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...LTIMORE FIRE

...nstructive that History Con- ...s Record of. Many Sky- ...scraper Blocks in Ashes.

...ost destructive fire in point ...cial loss that is known to his- ...ged in the business center of ... of Baltimore, Md., from ...rk last Sunday morning until ... nightfall Monday evening, ...g a total loss of values esti- ...at from two hunrded million ... hundred million dollars, upon ... there is figured to have been ...ixty million dollars insurance. ... fire broke out in the whole- ...y goods house of John E. ... & Co., in the center of the ...nufacturing and wholesaling ... covered with mammoth ...rapers" that were supposed ... fire proof. The fire was im- ...ely communicated to adjoin- ...uildings and in the space of a ...atively short time had gained ...adway that the fire depart- ...was utterly powerless to make ...fective resistance to the con- ... element.

... engines were hurried to the ... special trains from Wash- ... City, Philadelphia, Wilming- ... many other nearby cities ...owns, but the efforts of all ... were feeble and entirely inade- ... to cope with the terrible ... that continued practically ...out hope of stopping them until ...ached the river on either side ...d destroyed seventy-five blocks ... with the largest and most ...tial buildings in Baltimore, ... the course of thirty hours ...duced to a mass of smouldering ...ins.

... loss of life can only be estima- ...though it is claimed to be ex- ...y small considering the extent ... fire—probably twenty or thir- ... over the loss of lives, though ...ties, not of a fatal nature. ...ling timbers and sections of ...ing were numerous.

... whole city was notified of the ...ation by a terrific explosion ... occurred some minutes after ...ck. A sharp, splitting roar ...up with reverberating thunder. ...was followed by a peculiar whis- ...noise, like that made by a ... wind. The churches in the ...al section of the city were filled ...worshipers, many of whom be- ...frightened and, while no panic ...ed, hundreds of men and women ...their seats and went outside to ...what had happened.

... a few moments the streets and ...ments all over the city were ...ded with excited people. An- ... deafening crash occurred, the ... columns of cinders and smoke ... up over the central section of ...city and in a huge brown column ...d rapidly toward the northeast. ... on the strong southeast wind, ...olumn of smoke, blazing cinders ...en pieces of tin roofing spread ... the center of the city, and a ... of cinders fell, compelling pedes- ...ns to dodge the redhot pieces of ...

...ny more explosions followed and ...sands of people hurried to the ... of the fire. Of all the first ...tators, comparatively few saw ...fire itself. They could not get ...in a half block of it. Even the ...emen guarding the approaches ...e fire had to repeatedly shift ...positions and dodge falling cin- ...

Pieces of tin six by eight feet ...lifted into the air by the ter- ...heat, sailed upward like paper ...and when they reached a point ...d the zone of the most intense ...fell clattering to the streets.

...e firemen and police, who were ...ed to stick to their dangerous ..., dodged into doorways for shel- ...from the rain of hot missiles. ... after crash could be heard ...r the burning district, but ...the firemen could not tell from ...t building they proceeded. In ... seething furnace of flames all ...e of the direction or location of ...ing buildings was lost. Walls ...floors fell in thunderous roars ...echoed for blocks away.

...ward evening Sunday the fire- ... showed signs of exhaustion. ... were drafted into service and ... assistance from nearby cities ...telegraphed for. Then it was de- ...d to blow up houses and stores, ...threatened an adjacent block ...uctures, with dynamite. Ac- ...ngly many half burned buildings ...e blown into the smoke filled at- ...sphere. The showers of cinders, ...d, stone and red-hot metal was ...ific.

...e dynamiting was continued ...ughout the evening. Besides ...e explosions, there were innumer- able others. These were the results of the accumulating of gas, the bursting of immense boilers and other causes.

Some of the burned buildings, in fact many of them, were filled with explosive chemicals and drugs for manufacturing purposes and these caused crash after crash. Firemen scurried hither and thither to avoid certain death lurking on every hand. It was useless to try to fight the cyclone of flames in the ordinary manner. Ladders were hardly raised to some buildings when an explosion shattered the structure and caused the firemen and police to run for their lives. The Mullins House was a seven-story building, constructed so narrow that when the fire attacked it the guests had time only to escape, few taking their luggage. This building flamed up like a torch, fire bursting out from its roof on all sides in chrysanthemum form. Some of these cinders ignited the roof of the historic Front Street Theater, although half a mile away from them and the main conflagration.

At one time a tremendous explosion of one hundred and fifty barrels of whiskey stored in the upper floors of a buliding at twenty-four Hanover street, increased the terror. Tons of blazing stuff were tosseed heavenwards, alighting on roofs of stores and factoriess within a half mile radius. These began burning and were not saved. Two hose wagons and a fire engine were buried under falling debris, and an army of spectators was sent away pell-mell.

During the afternoon of Monday the fire atc its way in a southerly and westerly direction toward the river on the west and the fore front of the fire neared Jones Falls, a stream that trends north and south and divides Baltimore from that portion of the city known as East Baltimore. This little stream was the last stand. If the conflagration leaped it and gained a foothold its extent could not be foretold. Tremendous efforts were made to block it. Dynamite was used freely. The fire apparatus was centered and all the skill of the fire fighters called into play to defeat the element that had eaten up millions of dollars' worth of property. And human skill and pluck and grit and unfaltering courage won. The fire was checked. But behind it lay a great gutted waste of more than one hundred and forty acres in extent.

By Monday night the city had been placed under the strictest of military control and all around the burned area was stretched a cordon of soldiers who held up all comers at the point of the bayonet.

Notwithstanding the magnitude of the catastrophy the absence of disorder and confusion was remarkable. This was due to the prompt action of the state and municipal authorities, who at once took a tight grip on the situation and never for an instant let go from the time they realized that they had a calamity to deal with. During the confusion Sunday night detachments of regulars from near by forts were sent to the fire district and assisted the police in maintaining order and restraining the great crowds from encroaching upon the firemen. The Fourth and Fifth regiments of Baltimore, ordered out by the governor, came on duty before daylight Monday under the command of a brigadier general and the men, who numbered twelve hundred, were distributed about the fire district and no one, no matter who he was, could get beyond the line established unless he held a military pass.

During the conflagratoin fire engines, apparatus and firemen came to the rescue from seven cities within a hundred and fifty miles of Baltimore. Several fire engines with their companies came in on flat cars from Washington City within two hours after they were appealed to and in one instance one was driven from a suburban town over a pike road a distance of thirty miles in a brief space of time and it was estimated that more than a thousand streams of water were playing on the fire in different sections of the city at one time.

The effect of the fire is expected to be felt heavily in financial circles, as many failures of large concerns will evidently ensue because of the immense losses, and thousands of workmen and factory employes will be thrown out of their regular work for an indefinite period.

The lower house of congress has voted a fund of two million dollars for the purpose of cleaning up the debris in the track of the flame and relieving immediate distress.

Amid ruins still hot and smoking, however, Baltimore began it resurrection Tuesday and from the governor of the state to the lowest private citizen, the people of the distressed city aroused themselves to meet the appalling conditions which confront them. The governor, the mayor and various municipal officials held meetings to thrash over the problems before them and from this conference came a decision that Baltimore for the present needs no outside help, but will endeavor to meet the emergency with their own resources and those of the state.

The stock exchange members met and decided to rebuild as soon as possible and the same story may be told of practically every commercial body.

Old buildings long unused, private residences near the business section, in fact every available structure, bears crudely lettered signs on boards or cloth, announcing that within is the temporary office of a firm. The names on some of these signs are those which rank high in financial and commercial circles of the world, and in these temporary offices men who for years have known only mahogany desks, work on tables and plain boards.

Labor is in demand and the newspapers already contain display advertisements for men to begin the work of clearing the ruins. History is marked by few calamities so vast and so costly in actual values, but with the passing of the first great shock and prostration the brighter side is coming uppermost, and a realization of what Baltimore escaped is dawning. A great cloud was lifted Tuesday when it was discovered that practically all the vaults and safes of the financial concerns whose buildings were destroyed, were unhurt. A tremendous loss in securities had been anticipated, and when vault after vault yielded up its treasures unharmed the joy of the guardians was boundless. From one trust company's safes alone papers to the amount of more than $200,000,000 were recovered. The news cheered the whole city and encouraged immediate and thorough investigation. Merchants and their assistants, smoke-soiled and begrimed and hollow-eyed from anxiety and loss of sleep, worked like laborers in the smoking ruins to uncover their safes and in nearly every instance they were rewarded by intact contents.

A great surprise was the discovery that two financial concerns whose homes were directly in the fiercest sweep of the flames were practically unharmed. They were the Brown Bros. bank and the Mercantile Trust Company. The escape of these structures was due to their lack of height. Being but four stories high and surrounded by taller buildings, the flames rushed over them.

GREAT FIRES IN HISTORY.

In 1814 a Moscow fire destroyed $150,000,000 worth of property.

In 1871 fire in Chicago destroyed property valued at $125,000,000.

In 1866 fire in London destroyed property valued at $55,000,000.

In Boston in 1872 $50,000,000 worth of property was destroyed by fire.

In 1872 Constantinople suffered loss by fire of $25,000,000.

In 1851 San Francisco lost by fire $17,000,00 worth of property.

A petition for a county prohibition election is being circulated in Bosque county. Several precincts are already under prohibition regime.

Temperance Speaking Appointments.

John Carnie, a temperance lecturer from Weatherford, will speak at the following places on the dates named: Sylvan, Friday, Feb. 12th; Oak Dale, Saturday; Lingleville, Sunday at 11 a. m.; Mt. Pleasant, Sunday at 3:30 p m.; Huckabay, Sunday at night; Sims Valley, Monday, Feb. 15th; Winns Point, Tuesday, Feb. 16th; Mitchell Creek, Wednesday, Feb. 17th; Pony Creek, Thursday, Feb. 18th; Chalk Mountain, Friday, Feb. 19th; Plainview, Saturday, Feb. 20th. All appointments are for night except where otherwise stated.

