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om Over the Country

News Notes, Gossip and other Items of Interest by Our Regular Correspondents.

CLAIRETTE.

espondence.

th.—Cotton is about all in this community.

well has just been finthe use of the schools at

On the 19th inst., Emory, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of now them.

Joe Salmon has been very long time.

that Mr. Oscar Head the new residence be- in the Stone pasture her, while Mr. Bill Johnmove to the place va- Mr. Head.

Sides made a business phenville last Saturday, me one of pleasure by g over till Sunday.

was to have been a gening at the cemetery on t, but bad weather pre- We hope the good people mmunity will not delay long, as the yard needs very much.

H. Sides left on the 21st his school at Purvis.

ancock is getting along h our school and the pasatisfied.

e will occupy the J. L. the ensuing year.

CHALK MOUNTAIN.

espondence.

th.—Some rain and some weather the past week— ll for hog-killing.

is about all out and the e starting off, but the pa- having some trouble in a supply of text books, ncies have failed to keep and. Our school started day, the enrollment has t, mostly for want of Earl Stiglers started his Cottonwood last Monday. ennett also opened his Marthereral Gap.

here has put up nearly d bales.

will be a great deal of nd changing around in unity this winter. Sevs have so far failed to lace to rent for another

Cab) Shipman "swapped" here last summer for a Haskell county and started out there a few weeks ago, riving at his new place d that this country was gh for him, hence he did time to unload his wagjust turned around and and bought the J. J. place and says he will his future home. We welcome.

J. Browning and family Reeder and family loaded their wagons last Thursday and are now ready to start for Oklahoma as soon as the weather grows fairer. We hate to give them up, but our loss will be the gain of the community in which they locate.

Well, the election is over and everything has settled down to a normal condition, and if the "rimfire man" could get reconciled, no doubt everything would move smoothly on. No one doubts but that the newly-elected officers will be just as efficient and just as accommodating as the old ones. It was not on account of their inefficiency that we voted the populist ticket, but on account of the principles advocated bv the populist party. So now let us get down to business and assist the officers in the discharge of their respective duties; stop so much wrangling and study more about how to pitch the next crop. Our future prosperity depends more on our individual efforts than which party is in power in the county. We will have will have to pay our taxes, work the roads and serve on the jury just the same under the rule of the democrats as under the reign of the populists. We expect, however, to contend for the doctrine of the Omaha platform as long as we stay on top of the sod, if we are in the minority.

ST. GEORGE.

Regular Correspondence.

Nov. 30th.—We are having fine weather at present, which is enjoyed by those who have cotton to pick.

Our school is progressing nicely.

J. R. Havis is gathering corn.

Quite a number of young folks enjoyed a candy breaking and play party at Mr. Wells' Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Howell of near Bunyan, visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

J. M. Kennedy of Cow creek, was in our midst Monday.

Miss Schooler and Mr. Sanders, of Bunyan, and Mr. Jennings and family, of Young's Prairie, visited at Mr. Basell's Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. Merchant and lady, of Shady Grove, visited at Mr. Hallum's Sunday.

'Squire Lowe, of Dublin, visited relatives here Sunday.

"Granny" Pitts, of near Mt. Airy, is quite sick with pneumonia.

J. J. Kennedy is improving. Miss Lillie is still under the care of the doctor.

It will soon be moving time for quite a number of our neighbors.

Mr. Cunningham was hurt quite seriously last Tuesday by being thrown from his buggy.

HARBIN.

Regular Correspondence.

Nov. 29th.—As our little "Harmony Grove" has not been represented in your paper for some time we will send in the news this week.

C. N. Morton went to see about his school near Thurber last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Garrett visited their son, W. H., at Live Oak the other Sunday.

Miss Bertha Friend left last Saturday to visit relatives in Bartlett, Williamson county. She will stay until after Christmas.

An entertainment or musicale was given last night at Mr. N. Robbins' in honor of Mr. Powell, a musician from Mississippi. A good crowd and a splendid time.

Jeff Elrod and lady left last Tuesday week for their old home in Alabama.

Mr. Bird Henson's baby died last week.

Chris Sherfield and Miss Clara Alexander were married last Sunday.

Merchant Raney has quite recovered from his attack of fever.

School has been going on near a week but the attendance is small because books can't be exchanged.

We are looking for our pastor, Bro. Dunn, to-day.

Mrs. Sanders and "grandma" Bowman are improving rather slowly.

Mrs. Ollie Phillips is out from Dublin to-day.

John Essary and wife are visiting here.

Tom Essary left again to-day for Oklahoma.

ALEXANDER.

Regular Correspondence.

Nov. 28th.—Thanksgiving Day has passed and gone. I cut wood and enjoyed a good cup of coffee and some pork and potatoes and felt just as thankful as any one, that I was able to live and work. I am keeping my turkey for Christmas.

Mr. Sam Davis has a new windmill and pump at a cost of $120—a good thing for his deep well. Mrs. Davis, who has been in bad health, is able to be up.

Most all of the cotton is about picked out, and the farmers will soon begin work for the new crop.

Mr. Stewart has sold out to his grandmother, Mrs. Morris, and will soon move to the Watson place, near the Greens creek church house.

Mr. John French is in the Leon country to rent a place.

Miss Bamer Brumley, who has been off at school, returned home last week.

Miller and Willie Stephen visited Dublin Saturday and Sunday.

Joseph V. Stephen purchased a new gun last Saturday. Now small game will be plentiful at his house.

The populist enjoys 'possum and sweet potatoes better than so much criticism from the democratic papers. The democrats should not forget that the populists were instrumental in getting them into office. The scales may turn next election.

LOWELL.

Regular Correspondence.

Nov. 28th.—Some unusually cold cold weather of late. As we write the clouds look angry and we believe it will snow.

J. C. Millican is on the sick list.

Lillian Hilliard, the little four-year-old daughter of W. B. Hilliard, is very sick with fever.

T. J. Fair visited Dublin last Sunday.

Mr. Norman, of near Cleburne, is working for W. B. Hilliard.

W. A. Latt is working for Joe O'Bannon.

Mr. Dyer, of this place, will start for the plains soon.

Mrs. I. R. Rider is on the sick list.

Tom Bowen visited Dublin on Saturday last.

J. H. McCloud and family left for Arkansas last week.

The gin at Topaz has put up over 1400 bales this season.

J. T. Christian was here Sunday.

Misses Georgia and Fannie Watson and Hattie and Aphra Browning were visiting here Sunday.

J. H. Hunt visited Dublin last Wednesday.

J. M. Fair moved last week.

Miss Emma Roberts was at church and Sunday school Sunday.

HIGHLAND.

Regular Correspondence.

Dec. 1st.—Little Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Northcutt died on the 27th ultimo and was buried on the following day. Also Mrs. Jane Loveless died suddenly on the 29th ultimo, presumably of paralysis. Our sympathies are extended the bereaved.

Mrs. A. H. Barker has suffered severely this week with a spider bite, but she is now improving.

J. L. Blackstock is still confined to his bed and is some worse since the cold spell.

Cotton picking will shortly be over here.

Our gin has changed hands, Mr. Deering having sold to Mr. Thornton. It has done a fine business this year but will soon close down for the season.

Mr. Lee Low and Miss Josie Stegall were married last Sunday at the residence of the bride's parents. Our congratulations is proffered.

Success to the grand old Progress.

DUFFAU.

Regular Correspondence.

Nov. 30th.—Mr. Earl Douglas and mother have moved to Duffau to send their children to school.

Our school is progressing nicely; have about 130 regular attending scholars.

Mr. R. Corn who has been expected to die for some time departed this life at his home Monday morning and was buried at the Duffau cemetery Tuesday evening with Masonic honors. He leaves an aged wife to mourn his loss and many sorrowing friends. He was a representative citizen of this county and a zealous member of the M. E. church, at which funeral services were held before burial, Rev. Smith officiating. Mrs. Corn has the sympathy of the entire community in this her hour of trouble.

Your scribe has been sick for the past week with cold and is hardly able to be up at this writing.

HEAVENLY BRANCH.

Regular Correspondence.

Mr. Dave Brumley has returned from Waco.

Your reporter injoyed an apple cutting at the domicile of Mr. J. R. Bell a few nights ago.

Singing all day and dinner on the grounds here the first Sunday in December. Everybody invited to come.

Mrs. F. W. Moss and her two sons, Obe and Gobbler, returned from Denton last Friday where they had been to the burial of Mrs. Sparkman.

Our school here is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. Allison of Selden.

We have a good prayer meeting here conducted by Rev. J. T. Riley.

Mr. C. H. Young will move here on F. B. Faulkner's place.

Harrison Martin and Luther Massey, both of this community, are selling organs for the Dublin Music Co.

Deem Brumley returned from Snider last Saturday.

Charley Turnbow left Monday for Mexico.

Andy Babes and family were visiting W. S. Messner last Sunday.

Mr. Tom White of Oak Grove, has moved to the A. E. Dozier place in this community.

Your scribe, Mr. T. Vaughn, and Mr. Will Shipman all have bought new waggons this season.

Mr. Ed Gresham who has been working for several months for Mr. B. Green, left Monday for Hico to make his future home.

Singing Sunday night at Mr. and Mrs. B. Green's.

Miss Lottie Brumley, a very accomplished young lady of this community, will visit Hamilton about December 19th.

Rotation in Office.

The New York World looks into the history of rotation in office in this country with the following results:

1871—Grant, republican.
1876—Tilden, democrat.
1880—Garfield, republican.
1884—Cleveland, democrat.
1888—Harrison, republican.
1892—Cleveland, democrat.
1896—McKinley, republican.

It has been turn about, with first a republican, then a democrat, for thirty years, meanwhile the country gradually gets into a worse condition. There can be no hope of reform from either of the old parties.

A Big Circus and Menagerie

Would cost you lots of money and you would have nothing in return. Now, a better way would be to go to the

DUBLIN MERCANTILE CO.

and see the great show of good goods of all kinds that they are selling at prices never before heard of. The cost of these goods are not taken into consideration, they must go! We have been making the prices, but now they go at your price.

LISTEN. HERE GOES THE PRICES.

Men's shirts, worth $1 to $1.25, this sale,...50c
Men's collars, worth 15 to 20c, this sale,....5c.
Men's underwear, worth 75c, this sale,....40c.
Men's shoes, good styles, worth $3.50,....$2.00
Men's hats, worth $1.50 to $2.50,..50c to $1.00
Men's neckwear, worth 25 to 50c—this sale, your own price.
We also have a beautiful line of up-to-date styles of all kinds of gents furnishing goods at prices never before heard of.

We have the largest and best assorted stock of men's and boys clothing ever shown in Dublin.
Men's good double-heel, ribbed-top socks....5c
Men's suspenders, worth 15 and 20c,.....10c
Boys suspenders, worth 10 to 15c, our price 5c.
A job lot of ladies dress goods, worth 15 to 20c, will close out at 20 yards for.....$1.00

GET IN THE BAND WAGON.

The wise women profit by the experience of her neighbor—Hundreds of people are coming to our Dress Goods Department—they all leave with bundles—some small, some large—but they all have bundles of some kind. **WHY IS IT?** Because our prices are right, and we have the styles and the goods.
All Wool filling Dress Goods at 5 cents per yard.

CAPES and JACKETS: If it's going to be a new coat or a cape, it might as well be a stylish one from us. - - - - - - - -

STAPLES: It is not worth while to call attention of our friends and customers that we carry the largest and best assortment of staple goods of any store in the west at any price that any unscrupulous man might price you to catch your bill.

GROCERIES: We carry a first-class line of Staple and Fancy Groceries at right prices. We especially have a big line of Christmas Candies that usually sell for from 25 to 50 cents per pound, this sale 10 to 35 cents per pound. We have the goods, the prices, the styles and the clerks to show them. Give us a trial.

DUBLIN MERCANTILE CO.
J. H. LATHAM, Manager.

Only A Mother.

(Suggested by the hanging of J. B. Shaw.)

Who is it that kneels beside the body that lies there on the cold damp ground of the jail yard? Only the mother of a son who has paid the death penalty for taking that which no man can return, the life of a human being. It was the mother who drew the death shroud close around his face to hide from the vultures of curiosity the dark stain of the hangman's death rope made round her boy's, once fair, throat. It was she who crossed his hands. The same loving, clasping hands that used to answer to her lightest touch, that held her own as she led his feet past youth's bright milestones, year by year, through beautiful green lanes where the sweet violets grew and the swaying of the branches of the old oak trees cast fantastic shadows there and about, and the gates of heaven seemed to be nearer for those loving, clinging touches. But this time they fell away from her warm, loving pressure, cold and still. It was his mother, who held his hand as they went out through that gaping crowd of humanity that always gather together when a human life is to be taken, until they reach the foot of the ghastly scaffold, where the rope that was soon to take his life was swaying in the air. She feasts her old, almost sightless eye on his dear face as he climbs up the stairs. She sees his eyes as they take their last, parting gaze out across that sea of human heads, and then rest with loving light, a farewell look upon her old, wrinkled face. The dumb appeal, the agony of that horrible, searching glance as they drew over his face the fatal black cap still haunts her day and night; that hungry, yet hopeless, longing prayer for a life, one that could have comforted his dear old mother's last hours, besides breakher old heart. From out of the sunshine and the cloud she still sees a boy's bright blue eyes looking into her's forever and forever. How they lighted up the bare old walls, now a childless, motherless home. She can see out of each comer those haunting eyes, as they rise up to greet her day and night. Some shuddered and turned away their heads and hid their eyes, but she seemed to be turned to stone. She never wavered or took her old eyes from his face, with the wind playing through her bare gray head, with half bare uplifted arms that could not stay the blow, she saw him fall. Then all was darkness. By that chair only last night she knelt and heard the death-like blows that made the scaffold where her boy was to die. The blows, one by one, fell heavily upon her heart, and forever the mocking rings she will hear. Her old stiffened hands she wrung in her agony, and for the first time in her life she could not pray; the only words that rose from her heart were: "O, my boy! they have murdered my boy!"

They left her with her dead, and as the cold gray streaks of the morning dawn played through the half open door, they came and lifted her up tenderly and put her away. She had died on the coffin of her boy.—S. T. J. in Fort Worth Register.

Election Notes.

In Jones county a populist county judge was elected and the democrats claimed illegality at a certain box. On the motion of the populist judge the box was thrown out and the race will be ran over.

Jack county elected populists to the offices of county attorney, sheriff, tax collector, three out of the four county commissioners and several precinct officers.

Populists representatives were elected from the districts composed of Comanche county and that composed of Eastland and Palo Pinto counties.

Bastrop county, the home of Major Sayers, only gave him a majority of 175 over Gibbs. The vote stood 2124 to 1949.

San Augustine county comes up with a full set of populist officials except treasurer and clerk.

Judge P. D. Sanders, populist, was elected district judge over Ed S. Hammer, democrat, in the Jones county district.

The democrats elected nothing but one justice of the peace in Comanche county.

The county of Delta elected the entire populist ticket for county and precinct officers.

Several populists were elected to county offices in the county of Hamilton.

Mason and Llano county representative district and Nocagodoches county district both elected populist representatives to the 26th legislature.

A majority of the populist ticket was elected in Scurry county.

Outside of Thurber, Gibbs carried Erath county.

All of the populist county officers were elected in Grimes county except district clerk.

The sheriff, treasurer, assessor and attorney and two members of the commissioners are populists in Sterling county.

The populists elected about one-half of their ticket in Hood county.

The sheriff and a few other county officers were elected by the populists in Palo Pinto county.

All the defeated candidates have settled down to business and are plodding along as though nothing had happened.

Four Score.

Nervine Restores Health

EZEKIEL OBEAR, assessor and collector, Beverly, Mass., who has ed the 80th life mile stone, says: Restorative Nervine has done a of good. I suffered for years from ess and nervous heart trouble. weary and used up in the morno ambition and my work seemed a A friend recommended Dr. Miles' and I purchased a bottle under I had tried so many remedies unly. I thought it no use. But it restful sleep, a good appetite and me to energetic health. It is a od medicine, and I will gladly write quiring, full particulars of my satperience."
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by all drugr a positive first bottle r money re- Book on dis- he heart and Address,
LES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

Dr. Miles' Nervine Restores Health

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J. S. DALEY, Editor and Proprietor.

