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**RUSSO-JAPAN WAR NEWS.**

**One Ship Left and Runs to Protection.**

FUSAN, Dec. 14.—The Russian battleship Sevastopol, the only Russian warship that escaped destruction, being docked when the other vessels were sunk after the Japanese captured 203 Meter Hill, escaped from the dock and harbor last night and is now anchored under a protecting mountain. Some torpedo craft are also outside the harbor.

The tremendous price in life paid by the Japanese for the capture of 203 Meter Hill has been redeemed by the utter destruction of the Russian fleet. The Japanese fleet will now go into dock.

**Sevastopol Reported Sinking.**

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Japanese legation from Tokio says: The commander of the third squadron reports the Sevastopol's bow, which had previously sunk three feet, and further sunk this morning and at 9 o'clock the torped tube was completely submerged. One torpedo boat which attacked the Sevastopol has been missing from 11:30 p. m. yesterday to 3 a. m. today. Six torpedo boats attacked the Sevastopol, the Otavashi and another ship, the details of the fight have not yet been received.

**Killed on Battleship, Massachusetts.**

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 15.—Four men were instantly killed and two probably fatally injured today by an explosion on the battleship Massachusetts, which is lying at the League Island navy yard. The men were working in the engine room, making repairs to the big vessel, when a man hole blew out. All the men were terribly burned and mangled.

**Colorado Election Frauds.**

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 15.—A special grand jury empaneled several days ago has returned twenty-five indictments for election frauds. Special elisors have been sworn in to serve the captives.

John C. Cutler, the newly elected governor of Utah, is a Mormon. He was born in England, and was brought to this country by his parents. They joined the Church of the Latter Day Saints, and he is now a stockholder in several Mormon companies.

The Senate committee on Territories Thursday completed the work on the statehood bill and authorized a favorable report on the measure, admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one state and Oklahoma and Indian Territory as another state.

Albert Cook, a young man was shot in the back with buckshot and killed near Woodville, I. T., Sunday. W. S. Holly, 70 years old, has been arrested.

There is only one better day than yesterday or tomorrow, and that is today.

No display ads will be changed in this paper later than noon the day before publication. And to insure insertion new ones should be handed in fully that early.

**The Divorce Evil.**

The divorce question is being agitated now in a number of the larger cities, and the sentiment seems to be growing against the ease in which parties may be divorced. This question was the subject of Eld. R. R. Hamlin, pastor of the First Christian church, Fort Worth, last Sunday, in which he said:

"Moses had to deal with this question and it confronted Christ. When he came Jesus said only one cause legalized divorce and a remarriage—that was adultery. Paul however, allows divorce for desertion, but not a remarriage. All divorce laws in Protestant countries grow out of these interpretations.

"Causes for divorce, however, in our courts have been multiplied of late years and there is much laxness in the law, aggravating the evil they seek to cure. If the state laws open gates that God's law shuts, the thoughtless are tempted to consider the law as a correct moral standard. Such is not the case, however, as many laws are only ignorant or vicious public sentiment crystallized into statute."

Mr. Hamlin then treated the subject under three heads:

1. Conditions; Here the statistics are startling. In England there is one divorce for every 523 marriages; in the United States one for every twenty-three. There are more divorces in our land than in all the balance of the Christian world. Three hundred and thirty-five thousand divorces were granted in our courts within the past twenty years

In the same length of time the ratio of divorces, compared to marriages, has lowered from an average of one divorce to every fifty-one marriages to less than one to every twenty marriages throughout the United States.

Since November 21, thirty-nine suits were filed in the district courts of Tarrant county and twenty of them were for divorces.

2. Causes: Some blame the law but law always seeks the level of public sentiment. Those above are not respected and laws below are rejected and repealed. Some blame the lawyers and the courts. Others blame the preacher who marries the couple. Neither of these criticisms is just, because the lawyers and preachers cannot, in the limited time given to them, pass upon the merits of the case, and often the courts are decided by perjury and trickery. We must look for causes further back and find them in our social customs, viz.: Laxness in home discipline. Improper associations lead to improper marriages. Custom allows young people to entirely manage their own courtships. Many a one who would seek advice in choosing a business or profession or entering any vocation of life will tell even parents and brothers to "hands off," and uncounselled go into the most sacred obligations of life. Marriage is made a joke and frolic; too much novel and ideas borrowed from books, so that mere fascination is taken for love.

