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FORT WORTH, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1903.

The Weather
Tonight and Saturday, probably rain; colder in west portion tonight; colder Saturday.

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UNREST

In Honduras Over Present Conduct of the Government by Bonnilla

WILL CAUSE WAR AT FIRST OF THE YEAR

According to Private Advices

Just Received at Mobile, Alabama

EX-PRESIDENT SIERRA IS BACK OF THE PLANS

Details Have Not Been Given Out, But Fighting Is Expected to Start Soon After Beginning of 1904

MOBILE, Dec. 18.—Private advices here indicate that another revolution is brewing in Honduras and that it is expected to take place soon after the first of the year. It is expected that it will be fostered by ex-President Sierra, through a special envoy with the avowed purpose of ousting President Bonnilla, the present incumbent. The details have not been given out. General expectation is that war is imminent and will probably begin early in 1904.

MCCORMICK'S BIRTHDAY

Dallas Jurist Today Celebrating Seventy-First Anniversary
DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 18.—Judge Andrew P. McCormick of the United States circuit court of appeals, today is celebrating the seventy-first anniversary of his birth. According to his custom he will have at his home in Oak Cliff a party of his friends to dine with him.

Though past the age for retiring from the bench, Judge McCormick is hale and hearty and says that he enters into the work of his office with all the zest of a man in middle life. He says that he will never be an old man.

BUSBY TRIAL DELAYED

RUSK, Texas, Dec. 18.—The trial of Noah Miller, a negro, for killing his wife, continued through the day in the district court, and therefore the first of the cases against A. S. Busby, former assistant fiscal agent of the Rusk state penitentiary, was not reached until a late hour yesterday afternoon.

WORKING FOR FINANCES

Line Are Busy in the East
TEMPER, Texas, Dec. 18.—A. F. Bentley of Temple is in receipt of a communication from J. C. Houser, the owner of the franchise for an electric line connecting Temple and Belton, stating that he is working hard on the financial end of the proposition and despite the recent depression in money markets in the East, feels confident that he will be able to enlist the necessary support. Mr. Houser's home is in Pennsylvania, and it is capitalists of that section that he seeks to interest. It is probable that a committee of five will arrive here some time in January or February to make a personal inspection of the prospect and report back to the subscribers to the enterprise. The terms of the franchise provide that at the expiration of six months after the granting of same, satisfactory assurance must be given

A FLYING MACHINE GOES THREE MILES AGAINST THE WIND

First Successful Aerial Navigation Without the Aid of a Balloon Reported Today From Norfolk, Va.—Wilbur and Orville Wright of Ohio, Are the Inventors

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 18.—A successful trial trip of a flying machine was made near Kittyhawk, N. C., by Wilbur and Orville Wright of Dayton, Ohio. The machine flew three miles in the face of a wind blowing with a registered velocity of twenty-one miles an hour, and descended at the spot the man in the navigator's basket desired. The machine has no balloon attachment but gets its force from propellers worked by a small engine.

on the ground that these companies are not guilty of any combination to fix rates, etc."

JUDGE MAXEY RESIGNS HIS OFFICE TODAY

Will Enter Partnership With Wolfe and Hare of Sherman. Grayson County Bar Recommends B. L. Jones

SHERMAN, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Judge Rice Maxey today tendered his resignation to Governor Lanham as judge of the Fifteenth judicial district. He will form a partnership with Wolfe and Hare, one of the most prominent law firms in north Texas. The county bar recommends B. L. Jones as his successor.

INSURANCE COMPANIES NOT GOING

Dispatch Sent Out From Austin Relative to Various Firms Now Doing Business in the State, Is Erroneous

Under date of December 15, a special was sent out the effect that several insurance companies had withdrawn from the state.

The dispatch referred to was as follows: "AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 15.—The Attorney General today had four of the anti-trust insurance cases dismissed, for the reason that the companies were not doing business in the state when the suits were filed. The four companies against whom the suits were dismissed are: The Anchor Fire Insurance company, Milwaukee Mechanics Insurance company, German American Insurance of Freeport, Ill., and the Persian National Insurance company, of Stettin, Germany.

"When the attorney general learned that these four companies had withdrawn from the state prior to the filing of his suits against them, he asked that the cases be dismissed, and the court so ordered."

POKER LEADS TO AN ARREST AND DISGRACE

Youth Arrested at Brown University on Charge of Stealing Confesses That Card Playing Led Him to Crime

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 18.—Poker playing among students of Brown university has led to the arrest of Ralph E. Bancroft of Stoneham, Mass., on the charge of larceny. He was put on probation after the case was heard but has been dismissed from the university. Members of the faculty declare that the card playing which involved Bancroft did not take place in the college buildings.

Ever since the college year opened students who patronized the swimming pool had been losing money and other valuables. In a most mysterious manner wallets disappeared from their clothing. Suspicion narrowed down to Bancroft, but as he had led an exemplary life and was a leader in religious meetings it was hardly thought that he could be the thief.

Various traps were set but none proved effective until yesterday afternoon when an electric "buzzer" was rigged in the office. At the other end of the wire was a pocket book. Bancroft was left alone in the locker room and a few minutes later the alarm sounded. A marked bill, which had been placed in the pocket book, is alleged to have been found in Bancroft's shoe. He confessed that he had perpetrated the long series of thefts, the proceeds of which ranged from small change up to \$25, and declares his losses at cards had drawn him into the trouble.

MANY OFFICIALS OUT OF AUSTIN

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—The following companies were chartered today: The Gulf Coast Drilling Company of Galveston; capital stock \$11,000. The purpose of this company is to transact a mining business. Incorporators, Robert Hornfield, Charles Fowler and S. M. Penland.

The Devine Merchandise Company of Devine; capital stock \$25,000.

The J. S. Mayfield Lumber Company of Dallas increased its capital stock from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Sheriff Teague returned to Brenham this evening with Henry Collins, wanted in Washington county on a charge of assault with intent to murder.

ANOTHER DISTRIBUTION OF SUNDAY TELEGRAM

The results to advertisers and to the Subscription Department of the paper that followed the distribution of over 2,000 copies of the SUNDAY TELEGRAM of December 13, were so gratifying that another FREE CIRCULATION of the SUNDAY TELEGRAM will be made on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20. Advertisers will find that the putting of a TELEGRAM into every Fort Worth home, or as near as possible to do so, will bring the trade into their stores. Rates, already low, will not be increased for the large extra circulation.

CONNELL TO RUN AGAINST SMITH

Talk of Opposition to Colorado Congressman — Other West Texas News

COLORADO, Tex., Dec. 17.—(Special)—George B. Root, the leading liveryman of this city, has been in Galveston several days, having gone there to visit his sick mother. Since his arrival there his mother has died.

W. W. Baill, a prominent attorney of Sweetwater, was here the other day. He is in charge of a big suit over school lands in Gaines county.

COMING CANDIDATES
Hon. W. E. Connell of Mineral Wells has announced his candidacy for congress in this district against Judge W. E. Smith, the present incumbent, of this city. Mr. Connell was considerably discussed last campaign as a candidate. A number of other candidates are expected to enter the congressional race later on.

Hon. W. L. Grogan of Sweetwater and S. Hawkins of Midland have stated that they were in the race for the state senate in this district. W. P. Sebastian of Breckenridge, the present incumbent, will not ask for re-election. Grogan and Hawkins, who are comparatively young men, have both served in the house of representatives.

YEAR'S COTTON CROP
The gin here is still turning out a good deal of cotton; to date it has ginned 775 bales, which is considered very good for a western cotton town in a very hard year at that, especially since there are two more gins in the county and two others near the line. Cotton has been ginned in Colorado this season from nine counties. Three bales came in the other day from Lubbock county and two from Gaines, a distance of 120 miles. Cotton is bringing about 11.30 now and cottonseed \$1 per hundred.

The stewards of the Methodist church have met and set the pastor's salary at \$1,000, and all matters pertaining to the church are moving very satisfactorily.

At a recent election of the officers of the Woodmen of the World the following were elected: W. L. Dow, C. G.; S. W. Terry, A. L.; J. A. Small, clerk; C. R. Franklin, escort; J. R. Crawford, watchman; Kentley, banker; W. L. Loving, sentry. Installation ceremonies will take place on the first Thursday night of January.

J. I. Dow, editor and proprietor of The Spokesman, and Mr. Ragsdale, owner of the Stockman and Clipper office here, have purchased the entire printing office outfit and building of the Stockman and Clipper of H. A. McEachin and will take charge on January 1. The Spokesman and Clipper will be consolidated so that hereafter only one paper will be published in the city instead of two.

STOCK NEWS
Pete Seoggin of Kent county today sold 500 bulls to Tom Trammell of Sweetwater. Seoggin delivered them at a feed pens near the oil mills in Sweetwater, where they will be fattened for market.

Loveland and Stokes yesterday shipped 13 cars of fat stuff to St. Louis.

J. W. Russell shipped two cars of cattle yesterday to Fort Worth.

Henry Dunningman shipped one car of horses yesterday to Higginson, Ark.

Ben Van Tuijl, a large ranchman in this county, today shipped four cars of cattle to Fort Worth.

D. N. Arnett, manager of Elwood's ranches in west Texas, shipped six cars of cattle today to St. Joseph, Mo. Cattle on the ranges are still doing fairly well; no diseases among them, and on account of the long drought water in places is getting to be a scarce article.

OLD DOBBIN WILL GET A LITTLE REST

1600 Livery Drivers Strike in Chicago, Tying Up 400 of the Stables—Employers Refuse an Increase

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Sixteen hundred livery drivers backed by every teamster's union in Chicago struck today. Nearly four hundred livery stables are completely tied up.

The decision to strike was reached last night after four weeks' negotiations for better wages and working conditions. The demand is for an increase of \$2 a week. The employers have refused to make any concessions claiming the business did not warrant it in view of the inroads made by automobiles.

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HOME FOUND FOR BABY BY THE TELEGRAM

Capt. Cumbie Locates a Place Where the Little One Will Be Cared for

The notice published in The Telegram that a baby was in the barracks of the Salvation Army, for whom Captain and Mrs. Cumbie desired to find a home, has resulted in attracting the attention of a kind family, and the little one is now to be cared for.

The Christmas dinner fund is growing. Captain Cumbie acknowledges donations from the Elks lodge, the Trades Assembly, and the Red Cross lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Captain Cumbie states that during this week he has distributed nearly 200 articles of clothing to needy people. He urges all who have donations of clothing or groceries to advise him. He can be found at 243 Rusk street, or telephone 1563.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

DENTON, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Owing to the low rates being offered by the different railroads the number of Denton county people who are going to spend the holidays at their old homes in the east is large. The local agent at this place says that about one hundred people will leave this point Saturday bound for points in the northern and eastern states to spend Christmas.

HAYDEN CASE TO BE HEARD JAN. 7

Celebrated Action Involving Baptist Affairs Is Before Supreme Court

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—The Supreme court today granted a writ of error in the case of J. B. Cronin et al vs. S. A. Hayden et al from Dallas, and the case will be heard Jan. 7.

This is the celebrated case among the Baptists of the state, growing out of the expulsion of S. A. Hayden from the Baptist general convention of Texas. The first trial resulted in a judgment of \$30,000 damages for the plaintiff. An appeal was had to the court of civil appeals of the Dallas district and the case reversed. A second trial was had and a second judgment to a less amount reversed, and a second appeal had to the court of civil appeals, from which the case was carried to the supreme court on a writ of error.

It is understood that the writ was granted on the seventh assignment of error in that court. The seventh assignment is "the court erred in refusing to charge, at the request of the defendants, substantially, that the defendants had a right to agree to keep the plaintiff out of the convention at San Antonio and that such a combination would give plaintiff no cause of action has ever held. Capt. Bolines says the movement to erect a monument in the capitol campus received much impetus at San Marcos. The association has now on hand \$10,000, and every member at the reunion was constituted a committee of one to solicit contributions to the fund during the coming year.

It is proposed to raise \$1,500 in addition to the amount on hand and erect a bronze equestrian statue of a typical Terry's Texas Ranger on the capitol grounds, permission for doing which the legislature has already given.

It is something of a coincidence that Wednesday eighty-six warrants were registered against the general revenue fund and yesterday eighty-five. The amount of yesterday's registration was \$15,161.99. Total number of warrants registered to date is \$448, aggregating \$643, 243.72 less the calls. The amount of interest received yesterday by the school fund on land sales was \$1,329.

There was \$81,000 embraced within the numbers of registered warrants called in yesterday, but there was no great rush on the treasury by those who held the warrants and only a small per cent of the amount was paid out.

Judge J. O. Nicholson of Laredo, representative in the house of the last legislature from the ninety-sixth district, was in Austin yesterday. His object was to consult with the attorney general in regard to some suits involving the validity of the title to an old Spanish land grant.

Judge Nicholson says the erstwhile prosperity of Laredo is rapidly resuming normal conditions which may also be said of all that part of the Rio Grande country so sorely smitten with yellow fever.

Judge O. B. Colquitt has gone to North Texas on business connected with the railroad commission.

