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That people dearly prize
But how are they to know it
If you do not advertise?

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CLARENDON DONLEY COUNTY TEXAS SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 1909.

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Locates 2-Cent Fare.
Representative Fuller gave out
at the state capital

Earnings of the railroads
country have increased since
reaching the maximum in
the panic so impaired
general business of the country
railroad earnings in the
ending July 1, 1908, were
scant 5 per cent less than those
of the preceding year, though still
double what they were 10 years be-
fore. With these unprecedented
earnings, now after the panic, from
which the general business of the
country has suffered many times as
severely as the railroads, we are
confronted with the demand for an
immediate advance in freight rates
and this demand is coupled with
the threat that if it is not granted
the railroads will swat the business
of the country and produce general
stagnation, by reducing wages, cut-
ting out all extensions and reducing
ordinary repairs to the utmost limit
on which it is possible to operate.
On this matter of wages it will be
remembered that prosperity had
reached the railroads three years
before they made any raise to their
employees, and that when they
raised them they also advanced
freight rates to the public enough
to three times cover the increased
outlay, and three months after their
earnings had slightly fallen off,
they were agitating for lower
wages.

There has been a tremendous
racket made by the railroad officers
over the proposed change from a 3c
to a 2c passenger rate, which is
utterly uncalculated for. With the
cutting off of passes the railroad
passenger earnings as a whole have
not suffered from it, and while a
few of the stub end roads have been
hurt a trifle by it, what they lose
in that way has been made good to
them, four times over, by cutting
off rebates. The actual fact is that
the railroads know that the main-
tenance of a 2c rate threatens their
passenger receipts by forcing the
building of electric lines, but they
feel that it is the beginning of
government regulations and they want
to nip it in the bud, even if they
know they will very shortly make
it themselves.

With the tremendous earnings
of the last few years, how does it
come about that the railroads have
not ample funds for the main-
tenance and improvement of their
properties, and that they tell us
that their credit has become so im-
paired that they are unable to bor-
row money either for extension or
repairs? Where are those enormous
earnings of the present and
past years going that they have not
abundant funds for all legitimate
purposes?

Seventeen or 18 states have re-
duced the passenger rates to 2c per
mile. Many of these states are in
no better condition than Texas, and
not a single state in the Union has
given the railroads enough land in
value equal to all the railroads in
such states except Texas. During
the thirtieth legislature a 2c fare
bill was introduced, but failed in its
passage, as a result of the promise
of the railroads to give better
service and necessary relief from the
unusual burdens imposed upon com-
merce and traffic, in the way of
freight rates. Have they done this?
What have they done in the way of
decreasing freight rates?

The same old gang, from the
defeated officeholder to the higher
type of lobbyist, is here telling us
the same old story. Of course, all
of the special interests, such as the
agents and cohorts of the breweries,
liquor dealers, etc., are against any
reduction.

Most of the free pass agitators
are opposed to a reduction in pas-

senger rates. Some of the news-
papers of the state who want the
law amended so as to give them
passes are making a strenuous fight
against the 2c fare bill. Of course,
there are some who take the broader
view of this question and favor the
reduction.

The special interests may again
fool the legislature and the people,
but the day is not far distant when
the masses will understand more
fully the tactics of the 'special in-
terests.'

Burlington President Takes Charge and Will Make Ex- tensions.

Fort Worth, Jan. 27.—President
George Harris of the Burlington
road arrived here today with a
party of officials to officially take
charge of the Colorado & Southern
interests in this state. President
Frank Trumbull retires in a week.
Harris says the company is plan-
ning large extensions and improv-
ments. He said that there will be
no changes in employees.

Stamps in Memory of Lincoln.

Special postage stamps com-
memorating the 100th anniversary of
the birth of Abraham Lincoln, will
be placed on sale at all the post-
offices of the presidential class, be-
ginning Feb. 12, and smaller offices
may have a limited amount of them
by making special requisition upon
the department at Washington.
The memorial stamp will be of the
regulation size and red in color.
The subject is a profile, with an
ellipse on end, of the head of Lin-
coln from St. Gauden's statue. A
spray of laurel leaves will appear
on either side of the ellipse, and
the name and dates will be appro-
priately placed.

More Money for the Agricul- tural Department.

In the agricultural appropriation
bill reported to the house today,
there is an increase of \$1,208,820
over the amount given the depart-
ment for its work during the pres-
ent year, although the amount re-
ported, \$12,880,926, is less by \$1,
739,700 than was expected by the
secretary of agriculture.

The largest increase in the ap-
propriations is that of about \$208,
000 for the bureau of plant indus-
try, the increase being due to the
need of demonstration work on
reclamation projects and to extend
the cotton boll weevil experiment
work in the southern states. As
last year, \$10,000 was appropriated
again this year for experimenting
in a new source of paper manu-
facture. Part of this sum will be
expended in experiments of a com-
mercial nature in making paper of
corn stalks. The possibility was
demonstrated as a result of last
year's experiments.

Another large increase is that of
\$75,000 for seed distribution, mak-
ing the total amount for this pur-
pose \$272,320. There is an in-
crease of \$50,000 in the amount
appropriated for getting control
over the European moth in New Eng-
land, making the total for this pur-
pose \$300,000.

For the bureau of animal indus-
try the amount appropriated is \$1,
402,860, as against \$1,080,860 giv-
en for the fiscal year. For the
forest bureau the amount ap-
propriated by the committee is \$4,
646,200, being an increase from
\$3,796,200, the amount given last
year.

Health is the foundation of the
world's prosperity. Wealth is the
result of the toils of health. A
strong, enduring body is good cap-
ital to begin business with. A
sound mind and good judgment
add greatly to its value. Posses-
ing of these a man may earn a liv-
ing and enjoy it when earned.

The Fight on Submission.