Modern fashions also figure in marriage and divorce. With many dress, face and form are the attractions; they marry a fashion plate, a face or a form and discover that these are not enough to build a happy home with.

The double standard also figures in the case. The moral leper who leads a pure girl to the altar is as often unfit for marriage vows as the soiled doves of the "acre" are to stand by the side of our noblest young men.

But the most fruitful cause of divorce is the drink evil. It is said by some to cause 90 per cent of all divorces. I would not put it so high as that, but it may reach 75 per cent of all divorce cases, and gambling, cruelty, neglect and failure to support are all fruits of drink. There would be many more divorces than there are if all the women who have to wash, sew or work to support the family, husband and all, would lay down pride and love and go into the divorce courts.

3. The Cure: Treat divorce as the doctors treat disease. They do not doctor symptoms, but the causes. Divorces are only bad symptoms of a trouble in society and the home. The divorce is the end and not the beginning of a bad matter.

Begin in the church and teach God's law on the question. Let the home guard more closely the conditions of proper marriage. Agitate the question and create a sentiment against divorce. Sentiment is stronger than law and makes and unmake law.

Lastly, I am in favor of law advocated by Hon. W. D. Cottrell of Collin county. Let the law provide that the one adjudged at fault in a divorce case be debarred from marrying within three years. This removes the incentive to marrying another, as is often done within the same hour the divorce decree is issued.

**Bridge Collapsed.**

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 15.—A suspension bridge across the Elk river, connecting East and West Charleston, fell today, carrying down four teams. Fifteen to twenty-five school children were drowned.

It is estimated that there were thirty people on the bridge, and twenty of the were school children. Six teams were plunged into the river.

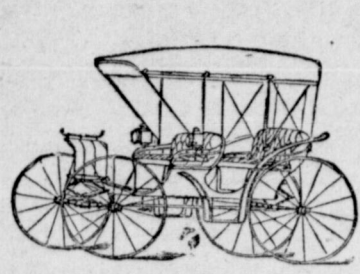
The bridge turned turtle as it went down, and the floor is lying amid the ice floes below.

Men in boats are fishing in twenty feet of water for bodies.

The bridge had been in a dangerous condition for a long time and the floor was covered with several inches of ice and snow.

Benjamin Brown Graham, president of the Graham Paper Company, vice president of the Mechanics' National Bank and one of the directors of the Union Trust Company, died Monday at his home in St. Louis from the effects of an operation. Mr. Graham was 54 years old and was born at Graham Mills, Ohio. He leaves a widow and one daughter.

President E. H. R. Green of the Texas Midland railroad is having his big demonstration farm plowed with his traction engine, which pulls a gang of twelve plows, having a capacity of thirty-five acres of land per day. The land is being put in readiness for next year's crops. A crop of fifteen acres of strawberries has just been planted at the farm.



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**Stock for Christmas,**

and in a few days the stock will be broken again. As the careful buyer buys early, so come along and let us supply your wants while we have them in stock. The well known fact that we Lead in QUALITY and LOW PRICE of Goods makes it imperative that you come to see us, if you work to your best interest.

Let us Show You.

**BARGAIN - STORE.**

**Guessing Contests Barred From Malls.**

By a decision of Attorney General Moody all "guessing" contests are placed in the category of lotteries and games of chance and hereafter will be excluded from the United States mails.

This is a decision of more far reaching consequence than any that has been made concerning the post-office department in years. It affects newspapers and other publications which in any form conduct guessing or estimating contests.

It is a question that has been before the department for years, but not until now has adverse action been taken. Repeatedly have attorney generals held that these contests were not lotteries within the meaning of the postal lottery act.

"A comparatively small percentage of the participants will realize their expectations," said Mr. Moody in his opinion. "Thousands will get nothing." The attorney general says the schemes are, in affect, lotteries under the guise of guessing contests.

In view of Mr. Moody's decision Mr. Wynne will issue orders excluding publications carrying such contests from the mails after Jan. 1 next.

Important changes will be made in the train service of the Rock Island Railroad system on Dec. 25. The Golden State Limited will be re-established. It will leave Chicago at 8 p. m. and arrive at Los Angeles at 2:45 p. m. the third day. Entirely new equipment has been provided for this train. Through sleepers will be carried by way of Kansas City to Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and San Francisco.

