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VII | NORTH FORT WORTH, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2 1903. | No. 241.

Worth Market.

of Cattle Today, 200---Hogs 500.

E STEADY, ACTIVE

mand for Steers From kers and Feeders.

TEADY TO STRONG

Pigs Sold at $4.75--- ckers Bid Steady.

RECEIPTS TODAY.

	2,200
	500
	550

rial Receipts Yesterday.

	3,439
	208

Range of Market.

E—Steers, top $3.70, bulk $2.75 ws, top $2.50, bulk $81.80@2.20. Top $4.75; bulk $4.50@4.60.

HE CATTLE TRADE

ODAY'S QUOTATIONS

ice fed	$3.00@3.7
fed	3.00@3.5
	2.00@3.0
	1.25@2.0
ee heavy fed	2.15@2.0
butcher	1.90@2.15
n	1.75@1.5
	1.00@1.7
s and oxen	1.00@3.0
od to fancy veals	3.50@4.0
to fair	2.00@3.50

of cattle today were moderate. cars were in at the opening of about 1,500 head. Very few ted, and including those driven ceipts for the day were esti to run over 2,200, against 3,339 Wednesday, and 2,836 for the ding day last month.

BEEF STEERS.

was a fair number of medium fed steers in today's offerings. usual supply of light thin kind. packers took liberally of the fin tle, and with considerable ac among feeder buyers, trading all along the line was active and ith yesterday. Two loads sold eraging around 1,000 pounds, at th a few around $3.25, and bulk from $2.00@3.00.

fed are quoted from $3.50@3.75, dium fed from $3.00@3.50, feed 0@3.00, and yearlings from $1.25

entative sales:

	Ave.	Price
	1218	3 70
	1091	3 60
	1040	3 60
	982	3 50
	1018	3 50
	977	3 25
	1005	3 25
	911	2 95
	891	2 85
	871	2 75
	856	2 75
	790	2 55
	775	2 55
	763	2 50
	835	2 35
	630	2 25
	950	2 25
	690	1 40
	840	1 25

BUTCHER STOCK.

arge end of today's run was made ws and heifers, and while the sup moderate there seemed to be fully to go around. Buyers started in ing freely, and the general mar s active with values generally teady basis. The quality today mon to medium, and while a few around $2.25, the buly went at a f from $1.80@2.10.

e heavy fed cows are quoted from 2.50, with medium butchers $1.90 light thin $1.75@1.90, and can 00@1.75.

e was no change on bulls. Only a supply of feeder bulls arrived, on rading was active and steady with ay.

, stags and oxen are quoted from 2.00.

Cows.

	950	2 50
	850	2 50
	780	2 10
	800	2 10
	787	2 10
	808	2 15
16	758	2 10
60	798	2 10
35	798	2 10
28	761	2 10
36	816	2 10
30	673	2 05
24	746	2 00
11	466	2 00
17	840	2 00
27	865	1 90
26	816	1 90
32	802	1 90
10	835	1 85
58	695	1 80
49	693	1 80
47	696	1 80
1	780	1 60
60	724	1 50
3	783	1 25
25	750	1 35
6	598	1 35
Heifers.		
7	475	2 00
7	497	1 85
32	615	1 75
3	423	1 25
Bulls.		
1	1430	2 10
1	940	1 90
5	1210	1 85
3	1070	1 85
1	1180	1 85
1	1120	1 75
1	1110	1 65
3	637	1 40
16	827	1 40

CALVES.

Calves were not very plentiful, and though there was a slack demand today the few offered sold steady with yesterday.

Good to fancy vealers are quoted from $3.00@4.00, with common to fair kinds from $2.00@3.00.

1	160	4 00
166	251	3 00
2	325	2 50
13	253	2 25
1	360	2 00
9	197	2 00
7	251	1 00

THE HOG TRADE

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

Choice sorted	$4.40@4.6
Mixed packers	4.35@4.45
Light	4.20@4.10
Choice pigs	4.50@4.60
Stags and roughs	3.00@4.10

Receipts of hogs today were again disappointingly small. About three cars and a half, 332 head, were shipped in. None were reported, but by noon enough wagon hogs arrived to make total receipts for the day close around 500, against 951 for last Wednesday, and 221 for the corresponding day last month.

There was not much to today's market. Packers wanted hogs, but with messages from other points quoting a decline, only one packer wanted them badly enough to pay steady prices, and the big end of the supply went to him on this basis. There was some competition from outside butchers, but orders were limited, and while a few chance sales were 10 to 15c higher, the bulk sold steady and active.

The top today was $4.75 for pigs averaging 136 pounds, with light wagon hogs averaging 153 to 166 pounds at $4.70, and bulk of sales from $4.60@4.65.

Choice sorted are quoted from $4.40@4.60, mixed packers $4.35@4.45, light grades $4.30@4.60, choice pigs $4.50@4.75, and boars, stags and roughs from $3.00@4.00.

Representative sales:

Territory Hogs.

No.	Shrink.	Average.	Price
1		190	3 50
1		280	4 00
81		193	4 40
22		273	4 57½
16		100	4 60
12		128	4 60
85		148	4 60
18		222	4 65
19		223	4 65
78		136	4 75
Texas Hogs.			
18		222	4 65
19		223	4 65
Wagon Hogs.			
4		212	4 55
2		165	4 55
9		153	4 70
3		166	4 70

HORSES AND MULES

Horses

Drafts, good	140@150
Chunks, good	70@120
Drivers, good to fancy	75 up
Drivers, medium	55@ 75
Southerners, common to fair	30@ 50
Southerners, good to extra	70@100
Plugs	10@ 25
Rangers, plain	10@ 30
Choice range horses	50@ 75

Mules

13½ to 14 hands, fat	40 to 50
14 to 14½ hands, fat	65 to 75
14½ to 15 hands, fat	80 to 110
15 to 15½ hands, fat	115 to 130
15½ to 16 hands, fat with quality	135 to 150
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 1,050 to 1,100	155 to 165

RECEIPTS AT THE YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.

Jno. Boone, Purcell, I. T.	30
D. Young & Co., Purcell, I. T.	81
McNeil & Co., McNeil, Ark.	35
J. W. Tweedle, San Angelo	112
J. J. Huffman, San Angelo	26
W. R. Hoover, San Angelo	123
C. W. Burns, San Angelo	56
McGuire Bros., San Angelo	56
M. Barker & Son, San Angelo	48
C. C. Hoover, San Angelo	31
W. S. Thomson, Coleman	51
O. N. Vaughn, Coleman	60
Persley & Ward, Greenwood	35
E. H. Bolton, Corsicana	59
W. A. Ashley, Llano	31
W. E. Dupree, Ada, I. T.	31
Jno. Pettit, Graham	26
A. G. McGuire, Chico	52
Boedecker & Turner, Bowie	62
H. B. Johnson, Chickasha	50
C. McDonald, Mineral Wells	43
L. P. Cunningham, Mineral Wells	31
A. C. Crawford, Mineral Wells	4
Billups & Gillespie, Ladonia	35
C. Parson, Brownwood	60
J. W. Erwin, Brady	55
W. Malloy, Brady	59
Carroll & B., Brady	30
S. F. Thomas, Blanket	30
A. J. Watson, Wortham	15
Weaver & Son, Wortham	31
J. M. Reynolds, Kent	420
W. S. Berry, Laguna	42
H. C. Grantum, Baird	36
J. K. Beazle Grapeland	68
M. G. Hodges, Sweetwater	29
F. Rugelev, Van Lick	80
Hogs.	
Green & Son, Coyle, O. T.	100
C. C. Wilson, Pawnee, O. T.	94
W. F. Warren, Berwyn, I. T.	101
A. J. Watson, Wortham	37
Sheep.	
M. Guerra & Son, Hebbronville	551

BUYERS ON YESTERDAY'S MARKET

Cattle.

