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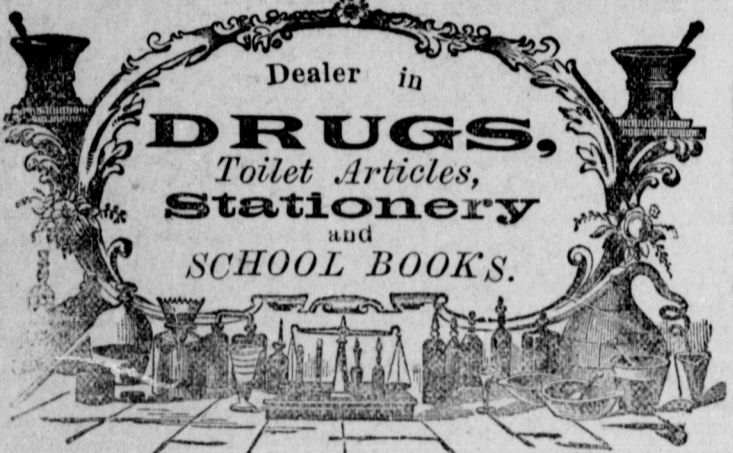
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### Filipino Liberty.

The rumors of dissatisfaction which continue to come from the Philippines show pretty clearly that the Filipinos have some modern ideas about government without the consent of the governed.

It is by no means certain that the Filipinos have not earned the right to try the experiment of self-government. They have been in revolt for many years and before the advent of the Americans made head against the Spaniards. They can fight for their freedom, even though they are incapable of enjoying its advantages rationally, and when a race rises high enough in the scale of intelligence and moral force to fight for liberty it is well on the way to a perfect understanding of it.

Should not these people be left alone to fight and think their own way to civilization? Is it our duty to drive them along a path alien to their modes of thought and fasten upon them a system of ideas utterly foreign to their genius? We have enough to do to save our own souls alive without meddling with other people.—Post-Dispatch.

### Monthly Financial Statement.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The monthly comparative statement of the Government receipts and expenditures shows that during the month of November the receipts aggregated \$38,900,915, as compared with \$43,363,805 for November last year. In that month, however, is included about \$18,000,000 received on account of the Pacific Railroad settlement. Independent of these payments the receipts exceeded those for November, 1897, by about \$13,500,000. The receipts from customs last month were \$15,335,200, an increase of about \$5,500,000; from internal revenue sources, \$21,336,743, an increase of nearly \$8,000,000. The disbursements during last month amounted to \$49,090,980, an increase on account of the war of nearly \$11,000,000. Since July the receipts have aggregated \$204,557,093, as compared with \$148,113,875 for 1897.

Bob Watson, living near Antelope, was killed Dec. 1 by his horse falling on him while driving cattle.

### The Railroad Injunction Suit.

The West Texas Sentinel, in speaking of the suit before Judge McCormic at Dallas, says:

The fight was on behalf of the railroad companies of Texas, to restrain the railroad commission from enforcing its recent order lowering the shipping rate on cotton. The arguments made by the railroad attorneys were a regular "give-away" of the purposes of their respective companies. Their contention, in substance, was, that since they, under laws then in force, issued bonds, they must now be permitted to fix their rate charges at prices to enable them, after paying operating expenses and keeping up their roadbeds, etc. to pay, out of their earnings, the interest promised by them to the holders of said bonds. Further, that since the state laws permit contracts, as between individuals by the terms of which as high as ten per cent. may be charged and collected, as between debtors and creditors, the railroad companies being citizens of Texas, in contemplation of law, they should be allowed, in addition to the charges as above, to earn enough to pay to their stockholders a reasonable rate of interest on their investments.

If the state is going to permit corporations to own and operate the railroads, it is difficult to point out the flaw in the arguments as above. To say that they shall not pay interest on their bonds, issued by authority of the laws of the state, and that they shall not earn a fair rate of interest on their investments for their stockholders, is to say that the laws of the state shall discriminate against one class of its citizens.

If the state owned and operated the railroads in its borders it would have to fix its charges so as to enable it to pay expenses and keep up the plants, but it would not have to earn any more. It would not have to earn interest on bonds to bondholders, nor would it have to earn interest on stock to stockholders. Those two elements of profit, now insisted on by the railroad companies, would be eliminated, and, to that extent, a saving would be practicable to shippers and passengers. The state would be able to greatly reduce the charges, and that, too, without loss to itself.

The only solution to this railroad problem is that insisted on by the people's party viz: Government ownership and operation of the railroads.

Just such contentions as are above set out, and just such rulings as those Judge McCormic is confidently expected to make [did make] in the case under consideration, must inevitably educate the people up to the point of accepting such solution of the question.

### Not Surprising.

The Hamilton Journal is authority for the statement that the democrats of Evergreen community in that county elected a justice of the peace who could neither read nor write.

In Ecuador they sweeten coffee with crushed beetles; in Japan they give you gooseberry pie with roast duck; in Ceylon the richest people beg, and in London a man who refuses to tip a waiter runs a fair chance of getting arrested.—Ex.

There is a penalty of from \$10 to \$50 for using gasoline for lighting in Iowa.

### Don't Want the Philippines.

Upon leaving home for Washington, Mr. Hawley, the only republican congressman from Texas, said in referring to the Philippines:

"What the final policy of our Government may be with respect to those islands it is difficult now to determine, but for my own part, I do not wish that they shall become an integral part of the Union. That would place their people now or hereafter in their relation to the citizenship of this country on equal terms with our own people."

### Overwhelmed With Office-seekers.

The Wichita, Kas., reporter for the Kansas City Star says:

The alternative is presented to W. E. Stanley of turning down the standing army of Kansas office seekers, or abandoning his reform notions, and the politicians are guessing that he will let his reforms slide. No other governor-elect has ever been so mercilessly besieged by place-hunters as Mr. Stanley. Notwithstanding his broad hints that he wanted to be let alone while he prepared his message, the hungry horde have been swooping down upon him ever since his election, and since the time is fast approaching when he expected to announce his best appointments, the daily rush is on the increase. They come in such numbers that the poor man has begun to wear a hunted look. Mort Albaugh tries to guard his privacy, but still they get to him, and if the poor, pursued man finds any time to give to his message it must be when he goes home and bars the doors and curtains for the night.

We are in receipt of the Texas Ranger, of Amarillo, which succeeds the Real Republic. Judge Martin, in retiring, says:

We never expected to "make money" by the publication of a paper devoted earnestly to social and industrial reform. The way of the reformer, like that of the transgressor, is very hard indeed, even harder than that of the transgressor. Those who labor for the bettering and uplifting of mankind are inspired by a nobler motive than the merely sordid one of "making money." The labor and expense of publication was more than we could well afford; therefore we have sold the material, good-will and subscription list of the Real Republic to Mr. H. D. C. MacLachlan who changes the name but will follow, substantially, along well defined social, industrial and political reform lines.

Mr. MacLachlan introduces himself as follows:

The sole, but, we submit, ample apology for our existence is that we intend to fill a long-felt want. There are several local and stock newspapers on the field; but no journal of what may be called general interest. Such it is our aim to be, appealing to a wider public than that of a single town and its environs.

Politics, qua politics, we shall eschew; but we hold ourselves free to discuss whatever political problems are of interest to the people at large.

The Bible says, "The poor ye have always with you, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good." In these days many leave off the last word, "good," and reading the passage, "The poor ye have always with you, and whosoever ye will ye may do them," proceed to do them.—Western Recorder.

Little dolls, big dolls, life-like dolls, doll buggies and cradles, and doll furniture at Ramsey's.

### Throws off Its Mask.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal which two years ago "endorsed" or "condoned" the Chicago platform, has experienced a change of heart and goes for its old-time political allies in the following very vigorous fashion. In truth its tirade of abuse is far more vigorous than decent, and stamps the C.-A., in point of character and patriotism and morals as being far beneath the men whom it thus abuses. This plutocratic sewer through which oozes a mountain of egotism, political deceit and personal slander, says:

"All attempts at federations and fusions mean defeat with dishonor. That nest of museum freaks should be broken up; Socialist Coin Harvey and his "pan-handling" scheme; Protective-Tariff Silver-Republican Teller; Populist-Ocala-Platform Sub-treasury-or-Something- Equally-As-Good Allen, who has been repudiated by his own bewhiskered Bedlamites; Anarchist Altgeld, who preaches free silver while holding his tenants to gold payments, and the rest of the ill-favored exotics should be cast out and democrats who will conduct the party on the old, fearless democratic lines should be put at the helm—men whose names will inspire confidence and whose very presence will be at once a harbinger and a hand-sal of victory. By throwing aside the freaks and eidolons and by substituting the old democratic battle-cry for Coin Harvey's whine, as a campaign slogan, there is every opportunity for democratic triumph in 1900."

The democratic party should take this Solomon's advice, and the sooner the better for the cause of reform. His kind demonstrated their full strength—150,000—when they nominated and voted for Palmer and Buckner in 1896. The 6,500,000 men who voted for Bryan are really all populists and belong to the populist party. This onslaught of the C.-A. demonstrates very positively how much misplaced was the confidence of the fusionists when they confided to the keeping of such people as the C.-A. the principles of populism. Caesar was murdered in the house of his friends. Populism has been almost strangled in the house of its friends. These friends were honest enough, sincere enough. But the recent election has had one good result: it has torn the mask from the faces of pretended friends of reform—the democratic party.—Southern Mercury.

D. B. Hill of New York and thousands of others like him in every state in this union are reaching out after the standard of democracy in 1900 and they will get it and wield it too.—Cleburne Herald.

The man who votes the ticket of the rich and then complains of the hardness of his poverty, should be placed behind the bars of a lunatic asylum for safe keeping. His exercise of the franchise is a menace to the peace and prosperity of his fellow men.—Mercury.

Rains county has a precinct in which 73 votes were cast, and 72 of them were populist.

If you have sore throat, soreness across the back or side, or your lungs feel sore or tender, or you are threatened with diphtheria or pneumonia, apply Ballard's Snow Liniment externally, and use Ballard's Horehound Syrup.

TEXAS AND TEXANS.

Charles Hall, colored, nearly 100 years old, died at Terrell.

Dr. Daniel Dupree of Oak Cliff, aged 77 years, died suddenly.

Dan Glover was given fifteen years at Caldwell for murder.

Aaron Lewis was badly hacked with a hatchet at Houston by another man.

One hundred bales of cotton were badly damaged by fire at Waxahachie.

Tyler county's first carload of syrup has been shipped. It was sent to Coleman.

Austin Lewis, a pardoned ex-convict, was fatally stabbed in the heart at Cuero.

S. W. Butts, a member of the Dallas fire department, died at El Paso of consumption.

Rev. Homer T. Wilson has accepted the pastorate of the Third Christian church of Fort Worth.

The British steamer Roma, which stuck on a reef near Galveston, unloaded 500 tons before getting off.

The comptroller registered \$5000 of Fort Green county courthouse and jail refunding bonds.

Hudson's gin at Anson, valued at \$8000, and insured for \$5000, was destroyed by fire.

