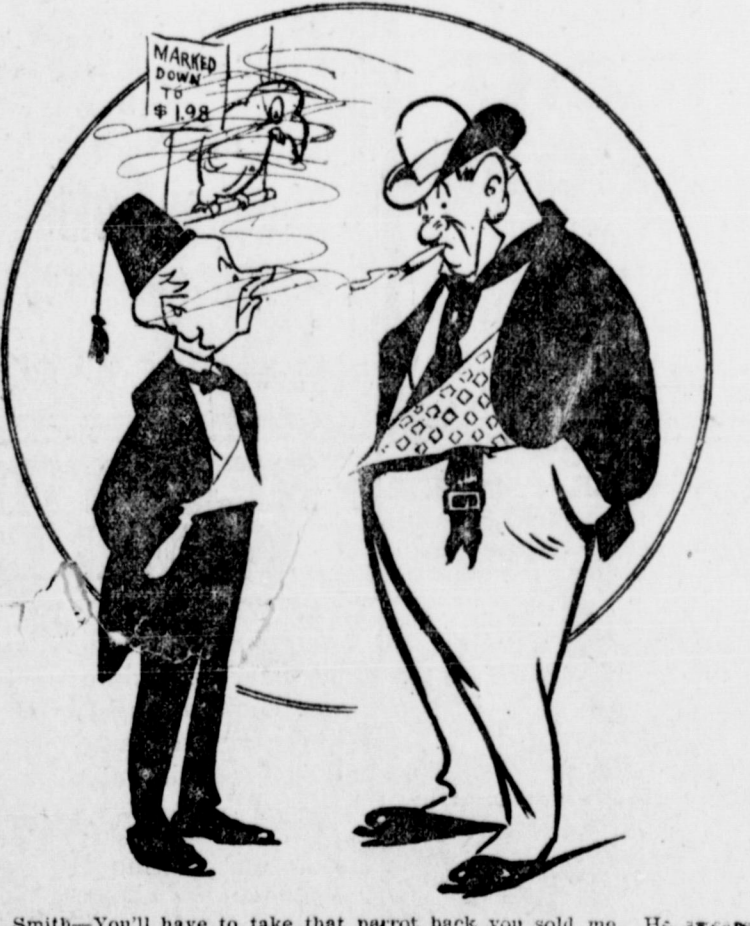
**New Vocation for Women.**  
The German press reports that a new vocation has been found for women on account of the use of the X-rays by hospitals. Courses of lectures for the instruction of X-ray nurses will soon be commenced at Berlin. These women will serve only as nurses of patients treated by X-rays, and as assistants in the use of this recently discovered heating agent, which service is of a very delicate nature and one requiring great care.

**Pure Water from Sewage.**  
In the bacterial treatment of sewage at Birmingham, England, some of the contact beds were filled with coal, and it is stated that the effluent was so clear, sparkling and odorless that the men working about the beds drank from it. The flow from these beds was very much better than that from beds filled with other filtering media.

**Mattress of Torn Paper.**  
A good mattress for a child's cot may be made of torn paper. Old letters, or any clean paper which is not too stiff, may be torn into strips for this purpose. Make up the case of the size required, and fill with the torn paper. Over it fold a blanket.

**Cleaning Bar.**  
To clean bars with a small brush and water and its turning and Indian

## WHERE THE TROUBLE LAY.



**of the City of Ancestor Worshipers.**  
"I never heard of a more gross miscarriage of justice," said the Philadelphian. "It's outrageous."  
But wasn't he guilty?" asked the singer within the gates.  
Yes, but the jury disgracefully neglected to take cognizance of his anxiety," was the reply.

**Never Weary of the Hearing.**  
Overheard him telling her a story night, which I know she has heard a time before, but she didn't stop.  
"She is long suffering, surely."  
Oh, I don't know; he told her she the prettiest girl he had ever seen."

**He Got Permission.**  
"Would you mind if I went smoking car, dear?"  
"No—What? To smoke?"  
"No, no. I want to experience the joy of being away from you, the joy of my return will be more intensified."