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DOLYE FELTS  
and Warm Lined Shoes.



JOHN H. RATHJEN.

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QUITE a change is coming over the business men in the Panhandle as to their opinion on what the country is adapted to. Even the bankers conclude there are other interests worthy of note than big ranches. A packing house is talked of at Amarillo, and this would hardly be successful without feeding and systematic stock farming in the country adjacent. The Panhandle bankers met at Amarillo Wednesday at which A. J. Morris of Kansas city, and T. S. Bugbee, president of the Panhandle Stock Raisers' association, were present to discuss the matter. A paper entitled "A Packing House for the Panhandle" was read by J. L. Smith, president of the National Bank of Commerce, Amarillo. A paper upon "Alfalfa and Feeding", by W. H. Patrick, cashier, of the First National bank, Clarendon. A paper, "The Relation of the Banks to Stock Farming," by G. A. F. Parker, president of the Western National bank, Hereford, also by D. J. Young, cashier of the First National bank, Canadian. All of which were exceptionally fine.

It has been comparatively but a short time since the females of the United States about equaled the males, and in the east the former were largely in the majority, Massachusetts alone having an excess of over 60,000. A late census bulletin shows this condition to be very much changed. In continental United States there are 1,638,321 more males than females, or about 2 in each 100 people. American cities as a rule have more females than males. In the 1,861 cities, each having in 1900 at least 2,500 inhabitants, there were 201,959 more females than males, and this notwithstanding the many western cities which contained more males than females and the enormous number of foreign born in the country, five-ninths of them male and a large proportion of them living in the cities. Among the negroes there are a few more females than males; among the Indians, a few more males than females. The marked excess of males among whites and Mongolians is doubtless due to the influence of immigration. The death rate of males in the registration area of the United States in 1900 was 19.0 per 1,000, and that of females 16.6 per 1,000, the former having a death rate higher by about one-seventh than the latter. In the 346 registration cities the rate of males was 20.0 and that of females 17.2 per 1,000, the male rate exceeding the female by one-sixth. In the rest of the registration area was 15.8 and that of females 15.0 per 1,000, the male rate exceeding the female by one-nineteenth.

President Roosevelt has presented to Roosevelt county, New Mexico, an elegant life size photograph of himself with his autograph inscription, to be hung in the new courthouse in this recently created county that was named in honor of the President. This week the courthouse was dedicated and the inauguration of a judicial system in that county was done by Judge William H. Pope, the Judge for the Fifth judicial district.

## Judge Swayne Impeached.

Last Wednesday the committee of five appointed Tuesday to notify the senate that the house had impeached Judge Swayne appeared in the center aisle and Mr. Palmer, its chairman, reported as follows: "Mr. Speaker—In obedience to the order of the house, we proceeded to the bar of the senate and in the name of this body and of all the people of the United States we impeached, as we were directed to do, Charles Swayne, judge of the district court of the United States for the northern district of Florida, of high crimes and misdemeanors in office, and we demanded that the senate should take order to make him appear before that body to answer for the same, and announced that the house would soon present articles of impeachment and make them good, to which the response was, 'Order shall be taken.'"

## Enormous Passenger Traffic.

An official statement of the passenger business done at the Union Station at St. Louis, during the world's Fair has just been made public. It shows the number of trains handled to be 91,560; number of cars, 457,688; daily average, 436 passenger trains; number of cars, 2,180.

During the months of September and October the daily average was about 520 trains and 2,600 cars. In some instances as high as eighty-four trains were handled in the station in sixty minutes.

Pieces of baggage handled, 1,739,000. About 10,000,000 people is the estimate for the whole World's Fair season. Tickets sold, 847,776, amounting to \$3,289,292. About 80 per cent of all the business was handled between the hours of 6 a. m. to 9 a. m., and from 6 to 9 p. m.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

Chronicle College Reporter.

College students are beginning to think of Santa Claus and several have already departed to spend the holidays with home folks. College Hill will seem quite deserted by middle of next week.

The entertainment at the chapel Saturday night by W. Ash Davis was very fine, and enjoyed by a large audience.

M. J. N. Donohoo, of Canyon City, a very ardent believer in the education of the young people, spent a day and night with us the first of the week. Come again, Bro. Donohoo.

