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BATTLE OF TRENTON.

On Christmas day in 1776
Our roused troops, with bayonets fixed,
For Trenton marched away.
The Delaware was the scene of the fight,
The light obscured by heavy fog and snow,
But no signs of dismay.

Our object was the Hessians' camp,
That dared invade fair freedom's land
And quarter in that place.
Great Washington he led us on,
Whose straining legs in storm or sun
Had never known repose.

In silent march we passed the night,
Each soldier panting for the fight.
Though quite benumbed with frost,
Greene on the left at six began,
The right was led by Gilliam
Who no'er a moment lags.

Their pickets stormed, 'till harm was
spread,
That rebels risen from the camp
Were marching back to their own camp.

And some for action did prepare,
But soon their arms laid down.
Twelve hundred servile mercenaries,
With all their colors, guns and tents,
Were trophies of the day.

The frolic o'er, the light shone
In center, front and rear was soon
Driving fatigue away.

Now, brothers of the patriot bands,
Let's sing deliverance from the hands
Of arbitrary sway.
And as our life is but a span
Let's touch the tumbler while we can
In merriment of that day.
—ANON.

Giotto's Campanile.

In St. Nicholas Mr. John Ward writes of "The Bell Towers of Italy." In speaking of Giotto Mr. Ward says:

This great and well beloved artist, who was at once painter, poet, sculptor and architect, was popularly supposed to have been a shepherd. Tradition tells us that as he daily tended his flock in the pasture one little lamb was ever by his side, showing him the most touching affection. When at last the little lamb was about to die, it spoke in verse to the shepherd, telling him that its spirit would remain with him always in the form of a fairy and that through its favor he was to become a great artist. At all events, the prophecy came true, for Giotto became an artist of world-wide fame, and he built a tower in Florence known as Giotto's Campanile. It is said that the fairy has dwelt ever since among the bells, fitting through the silent spaces.

Giotto, commanded by the city to build an edifice which in height and richness was to surpass every previous structure, in 1337 had the cornerstone of his great tower. At the expense of artists worked upon it. Sculptures by Donatello, Andrea Pisano and Luca della Robbia decorate the basement story and comprise several series of subjects—the seven liberal arts and sciences, the seven cardinal virtues, the seven works of mercy, the invention of navigation, besides many religious and historical subjects from the creation down.

The upper three stories are ornamented with spiral shafts and carved moldings, and the whole is built in alternate courses of black and white marble, the contrasting tints of which have been mellowed and softened by time.

And He Knew Too.

A young theological student, who is about to depart for the missionary fields, told an amusing story on himself the other evening that gives an insight to the cause that led to his determining to preach the gospel to the heathen. He had called on a young lady, and her little brother posted himself in an armchair facing a handsome gift clock. He had been there half an hour when the young lady said, "Poppo, why don't you go to the nursery?" "I am waiting," replied Robbie. "What are you waiting for, my dear?" "Why, for his face to stop the clock. You know what you said."—Philadelphia Call.

On all the bells of the navy the American shrapnel has displaced as a figurehead the old vessel. This is carried out of solid brass, with the stars and stripes and the shield proper fitted close around the shaft, and while scrollwork extends backward on either side for a distance of four or five feet.

From 123 answers to questions published two or three years ago Messrs. V. and C. find that a person's first mercury may be of an extent occurring as early as the age of 6 months or as late as 8 years to 4 years being the average age.

The wearing of earrings was so general in Rome that they were professional healers, who attended the ears of the torn or injured. The lobes with the weight of the pearls.

Washington's commission as commander in chief of the United States army was approved by congress June 17, 1775, and that year he set out on horseback to take command of the forces encamped about Boston.

Great Britain has 135,000 illiterate voters.

EXECUTION OF MAXIMILIAN.

He Received His Sentence Calmly and His Death Like a Hero.
The execution had been fixed for June 16. At 11 o'clock on that day sentence was read to the condemned, who were told that it would be carried into effect at 3 o'clock on the same afternoon.

Maximilian received the intelligence calmly and devoted the following hours, which he deemed his last, to dictating letters to Dr. Basch and to his Mexican secretary, Senor Blasio. He then confessed to Padre Soria and heard mass in General Miramon's chamber, where the condemned men received the last sacraments, after which he resigned his letters and took leave of those about him. In removing his wedding ring and handing it to Dr. Basch he said, "You will tell my mother that I did my duty as a soldier and died like a Christian." After this he quietly awaited death.