Austin, Jan. 27.—Submission is
likely to die from lack of attention,
the antis thereby winning a victory.
The repeated postponement of the
vote on submission, and lengthy ar-
guments, are tiring out the mem-
bers of both houses, besides other
issues are now crowding to the
front. The antis' strength is not
decreased by the delay as submis-
sionists expected. The vote in the
senate committee late yesterday on
statutory prohibition showed a sur-
prising majority of the antis, the
vote being 6 to 2 and disheartened
the pros. Fitzhugh's refusal to
call up the submission motion in
the house and thereby renew the
fight, is construed by the pros
however, as a weakness on the part
of the antis. The antis know they
cannot force a vote against the pros
and feeling certain that the latter
are unable to muster sufficient votes,
are willing to let the resolution die
through inactivity. The belief
prevails that the regular session of
the legislature will end Saturday,
March 20. By that time all im-
portant measures will have received
consideration. Members want to
start early on the called session
when the appropriation bills will be
taken up, as well as the governor's
measures. Many wanting a mea-
sure carrying appropriations for a
few new normal and experiment
stations will likely be disappointed,
as the total amount will be reduced
largely.

House committee on common
carriers is considering amendments
to the anti-pass law and it is ex-
pected that it will report favorably
on all the amendments so far offer-
ed.

Asks to Urge Submission.

Austin, Jan. 27.—Sterling P.
Strong, leader of the submission
forces, has started a letter and tele-
gram campaign to force a vote on
the resolution. He is writing
friends over the state urging them
to write and wire members of the
legislature to carry submission
and says saloon men fear they will
be ousted if submission carries.
Strong declares all daily papers
are against him.

Thirty members of the Texas
legislature have promised to sup-
port the cattlemen's amendment to
the anti pass law, permitting range
inspectors to use free transportation.
This amendment was introduced in-
to the senate by Senator Hudspeth
of San Angelo, who is a member of
the Cattle Raisers' association. All
of these thirty have written per-
sonal letters to Secretary H. E.
Crowley offering their aid and sup-
port.

The senate at Austin has provid-
ed for a bootblack to shine the
shoes of those who wear the toga,
at public expense. If it is right
and proper for Senators and Rep-
resentatives to have their shoes pol-
ished at public expense, why can
they not go further and employ a
barber to shave their faces and cut
their hair, and a manicurist to trim
and polish their finger nails, and a
chiropractor to trim their senatorial
corns? And further, why not have
their board bills paid out of the
contingent fund of the Legislature?
There is as much justification for
one as the other.—Groesbeck Jour-
nal.

And why not free shoes as
well as free shaves, also a pub-
lic haberdashery where each of
these favored sons whom the
public has hoisted into office
might go and tog himself out in
the latest fashion at will? These
fellows who howl about a pater-
nalistic government are not a bit
mealy-mouthed in asking every-
thing under the sun for their own
use at public expense.

Our "Good for Bad Boys" school
shoes are the ones for boys. Rath-
er than the ones for boys. Rath-
er than the ones for boys.

Four Dead in Ft. Worth Hotel Fire.

Ft. Worth, Jan. 27.—Four men
were either burned or suffocated to
death Thursday morning in a fire
which gutted the Southern hotel,
on Jones street, opposite the Santa
Fe passenger station.

The explosion of a gasoline stove
caused the conflagration, which al-
so heavily damaged six other build-
ings in the block. All are frame
and the fire spread with rapidity.
The victims were railroad em-
ployees, who were sleeping at the
time of the fire. Their bodies were
found near windows where they
had tried to escape death. Several
women employees of the hotel suf-
fered slight burns.

Ambulances carried the victi-
ms to a hospital, where all were iden-
tified. They were: Milan Ham-
mond of Cleburne, Charles Bryant of
Ft. Worth, Joseph Vaughan of
Louis and Dr. Petty of Hugo, Okla.

The injured are J. B. Manning of
Dallas, W. S. Stegall and wife and
Miss Lou Alexander.

After the explosion only a few
minutes elapsed until the hotel was
entirely wrapped in flames. Efforts
to awaken the sleeping men
failed.

J. B. Manning of Dallas risked
his life. He dragged out the bodies
of Bryant and Dr. Perry. Mr.
Manning was forced to leap through
a sheet of flames to safety, but in-
jured a limb.

Mrs. W. S. Stegall was ill in bed
and forced to rush through the
flames. Her condition is serious.
Four persons saved their lives by
jumping from the third story of the
hotel to the roof adjoining, 15 feet
below.

Charles Bryant's body was iden-
tified by his sweetheart. Hamil-
ton worked for the Santa Fe. Bry-
ant and Vaughan for the Denver
road.

To Make Times Better.

Instead of bemoaning hard times,
get a move on yourself and pay
what you owe. Starting a little
money in circulation helps wonder-
fully sometimes, and is well illus-
trated thus: Mr. Brown keeps a
boarding house. Around the table
sat his wife, Mrs. Brown; the vil-
lage milliner; Mr. Black, the baker;
Mr. Jordan, a carpenter; Mr. Had-
ley, a flour, feed and lumber mer-
chant. Mr. Brown took ten dollars
out of his pocket and handed it to
Mrs. Brown with the remark that
he promised it to her. Mrs. Brown
handed the bill to Mrs. Andrews,
the milliner, saying: "That pays
for my new bonnet." Mrs. And-
rews in turn passed it over to Mr.
Jordan, remarking that it would
pay for the carpenter work he had
done. Mr. Jordan then handed it
to Mr. Hadley, requesting his re-
ceipted bill for flour, feed and lum-
ber. Mr. Hadley gave the bill
back to Mr. Brown, saying: "That
pays ten dollars on my board." Mr.
Brown again passed it to Mrs.
Brown, saying that he had now
paid the twenty he owed her. She
in turn paid Mr. Black to settle his
bread and pastry account. Black
handed it to Mr. Hadley, asking
for credit for the amount on his
flour bill. Hadley again handed
it to Brown, with the remark that
it settled for another month's
board, whereupon Brown put it
back in his pocket, observing that
he had no idea that ten dollars
would go so far. But suppose that
Mrs. Brown had sent to a mail or-
der house for her new bonnet, then
the ten dollars would have gone
out of town. Another moral to
the story is to do your shopping at
home, where you expect others to
patronize you, whether in business
or a laborer.

The price is the thing at The
Fair.

Count of Fifty.

