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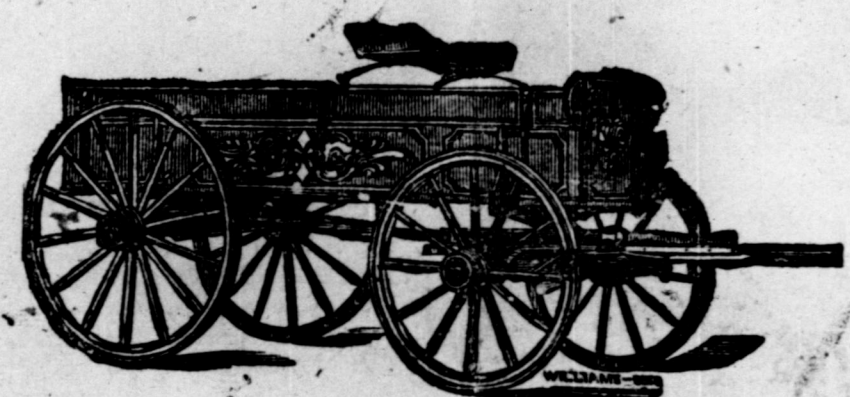
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The President will not, this time, go on Friday, but he selected April Fool's day as the date of his departure.

There are some people who are already dreading a glut in the potato market because of the new Irish land law.

It is suspected that Governor Brodie of Arizona will give the President some pointed, inside informations regarding statehood on that trip through the Grand Canyon.

Judging from the complaints of the Chinese about their increased taxes there is every reason to believe that the residents of the Celestial Empire are fast becoming civilized.

The price of diamonds has advanced 15 per cent in six months. The fearful increase in the cost of luxuries may force people to get along without the actual necessities of life.

Mark Twain advocates an old time, six day steamboat race on the Mississippi as an attraction for the Saint Louis fair. He would have the boats start simultaneously from New Orleans and finish at Saint Louis.

The number of leaves on an oak tree 60 feet high has been counted and exceeds 6,000,000. As the roots of such a tree penetrate deep into the earth and every leaf evaporates a large quantity of moisture it is not hard to see how forests add to the rainfall.

Anent the talk of annexing Mexico it may be said that the peons are as good as the Filipinos and under Diaz are more accustomed to suppression. They are only another straw to the back breaking "white man's burden" but shall we shriek the burden because it cracks the

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back? No, rather let us have more back-bone.

One of the largest deals effected in this county for some time past was consummated this week when Ike West bought the Leona TD ranch from the Western Union Live Stock & Land Company.

The ranch comprised some 32,000 acres and the price paid was \$2. per acre. The cattle are now being gathered and it is thought that Mr. West will assume control about the first of May. This is one of the best ranches in the county.—Uvalde Leader News.

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enough to beget inquiry or personal investigation, and that is the best thing that can happen to a really inviting country—next to actual settlement.—Eagle Pass Guide.

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The democrats are watching with the keenest interest the political situations in Iowa and Ohio. Senator Money has said, and his views meet with general approval, that any democrat who carries either of these pivotal states will stand an excellent chance of securing the presidential nomination. There seems to be little prospect of Ohio's electing a democratic governor, although M. E. Ingall's candidacy for the mayoralty of Cincinnati is appreciated to be closely allied with the gubernatorial nomination next fall. If Mr. Ingall could win the governorship, he would doubtless be the democratic national candidate. In Iowa there is believed to be greater possibility of a democratic victory. Governor Cummins has educated a large fraction of the republican party to believe in tariff revision and if President Roosevelt demonstrates to the Iowans on his western trip, that there is no hope of any practical revision, it is possible there would be a considerable opportunity for a strong democratic gubernatorial candidate.