The appointed hour passed, however, without his being summoned to execution. After prolonged suspense, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon news arrived that a reprieve of three days had been granted by the president in order that the condemned might have time to make their last dispositions.

This unexpected delay naturally aroused hopes among the friends of the doomed men. These hopes, it is said by those closest to him at that time, were not shared by Maximilian. He continued his preparations with the same calm dignity that had not once forsaken him, but he sent a telegram to the national government asking that the lives of Generals Miramon and Mejia, "who had already undergone all the anguish of death, be spared" and that he might be the only victim. The request was denied.

After making this supreme effort on behalf of his generals he employed his remaining hours in dictating letters, and when night came he slept soundly.

On the morning of his execution (June 19) he arose at 3 o'clock and dressed carefully. At 4 o'clock Padre Soria came and once more gave him the last sacrament. An altar had been erected for this purpose in a niche formed by a passage-way to his cell. This religious duty having been performed, he gave instructions to Dr. Basch, sending greetings and last tokens to friends. At a quarter before 6 he breakfasted, and when, on the stroke of 6, the officer appeared who was to lead him to execution he was ready, and himself carried his companions in death. Three hacks had been provided for the condemned. The prince entered the first with the priest, and, escorted by the soldiery, the mournful procession moved through a dense crowd to the place of execution.

On arriving at the Cerro de las Campanas, where a month before he had made his last stand, the fallen emperor looked about him for a friendly face, and, finding only his servant, the Hungarian Tudos, he asked, "Is no one else here?" It is said, however, that Baron Magnus, the Prussian minister, and Consul Bahnsen were present, although out of sight.

The good priest weakened under the ordeal. He felt faint, and the prince held his own smelling bottle to his nose.

Followed by Generals Miramon and Mejia, Maximilian walked toward the open square, where an adobe wall had been erected, against which they were expected to stand. About to take his position in the middle, Maximilian stopped and, turning to General Miramon, said: "A brave soldier should be honored even in his last hour. Permit me to give you the place of honor." And he made way for him.

An officer and seven men had been detailed to do the deadly work. The prince gave each of the soldiers a piece of gold, asking them to aim carefully at his heart, and, taking off his hat, he said: "Mexicans, may my blood be the last to be spilled for the welfare of the country, and if it should be necessary that its sons should still shed theirs may it flow for its good, but never by treason! Long live independence! Long live Mexico!"

He then laid his hands on his breast and looked straight before him. Two shots fired at short range pierced his body. Each of them was mortal. He fell, and as he still moved the officer in charge pointed to his heart with his sword, and a soldier stepped forward and fired a last shot.—Mrs. Cornelius Stevenson in Century.

Her Strong Point.

They had looked soulfully into each other's eyes for some time, but somehow no gun seem to come to the point. Then suddenly he made a discovery.

"You have your mother's beautiful eyes, dear," he said.

She felt that the time had come to play her trump card. "I have also," she said, "my father's lovely cheek book." Within 30 minutes their engagement was announced.—London Fun.

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TRICKS OF THE DRAMA.

Brander Matthews' Comments on the Use of the Stage Whisper.

It is an indisputable necessity of the acted drama that the performers shall so pitch their voices as to be heard all over the house and that they shall so place themselves on the stage as to keep their faces visible from all parts of the theater. These are both deviations from ordinary usage, since common sense tells us that a man does not discuss his private affairs in tones to be heard by a thousand people, and the doctrine of probabilities assures us that only a quarter of the time would a couple face toward any given point of the compass.

Even when two characters alone on the stage whisper together, not to be overheard by other characters supposed to be in the next room, they can but pretend to lower their voices, since what they say must be audible to the audience, or else why say it? Many a critic, accustomed to blank verse and to the absence of the fourth wall of a room and to a hundred other conventions he blindly accepts, unconscious that they, too, are out of nature, has refused to legitimate the "stage whisper," the "aside" and the "soliloquy," holding them to be a little too flagrantly unreal. It is not to be denied that the aside and the soliloquy are labor saving devices, which some dramatists have worked hard. The easy convenience of soliloquy, by means of which a tortuous character can undecieve the audience while taking in the other personages of the play, has been too tempting to many a playwright. The conscientious dramatist has tended of late to get along without the aside and the soliloquy. The younger Dumas and Ibsen and Mr. William Gillette (in "Secret Service") have proved that it is perfectly possible to eschew them both. Here the later playwright holds to a higher standard of technique than the earlier, just as Moliere made us perceive Tartuffe's evil purpose without a single self explanatory aside, while Shakespeare had allowed Iago to unbesom himself freely to the audience in the intervals of his hideous machinations. After all, what is the convention underlying the soliloquy? It is that Hamlet, for example, is a man in the habit of thinking aloud when alone. Few of us would refuse to sign an agreement at the cost of losing "To be or not to be." Few of us, on the other hand, can think that the permission is strained when we find Romeo overhearing

Juliet's Soliloquy on the Balcony.