Count of Fifty.
A black eye
rd corporation
ident of that in-
an of only 52
another year has
at a man "has
when he reaches
scoffed out of
statistics, too.
sing again, one
will vacate the
ake room for a
a year his senior
cessor is looking
abinet of "young
rst choice, Mr.
will see 55 again.
eneral Mayer, who
ed for another cabinet
his half century last

has wearied of being
in the national senate
men. The keen young
picked for election to that
om the Empire state is Elihu
Root. And Mr. Root celebrated
his fiftieth anniversary nearly 14
years ago.

Exit "Olerism" and re-enter
the sensible old adage, "A woman
is as old as she looks and a man
is as old as he feels."—Boston
Globe.

Marriage to a Half Sister An- nulled in Ft. Worth.

The filing of a suit for annul-
ment of the marriage by Nora Hen-
derson against M. E. Burton in the
district court yesterday recalls one
of the strongest strokes of fate on
record. Upon an agreed statement
of facts, the petition states that
both were brought up in the belief
that they were cousins. After be-
ing married for over three months
they were told by their mother that
they were half brother and sister.
The couple were married April
10 of last year and lived together,
so the petition states, from that
time until July 28, at which time
the truth became known to them.
They immediately separated and
have not lived together since that
time.

The disclosure at the time created
a pronounced sensation. The moth-
er of both married the second time,
leaving her son, M. E. Burton, at
the home of the boy's grandmoth-
er, by whom he was reared. Her
daughter, Nora Henderson, was
a child by the second marriage.
Both were taught to believe that
they were cousins. They quietly
slipped to Dallas one day without
the knowledge of either the mother
or grandmother, and were married.
When the fact leaked out the case
was investigated by the grand jury,
in session at the time. The evi-
dence adduced showed them to be
innocent of any wrong intention
and the case was dropped. The
marriage was annulled.—Record.

The Little Boy's Baby Prayer.

Dear God, I need you awful bad;
I don't know what to do:
My papa's cross, my mama's sick;
I hain't no fren' but you.
Them keerness angels went and brung,
'Stid of the boy I ast,
A weenchy, teenchy baby girl—
I don't see how they dast!
Say, God, I wish't you'd take her
back—
She's just as good as new;
Wont no one know she's secon'-hand,
But 'ceptin' me an' you;
An' pick a boy, dear God, yourself,
The nicest in yer fold;
But please don't choose him quite so
young—
I'd like him five years old.—Lippin-
cott's.

The habeas corpus in the case of
Louis Coffman, charged with kill-
ing his wife near Melissa, Jan. 4,
was concluded at McKinney
Wednesday. Judge Pearson placed
the bond at \$10,000. Coffman's
attorneys gave notice of appeal for
a reduction of the bond. This is
the largest bond ever required in
the history of Collin county.

STATE NEWS.

E. H. R. Green denies that he
is about to sell the Midland road to
H. Clay Pierce as reported a few
days ago.

The attorney general has approv-
ed the Vernon new bond issue to
construct a school building, city
hall, sewerage and water system.

In the southern part of Taylor
county T. B. Ober raised on six
acres nine bales of long staple cot-
ton from seed secured in Red River
county.

At Denison Tuesday night the
safe of P. H. Mullen, a grocer, was
dynamited by burglars and they se-
cured \$250. Plate glass was shat-
tered and a hole blown through the
floor.

At Rose Hill a few days
ago the young wife of Gus
Hilgert, was burned to death.
In attempting to start a stove fire
she held a can of coal oil over the
flame with the usual result.

At Warren Tuesday Joseph
Weeks was seriously cut across the
abdomen and is badly hurt.
Weeks after being cut, fired on
and probably fatally wounded
William Wiggins, his assailant.

Tuesday night burglars broke
into the bank of the Rice Banking
company at Rice, Navarro county.
Dynamite was used to blow off the
outer door of the safe, but the inner
door remained intact. The explo-
sion aroused the citizens but the
robbers escaped.

At Mt. Pleasant Tuesday the
two-story residence owned by L.
D. Panther of Fisher county, and
occupied by John Grretter, was de-
stroyed by fire. No insurance was
carried on the building. The
contents were partially insured.
Loss about \$3,000.

The residence of C. T. Matkin
at Abilene burned Monday. Loss
about \$1,000, partially covered by
insurance. The building was own-
ed by Robert Malone of Seminole,
Texas. Loss on building \$3,000,
covered by insurance. The origin
of the fire is unknown.

In Ft. Worth Wednesday Presi-
dent Geo. B. Harris of the Burling-
ton road would not make any defi-
nite statement regarding extensions
in the state. He did say that if
the profits continued good, if the
country remained prosperous, plans
would doubtless be forthcoming to
keep the Burlington apace with the
growth of the state. Mr. Harris
was asked pointedly about the
Trinity & Brazos Valley, and also
replied emphatically that no
changes in officials would be made.

Appointments by Gov. Camp- bell.

Gov. Campbell sent to the senate
Wednesday the following appoint-
ments: University regents, T. S.
Henderson, A. W. Terrell, J. W.
McLaughlin, Hampson Gary, Geo.
W. Breckenridge, T. B. Greenwood,
N. W. Finley, A. W. Fly. A. M.
Calvin was dropped off the board
and Terrell was named in his stead.

The A. and M. college will have
the same board as formerly, except
L. L. McInnis is dropped and R.
R. McCollum substituted.

The Confederate home board is
unchanged, except that W. H. H.
Miller, who opposed the governor
on the textbook proposition, was
dropped. Other boards are un-
changed.
Of the world's population only
one-third use bread as a daily
article of food. Nearly one-half
of the people of the world subsist
chiefly on rice.
President Frank Trumbull of the
Colorado and Southern railway
stated at Childress that after his
retirement next month he will visit
Egypt and the Holy Land.

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Reports from over the state show that poll tax payments will be light this year.

A paper published down in a red-eyed beer-guzzling town says "a lot of broken new year's resolutions are already on the bargain counter."

Senator Owen has introduced a bill to provide for the establishment of an experimental farm and horticultural station in every congressional district in the states and territories west of the Mississippi.

An effort is being made by citizens residing in the eastern part of El Paso county to have a new county, comprising a territory of about 80,000 miles, cut off and organized. The suggested name for the proposed county is Culberson, after the present senior United States senator from Texas.

