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Colorado, Mitchell County, Texas, Friday, December 13 1907

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Special XIMAS Bargains

WILL BE FOUND AT

The Big Daylight Store

FOR ALL XMAS SHOPPERS.

This Xmas more than any other, one should look for something useful for your Husband, Wife, Mother, Daughter, Sister, Brother or Sweetheart, in the way of a nice Dress Pattern, Cloak, Suit of Clothes, Overcoat, Shoes for any of the family, and in fact anything in the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings. A Nice Pair of Blankets would make an appropriate present.

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Most too large for this time of the year, and as we want the CASH, we shall make Special Prices all over the store from now till Xmas. We have not the room nor the time to quote prices here, but you have all felt the Panic no doubt, and although our business has been good, and better than we could expect, but our collections have been slow, so we therefore to make up for the bad collections will sacrifice our profits to get in the Money, for we are not ashamed to say WE NEED IT. So come and help us, and yourselves at the same time, in the Bargains for the Next Three Weeks. Have Confidence, Turn Your Money Loose, and we will celebrate Xmas sa if there had not been a 1907 Panic.

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Snyder building, - Colorado, Texas.

EASY TO MIX

ting to many people here in the Hall Thursday narticle taken from a New York peny samplet to elec ted authority, who claims that which resulted as follows: he has found a positive remedy A. J. Coe, C. C.; A. C. Jones, could it is true. The to cure almost any case of back- Adv. Lieut.; C. C. Franklin, Policy you have lying aro. stage of Bright's disease.

Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake Physician. and again at bedtime.

A well known druggist here at assistance in the unveiling. put up if asked to do so. He effort to that end. the kidney structure, cleansing uary 2, 1908. those most important organs and helping them to sift and filter from the blood the foul acids and waste matter which cause sickness and suffering. Those Ladies and Gentlemen:-

Once she was so thin and cross; used to

cry with pain-

W 0 W ELECT OFFICERS

What will appear very interes Sitting room was at a premium in the Hall Thursday night, it daily paper, giving a simple prescription, as formulated by a novailed throughout the election,

Fluid Extract of Dandelion, with C. W. Hagler and Dr. T. J.

from any good prescription phar- of 200 members by January 1st, want. macy, or the mixture would be and decided to make a special

further stated that while this There are numbers of families as it has a peculiar action upon thing doing at our meeting Jan-

> Fraternally, ERNEST KEATHLEY, Clerk.

of our readers who suffer can We are back in Colorado at make no mistake by giving it a our old stand, just opposite the They hold up to the world and electric light plant, serving with justifiable pride, a recsquare meals at 25 cents. Our ord for fair dealings and Everybody loves our baby, rosy, sweet cooking is done by white people prompt adjustments enexonly. Now we would be glad to With kissy places on her neck and have you call at any time; come whether you have the money or Your Friends not.

Mother gave her Cascasweet, now she's JESSE B. HOLLOWELL & WIFE Answer Questions. well again. Sold by W. L. Doss. (12-13c)

writitg insurance." a ache or kidney or bladder deran- Banker; Ernest Keathley. Clerk; somewhere will some da gement, in the following simple Newt Miller, Escort; W. M. no doubt, be the most in pres ription, if taken before the Cooper, Watchman; Bravis Coe, Fortant article in your pos Sentry; Hall Jarman. Manager; session. If it is a "Fire" one-half ounce; Compound Kar- Ratliff as holdover managers and policy, it may represent the gon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Dr. N. J. Phenix as holdover efforts of a lifetime. If it is a "Life" policy, it it is to be well in a bottle and take in tea- A vote of thanks was tendered a monument, a last token spoonful does after each meal the ladies of the Circle, Mrs. from you to your loved ones. Jack and Miss Mary Coe for their It will work many days after home, when asked regarding Sovereigns D. L. Bishop and you have ceased to toil: it this prescription, stated these in- E. B Smith were received by will stand as a mighty wall gredients are all harmless and card and two new applications between those yeu love and can be obtained at a small cost were received. We want a total sorid penury, privation and

The Business Man of today uses the same care in placing prescription is often prescribed who need just such protection as his orders for insurance that for rheumatic afflictions with the Woodmen Lodge gives, so if he uses in buying his mersplendid results, he could see no you want to join us now, see any chandise - examines his poli-Examine the work- reason why it would not be a of our officers and they will put cies with the same scruting splendid remedy for kidney and you next. Keep your good eye that he does other contracts. urinary troubles and backache, on the gun; there will be somethe insurance companies, "Who are you and What are you?" and he does it.

My companies have paid losses for half a century. They invite investigation. celled in the history of man.

See me for all kinds of insurance. No Trouble to B. N. GARRETT.

For Corrals, Cow Pens, and to protect the orchard from rabbits, and the chick-

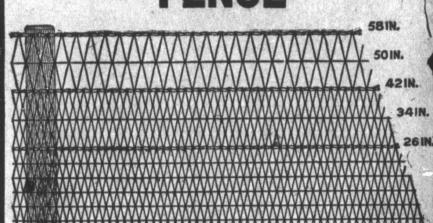
ELLWOOD FENCE

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 wire, it puts up a fence that is absolutely pig-tight and will also turn large stock.

