

Repeated Licks Drive
The Nail. Repeated
Ads Never Fail—If in
THE CHRONICLE

The Clarendon Chronicle.

Subscription \$1.50
—Worth \$2—
Gives the News while it
is News.

\$1.50 a Year

A Faithful Chronicle of Local and General Events.

Advertising rates on application

Vol. 19

CLARENDON, DONLEY COUNTY TEXAS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1908

No. 102.

One Missourian Scored and "Shown" as Regards Texas by Another.

The Daily Panhandle publishes a controversy between a Carthage, Mo., editor and Kansas City editor over some derogatory remarks about the country by the farmer. The Panhandle says:

Writing from Amarillo to a Carthage, Mo., paper this individual sees no good in all this great country. His mind is too small to take in the bigness of things. The editorial writer of the Daily Panhandle once held in his arms a little child as he stood on a cliff overlooking the Pacific ocean. "See, now there is the great ocean, little one," said the newspaper man. "Where, where is it—I don't see it," plaintively spoke the little child. It was too big for the tot to see and to grasp, mentally, until some moments had passed. But the child finally realized the perspective, which is more than the Missourian has done, although he was "shown" by a number of broad-minded men.

Men of the great west have scant respect for the provincial individual at best; but when one of these species visits this country and brings along eyes to see and ears to hear and then cannot grasp conditions and realize the present prosperity and see the future greatness in store for this country—this individual, we may say, is "beyond redemption," and his presence among this people is not desired at all. The Panhandle is a big country, but it has no space to spare to the dead one.

This Missourian in question, by his statements regarding the Panhandle, has amused the people here and has aroused the ire of a man in Kansas City who knows this country thoroughly, who has visited it, gone to and fro in it from east to west and from north to south. And the Kansas City man takes it upon himself to make the tired Missourian look even smaller than he really is. This champion of the Panhandle is J. B. Dickinson of Kansas City and editor of the Southwestern News Syndicate, and one of the best known newspaper and magazine writers in the southwest. Dickinson says that "it is unfortunate that such misleading stories are given publicity, and an investigation by an impartial judge would disprove many of the statements, and if the critic owns land in Jasper county, Mo., which he desires to sell, he should give this as a reason for 'knocking' against the Panhandle."

After reading the Missourian's "special correspondence to the Carthage press," dated from Amarillo, Dickinson says:

"Practically every positive statement made by this writer can be disproved by men who neither have lands for sale in the Panhandle nor elsewhere, but men who desire only justice. I spent three months in the Panhandle not long ago in the interest of a syndicate of leading newspapers and magazines which wanted the truth and nothing but the truth about that country. I gathered data from every source, much of which was more or less unreliable, it is true, but any sane man can distinguish between the two when the facts are before him. In the first place the 'knocking' Missourian goes out of his way to falsify against that country, when he says:

"Sixteen years ago this country had a bigger boom than that now on. Farm land ran up in price along the railroads. Far more settlers were drawn here than now. Everybody bloomed as the rose. Then came the great drouth. It lasted nearly 6 years. Farmers lost nearly everything they had. Many walked out while on every road

were covered wagons drawn by lean horses, taking the once prosperous families back to 'God's country.'"

"Quoting further, he says, 'But the whole Panhandle country is something different when it does not rain. Then all crops fail, the grass dries up, cattle perish, fruit trees wither and die, and gloom and despair is everywhere extant throughout the region.'"

Dickinson says further: "To reply to the man in detail would require more space than the average newspaper could spare, but enough can be said that would convince any fair minded man that the individual in question is either a chronic 'kicker' or else has an ulterior motive in 'knocking' the fairest land in all the south, the Texas Panhandle.

"The government weather bureau at Amarillo was established nearly 17 years ago, and since that time the average annual rainfall has been about 24 inches. The Missourian evidently reckoned without his host when he bewailed and moaned over the terrible fate of the alleged 'drouth of 6 years ago,' which never came. Six years ago, according to the United States weather report in Amarillo, the rainfall was 23.11 inches, and strange to relate, it came during the growing, or crop season. It rained nine inches in May, two inches in June, one and one half inches in July, two and one half inches in August and near one inch in September. Certainly this could not have been the 'terrible drouth' the 'knocker' speaks of.

"This erudite gentleman with the small hammer also mentions 'dry river beds' in the Panhandle, and attempts to decry the fate of suckers who might be lured into that country by 'land grafters' and others. The truth is that only one stream crosses the plains country, the Canadian river, and that runs across the extreme northern edge of what is known as the plains proper. His reference to the prairie dog fork of Red river, the Palo Duro canyon, is a slander to the people of the Panhandle, and shows how totally ignorant he is on the subject he attempts to deal with. The Palo Duro canyon will, ere long, become a national park and game preserve. It is one of the most wonderful gorges on the American continent, and will become a famous rendezvous and scientists and men who seek rare natural treasures and the handiwork of God. It contains numerous neverfailing springs, and through its center runs a beautiful clear stream of water. It has not been dry since 1866, according to Capt. Chas. Goodnight, the oldest settler in all that romantic wonderland.

"The Missouri critic asks: 'What do you want to leave Jasper county for? You will appreciate your blessings there, perhaps, if you get where they are denied you, and that is the only reason that I would suggest for you to try a change. Be satisfied and you'll be happy.'

"Now, what do you think of a man who would lambast a country, pick every flaw imaginable, wilfully misrepresent actual conditions and then wind up a long, rambling description by saying: 'And this is the ONLY reason I would suggest for you to try a change. Be satisfied and you will be happy.' Wouldn't this put your cork a-bobbing. The truth is, this man is one of those weaklings who occasionally get away from home, and when home sickness comes over him, begins to dish out free advice by the handful, let it be right or wrong, it makes no difference.

"Personally, I am not interested in the Panhandle country, but I am willing to go on record that it of-

fers greater opportunities today for the man with ordinary means and who is not afraid to work than any region on the American continent. Farm lands in the heart of the plains can be bought today at from \$15 to \$20 an acre, on easy terms and where else on earth can one beat this? The Panhandle country is not a land of 'milk and honey,' but it is a land of great opportunities, and possibly already partially developed. The country is not an arid waste, with dry river beds and frequent disastrous drouths and 'booms to catch suckers' as our friend would have one believe. This 'knocker' is only one of those misguided, misinformed and malicious homesick farmers who hopes to farm the farmer rather than buckle down to real home-making. He looks through smoked glasses. His hammer is entirely too light to do much harm, however."

Texas Farmers' Congress.

Every farmer in Texas is interested in the papers and addresses of the Eleventh Texas Farmers' Congress. It contains the proceedings of the congress and of the nut growers, nurserymen, horticulturists, bee keepers, dairymen, swine breeders and corn growers. A copy may be obtained free by writing a card to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Austin, Texas.

The following are a few extracts from the papers read before the Farmers' Congress or the Sections:

"The laborers, the toilers, the producers of food and clothing for the human race have until recent years been able to supply no more than the bare necessities of life for themselves and a few luxuries for their overlords. Human inventions in the form of machinery, driven by steam, water power, gas, wind and electricity have wonderfully increased the output, the capacity, the producing power of the skilled farmer, mechanist and manufacturer. The machine user is ten times as productive as his rude ancestor. Machinery is his 'labor saving' factor, but it is a means for increasing production."

"While we have many improved methods for doing the work of the farm, yet there is a vast field for improving that which is grown on the farm."

"Every farm is a factory. It produces the raw materials of commerce. Its prosperity must depend upon the markets for its products. If the markets are good and easily accessible, then individual effort may count for something. If there are no good markets, or if the markets are not cheaply accessible, then effort is handicapped and success is impracticable. Markets are absolutely necessary."

"The old method of two making a trade, one the buyer and the other the seller, no longer obtains. The buyers are combined. Before the contest can be equal there must be a strong combination of sellers. Each bale of cotton today is priced and bought by an aggregation of the best business brain on two continents, backed by unlimited money. Each bale should be sold at the discretion of all the brain and capital of the south. Unless the seller is backed by the same intelligence and capital in possession of the buyers; the transaction will be unequal in the elements of trade and we will have a striking instance of the fittest, or better, a survival of the strongest. If capital and the shrewdness employed in its use have an advantage over poverty before our courts, the highest and wisest tribunals known to our government in the dispensation of justice, how much greater will be the inequality in the free-for-all fight and scramble for business supremacy."

