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Important Arrests.

Three alleged safeblowers and postoffice burglars whose field of operation extends throughout the whole of the Mississippi valley were arrested at Hot Springs, Ark., Monday night and examined before a United States commissioner in special session, and half an hour later were locked up in separate cells awaiting their removal to Danville, Ill., one of the points where they are under indictment.

Chas. Galliger, leader of the band of safe bandits who travels under the aliases of Chas. McMullin, "Laughing Charlie" and Charles Martin, was the first arraigned. Joe McCarthy, alias "Big Jack" and Wm. Strong, alias "Yegg Billie," are the others.

Short \$115,000,000 in Seven Months.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Although the government's receipts from customs and internal revenue and other sources continue to show gratifying increases over last year, the increase in expenditures is materially greater. For the month of November, 1908, the total receipts were \$48,002,690, as against \$45,529,325 for November last year, an increase of \$2,500,000.

Expenditures for the month are \$57,938,362,208 for November, an increase of \$15,000,000.

Taking the last seven months as a basis of calculation the deficit for the present fiscal year will probably be from \$112,000,000 to \$115,000,000.

Two-Cent Fares Upheld.

The supreme court of the United States reserved decision of the United States circuit court for the Eastern district of Virginia, holding to be unconstitutional the order of the state railroad commission, fixing a two-cent passenger rate on state business, the effect being to uphold the order.

Mexican Governor Stops the Fight.

El Paso, Tex. Nov. 30.—Enrique Creel, governor of Chihuahua and former ambassador of the United States, stopped a prize fight in Juarez, opposite El Paso, yesterday. Six rounds were advertised between Kid Harold of El Paso and Mexico City and Jack Graham of Kansas City, the last round to go five minutes. Governor Creel sent rurales to the bull ring and it was not pulled off.

Washington reports declare that Charley Nagel of St. Louis will be appointed secretary of the interior in Taft's cabinet. It is also reported that Frederick Judson of St. Louis will be made supreme court justice. While both men deny any knowledge of the appointments both are considered likely. Nagel is republican national committeeman and Judson assisted Judge Harmon in Santa Fe railroad investigation which involved Paul Morton.

On his way from his home in Nebraska to Mexico William J. Bryan stopped off in Corpus Christi, Tex., long enough to buy 20 acres of suburban property at that place. It is understood to be his intention to build a home on the property and spend a part of each winter there.

Two dead, one dying and eleven others hurt is the record in 12 hours of reckless automobile speeders in and around New York City Sunday.

Bacon at 25 cents and millinery plumes over the moon makes a man sit up and wonder if it wouldn't be wise to go bear-headed and eat greens and grits for a few years in order to catch up.—Sherman Democrat.

New Masonic Officers.

Waco, Dec. 2.—The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas elected the following officers:

Grand High Priest—E. R. Bryan of Midland.

Deputy Grand High Priest—J. J. Gallaher of Whitewright.

Grand King—Joe Adams of Crockett.

Grand Scribe—C. S. Alderman of Big Springs.

Grand Treasurer—F. B. Frymier of Waco.

Grand Secretary—John A. Bryan of Cleburne.

Committee on Work (one to be elected for five years)—T. M. Bartley of Tahoka, Linn county, and W. A. Scott of Floresville.

Sam P. Cochran was elected to succeed himself as director of the Home for Aged Masons, located near Arlington, Tarrant county. E. O. Shaw of Clifton was elected to succeed Mason Cleveland.

A resolution to prepare a monitor for use in subordinate chapters, to be ready for use as early as possible in 1909, was carried. Report of the Home for Aged Masons shows that plans will soon be submitted from architects.

Why Keep Poultry on the Farm?

The Farmers Home Journal answers this question thus:

Because you ought by their means to convert a great deal of the waste of chickens and eggs for the market.

Because, with intelligent management, they ought to be all-year producers, excepting, perhaps, during the molting season.

Because the manure from the poultry house will make a valuable composite for use in either vegetable garden or orchard. The birds themselves, allowed to run in the orchard, will destroy many injurious insects.

Because, while cereals and fruit can only be successfully grown in certain sections, poultry can be raised for table use or to lay eggs in all parts of the country.

Because poultry raising is an employment in which the farmer's wife and daughter can engage, and leave him free to attend to other departments.

Because it will bring the best returns—in the shape of new-laid eggs—during the winter season, when the farmer has most time on his hands.

Because to start poultry raising on the farm requires little or no management. Poultry can be made, with little cost, a valuable adjunct to the farm.

The prohibitionists in Missouri propose to lose no time in taking advantage of the initiative and referendum law adopted last month. Under the law it will be necessary to secure about 50,000 signatures to petitions for the submission of a prohibitory amendment before it can be submitted to the voters of the state.

Ninety-three of Kentucky's 119 counties are now totally "dry," twenty-three are partially "dry," four are wholly "wet" and the case of one county, which recently voted as a unit on prohibition, in court. This is the substance of a statement from the Kentucky Anti-Saloon league.

No less than three successful bank robberies have occurred in Kansas the past week. The safeblowers in that state seem to be determined to awaken prosperity, even if it must be done with nitroglycerin and at the risk of awakening the town night watchman also.—K. C. Star.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat's estimate on the 1908 cotton crop is 12,800,000 bales.

Neat job printing at this office.

Pertinent Remarks on Affinities.

It is a case of Tweedledum and Tweedledee with Ferdinand Pinney Earle and his soulmate.

Think of an affinity giving her soulmate a black eye!

And only a little over a month ago the soulmate opened proceedings by knocking his affinity down!

Ever since the world began there have been stray cases where man discovered an affinity, and invariably the affinity has been a woman whom he had no business to approach.

Sometimes we read of a woman discovering an affinity, and—usually he is young enough to be her son.

Apparently affinities and common sense cannot travel the same road.

Take my advice, girls, and the moment that a man looks at you with a dreamy expression in his eyes, as though to say: "Can it be possible that you are my affinity?" send him promptly and neatly about his business.

For, believe me, nothing but trouble and disgrace comes of being an affinity.

The word "affinity," as used by Ferdinand Earle, is modern, but the thing that affinity means is as old as times, and foolish girls have been led astray by it ever since the world began.

The young man who asks your hand in marriage does not look on you as an affinity. He looks on you as the woman in all the world whom he honors above all other women, and whom he desires as his wife and the mother of his children. But the married man who does not appreciate him, and who asks you to forsake honor and family, looks on you as an affinity, and his love is as thin as his honor.

Julia Kuttner was an affinity, so was poor little Florence Whaley; but they chose married men as their soulmates.