I have this fence

from eighteen to fifty-eight inches high :0:

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ens from the wolves.

J. ROE. Lumber, Cement and Wire.

COLORADO,

CUTTING SCRAPE IN SNYDER

on the streets of Snyder about Herbine before retiring. A positive Council of the City of Colorado 5 o'clock last Sunday afternoon, cure for Constipation, Dyspepsia and that the following articles num-W. T. Wheat and his son Ed, all liver complaints. Mrs. S-, Columbered from 117 to 119, be and deliver them at Colorado in any both of whom formerly lived in supply of your Herbine on hand. Am ces of the City of Colorado:

| Mileat and his son Ed, bia, Tenn., writes: "I always keep a hereby are adopted as ordinan- quantity. Buy your seed now before they are all gone.

Ed received a serious stab in the left breast, and his condition reported as doing very well. Wolf was placed under arrest. No cause as to the origin of the difficulty has been learned.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS

tor Keathley to appoint a shoulder blade.

the fire limits; also as to unsafe ing further investigation. flues in wooden buildings.

The financial report of J. A. Fore as city secretary, was submitted and approved.

Mrs. W. A. Crowder has returned from a visit to Mrs. Geo. Gray at Hamlin,

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Early to Bed

and early to rise, makes one healthy, In a difficulty which occurred happy and wise-especially if you take Colorado, were severely cut with so pleased with the relief it gives in ART. 117. That any wooden a knife in the hands of William constipation and liver complaints, that house, shed, building, or struct-

MEXICAN WOMAN SAOT

Meyer, that on being owner. to the scene of the tragethe throes of death. Dr. T. C. Merrill, county phy-

thley for October and or parties unknown. The bul-

athley for October and or parties unknown. The bul-ar were read and appromet entered the left breast and maintaining of "rain proofs" and The Council authorized emerged 31 inches below the left unsafe flues, metal or otherwise

ordinance was passed per- of the woman and Roroder Ver- The mayor is hereby authorized ing to the removal of old and mantes, his brother, have been to appoint a committee of three dilapidated wooden buildings in arrested and placed in jail pend- or more citizens to inspect any

AT THE CHURCHES.

CHRISTIAN.

church next Sunday at the usual mayor shall in writing notify the ell county, separately or togethhours. Sunday School at 9:45 owner of such premises on which er, at almost what it would cost a. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6:30 same is situate to abate such nu- to file on and hold down school p. m. Prayer meeting topic for sance by removing same, or if land. Good farming land, only

been invited to deliver an ad-shall after such notice fail or redress next Monday on the occa- fuse within such time to abate sion of the laying of the corner-stone of the new Christian church stone of the new Christian church shall in any manner prevent such building at Sweetwater and has accepted. He will also by invitation of Big Springs Commandation of Big Springs Com dry. Knights Templar, deliver more than twenty-five dollars. the Christmas sermon to the Sir And each day he shall so fail or Knights at Big Springs. It is the custom of Knights Templar to custom of Knights Templar to march in a body to some church Takes effect from and after its at 11 o'clock a. m. on Christmas passage and publication. Apday to listen to a sermon by a member of the order, and this ber, A. D. 1907. custom will be observed next Christmas day by the Knights throughout the United States.

The statements of the two National banks appearing in this issue show them to be strong as rock-ribbed Gibralter. There Cough yourself into a fit of spasms and are on deposit in both banks then wonder why you don't get well. \$461,950,01, or nearly half a mil- If you will only try a bottle of Ballard's lion dollars. The combined sur- Horehound Syrup your cough will be a plus is \$125,000, which is a fine thing of the past. It is a positive cure showing. The Colorado Nation- for Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and al Bank is now on the honor roll; all Pulmonary diseases. One bottle will its surplus being equal to its convince you-Sold by W. L. Doss at capital stock.

CITY ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the City

Wolf, a son-in-law of the elder words can't expres my appreciation." ure situated within the fire limits as hereinbefore defined, that the limits as hereinbefore defined, that the limits as hereinbefore defined, that the limits as hereinbefore defined, that limits as hereinbefore defined hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore hereinbefore herein is so dilapidated as to be in dan- Insurance. Old Line Companies ger of falling down, or shall be only. Prompt settlement in case Saledo Vermantes, a young supported only by the walls or of loss. Office in St. James is yet considered critical, while his father was cut across the shoulders several times and is reported as doing very well.

Saledo Vermantes, a young any portion of an adjacent building, or shall be so old, dry and inflammable as to be a menace day morning about 7 o'clock by in case of fire to adjoining building.

My reported only by the wans of any portion of an adjacent building, or shall be so old, dry and inflammable as to be a menace in case of fire to adjoining building. a shot from a pistol in the hands of a party or parties unknown. The husband of the deceased and another Mexican, were the only witnesses to the deed, both of witnesses to the deed, both of the deed, but the deed At a regular meeting of City whom testified that the woman or, and shall be delivered by the Council Tuesday night. Mayor fired the shot herself. Section marshal to the owner or his herrods testified beagent, or if neither owner nor agent reside in the city, by mailinquest conducted by ing a copy of such notice to such thankfully received. L. C. Dupree

ART. 118. If any person being the found the woman gasping the owner of the property defined in the preceding article as being a nuisance, shall fail or retired to the scene of the trage.