"Goods canned at home are coming to the front as the finest and most healthful in the land. A merchant near Jacksonville ordered one dozen cases of the very best peaches and one dozen cases of the very best tomatoes from a St. Louis firm, and when he received them he was surprised to find that they were canned near his home by his neighbors. The commercial clubs everywhere spread literature showing why farmers should patronize the home merchant. My friend, it is certainly time that we should spread literature showing why the merchants should patronize his neighbor farmer."

"Next to the gift of His only begotten Son, through whom He provided the way of salvation for mankind, the soil is God's greatest gift to man. It is the basic source of all wealth and from its products are built your homes, your churches, your schools, your factories and your towns. God created it for the sustenance of man and turned it over to him to till and keep in trust during his natural life, that he in turn might turn it over to his posterity a rich inheritance for their support. But I fear that many of us are today betraying this sacred trust and that soon we shall leave our children not a rich inheritance, but barren estates.

"In September of the year 1900 when the tidal wave swept over Galveston the world was struck with awe; the loss of life and the destruction of property was so appalling. Not many years later San Francisco, the pride of our western coast, was visited by an earthquake. Every man, woman and child throughout this broad land of ours was again cast into gloom and sorrow. In each instance did the American people rise to meet the situation and contribute both their sympathy and their substance. And yet, today I stand before you and tell you that each year sees more destruction of property, God given property, through the wastes of our forests in East Texas alone than resulted from either of these great catastrophes. Who then is to pay the penalty? Shall it be our children, or our children's children? In any event it will be our own flesh and blood and again will the Scriptures be fulfilled in that our sins will be visited upon our children, even unto the fourth generation."

"Nothing grows into money so quickly as good shade trees planted around the home. I will give just one instance: I planted fifteen trees for a man around his new home for \$30. This was in November. They made a fine growth. In following October he sold the place, the trees being valued at \$500. Second summer, these trees made a fine growth and were really handsome shade trees. I told the purchaser he had been made pay \$500 additional for the trees. He replied that the price was cheap enough, that he would not take \$1000 for them."

"Pride prompts the doing of many things. I have seen a \$600 piano in a \$500 home and the home in a \$2 yard—a treeless, shrubless calf pasture. The idea had never occurred to them that there are many more men in the world who can make pianos than who can properly plant and plant even a small landscape or yard."

"Several years ago I had a patch of peas. I turned 33 shoats on them and kept the weight of some of them, which gained 134 pounds a day. They weighed 65 pounds when turned in, and I sold them at the end of 33 days. The best one gained 42 pounds and the others from 35 pounds up."

"There is not a table in the land no matter how elaborate or how humble upon which the products of

Monster Meteor Alarms People.

Weatherford, Tex., Dec. 14.—About 6:30 o'clock this morning a monster meteor passed over the city, creating a glare in the heavens that was sufficient to light up rooms brilliantly in which the shades had been drawn over the windows. The meteor seemed to pass from southwest to a north-easterly direction and its appearance upon the southwest horizon was characterized by a great noise as of distant thunder.

Hundreds of people in this city witnessed the phenomenon, and those who were out attending to their stock at that time say that the animals all seemed to cower in the most abject fear.

SMELLS OF SULPHUR AT SHERMAN. Sherman, Tex., Dec. 14.—An unusually brilliant and in other respects peculiar meteoric phenomena was witnessed about 6:30 o'clock in the low western skies.

The course of its movement was from the northwest to the southeast, and to those who first noticed what appeared to be a moving star it perceptibly grew in dimensions until before it was dissipated much like a rocket it had assumed, with its haze of blue about the flaming globular center, the size of a harvest moon and trailed a stream of flame.

The street lights in the dazzling light of the aerial visitor grew dully red and the moonlight was shadowy in comparison.

ALARMS MINERAL WELLS. Mineral Wells, Dec. 14.—The people of this city were thrown into a furor of excitement this morning by the appearance of an enormous meteor, which passed over the city at 6:30 o'clock.

It suddenly appeared in the southwest with a brilliancy like that of the sun. It passed on to the northwest and disappeared with a sound of thunder. Windows and dishes rattled, and the sensation following the passage of the meteor was not unlike that produced by an earthquake.

Those who saw the meteor declare that the mountain tops in the vicinity were lighted up in a most spectacular manner.

SEEN AT WICHITA FALLS. Wichita Falls, Texas, Dec. 14.—A brilliant meteor of huge size fell this morning at 6:30 near this place, bursting into myriads of burning fire balls just before striking the ground. It was very brilliant and was seen by hundreds. Window lights were shaken and many in bed thought it an earthquake. It apparently fell just outside the city limits, but so far no one has found the place.

BIG LIGHT AT DENTON. Denton, Texas, Dec. 14.—A brilliant meteor, which made the heavens as light as day, passed over Denton from the northwest to the southeast just before daylight this morning, attracting the attention of many early risers. The meteor scattered blazing particles all along its flight.

"One hundred pounds of skim milk is worth as much as half a bushel of shelled corn. The average cow will give enough milk to make 4000 pounds of skim milk in a year. Ten cows will give 40,000 pounds, which would be equivalent to 200 bushels of corn. This means skim milk from ten cows for feeding hogs is worth as much as eight acres of corn."

"Texas has more area suitable for growing corn than any other state in the Union; it has more soil that will produce more corn to the acre than any other state; yet it is a fact that the average yield in Texas is only 22½ bushels per acre,

while the average yield in Iowa is nearly 40. There is much less production and a correspondingly greater demand for it in this state than in Iowa. The average price per bushel on Texas farms is 50c, while in Iowa it is 32."

Roosevelt Roasts Pulitzer and the Canal Critics.

Mr. Roosevelt sent a special message to Congress Tuesday regarding the Panama scandal charges. He uses the strongest language he has ever used in a message.

He arraigns Jos. Pulitzer, editor of the New York World, particularly as a "villifier" of American people and brands the charges that Chas. Taft and Douglas Robinson, the president-elect's brother and brother-in-law, participated in the \$40,000,000 purchase fund, as scurrilous, libelous and false.

He denies positively that either Taft or Robinson participated. He says Pulitzer is responsible for the charges and is guilty of criminal offense against individuals libeled, but the real injury is blackening the name of the American people.

It can't be left to individuals to prosecute Pulitzer. The attorney general is considering the form of proceedings which will be instituted. The message includes statements from Knox, who conducted the negotiations, and Cromwell, the agent of the Canal company, and cites that payments had been conducted in accordance with the ruling of the French courts for distribution.

STATE NEWS.

H. C. Cameron lost a hand in a gin at Omaha a few days ago.

The livery stable of E. Davis at Denison burned Sunday night and 96 out of 100 head of horses burned to death. Loss \$50,000.

Katie, the 6 year old daughter of W. E. Nunnally, was burned to death in Tyler Saturday while in the kitchen alone.

A warehouse at Sherman belonging to the Merchants & Planters' Bank burned Saturday night, also 300 tons of hay belonging to Tom Randolph of St. Louis.

Mrs. E. A. Duncan, 80 years old, who lived in a second story building owned by her two sons at Palestine, fell from a window to the sidewalk Tuesday and was killed.

N. C. Gill's residence was struck by lightning Monday at Vernon, doing more or less damage. The family was seated by the stove and escaped serious injury, but the house cat was killed instantly.

C. E. Stevenson, recently of Tennessee, was run over by a switch engine in Ft. Worth Monday, sustaining injuries from which he died. He was interested in a shipment of furniture and started across the track, fell and the engine cut off one of his legs. His father lives at Loneoak, Ark.

Ex Constable George Peebles was struck in the back of the head with a heavy iron bar and his skull crushed at Thorndale this week. Peebles has regained consciousness only once, and said that the blow was struck by a young man of that community, with whom he had had trouble growing out of the recent thrashing of some negroes.

C. M. Kyger was shot and almost instantly killed by Louis Joy on the road near the latter's home, three miles west of Mason, this week. Following the shooting Joy telephoned for the officers, who found Kyger's body lying in the road near Joy's home. Considerable mystery exists as to the cause of the shooting.

It is claimed that the question of prohibition will be voted upon in 28 counties in Michigan.

The Clarendon Chronicle.