The house and contents of W. J. Raines at Tyler burned. Loss, \$5000; insurance, \$3800.

Jim Aden, charged with killing Andy Thomas, was admitted to bail at Gainesville in the sum of \$4000, which he gave.

John H. Ward of Fort Worth has gone to Washington to endeavor to get a military port established at his city.

The iron bridge at Reni crossing in Williamson county, costing \$2400, has been accepted by the commissioners of that county.

Ralph, the 4-year-old child of Oscar Hill, while playing too near a fire at Bonham, had his clothes catch fire and was severely burned.

The wife of Will Tolbert, living near Naples, Morris county, had one of her ears bitten off. She said it was done in a fight.

The Texas and Pacific Railway company has paid the comptroller \$2062.28 tax on \$206,227.68 of passenger earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30.

The Austin conference of the Methodist Episcopal church convened at Austin, Bishop Fowler of New York in the chair. The bishop was tendered a reception in the Capital City.

Frank Williams, a resident of Dallas, while attempting to jump on a train in that city, was run over and terribly mangled. He died six hours afterward in terrible agony.

A horse rubbed his nose against the iron of an awning in front of the Postal Cable Telegraph company's office at Austin. He was instantly electrocuted, dropping dead.

While Wm. Reed was trying to unchoke the saws of a gin at Slate Shoals, near Paris, one of his hands was caught in them and it and a portion of the arm cut off.

J. F. Eriscoe went to Dallas from Kaufman county in a wagon, having his family along. As they were proceeding on a main thoroughfare one of his children fell head foremost out of the wagon, striking the bois d'arc pavement with great force. Death followed in an hour.

Sylvester Guthrie, residing near Lampasas, was leading a mule. The animal became frightened and Mr. Guthrie became entangled in the rope. All his clothes were torn off and he was dragged to death.

On Nov. 30 thirty-one vessels, eleven of which were for foreign ports, left Galveston. This number has never been exceeded at the Island City, and only once in the past been reached—Oct. 30, 1897, but that was at the close of the famous blockade, and not due to ordinary conditions.

When the coverings of No. 3 hatch of the Lone Star steamer Matteawan were removed at Galveston there was not a trace of the fire that was discovered the evening before. After removing several hundred bales from that hold no trace of the fire could be found. The theory is that the fire was caught in its very incipency.

At a dance a few miles below Lockhart a difficulty occurred in which Graton Hooper and Will Hooper were seriously cut.

TEXAS IN TINY TYPE.

Mention of Many Major and Minor Matters Material.

All Roads Exempt.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 5.—The commission has issued the following general notice:

Whereas, the judge of the circuit court of the United States for the state of Texas has issued a decree enjoining the railroad commission of Texas from enforcing all its rates, tariffs, schedules, circulars and orders promulgated and established by said railroad commission of Texas since the 10th day of August, 1894, fixing and regulating the rates of freight on nine of the principal railroads of this state; and

Whereas, these nine railroads can not participate in joint rates with the railroads of this state not so enjoined without violating that injunction; and

Whereas, the railroads of this state not so enjoined can, on that account do no business except that which is purely local to the several railroads, and interstate business, because of their inability to make joint rates with the railroads so enjoined; and

Whereas, if the railroads not enjoined should be allowed to charge their local rates, to be added to the through rates on connecting lines, this would so increase the freight rates as to become an excessive burden on the owners and shippers of such freight.

Therefore this commission hereby orders and directs that the railroads not so enjoined are hereby released from a compliance with its said rates, tariffs, schedules, circulars and orders until otherwise ordered by this commission. (Commissioner Mayfield dissenting.) Effective at once.

JOHN H. REAGAN, Chairman.

L. J. STOREY, Commissioner.

Commissioner Mayfield opposed the issuance of the above circular and stated that he appealed to the commission and did his utmost to prevent its promulgation, but to no effect. He said that he is in favor of making roads obey the commission's tariff, because that is what he is paid for.

Two Fatalities.

Bowie, Tex., Dec. 5.—A sad and heartrending accident occurred in this city. The 7-year-old son of Dr. R. H. Mitchell while out riding in front of his house on Wise street, his pony took fright at the running of the fire company's team and sounding of the gong, throwing the child, his foot hanging in the stirrup, dragging and kicking the child for half a mile. When the pony was caught the little fellow was dead.

F. B. Fair's horse ran away while out driving about the same time of the above accident, throwing him from his buggy. His skull was broken, from which he died. He was 60 years old. He leaves several married daughters, one of whom lives in Cooke county.

Harrison a Delegate.

Brenham, Tex., Dec. 5.—Maj. A. Harrison, senior major of the fourth Texas, who resides in this city and is now at home on a short furlough, received notice that his leave of absence had been extended. He was notified also that he had been appointed by Adj. Gen. Wozencraft as a delegate from Texas to the National Guard convention, which convenes in Chicago on the 12th of this month. The state is entitled to three representatives. Maj. Harrison attended this convention last year, which met in St. Louis, and delivered an address which was received with so much favor that it was ordered printed in pamphlet form by that body and distributed among military men all over the United States.

Badly Shot.

Brookshire, Tex., Dec. 5.—Mr. Dan Wilpitz, a prominent farmer living near here, was assassinated. He was sitting near the window in his home. The assassin shot him with a load of buckshot from the outside of the house. The shot took effect in his shoulder and face. Nine shots took effect, which badly mutilated his face. Dr. L. W. Bains, the attending physician, has stated that he thought probably Mr. Wilpitz would live. A runner was sent to Sealy for dogs, but for some reason the dogs refused to trail. A party was arrested on suspicion.

Turks Wed.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 6.—At the Episcopal church yesterday Dr. Frank Page, the rector, officiating, an interesting wedding took place, the happy couple being subjects of the sultan of Turkey. The young lady bride was Miss Ruffger Josef and the bridegroom is Mr. Abraham Assad. They belong to the Greek church and came to the United States several years ago from one of the Turkish provinces of Asia to avoid persecution by the Musselmans.

The young people were accompanied by an interpreter, who set matters right with the county clerk. In signing an affidavit that the young lady was of legal age to marry Mr. Assad used Chaldaic characters.

After procuring the license to marry from Clerk Joney Jones they explained their desire to secure the services of a priest of the Greek church to W. H. West, Esq., who directed them to the Episcopal church, as there is no Greek church here, and there they were united in marriage. Dr. Page wearing his surplice and performing the rites from the prayer book, the interpreter conveying the words into the tongue the young people understood. They knelt down and crossed their hands over the wedding ring, after which the groom placed it on the finger of the bride, kissed her tenderly and the bridal party left the church radiantly happy.

Had an Outing.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 6.—R. H. Birdwell, Melvin S. Smith, Turner P. Hughes and E. S. Thornton arrived here from a wagon drive from Hillsboro to Fort Davis and return. They have been on an outing for seven months, during which time they have lived day and night in the open air. Mr. Birdwell said: "We made up our party in Baltimore last spring, and as we were needing recreation, we concluded to make a long drive in Texas as the most economical plan for building up our health after close application to business from boyhood. The youngest of our party is over 30, and the oldest is 45. We shot turkey and deer after the season opened. During the summer we fished and searched for metals and minerals. We found coal, iron, silver, lead, copper and coal oil. There are valuable coal fields in Texas, the best we saw being in the counties bordering on the upper Colorado river. Our trip, including the cost of two mules, harness and wagon, from Baltimore, Md., to Jeff Davis county, Texas, and back to Baltimore, will be about \$200 each, leaving us the wagon and team on hand.

Volunteer Company.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 6.—The circular of the adjutant general is being acted upon here and F. O. Post, who was first sergeant of company F, second Texas, is enrolling another volunteer company to be mustered in by the state of Texas militia service. Capt. Lambdin and Lieut. Winston, officers of the company, will belong to the new company to be organized shortly. The mustered out volunteers will hold a meeting at the city hall this week to organize the company.

The soldiers who saw service are enthusiastic in the cause of a good state militia organization. Sergt. Post says forty names on the roll will be sufficient to entitle the company to the weapons, accoutrements and recognition by the state of Texas as a company of infantry. He says he will be able to secure over that number easily.

Work Resumed.

Texarkana, Tex., Dec. 6.—The Arkansas and Choctaw Railroad company resumed laying track yesterday, after a suspension of over one year in the construction of their road. The work will now be pushed forward into the Indian Territory, and until an objective point on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas road in that section is reached. This railroad was started about three years ago by the Central Coal and Coke company of Kansas City, as a timber feeder for their sawmills here. It has now reached the proportions of a commercial thoroughfare, and will prove a valuable facility to the development of this section.

Manila Newspaper.

M. B. Rankin, living near Waxahachie, Tex., has received a copy of the American Eagle, a daily paper published at Manila. The paper contains interesting reading matter, and is sold at 10 cents Mexican. The heading is embellished with a big eagle with outspreading wings.

Ed Clay, a guard at the Smith county poor farm, accidentally shot and killed Sam Francis, a convict.

Old Rates in Effect.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 3.—Last night at midnight the railroads put into effect the tariffs of 1894, the tariffs in existence when the commission resumed rate-making. While the present commission rates and prospective reductions are enjoined, the commission is at liberty to proceed with rate-making, provided such rates are substantially higher than rates enjoined. The cotton tariff which now goes into effect fixed the rate on cotton to Galveston at 70 cents per hundred, or 10 a hundred advance. It is estimated, however, that at least 75 per cent of the cotton has been moved. The commission rates, as shown by affidavits at the recent hearing, were about 30.19 per cent lower than rates now in effect, averaging all tariffs.

Two Stayers.

Alvarado, Tex., Dec. 3.—Ben Coleman and Sam Lane have just concluded a game of epins here that is believed to be without a precedent in the history of the state. The game lasted twenty-five hours without intermission, except five or six minutes at meal time. Their meals were brought to them. It began as such games usually do, but soon drifted into a test of physical endurance. When twenty-five hours had elapsed friends interfered and prevailed upon the players to desist. They rolled 330 games and made over 2300 ten-strikes. Good feeling prevailed throughout. There was nothing at stake but the fees. Lane won about 65 per cent of the games. Coleman is 51 years old and Lane is 38. There was no sign of weakening on either side, and how long he game would have continued if friends had not interfered nobody knows. The staying qualities of both men are above par just now.

Farmer Robbed.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 3.—L. B. Tipps, a farmer living near Mead, I. T., was assaulted and robbed at Rock Creek, east miles east of Cale, while en route to his home from Denison. Mr. Tipps had divided his money, putting \$26.50 in one pocket and \$1.50 in another. The robbers knocked him down, rendering him unconscious, and took the \$4.50 from one of his pockets, but failed to find the larger amount. They took the horses loose from Mr. Tipps' wagon, and leaving him unconscious, rode away, taking the horses with them. Mr. Tipps was found, and a physician summoned to attend him.

Cars Dynamited.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 3.—Two street cars were dynamited by unknown parties last night on Elm street, one in business section, the other in the eastern part of the city. A wheel was blown off the down-town car, while the flooring was sprung in the other. The cars are the property of the Consolidated company, whose motormen have been on strike several weeks. Dynamite cartridges, it is claimed, were found on the tracks in other parts of the city. No one was injured.

