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No More Return Passes.

The following circular has been issued by Fort Worth lines. It is self explanatory:

"Your attention is called to the supplements and amendments to tariffs, circulars, etc., issued by this company, the Southwestern tariff commission, the Indian and Oklahoma conference commission, the Western trunk line commission, and the Trans-Missouri freight bureau, providing for the discontinuance on January 1, 1904, of the present rules regarding free return transportation account persons in charge of livestock shipments.

Return transportation to parties who have accompanied livestock will not be issued on or after January 1, 1904, even though contracts are dated prior thereto."

Yes, you may get along through 1904 without THE CHRONICLE, but you will get along much better with it.

Colonizing the Panhandle.

A northern paper says: "Six or seven members of the New Slovak Colony Association of Chicago, Ill., have started a colony at Story Wheeler County, Texas, on the line of the Rock Island System.

"This colony will consist in the neighborhood of 100 families when all arrangements are completed and will be one of the largest colonies of its kind located in the Panhandle of Texas.

Frank Frepple and so long as the spending the, so long will the oppor- Childress on opened to all comers.

Henry Long is prosperous and joying a vis the best advantage, some profit for the far- ank Kead and t

Lamp, Ohio Odd Fellows.

Clint ter Charles C. Pavey day for An grand lodge of sit relative ent Order of Odd sued a circular to the on Jan. 16, 1904, that all keepers, bartenders and pro- nal gamblers shall either quit order or those occupations. In event of a refusal to cease such ings they will be tried and ex-

efeller will now annex Kan- large oil field has been dis- in that state. Every time il field is discovered, Rocke- ses the price of oil. We expect soon to see another llon added. But Rocke- feller is going to give \$66,000 to the Nebraska university for a temple of religious worship.—Neb. Independent.

Last year poisonous snakes killed 23,166 persons in India; tigers killed 1,046, and other wild beasts 2,605. More than 30,000 cattle were killed by tigers, while panthers and leopards killed as many more. These figures are from British government statistics.

is one of the oldest and most eled countries in the e people had been e these pests would ated centuries ar goes on.—

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The Spirit of Christmas.

"The Christmas Spirit" was the subject Rev. J. W. Fifield, D. D., at the Congregational church, Kansas City, the other day: He said: "Charles Dickens in his fine Christmas stories seeks to show the spirit of kindness and good will which should characterize this season of the year. It is not a time for resentment or smallness or selfishness, but it is an opportunity for good cheer and large-mindedness and gifts. The old scowl of our natures may well give way to a finer spirit of charity and love. There is too much hard-heartedness and revenge and cruelty in the world. Let there be more gentleness, love, helpfulness. And the Christmas season is a promoter of this better feeling. That was a part of the angels' prophetic song at the birth of Our Lord. There was to be good will among men. An era of peace was to come when the strength of gentleness would be known and when kindness would gain greater victories for the children of men than wrath or force have ever done.

It is well to return to this part of the Christmas meaning. In days of discord and turmoil, when brother rises up against brother, and a cruel savagery is shown against the weak and helpless, when greed frequently destroys gentleness and when for gain, children and youth are abused and the noblest qualities of life are neglected, it is well to stop and listen to the sweet song of peace and good will which floated into the world when Jesus came to live, love and work among men.

This Christmas spirit of kindness is needed everywhere. Love is the one solution of the vast and vexed difficulties wherein humanity strives. If the true Christmas were everywhere and were it kept continually this world would be a happy paradise and human society would be a place of happy service, the strong lending their strength to the weak and for their hire receiving gratitude, the learned placing their minds for the helping of the needy and increasing their talents by use; the rich making investments, not for the increase of wealth only, but to enlarge life and multiply the sources of human joy and remove the sources of misery. Indeed, Christmas kindness should be an over-flowing cup and spill its blessings upon every living thing. Good will should be measureless, vast as the air we breathe and far-reaching as the stretches of the seas. In the home it would unite in tender appreciation and not lead, as so frequently now, to divorce courts. In commercial life it would make business a sacrament and fill it with peace and not with care. In the church it would unloose great powers, for kindness and good will are the master of forces, and religion apart from them is a foolish mockery. Among nations it would bless and before tribunals of peace and halls of arbitration armies might stack their weapons of death and soldiers return home to the tilling of rich fields or the labors in the singing mills. One thing is supremely needed—love in the earth.