Published Twice-a-Week by
W. P. BLAKE, Editor and Proprietor.
 Subscription.....\$1.50 a year
 Entered February 10, 1908, at Clarendon, Tex.,
 as Second class matter, under Act of Congress
 March 3, 1879.

CLARENDON, TEX., DEC. 19, 1908.

Gov. Campbell has granted a full pardon and restoration of citizenship to Mrs. Inez Carraway of Ft. Worth, who was given a life term in the penitentiary for killing her husband about nine years ago at Ft. Worth. She had served about 8 years. The case was quite a noted one at the time, attracting considerable interest.

The board of directors of the Baptist general convention of Texas has appropriated \$130,000 for state missions, \$60,000 for foreign missions and \$5,000 for ministerial relief. Colonel C. C. Slaughter, Rev. G. W. Truett and M. H. Wolfe, all of Dallas, were reelected respectively president, secretary and auditor of the board.

It is coming to be regarded in Washington as almost certain that Senator Knox will be Taft's secretary of state. Notwithstanding the denials that have been made, it is known that Senator Knox has not only been invited, but urged to become the premier of the Taft administration. It is believed that the influences which are being exerted will overcome Senator Knox's reluctance to leave the senate.

The Vernon Call says the man who owes a debt and persists in spending money for luxuries is spending money that does not belong to him. And yet how often it is done. We frequently see them spending their money for things that many go without and tell their creditors that they can't pay a cent. Every man should make it a point to settle all his debts by New Years, and begin the year with a clean page and a clean conscience.

There seems to always be a big demand by big trust companies and corporate monopolies for the services of men who have been connected with the inside workings of Uncle Sam's financial machinery. It is now said that George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury, has been offered the presidency of the Union Trust Company, the fourth largest trust company in New York. Mr. Cortelyou has not yet decided whether he will accept.

It looks strange that there is such a tendency to flock to the cities and towns from the farms when we consider all the improved facilities for farming and the effort made to teach up-to-date agriculture. Comparatively a short time ago the farmer only learned from crude experience. Now there are fifteen state agricultural high schools and 40 others receiving state aid, 115 state and county normal schools preparing young people to teach agriculture, and 16 privately endowed colleges and over 250 public and private high schools and academies giving instruction in agriculture. Over 2,000,000 people are reported as having attended the farmers institute meeting during the year.

Owing to the prevalence of scarlet fever the Colonial Hill public school at Dallas has been closed temporarily.

Catching the heel of his shoe in a frog, while cutting a car, James B. McAbee, a frisco switchman, was run over and instantly killed in North Fort Worth Thursday morning.

Postoffices at Celina, McLean, Wellington, Alto, Blooming Grove, Blossom and Maybank have been made presidential appointive offices.

At El Paso \$600,000 will be expended in paving streets with bitulithic pavement.

No trouble to show goods and help you make selections at Stocking's store.

Has the Christmas spirit struck you?

New York World Replies to the President.

New York, Dec. 16.—The World in the course of an answer to President Roosevelt's reference to that paper in his special message to congress Tuesday says, among other things:

"Roosevelt is mistaken. He cannot muzzle the World.

"While no amount of billings-gate on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness, we repeat what we have already said, that the congress of the United States should make thorough investigation of the Panama transaction that the full truth may be made known to the American people.

"The World fully appreciates the compliment paid to it by Roosevelt in making the subject of a special message to the congress of the United States.

"The World likewise appreciates the importance and significance of Roosevelt's statement when he declared to congress that the proprietor of the World 'should be prosecuted for libel by the government authorities,' and that 'the attorney general has under consideration the form under which the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought.'

The World has never said that Chas. P. Taft or Douglas Robinson made any profits whatever. Taft denied that he was concerned in the transaction in any way, which denial the World published and accepted. It would have been equally glad to print Robinson's denial if it could have succeeded in having one from him, as it was frequently attempted. The World has no evidence that he was associated with Cromwell, and would accept his word to that effect. Robinson is an elegant gentleman, whose reputation for veracity is infinitely better than that of his distinguished brother-in-law.

"If the World has libeled anybody, we hope it will be punished, but we do not intend to be intimidated by Roosevelt's threats or by Roosevelt's denunciation or by Roosevelt's power.

"No other living man ever so grossly libeled the United States as does the president, who besmirches congress, bulldozes judges, assails the integrity of courts, slanders private citizens, and who has shown himself the most reckless, unscrupulous demagogue whom the American people ever trusted with great power and authority.

"We say this not in anger, but in sincere sorrow. The World has immeasurably more respect for the office of the president of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt has ever shown during the years in which he has maintained a reign of terror and villified the honor and honesty of both private officials and private citizens who opposed his policies or thwarted him in his purposes.

"So far as the World is concerned, its proprietor may go to jail, if Roosevelt succeeds as he threatens, but even in jail, the World will not cease to be a fearless champion of free speech, a free press and a free people."

Owing to short crops caused by boll weevils and overflows the exodus of negroes from the lowlands in Concordia Parish, Louisiana and Black River section continues. Five car loads of negroes and their household effects were transferred from the New Orleans and North western railroad to the Yazoo and Mississippi, bound for Leflore county, Miss., in one day. Transportation for several white families and a number of negroes who wish to go to Arkansas and Oklahoma has been arranged for and more to follow. The section from which these people come was overflowed for 113 days, after which came 16 days of rain, preventing a crop of any kind this year. In several instances the merchants and the planters declared they would not advance supplies or money until March of next year.

Separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico is provided for in two bills introduced by Senator Foraker in the senate.

To Try a Chinese Scheme.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 12.—"Stop the doctor's salary when the patient is sick and pay his salary when the patient is well, as the Chinese do," was suggested as a means of a fair basis of compensation for railway surgeons, and "pay the business agent when things move evenly and stop his pay when a strike occurs," as a means of solving the labor problem, at the closing session of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Surgeons' Association at the Palmer house last night. These points were made by Dr. A. L. Buffleur of Chicago, chief surgeon of the St. Paul railroad, in discussing the question of "legal compensation."

Hedley Happenings.

T. A. Morgan who is finishing a nice house six miles west was hauling lumber from here last week.

Mr. Wade Willis, brother to E. H. Willis came down from Clarendon to visit the latter over Sunday.

Our town is steadily on the increase and we believe we will have a nice school building one of which our community will justly be proud of by another school year.

Mr. Brookshire who has been in New Mexico for several days on business, has returned. Mr. Brookshire has purchased land about seven miles south of here and will soon make this his home.

Hugh Brown, of Clarendon, and who owns a splendid farm near this city, was down this week making some improvement on his farm. He is an uncle of Mrs. J. B. Masterson, and spent the night Thursday with that family.

At the last Masonic meeting, the following officers were elected; Consul Commander, J. B. Masterson; Adviser, J. D. Ramsey; Banker, F. M. Clark; Watchman, E. C. Kerley; Clerk, S. A. McCarroll; Sentry, W. T. Walker; Physician, J. A. Odum; E. R. Clark, Manager.

Rev. L. J. Crawford, of Wellington, has been called to the Pastorate of the Baptist church of this city. Rev. Crawford is an earnest and forcible worker and no doubt his work will be crowned with success in assisting and improving the already splendid moral situation of our town.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Kendall, who have been here from Mexico, Mo. on an extended visit to their son, our fellow townsman Joe Kendall, left first of the week for Vernon, where they will visit relatives before their return home. Mr. Kendall was highly pleased with our city and the surrounding country, and thinks there is a great future for both.

At the regular meeting of the Woodmen of the World camp of this city, on last Thursday night the following officers were elected: Bond W. Johnson, Consul Commander; S. A. McCarroll, Clerk; F. M. Clark, Adviser Lieutenant; S. N. Bond, Banker; G. A. Wimberly, Past Consul; J. A. Odum, Physician; J. C. Harris, Escort; Chas. W. Kinslow, Watchman; R. E. Darnell, Sentry; E. H. Willis, S. E. Harris and S. N. Bond, Managers.

A Christmas Discovery.