You all know the deep waters they have passed through. One is now the wife of some soulmate and a thoroughly unhappy woman; the other, though the mother of two children, is not a wife.

So cut the word affinity out of your vocabulary, my dear, and flee from a soulmate as you would the plague. Marry some good, kind, everyday man who has a wholesome hatred of the mawkish kind of romance that leads to affinities and the divorce court.

The man who makes the best husband is the plain, manly man who knows how to woo a woman, and how to take care of her after he has won her.

But he won't marry the girl who has dulled her freshness by flirtations with a married man. He wants the girl who is sweet and good and wholesome, and you all have a chance to be that sort of girl if you want to.

Don't spoil your lives by frittering them away on affinities. Wait for the right man; he's sure to come. But he won't look or act like an affinity.—Beatrice Fairfax.

The average duration of human life is about 33 years. One fourth of the people on the earth die before the age of 6, one-half before the age of 16 and only about one person out of each 100 born lives to the age of 65.

L. M. Radley, a Chickasha, Ok., policeman, was discharged by Mayor Bridges Tuesday for an alleged theft of \$20 from a negro prisoner. Radley began drinking and that night shot and killed himself. He was the first police chief of Lawton and highly educated. He had lived at Chickasha a year and denied the theft.

Probable Change in the Postal System.

The four offices of assistant postmaster general will be abolished; a director of posts with seven assistants provided for and the entire postal service of the United States divided into 15 separate districts if the bill providing for the revision of the postal department which is being prepared by the joint postal investigation committee of congress, appointed two years ago, is passed by congress.

The commission, which is composed of three senators and three representatives, has been in session for the past week and expects to complete the work of preparing the bill this week.

It is claimed that a director of posts appointed to hold office until removed for cause and who will receive a high salary, will tend to improve the services through a continuity of policies for the benefit of the postal service.

By providing for seven assistants to the director of posts the members of the committee believe that the disadvantages due to frequent changes and the appointment of inexperienced men to the four offices of assistant postmaster general can be avoided.

The assistant directors are, according to the provisions of the bill, also to hold offices during good behavior. The postmaster general would continue as the executive head of the department.

Much information was gathered by the commission last year in an effort to find some means of improving the accounting system of the postal service. To perfect the system of management provision for 15 superintendents to have direct charge of the 15 separate postal districts which it is proposed to create, has been decided upon. According to the bill each separate district would in a sense be a branch office of the postoffice department.

In addition to these changes, many of which have been recommended by Postmaster General Meyer, numerous minor changes in the postal laws are included in the bill.

Woman Suffrage.

In the United States women possess suffrage upon equal terms with men at all elections in four states—in Wyoming, established in 1869; in Colorado, in 1893; in Utah, in 1896, and in Idaho, 1896. In 1905 the Kansas and Montana legislature rejected bills giving women full suffrage. In June, 1906, Oregon refused to adopt a woman suffrage amendment to its constitution by a vote of 47,075 to 36,902. In Kansas women possess school suffrage, established in 1861, and municipal suffrage, established in 1887. In 18 additional states women possess school suffrage—in Michigan and Minnesota, established in 1875; in New Hampshire and Oregon, in 1878; in Massachusetts, in 1879; in New York and Vermont, in 1880; in Nebraska, in 1883; in Wisconsin, in 1900; in Washington, in 1886; in Arizona, Montana, New Jersey, North Dakota and South Dakota, in 1887; in Illinois, in 1891; in Connecticut, in 1893, and in Ohio, in 1894. Two states permit women to vote upon the issuance of municipal bonds—Montana, established in 1887, and Iowa, in 1894. Louisiana gave all women taxpayers the suffrage upon all questions submitted to the taxpayers in 1898. In 1901 the New York legislature passed a law providing that "a woman who possesses the qualifications to vote for village or for town offices, except the qualification of sex, who is the owner of property in village assessed upon the last preceding assessment roll thereof, is entitled to vote upon a proposition to raise money by tax or assessment."—Kansas City Star.

Reelfoot Lake Tragedy.

One of the most deplorable instances of night rider savagery yet reported is the murder of Capt. Quinton Rankin near Walnut Log, Tenn., and the attempted lynching of Col. Z. R. Taylor on the same occasion. There is an important lesson to be learned from this dreadful tragedy—a lesson that our lawmakers and political leaders would do well to study. Unlike the Kentucky, Texas and Arkansas night riders, this Tennessee mob of self-constituted regulators were not trying to interfere with the private business transactions of their neighbors. It had no bearing on the marketing of any agricultural product. Evidently these poor, deluded men were acting upon the conviction that they were simply defending their natural and time-honored rights to make an honest living by fishing in Reelfoot Lake. Their fathers and perhaps grandfathers had always had free access to this natural body of water just as fishermen have carte blanche to the lakes, rivers and sea waters pretty much the world over—except where the selfishness and greed of a favored few have succeeded in shutting them out. They perhaps reasoned that the Almighty and not man had created Reelfoot Lake along with the Tennessee, Mississippi and other water courses in their section. Man had nothing whatever to do in its construction; yet, a land company was organized and greedily seized upon this body of water that had furnished pleasure, recreation and a livelihood for numerous families in its vicinity. The land company managed to get such legislation enacted by the Tennessee legislature that effectively excluded these poor fishermen from further fishing in Reelfoot Lake. Being deprived of their occupation and means of support they became indignant. They made demands upon and threats against the land company (represented by Capt. Rankin and Col. Taylor), but apparently to no purpose, for the newspaper dispatches of the tragedy say that Col. Taylor secured the passage of an act regulating fishing in Reelfoot Lake.

"This act," the dispatches say, "made it a misdemeanor to fish in the lake without first paying a heavy penalty or fee."

This act of legislation was like adding fuel to the fire of indignation already burning in the breasts of the old-time fishers, and keyed them up to a state of savage resentment and desperation. The murder of Rankin resulted. How many more lives will be lost over the matter, time alone can tell.

A similar condition of things was brought about some two years ago with reference to Caddo Lake, in eastern Texas. Like Reelfoot Lake, Caddo Lake has for nearly 50 years furnished a livelihood for numerous fishermen, and the citizens of Marshall and other cities with fine, fresh fish.

It is quite a large inland lake, fed by Cypress Bayou and numerous other streams, and abounds in bass, white perch, blue cat and various other fishes. A few men of capital obtained possession of large tracts of land along this lake and forbade fishing parties from coming upon their "preserves." These restrictions not proving effectual, like Col. Taylor of Tennessee they succeeded in getting restrictive and drastic acts of legislation passed, which have effectually stopped the fishermen from plying their occupation in Caddo Lake. While fortunately, no tragedies have resulted, many poor families have been subjected to great hardships thereby.