Armour & Co.	1,066
Swift & Co.	892
Light Bros.	40
Hodgkins	5
Tucker	35
C. Miller	4
Burns	18
Koogler	7
McClung	32
Saunders	33
Jennings	58
Shirley	1
Bursey	60
S. & L.	4
D. & L.	33
Calves.	
Armour & Co.	1
Swift & Co.	856
Hogs.	
Swift & Co.	110
Armour & Co.	82
G. S. Miller	9
A. H. Burns	7

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORT.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep
Chicago	25,000	45,000	25,000
Kansas City	12,000	10,000	3,500
St. Louis	4,500	7,500	2,500
St. Joseph	3,300	7,500	700
	44,800	70,000	31,700

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 2.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 25,000. Good steady, others weaker. Top $5.80.

HOGS — Receipts 45,000. Average 5 lower. Top $4.60; bulk $4.35@4.50.

SHEEP—Receipts 25,000. Steady.

Kansas City.

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 2.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 12,000. Market 10 to 15 lower. Sows lower. Stockers steady to lower.

HOGS — Receipts 10,000. Market weak to 5 lower. Top $4.60; bulk $4.50@4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts 3,500. Active.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 2.—The National Live Stock Reporter says:

CATTLE — Receipts 4,500. Texas 2,000. Steady. Top $3.95. Natives slow.

HOGS — Receipts 7,500. Market 5 to 10 lower. Top $4.55; bulk $4.45@4.50.

SHEEP—Receipts 2,500. Steady.

St. Joseph.

Special to The Reporter.

South St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 2.—The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 3,300. Market steady to 15 lower. Top $5.25.

HOGS — Receipts 7,500. Market steady to 5 lower. Top $4.55; bulk $4.40@4.45.

SHEEP — Receipts 700. Steady to strong.

THE SHEEP TRADE

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS.

Lambs	3.80@4.60
Wethers	3.50@4.00
Ewes	2.50@3.50
Culls	1.50@2.60

GENERAL NOTES.

A number of Texans are attending the big stock show at Chicago, which has a strong interest for them.

Passenger service began on Tuesday over the new Rock Island line between Fort Worth and Dallas. The first regular train left Fort Worth at 8:15 in the morning and reached Dallas at 9:20, making the run in one hour and five minutes.

J. P. Parker, of J. P. Parker & Co., Buffalo, Tex., was with us Monday and Tuesday, reviewing the markets. He has for the present a lot of mixed feeders, average South and East Texas stock, for sale, and anyone wishing such stock would do well to call on or communicate with these people, as they are perfectly reliable.

J. N. Harshberger of Lawrence, Kan., auctioneer, who has won the reputation of selling the largest number of head at the biggest price in the shortest time of any auctioneer west of the Missouri river, is desirous of locating in Texas, owing to ill health of some of his family. Mr. Harshberger is a breeder of fine stock and has auctioned them in Missouri, Kansas and Illinois for many years. Breeders of fine stock wishing an auctioneer's services, will do well to write him. See his advertisement in this paper.

The jury trying the case of J. B. Oldridge against the Rock Island Railway Co., in Fort Worth, awarded plaintiff $20,000 for personal injuries received. Oldridge was injured June 30, 1902, while in the employ of the company as brakeman. He was thrown from the caboose of his train by a jerk of the engine and rendered unconscious by his fall. The train then proceeded to back and the wheels passed over Oldridge's arm, cutting it off at the shoulder. The first trial of the case was held in December, 1902 when the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of $14,000. The railway company appealed the case, and it was reversed October 12, 1903.

Another meeting of promoters and others friendly to the proposed Independent Packing Co., was held in Fort Worth yesterday. The attendance of cattlemen was very light. Jerry Simpson, formerly of Kansas, now of New Mexico, addressed the meeting, saying: "The establishing of an independent packery does not contemplate the raising of prices, at least for the next few years; but it does contemplate the paying of dividends to the stockmen, which they otherwise give to the other fellow. It will produce if successful a healthy state of competition that will be to the benefit of all the people. We do not expect to break down the prices all over the country; in fact, we are grateful to the packing houses for what they have done for us and are doing in handling our cattle. We could not do without them. All we want is to go and do likewise. What we want to do is to learn a lesson of profit from them." The meeting adjourned without doing anything on account of the lack of encouragement offered by cattlemen.

HENS A VERITABLE GOLD MINE.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 27.—Eggs are so costly in Boston that people have dropped eating them, the dealers say. Strictly fresh eggs, guaranteed to be from near-by henneries, are now quoted by the fancy grocers as high as 70 cents a dozen. No eggs that will pass muster at the average breakfast table are obtainable at retail at less than 45 to 50 cents, and the wholesale price in carlots on choice near-by eggs Wednesday was 45 cents. One commission man, who handles eggs exclusively, said: "In all the years I have been in the egg business I never saw conditions like those of the present. I have found it absolutely impossible several times of late to fill orders for choice eggs. There were not enough of them for sale in Boston. The only reason for this that I can give is that the hens are not laying."

New York, Nov. 27.—Eggs are retailing in New York at 42 to 55 cents a dozen. The scarcity is due to a shortage in the supply from the west and the fact that eastern hens have stopped laying. It is supposed the scarcity of western eggs is due largely to a corner in the market.

THE KING OF SPAIN'S HORSES.

William E. Curtiss says in a recent communication from Madrid to the Chicago Record-Herald that the stable equipment of the young King of Spain is the finest in the world and that the royal pageants are more magnificent in Madrid than anywhere else in Europe save possibly St Petersburg. Teams of four mules are often used to draw his majesty on state occasions. There are over 200 horses and mules in the royal stables and these are recruited from the royal ranch, whereon cream colored horses are also bred for use on state occasions. Mr. Curtiss states also that on his ranch "pink" horses are bred, the hue of the coat being actually that which is usually denominated by that term. There are, he says, over 200 vehicles in the stable and the grooms, coachmen, strappers and other helpers are a guild by themselves with their own priest, their own doctor and hereditary rights to their positions, some of the coachmen being able to trace their descent and service in the royal stables as far back as many of the grandees of the court.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS.

Weaver & Solomon, from Wortham sold 24 head of 746-pound cows at $2.

W. S. Thompson from Coleman sold 3 steers of 856 pounds average at $2.75.

A. J. Watson of Wortham, Texas marketed 37 head of hogs averaging 222 pounds at $4.65.

C. W. Binns from San Angelo sold 3 cows of 803 pounds at $1.90, and 25 of 650 at $1.35.

Boedecker & Turner had in a load of cows from Bowie that averaged 865 and sold at $1.90.

C. B. McDonald sent in from Mineral Wells 32 head of cows, 615 pounds average, that sold at $1.75.

Buyers on this market the first two days of the week took 6,050 cattle, including calves, at steady to higher prices.

A. G. McClure of Chico sent in today 53 head of medium fed steers, averaging 991 pounds, which sold to Armour & Co. at $3.25.

W. F. Warren from Berwyn, I. T., was represented on the market today with 101 hogs averaging 140 pounds, which sold at $4.60.

W. Malloy of Brady had in today two loads of cows. One load of 28 head averaging 761, sold at $2.10, with 30 averaging 673 at $2.05.

Billups & Belt of Waxahachie had in a two-load consignment of 50 fed steers averaging 1,000 pounds, which sold to Armour & Co., at $3.50.

McGuire Bros. of San Angelo had in two loads of cows. Twenty-six averaging 800 pounds, sold at $2.10, with 26 averaging 816 pounds at $1.90.

W. P. Hoover from San Angelo sold a good sized shipment of cows at $1.85 straight. He sold 154 head, the average of the lot being 695 pounds.

D. A. Young sent in from Purcell, I. T. three loads of steers. Two loads, 57 head, of 992 pounds average, sold at $2.95, and 27 of 895 pounds at $2.90.

C. C. Wilson, a regular shipper to this market, from Pawnee, O. T., had in today 81 hogs averaging 193, and 12 128 pound pigs, which sold to Armour & Co. at $4.60.

O. M. Vaughn shipped in two cars of steers from Coleman. One load of 36 head, averaging 891, brought $2.85, and the other, same number, averageing 871 brought $2.75.