Judge M. N. Nelson of Des Moines, Ia., visited the state house yesterday and spent two hours in looking over the building. His own state he said had a magnificent capital, but Judge Nelson had no sort of hesitation in pronouncing the Texas capitol one of the best buildings he ever inspected.

The attorney general examined and approved \$150,000 in Navarro county bonds yesterday. The bonds bear three per cent interest, mature in twenty years, with an option to redeem in ten years reserved and were issued for the purpose of erecting a fine court house in the city of Corsicana.

The writ of error granted by the supreme court yesterday in the case coming up from Grayson county, styled Greiner-Kelley Drug company vs. J. H. Truett, county attorney, is one of unusual interest. The drug company attacks the constitutionality of the present local option liquor law, and the action of the court when the question is heard in January will determine this question.

ORANGE PLANING MILL

Destroyed by Fire Yesterday—The Loss Is \$30,000

ORANGE, Tex., Dec. 18.—The planing mill of the Orange Lumber company was burned yesterday. The mill and 200,000 feet of lumber was destroyed.

The loss is fully \$30,000, with insurance about \$15,000. The mill will be at once rebuilt. It is owned by the M. T. Jones Lumber company of Houston.

About fifty men are thrown out of employment temporarily.

PLAYED A BEAN GAME THAT PAID

Clerk Arrested in Chicago Believed to Have Stolen \$200 Worth of Goods a Day—His Taste Ran to Vanilla Beans

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—While working on a salary of \$9 a week A. G. Grigsby robbed his employers at the rate of \$200 per day according to Manager Rose of M. L. Barrett & Co. When arrested \$150 worth of costly vanilla beans were found concealed in Grigsby's clothing.

In the few months Grigsby has been attached to the firm he is believed to have stolen between \$12,000 and \$15,000 worth of stock.

POKER PLAYS A PART

In Clever Speech Delivered by Congressman Burgess

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The house yesterday passed without division the pension appropriation bill, carrying \$138,155,640.

The Panama question was discussed by Mr. Sims (Dem.) of Tennessee, who took the ground that the consistent course to pursue was for the democrats in the senate to vote against the treaty. This, he said, would defeat it, in which he believed the president would build the Nicaragua canal. It was inconsistent for democrats to condemn the manner in which the republic of Panama was launched and then favor the treaty.

Mr. Burgess (Dem.) of Texas, taking the policy of "stand pat" for his text, denied that any measure of prosperity is due to the republican policy of protection. He denied that protection had increased the wages of labor. He understood the expression "stand pat" to have come from the senator from Ohio, to whom he referred as the greatest player of America, but said he might now be termed the "suppressed possible winner."

After the election, he said, the hand would be called and the democrats would demand to see all the cards. He predicted that on one card would be found the "Iowa idea" and "stand pat" number and on one "General Leonard Wood."

THRILLING SWORD PLAY

James O'Neill Almost Severs Son's Arm at the Wrist

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 18.—In their thrilling sword play in "The Adventures of Girard," between James O'Neill and his son, James O'Neill, Jr., the veteran actor almost severed his son's right hand at the wrist. The keen blade of the sword used by the senior O'Neill caught the younger man's wrist fairly, and with a cry of pain he staggered back into the scene, where a moment later he fainted in his father's arms.

The accident took place at the Olympic theater in this city Tuesday evening, since which time the younger O'Neill has been compelled to wear his arm in a sling during the day and keep it bandaged at night on the stage.

WITH USUAL RESULTS

Negress Looked Into a Loaded Gun at Temple, Texas

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 18.—While Jane Mui, colored, was looking into the barrel of a pistol to see if it was loaded the weapon exploded.

MYSTERY

Surrounding the Life of Alphus Dubois, an Aged Schoolmaster

IS PARTLY CLEARED BY FINDING OF WIFE

Who Left Him With Their Only Daughter Half a Century Ago

\$10,000 WAS LEFT TO DAUGHTER BY DUBOIS

But Bulk of His Estate Was Bequeathed to His Two Sisters—Wife and Daughters May Contest Will

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Part of the mystery that surrounded the life of Alphus D. Dubois has been cleared away. Dubois was principal of a public school here fifty-three years. He lived as a recluse and when he died the other day even his most intimate friends were astonished to learn that he had left an estate valued at half a million; that he had been married and separated from his wife half a century ago and had a daughter whose married name he did not even know. Information as to the whereabouts of the widow and daughter has been obtained. They have lived for several years with friends in Kingston, N. Y., and are now spending the winter in Florida. The daughter's name is McKee, and she is also the mother of a little girl of whose existence the old schoolmaster was unaware.

It is not yet known whether the widow and daughter intend to institute a contest for the wealth accumulated by the school principal by long years of self-denial and augmented by judicious investment. So far as known Mrs. Dubois, the widow, and Mrs. McKee have not written to inquire, even formally of the death, of the funeral, or of the estate. The will which brought their existence to light left Mrs. McKee only \$10,000.

The principal legatees were Dubois' two sisters who live in this city, and a brother who lives in California. Small legacies also were left to several teachers.

REVENGE

Of a Negro Led to the Capture of Lawrence Tucker in Chicago

WILL KING GAVE THE OFFICERS THEIR CLEW

Says He Trained Tucker for Months Because the Latter Had Burned Him While the Two Were in Jail at Waco

WACO, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Sheriff Baker reached Waco this morning from Chicago, bringing Lawrence Tucker, the negro who escaped several months ago from jail by donning a woman's clothes. With Baker, came Will King, the negro who swore that he would capture Tucker because the latter burned him while the two were in jail together.

King says his task has now ended. He has been tracking Tucker for months.

THE PANHANDLE IS DRY

Farmers Are Beginning to Worry Over Spring Wheat Conditions

I. N. Bradburn, a traveling man, arrived here this morning from making an extended commercial trip through the Panhandle.

Store Open Every Night Until Christmas

W. H. Stripling

THE PRICE IS THE THING.

Some Holiday Offerings

We are going to have some SPECIAL BARGAINS to offer you in Women's Suits, Shoes, etc., TONIGHT and TOMORROW.

In the Clothing Store

Men's Suits in black and fancy worsteds, chevots, etc., \$10.00 to \$18.00
 Men's Holiday Suspenders, at 75c, 50c 25c
 Men's Hats in all styles at from \$1.50 \$5.00
 Trunks of all sizes—small ones at \$1.75; larger ones on up to \$12.50

In the Shoe Room

Special Offer—15 dozen pairs Women's Kid Shoes with low heels, that we have always sold at \$2.00 a pair, coin toe, best of styles; special, \$1.50
 Men's Holiday House Slippers, undressed kid, in colors, black kid, etc.; the finest ones sell at \$2.00 a pair, then other at \$1.50 and \$1.25
 Women's Silk and Velvet House Slippers, also felt and kid house slippers, all with fur tops. These are splendid for presents; prices, \$1.50, \$1.25 \$1.00
 Men's Fine Shoes, in all sizes—the best makes to be found, at \$3.50

In the Dry Goods Room

Special Offer—Women's Tailor-made Suit, coat style, that we have sold all fall at \$12.50, will be on special sale tonight and tomorrow at only \$7.50
 Another lot of Women's Tailor-made Suits with blouse front and best style, that we have always sold at \$12.50, will be offered as a special at \$10.00
 Dolls of all sizes, from the largest ones at \$5.00, down to small china dolls at only 5c
 New White Waists—the very fine quality that you find in other stores at 75c a yard we will sell tonight and tomorrow at 59c

Fort Worth As It Is Today

In the first place Fort Worth is the most essentially American city of its size in the United States. It has 4 per cent colored population, 6 per cent foreign-born and 90 per cent American-born white population.

Fort Worth possesses the purest water in the world. It is artesian and is obtained by a tunnel system from 300 feet below the earth's surface.

Fort Worth is situated on a high bluff overlooking the beautiful Trinity river, the West and Clear forks of which converge at this city. Until the artesian system was installed Fort Worth's water supply came from the Trinity in part and from artesian wells in part.

Statistics show that Fort Worth, in proportion to population, is the second healthiest city in the world, and with the introduction of artesian water it is certain to become the most healthful.

Although young in comparison with other leading Texas cities, Fort Worth is rapidly overcoming the advantages its rivals had by reason of their earlier starts. Fort Worth today is acknowledged to be the most rapidly growing city in Texas.

If you are interested in Fort Worth, read the following:
 Population, 45,000.
 Good newspapers.
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 Free kindergartens.
 A \$100,000 city hall.
 A beautiful climate.
 Affluent residences.

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has been used for over SIXTY YEARS by MILLIONS of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN with the BEST SUCCESS. It CURES THE GUMS, CURES WIND COLIC, and CURES DIARRHEA. Sold by all druggists. Be sure you get the SURETY of the world. Be sure you get the SURETY of the world. Be sure you get the SURETY of the world.



There is a feeling of security, even though the baby is croupy or has a cold or whooping cough, when there is a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house.

Mothers of small children have learned that it can always be depended upon, that it is pleasant to take, and that there is not the least danger in giving it, even to babies.

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 Forty acres of public park.
 Eighteen wholesale houses.
 Several messenger services.
 Annual business \$300,000.
 A \$500,000 county courthouse.
 Four railroad machine shops.
 Bank deposits over \$5,000,000.
 A teachers' training institute.
 Two local telephone systems.
 The natural live stock market.
 Five loan and trust companies.
 Seventy miles of water mains.
 Over 150 miles of public streets.
 Four public library buildings.
 Twenty hotels of various grades.
 Broadway's Commercial Agency.
 Freedom from labor disturbances.
 Annual pay rolls of over \$1,000,000.
 Several mercantile historical societies.
 Sixty-eight passenger trains, all daily.
 Two long-distance telephone systems.
 The finest Country Club in the South.
 Real estate valuation about \$17,000,000.
 Seven national and two savings banks.
 One company of Texas National Guard.
 The Board of Trade, with 255 members.
 Many philanthropic and charity societies.

A splendid surrounding agricultural region.
 The gateway to the panhandle and the west.
 R. G. Dun & Co. report 950 business houses.
 Unsurpassed advantages as a business center.
 Unrivaled facilities as a manufacturing center.
 A commodious and well-equipped natatorium.
 Over forty-five miles of underground sewerage.
 Five and two-thirds square miles of territory.
 A \$125,000 postoffice building, about to be enlarged.
 Sixty-eight miles of paved public thoroughfares.
 Postal and Western Union Telegraph companies.
 Unequaled attractions as a place of residence.
 One handsome theater and several vaudeville houses.
 Headquarters of only literary magazine published in Texas.
 More fraternal organizations than any city of its size in the south.
 Most efficient police force of any city in the state.
 Lowest per centage of losses by fire for any city of the size in the south.
 There are three state banks in Texas. One of them is located in Fort Worth.
 Population of over 100,000 reached by electric car service.
 One extensive gas and three large electric lighting companies.

The largest and costliest freight depot of any city of its size.
 A \$100,000 steel viaduct across the Texas and Pacific reservation.
 Two well-equipped hospitals and a third one in course of construction.
 Forty-two church edifices, nearly all of striking architectural beauty.
 Young Men's Christian Association, about to erect a costly structure.
 Twenty-two miles of modern street car lines, not including the Interurban line.
 A newly formed merchants' and wholesalers' association, with fifty-six members.
 A kindling factory, where prepared kindling for making quick fires, is manufactured.

One of the seven complete roundhouses in the United States and four other roundhouses.
 The finest passenger station in the world for a city of its size; also a second fine passenger station.
 Over 200 artesian wells, supplying pure water for domestic use and fire protection purposes.
 The home of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, the richest association of cattlemen in the world, the National association not excepted.
 A paid fire department of eight companies which is the most thoroughly trained department in the southwest.
 Medical department of Fort Worth University which has graduated 1,200 students in the past ten years.
 Headquarters of the Eleventh division of the Railway Mail service, comprising Texas, Arkansas, Indian Territory and Louisiana.
 Many clubs devoted to social, athletic, literary, musical and dramatic objects, parties, forming the best fire department in the southwest, besides several factory besides a large number of lesser social organizations.
 Twelve public and one parochial schools all of high grade; the Fort Worth University, Polytechnic College, St. Ignace' Academy for girls and several business colleges.
 One Woman's Relief Corps, one Confederate camp, one Sons of Confederates, one Daughters of the Confederacy, one Children of the Confederacy, one Mexican Veterans' Association, and one Dames of '46.
 Eleven railroads, all trunk lines, including the Texas and Pacific, Missouri, Kansas and Texas, Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe (Atchafalaya system), Houston and Texas Central (Southern Pacific system), Fort Worth and Rio Grande (Frisco system), Transcontinental branch of the Texas and Pacific, Fort Worth and Denver City, Chicago, Rock Island and Texas, St. Louis Southwestern (Cotton Belt), St. Louis and San Francisco, International and Great Northern.
 "Sloanburg Stock Farm" is one of Fort Worth's important business enterprises. At this stock farm one will find facilities for the breeding and management of pedigreed swine that are unequalled by those of any similar institution in the South.
 The best brood stock known is to be found here. This farm consists of 400 acres, nearly all of which can be utilized for hog raising.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c at W. J. Fisher's drug store and Deane's Pharmacy.