Furthermore, many good citizens of Marshall and towns all along the railroads to the west, have been de-

prived of their former supply of fresh fish.

The question naturally arises:

Is it right that a few men, who happens to have more money than the many men who have to toil hard for a living, be allowed to monopolize the fish that nature has placed in our lakes and streams? These few men cannot possibly utilize the thousandth part of the fish, yet they selfishly deprive the rest of mankind of them. It is such selfishness as this that often arouses the worst form of savagery in man's bosom.

One of the worst phases of European life is the restrictive laws placed upon the common people. In England a man must get a license to hunt and another to fish—even in a canal. A picnic party cannot go into the forest for a day's recreation without a license. It looks like once free America is rapidly adopting European restrictive tactics.

When a man is forbidden to fish in a lake that his ancestors had free access to, he feels sore over it. Is it best to let the favored few deprive the masses of their natural rights in this manner? I for one say NO!—Dick Naylor in Home and Farm.

STATE NEWS.

Tax Assessor Jno. J. Reeves' residence at Mt. Pleasant burned Tuesday. Loss \$1,500.

A five room cottage of Mrs. A. Bratton burned at Bonham Tuesday; loss \$1,500, no insurance.

Led Green was convicted at Goldthwaite on charge of killing Terrell Adecock and given 12 years. Green is 18 years old.

While fooling with a gun at Lyra in Palo Pinto county Tuesday night, Pat Singleton let it go off and kill his friend, Jack Taylor.

At Ft. Worth Sunday night T. W. Overturf, yardmaster of the Santa Fe railway, was badly beaten and robbed of \$15. Two arrests were made.

Robert Reinholds was killed by a Santa Fe train Sunday at Joshua. He was standing on the track when hit. He leaves an invalid wife and four children.

E. M. Fink, a former United States customs officer, and ex chief of police of El Paso, R. E. Nix of El Paso, were arrested at Roswell, N. M. Tuesday for the alleged smuggling of Chinese into the United States. Both gave bond. Seven Chinamen are in jail awaiting trial.

Jewel Campbell, aged 7 years, daughter of W. A. Campbell, near Garrett, died in Ellis county a few days ago of hydrophobia. She was bitten by a puppy several weeks ago, but the injuries were not considered dangerous. Other members of the family were bitten about the same time by the same dog.

Parties who are engaged in boring for oil in Ector, six miles west of Bonham, has struck a vein of natural gas. The strike was made at a depth of 1,100 feet, and the vein was strong enough to blow the drill and casing out of the well, causing a temporary suspension of work. It has not as yet been ascertained whether or not the vein is large enough to produce gas in paying quantities.

The Points Were There.

Little Clara's parents often discuss reincarnation, and the small maiden has acquired some of the phraseology. "Mamma," she said one day, "my kittle must have been a paper of pins in a previous state of existence."

"Why do you think so?" asked her mother.

"Because I can feel some of them in her toes yet," was the logical reply.

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John D. Rockefeller says the way for a young man to get rich is to borrow \$4,000 and sail in. Well, John, we might take your advice and try it if you will just loan us the \$4,000.

The United States and Germany have arranged for a postal rate on letters between the two countries of 3 cents instead of the existing rate 5 cents. The new rates go into effect Jan. 1.

Practically the entire delegation of Texas congressmen is in Washington for the opening session of congress Monday. They will bend efforts first to obtain slices of appropriations for fighting the cattle tick, boll weevil and for river and harbor improvements.

Mr. Vanderburg, the migratory newspaper booster, has sold his interest in the Memphis Democrat to Ben Shepherd, who has been working on the Hall County Herald for several years. It is not stated what Mr. Vanderburg will do next. Mr. Shepherd is a practical printer and we hope to see him succeed.

We had hoped the opposition to the sewerage system, if there be any, would place their arguments in print, so the public would know what really could be said in opposition, but they have not seen fit to do so, though invited to use the columns of The Chronicle when the question was first submitted on this needed improvement. The Chronicle is no hurrah booster, but it is for improvement and progress, hence favor sewerage, because we believe it will be worth more than its cost, and it can be done now as cheaply as in the future, besides it would only be a very short time until necessity will compel its adoption. Let us make it unanimous on election day and keep up our reputation for progress and cleanliness. If we let surrounding towns out-do us on these lines, immigration will be diverted to them and our growth will cease, and some of our present citizens will move to the more progressive cities. We cannot afford to drop in the rear.

Banker Oaks Fined \$100 on One Count.

Childress, Texas, Dec. 3.—In the case of the state of Texas vs. C. E. Oaks in which the defendant was charged with making a false entry while connected with the now defunct bank of Channing, a verdict of guilty was returned by the jury and a fine of \$100 assessed.

Another case against Mr. Oakes, who is a prominent resident of Amarillo, is that in which he stands charged by indictment with embezzlement in connection with the Channing bank affair.

Two indictments, where false entries were alleged, against W. B. Slaughter of Dalhart, were quashed.

The series of cases are the most interesting ever tried in the district court in Childress county, and came here on transfer from Hartley county since the last term of the court in the last named county.

Appearing for the defendants are Messrs. Veale, Reeder, Graham & Williams of Amarillo and Fires of Childress.

The case of the state is in hands of Messrs. Ed Hyde, Dell W. Harrington of Dalhart, Harry Mason, district attorney of this county and Ed Ainsworth, county attorney of this county.

A gang of eight men blew the safe of the state bank at Crowder, Ok., Wednesday and escaped with all the cash and checks. The explosion aroused the whole town. The robbers rushed out and four of them with revolvers held the crowd back while their companions secured the loot. The gang escaped easily without pursuit.

Good stock, neat work, moderate price, are features of our job work.

Labor Lobby for Austin.
Dallas, Dec. 3.—Union labor of Texas, according to announcement of the Laborer, the official organ of the Dallas unions, will maintain legislative committee at Austin the coming session of the legislature. The members of the committee are announced as follows: Walton Petzet, Dallas; H. G. Wagner, Temple; C. D. Johnson, Temple; Joseph S. Myers, Austin; C. F. Goodrich, Fort Worth, and H. G. Cox of Fort Worth. It is declared that the representatives of organized labor in Texas will seek the enactment of a safety appliance bill patterned after the federal statute; an amendment of the fourteen hour law so as to prevent conflict between the Texas and federal laws, automatic ashpans law intended for the protection of locomotive firemen; a law creating the office of labor commissioner, and a compulsory education law.