DUBLIN, - - - - - - TEXAS.

A bare cupboard always furnishes food for thought.

Borrowed money causes a great deal of near-sightedness.

A good many heroes are made of wood pulp and printer's ink.

The lazier a man is the more he is going to accomplish tomorrow.

It is the little that a man wants here below that's always the hardest to get.

The ambitious man doesn't worry very much about his gray brain matter.

A self-made man usually looks like the kind of a man he would be apt to make.

Some men never do a charitable act unless there is some one around to applaud.

It is often easier to make a statement in good faith than it is to get it accepted.

The man who cannot change his opinion belongs either to the grave or the asylum.

The important thing is not what men say about you, but what you make them believe.

Brevity is the soul of wit to the man with a scheme. He says "invest," but never "investigate."

The world judges the church from the level of the pew, rather than from the standard of the pulpit.

There wouldn't be half enough room at the top if all the people succeeded in getting there who think they ought to.

A girl doesn't trouble herself much about the superiority of the pen or the sword; it's the uniform that catches her eye.

The coroner's jury that has sat in London upon the death of Harold Frederic has returned a verdict of manslaughter against the Christian Science devotees, both women, who had charge of his case. The one of them is held responsible as the guardian of the sick man who refused to afford him proper medicinal aid and the other as the Christian Scientist who undertook his treatment.

For many years the idea has been cherished at Paris and St. Petersburg that England, by reason of her vast industrial and commercial interests in the maintenance of peace, would compromise anything—that she would not fight on any ground. The idea was encouraged by the long series of British yieldings at Constantinople, in Afghanistan, in south Africa, in Siam, in China and West Africa. The habit of making concessions paralyzed British diplomacy. Now it is intended, it appears, to let the world see that the lion has teeth and claws as well as a resonant roar, even if the beast will have to go down in defeat.

The Royal Academy of London, the oldest of existing art societies, celebrated this summer its one hundred and thirtieth anniversary. A comparison of its latest exhibit, selected from over fourteen thousand statues and paintings, with that of the Society of Arts of 1767, emphasizes beyond words the growth of public taste. Three items from the earlier catalogue are: Two birds in shell work, on a rock decorated with sea-coral; a landscape in human hair; a frame of various devices, cut in velvet with scissors, containing the Lord's Prayer in the compass of a silver threepence. The reader smiles. He has seen such art in American "best parlors." It is safe to predict that, except as curiosities of the past, the next generation will know them no more.

It is something unusual for French and other European writers to study American finance. Monsieur R. G. Levy, a well-known financial authority, has written for the Revue des Deux Mondes an article upon debt and taxation in the United States, in which he expresses the opinion that the new taxes resulting from the Spanish war will make it necessary to conduct our financial affairs with more care and scrutiny than has been our custom. He also remarks—what is so obvious that it should be a commonplace with us—that if we adopt an "imperial" policy our people must be prepared to bear burdens of taxation similar to those under which the European nations are groaning. His goodwill toward us is shown in his expression of a hope that the great republic will remain faithful to the traditions of moderation, wisdom and reason bequeathed to it by its illustrious founders.

In each of the last seven decades the average yield of wheat per acre in France has shown an increase over that of any former years, and it is now probably higher than in any other country. Such a fact indicates the secret of France's enormous wealth and prosperity, despite all the losses she has sustained and all the burdens imposed upon her in recent years. If the land of the United States were as carefully tilled as that of France it would produce enough to feed the whole world, and to spare.

STEAMER PORTLAND WRECKED.

A Great Number of Her Passengers and Crew and Perhaps All Lost in the Recent Fearful Storm.

More Particulars.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 30.—The steamer Portland of the Boston and Portland line has been lost on Cape Cod with all on board. The life-saving men, through a blinding storm Sunday morning at 6 o'clock heard the distress whistle of a steamer and Monday night at midnight the body of a man was found on shore. On the body of the man was a life belt marked "Steamer Portland of Portland."

A gold watch in his pocket had stopped at 10 o'clock. This man was well dressed, wore black clothes and tan shoes and light hair and mustache, and a piece of card in his pocket bore the words: "John W., Congress street, Portland."

The body of a large woman, without covering of any kind, was washed ashore at Pamet river, but there was no means of identifying it. It is believed that the steamer Portland was disabled by the storm of Sunday night, being unable to longer hold up against the gale and drifted on Peaked Hill bars and went to pieces. No part of the ship has drifted ashore and it is not known just where she struck. Boxes of tobacco, clothing, cheese, oil, etc., have been washed ashore; also life preservers marked "Steamer Portland."

A large quantity of wreckage, including trunks and other material, has come ashore and thirty-four bodies has been recovered from the surf by the life-saving crew at High Head station.

The passenger list numbers fifty-one and the officers and crew number forty-eight.

From reports that have come in by wire, mail and messenger from New England points it was difficult to estimate the total loss of life and damage to shipping along the coast as the result of the recent storm. The list of disasters seems to grow every hour, and from dispatches thus far received it appears that at least thirty schooners have been wrecked at different points from Eastport, Mass., to New Haven, Conn. Eighty-six schooners have been driven ashore, and fourteen barges loaded or empty are aground. This does not include the thirty vessels either wholly or partially wrecked in Boston harbor, nor half a dozen more craft which are reported missing, including the Boston and Portland and North Wilson freighter Ohio, which is ashore on Spectacle island in this harbor. When these vessels are added the aggregate list exceeds 170 vessels.

The loss of life is hard to determine. It is known that about forty persons perished in and about Boston harbor. Reports from other places in some cases state that the crew of this or that vessel escaped. Many, however, state that the fate of the crew is unknown. Some survivors have turned up, and life-saving stations and incoming vessels have brought a few sailors from the wrecks.

Block island has been heard from for the first time since the buizzzard began. The island is a wreck, hotels being scattered and vessels torn to pieces by the storm. The entire fishing fleet of twenty-four vessels is a total loss. The three-masted schooner Lexington of Machias, Me., is lost. The Hartford Dredging company's plant is gone.

Planter Assaulted.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 30.—A special train from Vanceville brought to Dr. Schumpert's infirmary Mr. Larry Vance, who, some time Monday night, was brutally assaulted at his Riverside plantation, near Benton, La. He is the youngest son of Mr. Cal Vance, recently deceased, and had charge of the plantation. When found yesterday morning in his room he lay upon his bed in an unconscious state, his head crushed by an ax, obtained from a store near by, and his chin battered.

He is fatally injured and his brain oozes from the crushed skull. The crime is still a mystery, though robbery is thought to have been the object, as he was held in high esteem by all in the parish who have had dealings with him. The closest investigation will be made.

An operation developed the fact that his jawbone was broken in two places and little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Pulled Off.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 30.—The United States transport Chester, with the fifteenth United States infantry on board, and which was run ashore in the channel four miles below the city, was pulled off by tugs.

Gen. Lee, commanding the seventh corps, has been directed to instruct the officers of all transports leaving this city to unload them and return to Savannah as quickly as possible, the evident intention being to move the troops to Cuba as rapidly as the work can be done.

Southern Corn Crop.

The Southern Farm Magazine of Baltimore has compiled from advance official reports the total production of corn by states in the south in 1898, showing a gain, as compared with 1897, of over 114,000,000 bushels. In the south the average price of corn runs from 40 cents to 50 cents or more, as estimated by the United States agricultural department. On the basis of 40 cents, this means an increase of nearly $50,000,000 in the corn crop of the south as compared with last year. As gratifying as this remarkable gain in total production and value of the crop is, however, it is due mainly to an increase in the acreage itself.

Compared with 1897, most of the southern states show a small gain in acreage, running from 1 per cent in Georgia to 8 per cent in Texas, though Maryland, Tennessee and Kentucky show a decreased acreage of from 2 per cent to 5 per cent. The gain in the average yield per acre was very marked in nearly all the southern states except in Georgia, in which there was a decline in the average of two bushels per acre, thus cutting the total yield in that state down very materially. Adjacent states had a considerable increase in the average yield.

Compared with 1897 the yield for 1898 shows a gain in Kentucky of 20,000,000 bushels, West Virginia 3,000,000 bushels, Tennessee 10,000,000 bushels, Arkansas 18,600,000 bushels, Texas 32,000,000 bushels, Louisiana 6,000,000 bushels, Mississippi 9,000,000 bushels, Alabama 9,000,000 bushels, Florida 500,000 bushels, South Carolina 2,000,000 bushels, North Carolina 3,000,000 bushels and Virginia 7,000,000 bushels; while Georgia shows a decrease of 5,500,000 bushels, and Maryland 4,000,000 bushels.

Panama Canal.

New York, Nov. 30.—M. Hutin, director general of the new Panama Canal company, has come over from Paris to see what this government thinks about the water route between the Atlantic and the Pacific. He protests that there is no intention on the part of the French company to sell the canal and says that it has only one purpose in view and that is to cut the big ditch at once.

When asked if the published reports that his company wanted to sell out to the government were true, M. Hutin said:

"Absolutely no. Selling out is the last thing we should think of. We want to cut the canal and we are ready to do it; what is more, we are doing it. We have kept 1500 to 3000 men constantly employed in digging the canal and a force of 3000 is now at work on the ditch.

"What has been accomplished? Much. We have actually dug eighteen miles of the total of forty-six. Of these vessels are now navigating twelve miles on the Atlantic and six miles on the Pacific side. The canal's depth is twenty-eight feet, though in some places it has made bars that would have to be removed and can be removed easily. Our company, which is the successor by purchase of the De Lesseps company, has in assets, reckoning as such the machinery and accomplished work, at least at $75,000,000. We have gone far enough to learn that the Panama canal is entirely practicable and is the shortest, cheapest and best water route between the two oceans.

"There were formerly thought to be two insuperable obstacles—the Chagres river and the Culebra cut. Both of these difficulties have disappeared before engineering science

Several Die.

Since the explosion in the private house at Havana, on the Avenue Infanta, between the Santa Clara and Reina batteries, Avelina Martinez, Nicholas Derio, Arquiles and Carolus Parez and Andres Alvarez, and two others, names unknown, have died.

Some of the injured are progressing favorably, but others are still in a critical condition.

Honorably Discharged.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The following named officers of the volunteer army have been honorably discharged:

Maj. William Coope Daniels, assistant adjutant general, Lieut. Max L. McRae, third Georgia volunteer infantry, Capt. John C. Michi, first North Carolina volunteer infantry, and Lieut. F. J. Cornin, sixty-ninth New York infantry.

Mrs. J. W. Brandon fell at Granger, Tex., and broke a thigh.

Spain Yields.

Paris, Nov. 29.—Spain has accepted the United States' offer of $20,000,000, and at the joint session of the peace commissioners yesterday afternoon consented without condition to relinquish Cuba and to cede Porto Rico, Guam and the Philippines.

The document presenting this acceptance contained only 300 words. It opened with a reference to the final terms of the United tSates, and said that the Spanish commissioners, having taken cognizance of the terms proposed by the Americans, replied that the government had tried to give as equitable an answer as possible, but that they were not prepared to commit their government to the acceptance of the principles embodied in the American argument. "Spain rejects these principles," the note continues, "as she has always rejected them."

Basing her attitude upon the justice of her cause, the note then says she still adheres to the principles "which she has heretofore invariably formulated." However, the note adds, in her desire for peace she has gone so far as to propose certain compromises, which the Americans have always rejected. She has also attempted, it is further asserted, to have submitted to arbitration some of the material particulars upon which the two governments differed. These proposals for arbitration, it is added, the Americans had equally rejected. These allegations in Spain's reply as to attempted arbitration refer to her proposal to arbitrate the construction of the third article of the protocol, and also to submit the Spanish colonial debt of Cuba and the Philippines to arbitration. The last proposition has been made in a written communication. Since its presentation, and in return for such arbitration, Spain offered to cede the territory in dispute. The Americans refused both propositions for arbitration. Spain's reply yesterday in substance continued by declaring that the United States has offered, as a kind of compensation to Spain, something very inadequate to the sacrifices the latter country makes at this moment, and she feels therefore that the Philippines proposition can not be considered just and equitable.

Spain has, however, exhausted all the resources of diplomacy in an attempt to justify her attitude. Seeing that an acceptance of the proposal made to Spain is a necessary condition to the continuance of negotiations, and seeing that the resources of Spain are not such as to enable her to re-enter upon war, she is prepared in her desire to avoid bloodshed, and from considerations of humanity and patriotism, to submit to the conditions of the conquering nation, however harsh they may be. She is, therefore, ready to accept the appeals of the American commission, as presented in the last sitting.

The reading and translation of the document occupied less than five minutes. At the conclusion of the translation the commissioners empowered Senor Ojeda, secretary of the Spanish commission, and Secretary Moore of the American commission, to draw up articles which are to embody the relinquishment of Cuba by Spain and the cession by Spain of Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Havana Explosion.

A box of powder exploded at Havana in the Reina battery, killing or injuring many persons.

The explosion occurred on the Avenue Infanta, between the Santa Clara and Reina's batteries. Many boxes of powder were stored in a private house which also contained five rooms full of Mauser and other cartridges. The careless handling of one of the boxes of powder, or one of the boxes of cartridges, caused the explosion which killed or more or less seriously injured thirty-eight persons.

Nobody was killed outright by the explosion, but three of the injured died and the condition of most of the others are more or less critical, At least fifteen are not expected to live.

The president will recommend in his annual message the enlistment of 15,000 Cubans in the new army.

Bankruptcy Petition.

New York, Nov. 29.—The firm of Hoadley & Co., commission merchants, who recently made a general assignment, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday. The liabilities to secured creditors amount to $42,855, to unsecured creditors $378,068, of which $250,000 is due to Hoadley & Co. on accounts in liquidation; liabilities on notes and bills $44,872, accommodation paper $562,464. The assets given as $322,571 in claims.

Two Perish.

Salem, Mass., Nov. 29.—Two members of the crew of the schooner Bertha A. Gross, from Deer Isle, Me., were rescued from House island, off Manchester, nearly dead, having been without shelter or food for thirty hours. From them it was learned that the schooner was lost on the rocks near Fresh island Saturday at midnight, and Capt. Wallace Thurston, his father, aged about 70 years, and his son, John, perished.

Many Lives Lost.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 29.—It is known definitely that more than seventy lives have been lost in the wrecks of tugs, schooners and coal barges during the storm on Saturday night and Sunday morning, and if the steamer Portland has also gone down, as now seems possible, the list of casualties will rise to 140, with over 100 vessels of all descriptions ashore, two score of them total wrecks, and an unknown number beneath the waves of Massachusetts bay.

There is scarcely a bay, harbor or inlet from the Penobscot to New London that has not on its shores the bones of some stanch craft, while along Massachusetts bay, and especially Boston harbor, the beaches are piled high with the wreckage of schooners and coal barges. The record, although hourly lengthening, is still incomplete, for the well-known ocean graveyard of Cape Cod is still to be heard from.

The annoyance and inconvenience of the railroad and street car embargo, coveing the whole southern portion of New England, sank into insignificance before the story of destruction wrought by wind and wave, yet it will be many days before the full import of the disaster is known, or even realized.

The islands of Boston harbor are, without exception, strewn with wrecks and wreckage, no less than twenty-nine vessels being ashore at Gloucester, over twenty in the supposed safe harbor of Vineyard Haven parted their anchor chains yesterday and are high and dry on the beach; Nantasket beach saw two schooners and a coal barge dashed to pieces on its sands; the rocks of Cohasset claimed a stanch fisherman; Scituate, a well-known pilot boat; Manchester, a down-east lumberman, while one tug and three barges, known to have been between Cape Cod and Boston, are unaccounted for and are probably lost. The upper harbors of Boston, Plymouth, Salem, Portsmouth, Portland and other places, where vessels were supposed to be comparatively safe, were the scenes of numerous collisions between the ships and the wharves.

New Enterprises.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 29.—The most important industrial announcements of the last week, as reported by the Manufacturers' Record, were: A $50,000 coal mining company in Alabama; $10,000 lumber company, 30-barrel flour mill, 60-barrel flour mill and $15,000 water works in Arkansas; $1,000,000 slate quarrying company and $15,000 electric light plant in Georgia; 50-barrel flour mill in Kentucky; $100,000 trading company and $1,500,000 sugar mill company in Louisiana; $150,000 manufacturing company and $100,000 glass factory in Maryland; $20,500 cotton mill company, $185,000 iron company, 75-barrel flour mill and $50,000 furniture company in North Carolina; $1,000,000 cotton compressing company, $10,000 electric light plant, 40-barrel flour mill and $35,000 boiler company in Tennessee; $25,000 lumber company, $50,000 acetylene gas company, 100-ton cotton seed oil mill and $250,000 construction company in Texas; $75,000 woolen mill company and 50-barrel flour mill in Virginia; $50,000 mining company and $15,000 ice factory in West Virginia.