Bro. Dodson held chapel service for us Friday morning. He gave us some practical thoughts on "How to Succeed."

President Hardy left for Plainview last of the week in the interest of Clarendon College.

The following bills were passed by the House Wednesday: Providing for the protection of wild animals and birds in Wichita forest reserve, Oklahoma; authorizing the exploration and purchase of mines within the boundaries of private land claims; amending the revised statutes to give foreign authors and right of copyright in this country any time within twelve months after publication abroad, amending the revised statutes so as to restrict patents on drugs or medicins to the process of manufacture and not the product.

Do you want to make a Christmas present to your absent friend that will bring you into remembrance all next year? Then send him or her THE CHRONICLE. Cheaper than buying postals, goes more frequent, tells more and saves trouble of writing.

# C-A-S-H Spells Fireworks.

**C** is for Christmas, which comes once a year;  
Everybody come see us, both those far and near.

**A** is for ALL the small Boys of the city,  
If they don't get some of our FIREWORKS it will be quite a pity.

**S** is for Santa Claus, who buys at our store,  
He knows he gets his money's worth; and a great deal more.

**H** is for Headley's Chocolate Bonbons--So good,  
If you haven't eaten any, by all means you should.

**WILLIAMS BROS.,** THE CASH GROCERS,  
CLARENDON, TEX.

## STATE NEWS.

The Union station at Mineola burned Tuesday night.

Wilbarger county will vote on prohibition again Jan. 7.

Ten out of the twelve business houses at Richland burned Wednesday. Only one was insured. Loss \$60,000.

F. O. Porter was shot five times by George Wilson at Commerce Tuesday. Porter expired at once. Wilson is in jail.

Lee, the 9-year-old son of K. T. Bales of Waxahachie, died Tuesday of hydrophobia from a dog bite several weeks before.

A private telegram from Washington states that President Roosevelt has accepted the invitation to visit Waco during his visit to Texas.

J. K. Majors, a resident of White-wright, was called to his door before daybreak Thursday and shot by an unknown person. He may not live.

News comes from Austin that the Christmas pardon list is being prepared, but it will be exceedingly short as compared to some of the past administrations. One Christmas sixty-three men enjoyed the natal day dinner at home and forty-three more started New Year as free men.

The 5-year-old son of Albert Stephens, farmer living a few miles south of Waxahachie, had a narrow escape from being scalded to death Wednesday by falling into a kettle of boiling water, where hogs were being killed. He was rescued in time to save his life, but not until badly scalded about the face and upper part of his body.

## Art Reception.

To be at Mrs. Gray's Studio, over Ramsey's store, Thursday, December 22, from 2 to 5 p. m.

All interested in art are cordially invited to come.

## Fort Worth Market.

Prices yesterday were:  
Steers from \$1.75 to \$5.25.  
Cows from \$1.25 to \$2.25.  
Calves from \$1.40 to \$4.75.  
Bulls from \$1.25 to \$2.50.  
Hogs from \$4.10 to \$4.60.

A few of the things you will find at Stocking's store: Dolls, doll beds, doll buggies, carts, wagons, foot balls, toy balls, toy stoves, toilet goods, albums, silverware, gift books, Bibles, fountain pens, gold pens, jewelry, fine China, glassware, kodaks, drums, air guns and lamps. Well this is not one tenth the things beautiful and useful. Just step in and look around.

## For Sale.

A 250-Egg Hot Water Incubator almost new, also few fine bred Rose Comb White Leghorn Cocker's. Will sell reasonable or take trade.  
OTUS REEVES.

Advice out of season is like potatoes without salt.

## Notice--Remember Our

# Big Removal Sale

Now on at the Noland corner. Satisfaction in prices guaranteed. Everything going at greatly reduced prices to close out all the Goods we can before moving to Main Street. Come and see us and get our figures on all Supplies before you buy. Assist us to move and we'll save you Cash. Don't miss the opportunity of your life. Only a few days more to secure all kinds of bargains in

**Dry Goods and Groceries.**  
5 to 25 per cent discount

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**Dress Goods, Clothing,**  
**Shoes, Hats and Notions.**

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For Sale, a Valuable

Piece of Land,

Near Goodnight College.