Colorado Cattle Losses Enormous.
Denver, Dec. 2.—Thousands of cattle on the ranges in Colorado are reported to be starving with the prospect that there will be unprecedented loss to the cattlemen during the winter, which began early and caught the majority of the stockmen unprepared. Feed is selling at almost prohibitive prices in the range district, hay now bringing \$25 to \$30 dollars per ton in the Arkansas valley and Park range districts.

Charles Lamb, state veterinarian, says cattle are already in condition they usually show in February after they have been forced to pick the ranges bare for subsistence, and that many of the herds look as though they would be depleted by over half before Christmas. In the Park range district the first snow which fell early in October still covers the ranges and hundreds of cattle perished in the first storm. This number was increased to tens of thousands in the storm of the past few days. Range cattle cannot be shipped because of their poor condition.

The temperature fell below zero last night generally east of the Continental divide.

Since the Panhandle country made a clean sweep of orchard, field and garden prizes and purses at the Dallas fair, the author of the newly adopted geography who slapped that section of Texas into the arid division of soil and climate can square matters and make some easy money by getting a home in that same section and become a Panhandle rustler, raising cattle, sheep and hogs and trying his hand at diversified crops.—Memphis Democrat.

Rev. Arnold has located in Crockett, Texas.

Connally has resumed work on his new brick building.

W. C. Beasley left this week for a visit in Hopkins county.

Buel Sanford, from Miles, Tex., is here visiting the Bryan families.

Mrs. Mary F. Brooks has bought the residence of H. D. Doak at \$2,600.

Commissioner W. G. Smith went to Altus, Ok., on business last night.

The Methodists of Hedley have just completed a nice, well arranged parsonage.

Miss Gertrude Weldman is taking examination by the school board this week to qualify as a teacher.

J. R. Flesher of Thalia, Tex., has bought the G. J. Teel place and will locate with us. He gave in exchange Poard county land.

The official statement of the Douley County State Bank in this issue shows a most satisfactory growth in business and financial strength. The deposits have increased over \$34,000 in two months and now run to near \$147,000, and while loan represent an income capital of \$114,000, it has cash resources of \$77,000. For the short time it has been in operation, this bank makes an excellent showing.

About Rural Routes and Parcels Post.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Touching the heart of the agricultural communities in every state of the Union, the annual report of P. V. DeGraw, fourth assistant postmaster general made public tonight, announces increased usefulness of the rural free delivery service and the unprecedented bringing of the work of the bureau up to date and recommends rural delivery of packages of 11 pounds maximum at a special postage.

The package provision suggested requires congressional legislation and is designed to be effective between the distributing postoffice and the patrons of any rural route emanating from such postoffice.

A special reduced rate of postage for merchandise carried only by rural carriers would unquestionably be of material value to the retail merchants on rural routes.

Rural carriers at present are not permitted to carry for hire any matter or package that is malable, but congress increased the salaries of the carriers. The demand for a package service for them, fostered in the first years of rural free delivery, still exists. Patrons and merchants, he adds, desire to have small packages delivered by rural carriers, but will not pay the present fourth class rate which is prohibitive as applied to this class of service.

The rural carriers in the service, of which DeGraw is head, daily pass 3,900,000 homes. Rural delivery is now in operation over 945,087 miles of road, over which carriers are required to travel daily. Of these roads 35,000 miles are macadam, the remainder being earth, sand or gravel. Since the service was established \$70,632,162 has been expended on roads traversed by rural carries.

The estimate of appropriations necessary for this service for the next fiscal year, as submitted by the assistant postmaster general, is \$36,246,000, an increase of \$673,000 over the current appropriation.

In the last year there were 1,672 new routes established, 17 routes discontinued. In the year, 1,958 postoffices were discontinued and the patrons rendered service by rural carriers. On only a little more than 10 per cent of the rural routes the quantity of mail handled was less than 9,000 pieces a quarter.

Love, Courtship and Marriage.

Here are some observations on love, courtship and marriage, by the Rev. Philip Cone Fletcher:

"Love pirates are not always sometimes culpable. They are sometimes peculiarly subjected. The question of affinity is a strange and dangerous thing, but is nevertheless a vital truth of nature. There is such a thing as affinity between two answerable natures, responsive spontaneously one to the other without effort on either part. When such natures come together there is danger and perhaps consequent suffering of innocent parties.

"I believe in divorces as a remedy for specific failures in marriages, for such failures there are. When either party breaks his part of the marriage contract, such a contract becomes, as any other, broken and void.

"Some men have no higher conception of woman than that she should be mistress of the washtub and the head of a well fed nursery.

"Marriage is the only bliss of Eden that survived the fall.

"Love is the vital principle of the universe.

"Courtship has four ingredients—a little crying, a little sighing, a little dying and a great deal of lying.

"Before marriage a young man frequently gives his sweetheart a lock of his hair. After marriage, she sometimes helps herself."—St. Louis Republic.

Miss Mary Browning and Thos. S. Clopton are to be married in Amarillo Tuesday.

W. L. Emery, from Oklahoma, has been visiting the family of his sister, Mrs. J. H. O'Neill. He will likely locate at Goodnight.

STATE NEWS.

A two weeks Baptist meeting has just closed at Vernon with 70 conversions and 25 additions to the church.

Austin Hickman, an H. & T. C. Ry. yard man, fell before a train at Waxahachie Thursday and both arms and both legs were cut off. He will likely die.

A fire at Waelder Wednesday caused a loss of \$20,000. Many buildings were ruined. It was the worst fire in the history of the town. Insurance is \$9,000.

Fire destroyed the school house at Garza, Denton county, Wednesday night. Loss is about \$2,000. Insurance \$1,000. This is the third school house in that county to burn since Sept. 1.

Ben Newman, a well known ranchman, was found dead in his room at Del Rio Thursday and the police believe he was murdered. Bullet wounds are in head and one arm. Newman's divorced wife and her two brothers occupied the same house. All were arrested pending an investigation.

Beckville, Panola county, had a disastrous fire; caused over \$200,000 loss. The flames swept away the entire north side of the town. A norther fanned the flames and fighting the fire proved useless. The blaze started in McClelland's drug store. B. F. Carpenter, T. A. Knight and B. Daniel sustained the largest loss.

Miss Lillie Christian of Ft. Worth who visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chumley near Plano Wednesday was seriously injured while horseback riding. The horse ridden by Miss Christian became unmanageable and in rearing fell backward, pinning Miss Christian beneath. The collar bone was broken and she was seriously crushed about the hips. Her injuries are considered serious.