Notice to Poultry Raisers.

There will be a meeting of those interested in the raising of fine poultry for the purpose of organizing an Erath County Poultry Association in Dublin on Saturday, Feb. 13th, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m in the city hall. All persons interested in this important industry are invited to be present and become members and help to foster and build up one of the most important industries of the country, and one to which this county is peculiarly adapted.—R. H. Andruss, Harry Akard, C. H. Strong, L. F. Sensabaugh, S. S. Marsh, W. S. Newton, J. G O'Brien, J. E. Bishop, J. A Johnson.

RUSSO-JAP WAR

Threatening Clouds Have Burst and the Japanese are Carrying Everything Before Them.

The long threatened clash of arms in the far east between Russia and Japan is now in course of a grim realization. According to dispatches the first actual military stroke was made between the fleets of the two countries at the entrance of the harbor of Port Arthur on last Monday night, when a fleet of sixteen Japanese vessels engaged fourteen Russian vessels while the latter were lying outside the harbor of Port Arthur and under protection of the Russian forts there. The engagement lasted in a desultory way from eleven o'clock at night until three the following morning and during the engagement two Russian battle ships were torpedoed by the Japanese and were ran aground by their own crew across the entrance of the harbor at Port Arthur, effectually closing the port entrance to ships of heavy draft. Tuesday morning about ten o'clock the Japanese ships reappeared and again engaged the Russian ships and forts and torpedoed a first class cruiser of the Russian fleet, which also was beached in the harbor by its crew.

The following day at Chemulpho, the seaport town connected by rail with Seoul, capital of Korea, Japanese vessels encountered one war vessel and one first class cruiser, capturing both of them and a transport containing two thousand Russian soldiers. These two vessels showed little fight and were not damaged.

The sinking of the Russian war ships in the mouth of the harbor of Port Arthur seriously inconvenienced the coaling of Russian vessels, as the Russian base of operations and supplies of coal is at Port Arthur and the coal cannot be gotten to outside vessels without being carried out in lighters.

The cable dispatches of yesterday give an account of a still greater Japanese victory in the taking of Port Arthur with all of its stores and the destruction and capture of the entire Russian fleet in Korean waters. The dispatch is from London and says:

"One of the most conservative commercial houses in the city, with immense interests in the Orient, has received a message in cipher from its representative in Chefoo, that the Japanese have captured Port Arthur and destroyed the entire Russian fleet. It is stated that the Japanese army first blew up the railroad fifty miles from the coast to cut off relief, then carried by assault the promontory overlooking the city and harbor. Mounting heavy artillery here, they shelled the city and harbor, driving the Russian fleet out into the sea, where the Japanese battleships and cruisers met them. In the resulting sea fight the Russian ships were all either captured or destroyed. The Japanese then attacked and captured Port Arthur, taking possession of the immense stores of coal and provisions. It was also reported that the Japanese had planned explosions all along the line of the Siberian railroad and that, thus the czar's army in the far east was isolated.

"While this startling message is given only on the authority of London merchants, it is in a measure corroborated by other dispatches."

Since the opening of hostilities last Monday the Japanese have been having everything practically their own way and they have been earning it by their swift action and constant alertness. They have captured many prizes in the way of merchant vessels flying the Russian flag and in all the trouble up to the taking of Port Arthur the losses have practically all been on the Russian side, the Russian losses in men being probably fifty in the naval engagements and two thousand by capture, while no fatalities are reported on the Japanese side, though one of their war vessels run aground in the maneuvers incident to the second attack at Port Arthur and was considerably damaged in that way.

It is stated also in the dispatches that a large bridge on the Trans-Siberian railroad has been blown up by the Japanese, cutting off the Russian communication from St. Petersburg to Port Arthur and all points in Korea, and also from Vladivastok in Southern Siberia, which is the only port in reach of the disturbed waters which is occupied by any Russian warships.

Many thousand Russian troops have, however, been rushed into northern Korea during the past week and the Japs have landed armies in southern Korea and large numbers at the capital, which is about the center of the peninsular, and these latter have been marching north to meet the Russians. When the armies come together a bloody battle is expected and this is expected to happen very soon.

In the meantime the Japs hold all stratagetic positions including complete command of all the coast of Korea and Manchuria, which also counts the harbor and forts at Port Arthur, which were a serious loss to the Russians.

The five thousand miles of the Trans-Siberian railroad, between Port Arthur and St. Petersburg offers the only communication between for the Russians for the transportation of supplies or additional troops and this is imperiled for the entire length of the road by bands of Japanese laborers who have been employed on the road disguised as Chinese and also by squads of Japanese troops who can readily strike the road at any point, destroy a bridge or do other serious damage and retire.

It looks as though Russia has all and more than she can handle in this fight with the plucky little Japs, notwithstanding the immense odds in favor of the Russians by reason of her immense standing army numbering more than five million, against a third of a million for the Japs.

COMPARISON OF FORCES.

The army of Russia available at present represents: Regular army 38,412 officers, 1,076,458 men, 320 guns, 173,400 horses; First reserves: 21,000 officers, 2,231,000, men, 2,812 guns, 140,000 horses; Second reserves: 19,415 officers, 1,873,500 men, 7,200 guns and 300,000 horses; total: 78,827 officers, 5,180,958 men, 10,332 guns and 613,000 horses.

The army of Japan, normally represents: Infantry 96,421, cavalry 9,200, artillery 14,000, engineers and train 21,000, first reserves 140,000, second reserves 90,000, total 370,621. Japan can draw on additional reserves for an aggregate of a million or more, half of which can be put in the field within a few weeks Russia can do the same and more as to men, but cannot put them in the field. Indeed she cannot satisfactorily use the men available in the service at the present time.

SEVERING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

Diplomatic relations between the two countries were severed at the instance of Japan at 4 o'clock Sunday last, when M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, called at the office of the Russian foreign minister and informed him that his government, in view of the delays connected with the Russian answer and the futility hitherto of the negotiations, considered it useless to continue diplomatic relations, and would take such steps as it deemed proper for the protection of Japan's interests. In obedience to instructions, therefore, he asked for his passports. Exaicly what else passed at this interview is not known, except that Count Lamsdorff expressed surprise and regret at this hasty resolve of the Mikado's government.

M. Kurino received his passports and, after consulting with Sir C. Scott, the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, he returned to his legation, where the preparations for his departure had already commenced.

Upon the disclosure of Japan's position the Russian authorities met the situation with great promptness. Instructions recalling Baron De Rosen were forthwith telegraphed and he was directed to leave Tokio immediately. Count Lamsdorff's official circular to the Russian representatives abroad instructing them to inform the governments of the countries to which they are accredited of Japan's action, was then prepared.

With war imminent, orders have been given for a rigid censorship over all information relating to naval and military movements. Preparations were also made for the Czar's journey to the ancient capital, Moscow, where he goes in accordance with the traditional custom of his forefathers to invoke Divine guidance.

SYMPATHY FOR JAPAN.

The sympathy of the entire civilized world appears to be upon the side of Japan, though all the powers have declared their neutrality. In this matter the United States took the initiative and addressed a note to the other powers and to the beligerent nations, making plain her neutrality, but recommendnig that the scene of hostilities be confined to the territory of the two countries involved and that the integrity of China be respected and guaranteed. The powers at once agreed to this, including Japan, but Russia has hesitated on the ground that its meaning might eventually circumvent her right, if she has any, to transport troops across the Chinese territory of Manchuria, her only way to get troops to the scene of action.

Superintendent E. I. Hall reports quite a number of absentees from the school for a few days each during the past week or more on account of sickness. Practically all of the ailments, however, have been only severe colds.

A Suggestion to Progress' Friends.

The way to make a local paper interesting and sought after by all the readers is for every one to take an interest in it—an interest that is expressed by one's actions. For instance, if you know a matter of news, something that has come to your personal knowledge, the Progress will at all times esteem it a favor if you will kindly tell a reporter or phone the matter in. It is our desire to issue such a publication as will appeal to every one, be thoroughly appreciated by them, considered a personal and family friend and in which he or she will feel particularly responsible for its success. We bar no one in the solicitation of this friendly interest. By this we do not mean that we wish long dissertations on politics, religion or other topics, for we cannot use them, but if you have friends visiting you, if you have friends going for a visit or if you are going yourself, acquaint us with the facts, as it is an item of news. Likewise if you know of any happening that comes within the pale of a news item of interest to any reasonable number of people we would like to be advised of it and will be thankful for the information. The installment during the past year of a large amount of expensive modern machinery has shifted us into a different position than that we formerly occupied. Before this new machinery was installed the greatest trouble we encountered was to "get up" the type with the number of compositors we could afford to employ. Now the matter is shifted to the problem of securing sufficient matter of local concern to utilize the amount of type that we can "get up." You will find that by assisting us in the manner indicated you will greatly facilitate our work and enable us to give you a home newspaper that you will thoroughly enjoy and one that will be to an agreeable surprise at the result of these little kindnesses of yours.

GOLD BONDS

FOR SALE

ON INSTALLMENTS.

IF PREMATURE DEATH OCCURS THEY ARE PROTECTED BY LIFE ASSURANCE.

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W. S. MESSNER,

DUBLIN, TEXAS.

A Deed 111 Years Old.

