## Culnoanda Trecturd.



## Colorado Drug Company

Headquarters for

EVERYTHING

Colorado,
Texas.
DISTRICT COURT AD JOURNED BUSY TERM


and recent use of ardent spirits, get them as all the papers have cuse for the commission of crime. the chapter and the law has been
A reasonable doubt was then ex-

vindicated. | plained. If you find the defend- |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| ant guilty of murder in the first | HISTory of the crime |
| degree, let the form of your ver- |  | During Christmas week it seems degree, let the form of your ver- During Christmas week it seems

dict be, 'We, the jury, find the defendant, L.K.Furgeson, guilty and went to the rooms where

 penitentiary for life,' at your

discretion." $\begin{aligned} & \text { day against Furgeson for dis- } \\ & \text { turbing the peace, to which "he }\end{aligned}$ | discretion." |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| The jury retired about $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { turbing the peace, to which "he } \\ \text { pled guilty and paid a fine and }\end{array}$ | - Friday, elected H. J. Free as immediately afterwards secured bout the first ballot, which stood 11 ing Rhodes on the street near the as for the death penalty and 1 for

life sentence. About $7: 30$ the
lop a
out a word, killing him instantly, he de- jury returned with the following $\begin{gathered}\text { It was just four weeks from } \\ \text { the day L. K. Furgeson violated }\end{gathered}$
verdict:
ea for a
the de- We, the jury, find the defend- the law until he received the sen-

## the man urgeson's murder in the first degree, and tence of murder in the first de-

 and also ment in the State penitentiary marked that they have a diffe Hen the J. Free, Foreman. court house. The people of the \begin{tabular}{|l|l} y M. Car-- til Saturday morning. \& The next case was State of <br>
charges and all through the <br>
courts seemed to have decided
\end{tabular} ater, where Texas vs Charles Corbell, charg- to enforce the law with a firmer

lived. The ed with passing a forged instru- hand than ever before. It seems de a strong ment on the Colorado National to be in the very air that crime

penalty and Bank for $\$ 787.65$. The district must cease. As this only will | of Warren | attorney dismissed a companion | make our families and citizen- |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| or |  |  |

Beall was a master argument case on the grounds that defend- mhip safe, and afford that pro-
eloquently delivered. The court ant had plead guilty in the com- tection which the law contem-

all during this$\begin{aligned} \text { was quite } & \text { instrumed on the the City National }\end{aligned}$ the de- before the $\$ 150$. When brough with mu guilty in both cases and plea | guilty. He in- given two years in each case. |
| :--- | der, but was suppes guilty. He Mr. Corbell then informed the

nocent until proven explained murd degree, second de degree, second de
malice, expressed plied malice and set malice, im- that sentence be passed an set forth the Judge Shepherd then pronounce punishment by law for the crime the sentence in open court, Mr in all of the above, described Corbell saying, "I om only sorry homicide, also fixed or settled in- I got into this trouble,
sanity, and instructed them to A motion had been filed for to A motion had been filed for a Adams and S. T. Shropshire had fense was unsettled insanity but late Saturday evening he ap- for the next or Jrew the juror
caused by strong drink and that peared in open court and waived district court. They first drew
the defendant was partially all rights for a new trial and ap- the 16 grand jurors, then 40
drunk when the crfme was com- peal and prayed the court to pass
jurors for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd mitted. Touching this phase the sentence. The court then pro-

It is reported that the grand jury found a number who had they had a little more time still further developments
been brought to light
This state of affairs will go long way toward suppressing crime, and it is an omen for good when the people of a county thus unite in a purpose to punish atozs of the law.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { The jury commission, con } \\
& \text { nosed of }
\end{aligned}
$$

## UURESON RECEIVE LIFE SEN TENGE FOR MURDER IN THE FIRST DECREE

ses--Grand Jury Makes

Since our last report of
the court has made an enviabl
Thursday evening a
ence in the Ferguson case w
ing the case before
putting in the time
p. m. Friday,

Judge Thurmon
light sentence, mak
killed, had threate
ife, also the $p$
caused by strong d
that the defenda
crime was commit
was ably repres
Bealls from Sw
Rhodes form
state's attorneys
appeal for the dea
eloquently delivere
room was crowded
trial. Judge Shep
his charge, whi
lengthy, to the
plained to the jury
ndant was charg
-
to serve on capital cases. The
resident tax payers list was used and all jurors, grand jurors and special venire
were left out,
THE GRAND JURY

The grand jury convened again on Thursday and reported 5 bill
on Friday evening as follows: 1 for delivering liquor minor,
1 for causing liq
ivered to a mino
1 for selling liquor in a prohi
bition district bition district,
1 for disturbing the peace
In the case of E. G, Taylor vs
the T. \& P. Ry. Co., in which judgment had been rendered the week before against the railroad
for $\$ 1925$, a motion and an amended motion for a new trial had been filed and both were overruled by the judge whereupon
the defendant in open court excepted and gave notice of appea
to the court of civil appeals. This was the (second case in this term that has been appealed
to the higher courts, the other one being the *Hargraves negro case, which is a good record for the court.
Late Saturday evening, just before the adjourning of district
court, Judge J. L. Shepherd appointed Messrs T. H. Roe, J. Max Thomas and C. S. Knott as an auditing committee to go over the books of the different offi-
cers, including all the Justices of the Peace in the different pre-
cincts, county clerk and tax collector's rolls and make a full and
complete report to the court its regular June term. This pointed at the request of the grand jury and they were instructed by the court to make a
tabulated statement of all the for wheceived and paid out and commission poses. The count 2nd Monday in February and im- on said roads, and we also recom- shipping cattle. Settled as to mediately on their adjournment mend that road overseers keep the T. \& P. Ry. Co. and trial by On Saturday the grand jury-dition and that they work the Co. A verdict was given vs the ing repy and late Saturday even- roads so far as the time of the M. K. \& T. for $\$ 603,18$, the lows: truebills as for
$\qquad$ 2 for officers failing to do the 6 for hunting on Sundav,
8 for allowing minors to play
$\qquad$1 for giving liquor to a minoafter handing in the followin
report to the court:District Judre Mitchell
December term, 1907, hereb
ceedings of the Commission pro-Court and find that they haverant of law. to-wit: In countowed accounts for groceries andsupplies and issued warrants for
payments for same, anid issuedwarrants for surveying for moremileage than is warranted bylaw, and we recommend that theCommissioners Court take theproper steps and have the partiesrefund to the county the amountthat they do not pay any part of
mount of the county line survey jurors for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Court has allowed accounts mitted.Touching this phase the sentence. The court then pro- weeks, also 50 special veniremen building fences where road hands