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FORT WORTH

North Texas' Greatest City Offers
 Ideal Inducements to Everybody

When the mayor of Fort Worth a few days ago sent in an estimate of the population of this city, to the census bureau, he fixed the number at something over 41,000. He confined his calculations to the people living within the city limits of Fort Worth, and that is a very small territory in which to figure.

The truth of the matter is, Fort Worth city proper, as shown by its corporate limits, is a small town. The court house of the county is generally the center from which city limitations are figured at a county seat town. The court house of Tarrant county is located upon an eminence overlooking the Trinity bottoms and the packing house district to the north, and the business district of the city proper to the south. The corporate limits do not extend a mile from that court house in any one direction except south. South of the court house the limit line is a little more than a mile and only embraces six and two-thirds miles. When you go in other directions you are soon outside "the city." Therefore the figures of 41,000 include a small proportion of the people who really live in Fort Worth and who do business here.

Fort Worth is a city of homes as well as a city of business enterprises. There are manufacturing plants of many descriptions here, such as:
 2 Brass Foundries.
 4 Bakers.
 1 Box Factory.
 1 Brewery.
 2 Book Binderies.
 2 Candy and Cracker Factories.
 2 Cigar Factories.
 1 Coffee Roasting Plant.
 1 Cornice Factory.
 2 Cold Storage Plants.
 1 Cement Factory.
 2 Wholesale Drug Houses.
 2 Wholesale Dry Goods Houses.
 1 Elevator Gate Company.
 2 Electrical Supply Companies.
 1 Fixture Factory.
 1 Fence Factory.
 1 Fire Proofing Company.
 2 Furniture Jobbers.
 2 Furniture Factories.
 1 Furnishing Goods Company.
 2 Grain Dealers.
 2 Grain Elevators.
 5 Wholesale Grocers.
 1 Grinding and Stencil Company.
 2 Wholesale Hardware Houses.
 2 Harness and Saddle Factories.
 1 Horse Collar Factory.
 1 Ice Factory.
 2 Iron Foundries.
 5 Wholesale Liquor Dealers.
 15 Wholesale Lumber Companies.
 2 Marble and Granite Works.
 2 Mattress and Spring Bed Factories.
 1 Macaroni Factory.
 2 Machinery Jobbers.
 2 Mill and Oil Supply Companies.
 1 Overall and Jumper Factory.
 2 Wholesale Oil Factories.
 2 Packing Houses.
 2 Produce Jobbers.
 2 Paint and Varnish Jobbers.
 1 Seed and Floral Company.
 2 Stamp and Die Factories.
 2 Suits Factories.
 1 Starch Factory.
 3 Tank Factories.
 1 Table Sauce and Relish Factory.
 1 Telephone Supply House.
 1 Wagon and Carriage Factory.
 1 Windmill Supply Company.

For thousands of working men, every cent of whose wages is spent with the people of Fort Worth. The working man is a producer, and for his production he demands and receives an adequate wage. This wage keeps his family in the comforts and necessities of life, and they are all purchased of the business men in his home town. Therefore Fort Worth prospers by reason of the tin bucket brigade, with the ever-full dinner pail. Its army of employees has built it from year to year.

RAILROADS
 There are railroad shops here which employ a large number of people. These shops men are skilled in their work, and they are well paid for what they do. They have settled a section of the city and are devoting their energies to beautifying their homes and making themselves comfortable. They are not renters, but tax payers, and the passing years show improvements about these shops.

SUBURBS
 Fort Worth has several suburbs, which are adjoining the city limits, which are well populated. The people in these suburbs live comfortably, work in the city and trade with the city business men. Through the center of Fort Worth runs Main street, which is an air line thoroughfare four miles in length. The street starts at Rosen Heights, on the North Side of the Trinity, very close to the two packing houses. That section is known as North Fort Worth, and has a separate corporation. Running south Main street continues through the corporate limits of Fort Worth, south to the corner of Morley street, where it stops at the door of St. Joseph's infirmary, one of the best-kept hospitals in the country, under the direction of the Sisters of Charity. The distance traversed is four miles. A street car line runs the entire length of that street, and the cars making the route connect with cars going to any section of the great system of the Northern Texas Traction Company, one fare being charged for a continuous passage. In its meanderings along the four miles mentioned, Main street passes handsome homes, many business houses, banks, hotels, the fine station of the Texas and Pacific, the Protestant Sanitarium, and the court house. Within a two-minute walk of the Main street line are the Carnegie library, the central fire station, the long distance telephone office, the city hall and the federal building. Main street is paved with brick. Houston street, which is being paved with asphalt, is not as long as Main street. It is a thoroughfare of business houses, and in the main part of the city street will be the "Petit-Croix Lane," because of the many places of interest to ladies who are "out shopping."

GATEWAY TO TEXAS
 So much for the city itself. Fort Worth is the gateway to Texas. Persons coming from the north to this state, must pass through Fort Worth. All the main lines of road from north to south pass through this city, and the visitor to Texas gets on and off the train at this place. It matters not how he may be routed, his ticket brings him here for a stay of a short time. As all main line trains come to this city, it has thirteen lines of railroad, and in addition a troika line connecting with Dallas, which is thirty-one miles to the east. Fort Worth lies between the great agricultural country to the east and the live stock country to the west, and is exactly on the border of the section of the west which is being transformed from prairie land to agricultural land. It is the center of the live stock industry, and the farmers, who live in the country, come to Fort Worth to sell their stock, and the stock raisers, who live in the city, come to Fort Worth to buy their stock.

PACKING HOUSES
 The two packing houses mentioned in the list are the largest, and the full effect of their location here is not yet felt. Time will be needed to show just what these institutions will be to Fort Worth. Opening within the last year for business, they have brought about an increase of the actual population in the city limits, and the general population which can be said to be really of Fort Worth if not in the city. They bring with them kindred institutions, and provide employment for thousands of people.

The principal work mapped out by the association for consummation during 1904, is the construction of a model and commodious building, one that will cost, if possible, from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

It is the intention of the association to build a home that will cost the foregoing amount, but if it is found impossible to raise sufficient money, a building, say three stories high, will be constructed in such shape as to permit further additions when it is deemed that the association is financially able to do so.

L. B. Jones, assistant state secretary, has been here recently in the interest of the new building in Fort Worth. Mr. Jones is actively engaged in the work of promoting new Y. M. C. A. buildings in the state, and is now looking after the details of the new building at San Antonio.

Secretary Reeves said today that so far nothing definite has been decided on in regard to the Fort Worth building, but that a plan would be soon adopted.

The local association is making an heroic effort to build up the membership, and a warm contest is now under way. The members have been divided into two bands of young men, known as the "Reds" and the "Blues."

Today they have succeeded in turning in twenty-five or thirty applications.

As a stimulus for securing names the winning side is to enjoy a banquet, while the vanquished will sit down to crackers and water. To the member who secures the best record will be presented a paid-up five-year membership, to date from the dedication of the new building.

The "Blues" will hold a meeting tonight at Y. M. C. A. headquarters at 7.30, and all members are asked to be present.

A chafing dish party could not be held without the proper kind of chafing dish. Buy a "Recheater" from Nash Hardware Co.

NEGRO KILLED NEAR MARSHALL
 MARSHALL, Texas, Dec. 18.—James Burrs, a negro, was shot and killed on last Monday night in the west end of this county. The shooting occurred on the old Percy Davis place about twenty miles northwest of this city and Levi Williams, another negro, was arrested and charged with the homicide and placed under a \$1000 bond for his appearance at the next regular term of the district court.

CARD OF THANKS
 We want to express our sincere thanks to those who so graciously attended us in our sorrow, the death of our mother, MRS. A. WESTMAN AND FAMILY.

The mansion hotel has excellent rooms and splendid meals.

BIG DROP

In Prices for Saturday and Monday

20 lbs. Granulated Sugar \$1.00
 10 lbs. Oak Leaf Lard 90c
 5 lbs. Oak Leaf Lard .45c
 1 dozen Wapco Tomatoes \$1.20
 1 dozen White Swan Corn \$1.35
 Greeley Potatoes, peck 25c
 25c and 30c Van Duzer's Extract of Lemon and Vanilla, 20c and 25c
 3 cans 2-lb. Tomatoes.....25c
 10 lbs. Grits 25c
 10 lbs. Hominy 25c
 5 lbs. Navy Beans 25c
 4 lbs. Lima Beans 25c
 Blue Label Tomato Catsup, 15c and 30c
 Ambrosia Corn (best on earth.)

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IN THE OLD DAYS.

How close to our hearts are the memories of our childhood. When you were a barefooted little urchin running in the grass, and munching green apples, you were able to digest anything and feel all right the next day. Sunshine and good air gave you an appetite. The Kneipp cure of Germany is essentially the practice of simple life—living close to nature.

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No man is stronger than his stomach. Let the greatest athlete have dyspepsia, and his muscles would soon fail. His strength is made from food properly digested and assimilated. A man is stronger than his stomach, because when the stomach is diseased the body does not get its full nourishment, the blood

set in almost as soon as I began using this medicine, and, within three weeks, I was fully restored to health and had gained eleven pounds in weight. I feel it a duty to write and tell you this."

"About two years ago a rash appeared on the arms and legs of my nephew, a boy twelve years of age," writes H. Greenfield, Esq., of 213 East 101st Street, New York, N. Y. "We went to our family physician who pronounced it eczema, and said he could cure it in a short while. After treating it about two months it got worse instead of better. I advised the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and after using two bottles the patient began to improve. The itching abated, he could sleep, his appetite increased, and we continued to use the 'Discovery' and 'Pellets' until the scales came off by the handful. We used in all twelve bottles and his whole body is as clear and smooth as a baby's. This is the most wonderful and complete cure that ever came under my observation."

Sick people are invited to consult Dr. R. V. Pierce by letter, free. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential.

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the Potomac Brain Club. Members of the borough council, the chief burgess, and all other borough officers, business men and newspaper men, were the guests.

There were fried brains, hotted brains, roasted brains, brain salads and brains served in every style imaginable at this feast of intellects.

To provide for the banquet the butchers at Keck's abattoir had saved the brains of half a thousand hogs.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
 Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

SOUTHERN'S FREIGHT DEPOT
 MARSHALL, Texas, Dec. 18.—President L. E. Walker of the Texas Southern railroad, stated yesterday just as he boarded the train for St. Louis that he had let the contract for the building of the new freight depot for his road on the south side of the city. The new structure will be frame, of very pretty design, 94 feet long and 38 feet wide, and will be used temporarily for a passenger station until the large passenger station is completed.

City Marshal Howell reports the poll tax proposition progressing very slowly, only forty-five having paid up to date.

V. E. Foster, who has been at San Antonio, has returned to North Fort Worth. A large force of men has been at work grading the Birdville and Belknap road. A high hill known as Harris hill, has been cut down, which is quite an improvement.

G. E. Daniels has reopened the Rosen Inn hotel, which was formerly conducted by R. C. Moore.

Patrick Melvin and wife of Galveston are the guests of W. T. Cooper.

J. L. Read of Azle is moving to his new home at Riverside.

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In oak and mahogany, attractive pieces, from \$10.00 to..... **\$30.00**

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Solid comfort—is what they give, besides adding to the appearance of the room, \$13.50, \$15.00 and..... **\$16.00**

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Today's Market Quotations

Latest and Most Complete Report Printed in North Texas

NORTH FORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—The light receipts of cattle today was a slight relief to the present depressed condition of the market, the entire run falling short of 1000 head. However, this situation had but little effect on the packers who bought their supplies practically their own prices.

There was a fair sprinkling of good butcher steers but they were hard sellers as the liberal supply the middle of the week filled the packers to their capacity. W. A. Briggs of Waxahatchie marketed one load of 1922 pound steers at \$2.00 with the bulk of sales at \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Cows found but little preference over steers and sold slow and draggy on a weak, dull market. Several small bunches of choice grass cows brought \$2.25 but the heavy end of range stuff sold at \$1.80 and \$2.00, and the medium butcher kinds at \$1.50 and \$1.80.

Today was a fairly good day and the moderate supply changed hands at about steady prices. The best, weighing 190 pounds, brought \$2.50 and the bulk at \$2.25 and \$3.00. Bulls were in light supply but the

few sales made showed a steady market.

A fairly good Friday run of hogs arrived today, there being in the neighborhood of 700 head on sale before the market closed. The market opened slow and dull and on a lower basis, the first few sales showing a loss of about 10c, but before much business of any importance had been transacted the decline amounted to, in many cases, 15 cents. A few sales of the best butcher hogs were made to outside buyers at a 5c to 10c decline, but the bulk of sales went to the packers at \$4.55, as against \$4.65 and \$4.75 yesterday. Good butcher hogs and best medium weights were the best sellers, but at no time was business very active.

The receipts of stockers and feeders this week has been the lightest for a month past and, although the demand is fairly good, the market shows a full sympathetic decline with fat hogs. Choice light feeders are quoted at \$4.50 and \$4.70, with the medium kinds at \$4.25 and \$4.55.