Do you remember the story of the portrait of Dante which is painted upon the walls of the Bargello, at Florence? For many years it was supposed that the picture had utterly perished. Men had heard of it, but no one living had ever seen it. But presently came an artist who was determined to find it again. He went into the place where tradition said that it had been painted. The room was used as a storeroom for lumber and straw. The walls were covered with dirty whitewash. He had the heaps of rubbish carried away. Patiently and carefully he removed the whitewash from the wall. Lines and colors long hidden began to appear; and at last the grave, lofty, noble face of the great poet looked out again upon the world of light. "That was wonderful," you say, "that was beautiful!" Not half so wonderful, declares Dr. Henry Van Dyke, as the work which Christ came to do in the heart of man—to restore the forgotten image of God and bring the Divine Image to the light. He comes to us with the knowledge that God's image is there, though concealed; he touches us with the faith that the likeness can be restored.

Neat job printing at this office.

STATE NEWS.

Brady has received by wagon this season over 27,000 bales of cotton.

Geo. Mason at Greenville lost a hand by the explosion of a giant cracker.

C. H. Griffin suicided near Kosse Wednesday. He left no statement as to why.

W. L. Brown, M.K. & T. brakeman, fell between the cars at Dallas Wednesday and was cut to pieces.

A 3 year-old child of T. J. Anderson at Mt. Pleasant climbed on a wagon wheel, the team started and the child was killed Thursday.

Max Witherspoon, aged 14, was probably fatally burned at Ft. Worth by sparks from a sky rocket setting fire to a lot of fire crackers in his pocket.

Wednesday, while introducing guests at a wedding near Boyce, Tom Kent fell to the floor, dying almost instantly. Heart disease was the cause. He was aged fifty years.

Will Adams, a carpenter, fell from the Fort Worth and Denver railway trestle in east Fort Worth while walking home with his brother, Charles, and soon expired.

During the absence of the city marshal of Holland, ten miles south of Temple, the town was shot up by toughs. After terrorizing the citizens they dynamited the calaboose completely destroying it.

Crowds collected at the Union depot in Ft. Worth Thursday to gaze at a 11-year-old bride and her husband, H. S. Hunt, aged 35. They married at Stephenville and were en route to Leavenworth, Kan.

H. L. Chandler, employed by the Galveston, Houston and Harrisburg railroad in the train dispatcher's office in Galveston, was killed by being run over by a string of cars that were being switched. His father resides at Port Arthur.

R. J. Stevens returned to Weatherford Tuesday, having been pardoned by Gov. Campbell. Stevens was imprisoned 17 years ago on conviction of the murder of George Steelman, his neighbor. Gov. Hogg commuted the death sentence an hour before the execution should have taken place.

While shopping in Waco this week, two children of T. F. Renfro, aged 5 and 7 years, were found 5 miles in the country after having disappeared from town. The Renfroes live at Hewett, 9 miles south of Waco. The children strayed away and made an effort to go home.

While absent from her house in Dallas this week, Mrs. F. R. Norman was robbed of \$1,280 in cash, 2 gold watches, a diamond ring and other valuable articles. The matter is in the hands of the city detective department, but so far no clew has been developed. A trunk, bureau and dresser had been thoroughly ransacked.

At Mt. Pleasant Wednesday a fire caused a loss of \$10,000 in the business section. Flames broke out in M. Player's grocery, which was destroyed; also damaged Harris & Hall's confectionary store. The damaged building is owned by J. F. Schwab of Wichita Falls. The origin of the blaze is unknown.

At Gainesville, after being out twenty hours, the jury in the case of Sam Davis, charged with the murder of Lem Clark two years ago, returned a verdict of manslaughter and fixed the punishment at two years in the penitentiary. The defense will ask for a new trial. If refused they will appeal. Davis is sixty years old. At a former trial he received a twenty-year sentence.

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
 Steers \$2.05 to \$5.75.
 Cows \$2.25 to \$3.25.
 Calves \$3.00 to \$5.30.
 Hogs \$4.50 to \$5.70.

Good stock, neat work, moderate price, are features of our job work.

Reduction SALE!

Owing to having to move, we are making
A 10 Per Cent Cut
 on Shoes, Hats, Hosiery, Etc. Call and see the Good Quality and Low price of these goods.


We still carry in stock the Celebrated
White Falcon Flour
 The BEST FLOUR on the MARKET.
 GIVE IT A TRIAL.
 Grocery stock is Fresh and Complete.
BRYAN & LAND CO.

Millinery and Dry Goods

I have put on a CLOSING OUT Sale on Dry Goods, Ladies Furnishings, Notions, etc.; also making very Low prices on some millinery. Come see what you can do before buying. Leave your orders for the New Boston Hygienic Corset, which will please you.

Miss Porter has some furnished rooms to let.
MISS SARAH PORTER hon 15

Dorothy Dodd
Smart Boots
 \$4. \$3.50. \$3



EVERYWHERE "Dorothy Dodd" Boots are noted for their smart style. But that is not all. The new "Dorothy Dodd" styles are the best money's worth of shoes we have ever seen at their prices. We only ask you to see them. For to see them is to want a pair. Many smart new styles now on sale.

RATHJEN'S SHOE STORE

FIRE WORKS PROHIBITED

The City Council desires that all shall know that it is unlawful and punishable by a Fine of One Hundred Dollars to explode any fire works within the City limits of Clarendon. We have had enough fires in this City, having had seven in as many months.

Therefore all citizens are requested to report any violations of the fire works Ordinance so the guilty parties may be punished. This law will be Rigidly enforced.
A. L. JOURNEY,
 Mayor.

Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

Phone for 150 and 11 us all of the local news you can think of that will interest our readers. This will be but little trouble to you and greatly help us to make a more newsy paper.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Dora Burdett is visiting at Brice this week.

Miss Maggie Kinslow of Hedley was here shopping Thursday.

Judge O'Neill visited the schools at Rowe and Hedley yesterday.

Corn, Cotton and roughage have been coming in lively this week.

Mrs. A. L. Connally will return today from a lengthy visit at Tyler.

Dr. Wm. Gray was visited this week by Dr. Harkey of Arlington, Tex.

C. S. Mason, the Hedley fruit tree man, was here on business yesterday.

Rev. Howard of Amarillo will preach at the Christian church tomorrow.

A 14-months old baby boy of Mr. Pool's, 5 miles west of town, died Wednesday.

Clint Lee reports a good run of prospectors at the Cottage Hotel this week.

Miss Millie Baker is home from Bowie, where she is attending a business college.

John Sims and Dan Zachery are in Kansas City this week with a shipment of sheep.

Mrs. Cooper Morgan is spending the holidays with relatives at Gainsville, Tex.

Mrs. Chas. Goodnight spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Mrs. J. B. McClelland.

J. M. Capehart, formerly of Clarendon, late of Amarillo, has bought the J. A. Carlisle popcorn booth.

W. H. Thomason from Gorman, Texas, moved in this week to the Oldham place which he bought some time ago.

Rev. W. P. Dickey, former pastor of the Presbyterian church here, was shaking hands with old friends Thursday.

Levi Braly and wife and daughter, Miss Bessie, left last night to spend Christmas with relatives in Fannin county.

A big lot of merry students left yesterday to spend the holidays with home folks, where they are more apt to meet Santa Claus.

Had you thought about this being the season of the year when there is mighty good profit in a comfortable shed for the milk cows?

"I think Charlie really loves me now," said Miss Dinmore to her mamma.

"What makes you think so, dear?" "He hasn't tried to break off our acquaintanceship as usual just before the Christmas holidays."

Twenty per cent off on gold and gold filled watches and jewelry at Stocking's store.

Miss Wilma Henry, who is attending school at Clarendon, is visiting friends in Vernon.—Call.

There is nothing new in the diving bell. Long before man thought he invented it the water spider knew all about it. The water spider crawls down a reed, dragging his diving bell with him, and anchors it under water on a level keel, so that the air it contains keeps the water out.

Watches, clocks, jewelry, fancy umbrellas and the finest china and cut glass for Christmas presents at Stocking's store.

Call on H. C. Kerbow for all kinds of furniture, art squares, rugs, and builders' hardware. All marked in plain figures.

Bryan-Land Co. carry a full line of the best shoes, hats, etc.

Desirable Cottages for Sale.

Enquire at this office. Also cottage or two to rent.

Have you seen the display at Stocking's store? Call in.

Finest cut glass at Fleming & Bromley's, the nicest in town. See the window display.

Don't forget the cut in jewelry at Stocking's store.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM, Dec. 20.
Subject: All Believers Have a Right to Equal Privileges in the Church.

Leader—Alma Bond.
Scripture reading, 1 Cor. 12:14-11:8:27-31.