Moliere took this license as well as Shakespeare, for in "L'Ecole des Femmes" the Notary overhears the soliloquy of Arnolphe.—Brander Matthews in Scribner's.

Effect of Age on the Eyes.

The following are some of the effects of age upon the eyes: The cornea takes the form of a border ring of whitish tissue, the cause being the fatty degeneration of the surrounding parts of the cornea. The strength of sight decreases with age until it becomes difficult to distinguish small objects placed close to the eyes. This, however, may be in a great measure remedied by the use of suitable spectacles. Cataract, although frequently accompanying old age, is by no means a necessary consequence of it. In youth the lens is perfectly transparent and colorless. After the thirtieth year it begins to acquire a pale yellow tint, and as age advances this becomes more pronounced until it is finally transformed into a deep amber. These changes in the normal transparency coincide with a failing in nutrition, but their progress is not accompanied by loss of sight. When a total loss of nutrition ensues, however, the lens becomes quite opaque, and the operation for removal, which has been brought to such perfection in late years, becomes necessary.—New York Ledger.

Stuff That Made Him Go.

While a drove of bullocks were being driven through an Irish village from a fair one of the animals suddenly stopped and, notwithstanding all the efforts of the drover, would not move on its way.

A chemist who happened to see the affair went up to the bullock and injected a drug down its throat, which made the animal career down the street like greased lightning. About five minutes afterward the drover entered the chemist's shop wiping the perspiration off his head and asked the shopman if he were the party who gave the bullock some medicine.

"I am," said the chemist.
"Well," said the drover, "I'll take a penny worth of it, as I have to follow the baste."—Pearson's Weekly.

Laborer.

"I'm willing," said the laborer, "to admit that I borrowed a few of the ideas that I use in that work. It's legitimate to borrow."
"Yes," replied the cynical acquaintance, "but the difficulty is that in this loan the wrong man gets the benefit of the interest."—Washington Star.

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Geo. S. Allison has ordered the lumber for a two story building 40x50 feet to occupy the lot opposite Mayer Bros. & Co's. The first floor will be made into two stores and the upper part will be used for amusements. B. F. Bellows has the contract for the building.

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Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given to all trespassers for cutting timber, wood hauling, grazing stock, etc. will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Ranch in Beaver Lake country.
3m B. F. McDonald.

NOTICE.

I have placed all my accounts in the hands of Bill Gavitt at F. M. Justice's yard and request all indebted to me to call and settle with him at once. Respectfully,
C. C. Mann.

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Announcements.

The following rates will be charged for announcing candidates for office:
County - - - \$10.00
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Strictly Cash in Advance. These rates include the printing of candidates name on the general election tickets.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce the following candidates for the office specified:

For Treasurer.
Chas. H. Caruthers as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

For Tax Assessor.
Steve Murphy as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the November election.

A. J. Swearingen as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Sheriff and Tax Collector.
E. S. Brient as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

W. A. Williamson the lawyer from Junction was here this week

Judge C. E. Dubois is here from Ozona attending court.
Judge W. W. Martin of Kerrville is here on court business.

Woodward, partner to San Woodward, with Hagerlund Bros. & Co., is in Sonora on a visit.

C. G. Lovelace has the lumber on the ground for substantial house improvements to his place below Sonora.

M. R. Cannon bought 50 feet front of the Jim Gillespie place from Wm. Franklin, and B. F. Bellows will build a neat residence thereon for Mr. Cannon.

Fred Koenig this week bought the old English lot from Dr. H. G. Colson and B. F. Bellows has the contract to build a \$600 house thereon. Mr. Koenig will move his family to town for educational advantages.

The Bank of Sonora put up a handsome iron gate this week.

Remember our millinery department. Hagerlund Bros. & Co.

S. D. Foote the Ozona lawyer was in Sonora this week.

Ladies vests for sale at Hagerlund Bros. & Co.

Miss Effie Felton of San Angelo is expected this week on a visit to her sister Miss Florence Felton.

Mrs. John Cooper and children have been visiting friends in Coleman the past week.

