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The Boers Score a Great Victory. British Lose 600.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The astounding and utterly unexpected reverse of the British at Magaliesberg, the news of which was broken to the nation exactly one year after Gen. Buller's defeat at Colenso, effectually disposes of any hope that the war in South Africa is nearly ended and completely abated the myth that the operations there were merely of a guerrilla nature. As Mr. Lloyd-George, Liberal, said in the House of Commons today, "this is one of the most severe reverses suffered by the British and it is quite evident the war will drag on for many months to come. DeWet is making England the laughing stock of the world. We have 210,000 men in the field, yet we are unable to protect ourselves from disaster at the hands of small commanders drawn from a pastoral people."

The extent of the reverse and the disgrace of such a large body of men surrendering to a small contingent of B. rs has created a feeling of shame and astonishment, which finds free vent. With somewhat cruel coincidence the Northumberlanders are known as the "Fighting Fifth." The second battalion to which the captured companies belong was one of the heaviest sufferers at Stromberg a year ago. The regiment has often been pronounced by home and foreign critics to be one of the finest in the British army. All the forebodings and criticisms, which Colenso gave rise to a year ago, have been resurrected by the disaster at Magaliesberg. The War Office has nothing to do but "grin and bear it," and trust to time. Until Gen. Kitchener's forces are transformed into mounted infantry and the mounted police get to work Mr. Broderick sees little hope of improvement in the military situation. But whoever was responsible for the surrender at the Magaliesberg is likely to suffer for the new War Office officials are determined to make examples of Generals or any other officers guilty of such gross mismanagement, or worse, which, it would seem, must have occurred at this last defeat.

Lord Kitchener under date of Dec. 15 reports to the War Office from Pretoria as follows: "Clement has come to me. He says the four companies of the Northumberlanders held out on the hill as long as their ammunition lasted. The Boer force attacking the hill was 2,000 strong, while another of 1,000 attacked Clement's camp. By 6:20 a. m. the hill was carried. Reinforcements of one company of the Yorkshires failed to reach the top. Clement's retirement was carried out with regularity, but as many native drivers bolted, a considerable amount of transportation was lost. All their ammunition not taken away was destroyed. He reports that all behaved well.

"Broadwood has gone to Rustenburg and supports Oliphant's Nek, which has been reinforced. A flag of truce which has come into Commando Nek from the Boers says Joubert's son was killed and further reports their losses very heavy."

Lord Kitchener reports that eighteen officers and 555 men are missing from Gen. Clement's force. They consist of four companies of the Northumberland Fusiliers: Judging from the message they were captured by the Boers.

Clement's casualties Dec. 13 amounted to five officers and nine men killed and many apparently wounded.

Broadwood's brigade took no part in the engagement.

The Boers suffered severely. Knox drove DeWet north to the Thabanchu-Ladybrand line, which was held by our troops. DeWet's force about 3,000 strong, made several attempts to get through during the day assisted by a force of Boers operating from the north. These attacks were driven back, though some of the Boers south were able to get through the line."

The population of Wichita Falls is 2,480. The population of the county is 6,806.

Bryan Will Establish a Paper Called "The Commoner."

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 15.—William J. Bryan gave out the following interview today:

"I have for several years had in contemplation the establishment of a weekly newspaper, and this seems an opportune time for undertaking it. I intend to devote my life to study and discussion of public questions. I have taken this method because it will best accomplish the purpose which I have in view. Through a paper I will be able to keep in touch with the social, economic and political problems. The paper will at the same time, if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuniary needs, and the work will allow me more time with my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past.

"I expect to lecture occasionally, especially in college towns, where I can speak to students, but my principle work will be done with the pen, or perhaps I should say with the pencil.

"The paper will be called 'The Commoner' and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas City platform. I shall be publisher and editor, and Lincoln will be the place of publication."

Suit Against Greer County.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 18.—The case of the state of Texas vs. Greer County and others, is on trial before Judge Brooks today in the Twenty-Sixth District Court.

The suit was instituted by Attorney General Crane to recover 17,889 acres of land granted Greer County for school purposes. Before Texas lost Greer County as a result of the decision of the United States Supreme Court the county had sold nearly all the land to private parties. This land is located in the State of Texas proper, and the Attorney General is seeking to recover the land for the school fund.

Boxers to be Beheaded.

HONG KONG, Dec. 15.—Reports from Canton announce that several men have been arrested on charges of having pleaded offers of rewards for the heads of foreigners. Twenty of those taken into custody will be beheaded in a few days. A French gunboat has been dispatched to the scene to see that the sentences are properly executed.

Woman Burned to Death.

GUTHRIE, Ok., Dec. 15.—Mrs. James Summers, who was on her way from Cedar County, Mo., with her husband and three little children to the Kiowa and Comanche Indian reservation, was burned to death near the Sac and Fox agency by her clothing catching fire while cooking over a camp fire.

Divorce Cases at Waxahatchie.

WAXAHACHIE, Tex., Dec. 15.—There were twenty-four decrees of divorce granted in the District Court here yesterday, the largest number rendered in one day on record in this county.

To Raise the Maine.

HAVANA, Dec. 15.—Bids were opened today for the work of raising the Maine. Five bids were received the highest by Cavanagh of Boston, who offered to raise the vessel and deliver her to the United States for \$735,000, and the lowest being that of the Schwart Foundry Company, for \$80,000.

School Land Decision.

At the request of Land Commissioner Charles Rogan, Acting Attorney-General Johns handed down an important opinion, which is to the effect that a purchaser of a section of land for actual settlement cannot use that as a basis for securing an additional section of land adjoining, notwithstanding the fact that he has resided upon the original section for three years. In other words, an actual settler can acquire but one section of land at a time upon the same basis.

The commercial record of the United States for 1900 will surpass that of any preceding year, both in exports and excess of exports over imports.

China and the Peace Treaty.

In a recent conversation with the Laffan correspondent Li Hung Chang said that after the treaty of peace is concluded, China will, of her own accord, send envoys to Germany and Japan who will apologize for the murder of Von Kettler and the chancellor of the Japanese legation. China will do anything in her power to comply with the provisions of the treaty except ceding territory. The recent efforts made by Germany to stop looting in the section of the city under their charge shows excellent results. Stores have been reopened, the Chinese returning to their homes.