After an illness of but two days T. D. Campbell, father of the governor of the state, Thomas M. Campbell, passed quietly away in St. Paul's sanitarium in Dallas Wednesday. He was a citizen of Greenville and while in Dallas was stricken with pneumonia, which suddenly developed into alarming conditions. The deceased was 80 years of age.

Some absurd things are taught in the Chicago universities. Wednesday Prof. E. V. Shea, of Wisconsin university, in an address in Chicago said all children are born liars. In support of his assertion he said that he had four children and that they are as big liars as any, in the sense to which he refers. "It is a child's nature," he said, "to color things when he explains, and this should be taken into consideration by parents." It has long been our belief that a child is pretty much what its parents, teachers and environments teach it.

The government experts claim that half the granulated tobacco is made of paper steeped in tobacco stems. Lovers of a nice mild smoke may have noticed that brown taste after smoking.—Estelline Herald.

If the price of tobacco keeps advancing it will soon be cheaper to use the genuine tobacco.

Wonders of the Wireless.

Wireless telegraphy has been dubbed the "Eighth Wonder of the World," and it is certainly a most wonderful invention.

Telegrams are received on board ship from any point in the civilized universe. You may telegraph from the deck of a White Star liner to Cairo or Yokohama, to Piccadilly or the Hongkong Company Hotel.

Time is no object and space is annihilated. If your ship parts her screw shaft and you don't want to wallow helplessly into unknown and uncharted seas, tell the wireless operator. If you die on ship board and the officers of the vessel have the name and address of your family, they can at once be apprised of the fact and you can telegraph what disposition to make of the body.

A few days ago the steamer Republic was rammed by another vessel near Nantucket and sank some hours after being disabled. A distress call was sent in all directions followed by the latitude and longitude of the vessel in need of assistance. The Baltic was seventy miles from the Republic. It at once started to the relief of the sinking liner, as did La Lorraine and the revenue cutter. The 461 passengers and the crew, with exception of one or two killed in the collision, were rescued before she went down.

The news of the rescue was also flashed across the water to places as far inland as Chicago and anxious friends were relieved. If it had not been for the new method of communication, likely several hundred lives would have been swallowed up in the deep.

Free.

With the administration of the oath of office at noon Thursday, in Havana to Jose Miguel Gomez, the new president of the republic of Cuba, American occupation of the island ceased and the history of the country entered on a new era. In the afternoon Charles Magoon, until this time provisional governor of Cuba, embarked for the United States, leaving the government entirely in the hands of President Gomez and his cabinet. Most of the 5,000 American troops who have occupied the island since 1906 have been sent home, the remainder will leave by April.

Childress-Miami Rail.

Friday a party of railroad inspectors reached Childress, Miami, having made the trip from Miami, Fla. The party was composed of N. D. Pound of Chicago, Reid of Mobeetie, R. E. D. Amarillo and Geo. B. D. Mobeetie. Secretary McNulty of the Board of Trade hastily called a meeting of all the members he could get to meet the visitors and hear the proposition.

Acting as spokesman, Mr. Pound stated that he had come to Mobeetie on solicitation of her citizens to see what could be done toward connecting that town with the Santa Fe at Miami. He said their plan is to build the road from town to town by popular stock subscriptions and that the citizens of each county would be asked to subscribe \$5,000 in stock for each mile of road. To come to Childress, the road would have a length of twenty miles or more in this county, thus calling for a stock subscription of at least \$100,000.

No decision was reached at the meeting but the consensus of opinion of the citizens present seems to be that the plan is scarcely feasible for Childress at the present time and under the present conditions.—Post.

Offer to Become Slaves in Gilded, Glittering New York.

New York, Jan. 27.—Two women and 200 men are for sale in this city. They declare they will work for nothing for anyone who will guarantee them food, shelter and enough clothes to keep out the cold.

Offers by the ten score men and two women to become slaves for life have been received by E. T. O'Loughlin, who says he can supply men who will face death in return for life's necessities.

A Spanish general, acquainted with these facts, offers to take the 200 men to South America on a filibustering expedition.

Senator Murray charged Tuesday in the senate, while talking against the submission of the prohibition amendment, that the Democratic party of Texas has perpetrated a fraud on the people of Texas by attempting to force the legislature to submit the amendment. He occupied the floor practically all of Tuesday's session of that body. He maintained that the submission proposition fell 18,000 votes short in the recent primaries and still it was made a platform demand.

The Vernon Call ended its 20th year this week under the same management and name as when first started, D. D. McConnell, now 58 years old, being still its editor and manager. May he spend many more useful years in the harness.

A man 80 years old has just been discovered alive in the ruins of Messina. His cries were heard by a soldier who worked for hours to extricate him. When ultimately he was rescued and saw the ruined city he wept. He had lived on decayed vegetables and herbs he found in the cellar where he was entombed.

The outlook for the passage of the bill admitting Arizona and New Mexico to statehood is said to be dark. The senate is expected to smother the ambition of these two territories to become states, not that they are not big enough to stand alone, but that the republican majority is too big to permit them to.—Dallas News.

Legislative Lore.

Following are the new house bills:

Making salary of superintendent of buildings and grounds \$2,500 per year.

Allowing judges traveling expenses when discharging duties in counties other than that of residence, and dispensing with payment of special district judges.

Requiring the filing with county clerk of notices relating to suits for real estate.

Allowing 10 cents per head per day for impounding hogs or goats and 5 cents for sheep.

Authorizing commissioners' courts to contract for modern indices of deeds.

To amend the occupation tax law on cannon crackers, etc., so as to provide that it shall not apply to tridges and explosives used for arms, mining, etc.

To provide for teaching cottoning at Agricultural and Mechanical college.

Prohibiting delivery of liquors to saloons without written consent of the board of health.

Granting authority upon railroads to require railroads to construct union stations where tracks intersect, or where tracks intersect, or where tracks intersect.

Providing that a misdemeanor, committed by a person, to express the true value of property, shall be a misdemeanor, if the person who refuses to do so, shall be removed from office.