The found the woman gasping the owner of the property defined in the preceding article as being a nuisance, shall fail or retired to the trage. fuse to abate the same after nofuse to abate the same after notice as hereinbefore provided, be shell be deemed guilty of a mcMurry has a large line of the very finest cutlery in Colorado, anything from a pocket wounds. it weekel be fined in any sum not wounds. it weekel fifty dollars and each to exceed fifty dollars and each to exceed fifty dollars and each to exceed fifty dollars and each the best of razors. ion that the woman met her day that he shall so fail and reeath at the hands of a party fuse shall be a separate offense.

in any wooden building, within the fire limits hereinbefore de-Sylvester Vermantes, husband fined is declared to be a nuisance. flue, in any such building upon complaint of any property holder, and if such committee or a majority thereof, shall report in writing that they have examined land proposition, I can do it. such flue or flues of which com- can do all but collect your profit plaint has been made, and find for you. I offer two sections of Preaching at the Christian the same to be unsafe, then the land in southern part of Mitchthen his agent, or the person in golden opportunity for control of same, within ten days body, why not you? C. H. Ear-Judge Homan of this city has thereafter. And if any person nest, Colorado, Texas.

> ROYALL G. SMITH, Mayor. Attest: J. A. FORE, Secretary.

proved this 10th day of Decem-

THAT'S ITL 1 1

25c, 50c, and \$1.00.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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L Fire, Tornado

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My pastures and farms fifteen

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The Place For Millinery. Miss Dulaney at Payne's is showing and selling the newest

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Colorado

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We have a full line of Farming Implements on hand, The Good Work Kind, made by the KINGMAN PLOW CO. Come and see them.

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Wednesday, Dec. 18th, 'The such owner be not accessible, 10 miles from railroad. It's a

The Palace N

COLORADO, TEXAS.

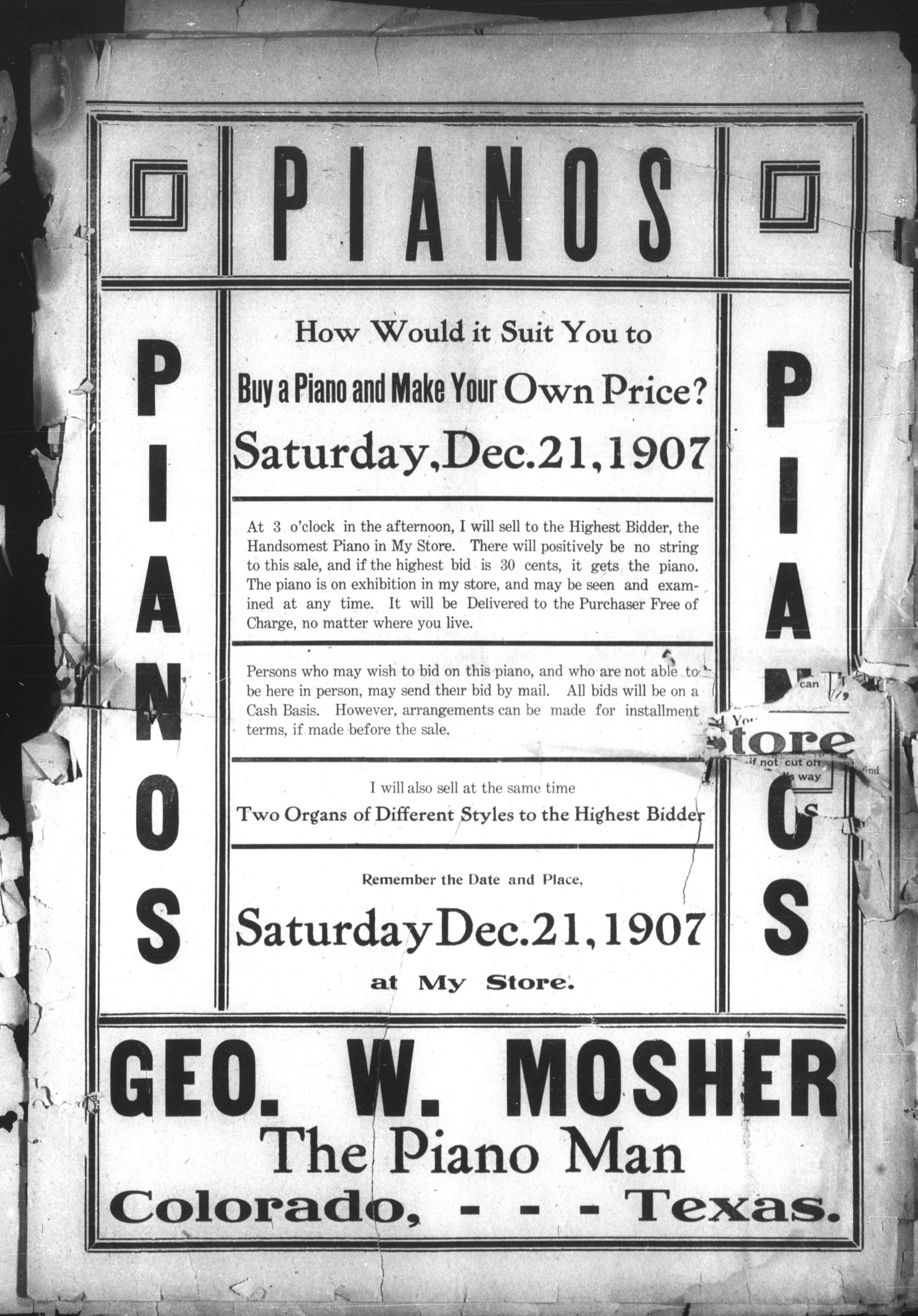


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IN SEASON OR NOT. Record waits not for Christmas