The President of the United States has started on another huge swing around the circle which he modestly calls "an unpretentious little outing for the purpose of avoiding publicity." The schedule calls for about 200 speeches and the party accompanying the President consists of two secretaries, one doctor, three stenographers, two secret service men, one poetnaturalist, representatives of three illustrated papers, representatives of three press associations, one official photographer, and two telegraph operators. What a delightfully original way of avoiding publicity. It is surprising he did not take along a brass band with which to hunt those bears. The truth of the matter is that the gentleman who occupies the highest civic position in the country is never so happy as when he is in the limelight on the front of the stage. This trip is a stumping tour pure and simple. He wants that nomination a heap more than he wants those bears, and he is not overlooking any bats that will pile up the blue chips in front of him.

Evidently the President regards the ratification of the Panama canal treaty with great confidence as he has authorized the Isthmian Canal Commission to make a trip of inspection over the route of the canal. The working members of the Commission will sail from New York, probably on the 9th, for this purpose and they will be accompanied by Major William M. Black who accomplished much in the work of cleaning Havana and solving the sanitary problems which confronted this government when it took possession of Cuba. Major Black, who is a member of the Army Engineer Corps, has been detailed for services with the Canal Commission and expects to make so thorough an inspection of the canal zone as to be able to form his plans for improved sanitation even before the treaty is ratified. The first work of the United States in connection with the canal will be the cleaning of the cities of Colon and Panama and

other towns along the route with the hope of materially improving the sanitary and hygienic conditions prevailing there. It is appreciated that this must be done to prevent a repetition of the fearful loss of life which attended the active work of the French company on the canal.

The Chicago Drovers Journal prints the following concerning the sheep situation in this state: Sheepmen in western Texas are in high clover, but the sheep are in tall grass. Spring has burst forth with copious rains, glorious prospects, and sheepmen are happy. There was a time in that section when the cattlemen and sheepmen did not speak as they passed by, but this spring, with the weeds threatening to choke the grass, the cattle owners have suddenly become very affable and have asked sheepmen to come and pasture their flocks on their ranges. Wool is rapidly advancing and mutton sheep have reached such a high mark here at Chicago that the Texas sheep grower is beginning to feel very cheerful over the prospects. One man near San Angelo recently sold his wool from 1,400 sheep for \$1992, and 450 muttons at \$1032, making a total of \$3027, and the increase in his lambs more than made up for the muttons sold. Thus the \$3027 was about all "velvet". Sheepmen have their ups and downs, and just now they seem to be somewhat up.

Concerning the wool trade last weeks American Wool and Cotton Reporter said: The wool market continues quiet. A number of Philadelphia consumers and others have been in the market the past week, but they have not bought very freely. A few large consumers would have bought with some liberality if their ideas as to what wool had been so low. While concessions have been made in some instances for the purpose of clearing out broken stacks, they do not come easily, and a number of consumer who came into the market with the idea that they were to secure some pretty low-priced wools, have been made to realize very effectively that the Boston wool market is in anything but a demoralized condition. What weakness has been experienced has been principally in medium wools. The situation with reference to fine wools is rendered somewhat stronger than it otherwise would be by the course of the London sales, which continued to harden for Merino stock and closed on Tuesday of this week firm with merinos 1-2d at 1d per pound higher than at the opening, and with crossbreds suitable for this country showing no further change.

According to a late dispatch from Galveston, that city will have the opportunity to become the exporting port for cattle destined to the farms of the burghers in South Africa. One shipment of 2,000 head will be made as an experiment, and if this is successful and it is found that the fitting of the ship and other expenses attending the loading and shipment of cattle are on a par with those of New Orleans, the British government will continue the shipments for an indefinite time. Wednesday night Major Maude, agent for the British government, accompanied by Captain MacMullen, an old campaigner in the South African war, arrived in Galveston and to-day were busy arranging for the first shipment, which will take place about April 4. Major Maude said: I am unable to say how many head will be taken, but 20,000 to 30,000 may be too small an estimate. There is

one thing that we will have to contend with which may eventually profit our buying as many cattle as we need, and that is the price. I have found that when a demand is created owners of cattle are apt to raise the price of their stock to such a figure that it is impossible to purchase profitably. Our first shipment will be largely coast country cattle, as the stock in the northern part of the state is hardly in condition to stand the voyage. Later on we may visit that section of the state. The British government is shipping cattle into South Africa from Australia, New Zealand and other places, and while it is not expected to thoroughly stock every farm in the country, the government will do what it can to place the war-stricken colonies back where the farmers can gradually regain their old time prosperity.—Stockman and Farmer.