Much Bitterness.

Madrid, Nov. 29.—The city yesterday evening was calm. There have been no disturbances resulting from the announcement of Spain's acceptance of the terms of the Americans. The papers, however, publish gloomy articles, sadly reminding the country that the day is one long to be remembered as marking the closing scene of a glorious colonial history.

All agree that the government has adopted the only possible policy, though much bitterness is displayed toward the United States.

To be Executed.

Huntsville, Ala., Nov. 29.—Private Lindsay, troop F, tenth cavalry, was yesterday sentenced to be executed as a result of his trial by court-martial.

Was Successful.

Special dispatches from Simla, the summer capital of British India, say that the mad mullah has been successful in his first fight, defeating the Dir tribesmen and killing a number of them. The nawab of Dir has sent an army against the mullah and the British native frontier troops moving toward the Swat valley where the outbreak has occurred. The mullah is trying to arouse a fanatical outbreak against the British.

Triple Tragedy.

Ozark, Mo., Nov. 29.—Steve Bilyue and his two sons were killed and Tabor, his son-in-law, wounded by Bud Meadows yesterday. The trouble arose over an attempt of Meadows to move a fence running between his farm and that of the Bilyues. The latter remonstrated and a fight in which firearms were used ensued.

Steel rail prices are on a boom.

CatarrhCur

Blood Purified by Hood's Sar rilla and Health is Good.

"I was a sufferer from catarrh. my neighbors advised me to take Sarsaparilla and I did so. A few purified my blood and cured me. remained in good health ever since." T. ADKINS, Athensville, Illinois.

Hood's Sarsapar

Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six

Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills. 25

Of Vast Assistance.

A good Mexican cook relieve mistress of the house of worry a sponsibility in a manner that is unknown in the United States. cook is given so much a day, and this amount she will purchase morning all the provisions for th even the staples that are u bought in large quantities in countries. On $1 a day a coo provide a very good table for a of three or four, and get enough and tortillas and chile to set th vants' table besides. They can do better than their mistresse cause they can usually drive s bargains with the marketmen o own class, and they have more pa to haggle over the last penny.

Having two sweethearts at one is a risky business.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. NEW YORK.

Shortage of Honey.

The secretary of the California exchange says that there is on the exchange orders for more tha tons of honey for export, and n ton in sight as yet to fill them. deed, the beekeepers around S Ana, who during the past seasons thousands of dollars' worth of h will have to feed their bees thr the fall and winter.

A Phenomenon.

"What is a phenomenon, pa?"

"A phenomenon? Well, a wo who buys a hat in the firt millin shop she comes to."

EASY GOIN PEOPLE

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It has beco so common say, "Eve body has a lit catarrh" that ma easy going peo pay a light attenti to it. Yet no cl of disease is so di cult to shake off

Many people w advanced in years find themselves the toils of catarrh. Mr. and M Collum, of Giddings, Tex., found help Pe-ru-na. Mr. Collum's letter follow

Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

DEAR SIRS:—"I think your Pe-ru-n is the best medicine I ever tried for c tarrh. I have tried all the catar medicines that I could hear of and no of them did any good until I tried your I and my wife have both used the P ru-na and Man-a-lin, and we are abo well. I am 70 years old and my wi is 66. When we commenced to ta your medicines we were not able to s after our work, but now she can te to her work and I see after my far You can use this publicly if you wa

Terrible Explosion.

...n, Cal., Nov. 28.—The most ...e river accident in the history ...tion occurred yesterday morn... 20 o'clock, when a part of one ...tlers of the river steamer T. ...er, which left San Francisco ... o'clock Saturday night, was ...t, killing five and dangerous... ...nding eleven persons, while ...y fifteen or twenty others were ...e lessbadlyhurt. The Walker ...d by the California Navigation ...provement company, and ran ...n San Francisco and Stockton. ... John Tulman, captain; W. ...t, agent in charge of shipping ... Moss factory; Watson Henry ...ton, engineer of the Walker; ...y and his wife, Jerry Daly, ...

...and Law of Seattle died at ... yesterday evening at the re... hospital, making the sixth ...

...ded: George P. Smith, Mas...ts, deck hand, burned about ...d body; James Corcoran, deck ...ill probably die; Jack Holbert, ...erry, watchmen, badly scalded; ... Dominici, deck hand, scalded ...ly injured; John Burris, deck... ...rned about the head; G. Fop... ...f San Francisco, a passenger ...s of the breast; Edward Paul ...stevedore, scalded about the ...d hands; Martin McCaffery of ...rancisco, deck hand, burned ...ead and body; Louis Brizzo... ...f San Francisco; John Ferger ...kton, deck hand, head cut and ...rt.

...majority of the passengers were ... when the explosion occurred, ...re awakened by the report, ...was as loud as a cannon roar. ... rushed from their rooms in ...night clothes and found the ...forward portion of the steam... ...per works blown away. The ... lights had been put out, and ...caping steam enveloped the ...portion of the boat until it was ...ible to see how much of the ...d been carried away.

...screams of the men who were ... in their rooms near the pilot ...were heartrending. Capt. John ... had been blown from his bed ... the door of the stateroom, and ... seriously injured he could not ... The door could not be forced. ... the employes of the boat se... ...n ax and cut the upper part of ...om away and finally removed ...nt not until he was virtually ...d alive. When pulled out the ...ropped from his bones in large ...and although he was suffering ...atingly he bore it bravely, and ...groan escaped him as he was ...out of the steam.

...on Henry, the chief engineer, ...s wife were in their room near ...ilot house when the explosion ...ed. Mrs. Henry was blown ...h the roof. The flooring was ... upward and she was hurled ...great violence a distance of ... feet toward the bow of the ... She was horribly crushed by ...rce of the explosion, and also ... scalded with escaping steam. ...injuries proved fatal at 12:30 yes... ... afternoon. Her sufferings ...so intense that she begged the ...ians in attendance to end her ...st all that could be done was to ... the pain by the use of nar...

...Henry was terribly scalded. He ...rown some distance away, but ... far as was his wife. He died ... after being brought to this ... Mr. Blunt was instantly killed. ...s standing on the lower deck, ... intended making a landing a ... distance above the place where ...plosion occurred. Daly was in ...ld of the boat when the acci... ...ccurred. The escaping steam ...tely enveloped him, scarcely a ... of his body escaping the ...ing vapor. He died at the hos...

... sixth annual stag party was ... Thanksgiving by W. Goodrich ... at Temple, with about 150 ... present. These entertainments ...ven each Thanksgiving day to ...siness men of Temple.

Bishops Injured.

...e, Nov. 28.—At the meeting of a ...ollege at Peresa-Argentina, near ... yesterday the great hall col... ... carrying down the assembly ... ruins.

...e bishops were injured, one of ... has since died. It is feared that ... persons have been killed or se... ...y hurt.

... difficulty at Chandler, Tex., Pe... ...avis was seriously cut with a ...

Couldock Dead.

...w York, Nov. 28—Charles W. Coul... ... the actor, died last night at his ... in this city, after a short illness, ... dropsy.

... Couldock was stricken on Nov. ... with what was thought to be indi..., but afterward diagnosed drop... ... Nov. 21 his condition became ...al, and since then he has stead... ...clined.

... Lyon, Burleson county, Texas, ...les of cotton burned.

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ville, and were united by the two justices of the peace there in Hymen's holy bonds.

Ed Ross shot and killed his wife and John Walker four miles from Paducah, Ky., and then shot himself.

The dwelling of Joe Hagan near Morganfield, Ky., burned and Mrs. Hagan was burned to death.

The Arkansas swine breeders met at Carlisle and effected an organization by electing a full set of officers.

George Bush, aged 99 years, and Mrs. Lucy Prophet, aged 68 years, were wedded near Little Rock, Ark.

The Arkansas State Baptist convention held its 1898 session at Little Rock. Much business was transacted.

Eight couples eloped from Kentucky one morning recently before breakfast to Indiana's Gretna Green, Jefferson.

Elijah Creech and Thad Martin, farmers, attempted to cross White river, near Fayetteville, Ark. One of them lost his balance and fell overboard, capsizing the boat and throwing the other out. Both drowned.

Miss Clarice Swartz of Hagertown, Md., poured coal oil on her bed and the sheets, wrapped herself in them and set the bed on fire. Though horribly burned she never uttered an outcry, lingering about three hours.

Milton Garvin's home in Clay county, Tennessee, was destroyed by fire and his four children, ranging in age from 1 year to 7, perished in the flames. The parents were absent at the barn, but could not reach their children in time to rescue them.

Rev. J. H. St. Clair was reported dead by a coroner at Decatur, Ala., that official rendering a verdict that the clergyman suicided by taking fifteen grains of morphine. The reverend gentleman, however, proved an alibi by appearing sound and well next day.

W. O. Finney and son fought a street duel at Milledgeville, Ga., with W. B. and J. R. Stanley, brothers. The elder Finney was killed, his son seriously wounded and the Stanleys mortally wounded. The affair was the outcome of a previous quarrel.

Charles Thomas was lodged in jail at Hopkinsville, Ky., charged with killing Samuel Word, a neighbor, over the ownership of a small piece of money. The affair happened at a church festival at Roaring Springs, Thomas shooting his antagonist through the lungs.

Mrs. Harry Bradley, whose husband ran a saloon at Savannah, Ga., smashed the plate glass mirrors of the establishment into atoms and turned nearly all the liquor out. Mr. Bradley gave her husband $3000 to start the saloon. He got to drinking heavily, and neglected the business. She finally become disgusted and took the above steps.

Severe Blizzard.

New York, Nov. 28.—When the people of New York awoke yesterday morning they found the blizzard which was raging when they retired was still in progress. The storm, which began with a soft, sleety snow on Saturday noon, increased gently as the day wore on, with heavier snowfall, the wind blowing a gale at midnight. There was a slight abatement of the wind yesterday morning, but the snow still fell and drifted high, and the temperature dropped rapidly. It looked as though the blizzard would continue all day, but at 10 o'clock there was a breaking away in the west, and finally the storm ceased altogether, and the severest blizzzard since the memorable one of March, 1888, came to an end. The wind blew at the rate of fifty-nine to sixty miles an hour during the height of the storm.

The fall in New York city, the weather bureau reports, was about ten inches, Philadelphia nine inches, Boston six inches, Portland, Me., four inches, Albany a little over an inch.

At Boston and throughout New England the blizzard raged with great force.

John Beckham had a leg cut off in the Tervell, Tex., oil mill.

Goes Soon.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Archbishop P. L. Chappelle, whom the pope has appointed delegate to the West Indies, has returned from his extended visit to Europe and is stopping here a short time on his way to New Orleans. The archbishop expects very soon to enter upon his work in Porto Rico, remaining principally at Ponce, but will make a trip through the island. Later he will go to Santiago and then to Havana.

Creeks Adjourn.

Muscogee, I. T., Nov. 28.—The Creek council adjourned without passing any resolutions to revive the Dawes treaty, which was recently rejected by popular vote of the Creek people. This is a victory for Isparhecher, principal chief of the Creek nation, who, with most of the full-bloods, was opposed to the treaty, and dashes the hopes of the treaty party, who had hoped to get the council to reconsider and have another vote on the treaty taken.

TEXAS AFFAIRS

Matters of Interest to the Citizens of This State.

Turquoise King Killed.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 29.—A. J. Demules, better known as the "Turquoise King of the Jarillas," was murdered at his celebrated turquoise mine fifty miles north of El Paso, in the Jarillas mountains of New Mexico, at an early hour yesterday morning by a Mexican with whom he had quarreled about a trivial matter. Demules was shot in the back with a sixshooter while eating breakfast, and was instantly killed.

After the killing the slayer attempted to escape, but was pursued by several American employes. A determined effort was made to lynch the prisoner taken by the Americans by the large force of mine employes, but the Americans who had the prisoner in custody stood guard with winchesters and prevented mob violence. The prisoner and the corpse of Demules were brought to El Paso on the same train last night.

Demules was born in New York city thirty-eight years ago. He was until recently a poor prospector, but three years ago obtained sufficient money from a resident of El Paso to develop his turquoise claim in the Jarillas. His mines proved to be of fabulous richness. His first sale to Tiffany of New York netted Demules $10,000, and he became known as the "Turquoise King of the Jarillas."

Fort Worth Killing.

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 29.—Arthur Pierson was shot to death last night shortly after 9 o'clock by James Neal. The tragedy occurred at 1013 Main street, the upstairs of which is used for lodging and run by Ed Dinwiddie, and the bottom floor of which is utilized for stores. Neal used a pistol. Four shots were fired, three of which took effect. One of the bullets entered near the right nipple and the other two plowed through the dead man's neck. His neck was badly powder-burned and his right hand showed a wound which he probably received from his fall to the floor.

The killing was in the southeast room of the lodging-house, and was rather small in dimensions. Pierson fell on his back, his head near the door, with a spring-back knife by his side. He bled profusely, and his shirts and vest were saturated with blood. At the time of the difficulty the deceased, the accused and another party named T. R. Elledge were present. Elledge would make no further statement than that it was a combat to the death, Pierson using a knife while his antagonist brought into play the pistol.

Boy Died.

Temple, Tex., Nov. 29.—Marion Brown, the 10-year-old son of S. E. Brown, who lives near Temple, died from the effects of injuries received last Thursday. The boy visited his grandfather, Mr. Cooksey, Thanksgiving day, and approached the house through a pasture. He found there a "muley" cow and a young calf, and he attempted to drive them to the lot. The cow attacked him, butting him down and rolling him over on the ground. Mr. Cooksey late that evening learned that the cow had a calf, and decided to go drive her up. He found the boy helpless and in a good condition to be frozen. No bones were broken, but internal injuries were received, resulting in death.

Banana Magnates.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 29.—Mr. W. N. Sayre, president, and Mr. A. W. Fisk of the Eureka Banana company are here awaiting the arrival of Mr. Grant Smith, superintendent of the company at Bocas del Toro. They have already visited Mobile and New Orleans, and are now investigating Galveston. As soon as Mr. Smith arrives they will determine to which the three ports they will run their line of banana steamers.

Turkeys Plentiful.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 29.—It is said that wild turkeys are very plentiful on the Territory side of Red river, that the big prairie fires have driven them from their homes out of danger. Certain is it that several hunting parties during the past few days have had unusual success, one party bagging fifteen large gobblers.

Memorial Services.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 29.—The special memorial services held in honor of the soldiers and sailors killed in the recent war were largely attended at the First Cumberland Presbyterian church. A stack of arms draped in mourning, surmounted by the stars and stripes, occupied a prominent place in the decorations of the church.

The Carlists are growing active. French troops seized Mauser rifles consigned to them, and a manifesto.

By Morphine.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 30.—A. J. Inglet died at an early hour yesterday morning in the room he has occupied at the St. Charles hotel since his arrival in this city, nearly four weeks ago from Mansfield, La. He was found in an unconscious condition Sunday morning at 8 o'clock by the landlord, Mr. Stapp. Medical attention was given him and Monday for a while it looked as if he would recover, but the unfortunate man grew worse in the night and finally succumed. Justice Baker was notified yesterday. The body was inquested and turned over to the undertaker, pending the arrival of his son from Arkansas.

The inquest finding was that deceased came to his death from an overdose of morphine administered by his own hand.

A. M. Inglet of Duqueen, Ark., has arrived and states the dead man is his father. He had not seen him for over six years, but had heard from him regularly. He says he does not think that his father used morphine as a drug regularly, the last letter being dated from Mansfield, La., Nov. 1, the day before he, the deceased, was to leave for Sherman to have a patent modeled.