Green & Son of Coyle, O. T., had in today 100 head of mixed hogs. Seventy eight pigs averaging 136 topped the market at $4.75, with 22 hogs averaging 273 pounds at $4.57½.

Messrs. C. A. Jones, purchasing agent for Armour & Co. at Kansas City, and F. K. Higby of F. K. Higby & Co., brokers of Chicago, were at the yards today looking through the packing plants.

The Reynolds Cattle Co. sent in from Kent and sold 30 cows of 795 pounds at $2.10, 175 of 800 pounds at the same price, 60 of 724 pounds at $1.50, and 161 calves of 253 pounds at $6. All told there were 416 head in these sales.

T. P. Barry sent in from Dallas two loads of steers, one of which sold at the best price of the month so far. Twenty head, average 1218, brought $3.70, and 21 head, average 1091, brought $3.60. J. P. Hamilton, manager of the cattle, accompanied the shipment. Mr. Hamilton said these steers had been fed corn and kaffir corn for 82 days.

SINGING OF THE ANTHEM.

Elderly Philadelphian Was Little Impressed by It.

The Messiah was sung recently in Philadelphia, and one of the anthems rendered by the chorus had as its theme, "We have turned everyone to his own way." As anthems go this sounded somewhat as follows: "We have turned, turned, turned—we have turned every one, every one to his own way—to his, to his own way, own way—every one to his own way." The anthem involved several pages of music, and every time the chorus sang "we have turned, turned, turned," they proceeded to turn over to the next page, and then burst out again with "we have turned, turned!" A certain plain citizen, rather elderly, who sat well in the rear, not appreciating the delicate sentiment, was heard to mutter, disgustedly, "Well, when you get through turnin', turnin' them gol-darned pages, suppose you shet up about it!"

The one redeeming feature about every town is that you can find a worse one if you try.

It is necessary to advertise, even if you are only good, and expect any material benefit from the fact.

There are men whose sole ambition is to be known as the owner of a fast horse, that really represents nothing but his proprietor's purse.

The successful man is the one who can instruct others how to do his work and who can figure a profit on the product.—"Uncle Dick" in Milwaukee Sentinel.

VALUE OF THE HEN.

Texas the Best State in the Union for Poultry of All Kinds.

Probably the principal interest felt in the egg industry by the average American citizen lies in the fact that within the last six weeks eggs have been working up from about 30 cents a dozen for the best quality to close onto 40 cents to the purchasing consumer. This, however, is not paying the American hen the respect that is due her. She is not only an important but a wonderful potential factor of the agricultural industry of the United States. Yet even the average farmer considers her almost beneath his notice. He leaves her to the women and children, and begrudges her almost everything that makes even the slightest inroad upon his ordinary crop products. To her is assigned the "stunt" of providing for her own living, and she must do that by gleaning behind every regular harvest. After he has dug, garnered and threshed and closed his account with each particular item of production—provided he keeps such an account—the hen can find her subsistence in what he has overlooked.

In other words, the poultry yard, to a great extent, is contemptuously regarded as a mere incident of his general business. Sometimes his wife or one of the children will take hold of that neglected branch and put him to shame by making it the most profitable feature of the whole establishment. Yet a delver in census returns, working for the Brooklyn Eagle, informs us that last year the poultry and eggs produced and eaten in the United States were worth more than all the gold and silver mined in the world during the same year. Except for the year 1900, the egg product of this country has exceeded in value that of its combined gold and silver output for every year since 1850, which takes in the entire bonanza period of our history. That with the poultry product, also exceeds in value the wheat crop of twenty-eight of the most fruitful states and territories.

Reduced to concrete terms, in 1899 the egg record of this country was 1,290,000,000 dozen. There are 30 dozen to a crate and four hundred crates to a car, so a train of cars sufficient to accommodate the transportation of all these crates would reach from Chicago to Washington, a distance of 868 miles, and then there would remain several cars of eggs to spare. In 1900 Iowa produced 99,000,000 dozen and Ohio 91,000,000, having a value of over $10,000,000 for each state. Of course, the incubator has considerable to do with poultry production, but incubators do not lay eggs. In a single year the value of the eggs and poultry of the country has been as high as $280,000,000.

Think what a hullabaloo has been raised over threatened ruin to beet sugar and wool. How much burning breath has been expended by the lobbyist and the political spellbinders in appeals for higher tariffs and protests against reciprocity propositions. Yet in 1902 our whole sugar production amounted to only about 320,000,000, while the wool industry is only about one-third as important as the egg and poultry industry. It is only in quite recent years that we have thought it worth while to impose a duty on foreign eggs, and when it did come it was rather to make the schedule symmetrical than because of any agitation or any conviction that it was necessary. There is no danger of glutting the markets. Farmers are neglecting a great opportunity. In a summary of recent reports to the state board of agriculture they generally confessed it, yet acknowledging the expedient, they still the inexpedient pursue.

Raised Purse for Guide's Family.

The English tourists at Pontresina contributed $2,000 for the support of the family of the guide, Sebastian Platz, who lost his life on an expedition up one of the most dangerous peaks of the Engadine. He was the favorite of the English who visit that part of Switzerland, partly because of his ability and also because he spoke English. His employer, an English clergyman named Hartley, who was also killed, had been married only a few months, and his wife was at Pontresina awaiting his return. Platz was 43 years old and left four children.

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Notice to Agents.

Subscribers ordering The Reporter must sign subscription blanks. This is necessary to insure the name being correctly written, and to prevent mistakes in making up the mail list. Agents must see that these instructions are carried out.

The Burning Glass.

This is a burning glass, my son;
It gathers up the sickly rays
Of light and binds them into one
That's strong enough to make a blaze.
You fix on some objective spot
(In terms pedantic, locus).
And there'll be smoke when you have got
The focus.

Now take your father's sage advice
(I fear 'tis all you'll ever get)—
And learn why plans of men and mice
So often end in vain regret.
Yes, why do we poor mortals weep,
While waves of failure soak us?
Alas! we fail to find and keep
Our focus.

Don't spread your forces and your wit
Like this pale sunshine that we see,
But weld them in a white-hot bit
And bore a hole, though small it be.
You may be weak in mortal spine
And bloodless as a crocus,
Still, you have light enough to shine—
Just focus.

This very train of thought explains
Your father's not too great success;
My son, the men of brilliant brains
Oft yield the palm to men of less.
And bumptious dullards strut and crow,
"We're wise"—all hocus pocus!
They know their gifts are few, and so
They focus.

—George Horton, in Philadelphia Post.

Couldn't Be Harder.

"Young man," said the serious-minded citizen, "you ought to be ashamed of yourself. They tell me that your hard-working mother is supporting the family, notwithstanding the fact that you are well able to work. Why don't you do something to give her a little comfort in this life?" "Do something?" repeated the young man, "maybe I ain't doing a lot, mister! As soon as I smoke up 8,000 more boxes of these cigarettes, I'll have enough coupons to git her a plush-lined rocking chair—and that's what I intend to do, too."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

THE WOMAN WHO ARGUES.

"The woman who would argue should remember that:

"Said a well-known Philadelphia club woman recently: "At times it seems to me as though woman's proverbial love of argument is only another instance of the inevitable longing for the unattainable."

"Woman has learned many things, but she has not yet learned how to argue properly.

"To receive courteously from others opinions which differ from their own is a point which even the most advanced of our sex have not yet reached.

"Those who do not think exactly as she does may after all be fairly intelligent people.

"In order to refute an argument it is always well to first hear what it is—not interrupt when it has been but half stated.

"To assert a thing emphatically is not necessarily to prove it.

"To call an opponent an ass is merely to prove yourself one.

"A sneer proves nothing against any one—except the person who is guilty of using it.

"Sarcasm and wit may enliven an argument, but facts alone are convincing.

"Adjectives have not nearly the strength of nouns and numbers in an argument.

"What one supposes or what seems to be has no place in an argument. And lastly, that:

"Though to have the last word is a woman's prerogative, it is obviously impossible when several women are arguing together for all of them to enjoy that privilege."—New York Herald.