Lee Fisher, a former employe of the Wells Fargo & Co's express, was arrested in Amarillo Wednesday charged with complicity in the robbery of the company's safe Friday night at the transfer station near the union depot. Trenton Sublett, the man first arrested in connection with this case, was released from custody. He was the man in charge of the company's safe at the time the robbery occurred. The officers state that they have a clue that will lead to the recovery of certain portions of the money stolen.

His Great Fault.

"Yes," said the would be author, "I've taken a house in the country, but it will be necessary for me to engage a gardener. There's quite a plot of ground around the house; too much for me to handle."

"Yes," replied Crittick, "you never could handle a plot, could you?"—Catholic Standard and Times.

All Pretty.

A rash paper announced for its columns a forthcoming story, entitled "The Prettiest Girl in the Town." A hundred young ladies immediately sent post cards warning the editor not to use their real names.—London Globe.

Brevity.

"Too many words are wearisome," said Kwoter. "Brevity is the soul of wit."

"Not always," replied the observer; "but, in any event, it is always commendable."—Philadelphia Press.

Twenty and Twenty-two.

What is the difference between twice ten and twice eleven? None whatever. Don't you see that twice ten makes twenty and twice eleven makes twenty-two (too)?

The strongest things are in danger from the weakest.—Rossetti.

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
Steers \$3.10 to \$5.50.
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Calves \$2.50 to \$4.60.
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THEATRE TALK

AS THE YEARS GO BY AND "THE TWO ORPHANS" PLAYS LARGE AND INTERESTED AUDIENCES SEASON AFTER SEASON,

A Story That Will Never Grow Old.

while other plays, good strong plays, too, are born and die in a short time, the question is often asked, why "THE TWO ORPHANS" has outlived thousands of other plays? In a word one might answer because it has all the elements of success which other plays only possess in a degree.

There is scarcely a passion known to humanity that is not shown in its utmost strength, both as cause and effect, in this wonderful play, and withal these fierce human passions are so closely interwoven in the threads of the story that it forms a drama that stands almost unrivalled as regards powerful effect and deepest pathos. In fact, pathos is the keynote struck by a master hand in a way that has drawn the tears of millions of people since its first production. It is doubtful if a story of more pathetic interest has ever been or ever will be written than this tale of two friendless girls



"HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT OF ESCAPE?"

being left alone in the gay city of Paris, both beautiful and one of them blind; their separation, and the hideous dangers they fall into; the bitter hidden yearning of the Countess for the child torn by cruel fate from her breast; the piteous figure of Pierre; the sad history of Marianne, are all phases of life that touch the tenderest chords of our natures.

WORDS AND FASHIONS, CUSTOMS AND MANNERS MAY CHANGE, but as long as humanity exists our passions can never change, good and evil will battle for supremacy, and just so long a play like "THE TWO ORPHANS" that epitomizes the best and worst of life's history will live, and succeeding generations will applaud its virtue and hiss its vice, FOR THE STRENGTH OF THIS PLAY OF PLAYS IS IN ITS TRUE HEART INTEREST.

It is Held as a Cherished Memory

Our patrons tell us it's a pleasure to see such a play and production as this. They couldn't tell us anything that would please us more. THE PLAY WILL BE HERE SOON AND THE MANAGEMENT SAYS "YOUR MONEY'S WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK."

At Clarendon Opera House, Thursday Nov. 10.

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.

Phone for 150 and 11 us all of the local news you can think of that will interest our readers. This will be but little trouble to you, and greatly help us to make a more newsy paper.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Sam Parks left Wednesday night for Haskell on business.

A. T. Cole went to Amarillo Thursday night on business.

C. D. Thager's father from Floydada returned Tuesday, Mrs. Thager with him.

J. M. Brooks left Thursday night for San Antonio and the coast country prospecting.

Willie Holston, formerly a barber here, has moved from Vernon to Chillicothe.

Mr. Benedict tells us he is receiving orders to put in telephones faster than he can supply them.

Dr. Carroll left yesterday for Plainview where he was called on account of the illness of Oscar Reeves.

Mobeetie and Farwell are two Panhandle towns that were granted charters for masonic lodges at the Waco grand lodge.

Buntin & Washington are having material put on the ground for their new 25x70 brick store building. Cottrell has the contract.

Next Wednesday Mrs. Maude Reeves of Clarendon, and V. B. Lane, formerly of Olathe, now of Tulsa, Okla., will be married.

Christmas cantata, "The Coming of the King," given by the Clarendon Choral Club at the College auditorium Thursday night, Dec. 17.

Mrs. Lydia A. Newberry, one of the managers of the Euclid Home of Redeeming Love, an institution for fallen girls and women, was here yesterday seeking funds for that work.

The Band boys will reproduce their play, "The Bank Cashier" next Tuesday night. Proceeds will be divided between the band and fireboys and they should be greeted with a full house.

Jimmie Robinson, formerly of Clarendon, brother of Mrs. Liesberg, spent yesterday here. He has spent the past twelve months in Colorado, but he thinks of returning to Clarendon.

A recital will be given Friday, Dec. 11, by the advanced pupils of Fred A. Harmam, director of music at Clarendon College, assisted by voice and expression pupils, in College auditorium. Public welcome. 8 p. m.

Referee Paddock of Ft. Worth has sent out notices that, out of the proceeds of the wrecked Citizens Bank, which went under a year ago owing depositors \$60,000, he will be able to pay through the local receiver on or after Dec. 12 the small sum of 10 per cent.

New K. of P. Officers.

H. W. Kelley, keeper of seals and records of the local lodge of Knights of Pytheas, hands us the following list of officers elected this week:

- J. W. Houk, C. C.
- E. H. Powell, V. C.
- J. F. Tax, P.
- J. M. Williams, M. of W.
- H. W. Kelley, K. of R. & S.
- G. B. Bagby, M. of E.
- J. A. Potts, M. at A.
- J. B. Anthony, I. G.
- J. H. Rutherford, O. G.
- H. W. Taylor, Trustee.
- H. Mulkey, Rep.

Bazaar on Monday.

The ladies of the Guild will hold a bazaar in the opera house on Monday, Dec. 7th., beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and evening refreshments will be served. Many beautiful articles made by the ladies, suitable for Christmas gifts, will be offered for sale. Special musical programme. The public cordially invited.