Not Collectable.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 30.—Sheriff Thomas has just received word from the comptroller at Austin that he can not recover the expense he incurred in the celebrated Lillie Smith case. More than three years ago the defendant was convicted in the criminal district court here of keeping a disorderly house, and was fined $400, which sum she could not pay. In January of this year her attorney applied for a writ of habeas corpus to the court of criminal appeals, then sitting at Dallas. It was granted and the court issued its process commanding Sheriff Thomas to produce the body of Lillie Smith before that tribunal at once. He complied, and upon hearing the prisoner was discharged. It cost the sheriff $48 to take the woman there and provide for her, which amount the comptroller now advises he is in no way responsible for. Mr. Thomas has been trying ever since to collect it, but his last resort has failed.

Rock Island Officials.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 30.—J. W. Purdy of Chicago, president of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific; E. T. Jeffrey of Denver, president of the Denver and Rio Grande; S. B. Hovey of Fort Worth, vice president of the Chicago, Rock Island and Texas; J. C. McCabe, general freight agent of the same road; Charles DD. Golding, commercial agent of the Rock Island at Houston; Miss Purdy, Miss Jeffrey and a lady friend, arrived here in two private cars over the Laporte road yesterday morning, and left for Houston yesterday afternoon over the Santa Fe, after inspecting Galveston's shipping facilities and the jetties, and riding over the city. The officials said the trip was for pleasure, and that no railroad deal was on.

Well Pleased.

Mr. George A. Baker, president of the Continental National bank of St. Louis, is at Fort Worth. He says that he is taking a month's recreation, and he states that he does not know of any way that he could enjoy himself more than by spending a month in Texas in meeting different bankers. He said that his bank had probably a larger number of correspondents from Texas than any other St. Louis national bank, and that out of the hundred or more banks that he did business with, he could not recall that his institution had ever lost a cent. This is his first trip to the sttae, and he is much pleased with what he has seen. He will visit Houston, Galveston and other points before returning home.

For Cuba.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 30.—Pryor, Davis & Hill completed another shipment of Texas cattle to the Cuban coast last night. More than 500 head of beeves were loaded yesterday afternoon, and left after dark for the other island. Accompanying the shipment was Mr. D. C. Pryor, brother of the San Antonio cattleman, who will make his residence in Havana. The cattle comprising this shipment came from points on the Southern Pacific railway.

George Dixon defeated Oscar Gardner in a twenty-five round fight before the Lenox Athletic club, New York.

The widow of P. T. Barnum, the famous showman, is reported engaged to a nobleman at Paris, France.

Rifle Sight.

Cleburne, Tex., Nov. 30.—Major C. Dickson is in receipt of a letter from his son, Lieut. Tracy C. Dickson, of the army, who is stationed at Boston, Mass., stating that the government had accepted a new rifle sight he had invented, and would provide all guns with them. The sight regulates the range, and enables one to fire at an object regardless of the wind being high.

Banquet to Sayers.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 28.—Saturday night at the Oriental hotel Gov.-elect Sayers was tendered a banquet by the Commercial club of this city. Covers were laid for 105 guests and a number of visitors from various parts of the state were present. J. E. Farnsworth of Dallas was toastmaster. Following were the toasts:

Welcome, Mayor J. H. Traylor.

Address, C. L. Wakefield, president Dallas Commercial club.

"Texas from a Business Standpoint," Hon. Joseph D. Sayers.

"Cattle Interests and Cattle Men of Texas," J. D. Childs.

"How Shall we Get the Balance of Trade in our Favor?" James Moroney.

"Citizenship of Texas," Mr. R. E. L. Saner.

"The Horse in Texas," Mr. Henry Exall.

"The Hog," Hon Barnett Gibbs.

"The Necessity of Commercial Organization," W. Illingworth.

"The Texas State Fair," Capt. Sydney Smith.

"Dallas," Mr. W. C. Connor.

"The Ideal State," Hon. George N. Aldredge.

Major Sayers was given an ovation when he rose to respond to the toast, "Texas from a Business Standpoint," and his remarks from start to finish were liberally punctuated with applause from his interested listeners.

Col. J. F. Elliott was programmed for "Raw Materials," but requested Judge Reagan to speak in his stead. The judge thanked the club for inviting him; said he fought Indians on Village creek near Dallas, fifty-two years ago, represented Dallas in the legislature and afterward in congress.

Badly Burned.

Italy, Tex., Nov. 28.—Mrs. B. F. Self, wife of the superintendent of the oil mill here, was badly burned Saturday night. Her clothing was ignited from a heater in her room at the Windham hotel. She ran from her room and was met on the stairway by Mr. M. Martin, a cotton buyer, who seized her, but failed to hold her on account of the flames. At the bottom of the stairway Mr. Windham and Mr. Martin succeeded in arresting her flight and with blankets and water soon extinguished the flames. Her physicians pronounce her injuries very severe, though not fatal. She is burned from her feet to her head, but the deepest burns are about the lower extremities. Mr. Martin's hands were badly burned while extinguishing the flames, his left hand being burned almost to a crisp. Mr. Windham is also suffering from a severely burned hand.

Awful Accident.

The 2-year-old son of J. A. Caslin of El Paso met with a shocking accident. While romping about the house with a button hook in his hand he tripped and fell. The sharp end of the button hook penetrated his left eye cavity just above the eyeball and was driven in fully two inches by the force of the fall. The hook reached the brain and became entangled among the optic nerves. The child was entirely conscious, but suffered treribly, and it was necessary to chloroform it before the shoe hook was withdrawn. The accident totally destroyed the child's eye

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Large Shipment.

Streikert & Co. of Brenham has probably made one of the largest single cottin shipments ever made in Texas. It required thirty-six box cars for the shipment, and three locomotives to pull the train. There were 2000 bales of cotton in the consignment, which went to Galveston. It will be exported in part to Bremen, Germany, and the remainder to Reval, Russia. The entire lot of cotton was brought to Brenham by wagon. Every car was decorated with flags and streamers. The train was nearly a quarter of a mile long.

Beaumont Killing.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 28.—In a difficulty between George Anderson and Oliver Nayes the latter lost his life. The killing is said to have been the result of family troubles. A double-barreled shotgun loaded with buckshot was used. The shooting occurred at the home of Nayes' wife, near the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf depot, and the dead man was later found lying in the middle of Washington street, within a few inches of the Pee Gee track.

Clark & Courts' strike, at Galveston, Tex., has been settled. The employes will be paid a 10 per cent increase over St. Louis scale.

Considerable snow has fallen in northwest Texas.

Two Accidents.

Temple, Tex., Nov. 28.—J. B. Legg, yardmaster in the Katy yards here, Saturday night fell from an engine while climbing aboard. His left hand was badly crushed under the trucks. It is thought that all his fingers and thumb are lost. He went to the Sedalia hospital.

Saturday night in the Santa Fe yards a switch engine turned over. Frank McConley, a switchman and yard foreman, had his foot crushed.

New Telephone Building.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 25—Charles J. Glidden, president; E. K. Baker, superintendent, and George W. Foster, special agent of the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company, arrived here yesterday, and were in conference with leading citizens. They came on important business. The Southwestern Telephone company has acquired property from J. D. Shaw for its new building. The purchase consists of a valuable lot at the corner of North Fourth and Washington streets. The company will put its wires underground and bring its service up to that at Dallas and other first-class points. The foundation of the new building will be made without delay, and it will soon be ready to move into from the present location corner of Fourth street and Austin avenue. The company bought the land in fee simple, and paid cash for it, the transfer being recorded yesterday afternoon.

It was to secure the site, chiefly, that brought President Glidden and his party to Waco.

Gold Found.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 25.—Two huge veins of ore, one of them forty-seven feet in width, carrying gold, silver and copper, have just been discovered by Charles Blanchard, railroad agent at Fort Hancock, this county. The discovery was made in the range of mountains on the other side of the Rio Grande, in Mexico, almost opposite Fort Hancock. The ore from the two veins assays $400 in gold and 300 ounces of silver and 30 per cent copper to the ton. Blanchard has resigned his position to develop his mines.

The land on which the strike was made lies in the Mexican free zone, and can not be owned by an alien. In order to possess himself of the claims, Blanchard entered into partnership with Gov. Ahumada of Chihuahua and Gen. Hernandez, commander of the Chihuahua military department, and the claims are held in their names.

Widow Robbed.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 25.—Intelligence has reached this city of a bold burglary at Clarksville, Red River county, last night about 10 o'clock, which has thrown that place into a state of excitement. About that hour four or five men, all white, went to the residence of a widow whose name can not be ascertained. One of them knocked on the door, and the lady's daughter, answering, was knocked down and severely bruised. The men then looted the house and secured about $500 and fled. One man suspected has been detained. Bloodhounds were used, and a trail taken up by them ended at Annona, a few miles east of Clarksville, through which place a freight train, due to reach Texarkana Junction at 3 a. m., had passed before the arrival of the posse.

Four Brothers Arrested.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 25.—Ed. John, Daws and Evans Winningham, four brothers, ranging respectively from 18 to 24 years of age, are in Houston street jail, where they were placed Wednesday night, and are held on complaints filed in the justice court by Sheriff Shrewsbury, charging them with the burglary of the store of W. W. Day at Sunbeam postoffice, Grayson county, about twenty-two miles from Sherman, and near the Collin county line.

Cotton Fire.

Gainesvile, Tex., Nov. 25.—Two flat cars of cotton of fifty-two bales each that were brought in by the Katy and left standing on the track by the compress platform burned last evening. It could not be learned who the cotton belonged to, or the amount of insurance on it. he burning cotton was moved promptly from the compress platform and unloaded. No other cotton was injured.

Store Burns.

Brownwood, Tex., Nov. 25.—A frame business house on East Broadway, occupied by Mrs. Groom, milliner, was completely destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock Wednesday night. The building was supposedly caught from fire left in the stove at the close of the day's business. Prompt action on the part of the fire company saved the adjoining buildings. Total loss on stock and building $1250. No insurance.

North Texas Conference.

The North Texas Methodist conference is in session at Greenville, Bishop Galloway presiding. The attendance is very large, and much interest being manifested.

Boarding House Destroyed.

Venus, Tex., Nov. 25.—Yesterday morning about 5 o'clock the two-story boarding-house of J. H. Banks, together with the contents, was consumed by fire, only a small amount of the furniture being saved. Cause unknown. Insurance about $1500 on building and contents.

Postal Clerk W. F. Carden was arrested at Montgomery, Ala., charged with rifling a registered letter.

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DUBLIN, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DEC. 2, 1898.

An extra session of congress may shortly be called.

South Dakota elected a fusionist governor and the balance of the state ticket republican.

The Bonham Review says the democratic vote for county officers in Fannin county is 2000 less than in 1896.

Frank Gaston, of the Granbury News, is an applicant before Gov. Sayers for the position of state expert printer.

The appointments given out by Major Sayers counted more than sixteen disappointments to one appointment.

It is a question whether the United States should count her possession of the Philippines as liabilities or assets.

It appears that in Texas the democratic party can do anything, declare for or against anything, or nominate anything, and yet win.

John B. Shaw, who so cruelly murdered Tom Crane near Cleburne in November of last year, paid the penalty of his crime on the gallows Friday of last week.

Spain has reluctantly acceeded to the demands of the United States as to cedeing of the entire group of the Philippine islands to the United States as one condition of the signing of a peace treaty.

The fact that something like five thousand applicants were after the twenty-six appointments in the power of the governor is conclusive evidence that the democrats of Texas have no very short appetite for pie.

There is no end to the number of trusts nor the products upon which they are based. The latest is a pecan trust and a St. Louis syndicate already has $50,000 in the nuts and is anxious to corner the remainder.

The recent election in Erath county gave Gibbs a majority of fifty-one votes over Sayers, outside of Thurber. The Thurber box gave Gibbs 70 and Sayers 447, reversing the majority of 51 for Gibbs to 326 for Sayers.

A fistic encounter in New York on Tuesday night of last week between Jim Corbett and Tom Sharkey for the heavy-weight championship boxer of the world, resulted in a verdict for Sharkey on a foul. All bets were declared off.

The democrats of Texas repudiate the initiative and referendum, or direct legislation, and government ownership of railroads. Wm. J. Bryan is an ardent advocate of both and is the president of the National Direct Legislation League of America.

The black belt of Texas went almost solidly for Sayers. This, with the white republican vote, the votes of the gold standard and free silver democrats and some populists who did not know better, made up the brutal majority received by Sayers.

Under a recent ruling of the Attorney General depositors can draw money from any bank in which they may have it deposited without placing a revenue stamp on the check, providing that document is made payable to themselves and drawn in person.

Perfect Health.

Keep the system in perfect order by the occasional use of Tutt's Liver Pills. They regulate the bowels and produce

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For sick headache, malaria, biliousness, constipation and kindred diseases, an absolute cure

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A clever chemist in one of the eastern states has devolved a method of manufacturing a first-class grade of newspaper from the outer portion, or hull, of the corn-stalk. It is stated that this discovery will work a revolution in the paper-making industry which will result in greatly decreasing the price of the finished article.

Colony precinct in Rains county votes a total of seventy-three ballotts and out of this number in the recent election seventy-two were populists and one a democrat. Another significant fact about this precinct is that there has been but one misdemeanor case in the justice court there during the year.

Barney Gibbs, Harry Tracy and Jerome Kearby say they are no longer populists. They are expected to turn up in the democratic ranks again. Barney says he went into the last campaign to have a lot of fun, and he had it.—Hamilton Herald.

It looks like Gibbs and Kearby and Tracy have been slandered enough by the democratic press without now calling them democrats or intimating that they would ever be. They have all unqualifiedly denounced the above report as a malicious fabrication.

The democratic press are now busy circulating the fabrication that Gibbs and Kearby have quit the people's party. Some of them are publishing a fake interview gotten up by the Houston Post as having been the words of Barnett Gibbs to a reporter of that paper. In view of the notorious record of the Houston Post as an unreliable and untrustworthy newspaper it is hardly necessary to state that Gibbs has denounced the alleged interview as a fabrication pure and simple.

Reform papers throughout Texas express themselves more determined than ever to hold out the beacon light of populism. We take this as a reflex of reform voters, and it gives us courage to dare to advocate a doctrine that is apparently most unpopular in this county. The Progress was here and gave its voice for populism before we had ever elected a county ticket in Erath county and alone did its best towards fighting the battles of reform. We expect to remain and continue just the same, only to make a better paper out of the Progress than ever. We have not been built up by public "pap" and will lose no source of revenue because the county has gone democratic. We expect no public printing from the democrats, now that they are in power, and we received none from the populists when they were in power, hence we are under no obligations to either, and from choice will continue to espouse the cause of populism to the best of our humble ability, simply because we believe it to be right.

The populist state ticket received a large vote in Texas, but the democratic majority there is so beastly that when it is said Texas has gone democratic by two hundred thousand, one would almost think the other fellows were not very numerous.—Missouri World.

There are 539,778 voters in Texas. The broadest democratic estimate places the vote this year at 400,000. There has not been that many votes polled, and Gibbs will get 130,000. Sayers' majority will be 140,000 or less, and with a silent vote of 200,000 to be reckoned with, the democratic victory will not appear to be such a sweeping victory after all.—Mercury.

The eastern papers have got a new thing to find fault about concerning Kansas populists. A New York paper says: "During the past couple of years the populist farmers of that state have gotten out of debt, and now that they are out of debt they are holding onto their wheat for higher prices. This means increased cost of living for consumers of bread." It is indeed too bad that Kansas populists cannot please New Yorkers. First they go in and capture the state government and reduce taxation, pay off state debts until the credit of the state is the best in the Union, and then turn around and get out of debt themselves and laugh at the world. It is really too bad, don't you know?—The New Road.

District Court.

The following is the proceedings of the present term of the district court:

W. R. Watson, theft of one horse; plea of guilty and two years in the pen.

Ike Armstrong, theft of cattle, three cases; acquitted in one case, given two years in another and the other pending.

W. L. Gardiner, assault to murder, dismissed.

Willis Keith, assault to rape, dismissed.

Jim Keith, robbery, dismissed.

J. W. Albin, assault to murder, dismissed.

Jas. L. Humberson, seduction, dismissed.

Walter Miller, theft of horse, dismissed.

Chas. Long, theft of cattle, dismissed.

Willard Philips, charged with the murder of his father, acquitted. He has since been placed in the insane asylum at Terrell.

C. D. Williams, charged with the murder of Jesse Brumlow, acquitted.

Jasper Rodman, charged with the murder of Ad Freeman and Babe Kelley, continued.