When you sign a check "Remember the Maine" two cent documentary revenue stamp.

Mrs. Joseph Lea returned from an extended visit to Cameron and Austin Wednesday.

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When you go to San Angelo, call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K.

A solid gold watch was lost on the barbeque grounds, on July 4th. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to Mayer Bros. & Co.

Sonora's constellation of legal lights in attendance on County Court this week were: D. A. McGonagill, S. G. Taylor, W. A. Anderson and J. S. Brewer.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John G. McKee of Sutton county, on July 4th, 1898 at the home of Mrs. McKee's mother in Kinney county, a girl.

Mike Wilson brother to Misses Susie and Laura Wilson was here from Pontotoc this week. Miss Laura accompanied him on his return home.

You may hunt the world over and you will not find another medicine equal to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints. It is pleasant to take and reliable. For sale by J. Lewenthal, Sonora Texas.

Emory W. Justice, who successfully conducted a private academy at San Angelo last year and was in now building and will conduct the San Angelo academy has a card in this issue.

Miss Ida Wilson the interesting young lady who has made many friends during her short visit to her sister Mrs. I. W. Word, expects to leave next week for her home at Abbot, Texas.

Fort Clark, Texas, July 16 — Lieut. Silas H. Ketton and Miss Cora West of San Angelo were privately married by Chaplain Lloyd yesterday evening. The bride will accompany Lieut. Ketton to his station at Fort St. Philip, Louisiana.

Miss West referred to in the above is one of San Angelo's most charming ladies. She is the daughter of Dr. J. S. West and a sister to Mrs. J. Blake Taylor and Arthur West the popular young assessor of Tom Green county. Lieutenant Silas Ketton in 1894 was in the restaurant business with his brother Jim Ketton in Sonora and is well remembered by many of the Sonora people who wish the happy couple all the joys of married life.

The gentlemen members of the Sonora Social Club have been carrying out Gov. E. J. Doolittle's plan of the dance lately—the ladies have not however. The club gave a very enjoyable dance Monday night in honor of the visitors, the departing friends and those who would be away for a short time only. The following were the gay participants: Mr. and Mrs. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Huber, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Silliman, Mr. and Mrs. Swearingen, Mr. and Mrs. John Hagerlund, Mr. and Mrs. James Hagerlund, Mrs. W. B. Silliman, Mrs. I. W. Word, Mrs. Fred Kessler, Misses Stierrett, Blanks, Black, Rountree, Felton, Word, Wilson, Bertie Murchison, Myrtle Silliman, Flowers, Dodson, Sterling, Buchanan, Franklin, Caruthers, Blanche and Lotta Stephenson, B. E. Kelly, Messrs. Brumley, Berkeley, Bailey, Burroughs, Blanks, Noelke, Farwell, Woodward, McGonagill, Mayfield, Mann, Matthews, Allison, Mart Duncan, Mal Walters, Geo. Haley, Chas. and Henry Sharp, E. E. Sawyer, D. K. McMullan, Thos. Bond.

New College.

The San Angelo Academy will be completed by August 10, and school will open Monday, Aug. 29. Will have a regular collegiate course and accommodations for 20 boarders. Board and tuition from 15 to \$20 per month. Special attention given to music and elocution by excellent teachers. For catalogue, address

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County Court convened in Sonora Monday with J. O. Rountree, Judge, presiding, J. P. McConnell, sheriff, S. H. Stokes, clerk and D. A. McGonagill, county attorney, present.

The following jurors were impaneled: H. Krausenberger, D. O. Simonds, G. Huber, Wm. Estes, A. P. Cox, Thomas Bond, Fred Koenig, Robert Anderson, Sam Gorman, D. R. Holland, Joe Anderson and W. J. Fields

A number of gaming cases were again continued and some disposed of by the defendants pleading guilty.

The case of Agnes Parker wife of Joe Parker against G. S. Allison for having seduced her after having been forbidden to do so by the plaintiff, attracted considerable attention and occupied the court for three days. The jury returned a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff. The case will be appealed.

A similar case to the above with G. W. Morris as defendant is on trial as we go to press. S. D. Foote and C. E. Doolittle of Ozona are representing the Parkers and the defendants are represented by S. G. Taylor of Sonora and W. W. Martin of Kerrville.