Choice sorted butcher hogs are quoted at \$4.50 and \$4.75, mixed packers at \$4.10 and \$4.30, and pigs and lights at \$4.25 and \$4.50.

Previous week: 574 311 4,881 33
Last month: 1,792 496 200 1

TOP PRICES TODAY

Steers	.....	\$2.00
Cows	.....	2.25
Heifers	.....	2.25
Calves	.....	2.75
Hogs	.....	4.60

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS—The store market ruled slow and dull, with but few sales made on the morning market to the packers. Good steers, weighing 1,022 pounds, brought \$3, with the bulk of sales at Thursday's margin. The sales:

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
25.....	1,022 \$3.00	25.....	800 \$2.75
2.....	1,010 2.65	1.....	990 2.50
1.....	920 2.35	7.....	760 2.05
1.....	730 2.00		

BULLS

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
1.....	1,330 2.00	4.....	1,062 1.85
1.....	1,250 1.85	5.....	1,110 1.75

COWS—The heavy end of the cow run today sold at \$1.60 and \$2.05, with a top of \$2.25 on several small lots, and \$2.15 on best car lots. The sales:

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
25.....	744 2.05	25.....	850 2.25
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TODAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
W. L. Clark, Gainesville		25	
C. E. Hall, Caldwell		57	
Mac McKinnon, Talpa		57	.....
R. B. Whistant, Plano		24	.....
H. Specht, Iowa Park		3	.....
A. G. McClure, Chico		28	.....
H. Maddon, Nacona		15	.....
A. Black, Nacona		20	.....
W. D. Keyser, Marlin		23	.....
C. E. Taylor, Brownwood		23	.....
M. Brown, Kaufman		24	.....
Smith & Babo, Colorado		26	.....
E. F. Wicker, Colorado		26	.....
Garratt & Voliva, Midland		28	.....
T. J. Martin, Odessa		181	.....
C. B. Woodvee, Pearsall		60	.....
Watson Bros., Wortham		35	.....

SHEEP

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
J. B. Moreland, Hockley		28	.....
H. Jordan, Custer City, Ok.		103	.....
McKnight, Thomas, I. T.		75	.....
McDonald & Pa. Union City		71	.....
From Stillwater, Ok.		77	.....
C. C. Wilson, Pawnee, Ok.		75	.....
Cunham & Wesley, Mulhall, Ok.		75	.....
D. B. Jones, Perry, Ok.		154	.....

Armour & Co., Kansas City..... 222

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS

Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, H. & M.

Today	100	700	220
Last week	1,447	604	113

choice packers going to a local butcher at \$2.75. The sales:

No.	Ave. Price	No.	Ave. Price
261	\$4.75	38.....	93 \$4.70
168	4.60	80.....	220 4.36
79	4.55	77.....	215 4.55
250	4.15		

COTTON

Market Shows Excitement in Both New York and New Orleans

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The cotton market was strong today, mid-day showed a net gain of 7 to 15 points higher.

LIVERPOOL

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.—The tone of the spot market today was firm. Middling sold at 7d. Receipts were 5,000 bales and sales 5,000 bales. Exports were 500 bales.

Futures opened and closed firm at the following quotations:

	Open	Close
December	6.85-90	6.86
December-January	6.82-83	6.81-82
January-February	6.80-81	6.77-78
February-March	6.81-79	6.76
March-April	6.77	6.74
April-May	6.75-77	6.74
May-June	6.75-72	6.72
June-July	6.73-69	6.70
July-August	6.70-65	6.66-67
August-September	6.66-62	6.62

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS
Receipts of cotton at the leading accumulative centers, compared with the receipts of the same day last year:

	Today	Last Year
Galveston	18,846	7,297
New Orleans	11,300	9,586
Mobile	.....	45
Savannah	.....	5,814
Charleston	.....	1,191
Wilmington	.....	4,182
Norfolk	4,059	3,189
Baltimore	.....	1,083
New York	492	319
Boston	115	165
Philadelphia	.....	2,300
Various	58,309	29,826
Total	30,826	57,466
St. Louis	.....	7,500
Memphis	14,316	8,702

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
The estimated receipts of cotton for tomorrow at the places named, compared with the receipts same day last year, are as follows:

	Tomorrow	Last Year
New Orleans	13,000 to 14,000	8,644
Galveston	10,000 to 12,000	9,375
Houston	12,000 to 12,500	8,102

NEWSPAPER MAN WEDS
GAINESVILLE, Texas, Dec. 18.—Clarence H. Leonard, business manager of the Gainesville Register, and Miss Bevie Bass, of Oklahoma City, were married at high noon today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The tone of the spot market today was quiet. Middling, 12.05. There were no sales.

Futures closed strong at the following range of prices:

	Open	High	Low	Close
December	12.60	12.82	12.53	12.77-79
January	12.85	13.04	12.75	13.01-03
March	12.96	13.18	12.87	13.17-18
May	12.96	13.25	12.87	13.19-21
July	12.67	12.73	12.59	12.69-71

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 18.—Spots were steady today, middling selling at 12 1/16. Sales were 8,400 bales, f. o. b. 8,350.

Futures closed steady at the following prices:

	Open	High	Low	Close
December	12.75	13.06	12.67	13.01-02
January	13.10	13.36	13.09	13.32-33
March	13.26	13.54	13.18	13.51-52
May	13.31	13.68	13.30	13.63-64
July	12.64	12.92	12.69	12.93-94

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The grain and provision markets ranged as follows today:

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close.
December..... 79 1/2 79 3/4 79 1/2 79 3/4
January..... 81 1/2 81 3/4 81 1/2 81 3/4
March..... 82 1/2 82 3/4 82 1/2 82 3/4
May..... 83 1/2 83 3/4 83 1/2 83 3/4
July..... 84 1/2 84 3/4 84 1/2 84 3/4
Oats—
December..... 35 3/4 35 3/4 35 3/4 35 3/4
January..... 36 3/4 36 3/4 36 3/4 36 3/4
March..... 37 3/4 37 3/4 37 3/4 37 3/4
May..... 38 3/4 38 3/4 38 3/4 38 3/4
July..... 39 3/4 39 3/4 39 3/4 39 3/4
Corn—
December..... 41 1/2 41 3/4 41 1/2 41 3/4
January..... 42 1/2 42 3/4 42 1/2 42 3/4
March..... 43 1/2 43 3/4 43 1/2 43 3/4
May..... 44 1/2 44 3/4 44 1/2 44 3/4
July..... 45 1/2 45 3/4 45 1/2 45 3/4
Soybeans—
December..... 11 1/2 11 3/4 11 1/2 11 3/4
January..... 12 1/2 12 3/4 12 1/2 12 3/4
March..... 13 1/2 13 3/4 13 1/2 13 3/4
May..... 14 1/2 14 3/4 14 1/2 14 3/4
July..... 15 1/2 15 3/4 15 1/2 15 3/4
Rye—
December..... 1 1/2 1 3/4 1 1/2 1 3/4
January..... 1 3/4 1 5/8 1 3/4 1 5/8
March..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
May..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
July..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
Barley—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Clover—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Hemp—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
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Flax—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Cotton—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Lard—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Sugar—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
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Coffee—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Tea—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Spices—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Fruit—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Vegetables—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Meat—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Dairy—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8
Miscellaneous—
December..... 1 1/4 1 5/8 1 1/4 1 5/8
January..... 1 5/8 1 7/8 1 5/8 1 7/8
March..... 1 7/8 1 9/8 1 7/8 1 9/8
May..... 1 9/8 1 11/8 1 9/8 1 11/8
July..... 1 11/8 1 13/8 1 11/8 1 13/8

DAMPER

Thrown on River Improvement in Texas by General Gillespie's Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—General Gillespie, chief of engineers, in his report to congress, recommends no further government improvements to the Sabine, the Guadalupe and the Sulphur rivers of Texas, and to Matagorda bay and Lavaca bay; also that no present improvement be made to Red river from Fulton, Ark., to Denison, Texas, as the cost would be out of proportion to direct benefits, on account of subsequent reduction of railroad freight rates expected to follow the improvement of the Trinity river.

COURSE

Of Colombia Is Outlined by Committee Now in the City of Paris

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The United Colombian committee here gave out a statement, saying Colombia would first seek through a commission to induce the United States to recognize Colombia's rights under the treaty of 1846; second, if the commission fails, Colombia will ask for the submission of the question to The Hague arbitration court, and third, if the submission is refused Colombia will go to war and get one of the Latin republics to come to her aid.

THINK HIM A CONFEDERATE
Printer Charged With Complicity in Postal Swindle Is Arrested

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 18.—News has just been received from Los Angeles to the effect that K. Ligon, a printer of this city, is under arrest, charged with complicity in the gigantic Mississippi Valley Planter Publishing Company postal swindle.

Ligon was arrested at the instance of Postoffice Inspector Moore, who is investigating the case. An effort will be made to bring Ligon to Memphis immediately for a preliminary hearing.

FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATORS
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Congressman Lamar of Missouri introduced a bill today providing for public administrators in Indian Territory for each recording district who shall be ex-officio public guardians curator.

BILL FOR REPARATION
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Congressman Cooper has introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of war to cause to be investigated and to provide for the payment of all claims presented on behalf of churches, schools, libraries and hospitals or institutions for charitable purposes, arising from the use of property taken away, injured or consumed or destroyed by the federal soldiers during the civil war.

Market Tips
Liverpool cables, 1 p. m.—"Market has unexpectedly declined under the influence of entirely unconfirmed war rumors. Warlike rumors have unsettled business. Our market will sympathize with yours."

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 18.—Sensational falling off in receipts can be looked for after Christmas. Prominent Savannah houses put Georgia from 150 to 200,000 short of last year and South Carolina 18 per cent short.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 18.—Picking season practically closed. Mills have been very heavy buyers, southern yarn mills making money. Cloth mills not losing even at 12 cent cotton.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The London early market is dull with prices slightly above our parity. Sugar is likely to work some lower before manipulation is resumed. Atchison bond issue is not a bear influence and such stocks as Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Missouri Pacific, St. Paul and Pennsylvania may be bought with safety.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Hogs, 38,000; cattle, 4,000; sheep, 7,000. Omaha—Hogs, 5,000; cattle, 1,000; sheep, 4,000. Kansas City—Hogs, 12,000; cattle, 3,000; sheep, 4,000. Hog market 5 to

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A PATRIOTIC SONG BUTCHERED

The ex-Confederates of Louisiana have
discovered a change in the second stanza
of the "Star Spangled Banner," as it is
printed in a music primer which is of the
books used there under a state adoption,
and a resolution has been passed in pro-
test.

The stanza, the second, which is com-
posed of, is as follows:

"On our land is illumined with liberty's
smile,
And from within strikes a blow at
our glory."

The flag of her stars and the page of
her story,
By the millions unchained, who our birth-
right have gained,
We will keep her bright blazon forever
unchanged."

Such a sentiment was never written by
Francis Scott Key, the author of the
"Star Spangled Banner." The inspira-
tion of his poem was an attack upon the
forces of Fort Mifflin, in September,
1776, which he witnessed while a prisoner
of war on the British fleet. He antici-
pated no "blow from within" to strike a
blow at our glory, and the changing of
the wording of the poem, which can be
for no other reason than to give an af-
front to the southern people, is without
excuse and without reason.

The stanza Key wrote, and which ap-
pears in all versions of the song but this
malignant one is as follows:

"On the shore dimly seen thro' the mist
of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread
silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze o'er the
towering steep,
As it fitsly blows, half conceals, half
discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's
first beam,
In full glory reflected, now shines in the
stream."

It must be a base mind which would
conceive such a change. To discard the
"beautiful words of the second stanza as
originally written, stamps the publisher of
such a version as without principle. The
south has long since sought to lay aside
all differences and all animosities en-
gendered by the civil war. The southern
people lost a cause for which they con-
flicted through four years of battle, and
they returned to their homes, willing to
stand side by side with the people of the
north to build of this country a mighty
power, to make it what Key predicted
when he wrote:

"Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall
stand,
Between our loved home and the war's
desolation;
Blessed with vict'ry and peace, may the
heaven-rescued land
Praise the power that has made and
preserved us a nation!
To conquer we must, for our cause it is
just,
And this be our motto, 'In God is our
trust.'
And the Star Spangled Banner in triumph
shall wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of
the brave."

The discovery has been made that
this change has been made in the patriot-
ic song which has lived so many years,
there is a demand on the authorities of
the state of Louisiana to cancel the con-
tract it has with the publishers of such a
book. The press of New Orleans is very
plain in its opposition to northern pub-
lishers because of this and other incor-
rect statements in text books, and the
people are advised to confined as far as
possible their purchases to books by
southern publishers, to the end that the
attempt of northern book makers to poison
the mind of the impressionable youth,
may be met. At the recent adoption of
books by the state of Texas southern pub-
lishers were given quite a slice of the
business, and Georgia is now following
that plan in buying for a uniform sys-
tem. It is very probable that when the
action of the Confederate camps in Louisi-
ana is known in Texas, that the camps
in this state will take similar action, la-
sies across the state

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EXPORTS AT GALVESTON

November Statistics Show a Gain of

Over \$18,000,000

GALVESTON, Dec. 18.—The follow-
ing are official statistics which show
that the November exports at Galves-

ton were \$18,678,913 more than for the

corresponding month last year.