##  <br> \#

茫
THE BIG GREEN TAG SALE IS OVER

And we wish to thank the good people for helping us make this sale one of the best we have ever had the pleasure of putting before the peoGreen Tags on some of the goods that we are especially anxious to close out. Such as Ladies' Cloaks, Jackets, Fac inators. Shawls and some of the other elothing. The tags will remain on these goods one week more, so if you wish any of the above, call early and get first pickings.

## A. J. PAYNE

Look for Something Interesting here next week.

## ELLWOOD FENCE This is a picture of Ellwood hog fence. More of this style is used than of all other makes combined. In connection with several strands of plain barbed <br>  <br> The Best Fence on Earth. For Corrals, Cow Pens, and to protect the orchard from rabbits, and the chick ens from the wolves. <br> LIGHTER, STRONGER, AND CHEAPER THAN LUMBER, <br> I have this fence from eighteen to fifty-eight inches high

It Makes a Beautiful Yard Fence



## THE COLORADO RECORD

## Published every Friday at Colorado, Mitchell County

 Texas. Office in Masonic Building. BY THE WHIIPKEY PRINTING CO.F. B. WHIPKEY,.......Pres. and M'g'r F. B. WHIPKEY .... Editor ed also that the health and mor-
al tone of convicts were much
The Racket Store
sistent editorial on "Pay your expecting to gratify morbid cu
Bills," which has been, in some riosity. One man who had ne $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Bills," which has been, in some } \\ \text { cases, inconsistently copied. } & \text { riosity. One man who had nev } \\ \text { er paid more than } 50 \text { cents be }\end{array}$ A judge in Montana has ruled $\begin{aligned} & \text { fore to attend a show, said it } \\ & \text { was "disgustingly decent an }\end{aligned}$ that the right to labor is God-giv- tame." Would as large audienc en and can not be taken from have greeted a first class and anyone. The press reports are distinctly elevating attraction a very meager. Wonder who
been insisting on that right?
A Detroit preacher recently ex-l every year, is one of the great claimed: "There is a hell; there industries created and fostere must be a hell." Certainly; cer-
tainly: but what is the real good
this means. Three ties to the of insisting on it so earnestly? $\begin{aligned} & \text { tree is about the average out } \\ & \text { put in working the timber; tha }\end{aligned}$ Ask your wife if you should
pay your poll tax, and she will
is more than $33,000,000$ trees
Did you ever see a forest large quite likely tell you that she'd as that? Imagine that numbe be ashamed of you if you didn't of tress destroyed every year to
pay it. That ought to settle the keep up the railroad track alone. pay it. That ought to settle the
queep up the railroad track alone
question. Mothers, sisters and As the average life of a tie is sweethearts, share the same five years and as it requires lon opinion. $\qquad$ man the Furgeson case was with- tie, it is easy to predict the fina drawn, the judge confirmed the extinction of our forests unles
finding of the jury and Furgeson finding of the jury and Furgeson the national and state govern will be taken to the Rusk peni-
tentiary at once. When one is. protect and preserve them. tried for murder in the first degree, the only discretion the jury has, if they do not agree on a
verdict as charged, is to find the accused guilty and fix the penaccused guilty and at life imprisonment. Usually this is regarded somewhat as a this is regarded somewhat as a penalty to one of life imprisonment, and is accepted by the accused and his attorney as a satisfactory compromise. Few such cases are appealed, and if
they are, rarely result in any they are, rarely result in an lighter sentence.
When people in the North and East, even in Middle and North Texas are shivering and freezing nymic of Count Laszlo-Jeno-Ma are enjoying a real West Texas ${ }^{\text {Scat! }}$
winter sun, the most benign A LONG STEP FORWADD
power in Nature. In no other A LONG STEP FORWARD section of the nation does Old Sol smile the nation does Old Sor smile the same as in the Col- great commonwealth, Texas ha oradual country, the land of per- abandoned the convict lease syspetual sunshine and flowers, tem. Suitable farms have been where children's laughter min-purchased and the convicts wi gles with the songs of birds in hereafter be worked under the it boon talk on political issues; the state. This stands all economic questions, if Even the winter sunshine invites ! plan has been tried successfully you know he has not paid his poll you to the Colorado country, by other states. The manager tax, your confidence in his po-
whose cornucopia is filled with of the Mississippi state convict litical integrity is gone. Its the whose cornucopia is filled with of the Mississippi state convict mud sill of good citizenship; the fragrant flowers. His summer last year $\$ 104,000$ as the net sign of appreciation of his birthsmiles are at times rather too profit of the farms. He report- right. mittee of citizens regarding the with great confidence:
"In two interviews before
left. I had full and definite as surance from secretary Root,
subsequently confirmed official letters, that no obstacle gations would be allowed to in be allowed to hinder the early "This," says the El Paso Herthe dam best news the Herald has had to offer its readers in many a day. Secretary Root is
known to be in hearty sympathy with this great work and the tion are both pledged to It is now only a question of ho work.
"A fair estimate is that we dam by the summer of the big fore that time, however, a large part of the canal system and the necessary diversion dams will of thousands of acres will be de riving benefit from the new work with the completion of each unit. Let no one delude himself as to the magnitude of the task before us. It will take the unremitting labor of 3000 men and 1000 work animals for five solid years to put in condition for successful
farming and colonization the 150 farming and colonization the 150 tenanted land in this valley. If we start right now on this tre we start right now on this tre-
mendous job, we shall no more than be ready when the big dam is completed. If we put it off we shall be years behind the dam, and losing many millions of dollars every year as a result of our dilatoriness. Let the good
news from Ambassador Cree spur us to instant and united action towards getting in shape to take advantage of the grea work on its completion.'
No matter how bill
Give our Queensware, China, Glass, Granite and Tinware an inspection. It will be a pleasure to us to show you around. Our
Prices and Quality of Goods are ready for your criticism.