Later—the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

John G. McKee the Frank's Defeat country cattleman was in Sonora this week. John has recently returned from a visit to his family near Fort Clark. On the road down he piloted the Cora West wedding party from Coleman's ranch to Fort Clark. At Fort Clark he saw and was with Bob Adams, formerly of Sonora, but now of Co. E 3rd Inf. The Captain of the company says Bob is as good a soldier as any man in the ranks. Bob however looks like a race horse but is standing the hard drilling splendidly. He wished to be remembered to the Sonora people and advises the boys of his age to stay out of the army until there is actual need of their services. The third was to leave in a few days for Louisiana.

Deputy Sheriff Henry Decker was here Tuesday that he had a warrant for the arrest of David Lawson, charged with horse theft. Sheriff McConnell was returning from Galveston and picked up Lawson at San Angelo and brought him to Sonora. It is believed there is a misunderstanding as to how Lawson came into possession of the horse and the case is not considered a serious one.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

The property known as the Tisdale property for sale cheap. Apply to Dr. H. G. Colson, Sonora, Texas.

D. H. Burroughs the attentive and obliging book keeper for Mayer Bros. & Co., left for a months visit to Hot Springs, Ark., Friday. His mother Mrs. J. L. Burroughs accompanies him as far as Stephenville where she will remain until Judge returns.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mayer and children and Blanche Stephenson left on a recreating trip to Hot Spring, Ark., Thursday. They will be absent about three weeks.

Miss Agnes Black who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Black leaves this week for her home at McKavett.

Mark Baugh and Walter McDonald expect to leave next month to attend the A & M College at Brazos.

Hagerlund Bros. & Co. received a large consignment of the famous Studebaker wagons this week. There are none better than the Studebaker.

Miss Maggie Word expects to leave in August to attend the Mary Nash Female College at Sherman or a seminary at Dallas.

Dan Parker the well known stockman was in town this week for supplies.

A. A. Williamson, commissioner of Precinct No. 4, and his brothers were in Sonora this week.

Hagerlund Bros. & Co. are making necessary improvements in their grocery department this week.

Ed Smith of San Angelo, one of the best known grocery clerks in the West is in Sonora and will probably be serving the customers at Mayer Bros. & Co's shortly.

Sam Woodward one of Hagerlund Bros. & Co's popular grocery clerks visited his old home at Coleman a couple of weeks ago. He says that Coleman is not up-to-date at all in patriotism like Sonora. Sam has a brother with the Philippine Volunteers and believes in patriotism.

After the Ball.

Capt. 'Gene Moon of the Ozona base ball club goes home and finds it a hard task to eat crow and was never able to sleep in a wagon yard. He consequently calls in the services of his typewriters and dictates a lengthy epistle to the good people of Crockett, whom he supposes are not on to him, telling how dreadfully the Sonora people treated him and his braves. 'Gene is a good fellow and an expert at all sports and manly arts and quite interesting till you know him better.

The Americans have proven to the world that they are good fighters, and that they are fighters is probably owing to the fact that they they all, at some time or other have umpired a ball game. 'Genes attack on Martin Murphy who consented to umpire the late unpleasantness at his (Moon's) request, shows clearly that 'Gene is not an expert at ball. The fairer treatment the defeated get the greater should be the pay. Mr. Murphy, by-the-way, is doing well and it's believed he will recover. He's been there before. 'Gene does not seem to consider the sights he saw, the pleasures he enjoyed, the experience he gained; the fame acquired; the twenty dollars and car fare sufficient remuneration for his visit to Sonora. 'Gene is ungrateful—but possibly the following from Max Mayer will repay him sufficiently:

Sonora, Texas, July 20, '98. Editor DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS: Thanking you in advance for the privilege of your valuable paper, I must write a few lines in response to the letter written by Captain Moon.

To do justice to this article we should lay it in the waste basket; consider the source, and say no more, for we know the readers of your paper feel that it is for want of brains that any one should appear in public with an article that has not a word of truth in it, and he ought to be aware that it could only be a short while until the people of this country would know it.

Now to the point: Capt. Eugene Moon was met by me on his arrival in Sonora, and I was informed by him that he, with his Ozona team, were going to leave Sonora how to play ball; this was my first knowledge of their coming to Sonora. Well the game was played and to the gentleman's surprise Sonora changed the programme, and showed Capt. Moon a thing or two, and won the game easily. Mr. Murphy, the umpire was first solicited by Capt. Moon, and he informed him that he was not very well, and did not know if he would be able or not to umpire the game; later he was asked also by the captain of the Sonora nine and he said well, he being solicited by both sides, all right, I will umpire the game. Now let me tell you friends, there was no dirt given to anybody; and if any errors were made, we know they were unintentionally, and equal to all.