Want to Get Out.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 3.—A petition signed by 800 enlisted men and three commissioned officers, asking that the fourth Texas regiment be mustered out of the service was forwarded to members of the Texas delegation at Washington. The matter leaked out at Camp Mosby, and Col. Edmond and Lieut. Col. Hardy left for Washington last night. The men of the regiment are tired of camp and garrison duty, but are anxious to stay in the service if they can be sent to Manila or Cuba.

Dastardly Deed.

Bonham, Tex., Dec. 3.—Thursday night as Misses Mamie Clark and Emma Lightner were returning home from town, they were accosted on West Fifth street by a man, who struck Miss Lightner on the arm with a brick, inflicting a painful wound. The ladies ran into a house and telephoned for an officer. Constable Dixie Saunders soon arrived on the scene, but could find no trace of the culprit.

New Bridges.

The Katy bridge and building department is now at work putting up three new steel bridges. One is at Grandview over Island creek, on the main line, one over the Little Wichita Falls and one over Chambers creek between Forruston and Italy, on the Dallas and Hillsboro branch.

Elias Putman died at his home, five miles west of Graham, Tex., from the effects of a pistol shot wound.

Mr. Jake Pierce, thrown out of a buggy at Call, Newton county, Texas, some time ago, died of his injuries.

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Tobacco Flower.

"There is one flower," says a writer in a London paper, "which has apparently been overlooked by Americans in their search for a suitable floral emblem, which, I think, is worthy of their attention. I refer to that of the tobacco plant (nicotiana) in its many varieties. It is handsome; the plant is, I believe, indigenous to America, and its importance, as the solace of the human race, is indisputable. But its claims to selection by Americans are the greater when they consider that this flower will serve to perpetuate, in years to come, the memories of their recent exploits in Cuba and Manila."

PECAN GROWING PROFITABLE.

What an Experienced Grower Has to Say of the Industry.

The following instructive paper on pecans was recently read at a farmers institute. The author is Dr. O. D. Faust, of Bemberg, South Carolina.

Probably at no previous time has there been such an interest taken in the planting of nut trees all over the United States as now. The forests of the Southern states have furnished us the finest nut trees on top of the green earth. If he a benefactor of his race who causes two blades of grass to grow where only one blade grew before, how much more must he benefit the world who plants that which shall continue to grow in beauty and strength and become of still greater benefit to the world as the years go on? The rest of the foregoing instructive paper together with some good points on the growing and marketing of this, the best of all our home grown nuts, can be secured by sending two cent stamp to Henry Pfeiffer, Kansas City, Mo.

Christmas presents will be the next in order.

The Diploma and Gold Medal.

Were awarded to the Chicago Scale Company of Chicago, Ill., at the Omaha exposition for the best stock and hay scales over all first-class makes, no cheap scales were considered. This company sells more scales than any other, and their prices are lower than those of any reliable scale. They also handle hundreds of useful specialties for farmers and others. They send catalogue free.

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"After taking three boxes of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Lozenges, the tumor passed from me. "My health has been better ever since, can now walk quite a distance and am troubled no more with palpitation of the heart or bloating. I recommend your medicine to all sufferers from female troubles."

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# OPENING OF CONGRESS AMID ANIMATING SCENES.

## Hundreds of Persons in Both the Senate and House of Representatives Listen to the Reading of the Message.

### Congress Convened.

Washington, Dec. 6.—When the senate convened yesterday to begin the closing session of the fifty-fifth congress, the chamber presented a notable and beautiful appearance. By 11 o'clock the public and private galleries were filled almost to their capacity with a distinguished assemblage, including many ladies in brilliant attire.

Promptly on the stroke of 12 o'clock Vice President Hobart entered, and, ascending to his desk, rapped for order.

Rev. M. Milburn, the venerable blind chaplain, in a profoundly impressive manner, returned "devout and reverent thanks for God's goodness to us as a nation, and for his care of us since we last gathered in this chamber."

A call of the senate developed the presence of sixty-seven members.

The usual resolutions were offered and adopted. Mr. Cullom of Illinois offered one to appoint a committee to inform the house that the senate was ready to conduct business. Mr. Hale of Maine fixing the hour of daily meeting at 12 o'clock noon, and Mr. Morrill of Vermont to appoint a committee to notify the president that the senate was awaiting any communication he might desire to make.

Mr. Morrill of Vermont and Mr. Cockrell of Missouri were named by the vice president to join a like committee of the house to call upon the president.

Mr. McBride of Oregon presented the credentials of his newly elected colleague, Mr. Simon, to whom the vice president administered the oath of office.

Pending the receipt of the president's message, the senate, on motion of Mr. Allison of Iowa, took a recess of thirty minutes.

At 1:05 p. m. the committee appointed to await upon the president reported the performance of its duty, and announced that the president would communicate in writing.

Scarcely had the report been made when Major Pruden, executive clerk of the president, entered the chamber and presented the message. Vice President Hobart laid it before the senate at once, and its reading was begun at 1:23 p. m.

The reading of the message occupied two hours and eighteen minutes.

Exactly at noon yesterday Speaker Reed's gavel came down with a sharp crack, and the house of representatives entered upon the regular session of the memorable war congress. The scene within the great hall was animated, brilliant and picturesque.

Mr. Dingley, the floor leader, offered the customary resolution for the appointment of a committee of three to join a similar committee of the senate to wait upon the president and inform him that the house was ready to receive any communication he had to make. It was unanimously adopted and the speaker appointed Mr. Dingley, Mr. Cannon and Mr. Bailey.

A resolution was also adopted instructing the clerk of the senate that the house was ready to proceed to business. The house then took a recess until 1:30 o'clock to await the arrival of the president's message. When the house reconvened after the recess the committee appointed to wait upon the president appeared and reported that they had discharged their mission and that the president had said that he would communicate with congress in writing. Mr. Dingley had hardly made this report before Major Pruden, the president's executive clerk, appeared and announced the message of the president. The seal of the envelope in which the message was contained was broken by the speaker himself, and it was immediately laid before the house. The members on the floor and spectators in the galleries settled themselves in their seats and gave their most earnest attention.

Simonson, Whitson & Co., doing business under the name of the New Mammoth, at Louisville, Ky., assigned recently to L. Comingore. The assets and liabilities will approximate \$100,000 each.

Robert Watson died from the effects of his horse falling on him while driving cattle at Antelope, Tex.

### Making Progress.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The American peace commission held a long conference beginning at 10 o'clock yesterday and only had a brief recess for lunch before going to the foreign office to meet the Spanish commission at 3 p. m. The Americans apparently had changed the form, if not the substance, of the other demands as a result of their deliberations during the past three days.

Secretary Moore of the United States commission was engaged far into the night in revising the draft of the treaty of peace.

The joint commission was in session for over four hours. Most of the discussion concerned details as to the guaranteeing of the rights of Spanish citizens in the ceded colonies. The debate was occasionally energetic and the Spaniards on emerging appeared to be dejected.

Secretary Ojeda of the Spanish commission, when questioned after the meeting as to the progress made, answered excitedly: "I am almost mad. I can not talk. We are making progress."

The American commissioners declined to say anything further than that the progress made was satisfactory.

The Spanish commissioners have received authority to bind their government in certain matters, but there are yet important questions on which their instructions are unsatisfactory and it is expected that many of the details involved in the change of sovereignty in the Spanish colonies will be left for settlement in the regular diplomatic process when relations between the two governments are resumed.

The history of the document, which will certify the passing of the oldest colonial power in the world and the advent of the newest, was epitomized by Judge Day yesterday evening in a single sentence:

"A peace treaty can contain anything which the victors put into it."

The Americans had listened for hours with their customary patience to the technicalities evoked by the Spaniards with their customary shrewdness and persistency against every proposal for the dismemberment of the empire. Darkness had come on and the liveried attendants mobilized by the French authorities had placed a tiny lamp at the elbow of each commissioner. Senator Frye, whose unconcealed contempt for diplomatic quibblings excites the astonishment of the punctilious Castilians, had stalked home, his patience exhausted. The burden of the Spanish arguments was that matters outside of the large cession and evacuation of the conquered territory, which the Americans proposed to cover by the treaty, were beyond the legitimate and customary scope of a peace treaty. Behind this bulwark Senator Montero Rios, president of the Spanish commission, fortified himself bombarding his opponents with a supply of arguments and precedents which inspired the freely-expressed admiration of the Americans. Finally Judge Day summarized the American position in the foregoing memorable utterance. It was given and taken in good spirit and from that moment the proceedings were entirely friendly.

The session accomplished much. Eight open questions were canvassed, seven being practically settled without noteworthy friction.

The commissioners decline to say what conclusion was reached, but the bargain for a coaling station in the Carolines was not cemented, and according to present prospects, it is likely to fail. The temper of the Americans is in this matter: "We made you a good offer for an island. You may take it or leave it." The Spaniards seemed disposed to leave it. The Americans do not regard it as a prize which they can demand as one of the natural fruits of the war, while the policy of the Spaniards is to confine the negotiations as nearly as possible to the letter of the protocol signed in Washington and to exclude all extraneous matters. The result of this policy may be the leaving of many details involved in the change for sovereignty over the various possessions to settlement by diplomatic process when normal relations between the two governments have been resumed.

### Great Fire.

New York, Dec. 5.—In a blinding rain storm last night the massive block of buildings on Broadway, Nos. 253 and 259 inclusive, between Murray and Warren streets, was almost destroyed by fire. Within three hours \$1,000,000 worth of property was destroyed. The fire began in the five-story brick building occupied by the men's furnishing goods firm of Rogers, Peet & Co., on the southwest corner of Broadway and Warren streets. Adjoining the Rogers, Peet & Co. building and south of it was the magnificent white building of the Home Life Insurance company and next to that was the brown stone building of the Postal Telegraph company, erected at a cost of millions only a few years ago.

Within a few minutes after the discovery of the fire the Rogers, Peet & Co. building was a roaring furnace and an alarm had been turned in which brought scores of engines to the scene. It was but a short time when the flames had eaten through the wall of the Home Life Insurance company building and were roaring high above the lofty structure. Thousands of people gathered on the scene and the blinding glare of the flames lit up the lower part of the city. Even in the downpour the great crowds of people grew and the police reserves were called out from many stations and kept the people back for blocks. Great showers of sparks were carried in all directions by the gale that blew sixty miles an hour.

It was a picturesque fire, The Home Life building was occupied by that company and by a large number of prominent men in various lines of business. Every effort was made to save the valuable papers stored in some of the offices, but many of them were lost. The offices of the Rapid Transit commission were on the ninth floor of this building and it is believed that all the plans and schemes of work with which the commission has been working this many years have been destroyed. In the Postal building as well there were many serious losses of a private nature and when the flames reached the operating room of this structure, which they did within three hours after the outbreak, the one or two solitary operators who remained at their posts were compelled to flee for their lives, leaving unsent messages at the keys.