J. Doss Miller, a land man and banker of De Leon, recently paid a visit to his birthplace at Greenville, S. C., and while there dug up from among the old papers of his ancestors a deed which was made to his grandfather in the year 1793 to the old home place. The place is now occupied by a brother of our townsman John T. Green, who is a wealthy cotton mill operator. The queer phraseology of the deed makes it interesting and is here reproduced verbatim:

"This Indenture, made this 7th day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, and in the Eighteenth year of the American Independence, between Stephen Cantrell and the State of South Carolina and county of Greenville of the one part, and Israel Miller, of the County and State aforesaid, of the other part, Witnesseth: That the said Stephen Cantrell for and in consideration of the sum of fifty pounds Sterling money, to him in hand paid by the said Israel Miller and before the sealing and delivering of these presents, the receipt whereof the said Stephen Cantrell doth hereby acknowledge, he the said Stephen Cantrell doth grant, bargain, sell, alien and confirm unto the said Irsael Miller, his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcell of land containing 120 acres more or less situated in Greenville county on both sides of Euoree river. Beginning at a pose oak on Edward Ballinger corer; from thence to the head of a branch on the said Ballinger's line to a stake, corner; from thence a straight course across the little shoal to a red oak, corner, on the south side Euoree river; from thence down the river to a hickory, corner, on Mitchane's line; from thence along the said Mitchane line to a stake, corner; from thence to the begining. It being a part of a tract of land contaniing 587 acres granted to the said Edward Ballinger, under the hand of his excellency, William Moultrie, Esquire, bearing date seventh day of November, 1785, recorded in the Secretary's office grant book S. E. E. E. page 534 reference thereunto being had may more fully appear; together with all trees, woods, under-woods, tithes, commons of pastures, profits, commodities and hereditaments what-so-ever to the said missuage or tenements and premises above mentioned belonging or in any wiles appertaining, and also the remainder and remainders, rents and service, to the said premises and every part thereof and also all the estate, right, title, interest, claims and demands, what-so-ever of him, the said Stephen Cantrell of in all, to the said plantation or tract of land, containing 120 arces, more or less and every part thereof. To have and to hold said tract, 120 acres more or less, all and singular the premises above mentioned with every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances unto this said Israel Miller, his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Stephen Cantrell, for himself and his heirs, the said tract of 120 acres more or less, and appurtenances, every part thereof against him, his heirs and against all and every other person or persons what-so-ever, to the said Israel Miller, his heirs and assigns, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents, and in witness whereof Stephen Cantrell has here-unto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written. Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of us.

STEPHEN CANTRELL.

Witnesses:
John Mehaffy,
Petty Gray,
John, Miller, (His Mark.)

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: my husband lay sick for three months; the doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, aud since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do withont it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c, 50c and $1.00 bottle at Overton Drug Co.

Facts of the Eastern Crisis.

Q. What is the trouble in the far east?

A. Japan is trying to keep Russia out of Korea.

Q. What is Korea and where is it situated?

A. Korea is an autocracy under Japanese influence, about as large as Kansas with a population estimated at between eight and sixteen million. The empire occupies a peninsula just south of Siberia, jutting into the Pacific ocean between the Yellow sea and the Sea of Japan, and reaching within less than one hundred miles of the southern end of Japan.

Q. Is Korea a rich country?

A. Not especially. It is a purely agricultural land and the methods of cultivation are primative. A few gold mines are operated and there are supposed to be deposits of copper, iron and coal.

Q. Why, then, does Russia want Korea?

A. Chiefly because of its position. Korea is an extensoin of Manchuria, which practically belongs to Russia. In the natural devlopement of contiguous territory Russian merchants have crossed the boundray into Korea and Russian interests accummulating there under the weak native government naturally look to the czar for protection.

Q. Why is Korea of strategic value to Russia?

A. For two reasons. First, Russian vessels must make a long detour around Korea to pass from Vladivostock, Siberia, to Port Arthur, the Russian harbor in Manchuria. In this journey they must traverse a narrow strait between Korea and a Japanese island, comparable to Gibraltar. To insure free passage Russia seeks to control the end of Korean peninsula. Second, when Russia begins its anticipated absorption of China it would be inconvenienced if a hostile power should have a military base on the northeastern coast of Asia.

Q. Why does Japan object to the Russian annexation of Korea?

A. Because Japan is overcrowded, with a population twelve times as dense as that of the United States, and it seeks an outlet for its immigrants on the mainland. The island empire has hoped, too, to make Korea the base of an attempt to extend Japanese influences throughout China. Furthermore, it now conducts nine-tenths of Korea's commerce and owns Korea's two railroads. Its trade and railways would both be threatened and probably be deprived of value in the event of Russia's success. And, finally, Japan holds that its own independence would be menaced were Russia to gain the harbor at the end of the Korean peninsula almost within cannon range of the Japanese island fortress of Tsushima.

Q. Does Japan want to annex Korea?

A. No. It is satisfied to maintain Korea's sovereignty with the expectation that its natural advantages of situation will give it the lion's share of Korea's trade.

Q. When did trouble between Japan and Russia begin?

A. It began in 1895, when by war Japan had forced China to recognize Korea's independence and to grant Japan the southeran end of Manchuria. Russsia forced Japan to give up Manchuria, seized the surrendered territory and secured a timber cutting concession in the Yalu valley in Korea.

Q. What brought on the present crisis?

A. Last year Russia advanced the claim that the timber concession extends to the valleys of all rivers tributary to the Yalu and that it gives the Russians the right to build railroads and to monopolize the port of Yongampho at the Yalu's mouth.

Q. Did Russia announce its intention to annex Korea?

A. It did not. But Japan took the ground that its procedure meant virtual annexation and so issued a protest.

Q. Is this likely to lead to war?

A. Japan says it will unless Russia records from its claims.

Cancer Cured!!

Mr. W. W. Prickett, Smithfield, Ill. writes, Sept., 10th, 1901: "I had been suffering several years with a cancer on my face, which gave me great annoyance and unbearable itching. I was using Ballard's Snow Liniment for a sore leg, and through an accident, I rubbed some of the liniment on the cancer, and it gave me almost instant relief, I decided to continue to use the liniment on the cancer. In a short time the cancer came out, my face healed up and there is not the slightest scar left. I have implicit faith in the merits of this preparation, and it cannot be to highly recommended." 25c, 50c and $1.00. For sale by Overton Drug Co.

The Blanket signal says: Higginbotham Bros. & Co. have purchased the business lot adjoining their lumber office on the south and contemplate building a stone structure thereon, and will put in a $50,000 stock of general merchandise in the near future.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

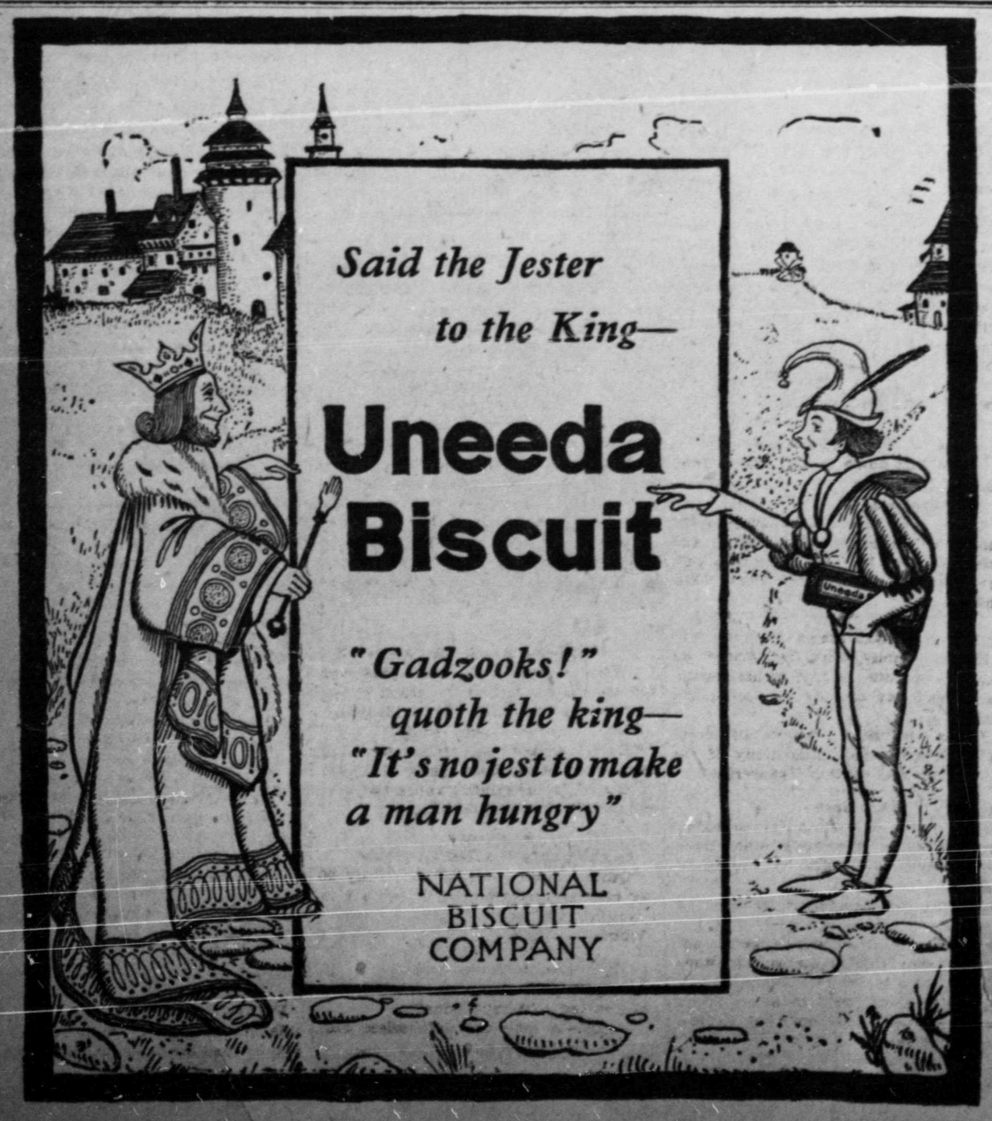
A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies, But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at Overton's Drug Store.

Court of Criminal Appeals.

The court of appeals in session at Dallas has this week handed down decisions in the following cases of interest in this section:

Affirmed: Bill Thompson, three cases, from Erath county; E. L. Licett from Hill.

Reversed and remanded: Will Cunningham from Palo Pinto, Wright Fields from Hill, Bob Thurman from Eastland.



Qualified Voters in Erath.