Now we get to the board bill: Capt. Moon, shortly after he came to Sonora, went to see Claud Simpson, as he had invited them over and it is always customary for any one to pay the expenses of the visiting nine while in town until their game is played. Capt. Moon remarked to Mr. Simpson that if you make up \$20 it is all we want to pay our expenses, and same was cheerfully given to Capt. Moon on the night after the ball game, and I must say right here that I was present when the money was handed him by Capt. Ira Word; and quite natural after our victory we "guyed" the boys considerably; then I said to Capt. Moon: "You boys all stay over tomorrow and we will give you a dance, and we are going to have our best day's races," and he remarked we wont have any way to get home, Mr. Elliot brought us over and he is going back tomorrow; then I said, well if that is all we will see that you get home all right and it wont cost you a cent; and it didn't, for we paid Uncle Billy Franklin to take them over to Ozona.

He was not induced to go back in Mayer Bros. & Co's office the next morning as he states, and assured that his board bill would be paid, nor such a thing was ever mentioned, as we had already given him the money to pay the board bill; in fact, this entire conversation occurred in our office the night after the ball game, and every fact stated here can be proven, and not one statement of his made can be verified.

He told Mrs. Decker to present his board bill to Mr. Burroughs or myself and same would be paid, and in his letter he states that he asked it to be presented to the nine and it would be paid; neither of us belong to the nine, but on behalf of our nine and the citizens of Sonora I feel it my duty to say that Sonora and its people never do things by halves, and we made arrangements and had ice cold drinks furnished at the ball grounds, free to the Ozona boys; and I do not hesitate to say that there is not another one belonging to the Ozona team that will not say that we tried to make every thing as pleasant for them as possible free of charge.

Now in conclusion I will say that Capt. Moon knows he got the money to pay his board bill and he knows what he did with it, (so do I). After he went home he said to his Ozona friends that after they were defeated they offered to play Sonora again and offered to bet on the game, shook the bills at us; but the "Hotel Bill" I could occupy more of your reader's time in answering his absurd statements, but will not do so.

Assuring the balance of the Ozona nine our highest esteem,
I remain,
(In behalf of Sonora),
Yours respectfully,
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- One Phaeton, was \$125, now \$100.
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- Two carts, were 25, now \$22.50.
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- One Platform Hack, (a bargain) was 105, now \$85.
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OILED CLOTHING.

The Waterproof Garments and the Traditional Sou'wester of the Sailor.

A suit of oiled clothing such as is commonly worn by sailors, consisting of a coat and a pair of trousers, costs from \$1.50 to \$2.50, according to the quality. An oilskin suit with-er coats 25 to 50 cents. There are many makes of oiled clothing, including some whose trademarks have been familiar for many years. The oilskin coat hanging outside the outfitting and supply stores in streets along the water front has long been a familiar sign.

The life of an oilskin suit depends, of course, on the quality of the material. An oilskin suit is not large-ly worn as it used to be, but largely in the summer and in the winter. It is more common now than it was in the past, and the sailor has no place to hang it or that he keeps it rolled up to be ready to carry with him at any time, as a pilot would do. In dry latitudes, where a sailor has less occasion to wear them, his oilskins, if cared for, would of course wear longer than where they were often worn. Usually the average life of an oilskin suit worn by a sailor would be about a year.

When a sailor's oilskins crack or get worn so that they are not water-proof, he oils them. They may need oiling two or three times a year. There are prepared oil dressings made for this use and put up in little tin cans. Some sailors use oils of one sort and another, and some sailors make a mixture of their own for a dressing. The sailor is likely to have a preference for some one brand of clothing and to stick to it, and he has his own idea as to the best dressing for it, but he carries always with him a dressing of some sort. It is put on with a brush, the garments being hung up and painted with it.

Oilskin coats worn aboard ship by men before the mast are cut short, so as not to interfere in any way with their movements. The coats worn by the officers of a ship are cut longer. The officers in some cases wear rubber coats, but the oilskin is the coat they commonly wear.

While oiled clothing and the traditional sea wester are most familiarly associated in the mind with ideas of sailors and of the sea, they are also, as matters of fact, very largely and extensively worn upon the land by truckmen and car drivers and many other outdoor workers and by sportsmen.—*New York Sun.*

Extracting the Young Idea.

Two events of one day convinced a young lady of Fiety Hill that the infant mind is one of the most profound mysteries of nature. It was her first effort with a class of little Sunday school children, and after talking with them in her most impressive way for half an hour she asked her precious charges what they thought of their lessons. One little girl, with golden hair and great blue eyes such as artists love to reproduce in themes d'ins, indicated a desire to speak.