The state department at Washington is satisfied that there will be no hitch. It is asserted that the only changes which the British government has suggested affect the phraseology and not the principles of the conditions imposed by the powers.

A dispatch to the Standard from Shanghai says information has reached Viceroy Chang Chi Tung that the dowager empress has agreed to accept the following peace conditions: "First, that the emperor return to Peking at an early date; second, that China shall pay an indemnity of forty million pounds; third, that each legation can maintain a guard of 2,000 men."

Rushed Through \$145,245,230 Pension Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—At the rate of more than \$18,000,000 a minute the House of Representatives voted \$145,245,230 for pensions today. The appropriation bill was just eight minutes in passing. It carries the exact amount for the present fiscal year.

The estimated increase of the wealth of the United States in the last decade is \$26,000,000,000, bringing the total wealth of the country up to \$91,000,000,000. This means an average for each inhabitant of \$1,195. The average increase of wealth between 1890 and 1900 was \$337 per inhabitant and the estimated savings \$37.70 per inhabitant. The total wealth of Great Britain is estimated at \$50,000,000,000, or \$1,300 per inhabitant. The annual income of the people is believed to aggregate about \$5,600,000,000. The amount saved yearly is put at \$1,948,000,000, of which about \$974,000,000 finds its way into Stock Exchange investments. The average annual earnings per inhabitant are estimated at \$140, of which about one-third is saved, making the increase of wealth per decade for Great Britain nearly \$19,000,000,000, against \$26,000,000,000 in the United States. The securities domiciled in London are estimated at \$29,000,000,000, of which \$7,000,000,000 are "gilt edged."—Dallas News.

The British Minister now demands a modification of a point in the joint note which is generally regarded as important. This means further delay, as all the Ministers must communicate anew with their respective Governments. Just what the nature of the objection raised by Great Britain the Ministers decline to say, but they admit that the new demand will involve a good deal more diplomatic procedure.

There is a story of a fugitive murderer caught by a mob of lynchers. "How did you know me?" demanded the prisoner. "We recognized you by your picture in the papers," replied the ringleader. "Do I really look like that?" "Yes." "Then hang me."—British Printer.

Delegate Flynn of Oklahoma, in response to numerous inquiries, writes that the Kiowa, Comanche, Apache and Wichita reservations cannot be thrown open to settlement before next autumn. The cause of the delay is the inadequacy of the appropriation to carry on the work of allotment. Hundreds of people have camped along the border waiting for permission to enter.

Colonel D. R. Allison, a veteran of two wars, died in Collin County, Tex., Saturday.

Hard Money Talk and Cheap Money Action.

The report of Secretary of the Treasury Gage is most interesting reading, and shows the difference between republican talk for campaign purposes in the eastern states, and republican action by the McKinley administration. Notwithstanding the howl against the sixteen-to-one silver dollar, the United States mints coined 18,244,984 of them the last fiscal year, besides \$12,876,849 in smaller silver coins, making \$31,121,833 of what the republican politicians called the "dishonest" silver money, furnished to the people by the republican administration in the single year ending June 30, 1900.

And the "silver barons" who were said to be attempting to loot the national treasury and grow rich at the expense of the people, have actually contributed the enormous sum of \$201,275,480.12 to the support of the government since 1878, for Secretary Gage says: "Including the balances on hand at the mints July 1, 1878, the net seigniorage on the coinage of silver from that date to June 30, 1900, was \$202,285,480.12." The secretary doubtless uses the word "seigniorage" instead of "profit on silver coinage" as less likely to call attention of the public to the actual facts of the case, namely, that producers of silver have paid an amount equal to one-tenth of the national debt out of their own pockets into the federal treasury.

The public generally will remember the howl raised by republican officials and politicians when men of other parties declared that the currency was ruinously contracted and that the low price for labor and the products of labor was due to the fact that there was not enough money to do business with. Yet as soon as the republican party was in a position to do so, it commenced to legislate to make money plenty and cheap, and under the operation of laws approved by McKinley, and treasury regulations carried out under his administration, the circulating medium of the country increased in the following sums in the past year:

Increase in silver coinage (year ending June 30, 1900).....	\$31,121,833
Increase in gold coin (year ending June 30, 1900).....	107,938,110
Increase in national bank notes from March 14 to October 31, 1900.....	77,587,038

Total expansion of the currency....

\$216,646,981

If the mint statistics from July to December were accessible, the showing of silver would be still greater for the coinage for the last six months has doubtless been the largest in the history of the government for the same length of time.

The estimated circulation per capita, as stated by the secretary of the treasury, was \$25.60 in November, 1899, and \$27.80 in November, 1900, so that if the money was equally divided every one would have \$2.22 more this year than last. This \$2.22 for each of us, combined with bad policies on the part of democrats on the question of imperialism probably elected McKinley and his friends.—Austin Statesman.

So long as a man is prospering and has plenty of money he can't keep his friends off with an Indian club but as soon as he is unfortunate and starts down grade, most of them grease the track and let him slide. A few of them give him a push for the pleasure of seeing what good speed he can make. Occasionally a friend will be found who is willing to sand the track, but, oh how scarce!—Index.

C. B. Barns, alias J. H. Nelson, one of the bold train robbers who held up a train near New Orleans last week, cut his own throat after being wounded by an officer rather than be arrested alive.

Old papers for sale at this office 15 cents per 100.

Hay-Pauncefote Treaty and Davis Amendment.

Article I. provides that the canal may be constructed under the auspices of the United States Government at its own cost or by gift or loan.

Article II. recites that the general principle of neutralization established in the Clayton-Bulwer Convention is maintained, and that the rules for the free navigation of the Suez Canal shall prevail.

Section 1. of Article II. provides that the canal shall be free and open in the time of peace and war to vessels of all nations.

No discrimination. Section 2 prohibits blockading of the canal or any act of hostility. Section 3 prohibits vessels of war revictualing or taking on stores except in cases of strict necessity.

Section 4 denies the right of any belligerent to embark or disembark troops except in case of accidental hindrance.

Section 5 provides that no belligerent vessel shall remain within three miles of either end of the canal longer than twenty-four hours, except in case of distress, and no belligerent vessel shall depart within twenty-four hours from the departure of a vessel of war of the other belligerent.