Centuries have passed since the Christmas spirit first came to this world of struggle. It has not been a dying force. Great victories have been secure and it is commencing to run across the land. Yet so

much is wanting. Its conquest has been the taking of man's nature and that is the supreme task. But much has been gained. Gone are the old days and many of their cruel customs. With the chiming of the bells of years a new age has been rung in. Now let kindness prevail everywhere! May there be a merry Christmas to all! In the language of Little Tim, "God bless us, every one."

To Launch Parker's Boom.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Judge Alton B. Parker's boom for the Democratic nomination for President probably will be launched Monday night at a dinner at Sherry's, at which ex-President Grover Cleveland and ex-Senator David B. Hill will speak. The dinner was arranged by Charles F. Murphy, and although ostensibly given in honor of Mayor McClellan it will in reality show for the first time Murphy's hand in national politics.

Murphy has been in communication with the party leaders and has laid his plans to carry this state for the Democratic electors. Features of the platform of the Democratic party may be outlined at this dinner. Murphy has invited not only Cleveland and Hill to speak, but has been assured that W. Bourke Cockran, August Belmont, John G. Carlisle, John D. Crimmins, Ashbel P. Fitch, Hugh J. Grant and other men of influence in the financial world will sit at the main table.

Mr. Cleveland sent a letter of acceptance to Mr. Murphy. As soon as it was received announcement was made that the dinner would be as arranged. The chairman will be Mr. Cockran.

Mr. Cleveland in his speech is expected to outline what he considers will be the paramount plank in the Democratic platform. Not even Murryey will tell what will be the keynote of Hill's address, but the leader of Tammany hall is willing to accept Hill's suggestion as to the feasibility of nominating a New York statesman for the Presidency.

STATE NEWS.

Knox county has just voted overwhelmingly for prohibition.

R. F. Hammack of Hunt county sold \$18.60 worth of pecans from one tree this year.

J. B. Roberts who boarded a train at Pittsburg for his home at Winnsboro Sunday was the loser of \$479 in money on the way.

A two-year-old boy of Peter Young's, north of McKinney, fell on a fork while playing and his throat was cut sufficiently to cause death.

A 3-year-old girl of Dan Baughmans, while playing around a wash place near Roxton, got too near the fire, her clothes caught and she was burned to death.

The plantation barn of J. C. Harney at Oak Grove, Ellis county burned Monday night, and with it 14 head of horses and mules and a lot of feed. Loss \$4000 and no insurance.

An explosion in the city power house at Austin Wednesday resulted in the death of Vard Catchings of Gano, Texas, and wrecking of \$30,000 worth of machinery and damaging other machinery of the power house badly.

Sentence Sermons.

Work trains the will. Liberty is in love of the law. The painful is not always pious. A good errand makes a short road.

It is the heart that makes headway.

Faith will break through all forms.

Any harness will chafe if you fret in it.

Religion is good as a trade, but poor as a tool.

Wheat that will not be bruised cannot be used.

A short cut man seldom carves anything great.

The world is not saved by the things we do not do.

It is always easy to forgive other people's enemies.

Perjury is a prayer that is always ultimately answered.

A man cannot cover his works by condemning God's ways.

The rule of the lowest must mean the ruin of the highest.

Envy forsakes its own fireside to freeze on another's doorstep.

No man is a free thinker until he is free to think up as well as down.

We must love the cross before the crown to win the crown after the cross.

If the flood came again some churches would meet it with overshoe socials.—Chicago Tribune.

Mileage "On the Side."

The congressional mileage bill for the extra session foots up \$190,000. At 20 cents a mile, each way, the members draw all the way from \$16 to \$2,400 each, the latter sum going to the Delegate from Hawaii. When a member travels on a free pass, as he frequently does, his mileage allowance partakes largely of the nature of a gratuity.—Boston Herald.

Where the Old Man Came In.

"Well what's the outlook for Christmas?"

"First class! every member of the family expects to have a high old time!"

"And—the old man?"

"Oh, well—he's so queer, that nobody expects much of him. Why, he even grumbles when he has to pay the bills!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Otis Weger died at Wellington, Kas., a few days ago of heart disease. His weight was 350 pounds and his waist measure was 60 inches.