The following number of Erath citizens paid poll tax this year before February 1st, giving them the right to vote during the present year:

Besides the above number of persons who hold poll tax receipts, all persons may also vote who are over sixty years of age and those who have lost a leg or arm or have become twenty-one years of age since January 1st, 1903.

Prec. Box.	Taxes Paid.
1—Stephenville	638
2—Shelby	109
3—Dublin	683
4—Kikers Gin	137
5—Alexander	206
6—Purves	105
7—Duffau	246
8—Pony Creek (Box Sc. H)	75
9—Bluff Dale	145
10—Elm Grove	63
11—Morgans Mill	196
12—Patillo	71
13—Ex Ray	134
14—Highland	147
15—Moccasin Rock	67
16—Thurber	432
17—Lingleville	96
18—Huckaby	175
19—Chalk Mountain	66
20—Hallsell Sc. H	33
21—Clairiette	107
22—Pleasant Home	75
23—Selden	77
24—Victor	63
25—Altman	101
26—Russel Chapel	43
27—Stephenville (east side)	412
Total	4703

The above poll tax payments is a gain of 205 over the payments of last year and a gain of 1073 over the year previous.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green of Lancaster, N. H. No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic aud invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by Overton Drug Co.

Industrial Meeting to be Held.

Capt. F. S. White, industrial agent for the Frisco railroad, writes us that he will hold two meetings at the city hall in Dublin on Friday, Feb. 19th, at 1:30 and 7:30 p. m. Telegraphic communication has already been forwarded to Mr. White, however, in an effort to have him change his dates to Saturday, Feb. 20th, because of the regular meeting of the local institute on that day for the purpose of electing officers. At this writing word has not been received from him.

At the meetings mentioned by Mr. White the following subjects are to be discussed, viz.:

Rotation of Crops.
Care and Management of Soils.
Aflalfa and Hogs.
Dairying.
Canning.
Horticulture.
How to Plant and Manage Trees.
Truck Farming.
Diversification, etc.
How to Pack and Ship Crops for Market.

Captain White is thoroughly posted on all these subjects and he will also have other parties with him who are competent to discuss same fully. In addition to this he desires to have local people who are informed on these subjects to enter into the discussions.

As all farmers and others as well are interested in this matter it is hoped there will be a full attendance at the meeting.

If the dates above are changed as much notice as possible will be given later.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c at Overton's Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Cline returned last week from a trip of six weeks at their old homes in Georgia and Tennessee. Mr. Cline intended to remain in that section for the greater part of this year when he left Dublin, but notwithstanding that he spent a most pleasant visit he says that he could not get his consent to remain longer than six weeks in visiting. He has not before been in that section for fourteen years and reports many changes since his last visit there.

"Grandma" Cunningham who has resided with her son, Jim Cunningham, five miles south of Dublin for some time past, died Friday morning of last week at her home, after a brief illness with pneumonia. The deceased was nearly eighty years of age and has resided near Dublin for many years. She leaves a son, Jim Cunningham, of Dublin, another by the name of Riley, who is at Terrell and a daughter, Mrs. L. B. Barker of Jones county.

Attention Housekeepers

There will be a representative of Walter Baker & Co. at McCampbell & Sons and John M. Jordan's on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, February 13th, 15th and 16th who will demonstrate the

COCOA AND CHOCOLATE

Made by this famous house. In view of the fact that there are imitations of their goods upon the market, housekeepers are earnestly requested to examine the label on every package, and see that they get the original Baker's, which is made at Dorchester, Mass. Drop in and try a cup. It is free.

7 Years Practicing

Dentistry at Dublin.

During that time 5 other dentists have practiced here and have gone. My practice has steadily increased; last year's practice was over twice as much as the first year. MY REASON IS: I do the very best work in every case. I use the very best material. I cause as little pain as the case will permit. I please my patients and they tell their neighbors. Respectfully,

Dr. W. W. Snider, Dentist
Over Grange Store.

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SLOAN'S LINIMENT KILLS PAIN

Time tried, scientifically made, it penetrates.

Has no rival in power to relieve

SOLD BY ALL DEALERS

E. G. St. Clair left this week for the St. Louis markets.

County court will convene at Stephenville the first Monday in next month.

Almost the entire family of Lawyer W. S. Payne, have been sick this week with la grippe.

Miss Louella Mason left this week for St. Louis to study the millinery styles for this season and purchase a stock for the Maloney Co.

A number of Knights of Pythias from the Dublin lodge attended a lodge meeting at Stephenville last Monday night to confer degrees.

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.

L. B. Barker of near Nugent in Jones county came in last Monday to look after the interest of his wife in the estate of "Grandma" Cunningham, recently deceased.

Are You Restless at Night

And harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballards Horehound Syrup, it will secure you sound sleep and effect a prompt and radical cure. 25c, 50c and $1.00 bottle at Overton Drug Co.

The Methodist protracted meeting which had been in progress at the church here for over a week, closed Wednesday night. The meeting was a decided success in all particulars.

The best physic. "Once tried and you will always use Chamberlain's Liver Tablets," says William A. Girard, Pease Vt. These tablets are the most prompt, most pleasant and most reliable cathartic in use. Sold by Overton Drug Co.

W. B. Roberts, special agent for the rural free delivery system of the post office department, is here this week going over the routes which have been applied for out of Dublin. We understand that his report will be favorable to the establishment of a number of new routes.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of The Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women; regulates the bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, it will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and will cure any case above mentioned. Sold by E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, 2915 Olive St., Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by all druggists and Overton Drug Co.

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I was troubled with kidney and bladder trouble for a number of years. I have used the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, with wonderful results, and can conscientiously recommend it. Phil S. Wynne

Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days
E. W. Grove on each box.

DON'T GET BURNED

with cheap dental work. The best is always the cheapest. If you go to a good dentist you will go to a good one; he may charge you a little more than one not proficient in his business but you will save in the end. I have practiced dentistry for a number of many years and I have found out that cheap work won't pay. I use good material and get good results. Consultation and examination free.

DR. W. H. HENTHORN
Office over Maloney Bldg.

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...s Expressed on the ...stion Pro and Con.

...CULATION BAND FORMED.

...l Secretary of National So... Organized in Oakland, Cal., ...e Practice of Kissing Is Mor... ...d Physically Bad—New York ...y Women Say the Kiss Is a ...vator and Its Abolishment ...d Disintegrate the Universe.

...ing be abolished it will disinte... the universe—Mrs. Cornelia Stew...dson.

...York believes in osculation. It ...s it not only on the basis of cus... ...t on the ground of ethics. It ...n economic excuse for the prac... ...d defends it as an expression of ...ste, always allowing for the fact ...here are kisses and kisses, says ...w York World.

...tion on the matter was precipi... ...by the announcement of the re... ...rmation of the National Anti... ...Society of America in Oakland. ...has already 100 members, who ...themselves "of sound sense," ...e pledged to abjure all forms of ...k from the amatory to the per... ...y, for the rest of their natural

...r renounce the pleasure and grati... ...to be derived from the use of ...t of osculation, commonly known ...kissing," from a "heroic desire to ...e and preserve the health and ...of the human family general...

...president is K. I. Sweet and the ...ary M. Earley. A local secretary ...e appointed for all branches, for ...anizers are positive that the ...has only to learn of the evils of ...e, physical and moral, to at once ...e a muzzle or its equivalent—a ...ate of membership in the Anti... ...society. A. S. Rutherford of ...d, who is the general secretary, ...es the mission of the society as ...ose." The antikissers take them... ...seriously. He says:

...e practice of kissing is a menace ...ly to the morals but to the ...h of the community. Through ...ecious contact of lips disease is ...d, and the evil effects of such ...s of affection cannot be estimated. ...just think what a shield against ...ction an antiosculation pledge ...be. With such an ironclad reso... ...n as that in his pocket a man is ...against the wiles of a Cleopa...

...s remained for New York wom... ...ever, to discover two aspects ...case that the "antis" have ap... ...never considered. One is the ...of kissing to the whole scheme ...re; the other is its effect as a ...

...ing," said Mrs. Cornelia Stew...dson, the well known social ...ist, when asked to discuss the ...ity of a New York branch, "is ...of our oldest social amenities. It ...ot come into being without rea... ...It could not be killed without ...r. The law of psychic attrac... ...s the provision of Mother Nature. ...s through her entire plan. The ...e its highest expression. Abolish ...you disintegrate the universe.

...treat the subject economically, ...be true that the microbe is fos... ...by the practice of kissing its ...ion would put many physicians ...of business, and the pauperizing of ...medical profession would be a seri... ...consideration."

...he kiss," said Miss Emma Fields, ...actress, "more than all the cosmet... ...in the shops is a rejuvenator. The ...ch proverb, 'The lips which are ...kissed never grow old,' describes ...case exactly. A woman wants to ...she is lovely and lovable, and no ...can convince her of that fact so ...oughly as a well timed kiss. It is ...natural right. The child and the ...man were made to be kissed. I once ...d a man declare that the best gift ...woman could have was to look kiss... ...and broadly that seems to be the ...ion of the sex.

...If we could abolish the society ...which means nothing, I should ...or an antisociety at once. But as ...its bad effect upon health, I do not ...for the microbes transmitted in a ...we weigh against the pessimism and ...mature old age of those who lan... ...h for kisses that they never re...ve."

...Mrs. Belle De Rivera of the New ...k Equal Suffrage league said: "Kiss... ...is a relic of barbarism. We shook ...enemy's hand originally to discov... ...that he had no weapon concealed. ...promiscuous kiss is the thing to ...but the abolition of the entire prac... ...might have a political significa...ce."

...It is the habit of kissing in public ...the kissing between women on ev... ...occasion of a social sort that call ...an antisociety," said Mrs. Harriet ...ton of the West End Republican ...b. "In my opinion, the French ...tom of kissing on the cheek should ...adopted."