The fire burned even more fiercely in the Home Life building, owing to the great height of this structure and in an incredibly short time the upper half of this magnificent building was in flames. The water towers in the street were unable to throw their heavy streams only into the lower part of the structure and the firemen, though they worked with great bravery and untiring energy in the blinding smoke and heat, could do little in the face of such a fierce sweep of flames and gale. It was only a question of time when the Postal building, so far as the upper stories were concerned, went the way of the others.

The estimate of the losses by Chief Bonner was \$1,000,000.

### Southern Enterprises.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 5.—Among the new industries reported during last week by the Manufacturers' Record were:

A \$30,000 zinc mining company at Harrison, Ark.; \$50,000 mercantile company at Augusta, Ga.; 25,000-spindle and 400-loom cotton mill at Rockmart, Ga.; \$100,000 brewing company at Paducah, Ky.; \$50,000 ice company at New Orleans, La.; \$50,000 machine works company at Baltimore, Md.; 20-barrel flour mill at Bonda, N. C.; \$20,000 gas and chemical company at Washington, N. C.; 30,000 Lumber company at Bellhaven, N. C.; \$12,000 lumber company at Washington, N. C.; 3000-spindle addition to cotton mill at Fayetteville, N. C.; 5000-spindle addition to cotton mill at Chester, S. C.; 40-barrel flour mill at Lee Spring, Tenn.; \$100,000 phosphate company at Nashville, Tenn.; \$300,000 cotton machine company at Memphis, Tenn.; \$5000 peanut company at Petersburg, Va.; \$18,000 railroad shop at Weston, W. Va.; \$200,000 flur-spar company at Wheeling, W. Va.

### Both Dead.

Jackson, Ky., Dec. 5.—The dead bodies of C. C. Runyon, town marshal, and Alfred Allen, a town tough, were found lying close together on the public highway at an early hour this morning. Two revolvers lying beside the bodies told the tale of a desperate encounter. There were no witnesses to the tragedy, but it is thought Runyon attempted to arrest Allen, that the later resisted, and a fight at close quarters followed.

### SOUTHERN NEWS.

Jake McGee was found murdered at Rutherford, Tenn.

Hamburg, Ark., lost eight business houses by fire, with a loss of \$20,000.

The Mississippi state fair, held at Vicksburg, was a success in every respect.

The upper stories of the Orr building, a fine brick structure at Hot Springs, Ark., burned. Loss, about \$4000.

Reps Jones, one of the most prominent railroad contractors in the south, died at Knoxville, Tenn., of a paralytic stroke.

Four prisoners broke jail at Eurcka Springs, Ark., attended a dance, and next morning returned to jail and asked for breakfast.

Will Dorse, a rolling mill man, had his neck broken by a billiard cue in a Birmingham, Ala., saloon, by a man named Will Reno.

Near Heathman, Sunflower county, Mississippi, James Bartley shot and killed his brother, Allen, who was chastising his sister.

Hon. J. B. Thompson, a noted lawyer of Mississippi, and a grandson of Judge Jacob Thompson of that state, a member of President Buchanan's cabinet, died at Yazoo City.

Sister Esther Marie, mother superior of the Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, at Louisville, Ky., passed away from heart disease. She was connected with the home for fifteen years.

Dr. Marie Eugene Berjot, son of an influential member of the first national assembly of the French republic, and godson of Gen. Lafayette, died at New Orleans. Dr. Berjot was 81 years old.

J. M. Aughey, a fireman on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, fell from the gangway of the engine of a freight train near Nashville, Tenn., and met with instant death.

Harlow Spencer, the oldest miller in Kentucky, aged 88, is quite ill at Fort Spring, near Versailles. After Henry Clay's last defeat for president, Mr. Spencer vowed he would never vote again, and he has faithfully adhered to his vow.

Gen. Joe Wheeler has been presented by admiring constituents in the eighth congressional district of Alabama, which district he represents in congress, with a thoroughbred Kentucky horse.

Will Goldston, wanted on a murder charge in Autauga county, Alabama, shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Warnock, at Birmingham, Ala., while the latter was attempting to arrest him. The officer leaves a widow and four children.

Galloway college, a well-known Methodist institute of learning located at Searcy, Ark., was totally destroyed by fire. Two hundred persons, including 175 young lady pupils, were in the building, but all escaped. The building and furniture were valued at \$60,000, with \$33,000 insurance.

### Large Ship Owner.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—Henry Radcliffe, Cardiff, Wales, the fourth largest individual ship owner in the world, and from the port that recorded the heaviest shipping tonnage of any in the world, left for Galveston, where he goes to look into the shipping facilities of that port with a view of placing more of the Radcliffe ships into southern ports. Mr. Radcliffe was accompanied by David G. Pinkney, the representative of the firm of Rotterdam, Holland, and E. T. Agius of London, a young English student, who is studying American institutions. The party will remain in Galveston three days. While in New Orleans these distinguished English capitalists received much attention from the business men of the city and the commercial exchange.

At Beaumont, the Gulf, Beaumont and Interstate railway got judgment against the Texas and New Orleans railway for \$19,000 statutory and \$247 actual damages. The suit was caused by the refusal of the latter road to handle freight for the former.

### Fire at Eufaula.

Muscogee, I. T., Dec. 5.—A \$100,000 fire raged in Eufaula Saturday evening in the midst of a down fall of snow and sleet. Almost the entire business portion of the city was burned. The principal places burned are: C. H. Tully, C. G. Moore Drug company, Burdette Hardware company and Foley Banking company. All are insured.

The Baptist church at Taylor, Tex., and a residence adjoining, were destroyed by fire.

### Against Commission.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 2.—Judge A. P. McCormick of the circuit court of the United States for the western district of Texas yesterday issued his opinion and order in the cases against the Texas railroad commission. He enjoins the commission from promulgating or issuing any tariff, schedule or order putting in force any rate or tariff on any commodity carried by the railroads of this state, and he further enjoins the commission and the attorney general from enforcing or attempting to enforce any penalties by reason of the refusal of the railroads to enforce the tariffs of the commission. The railroads are enjoined from putting into effect the tariffs of the commission.

The effect of the order of the court is to nullify the commission for all rate-making purposes till there is a decision on the merits of the case, as well as to nullify all tariffs heretofore made.

The judge's opinion, which is quite lengthy, says the valuation of the commission is confiscatory and the rates unreasonable; that the roads' property is practically taken; that if the commission rates were continued in force, Texas railroads would depreciate in value.

### Last Chapter Closed.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 2.—The last chapters of a very noted case, relating to the killing of the most noted outlaw of the land since the days of Jesse James were closed here yesterday when Deputy United States Marshals Booker, Reynolds, McKee, Lindsey, Letherman, Thompson, Tucker, Little McAfee, Kilgore and Hart were charged in the Federal court with murder. The statements of the deputies even at this day are interesting, showing as they did how the trail of the Longview bank robbers was followed, and how a number of men were corralled in a house near Elk, I. T., on June 8, 1895. Then the deputies divided into two bodies and watched the house for hours, and finally a man, having received warning from a woman that he was discovered, made a break from a back window and attempted to escape. Then the Winchester of Loss Hart spoke, and the man fell on his face, with his 45-caliber pistol under him. At that time none of the deputies had any idea who the dead man was, and the body was taken to Elk and photographed. Later it was hauled to Ardmore, and when within ten miles of that place it was ascertained from Mrs. Dalton that Hart's bullet had laid low her husband, the famous outlaw. Bill Dalton. After hearing the evidence all the defendants were discharged.

### For a Jubilee.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 2.—The people of Waco, in a mass meeting, authorized the Karnival Klub to start preparations at once for the jubilee, to take place in 1900, and adopted a resolution authorizing the committee to raise the funds needed for carrying out the plan on a scale as large as the Omaha exposition. A site will be selected of between 100 and 200 acres near the city, rolling and capable of being highly beautified by artistic improvement, which will include the creation of a lake of not less than forty acres' surface of navigable water for regattas.

The committee to carry out the great jubilee project is composed of leading business men.

### Telegraphic Annex.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 2.—Manager C. C. Davis of the Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph company was notified that a telegraphic annex would be given Sherman, desks, instruments and equipments having been shipped. The rapidly growing territorial business of the Sherman exchange has caused it to be the fourth Texas city in which it has been necessary to place a telegraphic annex. In this, as in all other lines of business, the strides made by Sherman in the last few months have been phenomenal.

### Spaniard Suicides.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 2.—Florentine Perez, a Spaniard, suicided in Juarez, Mexico, yesterday morning by shooting himself in the right temple with a six-shooter. Perez had been employed as a clerk in the City of London store, but was discharged. As a result of his dismissal he became despondent, and at noon yesterday was found dead in his bed, his pillow saturated with blood. Life had been extinct many hours.

Mrs. Brown Potter is out of danger. She will return to the stage in January. The prince of Wales and others have telegraphed her congratulations.

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KANSAS believes in radical changes. Simpson, who is charged with wearing no socks was defeated by a man called Bowersock.

It has developed that Texas has set up a high-salaried trio called a "railroad commission" to be governed by the railroads.

THE woman who always persists in cleaning up her husband's desk will turn red in the face if he suggests changes in her kitchen.

IF the 3732 first applicants who were left after Sayers' 26 appointments to office should make known the promises made them prior to the election, we guess it would make interesting reading for somebody.

The democratic primary election vote in Collin county this year was larger by far than the total vote of the county at the November election. Was there a big fraud in the primaries, or did the voters become disgusted with party methods?

AN exchange says: "Premier Sagasta calls upon Heaven and earth to witness that Spain has been robbed of the Philippines, and in the next breath, says it is a God's blessing to Spain to lose the islands." He is very much like the democrat who rejoices over the pretended belief that the populist party is dead and claims that its existence has forced reformations in his own party.

It seems that there is already much discussion in Washington as to whether Texas will pay back to the government some \$46,000, of the \$101,000 collected, which she is not entitled to. Under orders of the war department, the officers were empowered to furnish their men with necessities. Then congress passed an act assuming to reimburse the states for the equipment of their soldiers: all those who furnished the supplies had to look to the states and the states to the government. Under such an order, a number of Texas merchants furnished volunteers supplies expecting to be reimbursed by the government. The Washington correspondent of the Dallas News says: "The men who furnished supplies to our boys in Texas may be confronted with the embarrassments growing out of the cause celebre in Texas, the old indemnity clause, which became prominent because of the Hogg fee and the figure the whole cut in the last political campaign there. Under the law the disbursing officers are required not to turn over moneys to any state which is indebted to the government, but the same shall be credited to the state indebtedness to such government. It would thus appear that when the state presents her claims against the government for reimbursement for equipment of her soldiers, she may be presented with a counter claim of something in the neighborhood of \$55,000, over paid on the Texas indemnity claim."

We are in receipt of the initial number of the St. Jo Tribune, a neat, newsy, 4-page, 8-column paper by Ed F. Ross and brother. It is located in a good territory and should succeed, and with Mr. Ross' energy, we believe it will.

There is no danger of Uncle Sam getting short on islands for some time to come.—Austin Statesman.

You just wait until the office-seekers are heard from, and see.