Pure Sugar Candies 15 to 25 cents per pound
A few Wool Shirts left at Cost price
Buckskin and wool Gloves at cost.
Overalls and Jumpers, wer
ment, now 65 and 85 cents.

Edwin Few Brown $\mathfrak{*}$ Co.


The following announcements are Democratic Primary, July 25, 1908. For County Judge
A. J. COE. C. S. ELLIS.
W. C. McCALLU W. C. McCALLUM
For Sheriff and Tax Coll For Sheriff and Tax Collector
H. D. GILBERT
G. B. COUGHPAN H. D. GILBERT
G. B. COUGHRAN.
ANDREW COOKSEY ANDREW COOK
Public Weigher, Pubic Weigher,
W. A. LOWDER.
O. O. SHURTEE o. SHURTLEF D. S. KIRK.
c. E. FRANKLIN

FRED MEYER After today, if you have n
paid your poll tax, you'll be political eunuch for one year political
least.
costly fun
On Sunday last some boys
thought to have some fun by roping yearlings, and proceede they put the string on a bucking, bawling calf than did the own
come on the scene, who proceede to "cuss" the boys out. An in
dictment was filed on Monday against the boys, they paid the fines, and they in turn indicted language, and said owner paid

## Beyond Question Burns \& Bell's Master Cost Sale

Was a great success, business was far better than we expected it to be and for this reason we have a great many odds and ends and remnants, which we will continue to sell at reduced prices until they are all sold out.

## All Clothing Goes at Cost

> Some for less-as we do not want to carry any of these goods over for next season. Ladies' Cloaks and Skirts at cost. All woolen Underwear at cost. Blankets at cost. Men's Overcoats at cost. Winter Lap Robes at cost. All Fascinators and Shawls at cost. Wool Hose for men and women at cost. In fact everything in the immediate Winter Goods at cost and less. Come and see what you can find. The price must be right. Men's and Boys' Clothing, some at onie-half price, are values never before heard of and are far chaper than we can buy the same material for today. Come and investigate.
> BURNS \& BELL
> Colorado,
> Texas.

## SPECIAL CASH SALE!

## Beginning Saturday, Feb. 1st and Running the Entire Month

There are two reasons for this message to you. First: We have a larger stock of Vehicles, Implements, Hardware and Groceries than our business just at this time justifies. Second: We need the money invested in these goods and as the only way to get it, is to sell them, we propose to make it to your interest to buy them now. We are not giving something for nothing. No merchant can do that and continue business, but we will give you these goods at what they cost us plus the freight and the natural per cent necessary to do business. Especially are we anxious to reduce our line of Buggies, Wagons, Harhess and Hardware, and will sell you the best brands in all these lines at prices which cannot be duplicated in west Texas. Though you may not need them just now, it will pay you to buy them and keep them until you do. These statements and prices are not merely baits to get you into our house, but everyone will be strictly fulfilled. If you need any article in our stock, come and let us prove to you that you can't get it at the same price elsewhere, quality considered. We are determined to sell the goods, but not for less than they cost us. If we did this kind of business you would have no confidence in us as sound business people. We want the money and will sacrifice all the profits to raise it just now. We will sell you the goods if low prices are an inducement. Money from the sale of our goods is our only object of this sweeping reduction. Space will not allow detailed mention of the bargains we have, but an idea may be had of what sacrificices we are making of profits from the prices of the following well known and staple articles:


Shelf Hardware
Includes every necessity to your
eeds in the hardware line from the neeas its the hardware line from the smallest tack to shoe findings and
handsaws. We have every article and in is useless to quote prices. If you
need need anything in this line, we can yive you the price that will move it. We
intend to reduce this line more than all others. Cobblers' sets dirt cheap. Guns and Rifles
$\qquad$ tion- Our guns include the L. C.
Smith and Reminate Smith and Remington, single and double
barrel, Winchester and Stevens rifles. barre, winchester an toren $\$ 1800$
$\$ 2$ Smith shot gun for ..... $\$ 1750$ $\$ 25$ Remington.shot guns for . \$ $\$ 1750$ Single barrel guns $\$ 6.00$ to .... $\$ 1000$
Cook Stoves and Heaters
Are two things we will sell at less than cost in order to close out, as our stock is limited. These are exceptional
bargains.