Miss Erline Sinclair, a teacher at Sullivan, Ind., was lashed to a rail by six of her girl pupils and repeatedly ducked in an icy pond. She is now suing their parents for \$10,000 damages.

A steer weighing two tons and measuring eighteen feet four inches from the end of his nose to the tip of his tail, will be exhibited in the live stock department at the World's fair. This monster ox is the property of eight young men of Georgetown, Ind.

A six room dwelling for rent. Inquire of Dr. Stocking.

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104 of these papers only \$1.

Some cow feed would be acceptable from some of our delinquents.

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W. P. BLAKE, Editor and Proprietor.

CLARENDON, TEX., DEC. 26, 1903.

ALL who have in any way mentioned to us our comment on the foot ball game did so approvingly. That there are some who will take issue with us we do not doubt, but we believe them few in number.

THE Canyon City News, whose energy has been largely spent the past few months in abusing the Baptist college board, and that too after it had voted them the college, came out on the "half shell" this week.

OUR next issue will end the 15th year of this paper in Clarendon and the 10th year under its present management. Clarendon and Donley county have grown considerably in that time and the paper has witnessed and chronicled many changes and interesting events. Enroll your name for 1904, we will keep you posted.

OUR people seemed to thoroughly enjoy Christmas, the weather being fine and nothing of a disturbing nature taking place. It was less noisy than usual in the way of fireworks, the ordinance against cannon crackers being fairly well observed. A few of the old time booze drinkers got in their jugs followed by jags, but kept reasonably quiet. Upon the whole, the holiday was passed with the least disturbance of any in the city's history, it having very much the appearance of Sunday.

ONE more fraud is declared to have no protection under the law by the United States supreme court. Some time ago S. A. Weltmer, a fraud of the first water who for a while raked in \$1000 a day from his dupes, sued the publisher of an exposure of him for libel. The Supreme Court of Missouri refused to find the article libelous on the ground that Weltmer and Kelly had failed to show that their business was entitled to the protection of the law. This last opinion has the effect of affirming that decision.

It is the National Live Stock Association that now wants a flexible or emergency currency, and its members are as clamorous for it as was ever a "visionary Populist." It is claimed that at the coming Portland session one of the most important subjects for consideration will be the launching of a concerted movement whereby adequate legislation may be secured from the national congress to provide emergency currency for western banks, that the periodical loss visited upon live stock and agricultural interests during periods of heavy movements may be minimized, if not entirely obviated. It is asserted that because of conditions of the money market during the past few months just at a time when the movement of live stock was heaviest, millions of dollars have been lost to the stock growers of the west. Banks holding cattle paper have in many instances called in their loans, besides declining to make new ones, thereby depriving stockmen of necessary funds with which to protect their interests.

The Dalham County News says: "The News is in possession of facts which lead to the positive conclusion that Gov. J. N. Browning, of Amarillo, will be a formidable candidate for congressional honors in this, the Jumbo district of Texas."

More than a ton of letters were mailed in New York by confiding children simply addressed to Santa Claus. They were sent to the dead letter office.

Smoot's Say.

Senator Reed Smoot of Utah was in New York recently and to a reporter he had the following to say of himself:

"I am at a loss to understand what all this hue and cry against me is about. There is not a single act in my public or private life that is not open to the closest scrutiny. It is true that I am a Mormon and I am an elder in the Mormon church, but I am not a polygamist. There is no such thing as polygamy now taught in Utah.

"There are not more than 600 polygamists in the entire state. It is fast dying out and will never again be a serious question for private or public agitation. The few who remain are old men, and with their death polygamy will end.

"As for myself, I married my present and only wife 19 years ago, and have six of the finest children in the United States—three boys and three girls. They are, Harold, 17 years old; Chleo, 15; Harlow Eldridge, 12; Annie K., 10; Zella, 4, and Earnest, 2. I expect to bring them to New York to be educated.

"As to my home life I think it is as near perfect as possible. If the women who are fighting me could only visit my home—and they are welcome at any time—they would soon change their opinion, and would not waste another minute in organizing anti-Smoot societies. I believe their motives are sincere, but they are certainly laboring under a misapprehension.

"One consolation I have is that the people of my own state are my friends. They know me and my family. Why, the best friends I have in Utah are gentiles or non-polygamists.

"As to the outcome of the agitation against me, I have not the slightest doubt. The United States Senate is an all-powerful body, and can expel me as a member at its will but I do not believe any such action will be taken. The charges are too weak to merit notice."