Hymn.
All of Christ's Followers Are to Be on an Equality in the Church.

—Sadie Woodward.
Officers of our Church and Their Duties.—Mrs. Gray.

Where All are Equal, All are Equally Responsible.—Mr. Lacy.

How Our Church Life Should Show Our Belief that All are On Equality.—Paper by Mrs. Burroughs.

Closing exercises.

A Note To Fruit Growers.
Special Correspondence.

I wish to call attention to the fact that the Texas State Horticultural society will hold its winter meeting at Brownsville January 13 and 14, 1909. All interested in horticulture would do well to attend the meeting.

Being appointed a standing committee on plums for the Panhandle I solicit any reliable information on any European or native fruits, such as prunes, damson, Gage, Japan, or Chickasaw varieties.

Would greatly appreciate this, as I am expected to report from time to time on the success or failure of certain varieties. The purpose is to obtain successful varieties and drop out a great many unsuccessful ones of the early bloomers, such as Burbanks, Satsuma, Wickson and several others, and have our nursery men send out the best Chickasaw hybrid, as no other Japan type seems to be a success here. So report failure or success alike for our mutual betterment.

As I am greatly interested in apples for this section, I would ask further if any one has tested any apple that has proven very prolific or otherwise successful in this locality would like to know the variety. I have been nursery growing considerably, therefore would be willing to collect and test all varieties of apples of the United States, but don't feel it would be hardly right to bear all the burden as the benefit would be general. We can have an experiment station for this purpose, if the government is not willing to help us, at little cost. It would be a general benefit that would be a great boon to our part of the state, if a successful variety of apples could be obtained. An apple section would add more to our vicinity than most anything we know of.

A. L. BRUCE.

Now is the time to buy a good watch and save 20 per cent in the deal at Stocking's store.

Sure Sign of Love.
"I think Charlie really loves me now," said Miss Dinmore to her mamma.

"What makes you think so, dear?" "He hasn't tried to break off our acquaintanceship as usual just before the Christmas holidays."

Twenty per cent off on gold and gold filled watches and jewelry at Stocking's store.

Miss Wilma Henry, who is attending school at Clarendon, is visiting friends in Vernon.—Call.

There is nothing new in the diving bell. Long before man thought he invented it the water spider knew all about it. The water spider crawls down a reed, dragging his diving bell with him, and anchors it under water on a level keel, so that the air it contains keeps the water out.

Watches, clocks, jewelry, fancy umbrellas and the finest china and cut glass for Christmas presents at Stocking's store.

Call on H. C. Kerbow for all kinds of furniture, art squares, rugs, and builders' hardware. All marked in plain figures.

Bryan-Land Co. carry a full line of the best shoes, hats, etc.

Desirable Cottages for Sale.

Enquire at this office. Also cottage or two to rent.

Have you seen the display at Stocking's store? Call in.

Finest cut glass at Fleming & Bromley's, the nicest in town. See the window display.

Don't forget the cut in jewelry at Stocking's store.

Month Free--To Jan. 1, 1910 for \$1.50
To even up dates, we will send The Chronicle to Cash in Advance subscribers to Jan. 1, 1910 for \$1.50.

From North Fort Worth.
CHRONICLE Correspondence.

The CHRONICLE still comes to our study. The same refreshing and newsy sheet that it has always been. It is like a letter from the folks at home.

Of course you hear many and mighty things of Fort Worth. Well it is mostly so, especially in progress.

We are naturally interested to some extent about the suburb south of the river, for it makes a good adjunct to our city. Those people used to call us the "Village of Marine". But now they are worrying mighty bad about joining us. They actually say it would make a city of Fort Worth, if we would annex them. Well, I suppose so. We have everything that they have, department stores and all, except a sewerage system, and we have just voted \$70,000 to begin that with.

Some of the good plums we are now picking, are: another \$50,000 packing house; with the Armour & Co. adding \$500,000 more to theirs, and Swift & Co. enlarging to the amount possibly of \$100,000. This will give us \$2,000,000 invested in packing houses, and \$1,000,000 in the stock yards and building, and will add 1,000 to our "dinner pail" brigade. Add to this the Fort Worth and Mineral Wells Interurban, to say nothing of the building going on all over the city, and not an idle man to be found who will work at all, and you have the situation in North Ft. Worth.

The best of it all is that the Lord's work is keeping up with material things. We have three Baptist churches, three Methodist, South, and one Methodist, North, two Christian, one Episcopalian, one Presbyterian, one Catholic, one Baptist and one Methodist negro churches. Making fourteen in all. Our own work is being blessed by the Lord. We have been here less than fifteen months and have had 150 accessions to the church. We average baptizing from two to three Sundays a month. If the Lord continues with us our membership will go beyond the 500 mark by the close of our second year besides those we have lettered out. Our congregations average from 250 to 400 on Sunday nights. About 65 per cent of them young people, and often the men and boys are in the majority. We have a noble people here. With best regards to all our Clarendon friends, I am as ever,

Your brother,
WILSON C. ROGERS.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Our school shoes are guaranteed. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

If it isn't an "Eastman" It isn't a Kodak.

The only place to get the East man Kodak is at Stocking's store.

"Star brand shoes are better." Sold by Bryan-Land Co.

You will find the latest samples of 1908 wall paper at Stocking's store.

All the latest designs in jewelry may be found at Fleming & Bromley's. Also have a nice line of beautiful diamonds.

Souvenir post cards, pretty views in colors, of every town of importance in Texas. I have them; 2 cents each, postpaid. Henry Law, Goodnight, Tex. 9 tf

Our fall stock of Dorothy Dodd shoes are on display. See them. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Wanted.

Two or three furnished bed rooms for housekeeping by couple.

Address "Rooms" care of Chronicle.

First-class Shop Work.

I have bought the Dick Allen carpenter shop, and I invite all classes of carpenter and cabinet work, furniture repairing, etc. Window and door frames, moldings, baseboards, mantles and scroll work put up in the best of shape and all work guaranteed.

L. D. Clark, Mgr.,
Clarendon Planing Mill Co.

Brice Brevelities.
PORTED FOR THE CHRONICLE

The past two weeks has been excellent weather in which to pick cotton. The freeze, however, several weeks ago, caused the "fleecy staple" to be slow in opening.

Dr. Dale of Tamaha, Ok., visited his sister, Mrs. N. L. Murr, several days this week.

Mr. Kimberlin has sold one of his farms consisting of 135 acres to a Mr. Bills of Hood county at \$22 per acre.

Mrs. Joe Walls gave birth to triplets the 8th inst. They are all boys and one of them lived only a few hours when its little spirit returned from whence it came.

Quite a few of our citizens have gone before the grand jury at Memphis this week.

Mr. Kimberlin is building a new rent house on his farm to be occupied by N. L. Murr.

John Smith, who has been here working on the gasoline engine at the new gin, returned to his home in Dallas Thursday.

J. W. Coleman and lady have had business in Dallas this week.

On account of severe weather there was no Sunday school nor choir practice Sunday.

X
Santa Claus goods at Stocking's store.

Farm For Rent.

I have decided to rent my farm, 325 acres, provided I can rent to a man or men with good forces. Could sell them teams, wagons, surry and farming implements. Plenty of free grass for work stock and milk cows. Two good houses.

R. W. Scales, 4 1/2 miles north of Rowe, Tex.

OVERSTOCKED.

The jewelry department at Stocking's store on account of overstock will from now till January 31, 09, give 1-5 off on all solid gold or gold filled watches or jewelry.

The best and cheapest line of cook and heating stoves in town at H. C. Kerbow's—the Charter Oak. Call and see them.

Everything for Christmas presents at Stocking's store. Call in and see.

Buy a kodak at Stocking's store. Nothing finer for a Christmas present.

Our "Good for Bad Boys" school shoes are the ones for boys. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Bryan-Land Co. guarantee their shoes.

School shoes that wear at Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Old papers for sale at this office only 15 cents per 100. Good to put under carpets, on shelves, etc.

If you are a reader of the Chronicle the news is not old and stale when you get it.

A Square Deal

Is assured you when you buy Dr. Pierce's family medicines—for all the ingredients entering into them are printed on the bottle-wrappers and their formulas are attested under oath as being complete and correct. You know just what you are paying for and that the ingredients are gathered from Nature's laboratory, being selected from the most valuable native medicinal roots found growing in our American forests and while potent to cure are perfectly harmless to the most delicate woman or child. Not a drop of alcohol enters into their composition. A much better reason is given both for extracting and preserving the medicinal principles used in them, viz.—pure (triple) intrinsic medicinal properties of its own, being a most valuable antiseptic and antiferment, nutritive and soothing demulcent.