## Groceries.

Consider these prices and ompare them with what you have been paying
pounds granulated sugar

nk Beans.
$\qquad$ Navy Beans
Lima Beans
Good Roasted Coffe
sood Flour, per 100 pounds
Good High TPatent Flour Good Highr Patent Flour
Extra High Patent Flour. Pickles, i- i-al botte

Pint bottles

Little Pickled Onions 35c s
Fancy Evaporated Apples
". Dried Peaches
Prunes.
7 bars goo
bars good Laundry Soap.
Schapps Tobacco, per pound
New Hope Tobacco, per pound
New Hope Tobacco, per pound
New South Tobacco, per pound
Razor Tobacco, per pound .........
Bull Dog Twist Tobacco, per poun
Good Navy Tobacco, per pound......
Drummonds and Tinsley
All Canned Goods rebacco
Il Canned Goods reduced in proportion.

ONEPRICE TO ALL

As set forth above, the sole object of these special reductions is to get money out of our merchandise and we realize that generous promises, and unsound business clap=trap will not do it. But we rely upon your provident judgment to appreciate this sacrifice of profits. We could not sell goods on this basis three months, but are willing to close out the stock on hand at cost in order to get our money out of it to apply elsewhere.

Positively No Goods will be Charged During This Sale-İt's Cash
Colorado Mercantile Co.

## The Best of Their Kind

town will help the thing along. A car of 36 burros was shipped
from Colorado to East Texas points last week.
DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Haze:
Salve is especially recommended for piles. Sold by W. L. Doss.
To our customers: We have in cold storage clenty of eggs; phone ders.
Gilber
The cotton receipts are getting lighter and the buye
nosing the next crop.
Tom Morris went to Westbrook Sunday to see his far
was reported quite ill.
J. C. Ethridge and Miss Jimmie Dillard have gone to Sweetwater
to continue their service with Hubbards.
The Record is proud vertising patronage and the
ple are proud of the Record ple are proud of the Recon Some of the farmers are com-
plaining of lack of rain. The
ground is getting hard and stock water low. at Arbuthnot's led last week to Springdale, Ark by wire to attend her father, H. C. Caldwell, who was critically
ill. She left immediately and on her arrival there wired back that her father was slight1y
but was still very ill.
Gilbert:\& Singleton, at the Col orado Cold ${ }^{\text {StSorage }}$ wants all the chickens, eqgs and country pro-
duce in the country. Bring it to us and get the cash. It is very importapt and in fact it it absolutely necessary to health that we
give relief to the stomech promptlya
the first signs of troubie. Take some the first signs of trouble. Take some.
thing once in a while, especially atter
meals; something like Kodal for Dys. mealss something like, Kodal for Dys
pepsia and Indegestion. It will enable
your stomach to do its work properly your stomach. doss.
Sold by W. L. .
If you want to get all the news If you want to get all the news
and that which is reliable you and that which is reliable you
will be forced to take the Record

## Gus Rea has given up driving the express wagon and is now

 the express wagon and is nowworking for Pritchett \& Sons. working for Pritchett \& Sons. W. T. Whittenton returned
from Hamilton county Sunday, where he was called by the fatal illness of his fathe
Mrs. R. Morgan and children of Waco, arrived this week to join her husband, who has bee
here for several weeks. The here for several weeks.
will make their home here.
John Cash and his partner,
Mr. Andrews, spent Monday in Mr. Andrews, spent Monday in
Colorado from Westbrook and Colorado from Westbrook and
placed a nice order for job work placed a nice orde
with the Record.

## with the Record Perhaps the

## town this week is

ver the advent of. A. Pierc boy at his home on Tuesday morning. Of course the mother and Grandma, Curry

- Mr. John ${ }^{\text {F F }}$. Lovelady and Miss Bessie Hyde were married at th
home of on Wednesday night Hyde, on Wednesday night lew friends, by Rev.. Holme Nichols. These young people Nichols. These young people
were raised in Colorado and have were raised friends who wish for then all the good that life can bestow Mrs. John R. Graves announced to her boarders [this week that she had bought a hotel in Fort Worth and would move there as soon as she could arrange to get off. It is not known yet who will take the Alamo hotel, but there are already several applicants for it. Mr. and Mrs. Graves have been in Colorado a long
time and their going away will time and their going away wil
be like "removing the ancien be like "remo
A. A. Petty of Westbrook wa


The Oñly Sweep Mill that Successfully Grinds Corn and Milo Maize on the Head

Bowsher Grinders, Eclipse Wind Mills, John Deere Implements, Riding attachments for walking plows.

Full line of Pipe, Cásing, Cylinders and all kinds of Water and Steam Fixtl. res.

Don't Forget the Celebrated
Pittsburg Perfect Wire Fence

## Western Windmill Company.



## In form  for sale or trade

 Tw o2-horse-power gasoline
engines.
C. W. Crawford.

## for Sale or trade

I have for sale good young
horses and mules. Will sell for

## cash or will trade for cattle. See

## Cheaper Than Dirt. If you can be interested

If you can be interested in
land proposition, I can do it.
can do all but collect your prof
for you. I offer two sections of
land in southern part of Mitch-
ell county, separately or togeth
ell county, separately or togeth
er, at almost what it would cos
to file on and hold down schoo
to file on and hold down schoo
land. Good farming land, only
10 miles from railroad. It's
golden opportunity for some
body, why not you? C. H. Ear
nest, Colorado, Texas.
Carrie Nation
Certainly smashed a hole in the
rooms of Kansas, but Rellard's Hore-
a cure for coughs, Bronchitis, influen-
za and pulmonary diseases. T. C. H.,
Horton, Kan., writes: "I have never
Horton, Kan, writes: "I have never
found a medicine thet would cure a
cough so quickly as Ballard's Hore"
cough so quickly as Ballard's Hore:
hound Syrup. I have osed it for

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { hound Syrup. I h } \\ \text { years." Sold by W }\end{array}$ |
| :--- |
| J. PHENIX |

N. J. PHENIX
pHysician and surgeon

Residence Phone 55
Office Phone 88
Office over
Doss
Drug Store
T. J. RATLIFF
physiclan and surgeon
Residence Phone 182
Office- -3820 ringa