John Flowers, burglary, two cases and two years in each case.

J. N. Webb, forgery, bond forfeited.

Harry Williams, murder of Austin King, verdict of guilty and penalty assessed at eighteen years.

Frank Miller, theft of two cattle, verdict of not guilty.

Eighteen Years Sentence.

The jury in the Williams case for the murder of Austin King last August which was tried in the district court at Stephenville last week returned a verdict late Thursday of eighteen years imprisonment in the state penitentiary. An appeal has been taken to the higher courts.

Twenty Year Sentence.

The jury in the case of Mrs. Harry Williams for the murder of Austin King at Stephenville last August, returned a verdict last Tuesday of guilty of murder and assessed the penalty at imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term of twenty years. Notice of appeal from the decision of the jury has been given.

A painful though not serious accident occurred to Dr. B. F. Archer one day last week, from which he has been wearing a suggestive bandage on his head and incidentally telling his friends "how it happened." The doctor was exercising his muscle in an effort to chop some wood for his good wife to cook with, and unluckily there was a clothes-line just over the woodpile. The axe caught on the line and the force of the blow came backward with the back of the axe against his forehead, cutting an ugly gash of several inches.

One day this week G. H. Connell, desiring to visit the feed pens at Comancne and to lose no time after he got there, telegraphed a liveryman at Comanche to meet him at the train with a horse, and the operator or the liveryman made a mistake and read it "a hearse." The result was the undertaker with a hearse and several hundred friends met Mr. Connell at the train, supposing he had the misfortune to lose some of his family suddenly and was having the corpse shipped there for interment.

Dr. J. G. O'Brien returned last week from a trip of several weeks to Chicago, where he went by way of Kansas City and Omaha, in company with Miss Ella Maddux, who is now attending medical college there. The doctor also took a post graduate course at one of Chicago's universities while there and says that he purchased a large number of the latest novelties and improvements in surgical appliances.

About 6:30 o'clock last Saturday night a caboose belonging to the west bound freight on the Central caught fire in the yards here while the train was doing some switching, and it was considerable damaged before the fire boys got there, but they made short work of the crackling flames when they did arrive. The fire is supposed to have caught from the stove in the caboose.

The oil mill here has on hand something over twelve thousand tons of cotton seed, which is a sufficient amount to run until the middle of the summer. To this amount on hand Mr. Connell expects, before the season is out, to add something like two thousand tons more.

The younger generation having a hankering for painting the town a smoky red during the holidays should remember the fact that there is a city ordinance extant against the burning of fire works of any description on the public streets or alleys of the city.

Easy fit means a good deal in a pair of jeans working pants. The Buckskin Breeches are not cut by guesswork; they are cut by men who know how to cut; they are stitched with care, and with the best thread, and the buttons are on to stay. They're the kind of working pants that fit and look well, and are sold for the same price as common goods.

Mr. Lavalle Mobley of this city, and Miss May Perkins of Hico, were married at Fort Worth last Sunday, from which place they immediately went to Weatherford to make their future home. Lavalle is a Dublin boy, having grown up from childhood here, and he has hosts of friends. The couple have our best wishes.

Mr. Tab Tomme and Miss Maud Brown were married last Sunday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents in this city, Rev. A. J. Tant officiating. Our best wishes are tendered the young couple for a prosperous and happy future extending through many years.

We are requested to say that Tax Collector Chamberlin will be in Dublin next Tuesday and Wednesday, December 6th and 7th, for the purpose of collecting state and county taxes. All who want to pay their taxes should be sure to see him and save a trip to Stephenville.

Erath County Teachers' Institute.

Program of Institute to be held at Stephenville, Friday night and Saturday, Dec. 9th and 10th, 1898:

Friday night, 7:30—Music. Invocation by Rev. J. B. Fletcher. Music. Recitation. An address, "Needs of the Schools," by Prof. O. F. Chastain. Discussion, J. W. Kinsey. Debate: Resolved, That the district schools should confine their work to primary instruction. Affirmative, E. Fleming, Davis Doyle, W. O. Wright; negative, G. A. Coffey, A. M. Marrs, J. W. Mitchell.

Saturday, 10 a. m.—Music. An address, Hon. L. N. Frank. Discussion. Music. Recitation. Paper, "The Teacher's Preparation for Each Day's Work," Miss Emma Perry. Discussion, Prof. Nance. "Physical Geography; Its Opportunities," Prof. J. B. Jones. Discussion, Prof. Everet. Noon.

1:30 p. m.—Music. Organization. Election of officers. Miscellaneous business. "The One Thing Needful in the Instruction of the Pupil," Miss Pearle Pouder. "The End of Education, 'Character,'" A. C. Tate. Discussion, Geo. Wadlington.

Fred McCampbell came in yesterday evening, having received an honorable discharge from the army.

Excursion.

On December 20th and 21st the Ft. Worth & Rio Grande Railway Co. will have on sale holiday excursion tickets to points in the southeast at rate of one fare for round trip, final limit 30 days, and will have through cars from our line on these dates.

For the Farmer,s Nation Congress which meets at Fort Worth December 6th to 14th, the Fort Worth & Rio Grande will sell round trip tickets to Fort Worth and return December 5th and 6th limited for return to December 15th at rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip.

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"I am the mother of a nice baby four and a half months old," writes Mrs. J. B. Clough, (Box 203,) of Lisbon, Grafton Co., N. H. "I cannot give too much praise to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription."

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THROWN FROM A HORSE.

Mr. H. Kuhn, of Marion, Kansas, writes: "About three years ago my granddaughter, Bertha Whitwood, was thrown from a horse, receiving a wound of the scalp. Though under the treatment of physicians for several months the wound remained about the same, until it finally became very angry-looking, and broke out into a running sore. This soon spread to other parts of the scalp and ran down the side of the neck, increasing in severity and fearfully disfiguring her. She was then placed under the care of the faculty of a well-known hospital, but even the treatment she received there failed to arrest the terrible sore. Reading of the many cures of blood troubles effected by S. S. S., we decided to try it, and it relieved her promptly. In a few months she was entirely cured, and scarcely a mark now remains where the disease held full sway."



A GUNSHOT WOUND.

Capt. J. H. McBrayer, the well-known distiller, of Lawrenceburg, Ky., says: "Some years ago I was shot in the receiving what I considered only a wound. It developed into a running sore and gave me a great deal of pain and inconvenience. I was treated by many doctors and took a number of blood remedies, but none did me any good and did not seem to check the progress of the sore. I had heard Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) highly recommended for the blood, and concluded to give it a trial, and the result was very gratifying. S. S. S. seemed to get right at the trouble, and forced the poison out of my blood; soon afterwards the sore healed up and sound and well. I am sure S. S. S. the best blood remedy made."



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LOCAL ITEMS.

Dick Oxford removed last week from Dublin to Stephenville and has assumed the duties of county attorney.

Not less than twenty-five persons have inquired at the Progress office in the past two weeks for vacant houses.

The citizens of Iredell are taking an active interest toward the establishment there of a roller flouring mill.

See the advertisement of G. M. Bowie which appears at the top of the fifth and sixth columns on local or fifth page. 28-tf

A number of Dublin's young sports spent Thanksgiving day and week in quest of game on the surrounding prairies.

The enormous and unsightly piles of wood on the territory about the oil mills are no more—the mills now use coal.

The chief of construction of the Rio Grande railroad was here this week arranging for some alterations in the switch yards.

Harris Grocery Co. is now moving into their new quarters, in the Leggett building, formerly occupied by the Dublin Music Co.

Santa Claus time is almost here and if any merchant in Dublin has holiday goods they have up to this date failed to notify the public.

Business men who have a little spare money to invest can do so profitably just now. See the advertisement of G. M. Bowie at top of local page. 28-tf

C. S. Ellis, of east Tennessee, arrived here this week and has accepted a position with Thompson's photo gallery. He is a cousin to Mr. Thompson.

It is reported that ex-Sheriff Freeman anticipates removing shortly to Strawn, in Palo Pinto county, and engaging in the mercantile business.

Dublin still has a few merchants who don't hold every dollar until the eagle screams and they are advertisers and are the people who are doing the business.

DeLeon merchants are doing a gigantic business, judging by the advertising columns of the Free Press, which, in all local papers, is a never failing index.

Rumor has it that Wade Arnold, formerly of this place, was elected county judge of Collinsworth county, as the democratic nominee, in the election of November 8th.

The grand jury is in session and enjoying a monopoly of most of the accurate news regarding the sensations occurring and having recently occurred within the county.

If you owe anything to anybody that you didn't pay yesterday pay it to-day or at least to-morrow, but remember "don't put off until to-morrow what you can do to-day."

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.

Six thousand head of sheep are expected to arrive next week at the oil mill feed pens to be fattened for the market. They are shipped from the west by Godair & Garrett.

A box house heretofore situated on the Central reservation near the Waters-Pierce oil tank was moved this week to the rear of the ice factory where it will be used for a stable.

In the United States district court at Waco on Tuesday of last week Tom Day and Wayne and Ben Hubbard were tried and found guilty of burglary of the postoffice at Walnut Springs.

Those desiring to come before our deliberate body of town councilmen, or city dads, will remember that the council meets in regular session on the third Tuesday night in each month.

We are informed by the attending physician that Oda Cotton who accidentally cut his own throat very badly recently, an account of which appeared in the Progress last week, is improving.

Dr. Deffenbaugh, who was formerly a partner in the medical profession with Dr. Archer of this city, but who some months ago moved to Missouri, is now holding a position as lecturer in the St. Joseph (Missouri) Medical College. The doctor's numerous friends here will be glad to hear of his success.

The Central depot and yards is the neatest and prettiest in the state, no matter where you go, and still the improvements continue. The Central management deserves the thanks and consideration of the people of Dublin for the amount of work they are having done here.

Numbers of populists have been heard by this writer since the election to express themselves as being forever hereafter opposed to the primary system, wherein the members of one political party can vote in the primaries of another in order to nominate the weakest man.

A brakeman on the Texas Central by the name of Earnest Clark was caught between two cars at Alexander recently while making a coupling and was badly hurt. He was unconscious for three hours but is again reported at work and sound as ever. Clark was once a citizen of De Leon.

If you know any news give it to the Progress and thus help us without cost to yourself. Every newspaper appreciates courtesies of this kind and they are a great help to the overworked editor who, in a town the size of Dublin, is compelled to do the work of several men.

Several cases of small pox have recently been in quarantine at Grandbury, but quarantine has now been raised. The expense to the county was about $700 but the prompt action of the court in dealing with the matter prevented its spreading.

Dick Moore is having his residence on Black Jack street remodeled and considerable improvements made. J. H. Frazier, who resides a little farther east on the same street, has also recently added to the appearance of his residence.

The newly elected sheriff of Palo Pinto county was killed one day last week by a horse falling upon him. He had not yet taken the oath of office. The vacancy will be filled by appointment of the commissioners' court.

Utterback & Harris have this week purchased the hardware business of R. B. Spencer and Mr. Spencer has purchased the lumber business of the former firm. Each will add the newly purchased stock to their own line.

The cotton receipts of the metropolis will likely not fall short of twenty thousand bales. Already more than three fourths of that amount has been marketed, not counting compress cotton or that which is shipped here.

The Progress has never experienced a time when it was apparently more appreciated than at the present. We judge from the manner in which our patrons are paying up onsubscription and new ones being added.

A little boy of Dr. J. G. O'Brien's was kicked by a horse early yesterday morning while coming to town on his bicycle. The boy was apparently badly stunned for a time, but at this writing is not thought to be badly hurt.

The barber and bath rooms operated by Pipes & Eddleman are neat, clean and cozy, with everything arranged for the convenience and comfort of customers. The work you get there is not inferior by long odds.

Larner's gin at Paluxy caught fire at the gin stand last Friday night from friction, and for a while it was thought it was a "goner", but a good crowd of hard fighters saved the building.—Grandbury Democrat.

Hon. Evan Jones was taken sick some weeks ago with nervous prostration while on a business trip in east Texas. He at once returned home and has since been almost continually confined to his home.

The law firm of Nugent & Kearby has dissolved and ex-County Attorney Jarrott and Mr. Nugent have formed a copartnership. Mr. Kearby will remain at Stephenville and practice his profession.

Personal Notes.

Dr. G. P. Herndon and wife spent Thanksgiving day in Comanche.

Green Harrison expects to leave to-morrow for Aspermont, Stonewall county.

J. H. Kirklen of McCullough county, is here this week visiting with relatives.

G. H. Connell left Wednesday for a trip to Ft. Worth and may go to the territory before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. St. Clair and Mrs. S. J. Thomas spent a portion of last week with friends here.

Col. J. H. Holcomb of Cisco, passed through town Wednesday en route to Stephenville on a business trip.

Ed Wilder has just returned from a trip through Brown county in the interest of the J. H. Wilder music house.

Mrs. R. F. Dunn, wife of the newly appointed pastor of the Methodist church at Harbin was here Wednesday en route to her new home.

Removal.

December 1st we move to Leggett building, Patrick street, formerly occupied by Dublin Music Co., and hope to see our friends and customers call and see us.
26-2t HARRIS GROCER CO.

Cash paid for corn, hay and oats at the Ice Factory. tf.

The bill collector was in evidence on all sides yesterday.

Cheap Xmas Presents.

First-class 16x20 India ink Crayon only $1.50, and frames cheaper than the materials they are made of can be bought in Texas. Come at once as Xmas is almost here. THOMPSON.
The Up-to-date Photographer.
27-4t. Dublin, Texas.

Postmaster A. L. Kemp of Pigeon, this county, has resigned.

The best line of shoes and hats in West Texas at Tom Miller's. tf

All dress patterns sold by Utterback & Harris, at or above 50c per yard will be cut and fitted without expense to the purchaser in any desired pattern. This is a saving.

A Bargain For Someone.

One of the most desirable farms in Erath county located only six miles from Dublin. 150 acres, all good land and under fence, 125 acres in good state of cultivation and fenced into three fields, balance in pasture. Fine orchard with all varieties of fruits and berries, good six room stone residence, barn and cribs, fine well and windmill and a rent house. half mile from blacksmith shop, gin, post-office, school and churches, the best improved place in Erath county. Will sell for $20 an acre and throw in improvements, terms to suit.
JOE BONDURANT, Dublin.

Rev. W. W. Patrick of this place, preaches on the fourth Sunday in each month at Stephenville.

This week is the last of the present term of district school.

Tom Miller is paralyzing competion in the dry goods business. tf

A Card of Thanks.

I take this opportunity to thank the men of the oil mill for their generous contribution of $12.75 to Buckner Orphans' Home. I know not in whose mind and heart the thought first originated, but I assure you, one and all, that I appreciate most ardently this contribution to the orphans.
Respectfully,
A. J. TANT.

Corn, hay, oats for sale at the Ice Factory. 'Phone 41. tf.

Prof. E. A. Cowan, who has for some time been on the Progress force, has decided to take a rest for a time.

H. R. Kaneaster has in stock twenty kinds of cigars, viz: Gen. Arthur, Elkhorn Bouquet, Thomas Caryle, Lillian Russell, Silver Eagle, Larosa Havana, La Garciaca, Perfectos, Salmon P. Chase, David Crockett, Key West, Seidenbergs Figaros, Texas Twist, Rough Diamond, Flobs De Thomas, Arthuretts, Pocha Wando. 26tf

Liverpool Salt.

Car Liverpool salt to arrive about December 1st.
27-2t. HARRIS GROCER CO.

Services in the Episcopal church next Sunday morning and evening. Rev. W. W. Patrick officiating.

It will soon be 1899 and then New Year resolutions will temporarily hold sway.

Just Received.

New sugar house syrup, extra good. HARRIS GROCER CO. 23-2t

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Erath county now and then has a shower of newspapers, during which time it appears as though the entire universe is about to decide to enter the business of moulding public opinion and thereby amass greatness and riches in abundance. Later on the matter simmers down to a question of making expenses and finally they are thinned out to a stand. At the present time it appears that by the middle of January we will have no less than eight or ten papers in the county, where there is business to support but two reasonably well. The Progress, however, welcomes all the new comers that may desire to enter the arena and together with those established we expect to see in time a practical test of the survival of the fittest.

Vendor's Lien notes can be had in any quantity at the Progress office.