The figures are as follows: Exports

November, 1902, \$10,467,867; exports

November, 1903, \$29,146,780; increase

\$18,678,913.

Galveston's exports for last month

amounted to \$13,678,913 more than

did those of New Orleans for the same

month.

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ment report on export statistics of the
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special to the News from New York
says General Lew Wallace is in this
city under the care of a specialist. He
is taking the X-ray treatment for a
cancerous condition of the nose, and
if this is not successful he may sub-
mit to an operation. He has suffered
from this ailment for a number of
years. It has not affected his general
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A well satisfied audience saw the presentation of the dramatized version of Correll's "Thelma" last night at Greenwall's. Miss Eldridge in the leading character, combines those capabilities of beauty, sweetness and emotion which are demanded by the character. She presents a pretty conception of the "Norwegian Princess," and her support throughout is very good. The production was much enjoyed and especially were the scenic effects. The dialect character of "Britta" as assumed by Miss Florida was an amusing feature of the production.

"THE CONVICT'S DAUGHTER" The successful and popular comedy drama, comes to Greenwall's opera house to night. It is interesting and intense throughout. From the rise of the curtain the expectation and suspense of the audience is kept at a high pitch by a constant succession of thrilling situations which are worked out very cleverly.

"THE SMART SET" The most conspicuous success of the theatrical season is that of the colored American artists in London, who, by their performance, have set the British metropolis talking. "The Smart Set" which comes to Greenwall's opera house on Saturday, Dec. 19, matinee and night, is the largest and best colored theatrical company in the world.

MISS GRANTLY IN ROMANTIC DRAMA Patrons of the theater who have become tired of the worthless frivolity which abounds in a great many of the so-called theatrical attractions of the day, will find rest and recreation in the performance of "In the Palace of

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"Safe Cure" is purely vegetable and contains no harmful drugs. It is free from sediment and pleasant to take. It is a valuable and effective tonic, a stimulant to digestion and awakens the torpid liver. It repairs the tissues, soothes inflammation and irritation, stimulates the enfeebled organs and heals at the same time. It builds up the body, gives it strength and restores energy. You can buy "Safe Cure" at any drug store or direct. Refuse substitutes. They are dangerous. Ask for Warner's; it will cure you. WARNER'S SAFE PILLS move the bowels gently and aid a speedy cure. Write to Warner's Safe Cure Co., Rochester, N. Y., for free medical book.

the King," at Greenwall's opera house Monday. Miss Helen Grantly, by her work in the role of Dolores in "In the Palace of the King," has made for herself a conspicuous position in the ranks of America's best players. Seats on sale at box office.

"THE LITTLE HOMESTEAD"

The new attraction at Greenwall's opera house Wednesday matinee and night, Dec. 23, will be "The Little Homestead," a delightfully refreshing and sweetly simple story of New England life, with strong situations and an abundance of the other requisites which go to make up a wholesome and interesting play. It is from the pen of W. B. Potter, author of "The Minister's Son," in the hands of the capable company, headed by William Macaulay.

Fathers and mothers, look to yourselves pieces of decorated china at Nash Hardware Co.

WEATHER FORECAST

FORECAST

For Fort Worth and vicinity—Tonight, probably light rain; cooler by morning. Saturday, clearing and colder. For Texas east of the 100th meridian—North, tonight and Saturday probably rain; colder in west portion tonight; colder Saturday. South, tonight and Saturday, rain; colder in west portion.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

The storm area of the extreme northwest moved southward and is centered this morning over South Dakota and Colorado. With the exception of light snowfall over the northern portion of Utah, no precipitation of any importance has so far resulted from this disturbance. There has occurred, however, a sharp rise in temperature throughout the Northwest and Middle Western states and thence southward including Texas.

RICH MEN ARE NOT ALL HAPPY

Croesus, King of Lydia, Had Troubles of His Own, and There Are Others. Croesus, the John D. Rockefeller of the kingdom of Lydia, was very well-to-do in worldly goods and chattels. As rich as "Croesus" is a saying about 2,500 years old. He had his troubles however, and some of them were full grown. He was taken captive once by Cyrus and only saved himself from being burned alive by quoting a saying of Solon, the sage. He finally had to flee his kingdom for parts unknown.

Many of the rich men's troubles today come from high living and could be avoided. They are brought on by eating all kinds of rich, heavy foods at irregular times, lack of proper exercise, undue mental strain, unnatural stimulants, etc., and are commonly known as indigestion, dyspepsia and weak stomach. They are serious troubles all right, but not only can they be avoided but can also be cured, and that without loss of time or proper food and nourishment.

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The weather in Texas is generally cloudy, except the extreme western portion; light rain is falling this morning along the immediate coast region. A clear cold weather continues in the eastern cotton states and northward including the Ohio and Atlantic states. GEORGE REEDER, Official in Charge.

WEATHER RECORD

Following is the weather record for the last twenty-four hours—minimum and maximum temperature, wind in miles per hour at 8 a. m. and rainfall in inches:

Stations	Temperature	Wind	Rain
Ablene	33 60 12	00	00
Amesbury	25 36 14	00	00
Bismarck	14 22 11	00	00
Chicago	15 23 12	00	00
Davenport	6 22 8	00	00
San Diego	44 64 11	02	00
Detroit	16 26 11	00	00
El Paso	26 62 6	00	00
Fort Worth	37 65 10	00	00
Galveston	36 65 10	00	00
Jacksonville	49 69 8	00	00
Kansas City	26 42 12	00	00
Lander	10 32 10	00	00
Little Rock	32 52 11	00	00
Miles City	20 40 11	00	00
Montgomery	32 54 11	00	00
Nashville	22 42 11	00	00
New Orleans	60 80 11	00	00
North Platte	14 32 11	00	00
Oklahoma	32 60 20	00	00
Palestine	40 64 8	00	00
Phoenix	38 54 11	00	00
Pittsburg	16 24 11	00	00
Rapid City	24 42 11	00	00
Saint Louis	34 52 10	00	00
Saint Paul	18 38 11	00	00
San Antonio	50 60 11	02	00
Santa Fe	22 50 11	00	00
Denver	28 52 11	00	00
Shreveport	36 64 8	00	00

CONSTRUCTION RESUMED

Difficulty Between T. & B. V. and Santa Fe at Cleburne Adjusted. CLEBURNE, Texas, Dec. 18.—The Santa Fe, Texas, Brazos Valley railway controversy has after many days been settled. For some time the obstructed route of the T. & B. V. by Border street, towards the depot. This brought on a condemnation suit against the Santa Fe and next an injunction restraining the Santa Fe from interfering with building of the spur on Border street.

The petition for the injunction was granted by Judge Smith of the Seventeenth judicial district in the absence of Judge Poindester who is in Stephenville. The T. & B. V. again started their construction work this afternoon.

There is already a heavy Christmas shopping in Cleburne, the stores being crowded all the time. This was augmented today by payday traffic which is a large item. The Santa Fe employees pay roll amounting to something like \$100,000.

Rev. Gilliland of the Baptist church in Fort Worth will deliver a lecture at the First Baptist church, "Drifting" tomorrow night, under the auspices of the Young People's Union.

The funeral of Mrs. Stovall, mother of R. E. and Eldridge Stovall, took place today.

BAILEY'S SWIFT MARE

Texas Senator Owns Swiftest Pace Horseflesh in West. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The honor of owning the fastest trotter or pacer in Washington, or ever owned by a resident of the district, temporarily or otherwise, has fallen to Senator Joseph W. Bailey of Texas, who at the recent horse sale at Madison Square Garden, New York, purchased for the low sum of \$1,000 the great race mare Kentucky Union, 2:07 1/2, by Aberdeen, dam Kentucky Central, also a fast mare and a producer of extreme speed. Whether Tucky, as she is known, on the grand circuit, will be used on the speedway at this point is not known, but if the senator should desire to send her down the line, the horse that trims her will realize that he has been to the races.

THIRD WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce W. R. Parker, as a candidate for alderman from the Third ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries, to be held January 12, 1904.

INDICTMENTS RETURNED FOR MOTLEY CREW

Statesmen, Soldiers, Ranchmen and One Postmaster Included in List Returned by the Omaha Grand Jury

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 18.—The United States grand jury has made its report to the court concerning seventeen true bills. These include indictments against United States Senator Charles Dietrich for alleged illegal leasing of a building to the government to be used as a postoffice; former Adjutant L. W. Colby for the alleged embezzlement of government funds; Daniel Gaines of Bassett, Neb., for alleged perjury in swearing falsely to homestead entries; former State Senator Elliott Lowe, for alleged conspiracy to bribe a United States senator; Postmaster John S. Mitchell of Alama, Neb., charged with illegal sale of postage stamps; William H. L. Lavin, on a charge of acting as agent for Mitchell; G. A. Allen, president of the Standard Cattle Company, for alleged illegal fencing of government lands. The other indictments were similar to that against Allen, but do not involve extensive tracts of land.

The grand jury reported it had further matters under consideration.

The indictments against Senator Dietrich and State Senator Lowe are in addition to those returned against them a week ago. The indictment charges that Senator Dietrich leased to the government, April 19, 1901, a building at Hastings, Neb., to be used for a postoffice, at an annual rent of \$1,300. There is one count which covers the amount received for rental on the building from the date of its lease by the government up to the present time, a sum slightly in excess of \$2,000.

The indictment against former State Senator Lowe charges him with conspiracy to bribe United States senators. Two counts, each of \$500, are named in the bill. It is charged the amounts were paid to Lowe by Postmaster Mitchell, in consideration of Lowe's endorsement of Mitchell's endorsement to Senator Dietrich for postmaster of Alama.

General Leonard Colby was indicted for alleged embezzlement of amounts aggregating \$4,000 of government funds given to him in trust by the state of Nebraska and others for equipment belonging to the United States army.

Postmaster Mitchell of Alama, Neb., is indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government by the sale outside of his postoffice of large quantities of postage stamps in order to increase the receipts of his office at Alama, and thus securing, in raising the classification of the office, an increase of salary.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to the friends and acquaintances who were so kind with their assistance and sympathy during the sickness and death of my wife.

JOHN H. O'MEARA.

FRIENDLY FIGHT FATAL

Deputy County Clerk at Palestine Accidentally Killed.

PALESTINE, Texas, Dec. 18.—Yesterday in a friendly scuffle between Deputy County Clerk G. P. Adair and Sheriff Harry Watts, the pistol of Watts was accidentally discharged, striking Adair and inflicting a fatal wound causing death in one hour.

Business was practically suspended, as Mr. Adair was one of the most popular young men in the city.

THE MAN WASN'T DEAD

But Policemen Nevertheless Took Him In Their Charge

Policemen Officer Teams and Black this morning at 4:30 arrested a man who gave his name as W. E. Gilliam, a laborer, and lodged him in jail.

The officers found a pair of knucks on his person. Gilliam was discovered lying on the walk near the corner of Cherry and Belknap streets by Sheriff Harry Watts, who was on his way to town. Supposing the man to be dead he reported the matter to police headquarters.

HAYDEN GOT 50 YEARS

Negro Boy Convicted at Houston of Murder in Second Degree

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 18.—The case against Aleck Taylor, the negro boy charged with murder in the second degree, was passed pending a decision as to whether or not the case against Arthur Hayden should be appealed. Hayden, the companion of Taylor, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to a term of 50 years in the penitentiary. The boy convicted is but 18 years of age.

Taylor and Hayden were charged with the murder of Sam McFarlin, principal witness against Hayden. Had he been put on trial and found guilty on his own evidence the principle testimony against Hayden would have been eliminated. An appeal might have released the man already sentenced.

The case against Hayden seemed strong. He had neither money nor friends. Attorney O. T. Webb was appointed by the court to defend him less than a week before the trial of the case. With the full confession of an accomplice, corroborated by practically all the testimony adduced, showing that the motive of the killing was robbery and that the victim had been shot down from behind, the jury brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Read Telegram Want "Ads."

BUTLER CASE GOING TO THE HIGHER COURT

Judge Smith Finds Fee Bill Unconstitutional and Matter Will Be Tested—Commissioners to Fight the Case

By the ruling of Judge M. E. Smith of the Seventeenth judicial district court, the fee bill law has been declared unconstitutional, as predicted by The Telegram that it would be some days ago.

This decision was handed down in the case of Tarrant county, which was suing to recover from former County Clerk W. E. Butler excess fees that it was alleged had been collected by the county clerk.

THE DECISION

Judge Smith's decision, in part, is as follows: Section 17, article 1: "No person's property shall be taken, damaged or destroyed for or applied to public use without adequate compensation being made, unless by the consent of such person; and when taken, except for the use of the state, such compensation shall be first made, or secured by a deposit of money, and no irrevocable or uncontrollable grant of special privileges or immunities shall be made; but all privileges and franchises granted by the legislature or created under its authority shall be subject to the control thereof."