...In the matter of kissing," said Mrs. ...rge Studwell of the Professional ...man's league, "the 'antis' have ...re to contend with than they reckon ...r. There are, for instance, the people ...e in the month of May, who are ...posed to be constitutionally inclin... ...to this expression of their affections. ...believe that those who are not in... ...ed to kiss the people they are fond ...have something radically wrong with ...Everything when carried to ex... ...ence is bad, but as kissing goes by ...e it seems to me that should be ...ficient protection for the evils of ...osculity at least, and all other ...ils are a matter of individuality and ...of the kiss per se."

TRAVELING BY WEIGHT.

Radical Changes Which the Colorado Innovation May Bring About.

The officers of the Pueblo and Beulah Valley railway in Colorado, an electric line seventeen miles in length, have decided to adopt a passenger tariff system whereby persons desiring to be carried over the road must pay according to their weight instead of by the mile, as usual in the United States, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

Passengers, a dispatch says, will be required to step upon scales at the ticket office and will be charged at the rate of 1½ cents a pound for the round trip between Pueblo and Beulah and for shorter trips proportionately. This system is said to have been adopted with success on some European lines.

The Colorado line is one of small importance, of course, being a purely local affair, but if the new tariff principle proves successful in this instance it may be applied to the handling of passenger traffic on the trunk lines. In that event and in cases where persons are planning to take long journeys they will of course go into training in advance with the purpose of reducing their weight to the minimum. The father of a large family will be enabled to make quite a considerable saving on a thousand mile trip to be taken by his loved ones if he reduces them to a milk and water diet for a month or two before entering upon the journey. Anti fat remedies will of course under such circumstances become more popular than ever, for lean people will be able to travel much more cheaply than those who are troubled with a tendency to embonpoint.

As a natural result of the innovation, should it be generally adopted by our common carriers, people who are about to be weighed will of course remove all metal articles either in the way of knives, keys or coin from the pockets and divest themselves of all surplus clothing. They will also purchase their tickets before rather than after meals, and shrewd and experienced travelers will drink charged mineral water so that they may be light and effervescent when they step upon the scales.

All necessary details of this improved tariff arrangement doubtless will be attended to, including a preferential round trip rate for persons who visit the health resorts in an emaciated condition and return with their blood full of iron and their hearts full of joy.

CYCLONE DEFYING BARN.

Circular Structure Erected on an Indiana Farm.

A circular barn, one of the most unique structures ever erected on an Indiana farm, has been completed by James Sears, whose farm is near Lapel, Ind., says the Chicago Record-Herald. The walls, or, rather, wall, of the barn is twenty-five feet high and sixty-five feet in diameter, the roof running to a cone. There is no such thing as a post or pillar in the barn. In order to prevent the weight of the roof from spreading the wall Sears, who is a practical blacksmith, forged three heavy steel hoops, and with these he encircled the structure as a band would be put around a big water tank. The barn is cyclone proof, for Boreas has no chance to get a hold on the structure.

Inside, a driveway runs clear around. The stalls for horses and cattle are arranged in a circle, there is a big feeding room in the center, and a silo extends from the ground to the roof's cone.

Mr. Sears claims that he can shelter more stock and stow away more feed in the barn than in the ordinary farm structure.

"GET AWAY FROM CITIES."

Advice of a Chicago Society Whose Mission Is to Aid the Poor.

Plans for affording the poorer residents of crowded cities a chance to acquire farms and homes in the country was discussed at a banquet of the Field and Workshop society at the Auditorium in Chicago the other night.

The society's object is to form branch institutions in every large city and place bonds needed for the purchase of lands, tools and seeds with railroads and other interested industrial enterprises. The keynote of several addresses was, "Get away from the cities, their crimes and strenuous life, and into the country, where the best citizens are produced."

A Child's Appeal to Mark Twain.

Apropos of Mark Twain and his story "A Dog's Tale," which appeared in the December Harper's Magazine, a pretty incident is related. A little friend of Mr. Clemens, who considers him quite her "nearest and dearest," listened eagerly while her mother read aloud the story. She absorbed enough of it to be in ecstasy and begged to be allowed to write the author a little letter. The little letter was sent—just as it was written—and the reply from across the water will be awaited with interest. It as as follows:

deer Mister Mark—i liked your doggy and the poor little puppie to. now pleas went you rite us a cats tail quick your playmate jessie.

—New York Times.

Rockefeller's Liking For Skating.

John D. Rockefeller has taken to skating with as much ardor as he plays golf, says the New York American. He appeared on the lake at Lakewood, N. J., one afternoon recently with a new pair of club skates. He wore a fur cap that well protected his bald head.

"I like this almost as much as golf," he said. "It gives me an appetite."

Pointing to a "shinny" stick he carried, Mr. Rockefeller said, "I feel safer with that in my hand."

Mr. Rockefeller was out about an hour. He likes to skate just as he plays golf—all by himself, a little skating trust.

TURNER'S AMBITION.

The Great Painter Achieved It by Years of Self Sacrifice.

Turner could not bear to sell a favorite painting. He was always melancholy after such a transaction. "I lost one of my children this week," he would sadly exclaim. At a meeting at Somerset House it was decided to purchase his two great pictures, the "Rise" and the "Fall of Carthage," for the National gallery. A Mr. Griffiths was commissioned to offer $5,000 for them. "A noble offer," said the painter, "a noble offer; but, no, I cannot part with them. Impossible." Mr. Griffiths, greatly disappointed, took his leave. Turner ran after him. "Tell those gentlemen," he said, "that the nation will most likely have the pictures after all." Long before this Turner had matured a purpose which continued to be his dominant idea while life lasted. This was to bequeath to his country a Turner gallery of pictures and to amass £100,000 to build and endow an asylum for decayed artists. It was for this great object that he denied himself all pleasures that cost money, all luxuries. His resolve, once made, could not be shaken. On one occasion he was offered £100,000 for the art treasures locked up in the "den." "Give me the key of the house, Mr. Turner," said a Liverpool merchant, "and here is the money." "No, thank you," replied Turner. "I have refused a better offer." And that was true. By his will he bequeathed £140,000 to found an asylum for poor artists born in England and a magnificent art collection in his country. This latter bequest was, however, coupled with the condition that his "Rise" and "Fall of Carthage" should be hung in the National gallery between Claude's "Seaport" and "Mill."—Golden Penny.

The Wilmington Giant.

The "Long Man of Wilmington," popularly known as the "Wilmington Giant," is a rude, gigantic figure of a man 240 feet in length, with arms extended upward and in each hand holding a long staff in a position parallel with the body. The distance between these staves is 119 feet. The figure is well proportioned and reclines with both legs outstretched. It lies carved on a bold bluff of the downs facing the weald and forms a conspicuous landmark for miles round, especially when the light falls on it at a particular angle. There is a similar figure at Cerne Abbas, in Dorsetshire, and, as both are near religious houses, it is supposed that they may have been the work of the inmates. The slope to the south of the priory, on which the figure is cut, bends downward at an angle of fifty degrees, and the giant was originally marked out by removing the turf and exposing the glaring white chalk beneath. In course of time the outlines became grass grown and could only be seen at certain seasons, so in 1873 a movement was set on foot for re-marking the whole figure. This was successfully accomplished, the outline being plainly marked out by white bricks.—London News.

Big Noses In Favor.

In Japan the nose is the only feature which attracts attention. The nose determines the beauty or ugliness of the face, according as it is big or small. This is probably due to the fact that difference in noses constitutes about the only distinction between one Japanese face and another. The eyes are invariably black, the cheek bones high and the chin receding. In Japan a lady who has a huge proboscis is always a great beauty and a reigning belle. There are a few large noses among the natives, and lucky is he or she upon whom nature lavishes one. In all Japanese pictures representing the supposedly beautiful woman the artist invariably improves on nature by depicting this feature as abnormally developed.

"Spite" Tower.

Every one is familiar with various spite fences or houses, but it is safe to say that quite the most costly and elaborate enterprise of this kind in the world is the famous Wainhouse tower, in Yorkshire, England. Its builder, John Edward Wainhouse, was the owner of a dyeworks in that valley. Next to his estate lay that of an English lord. The two quarreled, and Wainhouse built the tower so that he could always overlook his neighbor's grounds, although they lay much higher than his own. The tower is nearly 300 feet high and cost $50,000 to build.

Used to It.

Jonah was giving the details of the episode.

"But," they said, "did your wife believe you when you said you had been three days in the whale?"

"Yes," he returned. "She said I had given her much more improbable excuses before."

With a happy smile he went downtown to buy her a handsome present.—Harper's Bazar.

Just a Guess.

"I saw you out walking with your wife yesterday."

"I didn't know you knew my wife."

"I don't."

"Then what makes you think it was she that you saw me with?"

"You didn't appear to be saying anything to her."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Family of Influence.

"He seems to be quite an important personage now."

"Why, he always was, and so were the other members of his family."

"Nonsense."

"Not at all. He started as janitor in a flat, his brother is a policeman, and his sister is a cook lady."—Exchange.

Politeness is like an air cushion—there's nothing in it, but it eases the joints wonderfully.—Gannett.

THE LABOR AGITATOR.

Some of the Qualities He Must Possess to Be Successful.

Strikes contribute but slightly to the equipment of the successful labor agitator. The agitator must be thoroughly acquainted with the history of the labor movement and be capable of presenting its aims and aspirations in an attractive and convincing manner. He must possess the ability to think rapidly and to express his views and opinions clearly and forcibly. But, withal, he must inspire those whom he would lead with absolute faith in his honesty. The agitator isn't always an advocate of strikes. He has sometimes to exert his influence to prevent a strike which his judgment tells him would be unwise. It may sound like mixing terms to say so, but it is a truth that the most difficult tasks performed by the labor agitators are their "agitations" in the interest of peace, their efforts to prevent strikes. The man who is always in favor of a strike as soon as one is suggested or who is constantly on the search for a casus belli soon finds his influence as a leader gone.—"The Story of a Labor Agitator," by Joseph R. Buchanan.

Unknowable Russia.