Townsend-Miller Co. will buy all of the oats you have in bulk. they want 10,000 bushels to fill their contract. 27-tf.

The Star Chest Co., with headquarters at Cincinnati, are preparing to locate an office here for the distribution of their patent chests for the holding of flour, meal, coffee and other necessaries of the cullinary art. They have secured rooms over the Townsend-Miller Co. and will open up next Monday.

Harve Keith has been appointed deputy by Sheriff Tut Hume.

Suit Against the City.

Suit has been brought against the city by Miss Margaret McAllister for $400 damages. Miss McAllister alleges that her property south of the Central railroad, near the roller mills, has been damaged by water to that amount by reason of news sewers that have recently been put in by the Central railroad and the city. The city denies any damage whatever and asserts that the entire property is worth less than a hundred dollars.

For a limited time we are prepared to offer the New York World three times a week; the Cosmopolitan monthly magagine and the Progress, each one year for $2 25. This offer is made for but a short period, if you want to take advantage of it—lose no time.

Tom Miller is the man to buy your tailor-made clothing from. tf

The music firm of Hall & Pollan have moved into one of the Stine buildings.

FOR SALE—86 acres of land, no improvements; price $400.00; $100 cash; balance in four annual payments.

$20,000 worth of good business property in Dublin. *Very cheap.*

Stock of dry goods and groceries, to trade for land in Erath or Comanche county or good vendor lien notes.

Money to loan on good vendor lien notes. W. E. LOWE, Dublin.

The free school term of the De Leon Public school began Monday of this week.

The Hook and Ladder boys were to have a meeting last night at the fire hall.

The quality and the quantity of beef served to the trade by the Dublin butchers is astonishingly excellent, but the price—it's out o' sight. But beef and porkers demand a high price now.

Tax Collector Chamberlin will be here next Tuesday and Wednesday, December 6th and 7th, to collect state and county taxes. He will be found in the rear room of the bank on those dates.

A Statement of Facts.

It has been said and repeated that I have taken but one course of medical lectures and just did not know it. The facts are that I took my first dental course in 1883-84 at the Vanderbilt, graduating in 1891 at the Hospital Medical & Dental College at Louisville, Ky., passing the final examination with the graduating class in medicine, anatomy, physiology, materi medica, therapeutics and general chemistry, also took the medical lectures on gynecology, surgery and practice and got the benefit of the medical clinics. In 1894 I took the fall course in medicine at the A. I. U. Medical College of Little Rock, and in '94-95 the regular six months winter course, graduating in medicine in April '95. From these facts decide as to whether yon would call it one or three courses in medicine. These are all three regular recognized reputable colleges. Find out what a reputable college must be and if you would like please investigate my medical college career. "As to not knowing it," I expect a thinking public to judge for themselves; I look to merit and not to anyone's demerits for success.
Yours for truth, equity and ethics,
C. F. ULMER, M. D., D. D. S.
Dublin, Texas, Nov. 24th.

FOR SALE!

The Two Story Rock Building known as the First National Bank corner of Patrick Street.

I will sell this building and lot for $4000 on following terms, one-fourth down, balance in three or four annual payments at 8 per cent. Oct7-3m

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After ten years of experience in buying Pianos and Organs from consigned manufacturers and selling on from 1 to 3 years time we have decided to change to a cash system We want to show the purchasers the advantage in buying for cash.

On all classes of merchandise bought and sold on credit the purchaser pays a double price. In 1898 Arbuckle coffee sold in Dublin 4 lbs. for $1.00 on credit, at the cash stores the same coffee sold at 8 lbs to the $1.00. We defy both consignment manufacturers or agents to disprove that this is the case with the music trade to-day.

We ask you to stop and think before you buy from a consignment agent who is dragging over the country with shacky hacks, poor horses, and in most cases ragged men who are often unable to pay for a nights lodging. But the poor agent can't help this. He pays double price for his goods as he buys from consignment manufacturers. In fact he pays much more than the customer should. He therefore, must necessarily sell high, and the customer has paid double price to the manufacturer and to the agent.

The average agent sells 2 organs per month. If he pays his lodging, 30 days per month, at $1 50 per day for himself and team, this makes $45.00; his wages should be $40.00 per month. This makes $85.00 that the customer has paid on two organs to the agent alone as expenses and wages. This does not include the extra profit made by the agent, the manufacturer or the middleman who furnishes the agent. Now, will you buy through such a channel in order to get 1 or 2 years time, and pay 10 per cent per annum interest on all costs of organ? which runs the ordinary parlor organ up from $125 to $150 that could be sold from $60.00 to $75.00 on the cash system.

We will sell you a **FIRST-CLASS ORGAN** with two full sets of reeds throughout, containing 122 reeds, ten stop action, double octave couplers, case 6 feet high, 5 octaves, with all modern improvements, latest designs in styles, solid walnut or oak case for $75 if cash accompanies the order or $55.00, $10 with order or deposited in your bank, balance C. O. D. with privelege to open the case and fully examine the organ before taking it out of depot; and we guarantee you to be fully satisfied or we will refund every dollar you have paid. We will sell you an organ for $65.00 that is being sold by the above described agents for $125, or $150 for $75.00. The $400.00 piano that is being sold by consignment agents we will sell for $200.00, and we will send a man to see you and close the deal on all piano contracts. We can not do this on organs unless you wish to pay the extra expense of sending a man to see you; and you must consider that if you buy cheap you must do part of the work yourself, as it costs us money to see you, and this is what we are trying to explain and show you the reason why consignment dealers and agents charge you $125.00 to $150.00 for an organ that can be sold from $65.00 to $75.00 if you pay cash and have the instrument shipped direct from the manufacturer to you. By this means you save $45.00 to $50.00 on the agents profits and $20.00 that the manufacturer charges you for carrying your long time paper.

We will refer you to **2000 CUSTOMERS** of ours now in every nook and corner of this country to show you that our goods are first-class in every respect, and that we make our contracts with our customers good. All of our instruments are fully warranted for 5 years and every warrant is made good. **CASH IS OUR MOTTO IN THE FUTURE.** We mean to buy from cash manufacturers and sell for at least half cash, balance short time. This is why we can offer you a first-class organ for $50.00 and a first-class piano for $200.00. We can sell you an organ from $30.00 to $35.00 if you want anything that cheap. Write us for catalogues. We will save you from $50.00 to $75.00 on an organ. Should you want time on part let us know.

We trust that you now understand how we can do this. We are here to stay, but not on credit. We can sell you any organ manufactured in America. Yours Respectfully,

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THE BREAKER.

In appearance he was about as commonplace as other people—a middle-aged man, inclined to portliness. As the train moved on he discussed commonplace subjects with me in a commonplace way. I should not have been surprised to have been told that he was a stockbroker or a solicitor or that he was engaged in the tea trade. In the course of our chat something happened to be said about curious occupations.

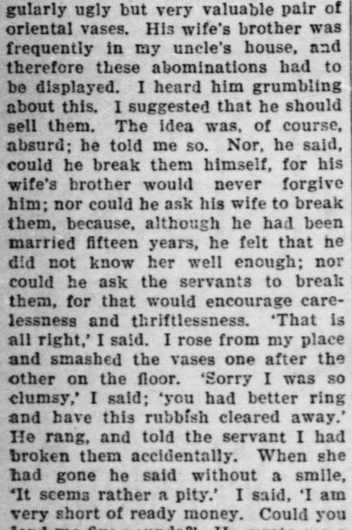
"Well," said my companion, "I do not suppose that there is any more curious occupation than my own. I am a breaker."

He had not at all the appearance of a man used to horses; but I suggested, "A horse-breaker, you mean?"

"No," he said, "just a plain breaker. A man who breaks things, breaks anything that requires to be broken; gets his living by breaking."

I glanced nervously at the communicator, though he looked even less like a lunatic than he did like a horse-breaker.

"I see," he said, smiling, "that I must explain. When I left Cambridge with a classical degree, no prospects and no influence, I looked about for a profession. I found everything overcrowded; besides, none of the professions appealed to me at all. I like to travel about a little, and I enjoy social life. I like talking—talking to anyone. I hate work of any kind. This being the case, I looked about me to see if there was not a chance for some new profession; if among our million wants there was not one that was not supplied. The idea came to me by accident. I was stopping at my uncle's house when he received as a present from his wife's brother a singularly ugly but very valuable pair of oriental vases. His wife's brother was frequently in my uncle's house, and therefore these abominations had to be displayed. I heard him grumbling about this. I suggested that he should sell them. The idea was, of course, absurd; he told me so. Nor, he said, could he break them himself, for his wife's brother would never forgive him; nor could he ask his wife to break them, because, although he had been married fifteen years, he felt that he did not know her well enough; nor could he ask the servants to break them, for that would encourage carelessness and thriftlessness. 'That is all right,' I said. I rose from my place and smashed the vases one after the other on the floor. 'Sorry I was so clumsy,' I said; 'you had better ring and have this rubbish cleared away.' He rang, and told the servant I had broken them accidentally. When she had gone he said without a smile, 'It seems rather a pity.' I said, 'I am very short of ready money. Could you lend me five pounds?' He wrote me a check for twenty, and said that I was a useful man to know of. Then I said, 'Recommend me to your friends, for already I saw the possibilities of my future profession. He mentioned me to some half-dozen people he knew, some of whom I had never seen in my life before. They sent me invita-



SMASHED THE VASES.

tions to their houses, and they indicated the objects on which I was to operate. In my first week I broke, I remember, a lamp shaped like an owl, an oil painting, a tea service and a dining-room table."

"But an oil painting," I said. "How does one break an oil painting?"

"It is simple enough," he said. "I first of all undid the wires so that the picture fell, then in picking it up I put my foot through the face. It was a portrait of my host's wife's aunt. It was more difficult to break the dining-room table. I recollect that it became necessary for the purpose to invent a somewhat boisterous form of round game. Even then we had to play it for three evenings before the legs came off. When I left this house my host handed me a check and promised to recommend me to other people. I never advertise, and I have more breaking to do than I can possibly find time for. If I could find a young man with plenty of tact I would take him as an assistant."

"It must need some tact," I suggested.

"It does. It so often happens that I am employed by the husband without the knowledge of the wife, or by the wife without the knowledge of the husband. Even with the utmost tact one gets oneself disliked, but that I must put up with. The other day one of my clients asked me to come to his house to break a dinner service. I dined there and made myself as pleasant as I could and told several good stories. But then I also broke the dinner service, or most of it, and it was one to which my hostess was much attached. She said to him afterward, 'I will never have that brute in my house again!'"

"And what did he say?"

"He said, 'I fully agree with you, my dear. To the best of my belief the man was drunk. If he had not been the son of an old college friend, I should never have asked him at all.' That was a little mean; but then it was necessary for him to cover himself in some way, and as I never break a dinner service under twenty-five pounds, I received some solatium for the indignity."

"Have you got any engagements at present?" I asked.

"Yes," he said, "I am going to one now, but it is a trifling thing requiring no tact at all. Had I an assistant I should have sent him. I am to go the day after a wedding reception, when the presents are being packed. Those which, from their ugliness or worthlessness, are not worth packing up and sending to the bridegroom's distant home, have been placed on a separate shelf. I shall upset that shelf and accidentally step on anything which is not broken in the fall. The job won't take me five minutes, and I get three guineas for it. I am doing it for the bridegroom without the knowledge of the bride. Men begin to deceive women very soon, I find."

"I have," I said, "one or two little objects in my own home which—"

But at this moment the train entered Victoria station, and though I managed to complete my sentence, and my companion said that he would be glad at any time to oblige me, in the confusion of our arrival I neglected to take his name and address or to give him mine."—Barry Pain.

SHEDDING BLUE CLOTHES.

Uncle Sam's Boys' Old Clothes Worn by Younger Patriots.

From the Chicago Tribune: Soldiers who have returned home and been mustered out are shedding the blue uniforms of Uncle Sam. A large dropping off of men wearing the blue has been noticeable since the chilly days came and especially since Colonel Young's First cavalry was paid off and discharged at Fort Sheridan on Tuesday. The Chicago troopers proceeded to get into clothes more suitable for the chilly air, and the troopers from the country took early trains for home. But the uniforms will continue to do service even after being discarded by the men who wore them to the front. Occasionally a blouse, a pair of leggings or a cavalry boot is to be seen in the stock of a pawnbroker. Some of the soldiers get rid of the garments by giving them to their own children or their neighbors' boys. These youngsters delight in the blue clothes. They wear them regardless of fit, adjusting them as well as they may, with pins and bits of string. They are particularly fond of the leggins, and a boy with a pair of them is the envied of all the juveniles in his circles. He can trade them for any other valuables any of the envious may possess. A canteen is another favorite article from the soldiers' kit, but it is not always put to good uses. Over on the west side one day last week the police raided a can-rushing soiree in a secluded alley. The receptacle the guests were using was a canteen that went through the campaign. The slouch hats are also in demand, especially amongst teamsters, or young fellows who desire to put a tough edge on themselves. Besides being a serviceable article of dress Uncle Sam's hats are capable of being pressed into wonderful and startling shapes. Some of the decorated hats command fancy prices, and many have been offered for sale, which the venders are willing to guarantee had seen service in the battles before Santiago. They point to holes in them as passages made by Mauser bullets. Of course the soldiers are not allowed to retain their arms, but what they are allowed to keep they generally part with quickly, usually in a spirit of generosity, but occasionally as a means of profit.

YOUNG HEROINE OF A WRECK.

Texas Girl Who Saved a Railroad Superintendent from Death.

The authorities of the Houston and Texas Central railroad are considering how best to show their appreciation of the coolness shown by Miss Mae Mosse in a recent wreck on their line at Chambers creek. A trestle gave way at that point and a portion of the train plunged into the water. Superintendent Daffan of the road was in the car with Miss Mosse and both were precipitated into the abyss. Mr. Daffan was at once pinned down to the floor by a broken seat. Water was pouring into the car and the superintendent would certainly have been drowned but for assistance given him by Miss Mosse. The girl was the only passenger who kept a cool head. Exerting all her strength, standing meanwhile waist deep in water, she managed to release Daffan to such an extent that he was able to sit upright. Even then the water was up to his chin, but rose no farther, and so he escaped with life, though badly injured. Miss Mosse, seeing him in comparative safety, went to the assistance of others and rendered invaluable aid to a number of sufferers. Miss Mosse lives in Denison, is not quite 18 years of age and was on her way to take up her studies at the Austin university when the accident happened.

Apparent Difference.

Johnny—"Pa, some of the curious people round here they call 'odd' and some of the others 'eccentric.' What is the difference?" Pa—"When a man is said to be eccentric he usually has more or less money. When he is poor a man is simply odd."—Boston Transcript.

Why does pointless conversation always bore the quickest?

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Selling Butter.

If there is any one thing that the progressive dairymen are anxious to have brought into execution it is that butter shall sell on its own merit, writes E. F. Brown in Epitomist. The idea of one person spending considerable time in producing a good grade of butter while another goes through the work just for the sake of getting the work off their hands regardless of cleanliness, and then receive the same price per pound, is wrong. It is on the same plan that if you grow nice, large potatoes and I grow very small ones—all covered with the scab—while yours have been treated to prevent this disease, that I should exact just as much a bushel for my inferior ones as you do for your good ones. Would that be right? Even if it was justice, could I do such a thing? Could I find a dealer that would buy them? You know the answer too well. You know that it could not be done. Yet the grocerymen pay just as much for the poorest butter as for the best. This cannot help but discourage the most ambitious dairymen to throw off all regard as to cleanliness, workmanship and what other skill is necessary to bring about good results. If the groceryman will pay just as much for an article that costs only one hour's labor as he will for one that costs two hour's labor, then he is encouraging the careful, painstaking dairyman to leave off his extra two thicknesses of cloth when straining his milk; that it is all nonsense to dust the manure from the cow's udder, just as well have it in the butter, except that it is a waste of plant food, for all particles of manure that get into the milk go off the farm. Let us suppose that all grocerymen would drop out of the butter and egg business, and that some firm in each town would make that their business. What do you think would be the result? Don't you believe that butter would have to sell according to its quality? Of course you do, and so do I.

A Few Pointers.