City Official Paper...

chimes To bid you all be merry: For well it knows the busy times,

The loving plans—the hurry; fun, December days are bringing,

And set the silent singing. -A. H. WESTON.

me?"

be Christmas.

scandalous.

come off are those on a name or The vital elements of faith, hope reputation. Tears of repentance and charity are in it, figuring is wise, and this piece of advice can not wash them away.

are emerging from obscurty.

Next year will be leap year and presidential campaign year. But its natural for men to run on leap year.

The amount of deep, dark in-

on dangerously thin ice.

When Colorado gets her new you come: passenger depot at the foot of Walnut street, and the yards ative work with so-called noble Redemption fund with U. S. are leveled set with trees and a man, he sent his angel messennice sod. the impression made up- gers throughout the star-strewn on the visitor and prospector on realms of space to gather all arrival, will be much to the pro- there was of beauty and bright- Capital stock paid in fit and credit of the town. Front street could, and should be made the most attractive thoroughfere in Colorado, and the building of threw down their glittering burthe new depot will naturally at- den at his feet, he began, in Due to other National Banks

If you can afford no other gift to swell the sum of human happiness, at this season of "goodwill," give some fainting brother word of sympathy and handshake of encouragement. They are here-plenty of them-men and women, whose monotonous grind of burden, both of shoulder and heart, crushes their spirits down, who long in vain for which flash and leap from the of my knowledge and belief. the chance passing of "A Good jewel's depth. Then glancing Samaritan." Perhaps you are deep into his own bosom he took Correct-Attest: one. Give your best, and the best will come back to you...

CHILDREN'S

favorite tonic is White's Cream Vermifuge, the cure for worms and all children's diseases. It not only kills the worms, but removes the mucus and slime in which they build their nests. Its action on the child is mild and leaves him in a healthy condition. Joe Daniel, Surmac, Tenn., says that he gave one of his children White's Cream Vermi- Adams' store will be an easy at Adams' Store. fage when the doctor thought it had matter; our line stands supreme colic, and from the first dose the child from every standpoint. - Mrs. passed 78 worms. Sold by W. L. Doss. Mills.

Do you tell your little children there is no such thing a Santa Claus? That it's all stuff about comes from whence, and goes, whither, the night before Christ-The hidden work, the whispered mas, who loves them and brings each one just the present they want. If you have done them Will brighten many a care-worn which were brought the waiting shepherds on the Judean hills. Say to Mr. Senter the Telegram cannot command the organiza-The paramount question-"Is If you do, it must be for one or tion of any political club in Texthere arry package here fer two reason. You are either too as at this time. We have too The next national spasm will presents, or you utterly fail to Senter will lend his efforts to a Believe all stories false that ment in the coming of Santa tion of Texas cities, the Teleought to be, is the best way to Claus. The bringing of happi gram will not only join but will discipline the heart against the ness to the childish hearts; the fruition of it's hopes, holds the The only freckles that won't essence of the hristian religion. to the childish heart and mind the Passon of our Lord. Their Things are fast assuming their disillusionment will come soon status quo in financial circles, enough, so let it be by another. and the "I-told-you-so" prophets You can never re-establish the confidence the child had in you, before it's idol was mocked.

WE'LL TRY A love-lorn swain of poetic

temperament has applied to the associate editor of the Record for trigue and conspiring going on help. In trying to fix up a suitin many christian homes these able apostrophe to his "angel's" pre-Christmas days, is surpris- charms, he had exhausted the supply of superlatives in the unabridged; had even turned down II of Sweden died the drop-stitchy and peek-a-boo Loans and Discounts 79th year of his lines of Ella Wheeler Wilcox and Overdrafts, secured and unrhapsodies of Byron-they both secured ell short of an adequte descrip- culation ion. We confess to a liking for Banking house furniture and oetry ourself, whether it comes fixtures. rythmic verse of mellificous not reserve agents) atose, but have merely sipped at Due from State Banks and etty ure to be Pierian spring in making it, Due from approved reserve and washable and the hardest task is to exnever she begins to ploit levely perfection through Checks and other cash items. thicts and associations another's eyes. If this won't Notes of other National... r weother, she is stepping cure you, young man, you are Fractional paper currency, hepeless, and her father had bet- nickles and cents ter unchain the dog next time Lawful money Reserve in Bank, viz:

When God crowned his cre- Legal tender notes 500 00 ness, of enchantment and glam- Surplus fund our When the angelic host re- Undivided profits, less expenturned from their harvesting and National Bank notes outstandtract business houses to that lo- their wondering presence, the Individual deposits subject to finishing work, that has marked check

> He wrought with the gold and the gleam of the stars, the shifting glories of the rainbow hues, and the pallid silver of the moon. He painted with the crimson which swooned in the rose's rubied heart, with the pure sweet snow which gleams from the lily's petals and fire of the flames hamed bank, do solelling swear the above statement is true to the best of the love that lay like a pulsing pearl under the sun-kissed waves of Orman's green waters. thrilled them into form. And thus he fashioned THEE."