Mrs. Smoot was in the room and confirmed all her husband's statements. She is one of her husband's strongest champions, and will soon convince any skeptic that there is no leaning toward polygamy on the part of her husband.

Senator Smoot is 41 years old and was born in Utah of polygamous parents. He is a banker and woolen manufacturer at Provo, 40 miles south of Salt Lake City, and has been in politics since early manhood.

Notwithstanding the fact that the present Governor is known to be unfavorable to granting many pardons, the usual holiday delegations are in Austin from over the State, urging the liberation of certain prisoners. From now until the first of the year there will be numbers of lawyers and others there in behalf of applicants for pardon.

The several Panhandle towns are showing specimens of farm products grown this year that would do credit to the older sections of our country. The season has been one of the driest for years. If such results are possible in the face of an unusual drought, what can be done with the usual rainfall? The man with the hoe is destined to cut a great figure in the development of this marvelous country. These fine lands are very cheap, just as they once were in other sections where a small fortune is now required to purchase an ordinary size farm. History may be relied upon to repeat itself.—Panhandle Bulletin.

A girl from New York was visiting in Northern Kansas. One day she ran into the house and called excitedly: "Come quick! Your little pigs are eating up the big pig."

What Steel is Made Of.

Raw materials of manufacture in making pig iron consists of iron ore, coke and limestone, in the proportions of 2 pounds of ore to 1 pound of coke and 1-3 of a pound of limestone. In the manufacture of the steel from which rails are rolled, there are two fundamental processes; first, the reduction of the ore in the blast furnace; and then the conversion of the molten iron into steel in the converter. The description of the blast furnace is the same for all the subsequent branches of the steel industry; for blast furnace practice is broadly the same to-day in every furnace throughout the country. Each furnace (there are eleven in all at the Edgar Thomson Works) consists of a huge steel shell varying from 75 to 90 feet in height. It has its largest diameter at about a quarter of its height, and tapers regularly to its smallest diameter at the top platform. The upper portion is known as the "stack," the lower portion as the "bosh," while below this is the "earth," in which the molten cast iron collects. The bosh, which is just above the tuyeres, is provided with annular hollow bronze castings built into the brickwork, through which a stream of cold water is circulated for the purpose of keeping down the temperature of the brick-work at the hottest part of the furnace. It should be explained that the whole interior of steel shell is lined with about three feet of brickwork.—Scientific American's Special Number on Iron and Steel.

That old question of Confederate bonds, issue of 7 per cents of 1863, is likely to come up again. Certain London capitalists who are still holding \$15,000,000 of them have begun, again, to long for their payment. They have raised a fund of \$60,000 to further this project. They have begun right, but not enough of it; for in these halcyon days of great trust legislation \$60,000 as it must be divided out among the great trust legislators at Washington will look like 30 cents. Such undersizing of our patriots is sure to meet with the contempt it deserves.—Henrietta Review.

On the top of the reduction of the wages of 175,000 workers in the cotton mills comes another disaster. There is a prospect of a very large number of mills closing for the whole winter on account of the high price of cotton. A general meeting of manufacturers, both north and south, has been called at which an attempt will be made to come to an agreement for a pretty general closing down. The manufacturers say there has been no raise in the price of goods while the raw material constantly advances. The prospect is that instead of "Cleveland soup houses" there will be republican soup houses all over New England before next spring.—Ex.

A Cameron paper printed a paragraph to the effect that a man in Cameron, who has been married thirty years, still kisses his wife when he leaves home, which led the Osborne Enterprise to say: "Stewartsville has a man, married thirty-five years, who kisses his neighbor's wife every time his neighbor leaves home and Osborne has a man, married forty years, who not only kisses his wife when he leaves home but kisses the hired girl when his wife leaves home."

Little Montague—I was awake when Santa Claus came, dad.

Father—Were you? And what was he like, eh?

Little Montague—Oh, I couldn't see him. It was dark, you know. But when he bumped himself on the washstand he said—

Father (hastily)—There, that'll do, Monty. Run away and play—Punch.

This is No Fish Story, But PLAIN FACTS.

We are selling more fancy Groceries than any house in town. The reason is simply because we have at all times the best and Freshest Goods and at reasonable prices. All concede that ours is the best place in town to buy stock for your Christmas Fruit and other Cakes, and when it comes to

APPLES,

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To the one getting the next highest list, we will give free admission ticket good for one week.