The following is the Davis amendment, to be inserted here:

"It is agreed, however, that none of the immediately foregoing conditions and stipulations in sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this article shall apply to measures which the United States may find it necessary to take for securing by its own forces the defence of the United States and the maintenance of public order."

Section 6—The plant of the canal shall enjoy complete immunity in time of war.

Section 7 forbids erection of fortifications.

Article III. provides that the ratification shall be exchanged at Washington or at London within six months from the date, Feb. 5, 1900, when it was signed by John Hay and Pauncefote.

President McKinley sent the treaty to the Senate on the date named.

Washington Letter.

INDUSTRIAL WEST CORRESPONDENCE.

After a number of futile efforts in the house Friday to reduce the tax on beer, the ways and means committee's proposition fixing the tax at \$1.60 per barrel was agreed to by a vote of 139 to 68.

The house also, by a vote of 123 to 106, adopted the amendment offered by Mr. H. C. Smith of Michigan to continue the tax on express and freight receipts, amounting annually to \$1,200,000. The tax to be paid by the company's monthly reports of their business, which are to be made to the commissioner of internal revenues.

Secretary Root appeared before the senate committee on military affairs in regard to the passage of the army reorganization bill as passed by the house. He urged particularly that the committee do its work on the bill and that it be passed with as little delay as possible, owing to the fact that enlistments in the volunteer force expire July 1 1901. No further witnesses will be heard and the bill will be taken up at the next meeting with the purpose of getting a report ready at an early date.

Captain F. W. Dickens has been ordered to the command of the battleship Oregon, which sailed from San Francisco. Captain J. M. Forsyth takes command of the Indiana. Captain Wilde, whose term of sea service has expired, is relieved from the Oregon, and is assigned to shore duty.

The only apportionment bills that will first be considered by the House Committee on census are the Hopkins' bill which holds the house membership at 357, and the Burleigh bill, which provides for an increase of thirty.

The first gives Texas an increase of two members and the latter an increase of three. There is much consultation now among the delegates as to what is desired. The Burleigh will, however, seem to have the best

chance, because under its provisions no State, except Nebraska, will lose, and many States will gain. The Hopkins bill in reality meets the judgement of the House theoretically, because it is realized that the membership of the House is large enough.

There will be no definite information regarding Texas until the House bill with amendments is reported from the Senate Committee on Commerce. That will be in late January. The House bill will not be reported before the holidays.

Saturday the House passed the war revenue reduction bill. The opposition sought to recommit the bill, with instructions to report back a measure reducing the revenue at least \$70,000,000 and including a provision for an income tax so drawn as to escape an adverse decision of Supreme Court. The motion failed—131 to 155. Thereupon the bill was passed without the concurrence of the minority, who refrained from voting. The amendment placed in the bill yesterday expressly to tax receipts was defeated on a no and aye vote in the House—125 to 139.

Tuesday President McKinley transmitted to the Senate the nomination of John G. A. Leishman of Pennsylvania, now Minister to Switzerland, to be Minister of the United States to Turkey. This action means a distinct diplomatic victory for Turkey. For the past nine months determined efforts have been made by the Administration to collect the missionary claims pending against the Sublime Port. Public announcement was made of the fact that Mr. Oscar S. Strauss, Minister to Turkey, would not return to his post because of the failure of the Sublime Port to pay the claims. Suggestions were made to the Turkish Government that in view of its failure to settle the claims it was unnecessary for it to maintain a Minister in the United States. To further impress the Sultan the battleship Kentucky was sent to Smyrna, ostensibly on a visit, but really in the hope that the moral effect her presence would produce would result in action by the Port. All measures have failed and the President has been compelled to acknowledge defeat by accrediting Mr. Leishman to Turkey. There is reason to believe that this policy is not altogether satisfactory to certain officials of the Administration who believe that further pressure should be exercised and the Sublime Port be compelled to pay the claims.

Arthur Hardie of New Hampshire, well known in literature, now serving as Minister of the United States to Greece, Roumania and Serbia, will succeed Mr. Leishman as Minister to Berne.

Charles S. Francis of Troy, N. Y., whose father was Minister to Austria, was nominated to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Hardie's transfer. Mr. Francis belongs to "the black wing" of the Republican party and is editor of a Republican newspaper in Troy.

C. L. Thurston, son of Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, was nominated for the post of secretary of legation to Argentina. Mr. Thurston succeeds the late Francis Jones, who lost his life at Hot Springs, Virginia.

Ex-Gov. Altgeld, of Chicago, says that Bryan is two million votes stronger than any other Democrat. This leaves the real strength of the Democratic party about three million votes less than that of the Republican party. Does look a little like Democracy is on the road to the graveyard.—Missouri World.

Professional bank robbers raided the Cashier Bank in Kingfisher Co., Ok., Sunday night and blew it all to pieces. Three thousand two hundred dollars was taken. They cut through

At this time when we are all so generally happy and satisfied with the outcome of our year's labors, as shown in good crops, debts paid, and cleared cash, it is quite appropriate that we consider a trip home at Christmas. By going back and telling what can be done out here in Northwest Texas, which we are prepared to prove from personal experience, it will not be hard to induce desirable settlers to come and throw in their lots to help further develop this region. We need neighbors here, and a little talk from a friend will do more than carloads of printed matter and advertising. Consider carefully the pleasure that those at home would have in seeing you also the benefit you would derive from a little holiday vacation.

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Clarendon, Texas, Dec. 21 1900.

A drunken statesman may do more harm than a drunken soldier...

In view of the renewed activity of the Boers we rise to remind England that we are at the beginning of a new, whole century...

WHEN Congressmen can vote away more than \$145,000,000 in eight minutes and refuse to lower the war tax within \$30,000,000 of the recommendation...

CONGRESSMAN BAILEY'S connection with a reinsurance of a permit to the Waters-Pierce Oil company...

HANNA may be just as bad as the democrats picture him, but he is certainly no worse than Croker...

BUSINESS activity is noted everywhere, merchants have employed more clerks, who are kept on the jump to wait upon the throngs...

Ramsey has the finest and biggest line of Xmas goods ever brought to Clarendon. Call and see them.