Glycerine plays an important part in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery in the cure of indigestion, dyspepsia and weak stomach, attended by sour risings, heart-burn, foul breath, coated tongue, poor appetite, gnawing feeling in stomach, biliousness and kindred derangements of the stomach, liver and bowels.

Besides curing all the above distressing ailments, the "Golden Medical Discovery" is a specific for all diseases of the mucous membranes, as catarrh, whether of the nasal passages or of the stomach, bowels or pelvic organs. Even in its ulcerative stages it will yield to this sovereign remedy.

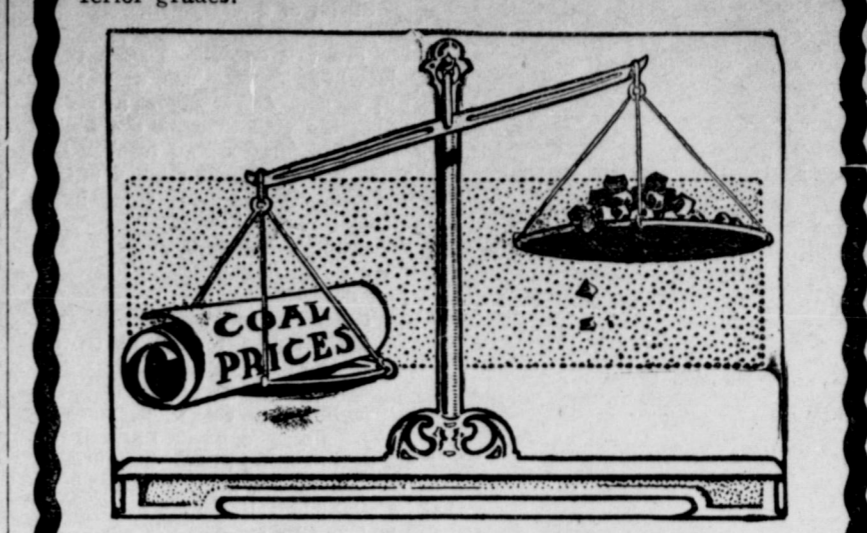
A specific for all diseases of the mucous membranes, as catarrh, whether of the nasal passages or of the stomach, bowels or pelvic organs. Even in its ulcerative stages it will yield to this sovereign remedy.

Two or three times a day with Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. This thorough course of treatment generally cures the worst cases.

Coughs and hoarseness caused by bronchial, throat and lung affections, except consumption in its advanced stages, the "Golden Medical Discovery" is a most efficient remedy, especially in those obstinate, hang-over coughs caused by irritation and congestion of the bronchial mucous membranes. The "Discovery" is not so good for acute coughs arising from sudden colds, nor must it be expected to cure consumption in its advanced stages—no medicine will do that—but for all the obstinate, chronic coughs, which, if neglected, or badly treated, lead up to consumption. It is the best medicine that can be taken.

COAL COAL

Genuine Sunshine Maitland Lump. The Best Coal handled in this market, and we have the exclusive sales agency for it in this territory. Why not buy the BEST when it costs no more than the inferior grades?



LUMBER

Don't forget that we carry a complete line of Building Material at all times, and that our prices are in line. When in the market for LUMBER or COAL it will pay you to see us before placing your orders.

KIMBERLIN LUBER & COAL COMPANY
J. L. SCARBOROUGH, Mgr., Clarendon, Texas

Western Real Estate Exchange
H. G. SHAW, Manager
LAND AND IMMIGRATION AGENTS
Clarendon, Texas

We are locating more Homeseekers and Investors than any firm in this section of the country. List your property with us for QUICK SALE

REFERENCES—Any bank or reliable business firm in Clarendon, Tex.

DR. T. E. STANDIFER
Physician & Surgeon.
Special attention given to disease of women and children and electro therapy.
Office phone No. 66. Residence phone No. 55-3 rings.

J. D. STOCKING, M. D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Special attention given to obstetrics and diseases of women and children.
Office Phone 42 Residence Phone 80

A. L. JOURNEYAY,
LAWYER.
Clarendon, Texas.

DR. P. F. GOULD
DENTIST.
CLARENDON, TEX.
Office in front room over Fleming & Bromley's drug store.
Office phone, 245; residence, 188.

Dr. R. L. HEARNE
DENTIST
CLARENDON, TEXAS.
Office in Davis building.
Office phone 45. Residence phone 12

Established 1889.
A. M. Beville
Fire, Life and Accident Insurance Agent.
Land and Collecting Agency and Notary Public.
Prompt attention to all business Clarendon, Texas.

Have Your Painting done by an Experienced Painter
Have Your Paper put up by Up-to-date Paper Hangers
H. TYREE
Practical Painter and Paper Hanger
Special attention given to Staining, Varnishing, Interior Finishing and Decorating
None but Experienced Workmen Employed

John Beverly
DRAYMAN
Baggage handled day or night.
Phone 58.
Clarendon, - Texas

W. C. Stewart
Plumbing and Electric Supplies
Windmill and Repair Work
Phone 132 Clarendon, Texas

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90 Meets every Tuesday night. Visiting Knights invited to attend. G. B. BAGBY, G. H. W. KELLEY, K. of R. & S.
Pythian Sisters—Panhandle Temple, No. 88. Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights at Pythian Hall.
Mrs. H. B. WHITE, M. E. C.
Mrs. JOHN M. CLOWER, M. of R. & C.
Modern Woodmen of America—Clarendon Camp No. 1243. Meets every Saturday night at Woodman Hall. R. T. JOHNSON, Clerk.
Royal Neighbors—Auxiliary to Modern Woodmen—Meet 1st and 3rd Thursday in each month at Woodmen Hall. Mrs. E. F. JOHNSON, Oracle. Mrs. H. W. KELLY, Recorder.

Clarendon LAUNDRY
Good work, Careful Delivery, Reasonable prices. Your patronage solicited.
CHAS. MCCRAE, Prop'r.

Ora Liesberg
DRAYMAN
Coal Dealer
Careful hauling and transferring. Best Maitland coal and correct weights. Your patronage invited Phone 23-3r

McCrae & Hodges,
Livery, Feed and Sale Stable
J. H. Hodges Transfer and Bus line meets all trains and calls day and night. WE KNOW THE ROAD. Phone 62. Clarendon, Texas

JAMES HARDING
Merchant Tailor
Fashion, Neatness and durability are special points in all work.

DR. J. F. MCGHEE
Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist
Graduate Western Veterinary College, Kansas City, Mo., can be found at all times at Drew's wagon yard or at McKillop & Goodman's drug store, Clarendon. Calls answered day or night. Phones: Res. 118; office 1.

Wanted—Success Magazine requires the services of a man in Clarendon to look after expiring subscriptions and to secure new business by means of special methods—unusually effective, position permanent; prefer one with experience, but would consider any applicant with good natural qualifications; salary \$1.50 per day, with commission option. Address, with references R. C. Peacock, room 102, Success Magazine Building New York.

W. P. BLAKE,
NOTARY PUBLIC
Acknowledgements Taken,
NOTARIAL DULIO
CLARENDON, TEX.

YOUR DOLLAR
Will come back to you if you spend it at home. It is gone forever if you send it to the Mail-Order House. A glance through our advertising columns will give you an idea where it will buy the most.

100 Envelopes 40c
printed and postpaid this at office

When you want to get of any kind, to sell a business, or to exchange something, tell your wants in The Chronicle, the paper that hits the spot twice-a-week.

Japan's War on Rats.

About the only instance of a lottery having the sanction of a reputable government at the present time is that conducted by the Japanese in connection with the war, it is waging against rats in the effort to combat the plague. A reward is given for the body of every rat brought to the government official, and in addition to this a numbered ticket is given for the body of every rodent which may draw a maximum prize of several hundred dollars for its holder. In the suspected districts there is a house-to-house distribution of rat poison, and where the step is warranted the government undertakes to clean houses, in which case all the contents are removed and the interior thoroughly overhauled in the most approved manner. Nearly 2,000 river-side structures which were condemned by the inspectors were either torn down or put in good repairs by the government, and as far as possible made ratproof. In the city of Tokio alone 800,000 rats have been slaughtered each year for several years. Each rat is dissected and examined for evidences of the plague.—Ex.