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Go to work and Secure the Prize!

To all that contest for these Prizes and don't win we will allow a commission of **TEN PER CENT**

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 SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. M. ROSENFELD, Sec'y. D. E. POSEY, N. G.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evenings: Visiting choppers invited. ED KIZER, C. C. J. B. COOKE, clerk

A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M. R. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

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. MEADOR, H. P. JAS. TRENT, Sec.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90, meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Visiting Knights cordially invited. M. ROSENFELD, C. C. F. A. WHITE, K. of R. S.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR.—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 7:30 p. m. in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. Mrs. FLORENCE TRENT, W. P. Mrs. MARY ANDERSON, Sec.

AN INVITATION.

To take advantage of the very low rate made by the M. K. & T. Railway to the North and Southeast for the Holidays.

Tickets will be sold on December 19th-20th-21st and 23rd at rate of One Fare Plus Two Dollars For Round Trip.

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 "Katty," Dallas, Texas and learn of the many inducements offered the holiday traveler.

LOW RATES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Texas & Company, as the people of Texas opportunity during the holidays.

TIME TABLE.

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

NORTH BOUND.

No. 1. Mail and Express..... 8:47 p. m.
No. 7. Passenger and Express..... 7:15 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 2. Mail and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
No. 8. Passenger and Express..... 9:30 p. m.

J. W. KENNEDY, Local Agt.

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 are 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 Posey & Patman.
Remember that we sell feed, corn chops, oats, bran and hay and make prompt deliveries.
MARTIN BENNETT & Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

John Burson is in town this week.
Mrs. Sydnor is visiting in Amarillo.
Miss Mary White is spending Christmas at Amarillo.
Miss Maggie Parsons is visiting in Amarillo this week.
Several Clarendon parties are spending the holidays out hunting.
Miss Marion Barnett is visiting friends at Memphis during the holidays.
Towne Young the Lobo pedagogue is at home spending the holidays.
Joie Patton, nephew of Mrs. A. H. Thornton, is here on a visit from Memphis.
John Shahan and wife came up from Childress Wednesday night to spend Christmas.
Frank French and family are spending the holidays here from Childress on a visit.
Henry Long, of Paladuro, is joying a visit from his father who lives at Graham, Tex.
Frank Kendall left Thursday and Christmas with his Lampasas Springs.
Clint Rutherford left today for Amarillo, where she sit relatives during the holi-

days.
Camberlain came in morning from Sherman and the holidays with his
M. Hill and daughter, Kella, of Dalhart are visit to Mrs. Hill's o. Doshier.
Edwick and Mrs. Mcer and sister of Mrs. are here from Chil- holidays.

Mrs. D. here of Mrs. C. E. Blair, is up from Newlin with her daughter, Vera, on a holiday visit. The latter went to Goodnight today for a brief visit.
Mr. Charley Thornton and wife are here on a visit from Newlin. The former is a brother of Rev. A. H. Thornton and the latter a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bar-

net.
Miss Lily Blake writes from Kansas City that the weather there not disagreeable; and ple out holiday to a person tled west. were the has

Scale Books For Sale.
Scale Books with 500 neatly printed, perforated tickets for sale at this office, only 75c.
We are headquarters for Apples, and be convinced.
MEADOR GROCER Co.

The large doll at Clower's was drawn by Mrs. Dr. T. W. Carroll.

Yergan Switzer who is teaching school at Leger, Ok., is spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. J. M. Clower.

Childress.

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The contract for the well calls for 3,000 feet at at \$3 per foot, provided water is not found sooner.

Mr. West near Arlie had the misfortune to have 1,200 pounds of seed cotton burned a few days ago by children carelessly using matches.

The dry weather is fine on the late cotton picking but the empty cisterns make one want to see a good rain. The roads were never so dusty before.

The audience at the Baptist Christmas tree Thursday night contributed \$6.15 to the Buckner Orphan home, making a total of over \$86 for a Christmas and New Year offering to the orphans.

Agent Kennedy says there is nothing in the report that he is going to Vernon.

Jack Collier proprietor of the "J. C." ranch started to Estelline last week with about 1,000 head of cattle.—Floydada Hesperian.

Rev. Cole and His Work.