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John D. Rockefeller, President of the Standard Oil Company, against whom suit was begun at Tarrytown, N. Y., over two years ago, to enforce the collection of taxes levied on his palatial home, has defeated the collectors in the courts and succeeded in having his tax reduced nearly two thirds. Yet, some people claim the burden of taxation rests equally on all, and class all who complain as anarchists.

We talked with several delegates to the Farmer's Congress Monday as they passed through and tried to find out the number of actual farmers, who tilled the soil themselves, but could not. One said all from his county did so but three; a second said he thought most of them owned farms but resided in town and a third said he thought about all owned farms and directed their management.

### To Build a Government Road.

The New York Herald says the United States government is about to construct a wharf and railway in Cuba, the former to be located at Triscornia, a village of five hundred inhabitants on the shore of the harbor of Havana, and the latter to run to Regla, connecting with the United Railways of Cuba. These enterprises, while undertaken by the government because of the military advantages to be gained thereby, will be of immense advantage to the mercantile interests of the island. The proposed government wharf will be between three hundred and four hundred feet in length, insuring 30 feet of water, sufficient for large steamers. Numerous sheds and warehouses will also be erected but no arrangements looking to their construction have been entered upon.

The road near Havana will be double tracked with a single track toward the eastern end. It is expected ultimately to carry the double track system throughout the entire line. The government gave publicity to its plans November 20 and received bids for the work on December 1. The contract was let the same day. The railway has been surveyed and construction work has been started at Triscornia. It is understood that both works are to be pushed through in the shortest possible time.

If a government road is a good thing for a half civilized people with little commerce, why would it not be for the people with their heavy traffic in this country?

### An Eye to Business.

It is said that Lieutenant Hobson received an offer of \$5,000 from each of two magazines simultaneously for an article descriptive of his exploit with the Merrimac at Santiago. The thrifty Mr. Hobson put the affair in the hands of a legal agent who succeeded in running the offered price up to \$6,000, at which figure the bargain was concluded.

### Hobson May Go to Manila.

Lieutenant Hobson will probably be assigned to the duty of supervising the docking and repairing of three Spanish boats recently raised in Manila. Secretary Long is inclined to send Hobson to Hong Kong for this purpose as a testimonial of his worth, and to give him an opportunity to rest from the continued labors of the last few months.

A farmers excursion of 70 people consisting of two pullman sleepers passed through Monday morning from Denver, enroute to Ft. Worth to attend the Farmer's National Congress, Dec. 6th to 14th. The train being two hours late necessitated their taking breakfast here at the hotel Clarendon. The railroad company asked that special efforts be made in the way of a good breakfast for this party.

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### A Test Case on Silver For Debts.

At Pontiac, Mich., Judge Smith rendered his decision in the case of Stephen A. Baldwin vs. Fred A. Baker in favor of the former. The circumstances leading up to the suit are these:

Baldwin owns a farm in Bloomfield valued at \$3000 and upon which Baker holds a mortgage for \$340. The mortgage was obtained by assignment from its original holders, Dec. 13, 1897, and interest and principal upon the mortgage, \$364. In payment Baldwin tendered Baker 364 silver dollars which he refused to accept. Baker at once began steps to foreclose the mortgage. Baldwin filed a bill in chancery asking that the mortgage be discharged inasmuch as he had tendered the payment to Baker. Mr. Baker filed a lengthy answer in reply, covering all the points of the coinage laws. In it he quoted the coinage law passed by congress Feb. 21, 1873, providing that standard gold dollars "should be the unit of value." On this basis he argued he was not being paid the full value of the mortgage as a silver dollar's market value was but 58½ cents. Judge Smith's decision was that the tender of the silver in payment of the mortgage was good and accordingly ordered the mortgage discharged as paid. The case will be appealed to the supreme court of Michigan and from there it is expected that it will go to the United States supreme court.

W. Q. Richards of Quanah has bought the ranch property of the Hesperian Cattle company in Cottle and Ford counties, consisting of 75,000 acres of patented land and 20,000 acres of leased land, and a herd of 7,000 graded cattle. The price paid was \$1,33½ per acre for the land and \$20 a head for the cattle, counting the calves.

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A large number of railway men are pouring into Denison and Texas in quest of jobs. There is but little encouragement here it seems.—Denison Gazetteer.

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The freight rates of the Texas roads which were in force in 1894 will be restored in consequence of the injunction. This puts the cotton rate back to 70 cents, an increase from 48 cents.

A Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Towle, of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be. Since I've had your Cough Remedy, baby has been threatened with croup so many times, but I would give him a dose of the Remedy and it prevented his having it every time." Hundreds of mothers say the same. Sold by Dr. Stocking.

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**SOUTH BOUND.**  
 No. 1, Mail and Express—Leaves 6:45 a. m. Arrives 6:35 a. m.  
 Local, No. 13, daily except Sunday—Leaves 7:35 p. m. Arrives 3:30 p. m.

**RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.**  
 Baptist, 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. L. Tomme, pastor Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Sunbeams 4 p. m. every Sunday.  
 M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. J. M. Sherman, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.  
 M. E. every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. George Evans, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Junior Epworth League 4 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Epworth League every Monday night.  
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 Presbyterian, 3d Sunday—Rev. J. W. Smith, pastor. Sunday-school 3 p. m.  
 Catholic, 3d—Rev. J. A. Lenert, priest in charge.

**SOCIETIES.**  
 I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meets every Thursday evening in their hall over the Bank of Clarendon. Visiting brothers are made welcome. Jno. Laughlin, N. G.  
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 EVENING STAR ENCAMPMENT No. 143 I. O. O. F. meets 1st Tuesday night in each month. G. J. Hartman, C. P.  
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 CLARENDON CHAPTER—U. D. R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. J. K. Palmer, H. P.  
 G. F. Morgan, Sec.  
 W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall 3d and 4th Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. Jno. Scott, O. C.  
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**Business Locals.**

Comb honey. Caldwell & Jacques. For kindling go to Anderson.  
 H. W. Taylor for paints and oil. Santa Claus headquarters at Ramsey's. Go see it.  
 Stocking's Drug store for school supplies.  
 Genuine Baker Wire at Anderson's.  
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 Everything nice for Christmas presents at Ramsey's.  
 The Morgan Lumber Co., will trade lumber for cattle.  
 See the saddles and harness that H. W. Taylor is making.  
 Maple Syrup fresh from the Vermont Hill's at Anderson's.  
 See the Magestic steel range at H. W. Taylor's.  
 Barrett strives to please his customers both in shaving and hair-cutting.  
 For well casing and pipe of all kinds go to Taylor's.  
 The real Buckwheat Flour such as our grandmothers used, go to Anderson's.  
 Best, largest, nicest and cheapest toys at Ramsey's. Buy while you can get choice, before they are picked over. Great variety.  
 Car load of well pipe and casing just received at Taylors.  
 Barrett, the barber, keeps his razors keen and nerves steady and can give you a shave that is a pleasure.  
 Dr. Stocking will have the finest assortment of holiday goods in Clarendon. Be sure and see them before purchasing.  
 Anderson has only the rent of his store to pay while he handles everything you want. While he is not selling groceries he sells Hardware, Feed, Wire, Queensware, Stoves, Granite, Iron ware, Woodware, Wagon covers, in fact everything you want. Does it not stand to reason that Anderson can give you better bargains than those that handle a single line of goods.

**To Jacksboro By Rail.**

The Rock Island line is now completed to Jacksboro, and commencing with Aug. 29th, regular train service was inaugurated with following schedule:  
 Leave Jacksboro 6:00 a. m.  
 Arr. Ft. Worth 10:10 a. m.  
 Returning  
 Leave Ft. Worth 3:50 p. m.  
 Arr. Jacksboro 8:15 p. m.  
 For the present, trains will be run daily except Sunday.  
 W. T. ORTON,  
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**LOCAL ITEMS.**

No lottery in the Klondike.  
 Mr. E. H. Waldo, and son, Joe, left Monday for Austin.  
 Rev. Lee, of Childress, preached at the Baptist church Sunday.  
 Donley county Teacher's Institute is in session today and tomorrow.  
 Rev. Albert Rogers, the holiness preacher, spent Saturday and Sunday here.  
 Mrs. Robt. Hall returned home from Quanah last Friday where she has been visiting.  
 Mrs. W. H. Rodgers, of Giles, died last week and the remains were sent to Alvord and buried.  
 Miss Ruby Bugbee returned home Saturday night from Kansas City where she has been visiting.

The Texas and Pacific has issued very handsome and artistic calendars for 1899 and has supplied this office with one.

The household goods of Rev. G. S. Hardy, presiding elder, was unloaded Monday and he is now domiciled among us.

Mrs. Clemens, of Amarillo, came down Sunday morning on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Turner, and returned Monday night.

John Beverly started from Howard county for Donley with 400 head of cattle the first of the week. He will drive through.

Dr. Stocking informs us a 12 pound boy was born out at J. H. Robert's Monday and J. H. is in high feather over the event.

Miss Nannie Adams and sister, Mrs. Minnie Ross, came down from Channing Friday and visited their sister, Mrs. Geo. Morgan, several days.

The ladies of the Christian church will serve a supper to the public at the Griffin building Dec. 22. Every thing good to eat is promised, oysters extra.

Rev. J. A. Lenert loaded his household goods at Henrietta yesterday to be shipped here. He will occupy one of Frank Jupe's houses until a rectory can be built.

For all the latest novelties in Jewelry see Jno. M. Clower.

It seems to be Clarendon's luck to have a coal famine and blizzard at the same time. The dealers lay all blame on the road for not furnishing cars. Anyhow it makes a shivering public think there is going to be somebody in the next world that won't need any additional fuel.

Snow began falling here Thursday morning and the wind gradually shifted around from southeast to north, giving the coldest night of the season. Perhaps not more than three inches of snow fell but it drifted badly, and the temperature dropped to 8 above zero. Snow drifted into the cuts so bad that the south-bound passenger was held at Texline and the northbound in Clarendon and freights were abandoned until this morning, when snow plows were started out from both Clarendon and Texline ahead of the trains.

You may get twenty bright silver dollars absolutely free at Dr. Stocking's store without risking a cent in a lottery.

People do not call on a Doctor when they want legal advice neither should people who want watches, clocks, jewelry or silver ware go to people who do not make that a study but come to a Jeweler who has made it a life time study and can give you the best goods for prices you pay for much cheaper and inferior goods. So when you want anything call on Jno. M. Clower. 26 years experience.

Have you a cold? A dose of Ballard's Hoarhound Syrup at bed time will remove it. Price 25 and 50 cts at Ramsey's.

Mrs. Rich Bowlin died last Tuesday morning after a brief illness from lumbar abscess and was buried Wednesday after a funeral service at the M. E. church, south, by Rev. Henson, pastor. Mrs. Bowlin was a kind christian woman, in her 37th year at the time of death, and was the daughter of Mr P. D. Hudgus living in the northwest corner of Hall county. She professed conversion at 11 years of age and joined the M. E. church, south, of which she made a consistent member. Six young children are made motherless by her departure, and the responsibility of the father is thus increased. The remaining members of the family have the deep sympathy of all friends and acquaintances.