Pretty Well Said.

Quannah never yet got anything worth having that she did not have to go after, and practically buy it. And after all, it has been lucky that things went that way. Take any of those towns to whom natural advantages and other things came without any effort from her citizens, and what do you find? Towns full of narrow moneybags and grumbling dissenters, and where enterprise and harmony are strangers.—Quannah Tribune.

Remember This.

There are exceptions of course to the rule, but it is very generally the case that the man or firm who does a legitimate business and is a liberal advertiser in his home paper is the real bargain seller, and he can well afford it, for a small profit on the sale of a large amount of merchandise makes better annual dividends than a large profit on the smaller amounts sold by his non-advertising competitors who fail to reach out after a larger trade.—Bridgeport Index.

Claridge in Southern Farmer says: "There is a heap o' difference between a white man and a negro, besides their color. For instance, a term in the penitentiary makes a white man worse and a negro better. Many are the cases of bad niggers cosmographed into pretty good sort of coons, by a term in the pen. In fact the pen seems to have better effect upon the niggers than do the schools. The trouble with the schools is that they are turning out a lot of 'ology' niggers too 'upity' to work, and minus the intellect to get an honest living without."

The corporate and business interests of the state are arranging a tax measure to be presented to the next legislature. It might be well for the farmers to ask their representatives if they were elected to serve these interests or the people.—Co operator.

Individual deposits in the banks of the United States have increased by more than \$5,000,000,000 during the last 8 years. When we look at the glittering statistics of prosperity and then feel in our pockets for it we are sometimes tempted to believe that figures prevaricate.—Dallas News.

A man once said: The first step to riches is a home, a home that you can call your own. It is as true as the gospel and we endorse the motto "A home for every man and every man in his home." We parenthetically state that Donley county is the place where every man, be he ever so poor, can own home, provided he has a little energy.—Hedley Herald.

With the view to letting the public know what influence operates the press, Representative Cooper of Texas introduced a bill in Congress Tuesday to exclude newspapers from the mails, unless names of the owners and editors or officers directors and stockholders be printed on the front page.

FEW QUIT AT XMAS

DESERTIONS RARE IN ARMY DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

Old Sergeant Says Home That's Fit to Go to Wouldn't Welcome a Runaway Soldier—A New Year's Burial of Cavalrymen.

There are few desertions from the army just before Christmas, and the company commander is almost as sure of holding his men through the holidays as the Sunday school teacher is of having an overflowing class until the bespangled, candle-lit tree has been pruned of its gifts.

A recruiting sergeant is responsible for the statement concerning Christmas and desertions.

"Aren't men apt to desert their garrisons at this time to get to their homes for the holidays?" he was asked.

"No," replied the sergeant, whose many service stripes, several of which had the white edging to indicate actual field service in the islands, indicated that he might be relied upon as an authority. Then he reasoned it out this way:

"You see the man who has got a home that's fit to go to on Christmas or any other time wouldn't have the nerve to go to it as a deserter, because his folks would be respectable and they wouldn't have any use for a man who had run away from the army. Then again the man who has a sort of hankering to get to his own home must have a streak of decency in him that wouldn't let him desert.

"And the fellows who just take the holidays as a time for a lot to eat wouldn't desert now, for you can't beat a company cook on roasting turkey and baking mince pies. We're great eaters in the army on Christmas. It doesn't make much difference whether we're round New York or on the plains, or in the islands, that is, the Philippines, every company has its holiday feast. I never happened to serve up in Alaska, but I bet they don't let December 25 go by just like an ordinary day.

"We did miss one Christmas dinner in the Seventh cavalry, though. That was about 1890, when we had a fight with the Sioux on Wounded Knee creek. The fight wasn't on Christmas, but two or three days later, although for a week we had been expecting it. That was in the Bad Lands, and our New Year's day we spent in digging enough graves in the frozen ground for 29 of the cavalry who had been killed.

"That wasn't a fair fight. It was treachery after surrender. We had captured about 250 bucks, and were disarming them. There were nearly as many more squaws hanging around with rifles hidden under their blankets. The medicine man was mumbling something all the time, which didn't sound well, but nobody really expected a scrimmage then.

"But, finally, that medicine man stooped down, scraped up a handful of sand, and threw it in the air. That was the signal. In an instant bucks and squaws fell on us with knives and guns. For 20 minutes it was hand-to-hand, and with muskets clubbed. That's when we lost our 29 men.

"So that holiday season on Wounded Knee creek wasn't much of a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year sort of a time, but take it year in and year out, the soldier hasn't any fuss to make about his Christmas."

CHRISTMAS IN THE ARCTIC.

Theatrical Performance by Crew of an Icebound Ship Sixty Years Ago.

Christmas eve was the opening night of the theater, the first one ever known in those regions, writes Capt. B. S. Osborn, in Recreation. It opened to a full house and yet not an advertisement had appeared in any paper on the face of the globe. No flaring posters had adorned the walls of the village on shore, but the villagers were all there as "first nighters." Promptly at eight o'clock the orchestra—the minstrel band—in lieu of an opening overture, gave us a selection from their repertoire, which was generally applauded, and to the tinkling of a bell up went the curtain. The play was "Black-Eyed Susan," adapted from a famous old song of that name, well known to all sailors in those times. It was a play in three acts, interspersed with some familiar sea ditties of the day. Susan was the star of the evening and the young fellow who took her part played and looked it to perfection. His make-up was very clever, considering the material at his command. The wig had been made of fine combed yarns braided as deftly as any girl could have done it. Susan's cheeks and lips were very red—from the paint pot—and large pendant earrings dangled from her ears. Her dress was faultless in fashion and fit, her carriage graceful and she acted the girl to the unbounded satisfaction of the "vast assemblage." The Esquimau portion of the audience was amazed at the performance, but Susan was an even greater puzzle to them. None of them had ever seen a white woman. It was good as a play to watch those poor, untutored natives as they followed the piece with intense wonderment.

Extent of Their Friendship.

Dimpleton—Do you still keep up your friendship with the Caterbys?
Hatterson—We see them very little, but we annoy each other with Christmas presents every year.

TONY PASTOR AS SANTA.

Veteran Actor Was the Friend of the Stage Children.

There are at present engaged in different capacities on the stage and in the theaters about 400 children to whom the holidays usually are days of toil, and many of these little folks are breadwinners for younger brothers and sisters. It was for them that the late Tony Pastor and his wife, Mrs. E. L. Fernandez, and "Aunt Louisa" Eldridge, now dead, inaugurated the Christmas festival which has become a perennial affair.

The little ones, all less than twelve years old, provide the stage entertainment on these occasions, and there never is any interference by the authorities. Christmas, 1907, was Tony Pastor's last appearance as the children's Santa Claus, and this year they will miss his genial face and kindly attentions. Last year he was master of ceremonies and introduced his tiny "top liners." At the end of the act he presented to each of the girls a beautifully dressed doll and to the boys boxes of candy or appropriate toys.

Admission was by invitation only, and when the programme began the house was crowded to the doors, the balcony being given up largely to poor children of the east side. Some of the actors were mere babies, but they went through the business like veterans, and the gravity of most of them when singing their comic songs was immensely amusing.

One of the players was presented as Baby Esmond, a perfect cherub, who piped a love ditty and danced with one foot held in the air. Mr. Pastor said she was of "this year's crop," and when she had ended the performance he asked her to tell the audience her age. Without shrinking from the question, as her fellow actresses do, she replied, "I'll be four next January."

Another of the same mature years was "Miss Miriam Jackson," if you please. She came out with a Teddy bear in her arms, sang a song and did such clever capering that every woman in the audience wanted to hug her.

Lillian Tobin, herself no bigger than a doll baby, sang "Poor John" and invited the audience to join her in the chorus, which it did with a will. At the end of the programme Mr. Pastor announced that a banquet was awaiting the children in the basement of Tammany hall.

After the little ones had been satisfied in that respect they were sent up to the main hall of the building, and there the really big feature of the evening took place. On the stage stood three Christmas trees, bending over from the weight of pretty things, while the stage itself was heaped with toys.