Joint resolution to amend constitution so as to reduce the membership of the house to ninety three until the population of this state shall reach 10,000,000, when the membership may be increased to not exceeding 124; also to fix an annual salary of \$650 for members of the legislature and to allow them mileage at the rate of 3 cents per mile; also providing that the state shall be divided into senatorial districts upon the basis of population after the census of 1910; that each such district shall be entitled to one senator, but no single county shall be entitled to more than one representative.

Joint resolution to amend the constitution so that 20 per cent of current wages shall be subject to garnishment.

Authorizing county judges to fix the place of trial in lunacy cases at the residence of the lunatic; and providing that each county shall provide a place of detention other than the county jail, except for violently insane, where patients shall receive proper care pending admission to the asylum.

Regulating the vending of medicine, nostrums and appliances for treatment of disease, injury or deformity; providing for the licensing of same for a period not longer than one year, and authorizing the state dairy and food commissioner to charge the sum of \$100 for each month or fraction thereof, during which such license is to continue in force.

Providing for the working of state convicts two days in each twelve months or fractional part thereof on county roads of every county within this state in which the convicts may be worked under lease contracts.

Providing that district judges may extend the terms of their courts where a case is upon trial, instead of continuing the case over to the next term. As the statute now reads, they must close their courts upon the stroke of the clock, although a trial may be in progress.

Providing that the annual tax upon foreign loan corporations shall be levied on that portion of their capital employed in Texas, instead of upon their total authorized capital, as the law now provides.

To reorganize the forty-seventh judicial district.

Three bills which provide that jurors, veniremen and witnesses may be summoned by United States registered mail or by telephone.

To require the making of written memoranda of bills of exception at the time the exceptions are taken.

To make the age of consent 18 years.

To validate title to all real estate which has belonged to Atascosa county.

To amend the vagrancy law so as to provide that one legged, one armed and blind persons shall not be prosecuted as vagrants; also to remove common prostitutes from the definition of vagrants.

the Oregon initiative and referendum scheme.

The Robertson of Travis, resolutions validating all school district bonds, was reported favorably and without amendment.

To make the scholastic age 7 to 21 years, instead of 7 to 17, as at present.

A bill to place a prohibitive tax on sale of cannon crackers and torpedoes was reported adversely.

Peeler introduced a bill in the senate to repeal the prohibitive tax on sale of revolvers. Schuller will introduce a similar bill in the house. They contend that Texas dealers are losing money while mail order houses are reaping a harvest. A new district court in the Panhandle has been asked for in a bill presented by Senator Veale, who wants the present forty-seventh district cut in two. The forty-seventh district is one of the largest judicial districts in the state, and Senator Veale says that both this and the Veale business demand a new district.

STATE NEWS.

Forty families settled in Haskell county last week.

Joe Stanford was fined \$100 and costs at Greenville for obstructing a public road.

The new Baptist church in Graham is practically completed. It is a handsome structure, erected at a cost of \$10,000 to the congregation.

Roy James, Red Ursercy and G. W. Osborn, all of Bonham, entered pleas of guilty in court at Wichita Falls and were sentenced to two years in the pen for robbery.

At Newark Mrs. Lee Bellah was so badly burned Tuesday that there is little hopes of her recovery. Her clothing caught from a burning bucket of paint she attempted to take from the stove and throw out of the house.

H. A. Anderson, a Texas and Pacific brakeman, was badly hurt in an accident that happened at New Boston Wednesday. Anderson was engaged in switching cars, when the car on which he was riding collided with a flat car, sustaining serious, if not fatal injuries. The injured man was taken to Bonham and his condition is regarded as critical.

Groom.

Reported for THE CHRONICLE

Health in the community is generally good.

The farmers are busy preparing their land for a bumper crop next year.

Our school is progressing nicely. The next thing the town should look after is the building of a larger school house. Our house is entirely too small to seat the present number of children, saying nothing about those who are coming.

The teachers are preparing to give a box supper Saturday night for the purpose of obtaining a library for the school.

Mrs. McDaniel of Clovis, N. M., is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

We are informed that R. M. Cornet, the townsie man, sold eleven town lots yesterday. Houses are to be erected on them as soon as carpenters can be secured.

Burley Boydston and wife of Amarillo returned home Sunday after a few days' visit to his father, C. E. Boydston.

Gus Cornet sold his interest in the feed and livery stable to John Ray and has gone to his claim in New Mexico.

Over near Mangum, Ok., Pete Martin, aged 14, was cut to death by his brother, John, in a quarrel over a cotton sack.

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

Chase & Sanborn's coffees and teas are the best. Sold by E. M. Ozier.

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Market Report.
 The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
 Steers \$2.40 to \$5.35.
 Cows \$2.35 to \$4.25.
 Calves \$3.25 to \$4.50.
 Hogs \$3.75 to \$6.25.

A bill has passed the Oregon legislature prohibiting the wearing of hats over ten inches long. A bill to abolish the whipping post was defeated.

President Roosevelt Wednesday sent a message to congress approving recommendation of Governor Magoon of Cuba that an appropriation be made to remove the wreck of the old battleship Maine from Havana harbor.

A Kansas man has married a woman whose name he found in a package of cigarettes. Thus again we see the bad effects of cigarette smoking.—Benjamin Post.

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LAND AND PERSONAL.

Children of Jim Hodges' are...
Edward is building an...
and family, of Rome, moved to Clarendon.
Stanton has about finish...
a new addition to his residence.
W. L. Marshall came in this week from Dallas county on a visit.
Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bell, of Loveland, Col., were here this week prospecting.

Presiding Elder Miller will soon begin a commodious addition to his residence.

Misses Ila Boswell and Lillie Shepherd returned Wednesday from a visit at Memphis.

Mrs. Ola Jones moved from Hedley to Clarendon this week and are occupying the A. C. Morgan residence.

ONLY TODAY can you save your vote by paying your poll tax, if you have not already done so. Better not forget it.

H. L. Proctor, of Sulphur Springs, arrived here Thursday night and will again serve as instructor for the Clarendon band boys.

J. C. McComb, who has been quite ill for several days at the residence of J. W. Parsons, left for his home in Hunt county Thursday night.

Prof. Reeves, Messrs. Shannon and Roberts and Mesdams. O'Neill and Gray went to Memphis this week to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Paloduro association.