"What is it, my dear?" "Miss Earnest, if you lived to be a hundred years old you'll never have a prettier hat than the one what you got on now."

The second developed later in the day. She told the little ones that they must not let the weeds grow up in their hearts, for they were the weeds of sin and worse than death. One fat cherub who had never known what it was to be sick set up a howl as soon as he reached home. Being short on a knowledge of anatomy he sat holding his digestive apparatus and declaring that the weeds growing in his heart were "a mos killin' him. Ignorant of the cause of alarm, the terrified parents kept the telephone wires hot till they secured the presence of three doctors, who were promptly followed by others who had not been in when called. While the others were gravely consulting, one shrewd practitioner extracted the story of the Sunday school lesson and administered a dose of sugar and water. Ten minutes later the little fellow was feeling how near he came to dying while he was eating enough for a harvest hand.—*Detroit Free Press.*

How to Make Cold Cream.

To make cold cream take of oil of almonds two ounces, spermaceti half an ounce, white wax a dram. Melt together and while cooling add two ounces of rosewater, stirring until cold. Cold cream may also be made by this formula: Take four ounces of unsalted butter, four ounces of white wax and an ounce of vasoline. Melt together and perfume with oil of bergamot. The more cold creams are stirred and beaten while cooling the whiter they become.

Faustian.

Denton Jones—You really think this is a desecrating case, Mr. Brown? You think there is no doubt about the family being poor?

Mrs. Brown—Oh, there can be no doubt about it, reason. Why, every one of the family rides a last year's wheel.—*Denton Transcript.*

"GROWING UP" IN JAPAN.

The Boy Doomed to Age at Fifteen Years and Is Given a New Name.

In St. Nicholas there is a paper on "The Little Japanese at Home," by Ida Tigner Hodnett. Miss Hodnett says, in describing the "growing up" of a boy:

When he is 3 years old, he begins to wear the obi, a girdle three inches wide, which confines the kimono, a loose sort of garment and the main part of the Japanese national dress for both children and grown people. The putting on of the obi is the occasion of another family feast, and a very important garment it is, for it corresponds to pockets in an American boy's first trousers. The front part of the kimono, above the obi, is also used as a pocket, and the lower end, wide sleeves, sewed up at the lower end, make two very big ones. When 15 years old, the boy becomes of age, and a third family festival occurs. Another name is given him, and his hair is allowed to grow all over the head, like a man's. Previous to this time the hair is shaved so as to allow the hair to grow only in spots or tufts, the place of the tufts varying up to the age of 10, when the crown only is shaved. At the festival celebrating his majority the manner of friends and relatives changes toward him, and, while the day before he was still addressed as a child, now he is addressed in the ceremonious forms required by Japanese etiquette. The title of respect, san, is henceforth affixed to his name, even by those nearest and dearest. These titles, san, sama, always follow the name and are never prefixed, as with our "Mr." For example, a boy whose name is Kiyoshi will be called Kiyoshi-san. In his responses to the kind speeches made to him the boy shows that he understands the new honors that have come upon him and that he is now ready to apply himself to the serious business of life.

It used to be a great thing to be born a samurai (sam-moo-ri) boy baby in Japan. The samurai were soldiers and scholars and were entirely apart from and above the ordinary people. They could not engage in any business, nor could they marry into another class. This has all been changed since the Japanese revolution of 1867. The people are now divided into two large classes—the heimin (he-meen), or commoners, the shizoku (shee-zo-ko), or gentle—and all have equal rights under the law. The average boy's success in life depends upon his own abilities and the use he makes of the teaching he may have. The first thing the samurai baby needed after he was put in his nurse's arms was a sword. Rather a queer thing for a baby to have; but then, this baby was a samurai. No matter if the tiny hand could not grasp the handle, his sword carried it for him, and when the obi became a part of his dress the sword was fastened to it and hung by his side. To be sure, it was a wooden sword. But what of that! It was the badge of his rank and must go wherever he did all day long, and when he went to bed it was laid close by. "The sword is the soul of the samurai" is an old Japanese saying, and it was thus early fastened to his side that he might become used to grasping it from infancy.

When our young samurai reached the age of 7, it was a day of great rejoicing. At the family festival two real metal swords were fastened to the obi, one on each side. The edges, however, were blunt, and accidents were further guarded against by having the swords so fastened in their scabbards that the young swordsman could not draw them out. These were now his constant companions until, at the age of 15, the weapons handed down in his family took their place.