$\left.$| Office over Gustine's |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Saddlery store |\(\quad \begin{aligned} \& Colorado <br>

\& Texas\end{aligned} \right\rvert\, $$
\begin{aligned} & \text { princ } \\
& \text { men. } \\
& \text { agent. }\end{aligned}
$$\)
Long Distance Business.
Connection at Abilene with
the lines of the Southwes-
tern Telegraph tern Telegraph \&Telephone Reduced Rates on 2 -minute Basis, Night Rates after $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Office: Opposite City Local Phone No. 441 Colorado, Texas.
GREENE'S WAGONETTE,

## Fine 16-passenger Wag-

## At Your Service.

Will call at residences
and haur baggage to and from trains. PLEASURE PARTIES, PICNIC PARTIES. FISHING PARTIES. Ready to go at any and
all times, day or night. PHONE NO. 97.

## Frak Greene

HVERY STABLE.
OLORADO, TEXAS.
The Saturday evening Post is, the
The Saturday evening Post is, the

## Western Teleghonene Comanay. <br> c



The Best
our customers.
Colorado for three years ence many points experoal trade which make it
possible for us to serve you better, cheaper and more
satisfactorily than anybody
Ise in the city .

No Need to Send Your Laundry Away

All things being equal to the trade
town may think out of yown laundries will give

Our work is first-class and we call for bundles and make delivery with

50 Flat Pieces For $\$ 1.00$


## For Quick

 SalesList your
with the
Loraine Realty Company
LORAINE - TEXAS
DR W
DR. W. C. NEAL
Office in $\underset{\text { at Firnasium Halt Building }}{\text { Git }}$
Office Phone 87
Res. Phone 4
School children, get your exami

## IN THE FOG

## Richard Harding Davis．

COPYRIGHT，1901，BY ROBERT HOWARD RUSSEL

＇Do you appreciate what that means？＇he cried．＇It means th some one has been here ahead of us．Some one has entered this house three hours before
＂It was the Russian servant！＂I exclaimed．
＂＇The Russian servant has been under arrest at Scotland Yard， Lyle cried．＇He could not have taken the letters．Lord Arthur has been in his cot at the hospital．That is his alibi．There is some one
else，some one we do not suspect，and that some one is the murderer． else，some one we do not suspect，and that some one is the murderer
He came back here either to obtain those letters because he knew they He came back here either to obtain those letters because he knew they
would convict him，or to remove something he had left here at the would convict him，or to remove something he had left here at the
time of the murder，something incriminating，－－the weapon，perhaps time of the murder，someding incriminating，－－the weapon，perhaps， or some personal article；a cigarette－case，a handkerchief with his
name upon it，or a pair of gloves．Whatever it was it must have bee name upon it，or a pair of gloves．Whatever it was it must have been
damning evidence against him to have made him take so desperate damning
＂．
＇How do we know，＇I whispered，＇that he is not hidden here now？＇
＇No，I＇ll swear he is not，＇Lyle answered．＇I may have bungled ＂＇No，I＇ll swear he is not＇，Lyle answered．＇I may have bungled in some things，but I have searched this house thoroughly．Neverthe－
less，＇he added，＇we must go over it again，from the cellar to the roof We have the real clew now，and we must forget the others and work only it．＇As he spoke ，he began again to search the drawing－room，
turning over even the books on the tables and the nusic on the piano． ＂＇Whoever the man is，＇he said over his shoulder，＇we know that he has a key to the front door and a key to the letter－box．That shows
us he is either an inmate of the house or that he comes here when he us he is either an inmate of the house or that he comes here when he
wishes．The Russian says that he was the only servant in the house Certainly we have found no evidence to show that any other servan slept here．There could be but one other person who woald possess a
key to the house and the letter－box－and he lives in St．Petersburg． $\Delta t$ the time of the murder he was two thousand miles away．＇Lyle interrupted himself suddenly with a sharp cry and turned upon me
with his eyes flashing．＇But was he？＇he cried．＇Was he？How do we know that last night he was not in London，in this very house when Zichy and Chetne
＂He stood staring at me without seeing me，muttering，and arguing with himself．
＇Don＇t speak to me，＇he cried，as I ventured to interrupt him． I can see it now．It is all plain，It was not the servant，but his
master，the Russian himself，and it was he who came back for the let－ ters ！He came back for them because he knew they would convict bim．We must find them．We must have those letters．If we find
the one with the Russian postmark，we shall have found the murderer．＇ the one with the Russian postmark，we shall have found the room with
He spoke like a madman，and as he spoke he ran around the one hand held out in front or him as you have seen a mind－reader at a theatre seeking for something hidden in the stalls．He pulled out old
letters from the writing－desk，and ran them over as swiftly as a gam－ bler deals out cards；he dropped on his knees before the fireplace and dragged out the dead coals with his bare fingers，and then with a low，
worried cry，like a hound on a scent，he ran back to the waste－paper worried cry，like a hound on a scent，he ran them out upon the floor Instantly he gave a shout of triumph，and，separating a number of torn pieces from the others，held them up before me．
＂Look！＇he cried．＇Do you see？Here
across in two places．The Russian did not stop to read them，for，as you see，he has left them still sealed．I have been wrong．He did mot return for the letters．He could not have known their value．He
must have returned for some other reason，and，as he was leaving，saw the letter－box，and taking out the letters，held them together－so－－and into this basket
piece is a Russian stamp．This is his own letter－unopened＂
We examined the Russian stamp and found it had been cancelled it St．Petersburg four days ago．The back of the envelope bore the
postmark of the branch station in upper Sloane Street，and was dated postmark of the branch station was of official blue paper and we had no
this morning．The envelope wit of the letter from them and joined them together side by side．There were but two hines of writing，and this was the message：＇I leave Pe － tersburg on the night train，and $I$ shall see you at Trevor dinner Tuesday evening，＇
＇That was last night！＇Lyle cried．＇He arrived twelve hours ahead of his letter－but it came in time－it came in time to hang him！＇