DON'TS FOR LADIES.

Don't fail to ask a man for advice if you want to flatter him.

Don't throw stones at the baby when trying to rock it to sleep.

Don't raise your hand against your husband; broomsticks are plenty.

Don't talk too much; a stiff lower jaw is as useful as a stiff upper lip.

Don't say mean things about your neighbors to-day; save them for tomorrow.

MURDERED HIS WIFE.

Jealous Husband Then Sent His Own Soul Into Eternity.

Austin, Dec. 2.—Juan Pelis, a Mexican, deliberately murdered his wife near Manor, this county, and then blew out his brains. Jealousy is the supposed motive.

Governor Lanham has declined to interfere in the death sentence imposed on Margarito Reyna, a Mexican, convicted in Lavaca county of criminally assaulting a seven-year-old girl. He hangs Friday.

State board of education appropriated $200,000 for support of public schools during December. This is about 30 cents per capita.

CONFEDERATE DAUGHTERS.

Eighth Annual Convention Held at Houston and Attendance Large.

Houston, Dec. 2.—The eighth annual convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy opened with a large attendance. Judges John H. Reagan addressed the gathering. His remarks evoked great enthusiasm.

Overdue Yacht Arrives.

Houston, Dec. 2.—The private yacht Roxana, John W. Gates owner, which left New Orleans Tuesday, Nov. 21, for Port Arthur, Tex., and reported as long overdue, reached its destination in safety Monday night. The yacht was not built for rough seas and she was frequently forced to seek refuge in small harbors along the coast. The voyage otherwise was without incidents.

Masonic Grand Lodge.

Waco, Dec. 2.—The Texas grand lodge of Masons is in session here with a large number in attendance. Officers' reports were read.

PENROSE WANTS PAPERS.

Introduces a Resolution Calling For Documents in Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Senator Penrose, chairman of the committee on postoffices and post-roads, introduced in the senate a resolution authorizing that committee to request the postmaster general to send to the committee all papers connected with the recent investigation of the postoffice department, and if necessary the committee is to make further investigation and report to the senate. The resolution was without action referred to the committee on contingent expense of the senate.

SENATOR BOIES PENROSE.

Like Alphonse and Gaston.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Senate and house each were in session thirty minutes Tuesday, latter adjourning until Friday. In the house Mr. Dearmond of Missouri, a Democrat, likened the senate and house to Alphonse and Gaston, each waiting for the other to adjourn.

HERRAN CALLS.

He and Secretary Hay Were Together Some Time Tuesday Morning.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, and Secretary Hay held a long conference Tuesday. The doctor said he called to inform the secretary of General Reyes' arrival. So far as known no date was arranged for the latter's reception.

CARRIES MUCH COTTON.

Largest Shipment of the Fleecy Staple Ever Sent From Seattle.

Seattle, Dec. 2.—Forty-five hundred bales of southern cotton, the largest shipment ever carried by one of Nippon Yusen Kaisha boats from Seattle, will leave at once on the Rio Jun Maru. The cotton is worth $250,000. The vessel also takes 2000 tons of flour, worth $120,000.

Large Gold Shipment.

New York, Dec. 2.—Lazard Freres informed the London, Paris and American bank, limited, of San Francisco of engagement of 1,000,000 yen (about $500,000) Japanese gold for shipment from Japan to San Francisco.

Brown's Lively Bidding.

New Orleans, Dec. 2.—The bull campaign of 1903-4 in cotton was inaugurated Tuesday when W. P. Brown bid 11.95 for 25,000 bales for March delivery. This bid was at a nadvance of twenty-nine points over the close of Monday. Brown was a heavy buyer and bidder in January and May also.

Prairie Fires Raging.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 2.—Prairie fires are raging in the western part of Cardoe county, south of the Washita river. Many houses are reported to have been burned between Fort Cobb and Anadarko. The fire burned a swath five to six miles wide, destroying everything in its path. So far no lives are reported lost.

One Killed, Two Fatally Hurt.

Mahoney City, Pa., Dec. 2.—A private car containing officials of the Philadelphia and Reading railway ran into a gang of workmen at Gilberton, near here, instantly killing one man and fatally injuring two.

WRAPPED REAGAN UP

Pathetic Incident During Convention at Bayon City.

DEVOTED DAUGTERS.

They Envelop the Last Survivor of the Confederate Cabinet as He Started to Speak With the Lost Cause Banner.

Houston, Dec. 2.—The Daughters of the Confederacy were welcomed to this city for their annual gathering by City Secretary Bryan. Several reports were read. The convention was called to order by Mrs. I. M. E. Blandin, president of Oran M. Roberts chapter.

When Judge Reagan came on the stage to deliver an address the ladies rushed from the sides of the stage, seized a long Confederate flag and wrapped it around him, covering him from head to foot. Hurrahs were heard for a moment, then sobs, such as come from the overful heart, were heard and tears coursed down every cheek. The scene melted the strongest heart and handkerchiefs were seen in every hand as the entire audience trembled with emotion. It was a moment that will never be forgotten and a scene that is enacted in few.

The presence of the flower of Texas womanhood at such gatherings as this meant more than any mere social end, he declared. It was the same spirit of loving fidelity which marked the portion in the great conflict taken by southern women. It declared their determination to rescue the names of the south's heroes from the calumny into which partial historians and the enemies of the south had diabolically attempted to plunge them.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE.

Sixty-Eighth Annual Communication Being Held at Waco.

Waco, Dec. 2.—The Sixty-eight annual communication of the Texas grand lodge of Masons, after an invocation by Chaplain Bunting, listened to Grand Master Fly's report. Grand Treasurer Frymier's report followed. Grand Secretary Watson then submitted his annual report. It showed there are 32,834 master Masons enrolled by state lodges. The report of the trustees of the widows' and orphans' home was read and adopted. The attendance is one of the largest ever known.

Royal Arch Masons.

Waco, Dec. 2.—Grand High Priest John M. Strayhorn in his address to the Royal Arch Masons delivered felicitates the grand royal arch chapter upon its meeting and upon the prosperity of the year. He reported with joy that none of the grand or past grand officers of this grand jurisdiction had been removed by death since the last grand convocation. This is the fifty-fourth annual convention.

Six Bits and a Knife.

Tyler, Tex., Dec. 2.—Several days ago Jim Wright and Joe Ray were assaulted and robbed near Arp, this county. Officers arrested one man charged with crime, who was placed under $1,000 bond. His accomplice has not yet been apprehended. One of the assaulted men is in a dangerous condition. The robbers secured 75 cents and a pocket knife.

ZION CITY

Property, at Request of Creditors, Placed In Hands of Two Receivers.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Financial difficulties which began during the crusade of John Alexander Dowie, the self-styled Elijah III., and the Restoration Host to New York a month ago, and which have been rapidly increasing since Dowie's return home, culminated in the federal courts taking possession of all the property controlled by Dowie in Zion City, Ill.

This town, which was founded two years ago by Dowie, has a population of over 10,000, is the general headquarters for Dowie's church and is said to represent an expenditure of $20,000,000.

Frederick M. Blount, cashier of the Chicago National bank, and Albert D. Currion, a law partner of Congressman Boutelle, were appointed receivers of the property. Their bonds were fixed at $100,000 by Judge Kohlsaat of the United States district court, who made the appointment on the petition of several creditors.

Must Stop Exhibiting.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—The sweetheart of one of the car barn bandits has been on exhibition in a dime museum for several days. Mayor Harrison wrote to the proprietor and told him that in the interest of decent citizenship the exhibition should cease, all the more so as the death of Detective Driscoll added to the offense.

Hard Fought Fight.

Boston, Dec. 2.—After one of the hardest fought contests seen in this city in recent years, Marvin Hart of Louisville was given the decision over Kid Carter of Brooklyn in a fifteen round bout at the Criterion Athletic club. The fight was stopped by Referee Buckley within one minute of the time limit and when Carter was nearly out.