November is rather late to make a stir among your fowls, but "better late than never," and if you have "foul" houses bestir yourself and get them cleaned in good shape for winter. Not only clean thoroughly, but make them more comfortable; put a window in the south and white-wash the walls for two purposes; to make the house clean and to make it lighter. If your roosts are not broad, and on a level, fix them so without delay. Is your hens' bathing apparatus in good order, with a good supply of bathing material? A strong, roomy box makes a good bathtub and road dust makes good material to fill it with, but we like some sawdust, coarse, or fine sand to mix with it, as the dust itself is too light to carry the lice off when the hens shake themselves after a bath. We have better success in freeing them of lice when the dust is not too fine. Sifted coal ashes make a good bath, and the cinders are nice for grit. Don't let the chicks go into winter quarters with lice about them, they will repay you by not laying if you do. Haul up a load of gravel for grit and place a part of it at least where it won't freeze and so will be handy to get when the ground is frozen or covered with snow. Make lots of nests, and fill them with clean nesting material; straw can't be beaten; renew it at least twice before spring. If any of your fowls have scaly legs annoint with a mixture of coal-oil and lard before severe cold weather comes. It is cruel to put it on in very severe weather. Have the roosting house dry and free from draughts if you would have your fowls free from roup. Turkeys are better off to roost in a shed open to the south, than in a house. One of Canada's foremost turkey raisers found it to be so to his cost. Make a warm place for the ducks to roost, and cover the ground with lots of litter, renewed every few days. If you will need any more ducks as layers in the spring, get them now. They don't like being changed around, especially near the breeding season. One drake to five ducks, the first of the season, later one to seven will be enough. Be sure and have a scratching place for your hens; a shed adjoining the roosting house if possible, but if not, drive them to the barn or some building each morning and make them scratch for their grain in deep, fine litter. Houses need not be expensive. The warmest house I ever saw was made of straw, the next warmest of logs. Don't believe all you hear and read against the feeding of corn. Take good poultry journals, and read them, then use your own common sense, remembering "what's one man's meat is another's poison.—Emma Clearwaters in Farmers' Review.

A New Combination for Silage.

Last year I think I discovered a way to get nitrogen into my ensilage with a very small expenditure of time or money, by a modification of the Robertson idea, writes W. E. Dana in Hoard's Dairyman. Instead of planting beans separate from the corn, I planted a pole garden bean, Kentucky Wonder, in the corn hills when the corn was about eight inches high. They were planted later than the corn in order that the corn could have a start, so it would be able to act as a support for the bean. The beans did finely, made a good growth of vines and pods. The corn was cut with a McCormick corn harvester. The beans were handled all right and went through the cutting box without any trouble. The ensilage was satisfactory, though I did not have enough of it to make any test beyond the fact that beans and corn could be grown together and harvested in a satisfactory manner, with no greater expense than the corn alone. I do wish that some of our experiment stations would take up this idea and test the silage accurately both for feeding and chemically. I think about three quarts of beans planted through an acre of corn would be about right.

Chicken Cholera.

So called chicken cholera investigation will often prove is but an extensive development of vermin, says Boston Cultivator. The healthy hen is free from vermin. Almost invariably other ailments, except, of course, colds and cases of roup, are mainly due to vermin. The hens that are infested with vermin are so debilitated that they readily succumb to diseases, and are also more apt to get colds and roup than hens not infested. It is during warm weather that eternal vigilance becomes necessary to keep down insect pests that abound where neglect allows them to once get a foothold. Every known device must be utilized during summer to keep the vermin pests of the poultry yard in check. The first and most important consideration will always be cleanliness of the most thorough nature. Wild fowl rarely ever become infested with vermin to any great degree because they are not confined to restricted quarters in large colonies, like domestic fowls. Under conditions such as it is necessary to resort to in keeping domestic fowls the vermin pest takes advantage of every neglect. When the summer season arrives, which is so propitious for the increase of vermin in the poultry yards and houses, extra exertions and all known methods must become the order of the day. Finely pulverized soil kept under cover will afford the fowls a chance to indulge in dust baths—nature's plan for ridding birds of vermin. If some tobacco dust, insect powder and once in awhile powdered sulphur, is added to the dust bath, either will hasten the extermination of the pests.

Tidy or Untidy Packages.

A correspondent of the New York Produce Review says: I have noticed recently some very untidy packages of creamery butter in stores here. Just how the packages became dirty is difficult to say. It would seem hardly possible that any buttermaker or creameryman would ship such packages. It is not improbable that the transportation companies handling the butter might have been careless, either in loading it at shipping point or at some transfer station. It is nevertheless a matter which should be carefully looked after, as an untidy, unclean package detracts not only from the appearance of the tubs, but often seriously affects the sale of the butter packed in them. Buyers have always been rather particular to have clean, well-made tubs, but are growing more so as time goes on and are reluctant to take goods in untidy packages at top price although the quality of the butter may be fancy. It is, they say, difficult to convince their customers that the butter is fancy when it comes from a dirty package.

Cooling Off the Pig.

A great many breeders, upon having a pig or hog overheated or very warm, attempt to reduce the temperature by dashing a bucket of cold water over it, says the "Indiana Farmer." Very often the result is a dead pig in a very short time. The proper way to cool off a pig just received in a crate or one that is overheated, is to let it lie still and commence pouring water gradually on its nose and continuing for the space of two minutes on the nose up to the top of the head. Then when the head is thoroughly cooled, proceed backward gradually, not pouring too rapidly at first, till you have reached the tail. In this way the hog will be cooled off without danger of any bad effects from the overheating.

A Scratching Pen.—Fowls cannot forage in winter but they can be made to scratch and work under shelter, which is equivalent to foraging. Any breed—even the Light Brahmas—will forage if made to do so. Of course, as stated, there is no such thing as foraging in winter, but it should be a rule not to feed hens in summer if the grain abounds in grass and insects, as the hens will not work if they are fed before going on the range. Make your own range for winter by having a place for the hens to scratch—not by throwing a small quantity of litter on the floor, but by covering it to a depth of two or three inches, and then scattering a gill of millet seed over the litter. If you want eggs make your hens work. Laying hens need more food than the nonlayers, but the main point to observe is to keep your hens at work.—Ex.

Introduction of the Horn Fly.—The horn fly has only been in the United States about ten years, and this is, we believe, in the fall of 1887 it appeared in southern New Jersey, but was not numerous enough to attract special attention till 1889. Since that time it has spread throughout the eastern part of the United States and from the Gulf of Mexico into Canada. It reached Michigan late last season, and was reported from Manchester and several other places in the southeastern portion of the state. The rapidity with which it spreads is wonderful.—Ex.

Clean Feeding Racks.—When you construct a feeding rack for sheep, make it so that dust, rubbish and seed from the hay and fodder cannot fall into the sheep's fleece. This is an important matter and should be attended to. You can have the rack right by making it wider at the bottom than at the top. Then the dust will fall under the rack, not upon the sheep.—Ex.

Cayenne pepper is a drastic thing to give poultry. If you don't believe it take a little yourself.

PAYS TOO MUCH.

Uncle Sam Charged Many Times More Than Express Companies.

The government pays the railroad companies from eight to ten times as much for carrying the mails as the express companies pay them for carrying express packages. Besides this, the government pays a rental on the mail cars equivalent each year to the cost of the car. This thing has been going on for years, and people who will raise a racket over missing one issue of a newspaper or contributing a dime to the cause of reform make no fuss about this matter of paying the railroad companies ten or fifteen million dollars too much for a service.

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Now that the election returns are all in there is nothing much to boast of by any party. While the Republicans retain control of the house it is with a very much reduced majority. This, however, is somewhat compensated for by gains in the senate. One of the singular features of the recent elections is the Republican gains in the silver districts of the West. This was more than counter-balanced, however, by Democratic gains in the East. This would indicate that the sound money and silver elements of the Democratic party in the East have again become united, while in the West the silver forces are not so well united as in the elections of 1896. Of course the politicians are busy telling how it all happened, and scarcely any two agree.

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Without doubt various causes, local and general, led to this result. In the East it is certain that the two elements of the Democratic party got together this year, and in most instances elected sound money congressmen. In the West there was not that complete fusion which obtained in 1896. It is urged that the successful issue of the war had a tendency to help the Republicans. But this was to some extent counteracted by the fact of it being an off year in politics, which almost always goes against the party in power. Besides, the Democrats made an issue of alleged mismanagement of the war, and charged the Republican party with responsibility for it. There is little doubt but what the Republican party suffered in consequence of these charges.

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Neither old party has much to boast of and it is difficult to say just where the People's party is "at." So far as the loss of Populist congressmen is concerned it makes but little difference, as what few we had did scarcely more than draw their salaries, issue fusion proclamations and plan for re-election. The Populist vote has not gone to swell the Democratic vote as was the case in 1896. Doubtless some Populists, disgusted with fusion with Democrats, voted the Republican ticket, but the majority remained at home and will continue to refuse to vote as long as men are kept in the lead who prefer to traffic with the politicians of the two old parties rather than to make the fight on principle and force an educational campaign.

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Congressman Joe Bailey, of Texas, the Democratic leader in the house, says: "I am opposed to the establishment of postal savings banks; I am opposed to the governmental ownership of telegraph lines; the ownership of postal cars does not, in my judgment, involve any serious governmental question. I can see no more objection to the government owning them than the ownership of the sacks in which the mail is carried." Why not go on with the comparison and say there is no more objection to owning the track on which the cars are run than in owning the cars? Then why not own the telegraph lines on the same principle? Mr. Bailey makes a distinction without a difference. He has perhaps never devoted an hour's study in all his lifetime to this question of government ownership. He is busy with politics and wants something to fit the occasion—something that will advance the interest of Mr. Bailey, whether it benefits the people or not. And that is the way of most of the men we send to congress; we send them there as our servants and they soon assume to be our masters.

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A constitutent of Congressman Clark, of Iowa, wrote him a letter about the chaotic condition of things in general and urging the establishment of postal savings banks and the government ownership of postal cars in particular. On receipt of this letter the congressman sat down and wrote to his constituent as follows:

"My Dear Doctor—Cheer up. Your digestion must have been troubling you more than usual. The world in general and the United States in particular were never so near the kingdom of heaven as now. There is no shadow on America, but glorious sunshine instead. All the gloom is in the disordered state of your own stomach. There have been no frauds as to Cuba; it is throughout a splendid chapter in the history of the United States and the world. The history of postal savings banks in England shows by experience that they are of no advantage to anybody; no particle of service to the people. And government ownership of postal cars would lead to any amount of swindling of the people. Cheer up, my friend."

Of course everything looks bright and cheerful to a congrassman who receives $5,000 a year and another thousand or more as perquisites. Life is "one sweet song" to him. If the salary is not enough he can take a fee from some corporation and increase his income. He don't see any suffering; not he. He hears of it, of course, but he characterizes all that as fairy tales. The world is all right with him and the people who think different, who say they see oppression, fraud, corruption and suffering, are only troubled with indigestion. That is all that's the matter—just a few people troubled with indigestion.

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The People's party will not die. It represents principles that lie at the foundation of good government. It represents the cause of humanity, and it was only when its leaders showed a disposition to compromise those principles and that cause that disaster came. Hence the recent election result is not a defeat of principles, but of the policy pursued. A genuine reform movement requires something more than the usual old party methods in conducting a political campaign. Some of the Populist leaders conceived the idea that they were great generals, and could attain success by the short methods of enlisting a part of the enemies on their side in consideration of a part of the spoils. No reform movement can be made successful with spoils as the main incentive to the leaders. The moment spoils are considered the rank and file lose confidence. Party ties rest very loosely on Populists. They are jealous of their rights, and having left the old parties because of false leaders, they are ready to sulk in their tents the moment they think they have fallen into the hands of selfish leaders in their own party. But notwithstanding the fact that many thousands of Populists refused to go to the polls and vote this year, they are still reformers and can be counted to come to the front when the party is properly organized and officered, just as the old Greenbackers have come to the front on every occasion since 1876. There are more than two million men in this country to-day who would join an honest reform party, and who will either vote the Socialist ticket or not vote at all unless there is such a reform party.

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If the increase of gold maintains its present proportions for a few years more the free-silver-or-bust-metallic-coin-redemption fellows will have to take to the woods. The output of the world's gold for 1898 is now estimated to reach $275,000,000, which is nearly three times the world's output in 1890, or an increase of 275 per cent. It is also predicted that the output for 1899 will aggregate $300,000,000. Now if there was enough gold and silver for primary money in 1896, when the Democrats first made the silver question an issue, why won't the gold standard be all right if the output of gold will bring the supply up to the per capita amount of both gold and silver at that time? And what would be the result if the amount of gold would grow to be four or five times the aggregate amount of both gold and silver in 1896? As a matter of fact our free silver friends are treading on mighty slippery ground in advocating a coin redemption money, and are likely to be knocked out entirely by an unlimited supply of gold. But it is not true with the advocates of a scientific and absolute paper money. They maintain that as it costs more labor to produce gold than it does paper, and neither can be eaten or worn, and that each is equally valuable as a medium of exchange, that the paper money has the advantage of cheapness, that the supply should be regulated by law and not by nature, and that it, therefore, made no difference whether the supply of gold or silver, or both, was much or little. If the present increase of the output of gold continues there is little doubt but what in the near future the gold standard men will be singing a different tune and will probably buy up the bulk of the gold mines and limit the supply as the coal trust now does with coal. While the bankers are sticklers for gold they only want it for the purpose of being able to foist their own notes upon the people as a currency. W. S. MORGAN.

Consideration of consequences has made cowards of thousands of our fellow-men. That man is truly happy who boldly chooses the right and resolutely sticks to it.—Dr. Parker.

ON THE STAGE.

Willie Collier is writing a comedy in which he may star next season. It is entitled "Mr. Smooth."

Sims Reeves, the great English tenor, became an octogenarian on Sept. 26. He is reported to be hale and hearty.

Lillie Langtry will not act this winter. She has found that her racing stable makes more money than her plays and will devote her entire attention to it in future.

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Many persons h... day and their bad... are about half sic... They have headac... and are restless... Food does not ta... the digestion is p... is dry and sallow... with pimples... sleep brings no r... is a burden.

What is the cau... Impure blood. And the remedy...

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Discouraging Du... The senate of the Univ... delburg, Germany, has re... students accused of challe... duels to leave the unive... college terms. The fact ... sity of such standing h... initiative is regarded in... likely to exert an impor... in the direction of the e... of dueling.

What She Sa... Softleigh—Bobby, did ... yonah sister I am waitin... Bobby—Sure. Softleigh—And what ... say? Bobby—She said you ... job like that in a resta...

A Forecast... "Della is going to be ... spring." "How do you know?" "I heard her say she ... wear her old cloak all ...

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Belonged to Cecil Rhodes.

"Walace" is the name to which a handsome dog in San Francisco responds: He is a large, fine specimen of the collie variety, though his heavy head would indicate a trace of some other species besides collie in his ancestry. Wallace was bred in the famous Duke of Argyle kennels, and was presented by the duke to Cecil Rhodes, who took him to South Africa. An English woman traveling in Africa, and for a time the guest of Rhodes, took a great liking to the fine, large and intelligent animal. Just before her departure Rhodes presented the dog to her. Wallace accompanied his new mistress on her travels to Australia, India, China, Japan, Hawaii and later to California, where the dog eventually passed into the possession of Joe Friedlander.

Discouraging Duels.

The senate of the University of Heidelburg, Germany, has requested eight students accused of challenging to fight duels to leave the university for four college terms. The fact that a university of such standing has taken this initiative is regarded in Germany as likely to exert an important influence in the direction of the entire abolition of dueling.

What She Said.

Softleigh—Bobby, did you—aw—tell youah sister I am waiting?

Bobby—Sure.

Softleigh—And what did she—aw—say?

Bobby—She said you ought to get a job like that in a restaurant.

A Forecast.

"Della is going to be married in the spring."

"How do you know?"

"I heard her say she was going to wear her old cloak all winter."

A good place for one to go is to go to work.

The narrowest mind usually contains ultra bombastic ideas.

Female Claude Duval.

A St. Petersburg correspondent devotes much space to the curious case of a highwaywoman, who operates in the districts of Kutais. Barbara Danelia is her name. She disappeared some ten years ago from the village of Bandza, and since then has held a whole countryside in terror of her operations on the road. "This curious highwaywoman," we are told, "is one of the most artistic riders in the country which has produced the best human substitutes for centaurs that the world has yet seen. She will jump anything. She is also an excellent shot and can hit the edge of a Russian silver coin, smaller than our sixpence, with a rifle bullet at an astonishingly long distance."