We happened in a home the other night, and over the parlor door saw the legend worked in letters of red, "What is home without a mother?" Across the room was another brief, "God bless our home." Now, what's the matter with "God bless our dad?" He gets up early, lights the fire, boils an egg, grabs his dinner pail and wipes off the dew of the dawn with his boots while many a mother is sleeping. He makes the weekly hand-out for the butcher, the grocer, the milkman and baker, and his little pile is badly worn before he has been home an hour. He stands off the bailiff and keeps the rent paid up. If there is a noise during the night dad is kicked in the back and made to go down stairs to find the burglar and kill him. Mother darns the socks, but dad bought the socks in the first place, and the needles and the yarn afterward. Mother does up the fruit; well, dad bought it all, and jars and sugar cost like the mischief. Dad buys chickens for the Sunday dinner, carves them himself, and draws the neck from the ruins after everyone else is served. "What is home without a mother?" Yes, that is all right; but what is home without a father. Ten chances to one it is a boarding house, father is under a slab and the landlady is a widow. Dad, here's to you; you've got your faults—you may have lots of 'em—but you're all right, and we'll miss you when you're gone.—Stevens County Reveille.

Spofford, Tex., April 10, 1903.—It will be most gratifying to the many friends of Mrs. H. G. Martin to learn that she has almost completely recovered from the long siege of illness that she has undergone for the past two months. It will be remembered that Mrs. Martin was in Brackett during the first half of February receiving medical treatment, after which time Mr. Martin carried her to Spofford and sent for Dr. Watt of Uvalde, who has been attending her case ever since and by skillful nursing of her immediate family and Mrs. Della Cruz, Dr. Watt has successfully restored Mrs. Martin once again to health. On April 3d she left Spofford in company with her husband for her country home on the Las Moras creek, expressing her thankfulness for being able once more to return to her home, with prospects of gaining her original health and strength. Mrs. Cruz returned to the ranch with Mrs. Martin and will remain with her until she gets stronger.

Vandals have broken from the plow, which forms a part of the statue of Washington in Richmond, Va., a piece of marble about an inch square.

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STOPS PAIN
Athens, Tenn., Jan. 27, 1901.
Ever since the first appearance of my menses they were very irregular and I suffered with great pain in my hips, back, stomach and legs, with terrible bearing down pains in the abdomen. During the past month I have been taking Wine of Cardui and Theodore's Blood Purifier, and I passed the month's period without pain for the first time in years.
NANNIE DAVIS.
What is life worth to a woman suffering like Nannie Davis suffered? Yet there are women in thousands of homes to-day who are bearing those terrible menstrual pains in silence. If you are one of these we want to say that this same
WINE OF CARDUI
will bring you permanent relief. Consult yourself with the knowledge that 1,000,000 women have been completely cured by Wine of Cardui. These women suffered from leucorrhoea, irregular menses, headache, backache, and bearing down pains. Wine of Cardui will stop all these aches and pains for you. Purchase a \$1.00 bottle of Wine of Cardui to-day and take it in the privacy of your home.
For advice and literature, address giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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LOCAL.

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A. L. Gashell was in from the ranch this week for supplies.

F. S. Fritter keeps the Queen of Saba, the best, try it.

Ed Buckley was here from Eagle Pass this week.

Try a Monza High Ball at J. H. Pratt's.

Thos. Fairnsworth was here this week from San Antonio.