Five Inches in Alleghanies.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 2.—There are five inches of snow in the Alleghanies at Elkin, Va., Nakland, Md., and Somerset, Pa. The temperature averages ten degrees above zero.

Snow in Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 2.—Snow fell here Tuesday morning, breaking the record for this climate at this season of the year.

TREATY DEAD.

Minister Beaupre Endeavors to Make This Clear to Colombians.

Washington, Dec. 2.—It is learned that Mr. Beaupre, our minister at Bogota, has received several different propositions from the Colombian government since the publication of correspondence, each containing some indirect method of rectifying what the Colombians themselves now regard as a fatal blunder of permitting the Hay-Herran treaty to expire last September. Mr. Beaupre, for his part, is using his best efforts to make it clear to the Colombian officials that the treaty is dead beyond resurrection and that he cannot even conduct negotiations looking to the acquisition from Colombia of a right of way across the isthmus located in an independent republic over which Colombia has no authority.

IS INVESTIGATING.

Grand Jury at Omaha Looking Into the Charges of Bribery.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 2.—The federal grand jury Monday resumed its investigation of all bribery in connection with postoffice appointments in Nebraska. The matter of appointment of postmasters at Alma, in Harlan county; Arapahoe, Orleans and Oxford, Nebraska is now before the jurors. Elliott Lowe, a member of the last legislature, is one of the large number of witnesses called. Lowe is alleged to have been given the privilege of making the appointment at Alma in consideration of his voting for certain senatorial candidates. The sitting of the jury is expected to continue for some time.

SHOWED DISCONTENT.

As a Consequence Over One Hundred Persons Were Deported.

New York, Dec. 2.—Among passengers who arrived on the steamer Alliance from Colon was Lieutenant William Braunersreauther of the United States steamship Dixie, who is on sick leave. A passenger who was questioned said that quiet prevailed at Colon and business had assumed its usual aspect. It is denied that the prisons are filled with political prisoners, but 120 persons in all, it is said, were deported for showing discontent.

HANDED HUNTER.

He Is Given Congressional Certificate by Election Commission.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 2.—The Kentucky election commission issued a certificate of election to congress from the Eleventh district to Dr. W. Godfrey Hunter, late minister to Guatemala. He was elected at the special election held Nov. 10 last to succeed the late Vincent Boreing. The official vote stood: Dr. Hunter, 6227; D. C. Edwards, 6112; John D. White, 4457. All are Republicans. There was no Democratic candidate. Edwards and White objected to the giving of a certificate to Dr. Hunter and threaten to contest the election in Washington before congress.

TUGS COME TOGETHER.

Three Men Lose Their Lives and Another Sustains Serious Injuries.

New York, Dec. 2.—Three lives were lost and one man badly hurt by a collision between the tugs Idlewild and Hercules off Ellis island. Hans Petersen, William Lasker and a man whose name has not been learned were drowned. John Storberg, a boatman, was cut about the head and his left leg broken. He is in a serious condition and unable to give any details as to how the accident occurred. The Hercules is owned by the American Towboat company of Baltimore.

PLAN FELL THROUGH.

Mexican Central Railway Company Unable to Retire Income Bonds.

New York, Dec. 2.—Inability of the Mexican Central railway to carry to success its plan to retire income bonds amounting approximately to $32,000,000 has been announced. The failure of the plan, which was intended as the first step in reorganization of the company's finances, is due to the opposition of two of the bondholders' protective committees, each acting independently of the other.

Not Entirely Closed Down.

Denver, Dec. 2.—Nearly two-thirds of the 2000 miners in the northern Colorado coal fields have resumed work, and it is expected that within a week or two the full force will be at work. The announcement of settlement of the strike in the northern district was the cause of general rejoicing in all business circles, for it means an end to coal shortage. Hopes are entertained that the conference of union officials to be held at Trinidad Wednesday will lead to a settlement of strike in southern fields.

Fight of Mail Clerks.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 2.—While on the Choctaw road between this city and Chawnee J. F. Albin and C. Clark, mail clerks, engaged in a fight. Albin is alleged to have been struck over the head with a pistol and badly injured. He was taken to the hospital at South McAlester.

Fine Opera House Opened.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 2.—The Overholser opera house, just completed, was formally opened Monday night. The building completed cost $100,000 and the seating capacity is something over 2500.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

United States court is in session at Pauls Valley, I. T.

A panther measuring nine feet and seven inches was killed near Aledo, Tex.

Near Crooked Oak, Okla., Green Beatty's grayhound captured a rabbit having three legs. The extra limb is in the center of the breast.

A gasoline lamp explosion in W. C. Payne's bicycle shop at Checotah, I. T., caused the building to burn. M. O. Payne was knocked senseless and badly burned.

TEXAS LIVE STOCK RATES.

Tariff Fixed for Shippers by the State Railway Commission.

The following tables gives the rates on beef cattle, oxen, cows, calves, goats, hogs and sheep; also on cattle 6 years old and over, for distances from 25 miles to 750.

DISTANCE—Miles		RATES No. 1	RATES No. 2
10 and less		5	3½
15 and over	15	6½	4
20 and over	18	7	4½
25 and over	20	7½	5
30 and over	25	8	5½
35 and over	30	8½	6
40 and over	35	9	6½
45 and over	40	9½	6½
50 and over	45	10	7
60 and over	50	10½	7½
70 and over	60	11	8
80 and over	70	11½	8
90 and over	80	12	8½
100 and over	90	12½	8½
125 and over	100	13½	9
150 and over	125	15	10½
175 and over	150	16½	11
200 and over	175	17½	11½
250 and over	200	18½	12½
300 and over	250	20	13½
350 and over	300	21½	14
400 and over	350	22½	14
450 and over	400	23½	14
500 and over	450	25	15
550 and over	500	26½	16
600 and over	550	27½	16
650 and over	600	28½	17
700 and over	650	30	17
750 and over	700	31½	17
	Over 750	32½	17

Column No. 1 is for shipment over a single line of road, or over two or more lines under one management. Column No. 2 is for shipment over two or more lines under different managements.

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a 5 30 am	Mixed	a 10

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Depart		
South		Arr
3 15 pm	Mail and Express	a 11
a 9 30 pm	Mixed	a 6

FORT WORTH & DENVER CITY RY.

Depart		
	Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo Mail and Ex	a 8
11 10 pm	Colorado Express	a 8
6 00 pm	Accommodation	a 10

GULF, COLORADO AND SANTA FE.

Depart		
North		Arr
a 7 50 am	Kan. C. & Chicago Ex. & Mail	a 9
a 8 30 pm	Kan. C. & Chicago Fast Ex.	a 9
Depart		
South		Arr
8 05 am	Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex	a 5
a 9 10 pm	Houston & San Antonio & Galveston Mail & Express	a 7

MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS.

Depart		
North		Arr
8 35 am	"Katy Flyer" Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago Mail & Ex	a 7
11 45 am	Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago, Fast Express	a 9
9 00 pm		a 6
Depart		
South		Arr
8 15 pm	Houston and Gal. and San Antonio, "Katy Flyer"	a 9
8 30 am	Houston Mail & Ex	a 6
6 00 pm	Houston Mail & Ex	a 10

COTTON BELT ROUTE.

Depart		
a 10 30 am	St. Louis & Memp. Ex	a 6
12 30 pm	St. L. Limited, via Dallas	12
7 30 pm	Dallas, Memp. & St. Louis	a 6

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Depart		
	Main Line via Marshall.	Arr
East		
7 45 am	St. Louis Cannon Ball	a 7
8 00 am	St. Louis Mail & Ex	a 6
9 25 am	Dallas Local	a 5
10 25 am	Dallas & Weath'ford Local	a 3
12 00 pm	Dallas Local	a 1
a 1 55 pm	Dallas Local	all
6 00 pm	Wills Point Local	a 10
7 45 pm	St. Louis Mail & Ex	a 8
a 9 30 pm	Dallas Local	a 6
Depart	Main Line West	Arr
West		
8 30 pm	Colorado Mail & Express	a 7
3 00 pm	Weatherford Local	all
9 45 am	El Paso Express	a 7
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Depart		Arr
a 7 30 am	Texarkana & St. Louis	a 6

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e Love for Babies.