137 acres WITHIN the College section and 640 acres joining the College section on the north. I will sell altogether or in parts, as follows:  
(1) 30 acres with good house, (five rooms), 300 young peach trees, good new barn, dirt tank. This place has 4 or 5 subdivisions with good fences.  
(2) 102 acres of very fine land with 50 or 60 acres in cultivation. The building situation is very beautiful, commanding views of the surrounding country and fronting on a 100 foot street over a mile in length and terminating west at the main college building where it shall be built.  
(3) The section as a whole is in quarters, or in half-sections. The section corners with the main college plant. It has a nice building site half acre from boy's dormitories.  
My object in selling is, having resigned the presidency of the Goodnight College, I desire to continue my college work in another locality. Purchasers can get these lands NOW at a bargain.

**Marshall McIlhany,**

Formerly President of Goodnight College,

P. O. Goodnight, Texas.

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GOODNIGHT, TEXAS.

A Thorough High Grade School For  
Girls and Boys.

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H. C. WEBB, Goodnight, Texas.

## HOLIDAY RATES

Via Rock Island System.

Rate of one fare plus two dollars for round trip, limited thirty days, will be in effect December 20, 21, 22 and 26, to points in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina.

To Oklahoma and Indian Territory, the rate will be one fare plus fifty cents, selling December 24, 25 and 31 and January 1st, limit January 4th.

Locally in Texas, rate will be on convention basis, one and one-third fare for short distances and one fare plus ten per cent, to points beyond one hundred miles, selling December 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, January 1, limit January 4th. See local agent or write General Passenger Agent Phil. A. Auer, Fort Worth, Texas, who will advise regarding train service, changes, schedules, etc.

Look in at Stocking's store and price Christmas goods, and you will save money.

## CLUB RATES.

We will furnish the following papers and this paper at the annexed prices for the two:

News, (Galveston or Dallas),	\$1.80
Southern Mercury	1.00
Texas Advance.	\$1.50
Scientific American,	1.60
Phrenological Journal,	1.60
Texas Farm and Ranch,	1.75

## TYPE FOR SALE.

57 Pounds of this B. B. & S. pt. No. 15, in fine condition, only 25c per pound. Cases \$1.

60 lbs of this 11-point, Fine for Brief work. Only 25c. per pound.

**100 Envelopes 40c**  
With name and address printed and postpaid at this office.

104 of these papers only \$1.

**TIME TABLE.**  
Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

NORTH BOUND.	
No. 1, Mail and Express.....	8:47 p. m.
No. 7, Passenger and Express.....	6:25 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 Agent.

*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.**  
A nice line of fresh nuts and candies at J. M. Clower & Son's.

Don't forget our Removal Sale on for November and December, all goods low. POWELL & Sons.

Have you seen the big doll in J. M. Clower & Son's show window, to be given away?

Visit the Studio and see some late styles in all the very latest finishes. H. MULKEY.

Dr. Stocking says he may be overstocked with Christmas goods but he has put them at prices that will move them.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

J. H. Pirtle went to Childress today.

R. E. Montgomery, of everywhere, was here this week on business.

Miss Ethel White left this week for Fort Worth and other places for a holiday visit.

Clarence Dubbs left Wednesday for Powers, Col., where he has a position on a ranch.

J. H. Ogelsby and wife left today for a visit to their son in Terry county, and will be gone a month.

Crockett Taylor will go to Fort Worth tonight to meet his wife, who is returning home from a lengthy visit at Brownwood.

Mrs. H. D. Ramsey has gone to Fort Worth, where she will meet Mr. Ramsey and both go to Pecos City and visit through the winter.

The Women's Guild of the Episcopal church had a successful sale of Xmas goods with dinner and supper served which added to their treasury about \$105.

J. J. Woodward spent last Sunday, at Denton with his daughter, Lila, who is attending the State Industrial school there. He says it is a fine institution and is well pleased at his daughter's progress.

Episcopal church services Sunday next, (4th Advent) morning 11 a. m., "The Holy Scriptures," evening, 7:30 p. m., "The State of the departed." All are cordially invited. The Rector will officiate.

Rev. W. A. Thornton will preach at the Baptist church tomorrow and tomorrow night. Rev. Skinner was called to Union Hill, to take part in the ordination to the ministry of Rev. Walter Hightower, a worthy young man who has been a licensed preacher for some months.