The railroads may prove to be the most successful reformers we have ever had. The Burlington Railway Co. require that its employees shall use no tobacco or liquor while on duty...

All Again Agreed. PEKIN, Dec. 19.—At a meeting of the foreign Ministers late this evening everything in regard to the terms of the joint note was agreed to, including the British modifications...

Strike Still On. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 19.—A telegram to night from O. R. T. headquarters in Chicago to the managers of strike affairs at Dallas, stated that an important conference of sympathetic organizations was held at Chicago today...

There is no change in the Texas situation. Written protests against crippled freight service, signed by nearly one hundred merchants in a half dozen towns on the lines of the Santa Fe system in Texas, were made public today.

Million Dollars For Galveston and \$750,000 For Trinity River.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Despite the secrecy which the rivers and harbors committee has thrown about themselves, some of the provisions of the bill have leaked out, although the bill will not be reported until after the holidays...

Texas members are disposed to think that these figures are liberal in view of the multitude of demands for harbor improvements from all parts of the country. So far as the Trinity is concerned, this is an initial appropriation, and if the project is as meritorious as its friends claim, there will be no cessation of appropriations in future congresses.

Penitentiary Reports. AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—The state penitentiary board was in session this morning in the executive office. They approved the monthly report of Superintendent J. S. Rice for November. The report showed that on November 1, 1900, there were 4109 convicts on hand, 115 new convicts were received during the month, none were recaptured or returned by sheriffs during the month...

Gen. Knox Stopped. LONDON, Dec. 19.—It is reported this afternoon that General Knox has been forced to abandon the pursuit of General DeWet, owing to the situation created in Cape Colony by the Boers crossing the Orange River. It is said Cape Colony and a similar number have reached Phillipstown. The report adds that DeWet, with about 4500 men is northeast of Ladybrand and an attack on Winburg is momentarily expected.

It costs money to run the kind of paper we do, and of course we want every subscriber we can get, but we want every one satisfied, and any one not satisfied who has subscribed can have it stopped at the end of 3 months and his money refunded if he will state the cause of his dissatisfaction.

Latest styles of Jewelry just received at Clower the Jeweler.

PANHANDLE NEWS.

The Globe, mechanically the neatest paper in Vernon, has started in on its seventh volume.

Why is the Panhandle God's country? Because, if a person cannot live happy here where nature seems to have put forth extra effort to please every sense of mankind, he is not of God's creatures.—Miami Chief.

We have heard from Michael Hilti, who informs us that he has located for good at Clarendon. The News wishes him much success and happiness in his new home, at the same time it regrets to know that he has left old Baylor.—Seymore News.

A contract has been let at Wichita Falls for a large flour mill and elevator to replace the plant of the Wichita Mill and Elevator Company destroyed by the fire Nov. 11 to cost \$35,000. The citizens also expect to have a sugar refinery to work up sugar beets.

Vernon has shipped this year 5,000 bales of cotton, 110 cars of wheat, and 140 cars of oats and corn. Besides this, the two cotton yards of the city are crowded, and in the storage buildings there are thousands of bushels of grain awaiting shipment.

Jeff B. Hagler and Thomas Madden Kell, of Vernon, have bought the Scott & Hammon pasture in Wheeler county and will stock it with yearlings. The pasture contains 26,500 acres and, being well supplied with grass and running water, is regarded as one of the best pastures in the Panhandle.—Canadian Record.

Nuts and fruits of all kinds at Griffin's.

Uncle Rube.

The above comedy was played at the opera house last Wednesday night by the Clarendon Dramatic Company to a well filled house. Each one was well up with their part and rendered it accordingly.

Walter Taylor as Bub Green, an awkward country boy, created a great deal of mirth and acted his part admirably, while Mr. Decker as Uncle Rube, kept things going at a lively rate. Miss May Barnhart as Taggs, a waif from New York and Miss Wheeler and Miss Flora McKillop did their part exceedingly well, as did each of the others.

Taking all into consideration, the play was a decided success and we have heard many favorable comments upon it.

The play is to be reproduced Monday Dec. 31. Everyone should hear it.

"THE FULL DINNER PAIL"

"The 'full dinner pail' slogan which the Republicans worked during the late campaign was hit upon by mere accident," said a New York newspaper man who was in the city recently. "The idea suggested itself one day to Grant Hamilton, who is the present art editor of Judge, but when he mentioned it to his associates in the office they received it coldly. You see, Hamilton comes from a small town in Ohio where dinner pails are as plentiful as blackberries, but in New York no workman would think of lugging around such a machine, and they are almost absolutely unknown. None of the fellows in The Judge office had ever seen one. 'What do they look like, anyhow?' asked a member of the staff. 'I'll draw you a diagram,' replied Hamilton, but when he attempted to do so he found that he had forgotten how the confounded thing looked. He couldn't remember whether the cup attachment was on the top or the bottom. 'Just then Zimmerman, the caricaturist, came in. 'Hello, Zim!' exclaimed Hamilton. 'Did you ever see a dinner pail—an old fashioned tin dinner pail, with a knife sticking on the outside?' 'Did it' replied Zim, who boasts of having painted signs in his early days. 'Why, I used to carry one of 'em myself!' However, when he attempted to draw a picture of the contrivance he fell down almost as hard as his chief. 'I'll go out and find one of the real things,' he said, and accordingly he and Flohr and Tom Higgins of The Judge art department organized themselves into an exploring expedition and started out. After much prowling they discovered a bona fide pail at a household supply store and bore it back in triumph. Hamilton used it as a model for a 'full dinner pail' which he introduced into his next cartoon, and the thing made such a hit that it was soon afterward adopted as a campaign emblem by the Republican national committee."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Funny Men in Congress. Congress always has its funny men. Sometimes there are two or three. The funny man of this house is Private John Allen of Tupelo. He has held the position for the past 10 or 12 years. Before him was Sunset Cox, whose heart was broken because the house would not take him seriously long enough to make him speaker. Allen also has been handicapped by his reputation as a humorist. He is the ablest man in Mississippi and the best known, and yet he has never been able to secure an election to the senate. This is Allen's last congress, and so the place will be vacant soon. It will probably be filled by Champ Clark. When Senator Mason of Illinois was in the house of representatives, his reputation was that of a humorist and nothing else.—Ainslee's Magazine.