J. F. Brink was here this week from San Antonio.

R. A. Cunningham was here this week from Chicago.

J. F. Crane was in the city this week from San Antonio.

District court convenes the 20th of this month.

J. W. Nolan was in from the ranch a few days this week.

Wiley Barksdale was in from the ranch this week for supplies.

Sam Hutchison was in from the ranch this week for supplies.

Those splendid Merchantile cigars can be had if you go to J. H. Pratt.

James Cornell was down from Sonora this week on a visit to the folks.

Physicians endorse Paul Jones 4 star throughout the world.

Geo. Kornum and Miss Polly Iredale were over from Del Rio on a visit to friends and relatives.

Doc Anderson, the popular manager of the Packerham ranch in Pecos county, was down this week on a visit to the madam.

You will never change your whiskey if you are using Paul Jones 4 star.

Uncle Ed Ross was in from the ranch a few days this week re-operating.

Miss Mabel Fegan is away on a visit to relatives in San Antonio.

J. W. Putnam, who has been ranching on Dry Devil's river was in town a few days this week.

County Assessor Jos. Veltman has been away this week on a business trip to San Antonio.

Miss Agnes Windus visited in San Antonio the early part of the week.

Martin Keys the photographer is putting in a soda fountain and cold drink stand.

When you want to drink and look pleasant, "Reserved D" will have the desired effect. Sold by F. S. Fritter.

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A 16 gauge Stevens shot gun. Apply at this office. This is a bran new gun and will be sold at a bargain.

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We carry a complete stock in nearly every line from cradle to coffin. No order too small and none too large to receive our best attention. Roach & Co.

The farewell dance of the Second Squadron, 12th Cavalry, will be given at Ross Hall, Monday. Admission 50cents. Music will be furnished by the 12th Cavalry Band.

Two big battle ships will be launched next month, one at Philadelphia, and the other at Newport News. Both will have a speed of 22 knots an hour.

If you're going on a trip, Take a pleasant little tip, Place a bottle in your grip. "RED TOP RYE," For sale by J. H. PRATT.

School Notes.

The Ninth Grade stood their final examination in History of Rome a few days ago and passed with a general average of 98 per cent. The period previously devoted to General History will, for the remainder of the session, be given to Lyman's Original Exercises in Geometry as supplementary to the regular Wentworth's Geometry.

The following useful advice was given in substance in a recent speech of President Theodore Roosevelt: "We were, he said, by the amalgamation of foreign nationalities, the intermarriage of the sturdy foreign emigrant who had sought our shores, involving a new race, an American race. He referred to the great sums being spent by the Western States in education, commended it, and added that this public school education must be supplemented by the education of the home. Home influences counted much. No matter how much a father might seek to install wise precepts into the mind of his child, if he not reinforce those precepts with his own good example, he could not expect his child to become a good citizen. Furthermore, we must not allow our children to be reared in the lap of luxury; put them out in the world to struggle for themselves and thus gain an education in the rough school of experience that will teach them to be strong, to be indifferent and to be manly. Maintain a high standard of individual citizenship and the nation will never deteriorate."

A Shanandoah judge in a recent decision says: "A man that

shouts Hurrah! during a riot is as guilty as he who fires a gun.

Church Notes.

We had very good meetings at Spofford last Saturday night. They seem to be very glad when the time arrives for them to have preaching. Their new organ is a Windsor and has good volume and sweet tone.

Our work here is promising. We had two valuable additions to the church last night. Brother and Sister Farrar, they come highly recommended as being earnest workers and faithful members.

I am told the C. E. had a good meeting Sunday afternoon, many excellent speeches made and enjoyed very much by all present.

I go today to Uvalde to attend a Sunday School institute conducted by Dr. Stone of Dallas. He is employed by the American Baptist Publication Society and is holding similar meetings in different sections of the state.