Those who are permitted to speak the open truth in Russia may be counted on the fingers of one hand, and they half of them will be left unused. Why these people are tolerated is one of the secrets of state. Outside of these only those who write works of fiction, which the majority of the people cannot and do not read, are permitted to speak of things as they are. When they exceed the limits of Russian decency and speak too openly, they are given a trip to Siberia at the expense of the government. Siberia is the place where the boldest, the most courageous and most talented products of Russia are put on cold storage.

It is the coldest part of the country, and honest people are sent there when the country becomes too hot for them. When the innocent tourist asks, "Where are your honest people?" Siberia is pointed out to him. If he asks more questions, he is himself sent there. The government objects to questions on general principles. Russia refuses to be interviewed.—B. G. Richards in Reader Magazine.

An Underground Confession.

Women are growing quite embarrassingly frank about the basis and the crown of their charms. On Saturday afternoon a pretty young married woman, with her five-year-old son—so much we could infer—jumped into a first class carriage on the underground. After her came three friends, two girls and a man. "Yes, I'd never be without my wig," said the pretty woman. "It isn't as if I hadn't enough hair of my own. Celia can vouch for that." Celia nodded—we all looked for Celia's nod. "Why, the other Sunday we were lunching at Wimbledon, one of those damp, muggy days. Margaret was there—with her fringe all over her eyes. Mine was all right, and yet Margaret has a maid and I haven't. I've worn a wig for three years, and I don't care who knows it." The rest of us—strangers—held our breath till the tale was told.—London Chronicle.

Peril In the Handkerchief.

It is in fact a grave sanitary question whether the handkerchief does not do more harm than good as it is ordinarily used. When we assume that the healthy nose does not need to be wiped we face a reasonably broad proposition as to the danger of the handkerchief as a disease propagator. Most of nasal catarrhs are of an infectious character, notably those of grip origin.

Contrary to a general law of asepsis, the handkerchief saturated with disease germs, instead of being promptly washed, is stowed for hours in the pocket, with a result that can be easily imagined. Is it any wonder then that catarrhs are constantly fostered by a system of auto-infection?—Medical Record.

Easy Way of Measuring Heights.

Anybody who knows how to take the altitude of the sun or a star with a sextant and wishes to take that of any distant hill, steeple or the like should put a tea tray on the ground, fill it with water and then retire from it until the top of the hill, steeple or what not is reflected in the liquid. Now take the sextant and make the image of the summit coincide with its reflection in the liquid. The angle of elevation will thus, obviously, have been measured double. Half of this will give the measurement required.

Caught With the Goods On.

"Silas wuz down to the city an' had to send for money."

"Get bunkoed?"

"Nope. He pasted his money to the inside of the bosom of his shirt, and when he went to come home the landlord wouldn't change his shirt."—Exchange.

Explained.

Baxter—Funny, isn't it? Where we say a man puts his foot in his mouth, the French say he puts his foot in his nose.

Foster—Of course. That's all owing to the nasal sound in so many of the French words.—Boston Transcript.

Sympathy.

He—I got a note from Dunne today saying that he absolutely must have the money I owe him by tomorrow morning.

She—Oh, the poor fellow!—Life.

Napoleon I., who was a great admirer of female talent (when its owner did not, like Mme. de Stael, direct it against himself), used to say, "There are women who have only one fault—viz, that they are not men."

A NERVOUS WAIT.

Weird Sensation When the Church Became Totally Dark.

"I went to a Fifth avenue church last Sunday night," said a man who is good once a week, "and quite unexpectedly got a new sensation. The church was brilliantly lighted, but something went wrong with the electrical apparatus, and all of a sudden most of the lights went out. Midway in the building two or three bunches of bulbs continued to shed a sepulchral twilight, but the pulpit was shrouded in darkness, and nervous members of the congregation began to fidget.

"This condition of affairs lasted for some minutes until the choir had finished an anthem. Then the preacher arose and requested the people to remain quietly seated for half a minute in total darkness, when the church would be fully illuminated again. With the words the few remaining lights went out, and for a space darkness like that of a coal hole prevailed.

"It was the weirdest, most uncanny wait I ever had. Every man and woman of the 800 or 1,000 in that church was as still as death almost. I suppose the darkness did not last a minute, but it seemed to me to be an hour. When the lights again leaped out there was a sigh of relief from every person in the church. I guess they all felt as queer about it as I did."—New York Press.

HORSEHAIR FOR BOWS.

Only Black or White From Russia or Germany Is Used.

There is a vast amount of horsehair annually used in the United States for making and repairing violin, violoncello and bass viol bows. All of the hair comes from Germany and Russia, in which countries the tails of horses are generally allowed to grow much longer than here. The foreign hair is also coarser in texture and tougher than that which grows on the American horse, and these qualities make the imported article more valuable than the domestic product.

There are only two kinds of horsehair suitable for making bows, and they are of white and black varieties. The former is used for violin bows, and the latter, which is heavier and stronger, is the best material for making bows for cello and bass viols, because it bites the larger strings better. The imported hair is put up in hanks of thirty-six inches long, which is five or six inches longer than the standard violin bow. A hank is sufficient for one violin bow, while two hanks are required to hair a cello or bass viol bow. There are about one and a half ounces of hair in a hank, which is worth from 20 to 30 cents, according to the quality of the hair.—Philadelphia Record.

THE ART OF BOXING.

Fistic Combats Were Highly Esteemed In Ancient Times.

Pugilism, the practice of boxing or fighting with the fists, was a manly art and exercise highly esteemed among the ancients. In those days the hands of the pugilist were armed with the cestus, leather thongs loaded with lead or iron. This form of athletic sport was at first only permitted to freemen among the Greeks, but gradually it was taken up as a profession and lost much of its prestige.

As an illustration of its early use we find in Virgil's fifth Æneid the record of a match between Dares, "with nimble feet and confident in youth," and Entellus, the veteran champion, "strong and weighty limbed," when the combatants—

Their arms uplift in air, their heads withdraw
Back from the blows, and, mingling hand with hand,
Provoke the conflict.

Pugilism has been a typical English sport from the days of King Alfred, but its golden age as a profession dates from the accession of the house of Hanover.—London Standard.

Living and Working.

Few people outside of hoboes and Indians not taxed really live without working.

Those who work without really living are much more numerous, including, as they do, billionaires and seamstresses with more than six small children.

In the perfect day, when the lion and the lamb shall walk together and the rich shall go down to the college settlements and play bridge with the poor, we shall all doubtless both live and work.—Life.

Phil May's Habits.

The all night and next day habits of Phil May, the artist, have furnished material for many a story. Joe Tapley, the singer, said that he came across May one night and heard that the latter had not been to bed for four nights and days. He remonstrated, and May said: "Never mind, Joe; we'll make a bargain. Don't you lose any sleep on my account, and I promise that as soon as I feel tired I'll go to bed!"

Fortune's Favor Sufficient.

"What do we want with gold and precious stones?" said the proud young mother, gazing fondly upon the baby. "This is fortune enough for us."

"Huh!" grunted the father, who had been walking the floor nearly all night. "I'm glad fortune didn't knock twice at our door."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Beauty.

"Is she pretty?" asked Languide.

"Quite," replied Statisticus, "fully 50 per cent as pretty as she thinks she is, I should say."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Almost Irresistible.

Briggs—What do you consider among the greatest of temptations?

Spriggs—A lone and defenseless umbrella.—Baltimore American.

Silver Creek
Versus
Golden Gulch

By A. B. LEWIS

HOW Silver Creek and Golden Gulch became one was brought about in this manner: For many years keen rivalry had existed between the two towns, which were only a stone's throw from each other. Both claimed to be head and shoulders above the other in enterprise and progressiveness, and one never made a move in public improvement that the other did not go it one better.

When Golden Gulch built a town hall two stories high, Silver Creek built one of three stories. When Silver Creek erected a new jail, its citizens had hardly begun to crow over the matter when Golden Gulch was working overtime to build a better one.

"Who'll be fust?"

And in all other matters there was rivalry. Even when four dwellings burned in Silver Creek one night Golden Gulch sacrificed five of its buildings, just to keep ahead in such matters.

It had been about an even thing between the two towns when one day Bill Stevens caused consternation in Golden Gulch by bringing in the news that Silver Creek "was preparin' fur the whoppinest C'ris'mus celebrashun ever known in the state." When asked for further particulars he said:

"Boys, I've just come from thet dawggoned town, and, though they're keepin' it mighty quiet, I got on to their little surprise party. Them coyotes are goin' to flop us if they kin by hevin' a lynchin' on C'ris'mus!"

"Got a hoss thief, eh?" asked one of the crowd.

"Thet's what they've got, boys," continued Bill, "and they're savin' him fur the occashun. He's to be lynched in the public squar' on C'ris'mus afternoon, and when it becomes known thet Silver Creek kin celerbrate her holidays in sich a befittin' manner it 'll boom her like thunder and 'll be all over with us.

"Boys, we've gotter hev two lynchin's or admit we're back numbers. While we ain't got no hoss thieves, thar's plenty of loyal citizens in Silver Creek, and I'm bettin' terbacker ag'in gold dust thet two of 'em will step forward and let us lynch 'em on C'ris'mus and save the town's repertashun. I'll promise 'em thet it will be done in a genteel manner and thet a ten foot monument will be put over their graves to boot. Now, boys, who'll be fust in this matter?"

Bill was alone.

A deep silence followed Bill's query. Two minutes after he had asked the question ten men had left the crowd. Three minutes later a dozen more had disappeared, and five minutes later Bill was quite alone.

As he watched the last of the crowd dodging around a corner there were tears in his eyes as he exclaimed to himself:

"And most of 'em hev sich bewtiful necks fur hangin' too! Waal, we're a licked crowd, but I allus did sorter o' reckon thet Silver Creek was a heap sight better town to live in than Golden Gulch, and I'm goin' to make my home thar hereafter."

And there were so many others in the town who suddenly came to this conclusion, especially after the lynching on Christmas, that there was an exodus from Golden Gulch to Silver Creek, and the two towns merged and became one and indivisible.