After that there was a second distribution for stage children only in the committee room of Tammany hall. Most of the children had written requests for certain articles, and as they appeared one by one and gave a name corresponding with that on Mrs. Fernandez's list the present asked for was delivered. Some of these were of costly quality, having been purchased with money donated to the cause. Mrs. Fernandez said the children of the stage nowadays ask for useful things rather than for playthings. Since these events were inaugurated it is estimated that more than \$50,000 has been spent for gifts.—New York Herald.

A Christmas Warning.

"In giving Christmas presents to children," said Mrs. Frederick Schoff, the president of the National Mothers' Congress, "our first aim should be to transport, to overjoy, to enrapture."

"I once knew a little girl who, on fire with excitement, rushed in from her bedroom to see her presents on Christmas morning and after one look burst into loud sobs of disappointment and disgust.

"It was some such experience, I have no doubt, that had befallen a little girl friend of mine.

"Are you going to give me anything for Christmas?" she said one day to her aunt.

"Yes, if you're good," the aunt replied.

"The little girl gazed at her aunt with wistful earnestness. Then she said: "Please, auntie, then, nothing useful."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Christmas Hope.

We do not pretend to be prophets, but we can all dare to hope. And this is what we hope: That some day the strong will help and not exploit the weak; that some day fraternity will be more than a rhetorical flourish; that some day love will beget justice rather than charity. And Christmas is the one day in the year that such a venturesome hope seems more than a will-o'-the-wisp.—World Today.

A Christmas Hymn.

No tramp of marching armies,
No banners flaming fr;
A lamp within a stable,
And in the sky a star.

Their hymns of peace and gladness
To earth the angels brought,
Their "Gloria In Excelsis"
To earth the angels taught

When in the lowly manger
In tender adoration
Her babe of heaven laid.

Born lowly in the darkness
And none so poor as he,
The little children of the poor
His very own shall be.

No rush of hostile armies then,
But just the huddling sheep,
The angels singing of the Christ
And all the world asleep.

No flame of conquering banners,
No legion sent afar;
A lamp within a stable,
And in the sky a star.

—Margaret E. Sangster in Collier's Weekly.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
WILL CURE
Your Cold. Try It

The uniform success that has attended the use of this remedy in the cure of bad colds has made it one of the most popular medicines in use. It can always be depended upon to effect a quick cure and is pleasant to take.

It contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. Price 25 cents. Large size 50 cents.

Farm and Garden
AN INEXPENSIVE ICEHOUSE.

No Reason Why the Farmer Should Be Without It.

An icehouse and cool room may be constructed as follows: Excavate a half cellar in a perfectly dry place, from which the surface slopes (or may be made to slope) in all directions, so as to prevent danger of moisture from want of drainage. A stone or brick wall is built around this and laid in hydraulic cement. The floor is cemented. A frame or other building is built upon this basement to contain the ice. Twelve feet square will be large enough for a moderate sized farm.



FIG. I.—ICEHOUSE AND COOL ROOM.

ly, as an icehouse of that size will hold about twenty loads or tons of ice. The main point is the division between the icehouse and the room below it. This must be perfectly airtight and a moderately good conductor of heat. The floor may be laid in the following manner:

Beams of sufficient strength are laid across and the ends well bedded in cement. A floor of zinc sheets is then laid upon the beams, the sheets being closely nailed to the beams upon strips of rubber sheeting to make the joints water and air tight. The beams should be dressed smoothly. The zinc sheets are bent, as shown in the illustration (Fig. 2). This is for the purpose of causing the moisture, which will condense upon the underside of this ceiling, to flow downward to the lower angle, where it will drip. The drip is caught in the little gutters of zinc shown in the figure attached to the ceiling and is carried off by a proper drain. With this water will also be carried off much of the impurity of the atmosphere, and if very little ventilation is given there will be little condensation and the air will be kept dry. This point must be well attended to, as the danger of excessive ventilation is very great. The beams and zinc ceiling should be painted with white paint—lead and oil.

Above the zinc ceiling a thin layer of dry, fresh sawdust should be laid smoothly, and a floor of matched pine boards should be laid upon that and thoroughly coated with melted pitch. This floor should slope a little to one corner so as to draw the waste water from the ice there, and an S trap drain should be laid from that to carry off the water into the drain above mentioned. The usual layer of sawdust is laid upon this floor to prevent too rapid conveyance of heat from below to the ice above. Small double windows



FIG. II.—ZINC SHEETS.

should be used in the cool chamber below to prevent access of heat from the outside, and they should be fitted airtight. Ventilation should be provided for by means of a wooden pipe with a slide, by which the opening can be regulated. By carefully regulating the ventilation the air may be kept dry.

Briggs—How do you enjoy your motor cycle? Griggs—Fine. All I need is a coat of tar and feathers to feel like a bird.—Life.

Wanted Local representatives in Donley Co., to look after renewals and increase subscription list of a prominent monthly magazine on a salary and commission basis. Experience desirable but not necessary. Good opportunity for rich men. Address Publisher, Box 59, Sta. O New York.

This office for neat job work.

H. MULKEY
THE CLARENDON **Photographer**

H. D. RAMSEY, President P. R. STEPHENS, Vice-President WESLEY KNORPP, Cashier

The Donley County State Bank
CLARENDON, TEXAS
CAPITAL \$50,000.00

STOCKHOLDERS AND DIRECTORS: H. D. Ramsey, Jno. C. Knorpp, P. R. Stephens, N. T. Nelson, Wesley Knorpp, T. S. Bugbee, J. L. McMurtry, Chas. T. McMurtry

We Will Appreciate Your Account Irrespective of Amount
We Will Take as Collateral Land and Other Good Notes
Let Us Do Business With You

BUILD RIGHT

You can do this if you buy your material from the
CLARENDON LUMBER CO.

Best Lumber, Fencing, Doors, Sash, Blinds, etc.
Try Sherwin-Williams Paint—None Better :: ::

CLARENDON, TEXAS

Let Us Be Your Waiter

We never tire of helping others when they ask for good job printing. We can tickle the most exacting typographic appetite. People who have partaken of our excellent service come back for a second serving. Our prices are the most reasonable, too, and you can always depend on us giving your orders the most prompt and careful attention. Call at this office and look over our samples.

SUNSET

Sunset Magazine offers the readers of this paper the best opportunity of the year

REVIEW OF REVIEWS . . . \$3.00 ALL FOR
SUNSET MAGAZINE . . . 1.50
WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION 1.25 \$3.00

AND FREE with your order, a beautiful premium, a 75-page book illustrated in four colors with 125 Western views.

SUNSET MAGAZINE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

JOB PRINTING We can do the finest class of printing, and we can do that class just a little cheaper than the other fellow. Wedding Invitations, letter heads, bill heads, sale bills, statements, dodgers, cards, etc., all receive the same careful treatment—just a little better than seems necessary. Prompt delivery always.

Just From the Press
"Joe Sap's Tales"

The most laughable book ever published. Beautifully bound in silk cloth. Illustrated by Hal B. Crandall. Contains 255 pages. A mile in every line; a laugh in every sentence. The book is dedicated as follows:

TO

All who "toil and spin" as well as those who "spend and toil not," and those behind prison bars or in dark, dank dungeons, the farmer, the mechanic, the day laborer, the sailor, the soldier; the doctor and all those who suffer from diseases, real and imaginary, such as back ache, ear-ache, stomach ache, torpid liver, ingrowing toe nails, sore eyes, night sweats, loss of memory, loss of hearing, loss of character, loss of friends, loss of smell, loss of pride, loss of hair, loss of gratitude, swimming in the head, buzzing in the ears, also saint or sinner, Jew or Gentile, democrat

or republican, in fact any one that can raise the price of this book, no matter what your religion, politics or present standing in society, these pages are lovingly

DEDICATED.

Agents wanted in every county in Texas. Write at once for exclusive territory and terms to agents. Price of book \$1.50 by mail, address, **JOB SAPPINGTON, Temple, Texas.**

The Campaign is on in Earnest—Who Will Be President?

To form your opinions and keep in touch with the progress of the campaign, you will need first-class newspapers.

We have an arrangement whereby you can get The Dallas Semi-Weekly News and the Clarendon Chronicle (twice-a-week) both for \$2.25 cash.

This gives you a live metropolitan paper and a live local paper, four papers each week, not only through the campaign and election, but for one whole year.

Place your order now with The Chronicle