DEAR BRO. BLAKE:—I notice an announcement in your paper that I have accepted a call to Memphis church for half time on condition that the State Board employ me for half time.

I have been unanimously called to the care of the Memphis Baptist church for the fifth time. I have not accepted. The church did not make any condition in the call. They, as the Clarendon church, had been receiving help from the board until this year. Now they have decided to pay \$500. for half time and pay to State missions that some one may preach to their neighbors in the surrounding territory, where the churches are not yet strong enough to have regular preaching. I have not refused the call to Childress. It was very hearty and unanimous. There is a great field for active work at Childress and that plucky little church means to do its utmost.

Most Heartily Your Brother,
J. B. COLE.

Apples, Apples! Apples!! A whole Car Load.
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following goods are remaining in our warehouse since Sept. 23, 1902, and that if not called for and charges paid in 30 days from the date of this notice, the same will be sold for charges according to law.

One organ, consigned to H. B. Gerke, Clarendon, Texas, received from Giles, Texas, Sept. 23, 1902, and covered by Giles to Clarendon, way bill 2, Sept. 22, 1902.

J. W. KENNEDY,
Local Agent.
Clarendon, Texas, Nov. 28, 1903.

Car of Belle of Wichita flour, car of Albatross flour and a car of extra rich Texas bran just received by Martin Bennett & Co.

Books, Books!

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.

Yours,
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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 & Dunn for Ladies and Budd's for the little folks.
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A school girl remarked the other day, "I dread the time that I'll begin to look old—when will it be, do you reckon?" It is not easy to answer the question, Thomas E. Porter says: "When beauty fades, as fade it will, and cheeks once red grow pale and white, a deathless beauty lingers still if but the heart within be right. When beauty fades and eyes grow dim that once with light were wont to glow, they still are lovely if they brim with tears to soothe another's woe. When hands grow old that once were fair and pleasing to the sight, a fadeless beauty still is there, if in kind deeds they but delight. When lips grow thin they still are sweet, nor can their beauty pass away while they in whispers, soft repeat a prayer for those too weak to pray."—Selected.

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Top prices Thursday were: steers \$2.15; cows \$2.35; calves \$3.00; hogs \$4.62½. Receipts were: cattle 300, calves 40, hogs 450.

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The young couple had been married and among those congratulating them was an effusive sort of a woman, who liked to hear herself talk.

"I do not," she said, taking a hand of each in hers, "hope for you unalloyed happiness, for that is not given to any mortal; nor do I ask for you the greatest worldly prosperity, for that often hardens the heart; but I do desire for you that the love which has sprung up in your young hearts shall be ever fresh and green—"

A crusty old bachelor had been listening, and at this point he growled to his neighbor:

"Listen to that woman, will you? By Jove, if there is anything in this world that is undesirable, unreliable, unaccommodating, unhappy, unstable, undecided and unimproved, it is green love. Bah!" and he walked away.—Detroit Free Press.

He Didn't.

"Do you take pains with your pictures, sir?" she asked the photographer.

The picture taker failed to grasp her idea, for he answered:

"Madam, if you have pains you should wait until you get rid of them before sitting for your pictures."

Stabbing the photographer with the daggers in her eyes she shot out.—Roxbury Gazette.

One of His Traits.

"Hang the luck!" exclaimed Mr. Skimpflint. "I forgot to notice how much money I had in my pocket when I started downtown this morning. I found a 50-cent piece on the seat when I got up to leave the car, and I don't know whether it had dropped out of my pocket or some other man had lost it. I can't tell whether I'm half a dollar ahead or whether I've had a narrow escape from losing half a dollar!"—Chicago Tribune.

Discharged.

Magistrate—The young woman says that your continued staring at her annoyed her excessively.

Prisoner—I never intentionally annoyed a woman in my life, your honor.

Magistrate—Then why did you stare at her so persistently?

Prisoner—Because she is pretty, and I couldn't help it.

Young Woman—Let him go, judge.—Day City Chat.

A Summit of Ambition.

Oh, try to be a hero,
My noble little lad,
And some day in the magazines
You'll get to be a fad.
—Washington Star

It Was Logical.

"I see some skates are talking about a six-year presidential term, an' sayin' it's a good thing," said the fat man.

"Well, we wouldn't have so many campaigns in that case," returned the little man. "That's why I favor it."