The Only One In Captivity.

Museum Patron—Well, what new freak have you for the holidays?

Manager—The rarest thing on earth—the man who doesn't buy more Christmas presents than he can afford.

A Strict Grammarian.

"You think a great deal of your husband, don't you?" said the visiting relative.

"You have the wrong preposition," answered Mr. Meekton's wife, with the cold tones of the superior woman. "I think for him."—Washington Star.

More to the Point.

Hicks—I suppose you heard that our house was robbed?

Wicks—Yes. I understand the way the thieves ransacked the place simply beggared description.

Hicks—Not only that, but it very nearly beggared me.—Exchange.

As Wasps Do.

Jinks—I'll never get into an argument with him again. He's entirely too bitter.

Winks—Is he really?

Jinks—Oh, a regular wasp.

Winks—I see. He always carries his point.—Catholic Standard.

Stopped Gambling.

Blunt—I hear Blones has stopped gambling.

Front—That's true. I bet him $100 this morning that he couldn't stop, and he took me up.—Yonkers Herald.

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W. J. OXFORD (Re-election).

For Representative,
J. J. BENNETT.

For District Clerk.
JNO. W. GRAY (Re-election)

For County Judge.
M. J. THOMPSON.
L. N. FRANK (Re-election)
BEN PALMER.

For Sheriff.
MACK CRESSWELL
(Re-election)

For County Attorney.
B. E. COOK. (Re-election)
WILL PANNILL.

For County Treasurer.
GEO. E. (BUD) PARKER.
J. T. STARR (Re-election).
W. T. LOWE
S. A. HILL

For County Clerk.
RUFUS A. MORTON.
H. P. COLE.
JNO. W. FREY (Re-election)

For Assessor.
I. N. POND.
J. L. HALL.
J. WILL FULKERSON.
A. L. WARD.

For Tax Collector.
R. T. ROBERTS (Re-election)
DAVIS K. DOYLE.

For Commissioner, Prec. Two:
JNO. O. STRIPLIN.
R. S. POPE.
L. R. MAYFIELD.

For Justice of the Peace, Prec. 8:
JNO. O. STRIPLIN.

OVER THE COUNTRY.

ALTMAN.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 8th.—"Grandma" Howell is very sick at the home of Sterling McDerment.

The rain of last week was heartily welcomed by all of the farmers of this community. Some are at present sowing oats so as to get them in before the ground dries off.

The Altman school literary society is progressing very nicely. The programs of each meeting is made up of recitations, dialogues and debates and attract quite a crowd on every other Friday evening. The question for the next debate is resolved "That George Washington was a greater man than Abraham Lincoln." The affirmative has been given to Frank Rogers and Olie Brandon and the negative to Jesse Chadick and Albert Bingham. Everybody is invited.

Capt. Benson went to Stephenville a few days since on business.

Rev. Green, a county missionary, is among us at present. He made a talk to the school children Friday evening.

Rev. Gibson filled his appointment at the Baptist church last Saturday and Sunday.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the home of Ed Stringer last Sunday evening.

While digging stumps for J. J. Rogers one day last week Ivey Bostick and Burl Simmons had some clothing burned to ashes. They had pulled off some of their wearing apparel and laid them in the grass. Before going to dinner they set fire to some stumps and when they returned the grass had burned up to and including their clothing.

Everybody in this neighborhood will plant cotton in large quantities this year.

A horse belonging to H. L. Bingham died last Saturday night with blind staggers. It was quite a loss to Mr. Bingham.

Elmer Benson has recently been elected Sunday school superintendent in this community.

Ayer's

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ROCH SCHOOL HOUSE.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 9th.—There is a great deal of sickness such as colds and lagrippe in this section.

Rev. Walker preached at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Mr. Whitefield and wife and son, Earnest, Misses Katie Carnes and Laura Hilton visited with friends and relatives at Dublin last Sunday.

Miss Mary Roch was the guest of C. G. Simmons and lady Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Katie Roch visited with the family of J. P. Thompson last Sunday.

Our teacher in the public school doesn't believe in the old saying "spare the rod and spoil the child." She dusted seventeen one day last week, and it wasn't a good day for dusting either.

Several of our young people attended the singing convention at Theny last Sunday. They report a good singing.

Mrs. W. L. Walton was taken very suddenly with heart failure last Saturday and came very near dying. She is reported some better at this writing.

BUNYAN.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 8th.—A heavy rain fell here Thursday night of last week.

Mr. Sloan's family is down with the measles.

Rev. Van Zandt filled is regular appointment here last Sunday. Rev. Owens also filled his appointment last Sunday evening.

The Farmer's Union meets here next Wednesday night.

Miss Florence Williams visited Miss Alta Bostick last Sunday.

J. Ellis and family visited the family of his brother, Dee Ellis, last Sunday.

Frank Shillingburg and lady visited his father last Sunday.

Mr. Rice and family visited Mr. Williams last Sunday.

Miss Agnes Shillingburg visited Miss Ida Parks last Sunday.

Farmers in this community will plant corn at an early date.

There is considerable sickness in the community around Bunyan.

DUFFAU.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 10th.—We are having some very cold weather at present.

A nice rain fell in this community last week and the ground is full wet to plow.

There are a great many cases of measles in our community, though none are very serious.

Mrs. Laura Ogle, who is visiting friends and relatives at this place, will leave the latter part of this week for her home in Dallas.

Jack Thompson is hauling the wood from a new piece of ground he has just finished clearing.

F. M. Holland, who has been on the sick list for some time, is improving slowly.

"Grandma" Rich is on the sick list this week.

Clide Thompson and his father's family have moved to near Stephenville this week.

ALEXANDER.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 10th.—W. R. Hammitt has been very sick for several days, but we are glad to note that he is some better at this writing. Dr. Miller of Dublin is attending him

Robt. Nelson is recovering from an attack of the measles.

"Grandma" Hambrick of near this place happened to a serious accident some days ago. She was visiting her son-in-law, Mr. Sewell, on the Col. Holcomb place, and while there she fell from the front porch of the house and sustained a fracture of the leg below the knee, and owing to her age and feeble health it was feared that she could not survive the injury, but we learn that she is doing as well as could be expected at this time and is considered out of danger.

This scribe has had an attack of the la grippe, but is better at this writing.

M. C. Fewell of Dublin has opened up a racket store at this place.

Ed Farmer of Limestone county has moved to this place and is assisting his father-in-law, Mr Fisher, in the blacksmith shop.

The farmers of this section are busy sowing oats.

The indications are that there will be an increase in cotton acreage in this part of the county for this year.

A Mr. Hughes was here last week in the interest of the Farmer's Co-Operative Union. Think he failed to organize a union at this place.

CHALK MOUNTAIN.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 8th.—Rev. Standifer filled his regular appointment at this place last Sunday.

Mr. Hunt of Bluff Dale is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Bennett.

While playing at school one day last week Floyd Stigler received a hard lick in the eye, which has since caused him much pain.

Arthur Davidson was in this community last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shipman visited Mrs. Shipman's mother, Mrs. Roden, last Saturday and Sunday.

A new baby girl was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett. Mother and babe are doing well.

The meeting of the literary society at this place was well attended last Friday night.

A large crowd attended singing at this place last Sunday evening. There was aslo singing at the home of Mr. Walkers Sunday night.

Misses Inez Hunter and Maud Walker visited Miss Edith Graves Saturday night.

Mrs. Monte Underwood and Mrs. Howard spent today at the home of Mr. Stigler. Rev. Standifer also spent the day there.

I. H. Underwood is hauling lumber to build a business house twenty by forty feet at this place. The Masons will build and occupy the second story.

Corn planting is near at hand and we will say for the benefit of those who have no native corn to plant, that we have some white native corn and will divide with them.

The rain of last week has put the ground in fine condition for planting oats.

Baxter Underwood went to Mart last week and purchased a stock of goods. He will return Thurdsay of this week.

LOWELL.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 9th.—Another fine rain fell in this section of the country last Thursday night. The ground is in better condition than it has been since last October. It saved the wheat and put the land in fine condition for farming in general.

R. W. Ellison of this place was visiting Buford Rushing and family of Eastland county, Saturday and Sunday.

Prof. G. T. Blackwell was visiting his parents in Eastland county Saturday.

Rev. Holly preached an interesting sermon Sunday and Sunday night on holiness.

Rev. Evans of the Baptist faith preached Saturday and Sunday and Sunday night.

J. D. Rogers and family, formerly of this place but who are now living on the Victor and Dublin road about six miles from Dublin, were visiting friends and relatives at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Ed Hilliard and family are the guests of Z. T. Jones and family this week.

E. M. Chism of this place and Harrison Jones of Triangle have traded places, whereby E. M. Chism comes into possession of Harrison Jones place and Mr. Jones comes into possession of 160 acres of unimproved land near Leger in Greer county. Mr. Jones will move at once and John Creager will work the Jones farm this year.

SURE

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"The work of operating the telegraph key is a great strain upon the nerves and after the day's work was over I would feel nervous, irritable, run down and toward the last suffered greatly from insomnia and neuralgia. As I never indulged in intoxicating liquors, drugs, or tobacco in any form I came to the conclusion that coffee and tea were causing the gradual break-down of my nervous system and having read an article in the Medical Magazine on the composition of coffee and its toxic effect upon the system, I was fully convinced that coffee was the cause of my trouble.

"Seeing Postum spoken of as not having any of the deteriorating effects of coffee I decided to give up the stimulant and give Postum a trial. The result was agreeably surprising. After a time my nerves became wonderfully strong, I can do all my work at the telegraph key and typewriter with far greater ease than ever before. My weight has increased 35 pounds my general health keeping pace with it, and I am a new man and a better one." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

HIGHLAND

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 9th.—We have had a good rain and we are turning the soil preparatory to making another crop.

"Uncle" Jack Armstrong has eight cases of measles at his home.