Section 19, article 1, reads: "No citizen of this state shall be deprived of life, liberty, property, privileges or immunities, or in any manner disfranchised, except by the due course of the law of the land."

The defendant also filed a demurrer to sustain the plea of unconstitutionality of the fee law, claiming that it is in violation of sections 35, 48 and 51, article 3, of the constitution. These sections read as follows:

Section 35, article 3: "No bill (except appropriation bills, which may embrace the various subjects and accounts for and on account of which moneys are appropriated) shall contain more than one subject, which shall be expressed in its title. But if any subject shall be embraced in an title, such act shall be void only as to so much thereof as shall not be so expressed."

Section 48, article 3: "The legislature shall not have the right to levy taxes or impose burdens upon the people, except to raise revenue for the economical administration of the government, in which may be included the following purposes: (a) The payment of all interest upon the bonded debt of the state. (b) The erection and repairs of public buildings. (c) The benefit of the sinking fund, which shall not be more than 2 per centum of the public debt; and for the payment of the present floating debt of the state, including matured bonds for the payment of which the sinking fund is inadequate. (d) The support of public schools, in which shall be included colleges and universities established by the state; and the maintenance and support of the Agricultural and Mechanical colleges of the state. (e) The payment and cost of assessing and collecting the revenue, and the payment of all officers, agents and employees of the state government, and all incidental expenses connected therewith. (f) The support of the blind asylum, the deaf and dumb asylum, and the insane asylum, the state cemetery and the public grounds of the state. (g) The enforcement of the quarantine regulations on the coast of Texas. (h) The protection of the frontier."

Section 51, article 3: "The legislature shall have no power to make any grant, or authorize or appropriate any public money to any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporation whatsoever; provided, that this shall not be so construed as to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity."

There were also several other articles set forth in demurrer which, it was alleged, constituted the fee law a violation of the constitution.

It was on the demurrer setting forth that the fee law is in violation of sections 35 and 51 of article 3 of the constitution that Judge Smith announced that he would sustain the defendant's demurrer. In the demurrer the attorneys for Mr. Butler and his bondsmen, Messrs. Humphreys, Harris and W. A. Hanger, set forth that the diversion of the excess fees collected to the use of the county was especially in violation of section 51, article 3, as quoted, inasmuch as it constituted a donation to the counties of the state of money derived in other ways than by direct taxation.

COMMISSIONERS TO FIGHT

The county commissioners court has appointed Judge J. C. Smith of Ellis county to assist Prosecuting Attorney Lattimore in the preparation of the appeal to the higher courts.

Children's tea sets, plates, cups and saucers, with alphabet on, toy banks, etc., for the little ones at Nash Hardware Co.

BROWNWOOD PERSONALS. BROWNWOOD, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Miss Norine Thomas has returned to her home at Sherwood.

Mrs. C. H. Woodward and daughters

Rheumatism

What is the use of telling the rheumatic that he feels as if his joints were being dislocated?

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are home to spend the holidays with Mr. Woodward.

Miss McDaniell is visiting her aunt in Lampasas.

Miss Mamie Moore left Thursday for Atlanta, Ga., to take an art course in Cox's College.

Miss Alice Thompson of Temple is in the city, the guest of her friend, Miss Lottie Haller.

Miss Maggie Armstrong was the guest of relatives and friends in Comanche last Sunday.

Mrs. L. Gerkey of Chicago is in the city, visiting her son, Emil Gerkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Monroe of Golden, Cal., are in the city to spend the holidays with their brother, James Monroe, and his family.

Those combination purses are here again. You know the purse that your wife cannot open, unless she knows the combination.

We will give them away to buyers of Green River whisky. For particulars call on H. BRANN & CO., 108 and 110 Main St.

GRANDVIEW PROSPERITY

Financial Conditions Are Better Than They Have Been in Twenty Years

GRANDVIEW, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The busy season of the farming class is about over. Cotton is nearly all picked and marketed. There is some little scattering cotton yet to gather, but the crop is virtually all in. Corn is almost gathered, and farmers are at leisure to enjoy the holidays. This has been one of the best years for farmers that they have experienced in a long time, and as a class in this section the farmers are in better shape, financially, than they have been for twenty years. Most of them are out of debt and have bank accounts.

The merchants of this place all sell goods on time, and while Grandview has bought nearly 12,000 bales of cotton this season, there has not been a single suit

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Freight Jam IS ANNOYING

Southwestern Merchants Com-

plain of Difficulty in Get-

ting Goods

The St. Louis freight blockade that has

prevailed for many weeks has caused the

merchants all over the country, particularly

in Texas and the southwest, much

anxiety and trouble, and there does not

seem to be any immediate prospects of its

being broken. In view of the fact that

the holidays are here, a time when freight

shipments are always larger.

Fert Worth merchants, many of them

at least, complain that they have had

shipments on the road for two months.

The situation has become so bad that

the wholesale merchants of St. Louis have

taken the matter up and hope to solve

the situation in some way. It is claimed

that the delay in transportation of freights

on account of the blockade is costing mil-

lions of dollars, and they charge that the

trouble is due to lack of terminal fa-

cilities in St. Louis. The claim is made

that Illinois merchants can get their goods

from New York quicker than they can

from St. Louis.

St. Louis wholesale merchants have be-

gun a crusade against the blockade situa-

tion and will seek to have it remedied, if

found possible. Texas merchants have

been placed to a great disadvantage be-

cause of the slowness in which they re-

ceive their goods from the markets, east

and north. They have protested, but the

lines entering the state are unable to give

them relief if the freights are not turned

over to them, as has been the case in St.

Louis, in these many weeks.

One cause given for the freight con-

gestion in St. Louis is the fact that ter-

minals are being put in shape for the

World's Fair, and on this account are not

being used to their full capacity.

'FRISCO LAND AGENTS

On January 24 the entire membership

of the Immigration department of the

'Frisco Railroad Company will leave St.

Louis for Texas for the purpose of get-

ting in closer touch with the resources

and possibilities of the state in an effort

to do more effective work in promoting

business in this direction. The party will

remain in Texas several days, during

which they will visit all the larger cities

and become acquainted with the pushing

men and immigration societies of the

state. The party will include all em-

ployees to both the land and immigration

depart-

ments.

MEXICAN CENTRAL CHANGES

E. E. Styner has been made general

manager of the Mexican Central railroad.

Up to his appointment H. R. Nickerson

held that position in connection with the

vice presidency, but the growing busi-

ness of the Central made it necessary

that the two offices be separated, hence

the appointment of Mr. Styner. He has

been connected with the road in various

capacities for many years—trainmaster,

superintendent and general su-

perintendent.

Vice President Nickerson's circular,

dated City of Mexico, December 12, an-

nounces Mr. Styner's appointment, ap-

proved by President Robinson, effective

December 15. He has charge of the op-

erating, maintenance and mechanical de-

partments. Mr. F. B. McKencher having

resigned the office of assistant general

manager is abolished.

The new general manager issues a cir-

cular, dated City of Mexico, December

12, announcing that, effective December

15, Mr. Thomas Mason is appointed as-

stant to the general manager and the

office of assistant general superintendent

is abolished. Mr. D. F. Burcher is ap-

pointed superintendent of transportation,

with headquarters at the City of Mex-

ico.

ROCK ISLAND'S FREIGHT INLET

Engineers for the St. Louis, Kansas

City and Colorado railroad, began

Wednesday the work of locating a

branch to be constructed from Elmwood

park, one mile west of Clayton, to the

Rock Island switching yards opposite Ba-

den, in the northern part of the city.

Says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The

proposed line will be almost entirely in

St. Louis county, and will be used exclu-

sively for freight. The passenger trains

will continue to come into the city over

the present line, through Clayton. The

locating party of engineers, who have

been at work trying to get a cut-off

between the Colorado and the

'Frisco lines of the Rock Island com-

pany, has been called in without having

found a suitable location.

A preliminary survey of the proposed

cut-off to the Baden yards was made

nearly two years ago. It is about five

and one-half miles long. The junction

point has been practically established,

but the route will be determined by sub-

sequent surveys. It is being sought by

the company for the purpose of giving

a direct route to the yards without haul-

ing freight cars through the city of St.

Louis.

ROCK ISLAND DIVISIONS

The operating department of the Rock

Island system has been reorganized.

Hereafter it will be divided into three

great divisions—the Central, the North-

ern and the Southwestern—with general

superintendents in charge of each. The

central district comprises the Chicago

terminal, Illinois, Iowa and Colorado di-

visions. H. J. Slifer will be general su-

perintendent, with headquarters at Chi-

cago. The northern district comprises the

Cedar Rapids, Dakota and the Des

Moines valley divisions. H. S. Cagle will

be general superintendent, with head-

quarters at Cedar Rapids. The southwest-

ern district comprises the Missouri, Kan-

sas City terminal, Kansas, El Paso and the

Oklahoma divisions. J. M. Greber will

be superintendent, with headquarters at

Topeka.

MEMBER SCORED BY KNOX

Attorney General Knox who is con-

ducting the prosecution against the

Northern Securities merger case, at

Washington, declared that by the uni-

on of the Northern Pacific and Great

Northern railways, together with the

Rock Island, had been brought

into such relations that their inde-

pendence as competitive factors in in-

terstate commerce, was destroyed.

He said the things that had been

done were declared illegal, when

brought about by the methods pursued

in the joint traffic and trans-Missouri

cases. These were cases of contracts

or agreements between independent

and competing lines of railroad for

the regulation of traffic charges. The

government had charged that these

agreements restrained interstate com-

merce and United States supreme court

had sustained that contention.

In his opening speech Mr. Knox said

that the government was gravely con-

cerned because of its conviction that a

mischievous evasion of the laws had

been attempted. He reviewed the his-

tory of the Northern Pacific and

Great Northern railroads, showed that

it was intended that they should be

independent and competing and de-

clared that the Northern Securities

company was a combination in viola-

tion of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The government grant of 43,000,000

acres was given to the Northern Pa-

cific alone to secure its independent

service at all times. He scored Mr.

Morgan and Mr. Hill in hot terms, de-

nounced the "harmony" agreement

and closed as follows:

"This merger of interests was a com-

bination in restraint of interstate com-

merce, and was intended so to be

and with or without a proven in-

tention it is illegal, as by virtue of

the combination it is guilty of the mis-

chief which the law is designed to

prevent, namely, it brings transpor-

tation and trade thought a vast ac-

tion of country under the controlling

influence of a single body and de-

stroys any possible advantages the

public might have through any com-

petition between the two lines.

FAST BURLINGTON RUN

A Burlington passenger train, in or-

der to make up lost time, ran into

Denver from McCook, Wednesday

at the rate of twelve miles in nine

minutes. The train was pulled by a bat-

tleship engine. The fast run averaged

eighty miles an hour, and the stretch

of 120 miles was covered in 110 min-

utes.

AFTER TWENTY YEARS

After twenty years of constant ser-

vice with the Rock Island in Colorado,

Clarence M. Van Law, city passenger

agent in Denver, retired from service

Wednesday, to enter commercial life

in Denver. He is succeeded by Al-

fred B. Schmidt, late of the Burling-

ton.

The railroad commission issued a com-

modity tariff yesterday to apply on

stone, sand, clay, shells, cinders, etc.,

superseding and canceling commodity tariff

No. 9-a, together with all authorities ap-

proved providing rates in car loads on

the above named articles.

Complete tables covering distances and

giving rates in cents per 100 pounds and

mileage forms a part of the order of the

commission.

It is stipulated in the order that stone

to be used in the improvement of har-

bors on the Texas coast shall be exempt

from the operation of the tariff promul-

gated.

William J. Farrell, a Confederate vet-

eran, died last night at the Confederate

home of heart failure. He had been in

the hospital for several years and was 73

years old.

Deceased was a member of company I,

first Alabama battery in General Joe Da-

vis' brigade. The funeral was held this

evening and the remains interred in the

state cemetery.

Traveling Passenger Agent Mac-

gruder of the Denver Road, headquar-

ters at Wichita Falls, was in Fort

Worth last night.

UNIONS ARE
TO TAKE UP
THE FIGHT

Agitation by The Telegram

Against Patronizing Chinese

Restaurants Is Endorsed by

the Trades Assembly

At a meeting of the Trades Assembly

last night it was decided that the Union

Fanner, the official organ of the organi-

The Blazed Trail

By STEWART EDWARD WHITE

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SYNOPSIS

on his own resources for part of himself and his only arvey Thorpe finds employ- today's lumber camp which a contract job and which has various annoying delays in shortage of men.

knew that now either Hank must be climbing with the long pole along the prostrate marking by means of shallow where the saw was to divide Then Tom shouted some- intelligible. The other men to understand, however, for ped their work and ran hasti- direction of the voice. Thorpe moment's indecision did the He arrived to find a group prostrate man. The man was

of the older woodsmen, kneel- conducting coolly a hasty sion. At the front every man or less of a surgeon.