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His Thoughts Elsewhere.

She studied piano. Her fingers with ease
Went galloping over the ivory keys;
She deftly embroidered; she painted a bit,
And recited short poems and made quite a hit,
But her husband looked rather unhappy and said:
"That biscuit this morning was heavy as lead."

She presently turned to a serious theme
And lectured and asked, "Is this life but a dream?"
And the ladies assembled would loudly express
Their warm admiration for such cleverness,
But her husband just murmured, while shaking his head,
"That biscuit this morning was heavy as lead."

SENTENCE SERMONS.

An example is the best argument.

Sin is not cured by calling it names.

Forgiveness is the sweetest revenge.

The man of great sighs is usually a small man.

A sledge is slower than a tackhammer; but——!

He is a fool who milks no wisdom from adversity.

A man can feel good without being especially good.

You cannot whitewash yourself by blackening others.

A wise man will watch himself as well as his children.

Sheep that can be stolen are apt to turn out poor mutton.

A heavy sermon makes a good sinker, but a poor bait.

That virtue is always desirable which the devil derides.

Compared to the atheist, the devil is a monument of credulity.

Heights of philosophy are good places on which to freeze.

It is a sad religion that is never strong unless its owner is sick.

Every man who lets himself loose binds himself fast to the devil.

Habit is an incubator; everything depends on what you put into it.

Don't trust a man because he wears the golden rule in his hatband.

The man with the short meter practice is sure to make the long meter prayer.

The man who makes his own god would not want to be left alone with him in the dark.—Chicago Tribune.

WEST INDIAN SUPERSTITION.

When a West Indian negro cuts his hair he always buries the severed hairs. He argues that they are a part of the body and therefore as much entitled to a grave as the rest of him will be.

To give the baby good luck they mark it on the forehead with a cross in washing blue or tie a blue ribbon on its arm. They will never, on any account, measure or weigh a baby, for that means the worst of bad luck.

If a rat bites you during sleep or an owl flaps its wings heavily, some serious trouble is approaching. If you see two bats cross each other in the air diagonally at sunset, a powerful friend will soon quarrel with you.

A negro who is engaged to be married must put a tombstone on the grave of any friend who has recently died before the wedding. Otherwise the spirit will walk and cause trouble at the wedding. The tombstone is supposed to keep it down.

A belief in duppies (ghosts) is universal. If a negro has to walk abroad at night he sees ghosts in every bush and tree. The odor of musk in the forest after dark sends him frantic with dread, for he thinks it is a sure sign that evil spirits are abroad.

WISE WORDS FROM NEW BOOKS.

A train is never missed till it's gone. —Confessions of a Commuter.

Only a fool tells how he made his money after he has it.—Chats with a Multimillionaire.

If you are going to marry for money the older and feebler he is the better. —The Lady Who Did.

Some landlords are so suspicious that they even bar out the table with extra leaves.—The Flat Hunters.

Why should woman sigh for greater privileges than she has? A man can't marry for a title.—The American Duchess.

One of the differences between our high society and a barrel of cider is that it is hard to keep the cider from working.—Recollections of a Newport Monkey.

SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.

Don't say "if" more than once a day if you want people to think well of you.

The trouble with some people is that they want their employers to work for them.

The average man's idea of good luck is to go to bed at night with the assurance of no work next day.

We believe it is possible to overcome antagonism to anything sooner than to dislike of the word "environment."

True politeness does not consist entirely in saying "Good morning" frequently, and shaking hands as often as possible.

In these troubled days of finding help it is correct to call a girl "an old family servant" if you had had her as long as three weeks.—Atchison (Kas.) Globe.

TWENTY-FOUR DROWN

Caused by a Boat Capsizing in the River Congo.

ONE WAS MISSIONARY

He Was Sent Out by the Southern Presbyterian Church to Labor in the Congo Free State With a Companion.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 2.—A cablegram was received announcing the death of an American missionary and drowning of twenty-three of the native crew by the capsizing of a boat on the Congo river in Central Africa. The boat was the Lapsley and a missionary craft of the Southern Presbyterian church. On it was H. C. Slaymaker and Motte Marbin of Alexandria, Va., who left the United States Aug. 1, and were en route as missionaries to a field in the interior of the Congo Free State. The boat capsized between Leopoldville and Luebo, and Slaymaker went down with twenty-three of the crew. Marbin was saved.

LETTERS PRODUCED.

Serious Charges Have Been Made at Manila Against an Official.

Manila, Dec. 2.—C. E. Richardson of the firm of Richardson & Co., Amoy, which firm W. D. Ballentine, inspector of customs at this port, and John T. Miller, ex-inspector of immigration, charged with conspiracy to import Chinese coolies into the Philippine islands disguised as merchants, states as a witness and produced letters from Ballentine which say Carl Johnson, vice consul at Amoy, would sign any certificates the firm lessed.

Collector of Customs Shuster secured at the time he unearthed the alleged conspiracy in October last a number of papers, among them a contract signed by Miller and Ballentine. This contract mentions Carl Johnson, vice, and at that time acting United States consul at Amoy, his interpreter and secretary as beneficiaries.

RIOS HANGED.

Filipino Fanatic Who Called Himself Pope of Tayabas, Executed.

Manila, Dec. 2.—Senor Rios, a fanatic Filipino leader and so-called pope of Tayabas, has been hanged. He was captured last May and subsequently convicted of murder and sentenced to death. Twenty-seven of his followers were sentenced at the same time to various terms of imprisonment.

Death Sentence For Toledo.

leader, who gave the military authorities considerable trouble by his operations in

Manila, Dec. 2.—Toledo, a Ladrone the province of Albay, has been convicted and sentenced to death. Toledo surrendered with thirty of his men and ten guns in October last.

To Consider Tariff Changes.

Manila, Dec. 2.—Governor Taft has appointed a mixed committee of officials connected with different departments of the government and business men of this city to consider and recommend a new list of tariff changes.

TAKEN TO COLON.

From That Place Treaty Was Forwarded at Once to Panama City.

Colon, Dec. 2.—The steamer City of Washington from New York, having on board the canal treaty, has arrived at Colon. Senor Espilla, the minister for foreign affairs of the republic of Panama, arrived here from Panama Monday night and the treaty was turned over to him. He then boarded a train for Panama, taking the treaty with him.

The United States cruiser Atlanta and auxiliary cruiser Mayflower arrived here Monday night. United States cruiser Nashville reached this port early Tuesday. The United States battleship Maine and auxiliary cruiser Dixie are also here.

THIRTY YEARS FOR JAY.

Physician Must Serve That Time For Murder of His Three Children.

Knoxville, Dec. 2.—A special to the Sentinel from Asheville, N. C., says: Dr. J. V. Jay was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to thirty years at hard labor. A few weeks ago Dr. Jay murdered his three children at his home near Asheville. His mind is thought to be affected.

SCORES HER SPOUSE.

Princess Ascribes Her Troubles to Utterances of Her Husband.

Berlin, Dec. 2.—Divorce proceedings of Princess Alice of Schoenberg-Waldenburg against her husband, Prince Frederick, began at Dresden. The princess returned from Sori, near Genoa, in an agressive state of mind. She openly declared the prince is responsible for the shameful charges made against her and said her husband is seeking revenge because she refused to continue paying his debts. The princess also threatens to begin proceedings for calumny, claiming the newspaper stories of her alleged elopement with her coachmen are traceable directly to Prince Frederick.

Confidential Agents.

Panama, Dec. 2.—Ricardo Villarino has been appointed confidential agent of Panama to Ecuador and Manuel Corrales to Cuba.

Detective Driscoll Dies.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Detective Joseph Driscoll, who was shot in the fight in Indiana with the three car barn bandits, has died.

Slightly Injured.

Rome, Dec. 2.—While fox hunting United States Ambassador Meyer was slightly injured.

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Stoddard's Advice to Writers.