The committees to arrange for the Christmas tree at the Baptist Sunday school are: To procure tree, Rev. Skinner; to put up tree, J. H. King; arrangement of tree, Miss Mollie Hunt and her class; program, Mrs. W. L. Skinner and Mrs. Wm. Gray; finance, Bertha Westbrook, Lizzie Crisp, Pearl Brumley and Emma Trigg.

The memorial candlesticks presented to the Episcopal church in memory of the late Mr. Newman, by his widow, will be used for the first time next Saturday.

Our Millinery Display so charmingly worn by our representative at the Trades Carnival has received a very generous praise from the public for its elegance. The very exclusive, handsome \$15.00 hat at once went into the coveted possession of one of Clarendon's most popular ladies.

Our goods and prices please. MRS. A. M. BEVILLE & Co.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES.**  
CHRONICLE School Reporter.

Miss Dounell has two new pupils. Their names are Leon and Archie Anderson.

Mr. J. J. Alexander was an interested visitor in Miss Stout's room Monday. He called on Miss Kimbrough also.

Prof. Silvey was unable to be present at school Tuesday morning. We hear a new daughter has come to cheer his home. The school extends congratulations.

Examinations will be held in most of the grades the succeeding week, preparatory to making out the grades of pupils for December. These examinations serve yet another purpose, and that is they lock the gates of memory, making the escape of available knowledge less likely.

The entire public, and the parents of the public school students especially, are invited to visit the school any time and inspect the work of their children. The public school is doing a grade of work of which she is not ashamed. On the contrary, she believes she is fully justified in feeling proud of her efficiency.

Christmas is coming. Notwithstanding parents are urgently requested to keep their children in school until it is dismissed for the two weeks annual rest. A child is thrown so far behind in some branches of study by losing as little as two or three days. All the students will get their fill of Christmas fun, in that two weeks provided, without stopping before that time.

Prof. W. G. Stewart, paid a much appreciated call to the public school Monday. He visited Misses Stout and Harding and others. He visited the eighth grade, and upon the invitation of Prof. Willis, made the pupils a very instructive talk. The students showed their appreciation of the professor's speech by giving him their very best attention. Prof. Stewart, call again.

One writer has said that variety is the spice of life. Believing this, the eighth grade varies its society work. Some times they listen to an interesting reading by their teacher. At others the usual society work is rendered. While at times they are not above having an old-fashioned spelling match, which is beneficial as well as entertaining. The society of the eighth and ninth grades have agreed to consolidate for their mutual good.

Everybody come out to Misses Kimbrough and Allen's entertainment, Friday, Dec. 23, commencing at 1.30 p. m. This is peculiarly a Christmas exercise, prepared by the pupils of the fifth and sixth grades. An admission fee of 10 cents will be charged; the money obtained will be used for purchasing books for the two grades. Among the exercises will be several beautiful drills. The program for this entertainment follows:

- Song—Christmas Day is Coming... By Fifth Grade Pupils.
- Rec.—"Daddy Played the Banjo..." By Jessie Clark.
- Recitation.—Santa Claus and the Mouse... By Raymond Moss.
- Recitation Drill.—By Sixth Grade Girls.
- Recitation.—"A Telephone Message" By Winnie Allison.
- Recitati.—"The Grand Bumper Degree."... By John Scoiffe Morris.
- Recitation.—"Christmas in all Lands..." By Fifth Grade Pupils.
- Recitation.—"A Christmas Carrol" By Bertha Westbrook.
- Song.—"Lazy John" By Sixth Grade Girls.
- Recitation.—"Jes' Fore Christmas," By Hugh Morgan.
- Recitation.—"Beessie's Christmas Dream" By May Reban.
- Recitation.—"Santa Claus" By Benton Wyatt.
- Holly Drill... By Sixth Grade Girls.
- Song.—"Santa Claus is coming" By Fifth Grade Pupils.

Go to J. M. Clower & Son for your Xmas goods, they have a large variety, and will treat you fair.

**Only \$1 to Jan. 1, 1906.**  
To all new cash subscribers we will send THE CHRONICLE till Jan. 1, 1906, for \$1. Old subscribers who pay all arrearages and a year in advance will have their time extended to that date.