Thee Crabtree and Mr. Witherspoon are both building residences east of the south Methodist church.

Rev. J. P. Wheeler left last Tuesday for Hale county, where he has bought a place near Plainview. Donley county has lost a good citizen and Hale is the gainer, however, we wish him abundant success in his new home.

Genuine Rogers & Bro., silver ware and Seth Thomas clocks for sale by Jno. M. Clower. Come see and price before buying.

The Bazaar given by the ladies of the Episcopal church will take place next Wednesday at Mrs. Judge White's residence. Doors open at 1 p. m. Lunch will be served at that hour and continued during the afternoon and evening. An admission fee of 10cts will be charged from 7 p. m., on as a musical program will be rendered. There will be many beautiful and useful things for sale and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Have you seen the display at Dr. Stocking's store.

**Episcopal Church, Clarendon**  
 December 11th, third Sunday in Advent, there will be morning prayer, sermon and holy communion at 11 o'clock, evensong and sermon at 7:30 o'clock, Sunday school and bible class at 10 a. m. Everybody invited. Seats free.  
 REV. D. HOLMES, rector.

The disposition of children largely depends on health. If they are troubled with worms they will be irritable, cross, feverish and perhaps seriously sick. White's Cream Vermifuge is a worm expeller and tonic to make them healthy and cheerful. Price 25 cts. Sold by H. D. Ramsey.

Shaving sets, smoker's goods, toilet sets, toy dishes, houses, stores, trains, wagons, animals, guns, etc., at Ramsey's. A delight to see 'em.

Log Cabin Maple Syrup at Anderson's.

See the great variety of fancy stationery at Ramsey's. Holiday goods.

**For Good Meals and Clean Beds** and kind treatment, go to W. E. Jones, the new hotel man, at the Clarendon Hotel. Always on time. W. E. JONES.

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In biliousness, Herbine, by expelling from the body the excess of bile and acids, improves the assimilative process, purifies the blood, and tones up and strengthens the entire system. Price, 50cts. For sale by Ramsey.

Rev. Geo. Evans was sent to Iowa Park by the Austin conference for next year, and Rev. C. B. Beatty, who formerly served here, was changed from Iowa Park to Denison. Clarendon is to be supplied by appointment by Presiding Elder Cor-kill.

There is no medicine in the world equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the cure of throat and lung diseases. This is a fact that has been proven in numberless cases. Here is a sample of thousands of letters received. "I have tried Chamberlain's Cough Remedy while suffering from a severe throat trouble, and found immediate and effective relief. I can unhesitatingly recommend it."—Edgar W. Whittemore, Editor Grand Rivers (Ky.) Herald. For sale at Stocking's drug store.

The finest line of heating and cooking stoves at Anderson's.

**Notice.**  
 The partnership heretofore existing between J. D. Jefferies and L. C. Beverly, Clarendon, Donley county, Texas, under the firm name of Jefferies & Beverly is dissolved. L. C. Beverly having bought J. D. Jefferies' interest in the business and he will collect all claims due the late firm and pay all of their indebtedness.  
 J. D. JEFFERIES,  
 L. C. BEVERLY.

**Local Holiday Excursions.**  
 Tickets will be on sale Dec. 23, 24, 25 and 31, 1898 and Jan. 1, 1899 to any point on Ft. W. & D. Ry. and return at rate of 1 1/2 fare for the round trip. Final limit to return Jan 3, 1899.

**Holiday Excursion to the South East.**  
 Tickets will be on sale Dec. 20 and 21, 1898, good to return 30 days from date of sale, at one fare for round trip. D. BARNHART, ag't.

A congress of nations that would study the problem of finding employment for all willing workers might be quite as useful as the congress assembled at Rome to devise means to check the anarchists.—Post-Dispatch.

A good many farmers have drawn a long sigh of relief and toted the pick-sack to the wagon for the last time this year. Net result in profit, nit.—Henrietta Review.

Papers down the road say a long distance telephone is to be extended as far up the Denver road as Clarendon.

I write this to let you know what I would not do: I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house, if it cost \$5 per bottle. It does all you recommend it to do and more.—J. R. Wallace, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain balm is the best household liniment in the world, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by buying a bottle at Stocking's drug store.

Do not fail to see Anderson's stoves before buying. Highest grade of goods at prices of the low grade, everybody pleased with the stoves that Anderson sells. Come and hear testimonials from our own folks.

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## A ROUGH DIAMOND.

I.  
Oh, Miss Elsie, Miss Elsie, the bank has been robbed! Twenty thousand pounds gone, missie! and poor master away! Oh, dear! oh, dear!

Fully an hour ago had the above words been thrust on pretty little Elsie Maitland's bewildered hearing. She still sat in the exact spot where the bearer of the awful news had left her, too stunned and shocked even yet to properly realize all that the terrible tidings might mean.

Twenty thousand pounds gone! And the bank in a somewhat embarrassed condition before! Worst of all, the banker himself—Elsie's uncle—was away! Elsie Maitland was a brave little woman, but somehow this last dreadful thing had well-nigh robbed her of her bravery.

A step behind her, and a low voice spoke her name. She knew it at once; it was her good-for-nothing brother's. Why had he come here now, bringing fresh trouble? For the first time in her life Elsie felt angry with him.

"Why are you here again, Harold?" she cried, when he was standing there in front of her. "When I gave you that last money you promised to stay away altogether, and try and get something to do. Yet here you are once more, and this time I cannot help you. Why, why do you come? Uncle John would be furious at finding you here."

"But he is away, Elsie," the young man answered breathlessly. "Girlie, you must help me, just this once. I promise solemnly never to worry you again!"

"You have promised solemnly before, Harold," his sister said bitterly. "I cannot help you, I say. We are all ruined. The bank has been robbed."

The startled look on his white face caused her to cease speaking.

"Is it true, Elsie?" he asked hoarsely. "Has the bank really been robbed?"

She told him what she knew, he listening impatiently.

"I must have money, girlie!" he burst out. "I must have it! I must get away from here tonight, and I don't possess a single farthing! Quick dear. Uncle left you some for house-keeping. That will have to do."

"I don't possess a single farthing either," she persisted. "What is the matter, Harold? Why is it so terribly necessary for you to leave Blackmore tonight?"

Their eyes met—hers clear, straightforward, honest; his weak and nervous.

"Uncle will be coming back to see about the bank, Elsie," he muttered queerly. "He must not find me here. No, it would only add to the bitterness of his return. But what could she do?"

"I have it!" the desperate brother suddenly exclaimed. "Elsie, this news about the bank robbery is still exclusive. The editor of the Blackmore Times would give you any sum for it. He is enterprising, and always ready for something startling at first hand. This is our only chance, dear."

But Elsie would not see it in that light for a long, long time. It was not until her brother had fully enlarged on the grim necessity of the case, not until he had forced her to plainly understand the consequences if he did not have money at once, that she finally consented to go to the editor of the Blackmore Times.

Harold Maitland had a smart, cunning tongue; on this occasion he had indeed used it well. As he prophesied, the editor literally grabbed at the "copy," especially after he had fairly convinced himself that his would be the first paper to publish the startling news on the morrow. Elsie went wearily home with the much-needed money in her pocket. Harold was awaiting in hiding for her, and pounced down eagerly on the gold.

II.  
An hour after his departure their uncle's manager came to the house and asked to see Elsie. When he was admitted into her presence he noticed with a sharp pang how wan and desolate her little face had grown.

Poor child! Such things as these were hard for her to have to bear. How he wished that he could save her all care and annoyance in the future! For with the whole of his stout, loyal heart he loved her.

He showed her a telegram which he had received from her uncle.

"Returning at once," it said. "Keep news of robbery out of the papers at any price till I see you."

Elsie read the words, or, rather, they chased each other before her dizzy, aching eyes. She suddenly tottered forward and fell in a dead faint.

Next morning huge posters appeared from the offices of the Blackmore Times, making public the robbery. Newsboys shouted it frantically from one street to another. Soon a big crowd had gathered outside the bank, clamoring for the doors to be opened.

They wanted their money back, their hard-won earnings, and they meant to get it. That exclusive news sold by Elsie Maitland on the previous evening to the editor of the Blackmore Times had caused an appalling run on her uncle's bank.

The doors were opened at last; the crowd surged in, presenting checks to the full amount they had deposited in the bank. They looked astonished when the gold came over the counter in their direction. Clearly they had expected to be turned away penniless. They thanked their stars for being the first. The bank could not go on paying out for long, of that they felt sure.

At noon Elsie and her uncle drove up to the front entrance in an open carriage. He had insisted on her accompanying him, despite the fact that she looked wretchedly pale and ill.

All the way along they had seen those hideous posters announcing the robbery.

"How did they get the news?" John Rivers kept repeating. "Elsie, child, how did they get the news? It is a mystery to me. If only it could have been kept from them another twenty-four hours I could have weathered the storm."

Poor Elsie's heart ached. "I have done it!" she cried. "The fault is mine—mine! Oh, Harold, if only I could have foreseen all this! If only I could have foreseen it all!"

III.  
As yet Elsie had not told her uncle who supplied the news to the paper. She prayed fervently that she might be able to keep the knowledge to herself forever, safely hidden from the fond old man who believed in her. Fate would decide.

For hours she sat in a little room over the bank, listening to the persistent clamorings below for gold.

How much longer could it go on? "Not much longer!" John Rivers said ejectedly to his suffering niece.

"Not much longer, Elsie, my girl. They must have paid it nearly all out by now. Soon they will have to close the doors. Don't cry, child. It is the will of Providence, I suppose, but it's hard to get such a blow as this at my time of life!"

Presently there were sounds of cheering in the street. A well-known millionaire had driven up to the bank.

"My God!" muttered the old banker. "This is the last straw! Reginald Fairfax has turned against me with the rest; when he has withdrawn his money these won't be a penny left!"

"Go and see him, uncle," Elsie pleaded. "He is so rich he might be persuaded to leave it."

"No, child. I could not speak to him or any one else today."

"Then I will, uncle. Oh, do go and send him here to me! I must see him! Reginald will save us!"

John Rivers went blindly out, and Elsie waited for Reginald Fairfax to come to her. Twice this self-made



I MUST HAVE MONEY.  
man has asked her to marry him; twice she had refused. He was rich, but he was also coarse. Life with him would be a nightmare, she had always told herself. She did not love him.

But now —  
He was standing there in front of her, loudly dressed, and looking more commonplace and vulgar than ever. How could she appeal to this boorish parvenu? She must, though; she had worked the mischief, and she must right it if possible.

At the end of another five minutes she was telling him everything—all about her brother and her selling the news of the robbery to the editor. He listened in silence. She humbled herself to the dust before him, and begged him not to withdraw his money from the bank.

He smiled queerly.

"You twice asked me to be your wife," she wound up feverishly, "and I refused you. Would you still marry me, Mr. Fairfax? Oh, do answer! If I said 'yes,' would you still marry me?"

The smile broadened.

"Am I to understand that you are proposing to me, Miss Maitland?" he asked.