The Baronet struck the table with his hand man＇s name？＂
The young Solicitor rose to his feet and，leaning forward，stretched out his arm．＂There was no name，＂he cried．＂The letter was signed
with only two initials．But engraved at the top of the sheet was the with only two initials．But engraved at the top of the sheet was the man＇s address．That address was＇The American Embassy，St．Peters－
burg，Bureau of the Naval Attache，＇and the initials，＂he shouted，his burg，Bureau of the Naval Attache，＇and the initials，＂he shouted，his voice rising into an exultant and bitter cry，were first to find the mur man who sits opposite who tered bodies，the＇）
dered bodies，the Naval Attache to Russia，Lieutenant Sears！＇
A strained and awful hush followed the Solicitor＇s words，which seemed to vibrate like a twanging bowstring that had just hurled its
bolt．Sir Andrew，pale and staring，drew away with an exclamation bolt．Sir Andrew，pale and staring，drew away win an exclamation of repulsion．His eyes were fastened upon the Naval Atache with fascinated horror．But the American emited a sigh of great con－ tent，and sank comfortably into the arms of his chair．He clapped his hands softly together．
＂Capital！＂he murmured．＂I give you my word I never guessed what you were driving at．You fooled me，I＇ll be hanged if you
didn＇t－you certainly fooled me．＂ The man with the pearl stud leaned forward with a nervous ges－
ture．＂Hush！be careful！＂he whispered．But at that instant，for the third time，a servant，hastening through the room，handed him a
piece of paper which he scanned eagerly．The message on the paper piece of paper which he scanned eagerly．The message on the paper
read，＂The light over the Commons is out．The House has risen．＂ ＂Hurrah！＂he cried．＂The House is up！We＇ve won！＂He caught up his glass，and slapped the Naval Attache violently upon the shoulder．He nodded joyously at him，at the Solicitor，and at the Queen＇s Messenger．＂Gentlemen，to you？＇he cried，My thanks and forth a long sigh of satisfaction and relief．
＂But I say，＂protested the Queen＇s Messenger，shaking his finger violently at the Solicitor，＂that story won＇t do．You didn＇t play fair about．I＇ll bet you that evidence wouldn＇t hold in a court of law－ you couldn＇t hang a cat on such evidence．Your story is condemned tommy－rot．Now my story might have happened，my story bore the mark－＂
In the joy of creation the story－tellers had forgotten their audi－ nce，until a sudden exclamation from Sir Andrew caused them to tur guiltily toward h
and amazement．
＂What does this mean ？＂he cried．＂Is this a jest，or are you mad If you know this man is a murderer，why is he at large？Is this a game you have been playing？Explain yourselves at once．What does it mean？＂

## The Americ

T
I am not a murderer，Sir Andrew，believe me，＂he said ；＂you need not be alarmed．As a matter of fact，at this moment I am much more araid of you than you could possibly be of me．I beg you please to e induigent．I assure you，we meant no disrespect．We have been natching stories，that is all，pretending that we are people we are not， stanee，the last one yoin read＇The Great Rand Robbery＇

The Baronet brushed his hand nervously across his forehe
＂Do you mean to tell me，＂he exclaimed，＂that none of this ha
appened？Thatt Lord Chetney is not dead，that his Solicitor did find a taat Lord Chetney is not dead，that his Solicitor did not just now，when he charged you with murder，he was in jest ？＂
＂I am really very sorry，＂said the American，＂but you see，sir，he could not have found a letter written by me in St．Petersburg because I have never beẹn in Petersburg．Until this week，I have neve been outside of my own country．I am not a naval officer．I am writer of short stories．And to－night，when this gentleman told me that you were fond of detective stories，I thought it would be amusing to tell you one of my own－one I had just mapped out this afternoon．＂ ＂But Lord Chetney is a real person，＂interrupted the Baronet， and he did go to Africa two years ago，and he was supposed to have died there，and his brother，Lord Arthur，has been the heir．And ye ＂So Chetney did return．I read it in the papers．＂
＂So did I，＂assented the American soothingly；＂and it struck me as being a very good plot for a story．I mean his unexpected return from the dead，and the probable disappointment of the younger brother．So I had decided that the younger brother had better mur－ The fog I did not have to invent．Since last night I know all that there is to know about a London fog．I was lost in one for three hours．
The Baronet turned grimly upon the Queen＇s Messenger．
＂But this gentlgman，＂he protested，＂he is not a writer of short，
stories；he is a memb of the Foreign Office．I have often seen him in Whitehall，and，according to him，the Princess Zichy is not an in vention．He says she is very well known，that she tried to rob him．＂
The servant of the Foreign Office looked unhappily at the Cabinet Minister，and puffed nervously on his cigar． appealingly，＂and a Russian woman once did try to rob a Queen＇s Mes senger in a railway carriage－only it did not happen to me，but to a pal of mine．The only Russian princess I ever knew called herself
Zabrisky．You may have seen her．She used to do a dive from the roof of the Aquarium，