W. L. Emory and family, who moved from Davidson, Ok., to Goodnight recently, spent several days here this week visiting the Judge O'Neill family, Mrs. O'Neill being a sister of the former.

J. H. Yeoman, of Loveland, Col., who bought property here some time since, has been spending a week here and is well pleased with the country and thinks of moving here in the summer.

The officials of the Methodist church have decided on the late Dr. Cooke residence lot as the location for the new church soon to be built. This is a pretty location for a church and is convenient to the college, the parsonage and the public generally.

Mrs. Lydia Mathes, of Tribey, Ok., and Mrs. Georgie Barnett, of Durant, Ok., are here visiting the family of their father, W. H. Clark, for a few weeks. One of them had not seen her father for ten years, the other for two, hence the visit will be enjoyed by all.

Looking forward to the creation of another judicial district in the Panhandle by the present legislature, D. B. Hill, formerly of Clarendon, now of Dalhart, is a candidate for the bench in such district when created, and his friends are circulating a petition in favor of his appointment.

The Knights of Pytheas have in prospect another engagement of the celebrated Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartette Company of Chicago, and it is expected that they will be secured to give one of their delightful entertainments about Feb. 23.

Roy Kendall was a caller Thursday from Naylor. He says Rev. Amos preached three good sermons at Naylor school house Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. The church there made arrangements with him to fill a like appointment there each fourth Sunday and Saturday before throughout the year.

Read the advertisement of the Gem Theater in this paper.

Miss Elva Coyne, of Childress, visited in Clarendon this week.

J. I. Cole, who sold his place to Mr. Lyon, will move within a few days to San Angelo.

Jobu and Tom Woodward will start to old Mexico in a few days on another prospecting trip.

Cashier Patrick left Sunday for Staunton, Ill., in response to a message that his father was very ill at the old home there.

W. C. Nobles, who recently bought land this side of Lelia, is moving in this week. He was formerly sheriff of San Augustine county and had the reputation of making a fine officer.

Mr. Miles has the main portion of one roomy cottage up on the lots from which the big Morgan lumber shed is being moved. Two others are to be built as soon as he gets this off his hands.

Prof. Diggins from Illinois is now in charge of the students in mathematics at the college. Prof. Morton's health being such that he had to resign. Prof. Diggins has been in the university at Ann Arbor, also in the Northwestern at Evanston, Ill., and has already won the esteem of his pupils here.

More Than Half the Ills of Humanity Imaginary.

The Chicago League of Right Living, now in course of formation, with many of the most prominent physicians in that city as well as scores of men and women prominent in society, held a meeting Tuesday, where Dr. Shelton Leavitt, one of the best known practitioners of the South Side, declared absolutely not only his belief in absent treatment, but announced that he personally had many patients to whom he is administering such treatments, and that every member of the medical profession cured more people by suggestive therapeutics than by the administration of drugs.

Speaking further on this subject, the doctor said: "I may say without fear of serious contradiction that the medical profession knows its mental control of patients is far more valuable than its physical ministrations.

"More than half the diseases that people believe they are afflicted with nowadays are imaginary diseases. The strenuous times are responsible. Scores and hundreds of men and women have neurasthenia, melancholia, hysteria and all the train of nervous ills that come of too rapid living.

"There is not a doctor's office in this city which is not more valuable for its suggestive therapeutics than for its written prescriptions for drugs. The doctors know that. Only the very young men who are obsessed with the importance of material things neglect the vastly important psychic aspects of medicine.

"Medical men who have been years in practice know that half the diseases in the world is imaginary and the other half due to wrong living for the most part.

"It is usual for a regular practicing physician of reputation to admit the possibility of mental healing, absent treatment and other important developments of medical science which have too long been denounced as quackery."

K. G. Alexander, deputy county and district clerk of Hall county was married to Miss Ora Conuell of Silverton in Amarillo Wednesday night.

Impounded Stock.

I have impounded the following described stock:
1 black horse mule, some harness marks.
1 bay horse mule, some harness marks.
1 sorrel mare mule, no harness marks. No visible brands on any. All about 14 hands high and look to be about 4 or 5 years old.
1 sorrel horse about 15 hands high, branded A L, connected on left shoulder.
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Reported For THE CHRONICLE.
Rev. Upton filled his regular appointment Sunday with another of his splendid sermons.

And still they crowd the school. We believe verily that Miss Burdett will be compelled to move out of doors.

The taxpayers made a special trip to Memphis the past week.

Miss Mary Barnes of Antelope flat spent Sunday in our community.

A goodly number of our young people enjoyed themselves at a singing at Mr. Johnson's Sunday night.

A Mr. Hudson and family of Scurry county arrived in our community Tuesday to make it his home. We always welcome good citizens.

W. C. Wyatt happened to a misfortune last week by stepping on a nail. He was confined to his room several days.

Some nocturnal marauder entered the buggy shed of C. L. Benson one night last week and helped themselves to a \$30 set of harness. There is a \$30 reward for the thief.

Prof. Bueman is again with us and he assures his singing class that he will be with them on the first Sunday in Feb.

Some of our people are gathering boils for the market.

Mr. White, wife and son are attending court in Clarendon this week.

Mrs. A. E. Benson paid our school a special visit Friday afternoon. That is a duty everyone should perform. X

Should Have a Place for Dependents to End their Life.

A man in New York suicided and left this note:

"I am lonely and despondent. I am tired of wandering around the roaring streets of New York. The only hope is to find rest in another world. I wish no ceremonies over my body. I want it burned. Do with the ashes as you please. Throw them back to the earth from which they came. It is a man's duty to help nature to kill off all those who cannot fight against human beasts. I can't quite understand why the Divine Power allows cripples to live. The United States ought to have a large crematory and have the bodies of all those who die burned and should also establish a large park where those who are despondent can go and end their lives."

Those who dance must pay the fiddler, which is but another way of saying that every man must reap his own wild oats harvest.—Farm Journal.

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Lost.

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Memphis.

T. E. Harrel has moved from the R. S. Scales place near Rowe to Memphis.

Mrs. E. L. Houghton is spending several days with Mrs. Frank Finch at her ranch home 7 miles out from Memphis.