WE DO NOT EXTENSION OF TIME. THE GLOBE STUDIO Will Leave Clarendon January 1st 1901. W. D. HARPER, Manager.

STATE NEWS.

Lloyd Melone, a young business man of Dallas was accidentally shot and killed Sunday by one of his companions while out hunting.

There was a report Wednesday night that 25 convicts, several life-term prisoners, had escaped from the coal mine in Brazos county.

Two robbers boarded a Cotton Belt train last week between Mt. Pleasant and Texarkana and knocked the mail clerk down with a shovel and nailed the mail and registered packages.

The Lillard Banking Company, a private institution doing business at Decatur has made application to Washington for a charter as a national bank. The new name will be the City National Bank, with a paid-up capital and surplus of \$75,000.

During the past few days the editor has written deeds to two little farms which more than paid for themselves this year. One which sold for \$675 cleared this year \$700 above all hired help, and the one which sold for \$575 made \$700 worth of cotton alone, besides some other stuff.—Bridgeport Herald.

GENERAL NEWS.

A member of Parliament charged that the British treatment of a woman in South Africa was an outrage.

At Brighton, Ill., a gang of robbers locked the city marshal up, robbed a bank and looted two stores.

Linus Skinner, a Philippine soldier from Connecticut, is sentenced to be shot on Christmas Day for sleeping while on sentry duty.

Six young lady students and the janitor of Frenonia State Normal and Training school, New York, perished in a fire which destroyed the building.

A sensational report from Omaha says the 16-year-old son of Edward Cudaby, the wealthy packer, has been abducted and \$25,000 is demanded for his return.

The verdict in the Jessie Morrison case has caused a division of opinion among the women of Eldorado, and a bitter feud is in prospect. Friends of Mrs. Olin Castle held an indignation meeting.

Ninety carloads of bananas belonging to the trust are spoiling in the Illinois Central yards because of the fight between the trust and the commission merchants of Chicago. The lot is said to be worth \$45,000.

The trial of Jessie Morrison at Eldorado, Kas., for the murder of Mrs. Clara Castle, whose throat she cut because the latter married a man with whom Miss Morrison was infatuated, resulted in a mistrial, nine jurors for acquittal and three for conviction.

General Harrison complains that many reports of his Ann Harbor address on Porto Rico and the Philippines were incoherent. In an abstract of his address made under this direction, which was issued today, he takes grounds that the civilized persons in the Philippines are citizens of the United States.

A large force of men are at work on Navajo Mountain, on the eastern line of Greer county, adjoining the Kiowa and Comanche reservation, quarry granite. They have a contract to take out a large amount of granite this winter for the Ruck Island Railway Company, which will extend its Fort Sill line west to Navajo in the spring.

Wheat is growing so rank in the Arkansas valley wheat belt of Kansas, embracing the territory that produced over 40 million bushels last year, that the farmers are advertising to take stock free for the purpose of eating it down. The indications at this time for the crop are 25 per cent more favorable than they were at the same time last year.

Professional bank robbers raided the Cashion Bank in Kingfisher Co., Ok., Sunday night and blew it all to pieces. Three thousand two hundred dollars was taken. They cut through the wall of the vault and blew open the safe with nitro-glycerine. The report of the explosion was so terrific that it wrecked the building and awakened the people. Several persons got up to see what had happened. One man says he noticed five or six men and a wagon at the bank. All the bank's cash \$3200 was taken.

Telephoning without wires was successfully accomplished Saturday by transmitting the voice across the Mississippi River near the Franklin bridge, Minneapolis, a distance of 1,000 feet. A cold day and a cutting wind made the experimental work anything but pleasant and toward the close of the experiments seriously interfered with the transmitters, as the moisture from the breath froze on them and stiffened them to such an extent that a fire had to be built to thaw them out.

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RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.
Baptist, Every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. L. Skinner, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday night, 8 p. m. U. S. P. U. S. P. every Sunday.
M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. J. S. Benson, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.
Christian, — Elder Arthur W. Jones, pastor. Services every Sunday except 3rd. Society of Christian Endeavor every Sunday afternoon. Prayer meeting Friday nights, Sunday school Sunday 10 a. m.
Presbyterian—Services every Sunday 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Rev. W. F. Dickey, pastor. Sunday school every Sunday 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:30 p. m. Meets in the Court House. Every body cordially invited.
Catholic, 3d—Rev. _____ priest in charge.

SOCIETIES.
I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meets every Thursday evening in their hall in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. J. A. Hill, N. G.
F. A. W. B. T. Sec'y.
EVENING STAR ENCAMPMENT No. 143, I. O. O. F. Meets 1st Tuesday night in each month. JOHN LACROIX, C. P.
FRANK WARD, Sec'y.
A. F. & M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Saturday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. J. FISHBURN, W. M. H. B. BLANKENBUSH, Sec'y.
CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. F. MORGAN, Sec'y.
W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall 2d and 4th Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. W. T. JONES, C. C.
W. R. SILVEY, Clerk.
CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR—Meets every third Friday of each month at 7:30 o'clock in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. W. H. HARRIS, W. M. H. B. GRACE WARD, Sec'y.
K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90, Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday night in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's building. Visiting Knights cordially invited. W. H. COOKE, C. C. MORRIS ROSENFIELD, K. of R. S.

Business locals ten cents per line first insertion, five cents for subsequent, and all notices run and are charged for until ordered out. Job work cash on delivery, other bills on first of month.

Business Locals.
All kinds of china and crockery ware at Anderson's.
Jan. 1st is our last day in Clarendon. The Globe Studio.
For an up-to-date sewing machine go to Anderson.
Largest stock to select from at Clowers the Jeweler.
Ramsey has the finest line of jewelry for Christmas gifts, don't fail to see it.
We leave Clarendon Jan. 1st. No extension of time. The Globe Studio.
When you are around looking for Christmas nuts, candies, etc., don't fail to go to Griffin's. He has them.
Do not fail to try a sack of Anderson's famous B B Flour. Only \$2.25 per cwt.
The stomach is our best friend and the next best is the "Perfect" Baking Powder. It is chemically pure and assists digestion.