Try this on her bud, and invite the Record force to the obsequies.

MILLINERY SUPREMACY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

00 CO	The RECORD will charge the foll rates for announcements:	lowing
4	For Congress	\$25,00
Tanana Carl	For State Offices	15.0
	For County and District	10.0
	For Precint offices	
	For City Offices	
	All announcements are invi-	ariabl

This does not carry with it any free

For Public Weigher, W. A. LOWDER.

SIGNS OF SANITY TO BE SEEN

One of the most bitter opponents of Senator Bailey during the terrific warfare waged a big, fat, rolliky old man, who Worth Telegram, and that it has counseled a halt is significant and commendable. In a recent issue we notice the following comment:

"The Telegram is in receipt of this cruel injustice, you need not an outline of the plans for the wonder when they refuse to be- Democratic Club of Texas, which lieve the tidings of great joy E. G. Senter and others of Dalsordid to buy them a few cheap much politics already. If Mr. appreciate the symbolism of His canning factory club for all Texas, a hog raising club, or a Life and Passion in the senti- league to promote the beautificatalk about the club every opportunity it gets.

> Of all the crazy opponents of the junior senator, Senter is the wildest, and this piece of 'advice long since passed that stage that reason appeals to him, we are hopeful that other papers and individuals will come to see the matter in the light it presents itself to the Telegram, and that we may have something like peace until the senator again offers for office. It is greatly to be desired.—Abilene Reporter.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF Colorado, in the State of Texas, at

the close of business, December 3, 1907. 6 273 14 U. S. Bonds to secure cir-15 000 00 6 200 00 Due from National Banks 8 608 12 562 73 23 353 25 624 25 115 00

511, 95

750 00 \$319 378 64 LIABILITIES. 60 000 00 25 000 00

15 000 00 Due to State Banks & Bankers 2 176 72 the revelation of his omnipotence. Demand certificates of deposit 2 000 00 Notes and bills rediscounted 31 745 75 Cashiers checks outstanding

Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money 13 800 00

STATE OFTEXAS | ss County of Mitchell | ss

I, J. E. Hooper, Cashier of the above J. E. Hooper, Cashier.

J. D. Wulfjen.

D. N. Arnett. F. E. McKenzie,

Subscribed and sworn to before m this 10th day of December 1907. R. G. Smith, Notary Public.

MILLINERY ACCESSORIES

In addition, to the widest possible range of hat styles we are also showing everything new in Selecting a hat this season at veils and trimmings. Miss Mills

All kinds of heavy and shelf hardware at McMurry's.

THE

Christmas Holidays

ARE AT HAND

All tastes and ages have been carefully considered in the selection of Accessories carries the entire range our Gift Books, which is the largest of styles-new ideas in this line never shown in the West.

Our display of Toilet Sets and shown before.

Bibles, Testaments, Albums, Stationery, Pictures, Medallions, Bric-a-Brac, Fancy Frames, Mirrors, Leather Goods, are shown in endless variety.

Our Doll and Toy department has 'exhausted the wants and imaginations of the children.

You are cordially invited to come and inspect this array of fancy goods. We are sure we can please you in every line, from the rattler for the tots to the comfort and solace of declining age.

Never before have buyers in this line had the opportunity now offered them, of getting the Right Things at the Right Prices. Our stock is large and varied.

Many beautiful and useful articles in rich Cut Glass, Hand Painted China and Dresden Ware, offered at prices in reach of all.

BURNS @ BELL.

Big Store

Is yet brim full of big values in every department. You can most always find the very article you are looking for, at our store, of the right quality, at the right price. Before buying your Xm as presents, read the following suggestions:

Gift Suggestions for Men.

Neckties

Largest stock, well selected, newest styles neckties we ever had at this season. All the wanted colors are here in Windsors, Strings and Four-in-Hands, prices

25c. 35c, 50c and \$1.00 each.

Men's Plain and Fancy Hose 121c to 50c. Many beautiful designs in fancy

embroidered patterns, ½ dozen in a box, Per Box \$3.00.

Suspenders

Large variety of patterns, put up in individual boxes. Very appropriate for Xmas presents, Only 75c per pair.

Men's Silk and Wool Mufflers Nice assortment, Black, Red, Gray and White, 35c. 75c. 85c and \$1.00 each

Men's Xmas Shirts

In all the new patterns, styles and figures, prices 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00.

Also, we mention further as appreciative gifts, Hats, Gloves, Overcoats, Cl thing, Shoes, Fancy Vests, and many other useful and appreciative presents. Come and let us show you these goods.

Gift Ideas for Ladies.

Handkerchiefs

Plain and Fancy Embroidered, all kinds and prices. Initial Handkerchiefs, put up 6 in a box, Per Box 60 Cents.