"hurt badly?" asked Thorpe. "it?"

dead," answered one of the n soberly.

the skill of ghastly practice then were a little, on which y was placed. The pathetic cession moved in the solemn, le forest.

the tree had fallen it had through the top of another, suspended in the branches of a long, heavy limb. A slight islodged it. Henry Paul was as by a javelin. This is the many perils of the woods. vening the camp was unusu-

Tallier let his fiddle hang- pper Thorpe was approached y, the reptilian redhead with had had the row some evn-

n, chimney?" he asked in a ice. "It's a five piece for roman."

en were earning from \$20 to nth. They had most of them u Hank Paul before this au- le had not, mainly because of s disposition, enjoyed any ery degree of popularity, yet ugers cheerfully, as a matter e, gave up the proceeds of a ard work, and that without the slightest personal credi- ey was sent "from the boys."

ater read a heartbroken letter known benefactors. It touched y, and he suspected the other e same emotions, but by that y had regained the independ- contained poise of the fron- They read it with unmoved

a tossed it aside with a more liarily rough joke or path- understood their reticence. It rt of his own nature. He felt n ever akin to these men.

temper he had more or less to a cant hook in helping the e roll the end of the log on the ray." He soon caught the Toward Christmas he had be- beirly efficient cant hook man helping roll the great sticks of y the slanting skids. Thus al- intelligence counts, especially e intelligence which resolves analytical and the minutely

s getting just the experience knowledge he needed, but that at all. His wages were \$25 a which his van bill would re- the double eagle. At the end linter he would have but a lit- \$100 to show for his season's d this could mean at most on- r Helen. But the future was saw now more plainly what dimly perceived before, that an who buys timber, and logs sure future is waiting. And mp he was beginning to learn ue the conditions of success.

CHAPTER VI.

EY finished cutting on section 7 during Thorpe's second week. It became necessary to begin on section 14, which lay to the east. In that direction actor of the country changed

ie there grew thick on isolated of not more than an acre or tent-little knolls rising from of a marsh. In ordinary con- thing would have been easier have plowed roads across the surface of this marsh. The pe- ate of the weather interposed us difficulties.

ly part of autumn had been ized by a heavy snowfall im- y after a series of mild days blanket of some thickness ead the earth. Effectually pre- the freezing which subsequent All ther would have caused. All

Radway had contended with dition. Even in the woods, wamp and spring holes caused a difficulty and necessitated a of "corduroying," or the lay- eales side by side to form an bottom. Here in the open inches of water and unlimi- awaited the first horse that reek through the layer of snow ice. Between each pair of is- and had to be "tramped."

and the rest were put to this

disagreeable job. All day long they had to walk mechanically back and forth on diagonals between the marks set by Radway with his snowshoes. Early in the morning their feet were wet by icy water, for even the light weight of a man sometimes broke the frozen skin of the marsh. By night a road of trampled snow of greater or less strength was marked out across the expanse. Thus the blanket was thrown back from the warm earth, and thus the cold was given a chance at the water beneath. In a day or so the road would bear a horse. A bridge of ice had been artificially constructed, on either side of which lay unsonded depths. This road was indicated by a row of first stuck in the snow on either side.

It was very cold. All day long the restless wind swept across the shivering surface of the plains and tore around the corners of the islands. The big woods are as good as an overcoat. The overcoat had been taken away. When the lunch shivering arrived the men huddled shivering in the lee of one of the knolls and tried to eat with benumbed fingers before a fire that was but a mockery. Often it was nearly dark before their work warmed them again. All of the sideways had to be placed on the edges of the islands themselves, and the logs had to be travoyed over the steep little knolls. A single misstep out on to the plain meant a mired horse. Three times heavy snows obliterated the roads, so that they had to be plowed out before the men could go to work again. It was a struggle.

Radway was evidently worried. He often paused before a gang to inquire how they were "making it." He seemed afraid they might wish to quit, which was indeed the case, but he should never have taken before them any attitude but that of absolute confidence in their intentions. His anxiety was natural, however. He realized the absolute necessity of skidding and hauling this job before the heavy choking snows of the latter part of January should make it impossible to keep the roads open. So insistent was this necessity that he had seized the first reprieve in the phenomenal snowfall of the early autumn to begin work. The cutting in the woods could wait.

Left to themselves, probably the men would never have dreamed of objecting to whatever privations the task carried with it. Radway's anxiety for their comfort, however, caused them finally to imagine that perhaps they might have some just grounds for complaint after all. That is a great trait of the lumberjack.

But Dyer, the scaler, finally caused the outbreak. Dyer was an efficient enough man in his way, but he loved his own ease. His habit was to stay in his bunk of mornings until well after daylight. To this there could be no objection except on the part of the cook, who was supposed to attend to his business himself, for the scaler was active in his work when once he began it and could keep up with the skidding. But now he displayed a strong antipathy to the north wind on the plains.

"I don't pose for no tough son of a gun!" said he to Radway. "And I've got some respect for my ears and feet. She'll warm up a little by tomorrow, and perhaps the wind 'll die. I can catch up to you fellows by hustling a little, so I guess I'll stay in and work on the books today."

"All right," Radway assented, a little doubtfully.

This happened perhaps two days out of the week. Finally Dyer hung out a thermometer, which he used to consult. The men saw it and consulted it too. At once they felt much colder.

"She was stan' 'n' low," sputtered Baptiste Tellier, the Frenchman who played the fiddle. "He freeze 'n' on hees eendside. Dat is too cole for mak' in de work."

"Them plains is sure a holy fright," assented Purdy.

"Th' old man knows it himself," agreed big Nolan.

"Did you see him rammin' around yesterday askin' us if we found her too cold? He knows very well he ought not to keep a man out that sort o' weather."

"You'd shiver like a dog in a brier path on a warm day in July," said Jackson Hines contemptuously.

"Shut up!" said they. "You're barn boss. You don't have to be out in the cold."

This was true. So Jackson's intervention went for a little worse than nothing.

"It ain't lak he has nuttin' besides," went on Baptiste. "He can mak' de cut in de meedle of de fores."

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Dear Santa Claus: Will you please send me for Christmas a tool box, an Alaska wagon, a bank, a pair of soldiers and a hatch and a bay wagon. Yours lovingly, JOSEPH SALT.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a set of fishes and a baby buggy, and a great big doll and some gloves and a trunk, too. Live at 512 Lipscomb street, and be sure and bring me some fruit. I am 8 years old. ESTELLE RALL.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll and a set of furniture, and a doll buggy, too. I live on the corner of Cannon and Alma street. The number of the house is 700. I am 4 years old. My name MURRIE BISHOP.

Dear Santa Claus: Doll and doll buggy, please, Santa Claus. I live on the corner of Alma street and Cannon, and the

number of the house is 700. My age is 2 years. LOIS BISHOP.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a work box and a doll, and a doll bed. Well, I live on the corner of Cannon and Alma street, and the number of my house is 700, and my name is Gladys Lee Bishop, aged 7 years. Well, I guess that's all, Santa Claus.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a nice, large wagon and a football and a horn and a little wagon with a horse hitched to it and some candy. I am 4 years old and go to kindergarten school. My name is Otis Linton but they call me Jack. My address is 1905 Crump street. These have been received through the Marine postoffice:

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TWO CANDIDATES FOR ALDERMAN ARE ANNOUNCED

Judge W. R. Parker Wants to Better the Third Ward Conditions—B. J. Houston in the Second

The city campaign is exciting interest, since new names are being added to the list every day. The prospects are that a lively battle will be waged in several of the wards.

In The Telegram this afternoon is the announcement of Judge W. R. Parker as a candidate for alderman from the Third ward. Judge Parker was solicited by a meeting of citizens of the ward several days ago, and agreed to make the race. He has been a resident of the ward for four years, and is a property owner there. He believes in an economical administration of the affairs of the city, wants the best streets possible with the facilities at hand, and favors a good lighting system. Sanitary and drainage results are hoped for by him, in every section of the city, and especially in his ward.

"One thing of which I shall take especial notice, if I am elected," said Judge Parker this morning, "is the condition of the streets leading from the business section of the city to the Santa Fe station. The streets are unkept, there are no walks, and it is a bad footing for those who must travel these thoroughfares. I would like to see some remedy along this line. These streets are used frequently, another thing is the drainage on the street directly west of the depot of the Santa Fe. A pool of water stands there nearly all the time, and it is a bad condition of affairs. I hope to remedy this."

The Third ward promises to be built within a short time. The proposed car line, which is to be run up by the North Texas Traction Company, will draw a population with it, and it is expected that the ward will be built up for much

ARLONS' CONCERT GREAT SUCCESS

Numbers by Madam Johnstone. Bishop and Members Delight Large Audience

The Arlons entertained the associates members at the Christian Tabernacle last night, a large and delighted audience responding with hearty applause to a program of an excellence seldom heard in the smaller western cities. The Arlons were in fine singing mood, and have never been heard to better advantage. Their voices blended harmoniously, they responded with precision to the direction of the leader and in attack and musical feeling were entitled to high praise.

Mme. Johnstone-Bishop, the soprano soloist, pleased even beyond expectation. Warmth of color and purity of tone characterized the rendition of every number, while exquisite modulation, artistic phrasing and richness and power of tone in turn gave evidence of vocal accomplishments seldom surpassed. From Verdi's "La Forza Del Destino" to the two ballads by Carrie Jacobs Bond is a wide range, but it served to illustrate dramatically a great range of voice and sympathy. In the Verdi numbers the singer's perfect method accomplished C sharp with an ease that misled all save the best trained ear. In the Jacobs Bond numbers, and the Hawaiian composition by Queen Liliuokalani the breadth and fullness of tone in the middle register was even more remarkable. The Carmen aria and the "Love's Rapture" by Korthauer brought out vividly dramatic powers of vocal expression that mark a singer great.

The Hawaiian song was one of the delights of the program. This song is sung by the followers of the queen under her window every time she returns from a trip abroad. The words do not yield readily to translation, though the English of the chorus is as follows:

"Though I've often seen those beautiful flowers that grow at Uluhalama, 'But none of those could be compared 'To my flower that blooms in the fields of Paokalani."

Mme. Bishop sang it in the Hawaiian language with violin obligato by Mrs. G. V. Morton.

Mrs. Jacard and Prof. Bauer were the accompanists, and Mrs. Morton, the violinist, assisting Mme. Bishop.

MONEY PLENTIFUL IN OKLAHOMA

Prominent Banker and Stockman Says Everybody Is Prosperous

"No new country in the west has made any such record as Oklahoma," says H. M. Walker of Glencoe, Ok. "The farmers and stockmen of that territory know no such a thing as hard times or a failure of crops. We are located right in the wheat, corn and cotton belt, where the crops of all these staple products were good this year. In Glencoe the elevators contain 15,000 bushels of wheat, and there is piled up in the yards of the three cotton gins there over \$6,000 worth of cotton. The cotton crop is a money producer and scatters an amount of cash among the farmers of that country. The corn was good and furnishes feed for cattle and hogs, and the wheat is as good as ready cash, and can be kept over until next year without any shrink or loss. Bank deposits among the farmers is a very common thing, and the price of land is creeping up all the time. In that country no one owns a large tract of land, the average size of the farms being 160 acres, and as a large majority of the farmers are free from debt they are making many substantial improvements on their farms. At the present time there are very few of these little farms in Payne county that can be bought for less than \$2,500, and from that price they range up to \$10,000."

"It seems like the packers here would pay top prices for sheep instead of shipping them down from Kansas City and turning down our Texas shippers," said a commission man today. "The packers have repeatedly requested me to encourage a general average of \$172. Any one unable to make pure bred cattle raising profitable at these prices, is eligible for registry as an indent."

The recent sale of Hereford cattle by C. A. Stannard of Kansas, resulted in an average of \$176 for bulls and \$171 for cows, a general average of \$172. Any one unable to make pure bred cattle raising profitable at these prices, is eligible for registry as an indent."

Parties from out west report that a very considerable portion of the public school lands are not now being leased by the government, who have heretofore used and occupied the lands with their herds. The reason is ascribed to both the depression in the cattle business and the efforts made by the state to enforce a higher price for lease privileges. It is said that many cattlemen have made no effort to further control the land since the price has been raised.—West Texas Stockman.

Ramon Gonzales of Fort Sumner, N. M., has delivered 2,500 sheep to Texas parties, that were trailed into the Davis mountains section recently with little loss. He says that in the delivery of 12,000 sheep this fall to different purchasers he has not lost exceeding 100 head.

A SURE THING
It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands of men and women have been cured by it. Try it. Mrs. C. B. Van Metre of Shepherdsburg, W. Va., says: "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It is infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It is guaranteed by W. J. Fisher, druggist, and Reeves' Pharmacy. Trial bottles free. Regular size 50c and \$1.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
WILL SELL at private sale the entire furnishings of a fine home, including piano, heating and gas stoves, etc., 905 West Seventh street. Persons desiring to purchase will call this week. T. T. Keady.

The Daylight Store

A Few Suggestions for Suitable Xmas Gifts!