"Don't seek to humble me any more; don't, don't!" she cried. "I have fallen far enough!"

"Yes," he said; "it must indeed be a terrible fall for the proud Miss Maitland to offer herself to me! You offer to become my wife if I will only leave my money in your uncle's bank. Considering that I love you—and that you love someone else—it is rather hard on me, isn't it?"

"Oh, don't, don't! If you only knew how I loathe myself for having said all this to you. You are quite right to refuse me. How dare I ask you—or any man—to take me under such conditions? You are quite right to refuse me."

"I don't know," he answered slowly. "If you did not love another man already it might have been different.

But as it is—yes, I certainly won't marry you, Miss Maitland; you have humbled yourself to me unnecessarily. You cannot know me very well when you imagine that I had come to withdraw my support from your uncle at such a time as this. Instead, I had merely come to place the further sum of £50,000 to my account. The public knows it already, and the paying into the bank of such a large sum has restored confidence."

Ere she had time to speak he was gone.

But the bank was saved! The bank was saved! A man she had always despised in her heart had come forward and saved it. Why—why had she never been able before to see the fine nature which lurked beneath a somewhat boorish exterior.

The excitement of that day was followed by a long illness for her. When she returned to life once more it was to find her uncle in better spirits than she could ever remember him.

"All the doing of Reginald Fairfax, Elsie, my girl!" the old banker said, gleefully. "He stuck to me right through, child, when everyone else failed me, and his example saved the bank."

He had further persuaded old John Rivers to make a partner of his long-trusted manager. He was therefore in a position at last to ask Elsie's hand in marriage. When he asked her she answered "Yes."

Some months after their marriage Elsie received another visit from her brother Harold. He was altogether a different person. He was going to America, and had come to make a confession to her.

He had sold his knowledge of their uncle and the bank to a certain gang of thieves for a large sum of money. But he had never known a happy minute since, and he had never touched a farthing of the ill-gotten cash. He was going to America now, to start life in earnest, and when his sister asked him where he had found the necessary funds he told her that the donor was Reginald Fairfax.

### TARANTULA SHEDS ITS SKIN.

Insect Increases in Size Each Time She Molts.

From the Country Gentleman: An event of more than ordinary interest occurred in my office yesterday noon. A large female tarantula shed its skin for the second time since it has been in captivity. Those familiar with insects, spiders and related creatures are aware that they are incased by a hard, unyielding integument. Increase of size is permissible only when the old skin is shed and one that has been newly formed beneath expands to the requisite degree. This is a process constantly occurring in nature, and ever excites interest in the beholder. When a large spider three inches long throws off the old integument it is a thrilling sight. In the present case the tarantula had evidently been feeling unwell for some days, a condition frequently preceding this process among insects, and yesterday morning she was found lying on her back and apparently dead, but moved a little upon being disturbed. She lay thus until about 12:15, when the rustling her movements made excited attention. The old skin had then ruptured around the thorax in such a manner that the top could be removed entire, and through this opening the giant spider was literally working out of her old skin. This was accomplished by the aid of her eight legs and the two leg-like palpi. At the end of an hour the change had been effected. The spider lay upon her back, beside the perfect skin, resting from the severe exertion.

This tarantula was unusually large before she molted, and is now of still greater size. She came north in a bunch of bananas about two and a half years ago, and until last January was the pet of Dr. J. M. Bigelow. While under his care one skin was shed and is now in my possession. An idea of the increase in size attendant upon molting may be gained by comparing the dimensions of the dorsal piece of the skin shed about the latter part of 1896, when under the care of Dr. Bigelow, and the one shed yesterday. The first measures one inch and the second one measures one and a quarter inches. Therefore, the present dorsal piece will probably be proportionately larger when fully expanded.

### She Couldn't Miss the Chance.

Mrs. Drayton—Ah, well, it has always been my dearest wish to grow old gracefully. Mrs. Winston—Is that so, dear? I'm awfully sorry for you. Mrs. Drayton—You are sorry for me? Why? Mrs. Winston—Because your dearest wish has been to grow old gracefully. Of course you'll never have a chance to try it over and make use of the practice you've had.

### He Knew It.

The Good Man—Do you know that there are breakers ahead of you? The Wicked One—Ye—hic—yes. I s'pose my—hic—wife and her mother'll break my—hic—head when I git home.

Physicians are called upon to prescribe for the imagination oftener than anything else.

### Visits President.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The Cuban commission, headed by Gen. Garcia, met President McKinley yesterday afternoon. As a result of the conference, the commissioners were informed:

That Cuba should have an independent form of government at the earliest possible moment consistent with the pledge of the United States made to the world that when the Spaniards were driven out a stable form of government should be established.

That the proposed army of occupation should be reduced to the lowest figure in keeping with the dignity of the United States, and that less than 25,000 soldiers will be sent at this time.

That a recommendation will be made to congress that a certain allowance should be paid the Cuban soldiers who acted as the allies of the United States after war had been declared.

It was this result that so cheered the commissioners that they officially gave out a statement last night that the conference with President McKinley was most satisfactory and encouraging.

The commissioners met the president at 2 o'clock, and were in conference with him an hour and a half. Senor Quesada, the representative of the Cuban assembly in Washington, accompanied his compatriots, and acted as interpreter, as well as master of ceremonies.

Immediately after the formal introduction had been accomplished, Gen. Garcia, in a most informal manner, told the president of the wishes and desires of the Cuban people concerning their future form of government. He said that he and others who had fought for years for the independence of the island felt assured that a government of Cuba by the Cubans, as guaranteed by the United States, was a question of time only. He had not the least fear that this country would not keep its pledges. The only difference of opinion that could exist was as to the time when Cuba should be turned over to the Cuban himself. He hoped the president would make the probationary terms as short as possible. He argued at length that the Cubans were in a fit condition to take care of themselves, and referred to the reports made by Gen. Butler and other American officers as to their qualifications of self-government. He finally urged that the army of occupation to be sent to Cuba should not exceed 25,000 men.

During this presentation of the case President McKinley listened with the utmost attention, frequently interrupting to ask a pointed question on some point. When the general had concluded, the president told him that, acting on the suggestions of Admiral Sampson, Gen. Wade and Gen. Butler, he had already concluded to cut the original assignment of troops for Cuba in half. He further assured Gen. Garcia that the island would be turned over to the Cubans themselves at the earliest possible moment.

Concerning the present condition of the Cuban soldiers and the Cuban people in general, the president informed the commissioners that it was his intention to render as much aid as possible. Provisions would be sent to the island as fast as ships could carry them and that all would be fed. He also added that he considered the Cuban soldiers as allies of the Americans, and he would recommend to congress that these men should receive compensation.

In the evening Gen. Garcia received a call from Gen. Miles, with whom he spent nearly an hour. It is the intention of the commission to at once report the successful result of this conference to the members of the Cuban assembly, by whom it will be given to the Cuban people.

### Indiana Divorces.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 3.—In view of the fact that the next general assembly is to be asked by churches to make changes in the laws governing divorce, there have been many requests at the office of the state statistician for figures showing the per cent of divorces. The statistics compiled show the number of marriage licenses issued during the year ending June 30, 1898, to be 25,043, while the divorces number 2896, or over 10 per cent of the number of marriages.

### Services at Capital.

Washington, Dec. 3.—A brilliant official and religious service commemorative of the fiftieth anniversary of Emperor Francis Joseph's accession to the throne of Austria was held at St. Matthew's church yesterday. The ceremony was under the auspices of the Austrian delegation and in recognition of its national character. President McKinley and Secretary Hay were present in behalf of the United States government, while the foreign governments were represented by the full strength of the diplomatic corps.

### Texas the Flagship.

Orders have been issued by Secretary Long to the armored cruiser New York to proceed to Havana. The battleship Texas, which has left Tompkinsville for Hampton Roads, will become the flagship of Commodore Phillip, who will remain as commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic squadron until the return of Rear Admiral Sampson.

The New York will be the first armor-clad of the United States to enter Havana harbor since the battleship Maine reached there. Upon her arrival Rear Admiral Sampson will hoist his flag on board, and, it is expected, will come north in her the last of next month.

It was stated at the department that there was no special cause which induced Secretary Long to send the cruiser south, as Spain has complied with the American demands for the evacuation of the island and there is no new question which requires a demonstration. Cool weather is coming on, and there is less danger of the crew contracting yellow fever, though Capt. Chadwick, commanding the vessel, will use every precaution to prevent that disease getting aboard.

### Fiftieth Anniversary.

Vienna, Dec. 3.—Emperor Francis Joseph yesterday upon the fiftieth anniversary of his accession to the throne, issued a general order to the army thanking the soldiers for their loyalty and fearless valor throughout his reign, and declaring that he will ever look upon the army as the shield and protector of the throne and fatherland.

Amnesty has been granted to political offenders in Hungary and a number of decorations have been gazetted.

All the newspapers without distinction as to politics, published articles extolling the Austrian emperor as the guardian of European peace.

The day was ushered in with the booming of cannon and a grand reveille sounded by the bugles of all the regiments of the garrison. The city was gayly decorated with flags and the streets were thronged with people wearing black or yellow or red and white and jubilee bells.

### Guthrie Matters.

Guthrie, Okl., Dec. 3.—At 5 o'clock yesterday evening Joseph Pentecost, an ex-member of the city police force, and James Bower, a country school-teacher, formerly of Horton, Kan., quarreled in a saloon over a game of cards, and friends parted them. An hour later they met in another saloon, renewed the quarrel and Pentecost shot Bower three times. Two balls went through his body, producing fatal wounds. Pentecost at once gave himself up and was jailed.

The territorial grand jury indicted half a dozen prominent men for shooting quail out of season and for selling them for shipment, two dealers for shipping them, also the Wells-Fargo express agent and employes, and the cases will be vigorously pushed. Numerous other cases will be brought, and the outcome promises to be very sensational.

### Removal Deferred.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The war department has decided to adopt at once the suggestion of Gen. Wood, in command at Santiago, that removal of remains of American soldiers from that section of Cuba be deferred until February. While it is fully realized that this postponement will be of great disappointment to friends and relatives of dead soldiers, the officials believe they have no right to expose to the horrors of the yellow fever outbreak the large population of Santiago and the neighboring towns from mere sentimental considerations.

### Have Sailed.

New York, Dec. 3.—The North German Lloyd line steamers Werra and Fulda sailed yesterday for Havana, where they will take on Spanish officers and soldiers for Cadiz.

Bonham, Tex., is to have a twenty-ton ice plant.

### By Volcano's Light.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 3.—Further information of the active volcano discovered in the Atlin gold district in British Columbia is to the effect that the volcano furnishes the miners a light by which to work their claims during the on dark of the Arctic winter. The glare from the spouting lava reflected back against the sky gives an almost continuous twilight to the upper end of the Atlin district.

One Dallas firm paid to the tax collector of that city nearly \$12,000 taxes.