LOCAL ITEMS.
Sheriff Lynch of Claude is here today on business.
L. A. Caldwell, of Quanah, spent last Sunday in town.
Mrs. Graves of Goodnight spent last Saturday in town.
There were seven joined the Baptist church last Sunday.
Miss Marjorie Caperton, of Dozier, is spending this week in town.
Clarence Crowe left yesterday to spend the holidays at his old home in Kentucky.
Mrs. Frank Wisrock left Thursday for Ft. Worth, where she will spend a month visiting.
Mrs. Murdock of Goodnight came down yesterday morning and is visiting old friends here.
Mrs. J. L. Williams returned this week from Woodward, Ok., where she has been visiting.
Mrs. Walter Haggard received a message that her father was dangerously ill at Mt. Pleasant and left for that place Tuesday.
Mrs. J. R. Clopton and sister, Mrs. Michaels left Tuesday morning and will spend the holidays visiting at Ft. Worth and Brice.
The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Baptist association will be held at Miami, beginning Friday before the 5th Sunday in this month.
Frank Wright, of Memphis, was in town Tuesday, visiting his sister, Mrs. Meador. He is to be married next Sunday to Miss Jeanie White, of Memphis.

The Entertainment at the College tonight promises to be a good one, as the program gives 16 pieces of interest. The tasty programs were gotten out at this office.
There will be a union Christmas service on Christmas day at 10 o'clock at the Christian church. Rev. Harlow will conduct the service. All ministers, and others, invited.

McClelland Dots.
Mrs. Jeff Owens is visiting the family of Geo. Owens.
Misses Ward and Kieler went to Miami Sunday.
C. E. Shelton went to Mobeetie last Saturday to have Dr. Bice extract a splinter from the iris of his eye.
Bro. Harris preaches every second Sunday morning at Northfork and in the evening at the Peterson school house.
Misses Ward and Stevens have closed their schools for the holidays. They will enjoy Christmas in Clarendon.
Eldridge's new school house is about completed.
All present at the supper and dance, given for the benefit of the Eldridge school house, report a very enjoyable time.
Mr. Gardenhire went to Miami last Monday after a load of furniture. He says his house is about completed. BLACKKEYS.

Giles Gossip.
INDUSTRIAL WEST CORRESPONDENCE.
There was a social and dancing party at Geo. Coursey's on the 14th, and every one reports a pleasant time.
Mr. and Mrs. Watt went to Quanah on the 15th to do some shopping.
Mrs. L. E. Beckwith and little Rallie are visiting in Giles this week. Mr. Beckwith is working on the Tex. Pacific out of Big Springs.
Mr. G. G. Willingham came down from Clarendon the morning of the 14th and returned that evening. He has accepted a position as night operator on the Ft. W. & D.
Miss Annie Copeland came up from Memphis on Monday and returned Tuesday.
Mrs. Daton Shelton was in town on Monday shopping.
Mrs. M. M. Daniels spent Saturday and Sunday visiting in Giles.
Quite a large herd of steers passed through Giles on the 15th enroute to Hall County to be fed this winter.
Sam Bean an old time cowboy on the Diamond Tale ranch is again visiting his old stamping grounds.
Curtis Bros. has another c c of cotton seed. This makes seven cars to unload here. NESTER

Have you been to the Globe Studio? Don't miss it if you want to see some fine photographs.
Railroad Pickups.
The steam shovel has been sent to Fort Worth for repairs.
Wm. Horner, who was employed here by the Denver for several years, but late of the D & R G., is visiting here.
J. A. Sadler, who for several years has been working for the Denver as machinist, severed his connection with the road and left with his family this morning for Denison, where they will make their future home.
Conductor Shaughnessy and the work train crew of the third district have been transferred to first district, between Wichita Falls and Ft. Worth. We regret their departure from Clarendon and sympathize with Mr. Tucker, who was becoming quite a ladies' man.
Lost.
On Monday near the Post office a black jacket. Finder please return to Minnie Oliver at Morris Rosenfelds.
Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment has been thoroughly tested for many years, and is a positive cure for this most distressing and embarrassing of troubles. Price, 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents at Ramsey's drug store.
Fresh oysters at all times at Griffin's.
No field like this store for planting dollars if you expect to get a big crop of values in return. If you are looking for Christmas gifts go to Ramsey's.
My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Sometime ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—THOMAS C. BOWEN, Glencoe, O. For sale by Ramsey.

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We have customers for several ranches—from two to twelve sections, at reasonable figures. If you have such property for sale consult I. W. CARHART & SON, 417
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Then care for them. Dr. Stocking can fit you with Hawk's celebrated glasses. They are not sold by peddlers.
College Scholarship.
Any deserving boy who is not able to pay cash and wants to pay for a scholarship in the Clarendon College in work can do so by making arrangements at this office.
Holiday Excursions.
On Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 31 and Jan. 1 we will sell excursion tickets to all points on this road limited to return until Jan. 3rd at rate of one and one third fare for round trip. Children two-thirds of excursion rate. These tickets will also be sold through over several other Texas roads.
We will sell excursion tickets to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo on Dec. 21, 22 and 23 limited to return until Jan. 20th at one and one fifth regular fare, children one-half of excursion rate.
On Dec. 20, 21, and 22 we will sell to south eastern states good to return within 30 days at one and one fifth fare for round trip. Children one-half of excursion rate. No stop over allowed on any of above excursion rates. For further information enquire of F. A. KENNEDY, Agt.