**Hint Desirable.**  
"You're all run down," said the doctor. "What you need is quiet and rest. You ought not to be worried at all."  
"Will you put that in the form of a prescription, doctor, and give it to my wife?" asked the man.

**His Limit.**  
"And what asked the country cousin who was Miss Waldorf to a luncheon, 'do you consider this waiter as regards a small tip?'"  
"There is in a waiter after you have seen the check," she replied.—New Cross.

**Sensible Girl.**  
Ernie—"No, she isn't going to marry Claude after all."  
Ida—"But they may be can quote him as saying—"  
Ernie—"Yes, but the other young saw Claude as a sugar and steel."

**Lawyer Feminine.**  
Ida—"I'm getting more manly every day."  
Mabel—"Mannish?"  
Ida—"I really hesitate about the doctor's druggist for a stamp."

**Good Companion.**  
Bobby—"I asked the cashier to buy me a book but he refused."  
Typewriter—"Yes, he reminds me of the cashier."  
Ida—"How is that?"  
Typewriter—"None dry."

**She Was Her Merit.**  
"I'm landing him!"—And the first girl you ever saw in the last. That

Smith—"You'll have to take that parrot back you sold me. He swears. The Dealer—He only swears in Spanish. Smith—"But I don't understand Spanish."

**Quite So.**  
"Our suburban home would be all right," he said, "if I didn't have to go into the city."  
"I've noticed that," was the reply. "Any suburban home would be all right if the city would come out to it."

**Appreciative.**  
Fond Parent—"I understand the faculty are very much pleased with your work."  
Dropped Junior—"Yes, they encored my sophomore year.—Princeton Tiger.

**Easily Satisfied.**  
Bystander (sarcastically)—"I suppose you want enough to get a feather bed with French pillows?"  
Tramp—"No, just give me a quarter to get a flask. Then any cellar door will feel like down."

**The Janitor Philosopher.**  
"Lots av grocers avn druggists hov found th' road to success," said the janitor philosopher, "by tellin' women they looked ten years younger avn praisin' babies."

**Quieted Him.**  
He was one of these callow young men who imagine themselves witty.  
"How funny," he giggled, "to see your wrist-bag."  
"And how funny," added the bright girl, "to see your trousers bag."

**How He Fell.**  
"The last I heard of him he was climbing the ladder of success."  
"Yes, but he was trying to go up so fast that he overlooked a place where there was a rung missing."

**The Requirements.**  
"Of course," said the elderly female, "you are aware that it requires money to get into society."  
"Yes," replied the young man, "and I also am aware of the fact that it requires brains to keep out of it."

**A Great Truth.**  
"Opportunities make the successful man."  
"True, but perhaps you've noticed that the successful man usually makes the opportunities first."



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**TIME TABLE.**  
Fort Worth & Denver City Railroad  
NORTH BOUND  
No. 1, Mail and Express, 7:47 p. m.  
No. 7, Passenger and Express, 10:15 a. m.  
SOUTH BOUND  
No. 2, Mail and Express, 7:47 a. m.  
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**Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work done cash, other bills on first of month.**

**Business Locals.**  
Jackson has pure maple syrup.  
Buy lubricating oil at Stocking's store.  
Just received—Fresh evaporated fruit at J. A. Jackson's.  
Pure ribbon cane syrup for sale by Pusey & Patman.  
Remember that we sell feed, corn chops, oats, bran and hay and make prompt deliveries.  
**MARTIN BENNETT & Co.**

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Wall paper at Stocking's store.  
T. J. Davis made a business trip to Hereford Thursday.

There will be a wedding in town tomorrow—Guess who.  
Rev. W. C. Grant and wife came down from Claude last night.

Chas. Elyer, now of Pueblo, Col., spent Thursday here on business.  
Mrs. Inge McCormick is here on a visit to her parents, Dr. Cooke and wife.

Clint G.athers and Paul Jones made a business trip over in Wheeler county this week.  
G. R. Cash and G. F. Day were doing business in town Thursday and made us a pleasant call.