The last literary work upon which the late Richrd Henry Stoddard was engaged was in connection with the "Recollections, Personal and Literary," a volume of memoirs covering a period of more than fifty years and affording a glimpse of many of the foremost writers of the last half century, including Hawthorne and Thackeray. Mr. Stoddard was author of the much-quoted advice, "Write if you want to, but earn your bread some other way."

"SATANIA."

"Satania" comes to Greenwall's opera house tonight. The Pine Bluff Daily Graphic said: Though based on a "problem" theme, "Satania," the new play which Miss Virginia Drew Trescott presented at the Elks theater last night, is not at all "problematic." It is a powerful, picturesque and best of all, thoroughly "convincing." It is less a "study in morals" than a picture of life as it is lived, and though the atmosphere and mise en scene of the drama, like its construction and verdial felicity, are thoroughly French, its mental atmosphere is altogether of the world of which all men—and especially all women—are citizens.

Satania may briefly be described as a study of a woman's soul shipwrecked and lost in a world which has no place for poverty—no pity for the weak—and no help for the despairing, save in the bosom of the church, and it is not too much to say that throughout the four acts of this powerful drama the action proceeds with inevitableness of fate from the opening scene in which the keynote of the story is sounded, to the moment in the fourth act when Santania at last turns away from the world which has so cruelly wounded her to the refuge offered by religion.

From all this it will be seen that Satania is a play rich in dramatic material rich in opportunity; and it is enough to say that Miss Trescott last night made the most of her opportunities and wove the material at her disposal into dramatic fabric of surpassing solidity, strength and beauty.

Early in the first act, ere the innocent girl, sorely beset by poverty, had fallen into the trap set for her by an adverse fate, Miss Trescott indicated the quality of her mettle, and in the fine climax when troubled by a trifle, she accepted what the gods gave her, she quite rose to the occasion. And all through the devious windings of the thorny path ordained for her to tread, she held in reserve the same power that enabled her to rise to the demands of the moment and give to the picture of the heart-broken woman those fine final touches that come only from the hand of an artist.

It was indeed an admirable performance, and it was happily as well received by the thoroughly appreciative audience present as it was rendered by the star of the evening. The support was in the main excellent, the mounting adequate, and the play was given with a smoothness and finish that left but little to be desired.

CHARLES B. HANFORD.

In order that "The Merchant of Venice" and "Richard III" shall be adequately presented to the theater-goers of this city, the management announces that nothing has been left undone to enhance the attractiveness of this delightful comedy. Fevery picture will be given its proper setting. New and elaborate scenery has been designed for this revival. The costuming of the play is on a par with the scenic excellence, while the other appointments, properties and electrical effects help to place this production among the most notable ever sent on tour. Mr. Charles B. Hanford comes to Greenwall's opera house Thursday, matinee and night, Dec. 3. At the matinee Thursday, "The Merchant of Venice," and "Richard III" Thursday night.

Low Rates for Christmas Holidays.

The Texas & Pacific Railway company, as heretofore, affords the people of Texas and Louisiana an opportunity to visit the old home during the Christmas holidays at cheap rates. For full information, ask tay ticket agent or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.

The Bite of a Sea Serpent.

It is not with the bite of the fabled sea serpent, we may imagine, that Dr. Kermorgan (Annales d'hygiene et de medecine coloniales; Berliner klinische Wochenschrift, August 24,) is dealing when he relates the case of a man who in thirteen hours after having been bitten by a marine snake in New Caledonia died, his death being preceded by dimness of vision, vertigo, paralysis of the limbs, inability to speak, cyanosis of the lips, dilatation of the pupils, complete anaesthesia of the skin of the back, and weakness and irregularity of the heart.—New York Medical Journal.

Average Life of Army Horses.

The average life of horses in the British cavalry is just over five years, but the army service draft horses last half as long.

Military and Naval Prisoners.

The actual number of naval and military prisoners committed to civil prisons in Ireland during 1902 was 527.

Spanish in South America.

With the exception of Brazil, Spanish is the prevailing language of every country in South America.

Potato Alcohol.

Germany produced last year 93,000,000 gallons of potato alcohol, largely for automobile use.

Somewhat Expensive.

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Fancy German	1.15
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10-pound cans	10c

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BOLL WEEVIL ACTION

Governor of Louisiana Will Convene Lawmakers of State

IN SPECIAL SESSION.

If Proposed Legislation Shall Be Enacted Cotton From Texas Will Not Be Permitted to Enter Pelican State.

New Orleans, Dec. 2.—A special session of the Louisiana legislature will will be held during the month of December to pass legislation, which it is hoped, will keep the boll weevil out of Louisiana.

Governor Heard made the announcement of his intention to the boll weevil convention Tuesday. He said he was fully alive to the dangers of the threatened invasion of the weevil and that he had been assured that the state would have the hearty co-operation of the agricultural department at Washington in the effort to keep the pest out of the state.

The boll weevil convention listened to addresses by a number of planters, merchants and oil men and also heard Vice President Miller of the Aububon association on the relation of birds to the boll weevil. The convention decided to ask for the enactment of laws for the preservation of the birds of the state as an aid in the destruction of the weevil.

The convention determined on a permanent organization to be known as the Louisiana Boll Weevil association, with Charles Schuler as president, five vice presidents and a secretary. The heads of the association wil be with the agricultural department at Baton Rouge.

Following an address by Mr. O. S. Sullivan of Alexandria of the oil mills' interest in repelling the weevil, it was announced that the Louisiana mill had already agreed not to import cotton seed from Texas.

The report of the legislature committee, which was unanimously adopted, provides that it shall be made a crime punishable by heavy fine and imprisonment for any one except a recognized state or federal entomologist to bring into the state or have in his possession a living boll weevil; that an act shall be passed prohibiting the shipment into the state of any cotton seed or other farm products from points where the weevil exists, without an official certificate that it has been fumigated; recommends the passage of an act creating a crop pest committee with plenary power to make rules and regulations having the force of the law to control or eradicate any fruit or crop pest, and also recommending the legislature to make an appropriation of $25,000 to be used by the committee in efforts to prevent the spread of, and to eradicate the weevil.

GHASTLY PRESENT.

Finger Sent General Bell, to Be Followed by Ears and Head

Denver, Dec. 2.—Adjutant General Sherman M. Bell received from Telluride the following letter wrapped around a human finger:

"General Bell: We send you the finger of a man who disappeared from Telluride some time ago. His ears will follow and then his head. If his friends want to see him again in any other way but the way we send him, you have got to do one thing. We only want you to withdraw the troops from Telluride at once. If you don't you will receive his ears in a few days. Don't try to fool us for it is not in the power of a tin soldier to do it. S. D."

A physician who examined the finger pronounced it the ring finger from the right hand and said it was evidently cut off shortly before the leter was mailed. General Bell turned the letter over to the postoffice inspectors, who will endeavor to trace its author. It is generally believed at the capital that the matter was intended as a hoax.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Two Men Lost Their Lives and Several Others Are Injured.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec.—An explosion at Flat Top mine, worked by state convicts, about twenty-five miles from this city, resulted in the death of two men and the injury of eight. One of the injured may die. The cause of the explosion is unknown. Mine Inspector Culverhouse says the explosion was due to the carelessness of the powder man who was placing powder shots for the night shift in the storehouse. The fact that the powder was stored in a worked-out heading averted a more dreadful catastrophe.

BANK ROBBED.

Missouri Institution Entered and Considerable Cash Taken.

Memphis, Dec. 2.—A special to the Commercial-Appeal from Grathersville, Mo., says: The Bank of Hayti at Hayti, six miles west of here, was robbed about 4 o'clock of between $7,000 and $15,000. The vaults were blown open with nitro glycerine and the buildin partly wrecked. The robbery was discovered about daylight, but no trace of the safe blowers could be found. The exact amount secured by the robbers will not be known until the arrival of insurance adjusters.

Widow of Douglass Dead.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Helen Douglass, the widow of the late Frederick Douglass, the well known orator, died here, aged sixty-five years. She was the second wife of Frederick Douglass and was a white woman. She was a native of Suncove, N. Y.