**Notice of Stockholders Meeting.**

The stockholders of the First National Bank, Clarendon, Texas, will hold their annual meeting at the office of the bank in Clarendon, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, 1905, the same being the 10th day of the month, for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. W. H. PATRICK, Cashier.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Donley County—Greeting:  
You are hereby commanded, That by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Donley, if there be a newspaper published in said County, (but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published,) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, you Summon C. A. Crawford, Bernice Eugene Jones and Frankie May Jones whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Donley, at the Court House thereof, in Clarendon, on the First Monday in January, being the second day thereof, 1905. File Number being \_\_\_\_\_, then and there to answer the Petition of Etta McKenzie joined by her husband, W. T. McKenzie, Willie Rains joined by her husband, W. I. Rains, Lelia Watt joined by her husband, F. H. Watt, Celia Brumley joined by her husband, E. W. Brumley, Gertrude Osborne joined by her husband, Ira Osborne, Pearl Vaughan joined by her husband Oscar Vaughan, and Georgia Young joined by her husband, Henry Young filed in said Court, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1904, against the said C. A. Crawford, Bernice Eugene Jones and Frankie May Jones and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit:

W. H. Crawford Died in the County of Donley in the year, 1898; That he died intestate; That no administration was ever had on his estate; That at the time of his death he owned in fee simple all of section No. 96, in block No. 20, in Donley County, Texas; That at the time he acquired the said land, he was a widower and so continued to the time of his death; That he left surviving him as his heirs, the plaintiffs Etta McKenzie, Willie Rains, Celia Brumley, Julia Shelton, Lelia Watt, his married daughters, and his son, the defendant, C. A. Crawford, and the children of his deceased daughter, (Mrs. Elizabeth Jones.) Mrs. Gertrude Osborne, Mrs. Pearl Vaughan, Mrs. Georgia Young, Bernice Eugene Jones and Frankie May Jones; That the surviving son and daughter of the said W. H. Crawford are tenants in common of the said land and own each an undivided one-seventh interest in and to the same, together with the said daughters of the said Elizabeth Jones, deceased, who each own an undivided one-thirty-fifth interest in and to the same; and that the plaintiff is by deed of purchase the owner of all of the interest of the said Julia Shelton; and praying for a partition and distribution of the said estate and land according to the interest of each and asking for title and possession to each for his said interest.

Herein Fail Not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writing, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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## Being Something That You Ain't

If You Try to Fool the World, You Fool Only Yourself

From "Old Gorgon Graham; More Letters From a Self-Made Merchant to His Son," by George Horace Lorimer. By permission of Doubleday, Page & Co., Publishers.

After you've been married a little while you're going to find that there are two kinds of happiness you can have—home happiness and fashionable happiness. With the first kind you get a lot of children and with the second a lot of dogs. While dogs mind better and seem more affectionate, because they kiss you with their whole face, I've always preferred to associate with children. Then for the first kind of happiness you keep house for yourself, and for the second you keep house for the neighbors.

You can buy a lot of home happiness with a mighty small salary, but fashionable happiness always costs just a little more than you're making. You can't keep down expenses when you've got to keep up appearances—that is, the appearance of being something that you ain't. You're in the fix of a dog chasing his tail—you can't make ends meet, and if you do it'll give you such a crick in your neck that you won't get any real satisfaction out of your gymnastics. You've got to live on a rump steak basis when you're alone so that you can appear to be on a quail on toast basis when you have company. And while they're eating your quail and betting that they're cold storage birds they'll be whispering to each other that the butcher told their cook that you lived all last week on a soup bone and two pounds of hamburger steak. Your wife nags her around the house in an old wrapper because she's got to have two or three of those dresses that come high on the bills and low on the shoulders, and when she wears 'em the neighbors are going to wonder how much you're short in your accounts. And if you've been raised a shouting Methodist and been used to hollering your satisfaction in a good hearty "Glory!" or a "Hallelujah!" you've got to quit it and go to one of those churches where the right answer to the question "What is the chief end of man?" is "Dividend," and where they think you're throwing a fit and sick the sexton on to you if you forget yourself and whoop it up a little when your religion gets to working.

Then if you do have any children you can't send them to a plain public school to learn reading, writing and arithmetic, because they've got to go to a fashionable private one to learn hog Latin, hog wash and how much the neighbors are worth. Of course the rich children are going to say that they're pushing little kids, but they've got to learn to push and to shove and to butt right in where they're not wanted if they intend to herd with the real Angora billy goats. They've got to learn how to bow low to every one in front of them and to kick out at every one behind them. It's been my experience that it takes a good four year course in snubbing before you can graduate a first class snob.