Large Stock Furs

The prettiest assortment we ever had. The very thing for a Xmas present. Prices to suit all, From \$1.50 to \$25.00.

Silk Shawls

In White and Black. A very handsome present. Prices \$1.25 to \$3.00.

Silk Shirt Waists Black, White and Brown.

Price Only \$3.50. Other Suggestions

New Fancy Hosiery......25c to \$2.00 New Gloves......15c to \$3.50 New Hand Bags......75c to \$3.00 Fine Cloaks.................\$6.00 to \$25.00 New Towels, New Napkins, New Table Linen, Lace Curtains, and many other useful and valuable Xmas gifts. Come and let us show you our stock of everything you want at the right price.

BURNS & BELL.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Dry Goods, Groceries and Hardware.

A Great Showing FOR People

Men's and Boys' Clothing

Regular \$6 and \$7 single-breasted suits, \$3 98 grays and tweeds

Men's \$7.50 and \$8.50 single-breasted \$4 98 suits for

Men's single-breasted, all good colors and \$7 98 styles, worth \$10 and \$12. only

Men's single and double-breasted, new \$9 98 styles and colors, worth \$12.50 and \$15 \$9 98 EXTRA—We have one lot of men's suits, any style, in Scotch plaids, grays browns and blacks, very highest qualities and regular \$15 \$11 98 and \$16.50 grades, now they go for \$1 98 Boys' regular \$2.50 and \$3 suits, all \$1 98 Boys' regular \$2.50 and \$3 suits, all \$1 98 Boos' \$5 and \$6 high-grade tweeds and \$3 98 Men's good casimer trousers, well made, \$1 48 worth \$2, only

Men's neat cheviot and worsted, stylish ande, best grades, regular \$3 and \$3.50 for \$2 48 One lot of boys' trousers worth 65c and 75c, cut price

The regular \$1 value boys' trousers,

BigTwelve Sale

HUBBARDS

Staples

Calicos, best brands, fast colors, all new and best patterns, now on sale per yard.

Extra good cotton checks and plaids, now worth more in the markets, our sale price.

Good heavy outing, new colors, worth more money, per yard.

36-inch LL brown domestic goes in this sale, per yard.

36-inch Extra LL brown domestic, sale price per yard.

Ginghams, in bright new colors, very good grade in long fold, per yard.

A big lot of A. F. C, ginghams, book fold, worth 15c, price per yard.

Best grade of oil cloth.

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CHAPTER I.

Fair."

HE Grill is the club most difficult of access in the world. To be placed on its rolls distinguishes the new member as greatly as though he had received a vacant Garter or had been caricatured in "Vanity

Men who belong to the Grill Club never mention that fact. If you were to ask one of them which clubs he frequents, he will name all save that particular one. He is afraid if he told you he belonged to the Grill, that it would sound like boasting.

The Grill Club dates back to the days when Shakespeare's Theatre stood on the present site of the "Times" office. It has a golden Grill which Charles the Second presented to the Club, and the origimal manuscript of "Tom and Jerry in London," which was bequeathed to it by Pierce Egan himself. The members, when they write letters at the Club, still use sand to blot the ink.

The Grill enjoys the distinction of having blackballed, without political prejudice, a Prime Minister of each party. At the same sitting at which one of these fell, it elected, on account of his brogue and his bulls, Quiller, Q. C., who was then a penniless barrister.

When Paul Preval, the French artist who came to London by royal command to paint a portrait of the Prince of Wales, was made an honorary member—only foreigners may be honorary members he said, as he signed his first wine card, "I would rather see my name on that, than on a picture in the Louvre."

At which Quiller remarked, "That is a devil of a compliment, because the only men who can read their names in the Louvre to-day have been dead fifty years."

On the night after the great fog of 1897 there were five members in the Club, four of them busy with supper and one reading in front of the fireplace. There is only one room to the Club, and one long table. At the far end of the room the fire of the grill glows red, and, when the fat falls, blazes into flame, and at the other there is a broad bow window of diamond panes, which looks down upon the street. The four men at the table were strangers to each other, but as they picked at the grilled bones, and sipped their Scotch and soda, try conversed with such charming animation that a visitor to the in b, which does not tolerate visitors, would have counted them as pre-is of long acquaintance, certainly not as Englishmen who had first time, and without the form of an introduction. But II of Swedition of the will, that whoever enters it 79th year and the It is to enforce this rule

hether there are twenty men at el show side by side. As at supper were seated to-11 1UB them, and the long length of e outer gloom.

ID Geman with the black pearl stud, "that venture and deeds of foolish daring have and that the fault lies with ourselves. Voyages to the pole I catalogue as adventures. That African explorer, young Chetney, who turned up vesterday after he was supposed to have died in Uganda, did nothing adventurous. He made maps and explored the sources of rivers. He was in constant danger, but the presence of danger does not constitute adventure. Were that so, the chemist who studies high explosives, or who investigates deadly poisons, passes through adventures daily. No, 'adventures are for the adventurous.' But one no longer ventures. The spirit of it has died of inertia. We are grown too practical, too just, above all, too sensible. In this room, for instance, members of this Club have, at the sword's point, disputed the proper scanning of one of Pope's couplets. Over so weighty a matter as spilled Burgundy on a gentleman's cuff, ten men fought ecross this table, each with his rapier in one hand and a candle in the other. All ten were wounded. The question of the spilled Burgundy concerned but two of them. The eight others engaged because they were men of 'spirit.' They were, indeed, the first gentlemen of the day. To-night, were you to spill Burgundy on my cuff, were you even to insult me grossly, these gentlemen would not consider it incumbent upon them to kill each other. They would separate us, and to-morrow morning appear as witnesses against us at Bow Street. We have here to-night, in the persons of Sir Andrew and myself, an illustration of how the ways have changed."