The Woman's Missionary Union organized a few weeks ago is planning to give an ice cream supper just after pay day. Our organization is very poor and it seems that this is the only way we can make running expenses, so every body that feels so inclined please come out and enjoy the supper and lets get better acquainted. They meet Friday afternoon at the C. E. Hall, at 5:30 o'clock.

We ask all who pray to pray for us that we may do what God wants us to do.

I went to Mud Creek last Thursday and preached to an appreciative audience, and also organized a Sunday School. I will go out and preach to them once each month and we are expecting a good report from them.

C. H. W.

President George J. Gould is travelling over the lines of his

road with his two sons for the purpose of teaching them how a great railroad system is conducted.

Ratified copies of the Cuban treaty have been exchanged by telegraph thus complying with the condition which made such exchange necessary by March 31st. Only a resolution of approval to be passed by Congress remains to put the treaty into effect and to secure that resolution the President will call Congress in special session in November.

**W. G. MILLER,
BOOT And SHOE
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It is not so surprising that King Edward should have ordered a barrel of whiskey from Kentucky. If a man will use the stuff he is surely wise to get it at the fountain head.

President Schwab has a private trout pond and a private brass band. None but the rich can stand this fare.



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In a Glass of Water.
Put a handful of ground coffee in a glass of water, wash off the coating, look at it; smell it; is it fit to drink? Give LION COFFEE the same test. It leaves the water bright and clear, because it's just pure coffee.
The sealed package insures uniform quality and freshness.

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AN EXTRAORDINARY COW.

Josephine's Remarkable Display of Intelligence Greatly Pleased Her Proud Owner.

"It does me good to ride downtown with Slick in the morning," remarked a middle-aged citizen, according to a story in the Detroit Free Press. "He lives out in the suburbs and there is always something doing out there. Before Dick left town his wife and baby were the smartest on earth, and now that he has become a country jake his horses, cows, dogs and chickens are the smartest on earth. There he is now; just you go and sit by him and start him on his cow."

"Hello, Dick, how are you? How's the farm? How's your cow?" asked the mean man, who went over to sit by the farm novice.

"Oh, the farm's all right; and the cow—" replied Dick; "well, she ought to be teaching school—that's a fact. She's the smartest cow I ever saw. Last night, sir, when she came up to be milked—she's not one of these silly, feeble-minded cows that have to have somebody drive them up to get their feed—no, sir, when Josephine came up she was alone—the little Jersey heifer, Daisy, that we bought to keep her company in the pasture, was not with her. We didn't worry, for we thought Daisy had loitered and would come along soon."

"But Josephine acted strangely. We couldn't get her in the barn at all; she stood in the lane looking toward the pasture and bawled and bawled and bawled. We thought she was only calling Daisy to hurry up and come home. Still she wouldn't go in and still she kept on bawling. Then somebody suggested that Daisy might be in trouble of some kind; so we all left Josephine and went down to the pasture."

"She stopped bawling as we started down the lane, and, sure enough, at the farthest corner of the pasture, in a little triangle of land where three wire fences cross each other, making a queer little pen, was Miss Daisy. She had got in, out of girlish curiosity, and couldn't get out. We had to pull down a piece of fence to get her out. Now, wasn't Josephine smart? I think so."

The other men all said that Josephine ought to have a telephone out in the pasture so she could call up the house when Daisy got in trouble.

Rhode Island Collector Has the Ven- erable Bell that Figured in the Tea Tossing Event.

The famous historical punch bowl of the Boston tea party has just fallen into the hands of a Rhode Island collector of antique furniture, colonial blue ware and original and early Shakespeare prints, reports the Boston Globe.

On the 10th of last December Marden J. Perry, a Providence railway magnate and a banker with a fortune of several millions, married Mrs. Marian Lincoln Bogert at Worcester, Mass., and they went to Providence to reside permanently in the residence of Mr. Perry, at George and Bennett streets, on the aristocratic East side of that city.