ARE YOU THINKING,
perhaps, of visiting the folks back home during the Christmas Holidays. If so, you want to
GO THE BEST WAY.
There is but one way—that is via the Texas & Pacific Railway. Anticipating the enormity of the movement to the Southwest, this line has arranged for special trains in addition to its regular service, and will give patrons the choice of going via either New Orleans, Shreveport or Memphis. Tickets will be sold to St. Louis, points in Arkansas and the Southeast, Dec. 20th, 21st and 22nd, limited for return 30 days from date of issue. See any ticket agent about our splendid connections, free chair cars, reservation in sleeping cars, etc., or write to H. P. HUGHES, Traveling Passenger Agent, Fort Worth, Texas, or E. P. TURNER, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.
Colorado has been added to the territory for the sale of Holiday Reduced Sale Tickets. "The Denver Road" will sell at one and one-fifth fare for the round trip to Denver, Pueblo and Colorado Springs, good from Dec. 21st, 22nd and 23rd to January 20th, 1901. This is an unusual opportunity, and "You don't" have to apologise for riding on the Denver Road."
El Paso Mid-Winter Carnival.
Those interested are not exaggerating in the least when they assert that the Mid-Winter Carnival at El Paso will be one of the grandest jubilees ever held in the Southwest.
In addition to numerous attractions which have originated in the minds of the promoters and deduced from suggestions of friends, the enthusiastic management has given a headful of ear and eye to the successes of the Mardi Gras of New Orleans, the Kallips' pageant at Dallas, La. Fiesta de Los Angeles, and various other Carnivals, with the hope that no features productive of mirth, instruction, or interest will be omitted.
The Sons of Montezuma parade will be gorgeous, glittering and grand—eclipsing all former efforts in the history of historical pageants.
The volcanic eruptions of Mt. Franklin will afford a thrilling novelty in spectacular illumination.
The Bull Fights, introducing native Spanish Toreros, will continue each day during the Carnival.
Bands of Indians give their native dances daily.
Cattle roping, rough riding, prize roping contests between cowboys of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico, and vaqueros of old Mexico, and various other "Wild West" features.
Reproductions of Mexican life.
International tournament between golf and tennis clubs of Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico.
Street Fair and Midway entertainments.
Splendid Mexican Music.
In fact, nothing has been neglected. Across the Rio Grande from El Paso is the city of Juarez with its Mexican costumes and customs still unchanged, and the city in itself is productive of unflagging interest.
A few days could not be spent to better advantage than in El Paso during this Carnival. It opens Jan'y 17th, 1901, and continues three days. The hotel accommodations will be of the best and prices reasonable. The Texas & Pacific Ry. will sell round trip tickets at unusually low rates. This is a trip for every one. See any ticket agent, or write for particulars to E. P. TURNER, G. P. & T. A., Dallas, Texas.

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Health shrouder braces are fitted at Dr. Stocking's store.
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Pig's Feet, New crop rice, Gedney's pickles and kraut at Anderson's.
Go to Stocking's store for window glass.
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A mild mannered man whose aim in life is to make of the world one grand "department store" is Bradford Peck. He is wealthy and an enthusiast on the subject of solving all social and economic questions by the formation of "The People's Trust."

Mr. Peck lives in Lewiston, Me., where he is at the head of one of the largest dry goods houses in New England and president of the largest real estate company. He is also president of the Joliet (Ill.) Dry Goods company.

He believes that Bellamy's scheme of life outlined in "Looking Backward" can be put into operation. Indeed he is confident that before the first quarter of the twentieth century shall have ended the entire United States shall have become one grand co-operative concern, with every man, woman and child a shareholder; all enterprises shall be under national ownership, all middlemen, stock jobbers, agents and drummers shall have been done away with; every commodity shall be made and sold at the lowest cost and the lowest price, and every citizen shall enjoy to the fullest the result of his labors.

According to Mr. Peck's great scheme, no person who is willing to work shall be in fear of want through illness or lack of employment.

"In Maine," said Mr. Peck to a New York reporter, "the apples rot on the ground, yet here people starve. Throughout the country there is more food produced than can be consumed, yet men and women go hungry. The bargain counter is the result of underconsumption due to lack of proper system of distribution.

"You may buy clothes at less than the cost of manufacture, yet many men have to go about with ragged clothes. Why? Because of lack of system.

"I believe that by the conservation of energy—by the elimination of the middlemen and the idea of competition—every man, woman and child could live well without money or overwork."

This new movement has been started in Maine by the organization of "The Co-operative Association of America," a "protest against competitive waste and monopolistic greed." Under a charter a primary organization has been started in Lewiston, where the 250 members dine at cost price in a building donated for the purpose.

"The movement so far," said Mr. Peck, "has proved successful and profitable, the profits going entirely to the cause. The next move will be to build apartment houses, where the fullest degree of comfort and health may be enjoyed at the lowest cost. After that a co-operative store will be established."

Mr. Peck's dry goods store is co-operative that will share the employment share in the profits, but he wants to go further.

"All the members of the association should profit by every enterprise. All department stores begin small. The shoemaker and the dry goods man pool their interests, and then the milliner joins them and the clothier and the furniture man, and finally you have a store where everything can be bought."

"Now, that is just how we expect our movement to grow. When, as we hope in the near future, an organization shall control not only restaurants, but model dwellings and stores, and the people of Lewiston see how one-quarter of the city has developed, it is safe to say that they will soon fall into line.

"From the city of Lewiston we hope the movement will soon grow over the entire state, and within 25 years I predict the entire people of the country will be in one grand co-operative organization.

"There will be no trust but the people's trust. Everything will be under national control, just as the postoffice is now.

"Every man will do his share of work according to his ability and shall receive for life enough to support himself well."

"The movement will tend to depopulate great cities like New York, for men will not have to herd in tenements. The farmer, like the doctor, can live in a comfortable apartment and go to and from his work as easily as do the merchants of New York who live far up on the Hudson's banks."

NATION'S WORST DANGER.

Ernest Crosby Says the Dangerous Classes Are Among the Wealthy.

In an address delivered by Ernest H. Crosby before the recent conference on religion in All Souls' church, New York, he said, among other things: "If you want to find the dangerous classes in this city, do not go into the east side among the ignorant, the criminal and the poor; do not go into the Tenderloin to find them or any other like locality. You would not find them by going to Tammany Hall or to the chief of police. But if you had stood at the doors of Delmonico's last night as the members of the chamber of commerce closed in to sit down to the annual dinner of that organization, or had you stood on the streets of this city when the sound money paraders passed by, you would have found them."

"Seven or eight families in this country own one-eighth of its entire wealth," he said. "This was not 20 years ago. The larger the wealth of this country grows to be the fewer the hands it gets into. The cry is, 'Let us have prosperity, no matter where it comes from.'"

"They forget that true men would rather earn \$1 a day as free men than \$5 a day as henchmen."

Mr. Crosby declared that the rights of the people were being yielded up to the favored few. Supreme selfishness underlay the passion for wealth and deadly injustice was done to individuals and classes. It was contrary to the spirit and traditions of the Anglo-Saxon race.