Indian Robes,
Indian Blankets,
Sofa Pillows,
Lamps,
Fancy China,
Cut Glass,
Ornamental Bric-a-Brac,
Statuary,
Pictures,
Brushes,
Military Sets,
Sterling Silver Novelties,
Match Boxes,
Cigar Receivers,
Card Receivers,
Tobacco Jars,
Cracker Jars,
Bon Bon Holders,
Ash Trays,
Pin Trays,
Jardiniere,
Vases,
Urns,
Dolls,
Doll Carriages,
Doll Go-Carts,
Doll Beds,
Soap Boxes,
Ladies' Hand Mirrors,
Shaving Mirrors,
Triplicate Mirrors,

Imported Ware,
A Fine Carpet,
Oriental Rugs,
Art Squares,
Damask Sets,
Shawls,
Fascinators,
Smoking Jackets,
Ties,
Bath Robes,
Dressing Gowns,
Mufflers,
Silk Handkerchiefs,
Umbrellas,
Silk Hose,
Fur Scarfs,
Silk Dresses,
Suit Cases,
Hand Bags,
Purses,
Shopping Bags,
Fancy Lace Collars,
Gloves, women or men.
Linen Handkerchiefs,
Down Comforts,
Hundreds of Novelty Silver Articles,
Mounted Pictures for the home,
Bric-a-Brac for the mantel

A VISITATION THAT FAILED TO COME

Transient Visitor in the City Tells Strange Story of Experiences

John B. Gillfillan, whose home is in Albany, N. Y., was here yesterday on his return to New York from making a trip to Mexico which was induced by a strange dream he had about three months ago. Gillfillan stated that during a busy life he had paid little attention to religious matters, until one night he dreamed that he should go immediately to the City of Mexico where he would be informed in a vision what he must do. He said that he heard a voice warning him to forsake his evil ways and reform. How this was to be done would be revealed to him when he reached Mexico.

He thought little of the warning at first, but it so weighed on his mind that finally he sold out his fruit stand and started for Montezuma's capital. When he arrived there he waited patiently for the promised vision, but none appeared. One night while wandering around the city he was assaulted and robbed and barely escaped with his life. After suffering hunger and privations for several days he secured assistance from some Americans and started on his way home. He had got as far as El Paso on his way home and was confronted with the problem of how to complete his journey. He says that he is too feeble in health to work and had no friends to whom he could apply for help. However, he finally succeeded in raising enough money to pay his way home.

At the station he talked in a rambling manner, indicating that he is of unsound mind, and he wandered off from his friends. He is well dressed and has not the appearance of a tramp or impostor.

Gillfillan continued his journey last night.

SMITH-HORTON
DENTON, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Clarence Smith, a member of a well-known family living in the Western part of this county and Miss Lucy Horton, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Simmons of this city were united in marriage Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's mother on East Mulberry street. Rev. T. H. Morris, pastor of the M. E. church, South, officiating.

WILSON
DENTON, Texas, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Mrs. Polly Wilson, aged 83 years, died at the home of her son near Justice in the western part of Denton county Tuesday and was buried yesterday at the Atkins cemetery near Drop. Mrs. Wilson was the mother of J. I. Wilson one of the best known citizens of Denton county and had been living in Texas since the early days. Pneumonia was the cause of her death.

OUT FOR COMPTROLLER
BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 18.—Lee Blanche, for many years county clerk, this afternoon made the formal announcement of his candidacy for comptroller.

CITY IN BRIEF

Nash Hardware Company.
Dr. Ray, osteopath. Phone connections.
Cut flowers at Drumm's. Phone 101.
J. W. Adams & Co., feed, fuel and Produce. 400 W. Weatherford. Phone 530.
Bound Electric Co. for key fitting.
Brooks Electric Co., 1232 Main street.

It will always be found a little better and perhaps a little cheaper at the William Henry & R. E. Bell Hardware Co., 1615-17 Main and 615-15 Houston streets.
Dr. M. V. Crogan, 403 1/2 Main street, phone 2907. Special attention given to diseases of the skin.

Go to the O. K. Restaurant, 908 Houston, for the best meal in the city.

Naomah Council No. 11 is serving dinner and supper at 604 Houston street for 25 cents per meal.
Picture frames at Brown & Vera's.

Word was received last night from Taylor that the mother of T. N. Bradburn and Mrs. E. B. Lewis was in a dying condition. Mrs. Bradburn suffered a stroke of paralysis a couple of days ago and has gradually grown worse. A dispatch received this morning states that Mrs. Bradburn is unconscious and not expected to recover. Mr. Bradburn and Mrs. Lewis left for Taylor this morning.

Deputy United States Marshal Whit Dryden left last night for the Panhandle country. He goes to Amarillo and will be absent about a week.

The annual Christmas party for the members of St. Andrew's Sunday school will be held in Crook's hall, Sixth and Main street, Christmas eve night, from 7 to 10 o'clock.

Captain J. A. H. Hosack calls the attention of The Telegram to the fact that he is under orders from Santa Claus to give away two town lots at the sale at Irving, the new town on the new Rock Island Fort Worth-Dallas branch, on December 19. No doubt there will be a goodly crowd at the coming sale, because Irving is right in the heart of some of the very best land in the state of Texas.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Abston will regret to learn of the serious illness of the latter.

Preston Stelle of Kansas City is here spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. George Reyer, of 618 West Second street. Rev. G. B. Russell of Alabama will preach at the First Presbyterian church next Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. R. Hyde, who will be out of the city.

Good Track, Good Trains, Good Time
In each of these the New York Central is not surpassed, as thousands will attest. Travelers between the West and the East will find it to their advantage to use the New York Central, which, in point of time, equipment, roadbed, dining car service and scenic attractions is first among the railroads of the world.

Send a 2-cent stamp to George H. Daniels, General Passenger Agent, Grand Central Station, New York, for a copy of the Illustrated Catalogue of the New York Central's "Four-Track Series."

VERY LOW HOLIDAY RATES TO TENNESSEE AND SOUTHEAST
via Memphis and N. O. & S. L. Ry. On December 19, 20, 21 and 22, round trip tickets will be sold to Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and the Southeast, via Memphis and the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Ry. at half rates plus two dollars (\$2.00) limit thirty days. For information write to R. C. Cowardin, Pass. Agent, Dallas, Texas.

Rochester coffee and tea pots, chafing and serving dishes, bread trays and tea kettles. Nash Hardware Co.

THINK IT OVER FROM THIS VIEW

No One Ought to Patronize Industries Which Hurt Home Merchants

The proper community of interests is what has held the society of the world together for centuries past and as long as the proper equity is maintained every interest receives its just proportion of trade and no commercial interest suffers. But there are some foreigners who have come to our country for the express purpose of getting together all the money they can of this realm and then taking it with them to their own country. One of the best known of these classes is the Chinaman. He comes here and rents a little place and puts in his wares. The money that goes behind his counters in no way conduces to the building of a city. He holds on to all he gets until such a time as he feels he has enough of the coin when he promptly ships for his own country.

These people never patronize the different commercial interests of the town further than they are compelled to to run their business. They build no houses, they rent no homes, they are of no value to the artisan, the paper dealer, the painter, the carpenter, the plumber, the dry goods man, the drug man, the book man, the school teacher, or, in fact, to any class of men except, perhaps, the grocer and the butcher.

In spite of the fact that these people never get a cent of the money that is taken in over the counter of the Chinaman, yet a great many of the citizens of the town, either thoughtlessly, or because they imagine that they can get more or better for their money, patronize them to the detriment of those of our own folk who are among us for all time, who were born here and whose every interest is here and who are spending their money with all classes of artisans and with all commercial interests of the city. When a good citizen stops to think he will see that what is said in the foregoing is true in every sense of the word and that it is but right that his attention should be called to the true state of affairs.

CHRISTMAS CIGARS
We offer a complete line of fine Havana Cigars, put up for Christmas presents. They come thirteen, twenty-five, fifty and 100 in a box; prices range from \$1.50 up to \$10.
We guarantee to take back all cigars not satisfactory to the smoker.
Ladies may call with property at our wholesale department, 119 Main street, where no liquor is sold at retail.
H. BRANN & CO., 108 and 119 Main street.

AHEAD OF A GOOD SHOW

Business Manager For Warde and James is in the City
Business Manager Augustus McCune of those eminent historians Louis James and Frederick Warde, is in the city arranging for the appearance of his company at Greenwall's opera house Saturday, December 26, matinee and night.

In a talk with The Telegram Mr. McCune waxed enthusiastic regarding the reception accorded Messrs. Warde and James in this state.
"We have shelled Shakespeare, so to speak," continued Mr. McCune, "and are presenting a new play founded on incidents in the life of Alexander the Great."

According to the Houston Post and Galveston News the production is one of marvelous magnitude and is described as being the most gorgeous and elaborate scenes of stage pictures ever seen in Texas.

"Our business," said Mr. McCune, "is of the capacity kind and I am sure Fort Worth will turn out en masse to welcome again these famous classic players who season after season have remained steadfast with us as a representative on the classic stage."

The company numbers fifty prominent people, among whom are Alma Kruger and Norman Hackett.

The Mansion hotel is around on 4th street between Rusk and Main.

FIVE DOLLARS FOR ONE SIGN

Your Suggestion May Be the Best One Submitted. Send It In

Next Thursday The Telegram will award a prize of \$5 to someone. Will you try for it?

On South Jennings street, just below the viaduct, there is a large signboard eight feet long and four feet high. The Telegram has leased the face of this board for advertising purposes. It wants to advertise itself with the few people in Fort Worth who are not now its readers. The Telegram will therefore give a prize of \$5 to the person who suggests the best wording for a sign to go on that board. It is located alongside the city belt line and you can read it every time you ride by. If you walk by it you can read better, because you are not going so fast.

The award will be made to the best suggestion, brevity as well as merit being considered. The wording must be brief enough that the lettering may be large enough that he who runs may read.

Century Building WASHER BROTHERS Main and Eighth



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In Vast Variety

FOR PERSONAL USE OR GIFT PURPOSE.....PRICES

\$10 to \$30

Acceptable Gifts

Silk Umbrellas....\$3.50 to \$25.00
Large variety, fancy handles

Walking Sticks....\$1.50 to \$8.00
Silver and Gold Trimmed Handles

Collar and Cuff Portfolios.....\$2.50 to \$6.00
Seal, Morocco and Alligator

Dressing Rolls....\$1.50 to \$2.50
Seal and Morocco

Dressing Sets....\$4.50 to \$20.00
Seal, Alligator, Monkey Skin and Morocco.

Wiley's, Allegretti's, Maillard's AT ANDERSON'S

Now that you know where you can get the best—enough said.

R. A. Anderson, The Druggist

Hoxie Building. SEVENTH AND MAIN

IN THIS STORE QUALITY STANDS FIRST

crawl about the floor and look at the pretty pictures, to the granddaddy who lies in bed at night and reads by the flickering light of a coal oil lamp. The Telegram gives you the news in concise form; it covers the world with the Associated Press report and covers it before the people employed on the morning papers of the country have gone to work. It is issued every afternoon at 4 o'clock, and it is the paper for the reading people. It goes to the home, and is strictly a paper for the home. It is published in the interest of the people, and it watches the people's interests.

The Telegram is a tax paying citizen of Fort Worth.
Think of something appropriate for that signboard, and send it in. It costs you nothing to compete, and you can make as many suggestions as you wish. The award will be made next Thursday.

1700 BALES OF COTTON

Record Sale of Cotton in Texas Made at Nacogdoches.

NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Dec. 13.—What is said to be the largest cotton sale ever consummated in Texas by a single mercantile firm was made here yesterday when Mayer & Schmidt sold to Herman Leeb of Shreveport 1,700 bales of cotton, involving over a \$100,000 check, which was cashed by the Commercial bank.

NEW RURAL ROUTES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The following rural routes have been ordered established January 15:

Texas—Georgetown, Williamson county, with two carriers; Kingston, Hunt county, with one carrier; Whitney, Hunt county, with four carriers.
Oklahoma—Okarche, Canadian county, with three carriers.

Constipation. Its Cause and Cure.

A person in order to be healthy must get rid of the waste products (or poisons) of the body. Nature has provided four ways to get rid of them: The bowels, the kidneys, the bladder and the pores of the skin.

If the bowels become inactive, that portion of the food which should be thrown off lies in the intestines and decomposes, causing blood, nerve, liver and kidney trouble, and closes the pores of the skin, thus creating disease in the entire system.

We Have

The ideal School Shoe for children.

The Klim-Ax for girls, 11 1/2 to 2.....\$1.50

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Hard Knock for boys, special for\$1.50

They are winners.

See us. We are open till 9 o'clock.

Lee Newbury

Ft. Worth, Dallas, 6th & Houston, 255 Elm

Piano Bargains!

\$10.00 down and \$3.00 monthly—New England Upright, was \$300, now.....\$100
Sterling Upright, walnut case, was \$325, now.....\$150
Gronstein & Fuller Upright, was \$300, now.....\$100
Hardman Upright, fancy case, was \$350, now.....\$125

Cummings, Shepherd & Co. 700 Houston St.

TEMPER & HARDY, ATTORNEYS

AND COUNSELORS-AT-LAW. Second Floor Wheat Bldg. Fort Worth, Texas.

Hamilton target rifles, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Daisy air rifles, 48 shot, \$1.00; 1,000 shot, \$2.00. Nash Hardware Co.