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**Meant New Haven.**  
Joseph Jefferson, at a recent dinner in New York, said that when called upon for a certain speech in New Haven, Billy Florence once delivered himself thus: "It is here, and to you, ladies and gentlemen, that I owe my present success in my profession. We knew each other when boys and girls. We played marbles together under the shadow of the old church, and now to receive this warm welcome from old friends—what can I say? Simply that I never can forget the people of Hartford." A man in the front row said: "This is New Haven, Mr. Florence." "I mean New Haven, of course," said Florence, gravely.

**Difference of Opinion**  
Terrance V. Powderly and Count Leo Tolstol are in opposition over the proposal to establish in the northwest a colony of some 10,000 of the Donkhorborts, who have so long been persecuted in Russia because of their religious beliefs. It will take \$150,000 to move them. The immigration commissioner says they shall not come if he can prevent it, as he regards them as paupers. Tolstol says they are not; that they are farmers who would help the country.

**Opposed to Chips.**  
"No, madam, I cannot split the wood to which you so indelicately refer. It would be a violation of a sacred promise I made to my aged mother."  
"Nonsense! What kind of a promise?"  
"We have the poker habit in our family, ma'am, and I promised mother I'd never touch a chip in any form."

It is always the package that we do not care about particularly that is promptly delivered.

**A Race Against Fire.**  
The crew of a steamer from Spain discovered in mid ocean that flames were raging in the hold. For ten days they bravely fought the flames. If men would fight as persistently against disorders of the stomach, there would be fewer premature deaths. The best weapon for such a fight is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

No one enjoys to-day who worries about to-morrow.

## CROPS AND CATTLE.

Texas-fed cattle are now going to the big markets.

Reports of horses dying of the blind staggers come from Fannin county.

Farmers in some portions of south-west Texas will soon commence sowing oats.

C. E. Crews of Childress recently received a bunch of 1000 calves from Greer county.

Alex Taylor of Childress left recently for Shackelford county to receive a bunch of stock cattle, about 400 in number.

John W. Harding of Henrietta sold recently at Kansas City forty-eight steers weighing 1187 pounds, at \$4.30, or \$51 per head.

The recent rains in several north Texas counties were of untold benefit to wheat, as the cereal was needing abundant showers.

Recently at Childress, Fred Horsburg, manager of the Spur ranch, sold 1025 two-year-old steers at private terms to Kansas parties.

Four young Wacoites have gone to gather pecans. They went thoroughly prepared to gather all the nuts obtainable, and anticipate reaping a rich financial harvest.

R. H. Moseley of Llano will ship 550 head of steers to Cuba on the 10th inst. He has bought these steers in small bunches in Llano and Blanco counties.

It is said that enough acreage has been promised by farmers near Grape-land to insure the production of thirty cars of cantaloupes. The crop has been contracted for.

The consumption of cotton by southern mills for the cotton year just ended is reported to be 1,250,000 bales, or 25 per cent more than the quantity consumed during any previous year.

Superintendents J. W. Fuller of the Keystone and J. F. Foster of the Cook's Hereford ranches, sold to E. Garcia of Laredo a carload of bull calves at \$30 per head.

John T. Roach, a citizen of Nicaragua, is in Texas, buying hogs to stock a ranch in that country. He expects to send nearly a shipload of live stock to that country from Texas.

Mr. J. W. Overton, who secured the contract to supply the military camps in Cuba with beef, has been credited with being both a Floridian and a Texan. He is credited as a citizen of Overton, this state.

E. G. Liebold, a prominent stockman of Bandera county, is preparing to place 5000 mutton sheep in full feed of hulls and meal at McGregor, Tex. He has great confidence in the future of sheep feeding in Texas, and his venture in this direction will be watched with much interest.

W. P. Harned, the well known short-horn breeder of Bunce-ton, Cooper county, Missouri, held his third annual sale at Bunce-ton lately. Though the weather was wintry, there was a fairly good crowd present, most of the buyers being from Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

James Hamilton of San Angelo has bought from P. T. Hunt of Taylor county 1200 muttons with wool on at \$2.50; from Henry Liging of Willow 925 muttons with wool on at \$2.50, and from Claude Hudspeth of Ozona 1800 muttons, shorn, at 3 cents a pound, delivery of all at San Angelo.

The sale of the Clover Blossom shorthorns, the herd of Mr. George Bothwell of Nettleton, Caldwell county, Missouri, which took place at the Kansas City stock yards sale barn, was attended by a fair crowd of buyers, in spite of the disagreeable weather. Most of the offerings were young animals.

The persimmon crop of Texas this year was an abundant one, and the flavor of the fruit, after being interviewed a few times by J. Frost, all that the most fastidious epicure could desire. There is a great demand for hickory nuts by wholesale dealers therein. One Texas firm of nut exporters advertised for fifty carloads.

A large amount of vegetable seeds, including carrot, cauliflower, lettuce, parsnips, corn, spinach, onion, etc., were sent by the government to Manila several months ago. It is thought most of them can be grown in certain parts of Luzon. Potatoes are also to be sent.

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#### Gave the Command.

It is related of Francis McKinley, great-uncle to the president, that when he was shot for participation in the Irish uprising of 1793 he snatched the bandage from his eyes and himself gave the command to fire.

The woman whose fur coat is finished and ready to wear is the one wishing for a cold snap.

If color produces moods we ought to be happy.

#### They Are Reliable.

The American Farmer is sincere in what it says and whenever it endorses an article, be it machinery, proprietary medicine, or a man individually, we want our readers to believe that what we say we have good reason to understand is true. For a year or more there have been endorsements of the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Company, of 167 Dearborn street, Chicago, by this paper. People have written us to know if this company is responsible, and if its remarkable remedies, for the cure of rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, catarrh, kidney troubles, etc., really had merit. We have therefore been at extra pains to investigate, and once again we add emphasis to our former endorsement of that company. There may be isolated cases here and there which, probably through neglect in following directions, or from exposure or some unexplainable reason, the wonderful Five Drops remedy does not do the work. But it is a case where the exception proves the rule. Mr. Swanson is a gentleman of character and personal integrity, and, we believe, would no more attempt to deceive the public than the writer of this article. They still offer to send a sample bottle of "5 Drops" for 25c or a large bottle, 300 doses, for \$1, prepaid by mail or express. Address as above.

Persimmons are very much in evidence at this time.

I know that my life was saved by Price's Cure for Consumption.—John A. Miller, Au Sable, Michigan, April 21, 1895.

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#### Discovery of Tobacco.

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A friend writing us says: "I thought when I was making my cotton crop I would be able to pay all my debts this fall. The yield is as large as I hoped for, but the price 4½ cents don't pay much debts and taxes. I have made an abundance of everything else, but corn is only worth 25 cents and it won't pay to haul to market. Potatoes are worth 20 cents a bushel, but all I could haul to town in a four horse wagon would not pay the democratic taxes on a 40 acre home one year. Sorghum I have in great quantity, but it don't bring 20 cents and pay for the barrel, and peas have no special market price. Hay is a drug on the market and stock is unsaleable and of little value. I thought when I begun to raise everything at home and made cotton my surplus crop I would be independent. That is what the democratic and republican newspapers said, but now I have a surplus of everything raised on a farm in this country and cotton besides, and I find debts and taxes harder to pay than ever. My family have less of the comforts of life than ever before. My children can't go to school for want of books and clothing, and I am hunting an old party politician to tell me what is the matter now. Heretofore I have allowed these fellows to make me believe it was the farmer's fault that they were not prosperous, but now I am beginning to conclude that the legislation of lawyer congressmen who do the bidding of the banks, corporations and trusts and the outrageous taxation heaped upon us by state Legislatures and county boards of supervisors have something to do with it. And I am of opinion if we farmers would have these conditions changed we must register and vote against the gang of cormorants, who are robbing us of the fruits of our toil. To systematize this business we ought to have a school house club in every neighborhood, organize thoroughly, and not let any thing save the providence of God, keep us from going to the polls on election day."

We have no hesitancy in saying our friend has at last discovered the cause of the disease from which he and his neighbors suffer, and has suggested the only effective remedy for it.—Okolono Messenger.

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Telegraphing from Manila to the United States is expensive as can be judged from the fact that a telegram of thirty-five words from Admiral Dewey to the mayor of Philadelphia, thanking him for a congratulatory message, cost \$1.07 10.

A Shelby county, Mo., farmer last week delivered a lot of thirty-two head of steers that averaged 1,000 pounds and brought him the handsome amount of \$99.75 per head.

The Russell Kas. Record tells that a man who refused to subscribe for that paper because he could get a bigger one from Chicago for the same money saw a fire escape advertised for \$1. He sent his dollar and got a five-cent New Testament.

Ira Webster was elected district attorney of this district, by a majority of 24 votes.—Canyon City Battleship.

At a convention of miners to be held at Massillon, Ohio Dec. 12 it is believed the feasibility and necessity of a wide-spread strike among coal-miners will be decided.

**Benjamin Franklin's Sayings.**

Light purse, heavy heart.  
He that drinks fast pays slow.  
Sloth and silence are a fool's virtues.  
Necessity never made a good bargain.  
Where bread is wanting, all's to be sold.  
An egg today is better than a hen tomorrow.  
Keep thy shop and thy shop will keep thee.  
Blame all and praise all are two block-heads.  
No man e'er was glorious, who was not laborious.  
An innocent plowman is more worthy than a vicious prince.  
All things are easy to industry; all things difficult to sloth.  
A rich rogue is like a fat hog, never does good till dead as a log.  
Would you live with ease, do what you ought, and not what you please.  
A little house well fill'd, a little field well till'd, and a little wife well will'd, are great riches.

Let those enjoy (who never merit woes,) in youth th' industrious wish, in age repose, allotted acres (no reluctant soil), shall prompt their industry and pay their toil.

**Fallen from Highlife.**

Burglar Convict.—There was a time when I was admitted to the houses of the best families in the State.

Visitor.—Poor man! such a fall must be hard to bear.

B. C.—Yessum, but you see I visited them at night when the folks were asleep.—Prison Bulletin.

Governor-Elect McMillin of Tennessee yet freely criticises Congressman Bailey, predicting his political downfall. Speaking of the leadership of the Democratic minority in the house, he said Texas would not have the support of Alabama, Mississippi, Missouri or Tennessee, while the unfriendliness of the Northern democrats would increase the opposition.

It is strange that more Texas farmers do not follow the stock farming idea. Forage and grain crops are, as a rule, as certain as cotton, and can be produced with less labor and less cash outlay. A good horse, beef steer, mutton or hog always finds ready sale for cash and the production in this line can hardly be overdone.—San Antonio Stockman.

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The track layers have reached a point about 25 miles west of Portales and 123 miles west of Canyon. They have caught up with the graders who have struck rock, however, they are putting in half of each day at track laying.—Canyon City Battleship.

Cat Island, where the Maria Teresa was wrecked, was the first island in the new world over which the Spanish flag was floated 400 years ago. This island witnessed the coming of the first Spanish vessel to America and the destruction of the last. The coincidence is not without its significance.—Mercury.

Frank Schaffer, a brakeman, has been awarded \$5000 by the Ohio Circuit court for being blacklisted by the Nickel-Plate railway company.

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" Corsicana	9:20 a. m.—10:00 p. m.
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