Women of Ancient Egypt.

Women always stood on a level with men in ancient Egypt, unlike the custom of other eastern countries. They were allowed to rule as queens as early as the second dynasty. Their palaces were of brick adorned with gorgeously painted walls, rich carpets, rugs of fur, ivory and ebony chairs and couches. Till the end of the eighteenth century there was little change in feminine attire, which consisted of a fine and often transparent linen garment, extending from shoulder to ankle, supported by straps over the shoulders. Colored robes were not frequently worn. Gay plumage was left to the men. Women contented themselves with blackening their eyebrows, letting their hair down and decking themselves with innumerable rings, chains and bracelets.

His Last Name Good Enough.

"I wish," said the young man, "that you would be less formal and call me by my first name."

"I'd rather not," replied his fair companion. "Your last name suits me."

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UNDERGROUND STREAMS.

There Are Thousands of Miles of Subterranean Rivers in Kentucky.

Mr. John R. Proctor, formerly state geologist of Kentucky, has written an article for The Century on "The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky." Mr. Proctor says:

Passing southward through Kentucky on the Louisville and Nashville railway the observant traveler will notice that about 40 miles from Louisville the road climbs Maddox's hill, which is the northern escarpment of an elevated limestone plateau sloping gently to the south and west. The road traverses this plateau for about 100 miles and descends a southern escarpment into the basin of central Tennessee. In this distance only three streams are crossed—Nolin, Green and Barren rivers—and between these rivers the entire surface drainage passes away through subterranean channels, rising to a curious "sink hole" topography which is peculiar to this region. These circular and oval shaped depressions are so numerous that in places the rims almost touch one another, and one can sometimes count several hundred to the square mile. Through vents at the bottom of these sinks the surface water passes downward into caverns and underground streams, emptying into the above named rivers through arched ways near water level and in places beneath the surface of the rivers.

The surface rock of this plateau is the subcrystalline limestone, which is here several hundred feet thick, a massive, remarkably homogeneous rock, with no intervening strata of shale or sandstone, conditions most favorable for the formation of caverns. Consequently this region contains more and larger caves in a given area than any other region in the world. In Edmonson county, where the celebrated Mammoth cave is located, it is claimed that there are as many as 200 known caverns.

A range of hills of uniform height, running parallel with the railway and several miles distant, will be observed to the north. On nearer inspection this will be seen to be a level plateau rising out of the limestone plain and held up by a capping of massive sandstone. It is beneath the protection of this sandstone capped plateau that the larger caves are found. Green river has cut through this plateau to a depth of about 220 feet, and as the sandstone cap is about 20 feet thick we find about 200 feet of massive limestone exposed above the drainage level. As some of the domes and upper avenues of the caves extend up to the base of the sandstone and come down to the drainage level, they have 200 feet as the present limit of the vertical extension of these caves. The evidence is conclusive that these caves have been cut down to correspond with the deepening of the channel cut by Green river. In the region immediately along the line of the railway, where the sandstone capping and the upper limestone have been removed by erosion, the caverns have less vertical extension and correspond to the lower avenues of the Mammoth and other caves to the north. Doubtless large caverns, corresponding to those now remaining beneath the sandstone plateau existed here before the upper member of the limestone was eroded from this area.

There is no means of estimating the extent of the caverns and subterranean streams in this region. Every one of the innumerable depressions, or sink holes—save where the vents have been closed, thus forming ponds—communicates with an underground channel or cave, and the aggregate length of such channels has been estimated at many thousands of miles. Nor can we form any estimate of the number and extent of large caverns yet undiscovered. But for the erosion caused by a small stream cutting through the roof of Mammoth cave the present entrance would not have been broken open, and this, the greatest of caves, might have remained unknown. Several other of the largest and most beautiful caves in this region have been found by accident. Hidden grandeur doubtless yet remain entombed beneath the extensive uplands reaching out on both sides of Green river.

In crossing the southern upland we come upon oval-shaped limestone valleys, surrounded on all sides by a sandstone rim, with no outlet save through vents in the bottom. These valleys are sometimes hundreds of acres in extent, and are probably formed by the falling in of extensive caverns, the debris, disintegrated by the elements, being carried away through the subterranean channels. The fact that existing caves under the hills surrounding these valleys have been found through entrances in the sides of some of the valleys is an indication that this may have been the condition.

Subsequent.

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