Among the grand visitors appointed at the Waco masonic meeting were A. B. Ewing of Childress for the 17th district and A. B. Spencer of Amarillo for the 18th district.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

DONLEY COUNTY STATE BANK,

At Clarendon, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of Nov., 1908, published in the CHRONICLE, a newspaper printed and published at Clarendon, State of Texas, on the 5th day of Dec., 1908.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$100,007 29
Loans, real estate	13,921 94
Overdrafts	6,238 46
Other real estate	2,501 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,600 00
Due from approved reserve agents	\$64,823 29
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	720 19
Cash items	771 10
Currency	6,132 00
Specie	4,539 95
Total	\$202,255 22

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	50,000 00
Surplus fund	1,000 00
Undivided profits, net	875 55
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check	3,463 18
Individual deposits, subject to check	146,796 49
Demand certificates of deposit	120 00
Total	\$202,255 22

State of Texas, } ss.
County of Donley }
We, H. D. Ramsey, as president, and Wesley Knorpp, as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
H. D. RAMSEY, President.
WESLEY KNORPP, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of Dec., A. D., 1908.
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.
[Seal] H. G. SHAW,
Notary Public.

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Memphis.

R. L. Moreman made a business trip to Clarendon Monday.

A Thanksgiving party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Moreman, Thursday evening to a crowd of Memphis young people. The home was very prettily decorated for the occasion.

The local postoffice authorities have received advices from Washington that the free delivery proposed for the Lodge and Indian creek neighborhoods had been granted and that the service would be commenced as soon as the patrons along the line had installed suitable boxes for the reception of the mail in convenient places.

With this issue the Democrat changes editorship, F. L. Vanderburg having disposed of his interest in the business to B. F. Shepherd, who will thus become half owner in the business, with J. R. Brumley, and will assume the editorial chair vacated by Mr. Vanderburgh, though he will not become actively engaged in the business until Dec. 15th.

A Popular Play.

The "Two Orphans" will be the especial attraction at the opera house Thursday Dec. 10. It is an old favorite coming with the especial attraction of a new and careful production by Manager G. Conrad, well known through his ownership and direction of several other successful companies. The popularity of the "Two Orphans" will be heightened, it appears, by this presentation of it. Mr. Conrad uses the only authorized Kate Claxton version, which she used herself and brings an adequate company with his own scenery.

Bryan-Land Co. guarantee their shoes.

School shoes that wear at Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Desirable Cottages for Sale.

Enquire at this office. Also cottage or two to rent.

The Monitor Gasoline Sad Iron is the most economical and satisfactory iron made. Two cents worth of gasoline is sufficient for a big ironing. Tarlton Brock at the college is agent. Ask him show it to you.

Carlisle's popcorn booth at the bank corner is the place to buy delightful, fresh corn, peanuts and homemade candies.

Finest cut glass at Fleming & Bromley's, the nicest in town. See the window display.

Our fall stock of Dorothy Dodd shoes are on display. See them. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

The best and cheapest line of cook and heating stoves in town at H. C. Kerbow's—the Charter Oak. Call and see them.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 26. Meets every Tuesday night. Visiting Knights invited to attend. G. B. BAGBY, C. H. W. KELLEY, K. of R. & S.
Pythian Sisters—Panhandle Temple, No. 58. Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights at Pythian Hall. Mrs. H. B. WHITE, M. E. C. Mrs. JOHN M. CLOWE, M. of R. & C.
Modern Woodmen of America—Clarendon Camp No. 12, 429. Meets every Saturday night at Woodman Hall. R. T. JOHNSON, Clerk.
Royal Neighbors—Auxiliary to Modern Woodmen. Meet 1st and 3rd Thursday in each month in Woodman Hall. Mrs. R. T. JOHNSON, Oracle. Mrs. H. W. KELLEY, Recorder.

Way to Make Most of Life.

A well regulated mind, a dignified independence of the world, and a wise preparation to possess one's self in patience whatever circumstances may exist, is in the power of every man, and is greater wealth than that of the Indies, and greater honor than Caesar ever acquired.—Timothy Dwight.

One of the Few Great Plays.

The fame of Kate Claxton as the blind girl, Louise, eclipsed for a time the brilliancy of the play, "The Two Orphans," but the true greatness of the play has restored it to its proper place in the public mind, and it is now, in spite of all modern fads, permanently fixed in general opinion as one of the few greatest plays ever written. A new company will be seen in the play at opera house Thursday Dec. 10.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Our school shoes are guaranteed. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

If it isn't an "Eastman" It isn't a Kodak.

The only place to get the Eastman Kodak is at Stocking's store.

"Star brand shoes are better." Sold by Bryan-Land Co.

You will find the latest samples of 1908 wall paper at Stocking's store.

All the latest designs in jewelry may be found at Fleming & Bromley's. Also have a nice line of beautiful diamonds.

Souvenir post cards, pretty views in colors, of every town of importance in Texas. I have them; 2 cents each, postpaid. Henry Law, Goodnight, Tex. 9 tf

Posted.

Our property on Kelley creek is posted and hunters and other trespassers must keep out or will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
J. B. McCLELLAND
MRS. L. W. McCLELLAND.

If you are a reader of the Chronicle the news is not old and stale when you get it.

COMMON SENSE

Leads most intelligent people to the only medicine of known composition. Therefore it is that Dr. Pierce's medicine, the maker of which print every ingredient entering into them upon the bottle wrappers and attest its correctness under oath, are daily giving in favor. The composition of Dr. Pierce's medicine is open to everybody. Dr. Pierce being desirous of having the searchlight of investigation turned fully upon his formulae, being confident that the better the composition of these medicines is known the more will their great curative merits be recognized. Being wholly made of the active medicinal principles extracted from native forest roots, by exact processes original with Dr. Pierce, and without the use of a drop of alcohol, triple-refined and chemically pure glycerine being used instead in extracting and preserving the curative virtues residing in the roots employed, these medicines are entirely free from the objection of doing harm by creating an appetite for either alcoholic beverages or habit-forming drugs. Examine the formula on their bottle wrappers—the same as sworn to by Dr. Pierce, and you will find that his "Golden Medical Discovery," the great blood-purifier, stomach tonic and bowel regulator—the medicine which, while not recommended to cure consumption in its advanced stages (no medicine will do that) yet does cure all those catarrhal conditions of head and throat, weak stomach, torpid liver and bronchial troubles, weak lungs and hang-on-coughs, which, if neglected or badly treated lead up to and finally terminate in consumption. "Take the 'Golden Medical Discovery' in time and it is not likely to disappoint you if only you give it a thorough and fair trial. Don't expect miracles. It won't do supernatural things. You must exercise your patience and perseverance in its use for a reasonable length of time to get its full benefits. The ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed have the unqualified endorsement of scores of medical leaders—better than any amount of lay, or non-professional, testimonials. They are not given away to be experimented with but are sold by all dealers in medicines at reasonable prices.

Have you renewed for 1908?