MORGAN'S RESOLUTIONS.

Alabama Senator Introduces Two Pertaining to Canal Matter.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Senator Morgan introduced a resolution in the senate authorizing the committee on interoceanic canals to investigate the part alleged to have been taken by the transcontinental railroads in the isthmian canal matter and also to inquire into the plans of the interoceanic canal commission. The preamble of Senator Morgan's first resolution called attention to assertions in public journals "representing public opinion and exercising leading influence in the great political parties of the United States" that trans-continental railroad companies have opposed the public policy and laws of the United States in respect to the ratification of the Hay Herran treaty.

The second resolution provides for references to the committee on interoceanic canals of the plans for government of the canal adopted by the interoceanic canal commission and for a review of the accounts and plans of the commission. It asks the committee to decide between the plans for a canal submitted in reference to both the Panama and Nicaraguan routes.

In the preamble Senator Morgan directs attention to the expenditures of the isthmian canal commission up to the date of its final report to the president, as stated in a report from the secretary of state, dated January 19, 1893.

Senator Morgan then includes in his resolution the two plans for canals, together with estimates for the salaries and compensation of officers and employes and for animals, vessels and other necessary equipment. The report shows that $15,000 remains of the sums appropriated for the canal survays.

Provision is made in the resolution that the committee on interoceanic canals examine and report on all matters referred to in the report and also on the following questions:

1. Whether the plan of government and administration of an isthmian canal, as set forth in the commissions plan as wise and economical and worth adoption, and in what respects, if any, it should be amended. And to report such a plan for the consideration of the senate as will, in the opinion of the committee be wise, safe and economical.

2. That they will inquire and report whether it is necessary in order to establish the axial line of location for an isthmain canal, either on the Panama or the Nicaragua route, to make a further survey of either or both routes, and the approximate cost of such surveys, including the use of maps or surveys heretefore made by the Panama canal commission.

3. That the committee inquire and report whether any expenditures have been made for or by the isthmain canal commission since it made its final report to the president on November 10, 1901, and if such expenditures have been made, to ascertain and report the items thereof, and when and by whose direction the same were made.

Applicable to Japs.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Representative Robinson of Indiana introduced a bill in the house making the Chinese exclusion law applicable to the Japanese.

To Be Secretary of Hawaii.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The president sent to the senate the nomination of A. L. C. Atchison to be secretary of Hawaii.

BRIBERY HEARING.

Grand Rapids Stirred Up by the Sensational Aspect of the Case.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 2.—With the entire city stirred as never before in its history by the revelation of ex-City Attorney Salsbury in his testimony at the bribery hearing of State Senator Burns, the examination of another of the men arrested as the result of Salsbury's confessions, Alderman Depagter, was begun in police court. Depagter is charged with having received a $350 bribe from Salsbury to support the Lake Michigan water deal in the council. Salsbury was the first witness. He testified that he gave Depagter $350 at about the same time he did the others he had bribed.

"I told him he could have $1,000 ultimately," said Salsbury, "and I explained how I wanted him to support our proposition. He agreed and later we entered into an agreement by which he was to receive from $3,000 to $5,000 in water bonds."

DIED ON TRAIN.

Paymaster In the Army Suddenly Expires Near Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Major Charles E. Kilbourne, paymaster of the Department of Dakota, died on a train as it neared Chicago. He had been very ill and was on his way to his home in Columbus, O. Major Kilbourne graduated from West Point in 1866 and was fifty-nine years old. He was treasurer of the Phillippine islands while they were under military government in 1898-99.

Large Land Deal.

Lake Charles, La., Dec. 2.—The Sabine Tram company of Jefferson county, Texas, closed a deal with the Kirby-Carpenter company for upward of 20,000 acres of land in Calvasieu parish, paying therefor $436,977.42.

Hook Sworn In.

Kansas City, Dec. 2.—William C. Hook of Leavenworth was sworn here in the United States circuit court as circuit judge of the Eight judicial district, succeeding Judge Henry C. Caldwell of Little Rock, Ark.

Territory Firm Assigns.

Antlers, I. T., Dec. 2.—C. P. Henry & Son, leading merchants at Hugo and Bogh Chitto, made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors. Their liabilities are $20,000 and their assets about $30,000. C. G. Shull of Hugo is assignee. Sanger Bros. Dallas is the largest creditor.

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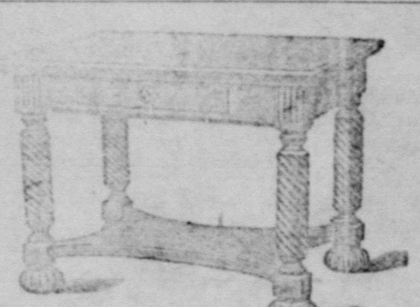

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COLORS OF THE SKY.

Scientist Explains How Glorious Sunsets Are Formed.

Prof. T. J. J. See of the United States navy has observed the color of the sky in various altitudes in high mountains, and in dry and moist countries, such as Egypt and Greece, and Arizona and the Mississippi valley. His conclusion is that the beautiful red colors of sunsets and sunrises so much spoken of by Greek and Roman writers, and so often illustrated in landscape painting, arise from water vapor in the lower layers of our atmosphere, absorbing the blue and transmitting the red light. According to Dr. See, the reddish colors come from that part of our air within five miles of the earth's surface, while the deep blue of the sky arises from reflections of minute particles in the higher parts of our atmosphere. The water vapor does not extend very high, clouds never rising higher than ten miles above the earth. The blue streaks cast by clouds at sunset show that the red arises near the earth, while the blue has its seat very high up. Above our atmosphere the sky has all the blackness of the darkest night.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

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His Definition.

And what is a girl?
A morsel of ribbon and feathers and lace;
A mischievous elf with an angel's face!
A thorn that will tease you,
A rose that will please you,
A will-o'-the-whip for eluding your chase—
And that is a girl!

And what is a girl?
A riddle whose meaning no mortal can guess,
With "No" on her tongue when her heart would say "Yes!"
Half artful, half simple,
Half pout and half dimple,
Whose eyes will betray what her lips would repress—
And that is a girl!

Didn't Need Chairs.

"In country barrooms," said a sociological expert, "there are rarely chairs, as there are in our urban cafes, but everyone must stand up to drink. One day in a New England tavern I was inquisitive enough to ask the barkeeper why he had no chairs for his guests. "'No man drinks here,' said the barkeeper severely, 'longer than he can stand.'"

Vice Presidents Who Died in Office.

Six vice presidents of the United States have died in office. The first was George Clinton, who had the further distinction of having been the first governor of New York and who rendered brilliant service in the war of the revolution. Elbridge Gerry of Massachusetts, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was the second. The third death was that of William Rufus King of Alabama, United States senator and minister to France. The fourth vice president to die in office was Henry Wilson, also a United States senator. The fifth was Thomas Andrews Hendricks and the sixth Garret A. Hobart.

The Mocking Bird Sits Moaning.

During the period of dog days, the old residents of Florida, the mocking bird's song is never heard. Prior to that time he is almost an incessant singer from morning until night. Even on moonlight nights one seldom awakes but the soft, sweet warble of this bird can be heard. During the forty days of extremely hot weather naught but a low chirp is heard. He moans about in a subdued manner as though he were ashamed of his ability to sing; indeed, he seems to have divested himself of his accustomed frolicsome, flirty ways, and one may imagine he is doing penance for his past hilarity.

DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW.

"Honesty," said the good man, "is the best policy."

"Honesty," said the grocer, "is too much sugar for the price of sand."

"I maintain," said the debutante, "that honesty is a bore and the antithesis of flattery."

"Beg pardon, my friend," put in the man of the world, "honesty is the short cut to poverty."

"I beg to differ," said the cynic, "in your case honesty would be the solution of a possible suicide."

"Honesty," declared the politician, "is the sum total of nothing divided by two and split in the middle."

"One moment, gentlemen," said the maiden, who had passed her thirties, "honesty is the headsman of friendship."