Then when you've sweat along at it for a dozen years or so you'll wake up some morning and discover that your appearances haven't deceived any one but yourself. A man who tries that game is a good deal like the fellow who puts on a fancy vest over a dirty shirt—he's the only person in the world who can't see the egg spots under his chin.

### Playing a Fool Game.

Never ask a man what he knows, but what he can do. A fellow may know everything that's happened since the Lord started the ball to rolling and not be able to do anything to help keep it from stopping. But when a man can do anything he's bound to know something worth while. Books are all right, but dead men's brains are no good unless you mix a live one's with them.

If isn't what a man's got in the bank, but what he's got in his head, that makes him a great merchant. Rob a miser's safe and he's broke, but you can't break a big merchant with a jimmy and a stick of dynamite. The first would have to start again just where he began—hoarding up pennies; the second would have his principal assets intact. But accumulating knowledge or piling up money just to have a little more of either than the next fellow is a fool game that no broad gauged man has time enough to sit in. "Too much learning, like too much money, makes most men narrow."—From "Old Gorgon Graham; More Letters From a Self-Made Merchant to His Son," by George Horace Lorimer.

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### Discouraged.

BY REV. R. S. EVERITT, D.D.

Discouraged. What a condition! Well on towards despair; depressed in spirits, the nerves of action paralyzed, the aspirations of hope checked, the exercise of faith weakened. It puts the soul in the best position for misconception; seeing the dark side, magnifying the difficulties, favoring the assaults of Satan and encouraging the spirit of murmuring. When Israel became "discouraged because of the way," they soon were murmuring. They complained of the wilderness and the backward steps. Dawn and twilight are each alike—a partial light; and many a discouraged soul mistakes the former, that unfolds to-day, for the latter, that fades into night. Of course, there can be no happiness in such a condition. It often has its cause in physical infirmity, unfortunate temperament or unfavorable circumstances. It certainly does not come from God, and does not necessarily imply wrong relations to him. If continued, however, it is very likely to seriously affect both our Christian faith and works.

Is there a cure for it? Not by harshness. Deal tenderly. The burden, the shadow, the discouragement is a real experience. But look around and see if it is justified by your circumstances. Count your mercies. God still lives and loves. Are there any blessings in the raindrops from the dark cloud? Are there not gains set over against all your losses? Reckon not only the stormy days, but also the fair ones; not how long the way, but whether does it lead? The home joys richly compensate the voyager for his brief seasickness. The struggles of youth find their reward in the fulness of manhood, there is a to-morrow as well as to-day, and immortality is made up of an endless to-morrow; plenty of time for a glorious off setting of a shadowed, struggling, weary to-day.

Remember, too, Christ's example. Though hindered by the unbelief of many, and the bitter persecution of some he went right on "doing good" and "preaching the gospel of the kingdom." How many of our discouragements would disappear if we would give ourselves to Christian work. Warm another, and thou thyself shalt glow. Lead another to Christ, and thou thyself must be there. Take hold of the burdens of another, greater than thy own, and in effort to lighten theirs your own will grow insignificant or entirely disappear. Then, perseverance in God's way means progress, which will soon take us out of the valley, past the danger and over the difficulties. We are in his way "The steps of a good man are ordered of the Lord." Not only here is a way, but here are the steps. Not only the finger of a divine guide, but the footprints of a divine example. "He will keep the feet of his saints." A very special guidance of a loving Father. Even more. "He delighted in his way." He sends us in the very way that pleases him. Of course, then he will help us through it and make it the way to successful triumph. He sees the end from the beginning, and therefore plans for the one as well as the other. To this end "he upholdeth them with his hand." How good and sure. I like the guiding finger of my God, it shows me the way. I like the inviting voice. It tells me to come. I like the bloody foot-prints, for they make sure where I should tread. I like the sympathizing tear, as precious to me as to Mary and Martha. But when burdened with life's duties oppressed with its cares, sinking under its sorrows, in the dark sinking hours of life's sadness, I like best of all "the upholding hand." Christian, be sure of that. Never be discouraged.—The Presbyterian.

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