D. S. Finger, of Campbell, Hunt county, Tex., father of W. E. Johnsey, came in several days ago to be at the bedside of his daughter who has been quite sick with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marrow and little sister, Eunice, spent last Sunday in Clarendon the guest of their sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Joy Brooks.

Water Still a Question.

The Post has it from good authority that the only thing that now keeps the Hutt Contracting Co. from building a splendid 4 story hotel in Childress is the unsettled condition of the water and sewage question. When these matters are properly settled many good things will be ours for the asking.—Childress Post.

Tommy Brown killed the flea on his pup, his pup has gotten sick; therefore, the way to cure Tommy Brown's pup is to put more fleas on him. This is the logic of the bucket shop boosters.—Farm and Ranch.

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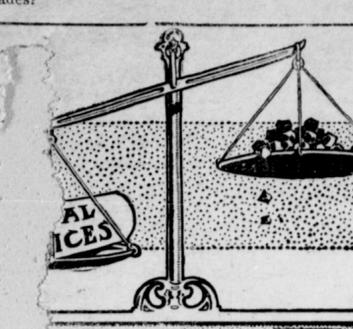
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Having recently increased the pay of congressmen from \$5,000 to \$7,500 a year, the congress will probably be as generous to the president and increase his salary from \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year. As a matter of fact, it has already been raised to \$75,000 by the addition of \$25,000 for traveling expenses, which has come to be regarded as a personal requisite whether it is expended in actual travel or not.

Thus official life in Washington is to become more extravagant. Instead of setting an example of economy and simplicity, the men who spend the people's taxes are putting the standard of living higher and higher. The curse of the age is extravagance, the folly of Washington life is display.

There might be justification for increasing the congressional salary to the end that a member might save something. The most efficient congressman is the one who spends the better part of his mature life in the public service, and it is well for him to be provided with something more than a living wage, for the chances are that he will be defeated in his old age and other wise will have no accumulation for the maintenance of his family.

Having abandoned his profession or other business, he finds himself too old to make a profitable connection and his condition is so pitiable that talented and thrifty men hesitate to enter the public service. The congressmen of modest habits can save a third of the present salary, and in a few years that will make a comfortable insurance against distress in defeat. It will really make him more courageous in his duties.

That is putting the best phase upon a doubtful question, for most of the members will straightway proceed to live up to the increased income.

With the president the case is worse. No man may hope to hold the office more than 8 years. A salary sufficient for decent living is all that is required, for upon retirement the ex-president finds himself in such demand that he may be sure of an income amounting to a modest fortune every year. Mr. Harrison's law fees, after he was president, were enormous; Mr. Cleveland's writings alone brought him enough for a comfortable living; even Mr. Hayes had no trouble in winning a comfortable income. Hence there is no warrant for paying the president enough to afford a margin of saving. In Lincoln's time \$25,000 was enough. It was raised to \$50,000 for Grant, and now it is to be \$100,000. Another decade will probably take it to \$200,000, for extravagance grows in the ratio of the square rather than the simple multiple.

It is not contended that President Roosevelt or any other president on the \$50,000 salary has lacked proper food or raiment or has been unable to decently entertain visitors. It is a fact of history that Mr. Cleveland, who was far from being a niggard, actually saved money out of his salary.

The increase is made for the encouragement of White House ostentation, for permitting the president of a free people to make lavish displays after the fashion of royalty. We are a great nation, the plea runs, hence we must have our president live in great style; we must enable him to impress ambassadors and diplomats by giving functions as rich as the courts of the old world indulge.

On the contrary, because we are a great nation, we can afford to set the fashion in simplicity by way of rebuke to the monarchies and by way of example to our own citizens. Nothing so much becomes a man as modesty of living; nothing is so vulgar as needless display. And the rule applies to nations as well as to persons.

Hardly a week passes without recording the moral downfall of some man who has been tempted to live beyond his income, who began by borrowing and ended by stealing. And the number who fall is a small portion of the great army of people who eat up or dress up all they earn, waste their substance

and destroy all that is good in life by yielding themselves slaves to appetite and vanity. To all such the example of Washington is a positive encouragement in extravagance. It is nothing less than vulgarity, not to mention the reprehensible squandering of the people's money.

Presidential dignity is not enhanced, but is lowered by presidential extravagance. It is not the power and use of the money, but the expense of maintaining the White House, that makes the presidency great and honorable. The increase of salary can be added to a feather's weight to the respect which the world has for American institutions. On the other hand, simple living and frugal disregard for the social function, the polite culture and social conventionality, will make the presidency the admiration of sensible people through the world and will needfully be growing snobbishness of the American rich, whose ideas of life are limited to automobiles, diamonds and champagne.—F. T. Record.

Sunday School Convention

The Donley County Sunday school convention will be held at Giles Jan. 31, and following is the program:

Song by congregation.
Invocation by E. R. Clark.
Welcome address by J. R. Richey.

Response by K. W. Howell.
Song by Giles class.
Address by president Clay D. Akers.

Trials of the Pioneer Sunday School Teacher—J. M. Shelton, J. O. King, W. M. Horn.

How to be a Successful Sunday School Teacher—E. H. Watt, Mrs. Jno. E. White, J. T. Graham, Noon, dinner for all.

Song by convention.
Report of the various Sunday Schools and Business Meetings.

Song by Hedley class.
What is gained by regular attendance and good lessons?—Melvin Cook, J. T. McHan, Mrs. J. D. McDougal, Mrs. J. D. McCants.

Song by Rowe class.
How to teach Temperance in Sunday School—J. H. Richey, Mrs. Jim Mosley, E. R. Clark, Mrs. Bond.

Song by McKnight class.
Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 31 Discussed by all Superintendents.

Song by Lelia class.
Talks for the good of the Convention.
Song by Convention.
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FOUND OUT THE TROUBLE.

Waitress Discovered Jimmy's Peculiarity in Making Change.

Cash registers are doubtless watch dogs of private treasuries and joys for ever to the happy clerks who play lightly upon the keys to "register the amount of your purchase," but there may come times in the best-regulated establishments when the vagaries of the human factor, without which the machine will not go, mix up its internal anatomy so that chaos reigns.