The men around the table turned and glanced toward the gentleman in front of the fireplace. He was an elderly and somewhat portly person, with a kindly, wrinkled countenance, which wore continually a smile of almost childish confidence and good-nature. It was a face which the illustrated prints had made intimately familiar. He held a book from him at arm's-length, as if to adjust his eyesight, and his brows were knit with interest.

"Now, were this the eighteenth century," continued the gentleman with the black pearl, "when Sir Andrew left the Club to-night I would have him bound and gagged and thrown into a sedan chair. The watch would not interfere, the passers-by would take to their heels, my hired bullies and ruffians would convey him to some lonely spot where we would guard him until morning. Nothing would come of it, except added reputation to myself as a gentleman of adventurous spirit, and possibly an essay in the 'Tatler,' with stars for names, entitled, let us say, 'The Budget and the Baronet.'"

"But to what end, sir?" inquired the youngest of the members. "And why Sir Andrew, of all persons-why should you select him for this adventure ?"

The gentleman with the black pearl shrugged his shoulders.

"It would prevent him speaking in the House to-night. The I the mystery which to-night baffles the police of London."

Navy Increase Bill," he added gloomily. "It is a Government measure, and Sir Andrew speaks for it. And so great is his influence and so large his following that if he does"—the gentleman laughed ruefully-"if he does, it will go through. Now, had I the spirit of our ancestors," he exclaimed, "I would bring chloroform from the nearest chemist's and drug him in that chair. I would tumble his unconscious form into a hansom cab, and hold him prisoner until daylight. If I did, I would save the British taxpayer the cost of five more battleships, many millions of pounds."

The gentlemen again turned, and surveyed the baronet with freshened interest. The honorary member of the Grill, whose accent already had betrayed him as an American, laughed softly.

"To look at him now," he said, "one would not guess he was deeply concerned with the affairs of state."

The others nodded silently.

"He has not lifted his eyes from that book since we first entered," added the youngest member. "He surely cannot mean to speak to-night."

"Oh, yes, he will speak," muttered the one with the black pearl moodily. "During these last hours of the session the House sits late, but when the Navy bill comes up on its third reading he will be in his place—and he will pass it."

The fourth member, a stout and florid gentleman of a somewhat sporting appearance, in a short smoking-jacket and black tie, sighed

"Fancy one of us being as cool as that, if he knew he had to stand up within an hour and rattle off a speech in Parliament. I'd be in a devil of a funk myself. And yet he is as keen over that book he's reading as though he had nothing before him until bedtime."

"Yes, see how eager he is," whispered the youngest member. "He does not lift his eyes even now when he cuts the pages. It is probably an Admiralty Report, or some other weighty work of statistics which bears upon his speech."

The gentleman with the black pearl laughed morosely.

"The weighty work in which the eminent statesman is so deeply engrossed," he said, "is called 'The Great Rand Robbery.' It is a detective novel, for sale at all bookstalls."

The American raised his eyebrows in disbelief.

"'The Great Rand Robbery?" he repeated incredulously. "What an odd taste!"

"It is not a taste, it is his vice," returned the gentleman with the pearl stud. "It is his one dissipation. He is noted for it. You, as a



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stranger, could hardly be expected to know of this idiosyncrasy. Mr. Gladstone sought relaxation in the Greek poets, Sir Andrew finds his in Gaboriau. Since I have been a member of Parliament I have never seen him in the library without a shilling shocker in his hands. He brings them even into the sacred precincts of the House, and from the Government benches reads them concealed inside his hat. Once started on a tale of murder, robbery, and sudden death, nothing can tear him from it, not even the call of the division bill, nor of hunger, nor the prayers of the party Whip. He gave up his country house because when he journeyed to it in the train he would become so absorbed in his detective stories that he was invariably carried past his station." The member of Parliament twisted his pearl stud nervously, and bit at the edge of his mustache. "If it only were the first pages of 'The Rand Robbery' that he were reading," he murmured bitterly, "instead of the last! With such another book as that, I swear I could hold him here until morning. There would be no need of chloroform to keep him from the House."

The eyes of all were fastened upon Sir Andrew, and each saw with fascination that with his forefinger he was now separating the last two pages of the book. The member of Parliament struck the table softly with his open palm.

"I would give a hundred pounds," he whispered, "if I could place in his hands at this moment a new story of Sherlock Holmes a thousand pounds," he added wildly-"five thousand pounds!"

The American observed the speaker sharply, as though the words bore to him some special application, and then at an idea which apparently had but just come to him, smiled in great embarrassment.

Sir Andrew ceased reading, but, as though still under the influence of the book, sat looking blankly into the open fire. For a brief space no one moved until the baronet withdrew his eyes and, with a sudden start of recollection, felt anxiously for his watch. He scanned

its face eagerly, and scrambled to his feet. The voice of the American instantly broke the silence in a high.