## Sir Andrew，with a

＂And I suppose yours was a ${ }^{\text {b }}$ cock－and－bull story，too，＂he said．＂Of course，it must have been，since Lord Chetney is not dead．But
tell me，＂he protested，＂that you are not Chudleigh＇s son either．＂ tell me，＂he protested，＂that you are not Chudleigh＇s son either．＂
＂I＇m sorry，＂said the youngest member，smiling in some embarra ＂I＇m sorry，＂said the youngest member，smiling in some embarra
ment，＂but my name is not Chudleigh．I assure you，though，that know the family very well，and that I am on very good terms wi
them．＂ them．＂ ＂You should be ！＂exclaimed the Baronet；＂and，judging from the
liberties you take with the Chetneys，you had better be on very good terms with them，too＂
The young man leaned back and glanced toward the servants at ＂It has been so
doubt if ene so long since I have been in the Club，＂he said，＂that added．＂Joseph ！＂he called，and at the word a servant stepped brisk 1s forward．

The young man pointed to the stuffed head of a great lion whic suspended above the fireplace．
Joseph，＂he said，＂I want you to tell the
lion．Who presented it to the Grill ？＂
oseph，unused to acting as master of ceremonies to members of Club，shifted nervously from one foot to the other．

Why，you－you did，＂he stammered．
＂Of course I did！＂exclaimed the young man．＂I mean，what the name of the man who shot it ？Tell the gentlemen who I＇am They wouldn＇t believe me．
＂Who are you，my lord＂＂said Joseph．＂You are Lord Edam＇s son，the Earl of Chetney．＂
＂You must admit，＂said Lord Chetney，when the noise had died away，＂that I couldn＇t remain dead while my little brother was ac cused of murder．I had to do something．Family pride demanded it．Now，Arthtir，as the younger brother，can＇t afford to be squeam－ ish，but personally I should bate to have a brother of mine hanged for murder．＇
American，＂but in showed no scruples against hanging me，＂said the
American，＂but in the face of your evidence I admit my guilt，and I


IE DRopped on his knees before the fireplàacen
sentence myself to pay the full penalty of the law as we are made pay it in my own eountry．The order of this court is，＂he announced，
＂that Joseph shall bring me a wine－card，and that I sign it for five bot tles of the Club＇s best champagne＂
＂Oh，no！＂protested the man with the pearl stud，＂it is not for you to sign it．In my opinion it is Sir Andrew who should pay the costa． It is time you knew，＂he said，turning to that gentleman，＂that uncon sciously you have been the victim of what I may call a patriotic con－ spiracy．These stories have had a more serious purpose than merely you from the House of Commons．I must explain to you，that all through this evening I have had a servant waiting in Trafalgar Squaro with instructions to bring me word as soon as the light over the House of Commons had ceased to burn．The light is now out，and the object or which we plotted is attained．
The Baronet glanced keenly at the man with the black pearl，and then quickly at his watch．The smile disappeared from his lipe，and his face was set in stern and forbidding lines．
nd may I know，＂he asked icily，＂what was the object of your
＂A most worthy one，＂the other retorted．＂Our object was to keep you from advocating the expenditure of many mithions of the people＇s money upon more battleships．In a word，we have been working to－ gether to prevent you from passing the Navy Increase Bill．＂
Sir Andrew＇s face bloomed with brilliant color．His body shook Sir Andrew＇s face bloomed with brilliant color．His body shook ＂My dear sir！＂he cried，＂you shoald spend more time at the House and less at your Clib．The Navy Bill was brought up on its
third reading at eight oclock flis evening．I spoke for three hours in its favor．My only reason for wishing to return again to the House o－night was to sup on the terrace with my old friend，Admiral Simons；for my work at the House was completed five hours ago，
when the Navy Increase Bill was passed by an－overwhelming major－

## The Baronet rose and bowed．＂I have to thank you，sir，＂he said，

 The American shoved the wine－card which Joseph had given him oward the gentleman with the black pearl．THE END．


C．W．Crawford
THE TINNER
Galvanized Tanks，Cisterns and Gutter ing．Plumbing，Gasoljne Engine and Windmill Repairing．

# CHAS. M. ADAMS' <br> STUPENDOUS!品 $S A L E$ <br> Was A Success BEYOND CONCEPTION 

The Sale is now over but we still have bargains in Remants. Come and see them.

## CHAS. M. ADAMS

 Colorado,
## L LOCALS

Moeser sells it for less.
Prof. T. J. Yoe has the grip, Gilbert \& Singleton pay cash or country butter.
Mrs. D. N. Arnett is one of the victims of the grip this week. Lithographed vendor's lie notes for sale at Red DeWitt's Little Early Risers are
the best pills known. Sold by W. L. the best
Doss.
Mrs. Arbuthnot has been on the sick list this week
Billie Bromley has be
Take DeWitu's Kidney and Bladder
Take Dewitt's Kidney, and Bladder
pills. They prompty relieve backache pillse
and weak back. Sold by by W. L. Doss.
The friends of Mrs. Edward Dupree will be glad to know that
she is recovering from her recent attack of pneumonia.
Lottie Landers and the little daughter of Mr. Robert Landers both had the grip the first of the week.
Kokol is the beat remody known to
day for dyspepsia, indigestion and all day or
troubles aypepsiai, inaigestion and from a disordered stomach. It is pleasant, prompt
thorough. Solid by W. L. Doss. Mr. and Mrs. M. Carter spending the week in Ft. Worth with their brot
Mrs. M. K. Jackson left Tuesday night on an extended visit to relatives at Dallas and Abilene.
Doll Alvis went to Baird to attend his brother's wedding last Wedhesday
Several christian ladies called on Lou Furgeson at the jail this week and talked with him. He expressed himself as glad they called.
Don't neglect to plant shade
trees about your premises, and now is the time to do it.