In a Washington restaurant where tourists gather to snatch a passing bite between seeing sights and complain that the public buildings do not open until nine o'clock, thus compelling them to confine their observations to banking hours, a deep mystery has brooded for days. There was a wide discrepancy between the receipts as stamped upon the roll in the cash register, and the amount of money found in the drawer at the close of business each day.

For a long time no solution of the puzzle could be found. A young man, whose chief characteristic was his willingness, opened the restaurant at six every morning and ruled the roost alone. But he was known to be honest.

At last one of the waitresses, who arrived one morning just as the lonely young man was making change for one of the early customers, found out what was the matter.

"Jimmy, your head is full of mud," was her classic adjuration. "What on earth are you doing?"

"Making the change," replied the unperturbed James.

And then the secret was out. Jimmy, when he received a bank note or coin to change, rang up that amount on the register, without reference to what the customer was to pay, and let it go at that. It was as simple as could be.

Jimmy is still puzzling over the matter, for he knows that he put into the drawer the exact sum that he rang up, every time, so he cannot see where the kick comes in.

Where Chess Is Most Popular.

Games may come and games may go, but chess bids fair never to lose its popularity. Nowhere else is it so popular as it is in the village of Strobeck, near Halberstadt, in Prussian Saxony. Some time in the eleventh century Count Gunnella, held a prisoner in a stone tower in the village, amused himself by carving a set of chessmen and teaching the game to his jailers. The tower, which still stands, is known as the Chess tower. The jailers taught the game to their friends, who were so pleased with it that they devoted all their spare time to practice. This delight in chess continues to the present in Strobeck. Every person plays. The village hotel is called the Chess Inn, tournaments are held every year, and prizes are given to the best players. If a young man goes to an adjoining village for a wife who cannot play chess he must pay a fine, to be used toward the expenses of the next tournament. This subtle ordinance has spread a knowledge of the game among the young ladies of all the surrounding villages.

Bruges.

What is the right pronunciation of this word? It is usually pronounced by English people as if it were French, with a soft, sibilant g, and in one syllable. Is there any justification for this? In the first place, why is it not spelled like Waterloo? And if not like that, why French? Why not Flemish? In Bruges itself you do not hear such pronunciation. It is the "Bru-ya." Ask at the station "Bru-ya (a la Francaise), and you will hardly understand you. They say "It is Bru-ya." In Longfellow's "The Bells," and also in "The Belshazzar," the word has two syllables, this intended to be read "Bru-ya." The English pronunciation (Bru-ya) is the English fashion (to rhyme with "subterfuges")? It cannot be the French. It may be said that an American poet is no rule for English people, but the word also occurs, I believe, in one of Browning's poems (I cannot remember which) with two syllables.—London Notes and Queries.

Orchestral Oversights.

The snare drummer happened to catch a selection that called for the use of half a dozen or more instruments. To make the shift from one to another he had to hustle in a fashion that nightly impressed persons sitting near. When he had finished the lively operation he was puffing and blowing and the perspiration was coming out in streams. A man just outside the orchestra rail leaned forward and, pointing to the score, remarked:

"That was good work, old man, but you missed one place."
"I did!" responded the drummer in surprise. "Why, I thought I played everything that came my way."
"No," the other resumed, "you didn't do everything, and I saw the leader glance at you. Right there, in the middle of that measure, is a place where it says you should have gone down cellar and shaken the furnace, and you didn't pay any attention to it."—Providence Journal.

Suitor's Theory.

"When I hear of a new theory," said a scientist, "I am reminded of the two geologists. At a certain summer resort one brilliant afternoon the younger geologist from his bedroom window saw the older man rolling a great rock down the side of a mountain."
"He watched the work for nearly three hours. The old geologist, thin and little and white whiskered, had a hard time of it to guide that rock almost as big as himself. But he persevered. He got the rock down where he wanted it just as the dinner bell rang."
"The younger man said to him wonderingly at dinner:
"What were you doing with that rock this afternoon, professor?"
"Why," the professor answered, "the fact is the thing was 600 feet too high to suit my theory."

Willing to End the Company.

A Chicago man who once permitted himself to be persuaded to back a theatrical company was seated in his office one day when he received a telegram from the manager of the show. The troupe was somewhere in Missouri, and the telegram read this:
"Train wrecked this morning and all scenery and baggage destroyed. No member of company injured. What shall I do?"
The answer sent back by the Chicago man was as follows:
"Try another wreck and have the company ride in the baggage car."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Gently Broken.

"You were a long time in the far corner of the conservatory last evening," suggested the mother. "What was going on?"
"Do you remember the occasion on which you became engaged to papa?" inquired the daughter by way of reply.
"Of course I do."
"Then it ought not to be necessary for you to ask any questions."
Thus gently the news was broken that they were to have a son-in-law.

Art of Eating.

Eating is not merely an enjoyment. It is a science that must be learned, an art that must be acquired by intelligent patience. The man who at middle age has not discovered what and how much is suitable for him has not finished his education.—Health.

Lots of Reasons.

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Easy Charity.

Frederick Townsend Martin, the brilliant leader of New York society, was discussing at a dinner the fund that he is raising for the great campaign against tuberculosis.
"Now, as the winter waxes," said Mr. Martin, "my fund will grow fast. Cold weather opens all hearts and pockets. It finds few Americans like-like the Spaniard."
"A man once solicited for a charity in St. Sebastian," he said. "He asked a nobleman to subscribe. The nobleman said haughtily:
"I only give, sir, to the genuine deserving poor."
"And whom do you call the genuine deserving poor?" the other asked.
"The genuine deserving poor," explained the nobleman, "are those who are too proud to accept charity."

Aldrich's Way.

At a dinner given by Oliver Wendell Holmes in honor of Matthew Arnold, at which Thomas Bailey Aldrich was a guest, Dr. Holmes set the conversational ball rolling by asking the various guests what they would do in certain dire contingencies if they were to encounter a pirate in the Back Bay, and so forth. Each time Holmes capped the answer by a better one until he came to Aldrich. "Aldrich," said he, "what would you do if one day on Mount Vernon street you were to meet a cannibal?" "Why," said Aldrich, "I should stop and pick an acquaintance."—Bellman.

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