The new home of the bride was a marvel in its interior decorations, and there were many very attractive and costly articles of ornamentation, together with an elaborate display of valuable colored ware incidental to the foundation of the United States and its early history. The existence of such a collection in her new home caused Mrs. Perry to suggest to her wealthy husband that within his grasp was the celebrated punch bowl of the revolutionary period, when high priced and over-taxed tea was cast upon the waters of Boston bay, and there was a celebration and great rejoicing incidental thereto.

The great men of Boston of that day had a feast after the tea tossing episode, and the affair was not rounded out in true Yankee fashion until the punch had all disappeared from the bowl, which had been furnished for the notable occasion by one of the distinguished ancestors of the present Mrs. Perry. As soon as the Gammell mansion, now undergoing rejuvenation by carpenters, painters and decorators, is completed, the punch bowl is to have a conspicuous place in a great side-board which Mr. Perry intends to have constructed, and then there will be patriotic days when the friends of the millionaire are to quaff the finest vintages from the Boston tea party punch bowl.

The mansion in question is one of the earliest of the colonial in the state of Rhode Island, and it fell into the hands of Mr. Perry about a year ago. Parts of the house were constructed more than 100 years ago and when the trade of New England was a good deal in the line of rum and negroes the mansion of the Browns and their descendants figured in the social life of the town

and the plantations established by Roger Williams. Hence, when the Boston tea party punch bowl is finally nestled away in Providence it will have a fitting roof over its wide earthenware rim, and the timbers of the old mansion can vie with the history of the bowl in claims of distinguished pedigree and renown.

The punch bowl, it is learned, came down safely to the days of the twentieth century through the care and painstaking of the forefathers of Mrs. Perry. They were the Lincolns and they have figured in the history of Massachusetts for quite a little more than 200 years.

SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

The maple sugar season lasts only five or six weeks, but it yields American farmers over a million dollars a year.

Paper coal is a form of lignite found near Bonn, in Germany. It splits naturally in films as thin as paper.

Seventy-eight profit sharing enterprises, affecting 53,526 workpeople, were in operation in Great Britain last year.

The sanitation of the city of Ahmedabad, India, is so bad that the mortality is 70 per 1,000, with no epidemic to account for it.

A white badger, which is almost as great a rarity as a white blackbird, was killed recently by the Axe Vale (England) badger hounds.

Signor Schiaparelli the Milan astronomer, has been elected an associate of the French academy of science in the room of the late Baron Nordenskiöld.

A Roman bowl of Samian make, said to be 2,000 years old, has been brought up from the sea bottom off Beachy Head by a Brightlingsea oyster dredger.

Malden Bower, a pre-Roman earthwork, near Dunstable, England, is in danger of being destroyed by the extension of a chalk quarry, which has already been worked to within a few yards of the ancient rampart.

The Pasteur institute for the treatment of persons bitten by rabid animals in Calcutta is rapidly gaining in popularity among the natives. In the eight months ended May 31 last, 355 persons were treated, and the mortality was only eight per cent.

Sericulture, the raising of silk worms, does not appear to increase in France. The official returns for last year show that 132,634 persons were engaged in the industry, as compared with 136,214 in 1900. In 1897 the number was 133,252. The yield of cocoons varies with the seasons. In the last five years it has ranged from 6,898,033 to 9,190,404 kilos.

There is no question in South Africa of suppression of the language of the people. The language of the Boer people of South Africa is a patois called Tsal, based on the seventeenth century Holland Dutch, with a mixture of many strange words, Kaffir and English, and with the omission of most grammatical inflections. In that happy tongue you are permitted to say "I is." It is needless to say there is no literature in this patois, as there is in Hollander Dutch of this century. The official recognition of Hollander Dutch dates from 1882 in the Cape Colony, and is a result of a political propaganda of the Afrikaner Bond, says the Pall Mall Gazette. It was openly announced and hailed as the "thin end of the wedge" to prevent the fusion of the Boer and British strains of the European people, and to drive the British into the sea.