Mr. Albert Ewing, who has been visiting relatives and friends at Denton has returned home.  
Frank Johnson left Thursday night for Cuyamoc, Ok., where he expects to trade for a homestead claim.

George Morgan left for Wellington yesterday where he was to have some kind of a pow-wow with the tansons.  
It is reported that a lot of the iron land over in Wheeler county has been sold to a colony of sales.

A large crowd were present at Miss Pearson's Art Levee last night, all enjoying themselves and the works of art were highly praised.  
In county court this week, Mrs. Erwin obtained judgment against Jas Trent for \$74.20 the amount in dispute on transfer of some cattle.

Mrs. Gathings left last night for Cleburne to visit relatives till after the holidays. Mr. Gathings and two children will leave for that place next Wednesday.  
School closed yesterday for the holidays, giving vacation until Jan. 4th. The college will only give vacation from Wednesday the 23rd to the following Tuesday morning.

The Baptist, Methodist, Christian and Presbyterian Sunday schools will all have Christmas trees this year, as usual, and the little fellows are all wearing a happy smile of expectancy.  
There are boys who will tussle on the ground and in the dirt for three hours in a foot ball game who if called on to do as hard a piece of work by their father would furnish the corpse for a funeral procession.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to the following parties: Richard Eichenbarger to Miss Mary Hallie Ula Golston; Benjamin A. Franklin to Miss Katy M. Schaffer and Charley Crow to Miss Myrtle B. Young.  
Mrs. Pat Powell, whose illness has been mentioned by us the past two issues, died yesterday morning and will be buried this afternoon. Funeral services at the home of Buster Culwell at 1:30 p. m. She had been ill only eight weeks, her former illness being Leona Elizabeth's.

There were three church services coming up in Advent, one by a woman and sermon 7 p. m. service to be 7 p. m. Full service to be 7 p. m. Full service to be 7 p. m.

Wall paper at Stocking's store.  
Several buggies to trade for stock at Baker's Livery Stable.

**College Clatter.**  
Pres. G. S. Hardy killed a deer Thursday about twelve miles west of town. They will have venison at the college now.  
The college attendance is slim now, a large number of pupils having gone home.  
Among those who have gone are: Messrs. Harris, Palmer, Locke, Talley, Roberts, Self, Thacker, Cooke and Gilbert, Misses Rhoda Gilbert, Alice Donchoo and her cousin, Lillie Carpenter.  
The holidays commence Wednesday evening and extend to Tuesday morning. Prof. Kennedy wants the pupils not to look inside of a book and we think they will do exactly as he wishes them to.

**Eastern Briscoe.**  
Very dry in this section. Stock water scarce and grass getting short. Cattle, however, in very good shape to date, except in western Hall county, cattle are now being put on feed in that section.  
Surveyor Clark of Donley county has been in our community lately surveying the western line of the Shoe Bar pasture for J. K. Zimmerman, proprietor.  
Brack Walls and family, of Montague county, are prospecting in Briscoe county this week.  
J. M. Craig and family, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, are back in God's country once more and will spend Xmas with home folks.  
Byrd Kinsey, of Olustee Greer county, is wintering a herd of Greer county cattle in the Ladder pasture. His family are visiting Mrs. J. M. Craig at present.  
Jim Craig and family are visiting Mrs. Louis Collins in Clarendon this week.  
Bob Hardy and Albert Craig were trading in Memphis last week.  
W. E. Schott and Ben Rich are in Louisiana disposing of several cars of horses.  
Antelope school is getting along nicely. Seventeen enrolled and all the pupils reported learning so much that their heads are almost "bustin'".  
Our new postoffice, Lobo, is established but is not yet in active operation. However, we hope to be soon receiving twice-a-week CHRONICLES from the outside world through our new-office.