An Iron Tip.
Teacher—Johnny, can you tell me how iron was first discovered?
Johnny—Yes, sir.
"Well, just tell the class what your information is on that point."
"I heard pa say yesterday that they smelt it."

Sarcastic.

"When reverses come you find out who your friends are."
"So."
"Yes. They immediately proclaim that they knew you were an accident."
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

First-class Shop Work.

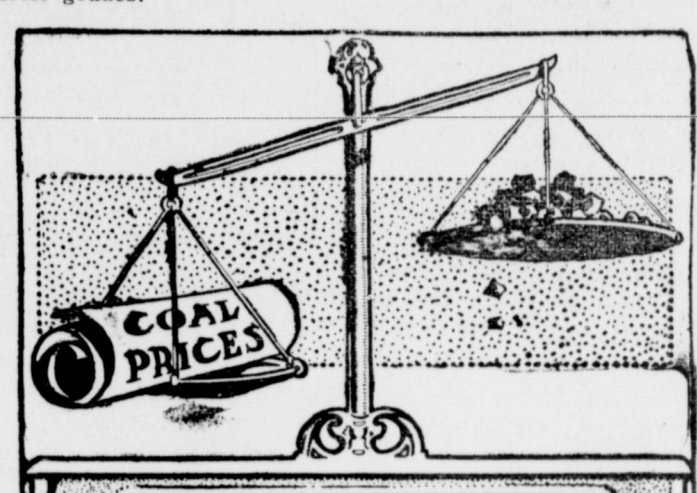
I have bought the Dick Allen carpenter shop, and I invite all classes of carpenter and cabinet work, furniture repairing, etc. Window and door frames, mouldings, baseboards, mantles and scroll work put up in the best of shape and all work guaranteed.
L. D. Clark, Mgr.,
Clarendon Planing Mill Co.

Found—Bunch of keys, left at this office for owner.

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THE TWO ORPHANS

A PLAY THAT HAS ATTRACTED UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION THE WORLD OVER IS

CLARENDON OPERA HOUSE THURSSDAY NOV. 10

Fall and Winter Plowing

In detailing the advantages from the standpoint of a farmer, it is common to say that plowing may be done right through the winter. This is true, plowing may be done. But mighty little of it is done. With the exception of the sandy soils, which blow if plowed during the winter, there is every advantage in getting all the plowing done before February 1st. When the plowing is done during the fall and winter all vegetable matter may be plowed under to add its store of fertility to the soil. The sun and frosts will loosen up some plant food in plowed land and make it available to start the young plants off rapidly in the spring. The insects which have gone into the ground to rest and get ready for the job of eating up your crops will get their plans altered if you plow them out, and many of them will be killed. And with the plowing done you'll have time to plant the crops properly at the right time. You know you can't get that done if you put everything off until late in March. —Oklahoma Farm Journal.

Aversion to Labor Wrong.

The following from a writer to an agricultural paper has thoughts that should be stamped indelibly on the mind:

We must get out of the habit of making the impression upon children that education is most useful in enabling them to live without work. That seems to be the basic idea of all children. That is the reason the education of the negro is opposed. I know a country superintendent who loves to tell the pupils of how he has climbed to his present high position from that of a common laborer at 50 cents a day; and children now think he is living without work and want to get to the same point. At least such is the impression made upon them by his talk to them as he makes his rounds. They should be taught to memorize this little verse:

This is the gospel of labor—
Ring it, ye bells of the Kirk,
The Lord of love
Came down from above
To live with the men who work.
This is the rose He planted,
Here in this thorn-cursed soil,
Heaven is blest
With perfect rest;
But the blessing of earth is toil.

If they could get this idea into their heads, there would be none of listlessness so commonly seen among those children who have imbibed the idea that they will not have to work when they get an education, the worst thing that can befall any mortal.

Texas towns that would grow should get away from the idea that sentiment will mix with steam or pessimism with progress. A commercial club is a first-class separator. Get the separator working—then hit the line hard.—Fort Worth Star.

Representative William P. Hepburn of the Eighth Iowa district, the only republican candidate for reelection in that state who was defeated on Nov. 3, may contest the seat of his successful democratic opponent.

A Lucky Horseshoe.
The Australians when they find a horseshoe throw it over their shoulder. A lady in Sydney found one and threw it gracefully over her shoulder. It went through a hatter's window and hit a customer who was trying on a new hat. This gentleman, under the impression that one of the shopmen in a fit of temporary insanity had played the trick, promptly struck him and sent him through the plate glass window. A general melee ensued, although on consideration nobody knew what it was all about.

The Old, Old Story.
Old Lady (reading a letter from her son in college)—Lor' sake alive, Josiah, if John ain't gone an' done it! An' he warn't no hand for the gals neither!

Her Woes Half—Wut's the trouble, Samantha?
Old Lady—Why, he says he's fallen in love with Belle—er—Belle Lettore.—Brooklyn Life.

His Thanks.
"I notice," said the young man's employer, "that you are always about the first in the office in the mornings."
"Thank you, sir."
"Why do you thank me?"
"For noticing it."—Chicago Record-Herald.

This office for neat job work.

The Worship of Serpents.

The small town of Werda, in the kingdom of Dahomey, is celebrated for its "temple of serpents," a long building in which the priests keep upward of a thousand serpents of all sizes, which they feed with the birds and frogs brought to them as offerings by the natives.

These serpents, many of them of enormous size, may be seen hanging from the beams across the ceiling, with their heads pointing downward and in all sorts of strange contortions. The priests make the small serpents go through various evolutions by lightly touching them with a rod, but they do not venture to touch the largest ones, some of which are large enough to in fold a bullock in their coils.

It often happens that some of these serpents make their way out of the temple into the town, and the priests have the greatest difficulty in coaxing them back. To kill a serpent intentionally is a crime punished with death, and if a European were to kill one of the authority of the king himself would scarcely suffice to save his life. Any one killing a serpent unintentionally must inform the priest of what has occurred and go through the course of purification which takes place once a year.

Artificial Limbs.

"A manufacturer or dealer in artificial limbs who wears a cork arm or leg himself is much better equipped for business than his competitors who are sound," said a man who uses a cork leg. "In fact, it has become a sort of unwritten law among us to patronize such men when possible. Sentimental reasons may have something to do with the case, but I guess the chief reason is that we consider that if a man can make a limb for himself that fits like the paper on the wall he can make it for others. Manufacturers of artificial limbs know this, and frequently you will find an advertisement like this: 'The So-and-so artificial leg is built by a man who is wearing one and who knows from experience what you want for comfort.' This is a strong argument, for it's no easy thing to get an artificial limb that just fits. Persons who have trouble getting shoes that are just right are in great luck compared to us."—New York Sun.