The void Boer does not understand Hollander Dutch; he dislikes the Hollander outlander only a degree less than the British outlander, or than the French, Italian, German or any other outlander. He only hears the Hollander tongue, or, rather, the seventeenth-century predecessor of it, in the text from the seventeenth-century Dutch Bible read out in the churches on Sundays by the predikant, or in the hymns chanted by his fathers of the low lands, who worshiped Alva, prosecutor of the saints of the Lord.

A very minute proportion of the Boers have any business to transact in the law courts or public offices, unless such as are fully acquainted with English. For a generation before Mafuba hill the Boers, desiring to give their children a fair start in their business dealings with the business people of the towns, had their children taught English. The English government was an institution among Boers of any position. At the present moment there are none of the Boer leaders who cannot speak English; there are many, of course, who will not. After so many years of active political propaganda of the Hollander Dutch language, in the year before the war in Pretoria there were only five per cent. of the cases in the law courts between non-English-speaking people. All business transactions were conducted in English; sales and mortgages of farms, sales of mining options, dealings in stocks and shares, purchases in shops of imported goods, sales in the market squares of agricultural produce. Every Boer professional man, every Boer politician, had, as a necessity of life, to be acquainted with English.

From Germany comes a story of novelty and charity. In the town of Haschmann prizes are offered yearly for men who will marry the ugliest or most crippled women and also women over 40 who have been jilted at least twice. The money for the prizes was left by a rich financier, who provided that out of the funds an income of not less than \$60 should go to the ugliest girl and \$60 to a cripple.—London News.

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A million dollars a month is the estimate made by the bureau of statistics of the present value of the market which "frozen Alaska" offers the producers and manufacturers of the United States, states a special to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

"Commercial Alaska in 1901" is the title of a monograph just issued by the treasury bureau of statistics. In it are presented some striking figures about this (until recently) little explored and little understood territory of the United States. By reason of the application of modern systems of travel and transportation, Alaska is now as accessible as Arizona. Three days of travel by modern ocean steamers from Seattle among the islands and along the coast which forms the southeastern extension of Alaska lands the traveler at Skaguay; 12 hours by rail over the mountains, carries him to the headwaters of the Yukon, where comfortable and well-equipped river steamers carry him to the gold field of central Alaska or down the Yukon river, which is navigable for more than 2,000 miles at this season of the year. From the mouth of the Yukon another comparatively short trip by steamer carries him to Cape Nome—the latest and greatest of the gold fields of Alaska.

Gold, fish and furs are, according to this monograph, the principal industry of Alaska at the present time, and they send to the United States \$15,000,000 worth of their products, \$3,000,000 of gold, \$6,000,000 of fish, chiefly salmon, and the remainder furs.

The cost of Alaska was \$7,200,000. The revenue which the government has derived from it since its purchase amounts to over \$9,000,000, and the value of the products are now twice as much every year as it cost. The total value of the products of Alaska brought to the United States since its purchase is (according to the best estimates that the bureau of statistics is able to make) about \$150,000,000, of which \$50,000,000 is precious metals, \$50,000,000 products of the fisheries, chiefly salmon, and \$50,000,000 more furs, chiefly seal furs. Probably \$50,000,000 of American capital is invested in Alaskan industries and business enterprises, including transportation systems. In the salmon fisheries alone the companies engaged have a capitalization of \$22,000,000, and the value of their plants, including vessels, is given at \$12,000,000. In the mining industries there are large investments—the great quartz mill at Juneau being the largest quartz stamp mill in the world, while several other quartz mills represent large investments. With the inflow of capital, the development of transportation systems, and the gold discoveries, has come the building up of towns and the development of cities with modern conveniences of life.

Nome City, which is located but a comparatively short distance south of the arctic circle, has now a population of over 12,000; postal facilities have been so extended that the number of post offices is now about 60, and mails are being regularly delivered north of the arctic circle.