**MOLLIE BAILEY.**  
**Orphan's Home Day.**  
All who wish to help the Orphan children at Buckner Orphan's Home, please bring or send your contribution to the Baptist church 11 a. m. service Sunday.  
W. L. SKINNER.  
**Special Sale of Hats**  
at Miss Porter's at cost, for 30 days To make room for Spring stock. Call at once.  
Miss Jessie Kirkwood is expected home today from Clarendon, where she has been visiting her brother, James Kirkwood for sometime.—Vernon Call, Wednesday.  
Jackson sells 10 bars soap for 25c  
A clearing out sale of all millinery and winter goods at greatly reduced prices at Mrs. G. M. Dickson's.  
Wall paper at Stocking's store.  
We buy corn, oats, and in fact all country produce and pay highest market price.  
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Don't be uneasy: Xmas goods will be on display at Stocking's store before Dec. 15th.  
Lee has a car of flour, car of cotton seed and cotton seed meal, as well as oats for sale. Give him a trial when you want feed.  
We will pay 25c per dozen for fresh eggs. Bring to us.  
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Some cow feed would be acceptable from some of our delinquents.  
**MRS. H. W. KELLEY.**  
**Goodnight College.**  
Second term, current scholastic year, will begin Monday, Jan. 4, 1904, and will continue five scholastic months. COST FOR FIVE MONTHS, board and tuition, (per month \$13.00,) \$65.00, payable in advance.  
The term just closed has been pleasant and prosperous, eighty-four boarding pupils enrolled. For information or catalogue, address, MARSHALL McILHANY.

Wall paper at Stocking's store.  
From this date the latest designs of wall paper can always be found at Stocking's drug store, you are invited to call and examine the paper and get prices.

**Santa Claus Mail Route.**  
In order that all the children may notify Santa Claus of what they desire, we assign them a column in THE CHRONICLE for their letters, assuring them their letters will all be read by Santa. Write plain, short letters, telling just what you think Santa should bring you and sign your name plainly and bring or mail it to this office.

**Progress of The Public School.**  
The Public School closed yesterday for the Christmas holidays, which will last until the first Monday in January. Since the opening on September the 7th, the enrollment and attendance have constantly increased. The interest in school work has also intensified as time passed, until at present our work in all departments is of a most creditable character, while in some classes excellent progress has been made.  
In some respects the years record so far, has been superior to previous years.  
The attendance has been almost perfect, as the weather for school has been ideal and health conditions good.  
There has been no discord in the faculty and few, if any, disturbances among the pupils.  
Every teacher has worked unselfishly for the success of the school and some have made sacrifices for the common good.  
Neither has the material interest of the school been neglected by the Board of Trustees. Provisions have been made by them for the health and comfort of the children. The children have been busy and happy under the management of kind, earnest, sympathetic teachers.  
The resignation of Miss Skinner removes one of our most trusted and competent teachers. This is her fourth term as second primary teacher, and her resignation is regretted by the entire school.  
Miss Hattie Doumel, who is to take charge of her room after the holidays is a teacher of experience and skill and will carry forward her work in a satisfactory manner.  
The enrollment in the Public School to the present time is 400 pupils, which will, in all probability be increased by 50 or 75 new names before the school closes.  
Parents not unfrequently get discouraged because their children do not make more rapid progress in school, but it should be remembered that educational development is slow. Children must educate themselves under the guiding hand of the teacher. So all really noble or good impulses of the child must come from within the child, and their proper development requires the skill and patience of the wisest and best.  
A great Statesman once said: "I believe the great things that have been accomplished in the world's history have been accomplished by a slow growth indeed. So let us have the patience of God."  
The permanent things are the stars and the Sun, and not the clouds and the dusts.  
This is a good creed for parents and teachers. S.  
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"When in doubt of what to buy, buy books." Dr. Stocking has ordered a large lot of beautiful gift books for old and young.  
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**RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.**  
Baptist, Every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. L. Skinner, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.  
M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. G. S. Hardy, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.  
Catholic, St. Mary's Church—Rev. D. H. Dunne, pastor. Sunday services: Mass at 10 a. m.; Sunday School after mass. Evening services at 7:30. Services every Sunday except 2nd and 4th.  
**SOCIETIES.**  
I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 281, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome.  
M. W. COOKFIELD, Sec'y. D. E. FOSKAY, N. G.  
W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evening. Visiting choppers invited. ED KERRA, C. C.  
J. E. COOKE, cl. k  
A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets and Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M. B. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec'y.  
CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. H. MASON, H. P.  
JAS TRENT, Sec'y.  
K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 89, meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Knights cordially invited.  
F. A. WHITE, K. of R. S.  
CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN S. meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, each month at 10 p. m. in Masonic Hall over the Bank of Clarendon. MRS. FLORENCE TRENT, W. M. MRS. MARY ANDERSON, Sec'y.