Meet me at Jake's Restaurant
For Fire or Tak's Restaurant. ance see E. Keathley at Dr. Coleman's office.
Col. H. F. Wheeler who spent part of the week down on his Fisher county ranch returned
home last Wednesday and reports lots of sickness around his old home and in that part of the country
D. T. Bozeman of Cuthbert and Esc. C. B. Hooper of Westbrook, both of them merchants,
were in the city on business were in the city on business las
Saturday. Saturday.
County Commissioner T. Y.
Poole, out at Car Poole, out at Car, called and re-
newed for the Recard this newed for the Record this week, t and when asked if he was going
to stand for re-election said he to stand for re-election, said he wound serve
wanted him.
D. C. McRea and family left. Monday of this week for their new home at Loraine. Mr. Mc-
Rea is cashier of the new State Bank and he and his estimable family will be valuable additions to the already fine citizenship of that town.
BORN-On Tuesday morning to fine boy. Mr. Grantlend's er is here and both mother and er is here and both mother and
grandmother are helping the proud father rejoice
New tally-cards at Arbuth nots.
J. L. Doss, S T Shrophir and C. M. Adams are the jury commissioners for the next term court
Jno. Sherrill and wife of Ar zona are visiting the latter' South Colorado.
The Hubbard stock of good that passed thru the fire hav been taken to Sweetwater, where a


#### Abstract

Today is the limit; if you have t done it. do it. Your citizen ship is certainly worth $\$ 1.75$. When the baby is cras When the baby is cross and has you worried and worn out you will find that a little Caseasweet, the well known remedy for babies and chilldren, will quiet the little one. Contains no opl les. Sold by W. L. Doss Grandma Bell is quite sick the home of $\mathrm{F}^{*}$ M. Burns.

\section*{Hot coffee and chilli at 'Vin}

\section*{L. C. Dupree will sell you orses and mules on time.} Mrs. F. B. Whipkey was called Oklahoma this week to help take care of her aged mother ime. Rob't. M. Webb spent Monday in Dallas on telephone business. U. D. Wulfjen is reported See L.' C. Dupree if you anything to sell or trade. Word comes from Mrs. Louis Armstrong at the saritarium a an Marcos that she is doing Mrs. F. M, Burns, who was in Florida to spend the winter, re turned home on Sunday last, t Mrs. Bell, who is quite sick

\section*{New Perfumes at Arbuthnot's} Mrs. Bert Wulfjen, who has been quite sick at Georgetown is slowly recovering but will not be home for some time as she is not able to travel yet. Rev. J. L. Elliott, of Loraine, was in Colorado on Saturday las and like all Loraineites was boosting his town and predicted for it a great future. The Record is endeavoring to secure the services of Mr. Elliott to repre sent us at Loraine and if we suc ceed, will endeavor to make it worth something to that plucky | worth something to that plucky |
| :--- |


 NOT'S.
## Bob McNairy. who tore down

 the Pritchett old ware house, is the old new ware house out the railroad track from the express offlce.The kindergarten ladies held market sale on Saturday last a that popular store, The Colorado Mercantile Co., and from the sale of good things to eat they realized $\$ 22.00$, which was very liberal on the part of the public
and very much appreciated by the ladies. The money goes to ay the teacher and keep the Mrs. W. W. Gross and Mrs. F orkers in this sale
W. W. Porter has decided not o go to Paris but will remain in Colorado, to the delight of our people. He is an active mem ber of his church and a good think they will move here some good and desirable citizen, and to the Brittons at LaGrange, and it is with pleasure we learn his will do the work.
decision to stay in Colorado. Judge, W. C. McCallum anW. F. Kellis, editor of the nounces this week for County Sterling City Record and official
surveyor of Sterling county, was
old timer and one of the boys. the guest the past week of Wal- He served as county judge of ter Stoneham. Mr. Kellis work- this county for several terms, ed with Mr. Stoneham in the re- and almost everybody who knows cent county line surveying and him says he made the best was here helping to make up county judge Mitchell county their report for the commission- ever had. The Record can not
Mrs. Rollins visited her cousin Mrs. Claude Turner the first of the week; being en ro
WANTED-I want your ven dors lien notes and chattle mort
B. N. GARRETT. B. N. Garrett.

## the grip this week.

USEFUL ARTICLES.
Express money orders, pos tage stamps, postal cards, an
fine stationery at ARBUTH

Miss Hallie Dupree organized
nine young ladies of the week,
They will ladies as members. Larnest, Bessie McMurry, Pearl
Ruddick, Ethel Majors, Isla
Wulfjen, Isla Smith, Ophelia very greatly enjoying a visit ready for them
J. W. Britton, of, Mr. and Mrs.

The elder Mr. Britton is
ing and affable gentlema pleas-
by the way is better looking a beautiful home in the country and is one of our substantial

citizens, and asks for your support and vote at the coming | pelection. |
| :--- |

The Card Club mat Tuesday
with Miss Arnett at Mrs. Bell's.
pleasant afternoon spent. Mrs.
thirteen games, a beautiful cele- Try me
number of games, a pair of black The mems, and learn to sing. the lone hand prize, a prettily Earmembers are Misses Martha engraved spoon, The next meet

## WILL REOPEN

Uncle Pete Snyder will be i
Uncle Pete Snyder will be in necessary arrangements to have t- the Snyder building repaired the The Hubbards announce that ton and their two sistcrs, the The Hubbards announce that in the Lone Wolf valley, are iness as soon as the building is

CONTRACT LET
the fine new passenger let for Colorado, the passenger depot at company being the successful The building will ber $\$ 15,000$, of the famous Peconstructed stone and will becos red sandlarge, airy separate waiting rooms. smoking rooms, a lobby and fitted with fine furnished tc. It will be an ornamenties, much needed addition to Col

## A Long-Fefl Warit

 introduce Mr. McCallum to the Mrs. Smith and Mrs. voters of Mitchell county, be- Warner have moved to everyone and is held in high es- class Dressm do firstteem by all. Mr. McCallum owns will be foundple at my restaurant. Why not peo-
Jake Maurer.