Question of Descent.

O'Brien—And so Jackers is proud av his descint, is he?"

McTurk—Yes, he is terribly stuck up about it.

O'Brien—Well, begorra, Ol've a bit av a descint meself to boast about. Ol descinded four stories wanst whin the ladder broke and niver sphilled a brick.

Emblem of Cleanliness.

"So poor old Dirty Deasley is dead, is he? I'll bet he sleeps sound."

"Naw, he doesn't, Weary. He can't."

"Why not?"

"Them relatives o' his have put a soapstone slab over his grave."

Deferred Proposal.

"Why is it that stuttering men are nearly always bachelors?"

"Well, they get so much time to think before they speak.

Have supper ready when your husband comes home, and be happy.

At 18 a girl is fickle; at 28 she is the reverse.

Sunday morning is partially spent in dodging your wife's sweeping.

Sparrows can make a neighborhood exceedingly lively.

Love rules the world and roosters the roost.

Confession of a Millionaire.

A millionaire confessed the secret of his success in two words—hard work. He put in the best part of his life gaining dollars and losing health, and now he was putting in the other half spending dollars to get it back. Nothing equals Hostetter's Stomach Bitters for restoring health. It gets at the starting point—the stomach—and cures dyspepsia and indigestion.

Thanksgiving feast approaches and many turkeys will be gobbled up.

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Remember a man's prejudice when he makes a prediction.

CROPS AND CATTLE.

Ex-Sheriff Roberts of Childress has been appointed inspector by the Texas state live stock sanitary board.

Al Barton, a prominent stockman of Motley county, was in Childress. He reported cattle in fine condition in his section.

The Kaufman ranch in Medina county, consisting of 6000 acres, has been sold to Joseph Finger, a stockman of that county, for $10,000.

E. W. Estes of Midland moved 314 head of cattle for Dr. J. P. Collum from the sand to the Camp Dewey ranch, where they will be pastured.

B. F. Mullen of San Antonio shipped to New Orleans from Linton one mixed carload of horses and mules, bought from S. G. Borden of Sharpsburg.

Frank Collinson, owner of the F ranch in King county, was in Childress recently. He had four pure-bred bulls stolen from his ranch a few weeks ago.

J. A. Stone, a stockman of Fort Bend county, has bought a ranch of 35,000 acres in Edwards county, paying $30,000 for it.

J. H. Gage of Hico, who was opposed to dipping cattle, now believes that even cattle fed in Texas should be dipped, as it kills the ticks and allows the cattle to fatten quicker.

The Ardmore oil mill of Ardmore, I. T., has bought from W. E. Washington 1000 head of top Chickasha beeves, to be put on second feed in their pens, at $35.

Light & Game of Indian Territory have purchased within the past thirty days about 9000 head of Territory cattle, which they will winter in their Chickasha pastures.

N. W. Gorsuch of Abilene has received four cars of steers from his ranch north of Van Horn. He will feed them at Abilene for market. They are mostly threes and fours.

Henry Earnest, a stockman of Millett, has completed a deal for 14,000 acres in LaSalle county, the same being a part of the old Coulson ranch. The price paid was $28,000.

Representative-elect Smith of Tarrant county, elected to the legislature at the recent election and living near Grapevine, has put 500 acres in wheat, and feels sanguine he will realize well from his investment.

A representative at Fort Worth of a foreign loan company says collections are better this year in Texas than ever before. Farmers, he remarked, were not only paying their interest, but some the principal as well.

The National Provisioner claims that about 100 cheap restaurants in New York procure the refuse scraps of meat from butcher shops, and serve them up highly seasoned to their patrons.

John and Dan McKay, the Pecos cowmen, recently sold 200 head of steers to Mr. Z. Smissen at $16 for ones, $21 for twos and $26 for threes and fours. John McKay took 200 fat cows to San Angelo some time ago and disposed of them at $20 a head.

C. P. Warren of Abilene recently bought over 150 fine red calves for his pastures. Warren got about forty of these calves from Tom Cross, Alex Neal and Green Aston each, at about an average of $12.50 per head.

A stockman who has returned to Eddy, N. M., from a trip south, says that down in northwestern Chihuahua cattle owners have got prices up so high that would-be American purchasers are shocked. About Sabinal they are asking from $20 gold to $50 Mexican money per head.

Judge O. B. Holt of Midland is expecting a carload, thirty head, of thoroughbred English imported red polled cattle, which he bought last May in eastern Iowa, paying for them about $175 per head. There are seven bulls in the bunch, the balance being cows and heifers. He will place them on his ranch, five miles northeast of Midland, where they will be kept and bred from.

A. L. Houston of Midland sold to S. G. Cantrell of Kansas a short ime since 325 steer calves at $15. Charles Glasscock sold to the same party thirty yearling steers at $18. They were shipped out from Stanton as soon as possible.

J. M. Doble of Legarto went down to Corpus Christi to deliver a bunch of horses which he had sold to J. W. Grace, who is making purchases for the Mexican government for use in the cavalry.

J. W. Lynch of Ponco City bought of H. G. Williams of Llano 2500 head of Llano cattle, located on pastures in the Osage Nation, I. T. The price paid was $22.50 per head, and the herd consists of about 300 cows, 300 ones, 300 twos and the balance three and four year old steers.

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Sugar Does Not Injure.

A German scientist scouts the idea that sugar spoils the teeth, and that the reason why teeth are injured by the eating of bonbons is to be found in the use of the pernicious acids of various fruits to flavor them. The pure product of the cane and of the beet root causes no harm to the teeth, as is evinced by the famous "ivories" of the Southern colored people, who chew the sugar cane or revel in molasses all day long on the plantations.

Sugar is also a great stimulant, and the Dutch soldiers in the East Indies found it better than schnaps on the march and the battlefield, and the chamois hunters of the Tyrol always carry a few lumps in their pockets.

Takes Time.

A man doesn't become a matrimonial graduate in a day. He may rock a cradle six nights out of seven, and even learn to administer mutton suet to his croupy offspring, but these accomplishments alone do not entitle him to a diploma. Nor does a knowledge of feminine apparel and an ability to discriminate between an overskirt and an underskirt entitle him to the proper credentials. He must know and experience even more. Not until he has hung picaures for his wife can he feel that he has crossed the fiery sands and earned the well-deserved laurels which are said to come to the lot of dutiful husbands.

Expensive Beefsteak.

Lawyer James T. Buchanan of Pittsburb, Pa., had a quarrel with a restaurant keper over the price of a beefsteak. The check was for greater amount than the bill called for. Buchanan wouldn't pay the check; there was a row; Buchanan was arested, locked up and kept incommunicado over night. He sued and has been awarded $4000 by the trial judge.

Jealousy.

First Venerable Man—I met old Bill Jones just now and he had the assurance to tell me that he felt as fresh as a 2-year-old.

Second Venerable Man—Likely he meant a 2-year-old egg.

A clock is a great companion when one is about.

Was Wondering.

An old Irish laborer walked into the luxurious studio of William Keith, the artist, and asked for money to obtain a meal. He explained that he had just been discharged from the county hospital and was too weak to work. Mr. Keith gave him a quarter, and he departed. One of four young ladies, art students, who were present, said: "Mr. Keith, can't we hire that old man and sketch him?" Keith ran out and caught him, and said: "If you can't work and want to make a dollar, come back to my rooms. The young ladies want to paint you." The Irishman hesitated, so Keith remarked: "It won't take long, and it's an easy way to make a dollar." "Oi know that," was the reply, "but Oi was a wunderin' how Oi'd git th' paint off afterward."

Horse Meat.

A man in Boston has petitioned the board of aldermen for a license to conduct a rather peculiar business, namely, slaughter of horses for the domestic and foreign meat trade. While a perfectly legitimate trafic, it appears that this is the first time it has come up for legitimate consideration. It is generally known that a large export trade in horse meat—the frisky mule is never mentioned—is carried on in this country, the product going mainly to Germany, though its use is said to be rapidly increasing in all continental countries.

Releasing the Sermons.

He was intently watching a gang of men breaking stone to make a new road.

What are you looking for?" inquired some men who were passing.

"The sermons that I have heard are to be found in stones," he replied.

One can increase their trouble materially by being cross.

Some ladies' hats resemble umbrellas in a few respects.

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Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

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"I think dyspepsia is one of the most stubborn of ailments, and there is scarcely a clerk or office man but what is more or less a victim. Some days I could eat anything, while at other times I would be starving. Those distressed pains would force me to quit work. I have tried many treatments and remedies but they would help only for a time. A friend induced me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and after taking a few doses I found much relief and after using several boxes I was cured. I know these pills will cure dyspepsia of its worst form and I am pleased to recommend them."—*Detroit (Mich.) Journal.*

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Mercury Election Echoes.

The democratic party of Texas is not the party of Bryan. Like the democracy of New York, it is a party of spoilsmen only, and its brutal majority has made it wholly indifferent to the wants or needs of the people. It is a band of political pirates held together by the common interest of pelf. The people of Texas will never be prosperous until this common enemy has been dethroned. But the republican party of Texas is not to be relied on to help do the work. Like their brothers in political sin, the democrats, they are a band of spoilsmen only, who care not two straws how Texas suffers, just so the nation goes republican, and they can feed at the federal pie counter.

The recent election in Texas has demonstrated one thing: It shows that the democratic party can declare for anything it likes and win. It could declare for the single gold standard, the abrogation of the Monroe doctrine and British supremacy on the Western Hemisphere, and the people of Texas will continue to vote the democratic ticket and the republicans to support it for "business" reasons. This is the political situation as it exists to-day.

The people of Texas, and especially of Dallas, have been held up by the railroad corporations as a highwayman holds up the wayfarer. The business men of Dallas and other sections of the state know this. Yet on last Tuesday they voted to continue the robbery. If the railroads continue to push them to the wall, they have no right to complair. Gov. Gibbs showed them a way out of their dilemma and they refused to travel it because the road was not payed with gold. Such business men make the Mercury tired.

True populists know no such word as surrender. We propose to rally our forces and come again.

Democracy wins again, not because it is right, but because of the indifference of the voter.

Populists have no right to be discouraged. Rome was not built in a day. Our principles are right and will surely win if we only persevere.

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In Kansas.

In Kansas the populists will have the control of the senate. The house, however, will have a majority opposed to the populist governor and senate. To head off adverse legislature, the governor will call an extra session at onee to pass the following measures:

To establish a state insurance department to provide the people with cheap fire insurance.

To establish state stock yards to furnish accommodation to stockmen at half the rates now charged.

To create a state railroad commission to reduce freight and passenger rates from time to time, such commission to be appointed by Governor Leady for four years and confirmed by the populist senate.

To establish a state printing office.

To abolish two hundred or more appointive offices.

The incoming republican administration is in a sad state of mind.

The Battle We Must Fight.

The cause of justice sounds her trumpet in every age, and calls to the brave: 'Come and fight my battles!'

You preach to me in vain when you say that brute force rules the world. I tell you no! no! a thousand times no!

The triumph of force is of the devil, vile and degrading, and shall perish when the fires burn out the dross. In all essentials of victory, in all the real triumph of life, here and hereafter, there can be no victory but right—no other monarch is secure of his throne and happy in his power. Are the laws of the land just? Do they deal out equal and exact measures to all men?

If so populism has no other mission than to keep them so.

But if the laws are unjust, then populism has work to do and will do it.

Don't flatter yourselves, legislators for the classes, that the money question is settled.

No question is settled until the settlement is just. Have you settled these questions right?

Populism throws this question at you as a challenge—a glove at your feet and dares you to pick it up.

Populists! never doubt that I am with you heart and soul, your creed was never dearer to me; your cause was never more sacredly just. Keep the faith and feed the fires of your hopes. Your time will come. Wrongs may multiply, but we must not abandon the right. Stand to your principles; stand to your nominees."—Tom Watson.

Gibbs Says.

Says Hon. Barnett Gibbs: "I am not thinking or talking politics now, but wearing my old clothes and strictly obeying democratic orders and trying to figure prosperity out of 4-cent cotton and 60-cent wheat. I never told anybody I was going back into the democratic party and all that stuff in the papers was made up. If a man is to follow his convictions it would be hard for him to say what he would be politically two years hence. Several million people refused to vote in the last election because they could not figure it out, and the problem two years hence will require more figuring. There will be serious national problems, but none as important to Texas as the high freight rate to the gulf and the too great power of county commissioners, aldermen and legislators. I would like to see nonpartisan monthly debates this winter in the school houses and town halls on state issues. I feel sorry for Sayers, as he has 3,000 applications for twenty-six jobs. At present nothing pays except pensions, government jobs and salaries from corporations, and more offices must be created or there will be a political revolution. The new American citizens in Cuba and the Philippines demand offices. We might get down to business for twenty months and raise the devil in 1900. In Central America people are not allowed to talk politics except four months before election. I am for the Texas Relief railroad and the local referendum, and some day we will have both in Texas. I shall go down to see Sayers sworn in and wish him success as governor of a great state."

From all reports it will not be long before the soldier boys of the Fourth regiment will be mustered out. No orders have yet been issued to that effect, but by reason of the yielding of Spain to the American demands, it is sent out from Washington that from thirty to forty thousand volunteers will soon be mustered out.

No dead advertisements and but very few live ones can be found in the Progress, but that's all the more reason you should read them closely and profit thereby. We could easily fill the paper with dead ads or with those that are of no importance to you or us, the merchant not thinking enough of what he has to offer, to pay anything for it, but for numerous reas- we decline to do so.

SORROWS OF A MONARCH.

Result of Installing a Retired Washerwoman in His Place.

Some years ago the great king of Samoa lived in solitary grandeur in his palace, that is, in the three-roomed cottage furnished him by the United States. He was virtuous and consequently he was happy—or should have been, according to the old tradition. But in the near-by neighborhood there lived and moved and had her being, a big, healthy woman, erstwhile washerwoman to the officers of the naval ships stationed in Apia harbor. How the great king ever came to cast sheep's eyes at the woman will ever remain a mystery. But history shows that he did, and that she did duly take her place in his palace, and was greeted as Queen Tui. This went along all right for a time, but one day the government bethought itself that Queen Tui was not a Samoan and ought to be ousted, and make room for a native queen in her place. They, therefore, proposed to parade the handsomest young ladies of the island, up and down before the palace, thus basely tempting the king from his allegiance to her of the banished tubs. Then it was that Tui rose in her might and closely curtained the windows of the palace, and then sailed away to distant lands to procure proof of her own royal ancestry, and incidentally her right to mate with any king alive. But poor Tui did not succeed and came back in disgrace, so far as proofs were concerned. However, she soon overcame this slight obstacle, declaring that since she had left her native land a war had transpired, and her own nation been licked. This sufficed for the Samoans, and Queen Tui again grasped the opportunity to regain her old position in the palace of the king of Samoa. And as is often the case, those who did most malign her, seeing her success, bowed lowest to greet her as queen of Samoa.—Detroit Tribune.

NO "SIGHTS" IN GIBRALTAR.

Every Precaution Is Taken to Prevent Undue Observation.

One of the first things I did, the morning after my arrival at Gibraltar, says Prof. Simon Newcomb in the September Atlantic, was to choose a convenient point on one of the stone parapets for "taking the sun," in order to test the running of my chronometer. I had some suspicion as to the result, but was willing to be amused. A sentinel speedily informed me that no sights were allowed to be taken on the fortification. I told him I was not taking sights on the fortifications, but on the sun. But he was inexorable; the rule was that no sights of any sort could be taken without a permit. I soon learned from Mr. Sprague, the American consul, who the proper officer was to issue the permit, which I was assured would be granted without the slightest difficulty. The consul presented me to the military governor of the place, Gen. Sir Fenwick Williams of Kars. He was a man whom it was very interesting to meet. There was no need of troubling him with such a detail as that of a permit, to take sights, but the consul ventured to relate my experience of the morning. He took the information in a way which showed that England, in making him a general, had lost a first-class diplomatist. Instead of treating the matter seriously he professed to be greatly amazed, and said it reminded him of the case of an old lady in Punch, who had to pass a surveyor in the street, behind a theodolite. "Please, sir, don't shoot till I get past," she begged.

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