"And yet Sherlock Holmes himself," he cried, "could not decipher

At these unexpected words, which carried in them something the tone of a challenge, the gentlemen about the table started as su denly as though the American had fired a pistol in the air, and Si Andrew halted abruptly and stood observing him with grave surprise

The gentleman with the black pearl was the first to recover. "Yes, yes," he said eagerly, throwing himself across the table. mystery that baffles the police of London. I have heard nothing of it. Tell us at once, pray do-tell us at once."

The American flushed uncomfortably and picked uneasily at the

tablecloth. "No one but the police has heard of it," he murmured, "and they only through mer It is a remarkable crime, to which, unfortunately, I am the only person who can bear witness. Because I am the only witness, I am, in spite of my immunity as a diplomat, detained in London by the authorities of Scotland Yard. My name," he said, inclining his head politely, "is Sears, Lieutenant Ripley Sears of the United States Navy, at present Naval Attache to the Court of Russia. Had I not been detained to-day by the police I would have started this morning

for Petersburg." The gentleman with the black pearl interrupted with so pronounced an exclamation of excitement and delight that the American stammered and ceased speaking.

"Do you hear, Sir Andrew?" cried the member of Parliament jubilantly. "An American diplomat halted by our police because he is the only witness of a most remarkable crime—the most remarkable crime, I believe you said, sir," he added, bending eagerly toward the naval officer, "which has occurred in London in many years."

The American moved his head in assent and glanced at the two other members. They were looking doubtfully at him, and the face of each showed that he was greatly perplexed.

Sir Andrew advanced to within the light of the candles and to a chair toward him.

"The crime must be exceptional indeed," he said, "to justify police in interfering with a representative of a friendly power. If were not forced to leave at once, I should take the liberty of asking you to tell us the details."

The gentleman with the pearl pushed the chair toward Sir An drew, and motioned him to be seated.

"You cannot leave us now," he exclaimed. "Mr. Sears is just about to tell us of this remarkable crime."

He nodded vigorously at the naval officer and the American, after first glancing doubtfully toward the servants at the far end of the room, leaning forward across the table. The others drew their chairs nearer and bent toward him. The baronet glanced irresolutely at his watch, and with an exclamation of annoyance snapped down the lid. "They can wait," he muttered. He seated himself quickly and nodded at Lieutenant Sears.

"If you will be so kind as to begin, sir," he said impatiently.

"Of course," said the American, "you understand that I understand that I am speaking to gentlemen. The confidences of this Club are inviolate. Until the police give the facts to the public press. I must consider you my confederates. You have heard nothing, you know no one connected with this mystery. Even I must remain anony mous."

The gentlemen seated around him nodded gravely.

"Of course," the baronet assented with eagerness, "of course." "We will refer to it," said the gentleman with the black pearl, "as "The Story of the Naval Attache."

"I arrived in London two days ago," said the American, "and engaged a room at the Bath Hotel. I know very few people in London, and even the members of our embassy were strangers to me. But in Hong Kong I had become great pals with an officer in your navy, who has since retired, and who is now living in a small house in Rutland Gardens opposite the Knightsbridge Barracks. I telegraphed him that I was in London, and yesterday morning I received a most hearty invitation to dine with him the same evening at his house. He is a bachelor, so we dined alone and talked over all our old days on the Asiatic Station, and of the changes which had come to us since we had last met there. As I was leaving the next morning for my post a Petersburg, and had many letters to write, I told him, about 10 o'clock, that I must get back to the hotel, and he sent out his servant

"For the next quarter of an hour, as we sat talking, we could hear the cab whistle sounding violently from the doorstep, but apparently

"'It cannot be that the cabmen are on strike,' my friend said, as he rose and walked to the window.

"He pulled back the curtains and at once called to me.

"You have never seen a London fog, have you?" he asked. 'Wall come here. This is one of the best, or, rather, one of the worst, of them.' I joined him at the window, but I could see nothing. Had I not known that the house looked out upon the street I would have believed that I was facing a dead wall. I raised the sash and stretched out my head, but still I could see nothing. Even the light of the street lamps opposite, and in the upper windows of the barracks, had been smothered in the yellow mist. The lights of the room in which I stood penetrated the fog only to the distance of a few inches from my eyes.

"Below me the servant was still sounding his whistle, but I could afford to wait no longer, and told my friend that I would try and find the way to my hotel on foot. He objected, but the letters I had to write were for the Navy Department, and, besides, I had always hear that to be out in a London fog was the most wonderful experience and I was curious to investigate one for myself.

"My friend went with me to his front door and laid down a cour for me to follow. I was first to walk straight across the street to brick wall of the Knightsbridge Barracks. I was then to feel my w along the wall until I came to a row of houses set back from the sid walk. They would bring me to a cross street. On the other side this street was a row of shops which I was to follow until they join the iron railings of Hyde Park. I was to keep to the railings until reached the gates at Hyde Park Corner, where I was to lav a diago course across Piccadilly, and tack in toward the railings of Gre Park. At the end of these railings, going east, I would find the W singham, and my own hotel.

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