An Admiral's Stories.

One of the English admirals has a choice collection of stories at the expense of laymen placed in office at the admiralty as a consequence of a turn of the political wheel. Of one lord of the admiralty he told a delightful house of commons how, receiving a report of disaster to a ship couched in technical phrase, he wrote a reply remonstrating with the officer for his use of bad language. Another civilian lord, looking over a chart and observing that one of his majesty's ships, homeward bound, passed within a space of two inches on the chart an island where cast-away sailors were sheltering, wanted to know why it could not call and relieve them. The admiral explained that the two inches on the chart meant a distance at sea of 4,000 miles.—London Strand Magazine.

Boone's Portrait in Oil.

There never was but one oil portrait of Daniel Boone painted from life, and that was by Chester Harding, a distinguished artist of Boston, who came to Missouri in June, 1820, and painted it in the residence of Flanders Callaway, Boone's son-in-law, where Boone was then living, near the village of Marthasville, in Warren county. The Rev. James E. Welch, one of the oldest Baptist preachers in the state and father of Alkman Welch, attorney general of Missouri during Governor Gamble's administration, sat in Boone's bed behind Boone for him to lean against while Harding painted the picture, the pioneer being too feeble to sit alone. Harding's portrait of Boone now hangs in the state capitol at Frankfort, Ky.—Kansas City Star.

The Glass Snake.

The slowworm is the snake which country people tell you has the peculiar property of breaking itself into bits, each piece afterward surviving. The truth differs slightly from the legend. The slowworm is a timid creature and when first captured tightens all its muscles, thus reducing itself to a remarkably rigid state, in which condition it will no doubt snap like a dry twig; but, needless to say, only the upper and vital portions survive the ordeal.—London Globe.

What the Jury Thought.

During a trial for assault in Melbourne a club, a rail, an ax handle, a knife and a shotgun were exhibited as the instruments with which the deed was done. It was also shown that the assaulted man defended himself with a scythe, a revolver, a pitchfork, a chisel, a hand saw and a dog. The jury decided that they'd have given a sovereign apiece to have seen the fight.

A Dainty Combination.

"You can't tell," said uncle to us; "you can't tell Feller I know that's a aesthetic artist—know what he does? He smokes chewin' terbaccer in a pipe that's made o' rubber. Honest, he does. An' he claims his health is dellcut!"—Cleveland Leader.

Didn't Want Agony Prolonged.

Missionary—Will you do me a favor? Cannibal—What is it? Missionary—When you get ready to eat me, I wish you would arrange it so that I can be a quick lunch rather than a course dinner.—New York Press.

Invitation Declined.

"As Shakespeare says," remarked Cassidy, who was fond of airing his "book larin'," "what's in a name?"
"Well," replied Casey, "call me what that Ol don't like an' Ol'll show ye."—Kansas City Newsbook.

HUMOR OF THE HOUR

It Didn't Come Off That Time.

Billy had been taught that it is a sin to lie, so of course he never meant to tell a lie. Whenever he did stretch the truth, which occasionally happened in spite of his good intentions, he did so merely through the exuberance of his lively imagination. One day just as Billy perpetrated one of his whoppers the recently mended heel of his shoe came off. His mother noticed that the accident and the lapse from truthfulness coincided.

"There," she said severely; "see what happened to you as a result of your wickedness. Hereafter whenever you tell a falsehood something terrible will happen to you."

"Will my boot heel always come off?" asked Billy. "Quite likely," she replied. "If it isn't that it will be something equally bad."

For several days after that Billy talked but little, and what few statements he did make were carefully weighed beforehand. One day upon his return from school he became less cautious and entertained the family with the account of an incident that had enlivened his trip home. The story seemed quite plausible, and no one would have thought of doubting his veracity had his shoe, after looking at the heel of his Billy, exclaimed triumphantly:

"There, it didn't come off that time anyhow."—New York Herald.

Discreet Prophecy.

"Why do you invariably predict the coldest winter we have had in years?"
"Well," answered Professor Blather-ton, "if it comes true people necessarily give me credit for great wisdom. And if it doesn't come true they are too thankful to hold any grudge."—Washington Star.

A Cause of Joy.

Jamie was begging his father for a second helping of preserves. "When I was a boy," said his papa, "my father only allowed me to have one helping." Jamie was silent for a minute and then asked, "Aren't you glad you live with us now, daddy?"—Denver Republican.

Easily Sulted.



She—I prefer a man of deeds.
He—Then take me. I'm a lawyer.

One Advantage.

"I found that I was smoking too much, so I changed from cigars to a pipe."
"But you smoke all day long now."
"Yes, but one has to stop now and then to fill a pipe, you see."—Cleveland Leader.

Hobo Logic.

Tired Timothy—I never ask a crusty man.
Languid Lewis—Don't you see?
Tired Timothy—Naw, I offers ask fer meat, 'cause den I'm shore uv git-ting de cold shoulder.—Chicago News.

Both Guesses Wrong.

Algy—But I weary you, Miss Capsicum, I'm a great talker.
Miss Capsicum—On the contrary, Mr. Feathertop, you don't weary me at all, and I find your small talk very diverting.—Chicago Tribune.

Strictly So.

Magistrate—Is the assault of which the prisoner is accused one of gravity?
Lawyer—Indeed, it is, your honor! It was at the top of a hill my client was struck, and he rolled to the bottom.—Baltimore American.

Possible Explanation.

Mrs. Biggs—My husband seems to be lost in thought about half the time.
Mrs. Diggs—I suppose his ideas are so far apart that he can't help getting lost on the way from one to the other.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Hors d'Oeuvres.

Indignant Patron—Why, this is an outrageous price for just a small plain dinner.
Bland Proprietor—You forget, sir, the number and variety of microbes you've eaten!—Puck.

Quarrel in the Woods.

"You're lots more of a coward than I am," declared the squirrel.
"Maybe, but I'm not nearly so much of a tall bearer," answered the rabbit, wiggling its nose insultingly.—Kansas City Times.

Needed Practice.

"Little girls should be seen and not heard, Ethel."
"I know, mamma. But if I'm going to be a lady when I grow up I've got to begin practicing talking some time, you know."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Contradiction.

Although a woman's age is undeniably her own, she does not always own it.—Exchange.

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Your Cold. Try It

The uniform success that has attended the use of this remedy in the cure of bad colds has made it one of the most popular medicines in use. It can always be depended upon to effect a quick cure and is pleasant to take.

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