"Do you favor it?" asked the fat man, scowling at the little one.

"Certainly."
"Well, I don't know who you are, but I'll bet a ten-dollar bill to a copper cent you're not in the saloon business."—Chicago Evening Post.

Advantages of Matrimony.

Mr. Wallace—It seems to me that it ever a bachelor realizes his unhappy lot it must be when he is in bed sick.

Mrs. Wallace—Yes. There is a great difference between a hired nurse and a wife. If he goes to throwing the medicine bottles and things at the nurse when she happens to hurt his rheumatism she will leave.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Usually the Way.

We hire a fair stenographer,
And for a time dictate to her;
But very soon it makes us "cuss"
To find that she dictates to us.
—Town Topics.

The Way They Wash in Japan.

Washing was and is still done in Japan by getting into a boat and letting the garment drag after the boat by a long string. It is an economical habit of traveling Japs to get a large amount of washing thus accomplished by a steamboat excursion, and has given rise to the story that they travel to wash up once a year. They have no instinct for laundry work, like the Chinese, and think it complete when the soap is in the garment, and will not wring it out. Salt water washes to their taste just as well as fresh.

Not Accurate.

"So the detectives can't make anything out of that case?"

"Oh! yes; they're making good money out of it, but they can't find out anything about it."—Puck.

Well Named.

Bobby Blinkers—Why does they call it the fretful porkyerpine?

Tommy Traddles—Get on ter de shape of him. Can't yer see he's full of frets?—Brooklyn Life.

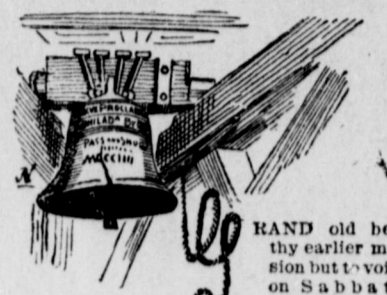
Shocking Taste.

"Gansby was a man of atrocious ideas."

"Yes; the wretch had red hair and committed suicide with paris green."—Chicago Record.

A Kansas yarn says that a farmer near Alton built a new granary, and when it was completed it was found to be so much nicer than his house that the farmer's wife took advantage of his absence and moved into it.

LIBERTY BELL AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.



HAND old bell thy earlier mission but to voice on Sabbath morning—
As an angel's fingers pressed thee,
As an angel's wings caressed thee—
Softly chiming from the steeple:
"Rest ye, rest ye, O my people!"
In mellifluous tones and tender with an undertone of warning—
Changed thy tone, as all men know,
On that morning long ago,
When thy stern majestic ring
Bade defiance to the king.

In the streets are gathered thousands waiting for the message grand—
Shall declare them independent, freemen in a freemen's land.
That shall by a single motion
Send defiance o'er the ocean.
Signal ships are outward pointed,
Signal ships that homeward run,
That a prince by priest anointed
Is but man when all is done.

Brave men breathless stand below thee, pale of cheek but stern of brow,
Praying for the proclamation—moments are as hours now,
See! the hand uplifted wavers,
Falls—the bellman straining there,
Sends the song in rhythmic quavers
Out upon the dancing air.
"They have signed it, O my people!"
Cries the bell from out the steeple.

"Independence! Independence! Liberty!" the people shout,
Sending up so grand a chorus that they drown the old bell out.
But that old bell's proclamation
Swiftly everywhere it ran
And demanded of each nation
Equal rights for every man.

How the spirit of Columbia into every heart has grown
Best is told by you White City—symbolizing all that's good.
East and west are come together—there is neither pole nor zone,
There is neither slave nor monarch, but where late the willow stood
Stands the wonder of the ages. Stroke the old bell's rusty side,
Right has triumphed and before her cower tyranny and pride.
—CHARLES EUGENE BANKS.

An Infallible Sign.

"She is determined to marry him."
"How do you know? Did she tell you so herself?"
"No, but she told me that she had begged him not to buy her an expensive birthday present, but to save his money instead."—To Date.

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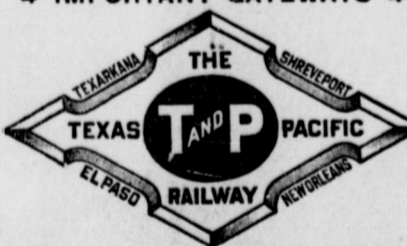
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