"That race never takes away the rights of any people of its own benefit," he said. "It has always battled and stood up for its own rights."

"The remedy for plutocracy is to remove the condition which makes the undue accumulation of money possible. It would be a good beginning to tax the water out of stock and the unearned increment out of land. But the most important thing of all is to substitute a new ideal in the popular mind."

"The ideal set by Wall street and adopted by the country at large is to get as much as you can for as little as you can."

"The new ideal should be that each man should have his just earnings and nothing else. If he is worth \$20,000 a year, let him have it, but not millions of dollars besides."

"I suppose I shall be designated an anarchist for saying these things. All truth has this character in anarchy to those who exploit the people. I shall, however, continue to speak the truth, no matter how it is designated."

And We Are Visionary. The Glasgow Labor Leader says it is worth quoting that the labor party in office in Australia came into power in January, 1891, and has therefore governed the colonies nine years. Not only in these seven years has the population of the colonies increased steadily, but the excess of the arrivals over the departures is so much greater in those seven years as to show that Australia has been attractive to outsiders. The value of the imports and volume of the exports of the colonies have also increased despite the fact that in 1894 these colonies passed through a severe monetary crisis.

"A strict factory law was passed in 1894, and factories have steadily increased and employment with them. Wages have not fallen, but the rates of interest have fallen in a marked way, showing that capital has not been scared out of the country, while commercial development has been quickened."

The settlement of the land has gone on rapidly. The number of holdings of land and homes of working farmers has increased by several thousands. There is active development of coal and iron mining. The statistics of crime are unusually low, which speaks volumes for the moral conditions of the people. Education figures show that not less than 90 per cent of the population is at school or college, and returns of government savings banks and life assurance offices testify to unusual thrift and prudence in these communicative colonies of Australia.

Proof Enough. Those who scoff at the declaration made by those who favor government ownership of railroads that under that system a passenger could ride from New York to Chicago for \$2 or across the continent for \$5 should know that in Switzerland, where the railroads are owned by the government, one may ride day and night for 15 days for \$6. To those who cannot believe until convinced by a practical demonstration, what more proof do you want? If the government owned the railroads of the United States, workmen of New York or other northern cities could visit the beauties of California every winter, those of torrid southern cities could take a week off to visit the cool retreats of the Adirondacks or of the Rockies every summer, and those of both north and south could revel in seasonable fruits and vegetables the year round. Are these not reasons enough why workmen should work for the system of public ownership? There are other reasons, scores of them, but are not these enough?—Labor World.

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SHORT NEWS STORIES.

The Prince Reproved the Count Her Wish Gratified—A King Oscar Story.

Italy's new king manifests the same horror as his father for everything that is in the least degree shady or unqueerish and has driven out of the army a number of officers who had rendered themselves guilty of unsavory transactions. A short time before his father's death he happened to be obliged to receive in audience a Roman count who he knew had been sneering at the late king's democratic ways. Just as the count was about to take his leave the prince, with a smile, exclaimed, "By the bye, I hear that you are the president of the 'I' company." Some what embarrassed, the count replied: "Certainly; one must find some outlet for one's activity."

"Is there no other outlet for your activity than that?" inquired the prince. "Surely for a man like yourself, there is a number of outlets, such as yours, there is the army, a political career or philanthropy. One of your ancestors, I remember, fell by the side of my ancestor, Emmanuel Filiberto." And then the prince went on to enumerate the names of a number of the count's fathers who had played a glorious role in the military, political and administrative service of Italy. He added: "When one bears such a name as yours, one has no right to serve anything save one's country and humanity."

"But I am not serving anybody," replied the sadly dejected count. "That's so," exclaimed Victor Emmanuel, "you are serving nothing but your own interests." And with that he turned his back to him.

Her Wish Was Gratified. Going abroad on the Oceanic Mrs. Sarah A. Dalley, a Denver woman, made the acquaintance of Paderevski, relates the Denver Post. She had never seen the pianist before and did not recognize who he was. Sitting upon the deck one day beside another female passenger, she watched with impatience the famous Polish chrysanthemum as he paced the deck.

"Dear me," exclaimed Mrs. Dalley like the woman sitting near her, "I should like to run my fingers into that man's hair."

"Would you?" replied the other. "Well, you may do so. That is Mr. Paderevski, my husband. I am sure he would not object. Come; I'll introduce you."

Mrs. Dalley was at first taken aback, but when Mrs. Paderevski explained the circumstances to her husband the pianist laughed heartily. A day or two later Mrs. Dalley came upon him playing a Chopin number in his cabin. She crept up behind him and daintily ran her fingers through his hair, causing him a great deal of amusement.

Trying to Find a Compliment. Among other accomplishments Charles Battell Loomis, the humorist, recites. He imitates Dr. Talmage, says The Saturday Evening Post. "The only time my imitation of Dr. Talmage really goes for anything," said Mr. Loomis, "is when there are a lot of clergymen in the audience. There were 17 on shipboard during a recent transatlantic voyage, and they wanted me to recite it three times a day."

One of the 17 clergymen on board was a silent man from New Hampshire. He did not speak to any one. He did not even speak to the humorist who was turning the ship's company with his droll verses, his imitations and recitations. After they landed at Amsterdam, however, the silent clergyman came up to Mr. Loomis on the dock and held out his hand.

"I've just learned that you are Mr. Loomis, the humorist," he said gloomily. "Some time I hope to know you better."

"That was all he said. He went away with his usual melancholy dignity, and Mr. Loomis is getting gray hairs trying to find a compliment in the remark."

A King Oscar Story. King Oscar of Sweden, who is an accomplished scholar more interested in books than in the affairs of his kingdom, inherits a gift for oratory from his French ancestry and is nothing loath to air it when occasion demands. He even seeks the opportunity to prove his modern conception of a king's obligations and, with several languages at his command, often addresses learned bodies as well as political assemblies. Quite recently, since the present outbreak in China, his majesty, in addressing the members of a society for the cultivation of foreign languages, employed during the evening no fewer than five different tongues. One of the members, after the address, said to the king: "Your majesty is a splendid linguist. Can your majesty speak Chinese?" "Sir," replied the king, with dignity, "I have many failings, as I myself well know, but heaven forbid that I should ever be cursed with such a crime as that!"

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