Agricultural possibilities in Alaska have, until within a recent period, been considered of but slight importance. As the country was explored, however, and its conditions of climate and soil studied, its natural products observed, and experiments made with various classes of agricultural productions, it became apparent that the agricultural possibilities of the country, and especially of the south and southeast, where the climate is modified by the Japan current, were of considerable importance in view of the practicability of furnishing at least a part of the food supply of the population which the varied resources of Alaska seem likely to sustain and make permanent. These observations and experiments lead those who have participated in them to the belief that vegetables in great variety can be produced all along the southern coast and in the valley of the Yukon, and by some the possibility of the successful production of wheat and oats is strongly supported.

The grasses for the support of cattle are abundant, and the experiment with live stock thus far justify the belief that this feature of the food requirements of Alaska may be furnished by the development of stock farms in the southern sections. In the north

vast areas are covered with a moss similar to that upon which the reindeer thrives in other parts of the arctic regions, and in view of this fact the introduction of reindeer from Siberia was begun a few years since and has proved extremely successful, about 3,000 now being distributed through northwest Alaska, and the experiment has advanced sufficiently to justify the confident belief that the reindeer will within a few years prove an important feature in furnishing both the transportation and food supply of northern and northwestern Alaska.

The gross area of Alaska is, according to the 1900 census, 590,804. The Governor of Alaska in a recent report states that this is equal to the combined area of the 20 states, of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida.

Pugilistic.—Nell—"Did Miss Billy-ums act as if it was a severe blow when she didn't get the prince?" Belle—"Yes; she took the count."—Philadelphia Record.

"What's the matter with Jimson?" "Doctor says it's a complication. Played ping-pong, golf, bicycled and got a motor car, and the four kinds of faces were too much for him."—London Answers.

Dr. Javal, of the French Academy of Medicine, who is sightless, denies that nature compensates blindness by increased sensibility of touch and hearing, but contends that when a person is blind an extra development takes place in a sixth sense, which is latent in all persons. This sense, which has been called the sense of obstacles, acts by the perception of certain warm and indefinite vibrations. The seat of the sense is believed to be placed in the forehead.

"Your honor," said the solicitor for the defense, relates Tit-Bits, "I wish to prove by this question that the witness is a man of quarrelsome disposition, hard to get along with, and on bad terms with his neighbors. Now, sir," he continued, turning again to the witness, "I'd like to know whose farm is next to yours?" "Well," answered the witness, "there is the Billings' farm, and the—"

"Stop there. One at a time. Are you on friendly terms with Mr. Billings?"

"I can't say I am."

"Are you even on speaking terms with him?"

"No, sir."

"Whose fault is it?"

"It's his fault, I reckon."

"Oh, yes; it's his fault, you reckon. How long has it been since you have spoken to him?"

"About 14 years, as near as I can remember."

"Now, sir, I want you to tell this jury why you have not spoken to Mr. Billings for 14 years."

"Gentlemen," said the witness, turning to the jury, "the reason why I haven't spoken to Mr. Billings for 14 years is because that's about the length of time he's been dead."

Between Friends.

"No, Mr. Dudgeon," said the beautiful girl with the old-rose hair, "I can never be your wife, but I shall always be your friend."

"Then before I go," rejoined the young man as he calmly lit a paper-covered coffin nail, "I have one last word to say to you as a friend."

"What is it?" she asked after the manner of the curious sex.

"It is this," he replied. "I think you have stacked the cards against yourself in this game. You lose by winning, while I win by losing."

Chicago Daily News.

Willie's Idea of the Giraffe. The children had written compositions on the giraffe. They were reading them aloud to the class. At length the time came for little Willie to read his. It was as follows: "The giraffe is a dumb animal and cannot express itself by any sound, because its neck is so long that its voice gets tired on its way to its mouth."—Albany Argus.

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