**Profit in Alfalfa.**  
During the meeting of the Farmers' Institute at Fort Worth "Alfalfa" Smith, of Grayson county who has 1000 acres in alfalfa, said "I have cut my alfalfa five times this last year, I never cut it less than three or four times a year. I sell it for \$15 per ton. To prepare to raise alfalfa it costs about \$10 per acre. This will procure the seed and give the land the proper preparation. You are then ready for a good stand of alfalfa. The yield per acre under favorable circumstances of growth, weather, etc., will be four tons per acre per year. It costs about \$3 per ton at each cutting, for baling, etc. This leaves a handsome profit. It is a fine food for cattle and is a good milk producer. It is a little too strong to be fed to horses alone. One ton of alfalfa is as rich in food as three tons of prairie hay. In Kansas they grind alfalfa and make a flour which they feed the hogs. It is also fine for chicken food."

The survey for the new dam was completed Thursday by G. H. Chipman and the papers turned in to the railroad company on Monday last. The work on the new dam will not begin before the new year. When the new dam is completed and both are full of water we suppose it will settle the dam business for all time to come.—Childress Post.

Rev. Cole at Memphis will preach for the Childress Baptist church the second and fourth Sundays through next year.  
The tank is getting dangerous to all kinds of live stock and a few cows have bogged up in it.—Childress Post.

**Fort Worth Market.**  
Top prices Thursday were: steers \$3.80; cows \$2.50; calves \$4.00; hogs \$4.80. Receipts were: cattle 2,000, calves 8, hogs 1,250.  
Dr. Stocking says don't buy all your Kansas goods till his arrive. He has a large supply on the way and he has bought them to sell.  
Car of Belle of Wichita flour, car of Albatross flour and a car of extra rich Texas bran just received by Martin Bennett & Co.

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We have the largest stock of Holiday books ever brought to Clarendon. There is no present nicer nor more acceptable than books. Come and examine list. Can order you any book or magazine wanted at publisher's price and save you some money.  
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Our line of shoes is the best to be had. Such well known brands as Hanan & Son, Florsheim & Craddock Terry for Men, Utz & Dann for Ladies and Budd's for the little folks.  
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The Texas & Pacific Railway Company, as heretofore, affords the people of Texas and Louisiana an opportunity to visit the old home during the Christmas Holidays at cheap rates. For full information ask any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas. 30

Holiday Excursion rates on sale via the F. W. & D. C. R'y to all points in Texas on Dec. 23-24-25-26 and 31, 1903 and Jan. 1, 1904. Final limit Jan. 4th 1904. For rates and further information call on J. W. KENNEDY, agt.  
**AN OPPORTUNITY.**  
The M. K. & T. Railway of Texas will sell round trip tickets at very low rates between all points within the State of Texas, the Indian and Oklahoma Territories within two hundred miles of selling station account of the holidays.  
Tickets on sale: Dec. 23rd-24th-25th-26th and 31st, 1903, and limited to return: Jan. 4th, 1904.  
See Katy's Agents, or write a letter to "Katy," Dallas, Texas. 23

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Tickets will be good returning thirty days from date of sale.  
If you are contemplating making a holiday trip you should see one of "Katy's" Agents, or write a letter to "Katy," Dallas, Texas and learn of the many inducements offered the holiday traveler. 19

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