Our school is prorgessing nicely with a good attendance. We came near having our school house burned one day last week. Had it not been for the timely aid of some men who were working nearby it would have been a total loss. As it was it was only damaged to the extent of thirty dollars. It would have cost us more but for the generosity of G. B. Maloney & Co. and Utterback & Harris Co., of Dublin, from whom the stoves and flues were purchased.

Ben Martin passed through our town the latter part of last week, en route to Lingleville. He informed us that his father, Dr. Martin, was no better from the attack of eye trouble. He is almost blind.

Mr. Watson has built an addition to his residence in east Highland. He has also had a well dug.

POINT LOOKOUT.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 11th.—This scribe spent last week near Lamkin. On Thursday night a good rain fell in that section, which came in good time for wheat, as it was needing it very badly. We found the health of that community very good with the exception of sore eyes. J. R. Stephen was almost blind from eye trouble and many others are suffering from the same affliction. The farmers in that section are well up with their farm work.

A good rain fell in this section last Thursday night.

Mrs. S. A. Greaves is suffering with sore eyes.

Mrs. J. M. R. Stephen was sick the past week.

Mrs. Fountain Johnson, whom we recently reported sick from pneumonia, is convelescent.

Mrs. Sam Davis is still confined to her bed with lagrippe.

Since the rain of last week the wheat looks well.

Most every farmer is now ready to plant gardens and corn. The present outlook is very encouraging to us for the next corp.

Most all stock is having to be fed, notwithstanding the abundance of feed put up the past year.

PALMER.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 10th.—We had a fine rain Thursday night of last week and the ground is just now barely dry enough to plow.

Farmers have commenced to sow oats in this neighborhood.

Charlie Busby has a child sick with pneumonia; Mr. Hodges also has a little girl very ill with the same disease.

Prof. John Carroll led the singing class at this place last Sunday.

Our public school has an enrollment of one hundred and five pupils at present. Your correspondent failed to get the grades made in the examination for the first two months of school so as to give names of pupils. Some, however, made an average of ninety-two per cent in general spelling, higher arithmetic, composition, algebra and geometry.

Bob McPherson has just finished the erection of a wind mill on his place. Sem Everett has also purchased one but hasn't yet got it up.

J. D. Martin marketed a load of wheat at the roller mills in Dublin yesterday.

HARBIN.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 10th.—The farmers havn't done much work for two weeks as the weather has been unfavorable. However the boys have been slaying the rabbits.

Rev. H. M. Courtney has been on the sick list for the present week, otherwise the health in this part is good.

We had a Sunday school rally last Sunday. Quite a nice program was rendered by the children.

Uncle John Bishop has had a well drilled in his yard and has erected over it a wind mill and tank, making his water supply very convenient.

The young people enjoyed a singing at Rev. R. W. Bowman's last Friday night.

R. E. Golightly and wife visited home folks near our little city the last of the week and also relatives in Dublin.

J. E. Taylor and wife visited relatives near Stephenville Sunday.

Miss Mamie Taylor visited relatives in Dublin Saturday and Sunday and attended preaching at the M. E. church.

George Stewart and sister were visiting their sister and brother Will Stewart and family Saturday.

Rev. Van Zandt has returned from east Texas and will fill his regular appointment here next Sunday.

COW CREEK.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 11th.—But for the cold spell of this week the farmers of this community would have finished oat sowing

The two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Sitton which has been dangerously sick the past week is slowly improving. Also Mr. Ormsby's child is reported on the improve.

Dr. J. W. Wharton of Victor made a professional visit to our community last Sunday.

Miss Virgie Truitt is quite sick this week.

Ed Grisham of Ft. Worth, accompanied by his brother recently from Arkansas, spent a part of this week and last with relatives here and at Purves.

H. Smith and family of Victor spent last Sunday night with W. S. Sitton and family.

W. T. Grisham and family visited relatives at Purves this week.

The Live Oak Baptist church has recently purchased a new organ.

Measles seem to be on the increase in this community. However, they have not yet affected our school to any great extent.

CARLTON.

Special Correspondence.

Feb. 9th.—B. W. McKinzie and wife of Hamilton visited relatives here Sunday and Monday.

A fine rain fell here Tuesday night week, the first of any consequence fo three or four months.

Rufe Carlton has removed to Hico to enter the firm of G. M. Carlton & Bros.

Quite a number of our farmers will sow oats this week and they report land in fine condition for planting. The cotton average hereabouts will be materially increased this year.

HICO.

From the News.

Feb. 5th.—Word has been received here that Fred Hancock has been granted a pardon by Governor Lanham and his relatives and friends are expecting him home every day. He was sent to the peenitentiary for killing the depot agent here four or five years ago.

J. H. Hancock, who already has a number of improvements under way here, says that as soon as his other work is over with he expects to erect a three story stone building with fifty foot front on his property on postoffice row.

The fire department recently elected new officers as follows: C. H. Malone, foreman Hose Co. No. 1; Oscar Shaffer, foreman Hose Co. No. 2; J. C. Davis, foreman Hook and Ladder Co.

The city council is asking for bids on a city hall and fire station and say that when bids that suit them are received they are ready to contract. The building will be of fire proof brick, two stories high and 25x100 feet in size. The rear of the ground floor will be set apart for a fire station and provided with self opening doors. The front portion of the building will be for rent and the up stairs will be made into offices for city officials and a city court room.

Dr. M. W. Rogers of Alexander came down Tuesday and attended the Masonic lodge at Carlton Tuesday night.

Sheriff Press Kinsey and City Marshal Hugh Hooper returned Wednesday from Ft. Worth, where they appeared in Tarrant county court to identify two horse thieves which Marshal Hooper captured in this city several weeks ago. They brought back a prisoner for the Hamilon county bastile.

Notice to the Public.

It is reported that I am interested in the Ray & Morris restaurant at Stephenville. This is a mistake, as I have no interests in Stephenville whatever.—Jos. G. Hoch. 38-4t

CISCO.

From the Apert.

Feb. 4th.—A contractor was in the city last week making figures with local parties for the building of a modern opera house.

Thirty-five bales of cotton were marketed in Cisco yesterday. A number of farmers from Stephens county sold sixteen bales at fifteen cents.

The Cisco Electric Light Co. has been incorporated with a capitalization of ten thousand dollars. The incorporators are W. A. McSpadden, Aaron L. Mayhew and Avner L. Mayhew.

The democratic executive committee for Eastland county will meet at Eastland at 10 a. m. next Saturday, Feb. 13th.

The home of Briggs Owen burned last Saturday evening east of Cisco. There was no insurance and only a few of the household effects were saved. Mrs. Owen got her hands badly burned in trying to save some of their effects. The house caught from a defective flue in the children's room, and as the wind was blowing a gale there was no chance to put it out.

John Walker, charged with killing Will Kleiner at this place about two years ago, was acquitted by a jury at Eastland last Saturday.

A Heart to Heart Talk

The Hon. Amos P. Atkins, who of the most prominent men in Albany, Ind., and Treasurer of County, has this advice to give who are shut up within the narrow fines of office or shop:

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Marshall, Texas, Messenger, "There was no who, what, about it. It was the best show ever at Marshall." d E. Faust Company at the house in Dublin Tuesday Feb. 16th.

nager Herndon of the opera says: "I guarantee the Ted st Minstrels as clean, whole- high-class. It will be the one —all white—minstrel to visit this season." Opera house ay night, Feb. 16th.

PROFIT

e matter of feed is of endous importance to the Wrong feeding is Right feeding is profit. e up-to-date farmer knows to feed his cows to get most milk, his pigs to get most pork, his hens to e most eggs. Science. t how about the children? they fed according to ce, a bone food if bones soft and undeveloped, a and muscle food if they hin and weak and a blood if there is anemia?

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This is leap year, the first since 1896. It has been eight years since the ladies were privileged with the high prerogative of proposing marriage to the gentlemen or in other words of "popping the question." This prerogative they may now exercise with impunity and while it has been three hundred years since eight years intervened between leap years, our young ladies may take comfort in the fact that it will be two hundred years before such a thing will again occur. Every fourth year is a leap year, except the centenial years, those ending with two naughts, which to be leap year must be divisible by 400. It has been three centuries since eight years intervened between leap year before.

A census of the population of San Antonio de Bexar, taken December 31st, 1792, written entirely in Spanish, has just been translated into the English in the state library. In view of the beauty, enterprise and progress of the city today, this enumeration of its population made one hundred and twelve years ago is not only interesting as a matter of history, but highly gratifying to all patriotic Texans at the same time. On that date the population was 1,420, distributed by nationalities as follows: Europeans, 15; Spaniards, 553; Indians, 385; Mestizos (half breeds) 83; Mulattos, 168; negroes, 18; other races, 197.

Do you know how many miles the jaw of a gum chewing girl travels in the course of a year? asks an exchange. It has been figured out thus: Giving her jaw a play of half an inch of travel for each chew, thirty chews a minute, sixty minutes an hour, ten hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days in a year, her jaws will have traveled 6,750,000 inches, or a fraction over one hundred and three miles. This for the girl with a small mouth; the big mouthed girl will beat that record. —Exchange.

According to the game law the open season on killing quail and doves ceased with the last day of January. The open season for the shooting of doves begins September 1st and for quail November 1st. It will now be unlawful to kill, ensnare trap, or have in one's possession quail or doves out of season, which include the months intervening between the dates mentioned above.

It is reported that the publication will soon be begun of a daily edition of the Pecan Valley News. Brownwood already has one daily paper in the Brownwood Daily Bulletin, a sprightly little sheet that has been established two or three years. With two dailies the newspaper business in Brownwood should be interesting at least.

The Alexandria, La., Morning News of Jan. 20th says: "It is not often that we feel justified in editorially commending a show, but in the case of one as conspicuously merritorious, clean and honest as that of Ted E. Faust, we feel that we are doing the public a service in calling attention to it."

Jonh McCarley of Baird was in town Thursday, shaking hands with old friends. Mr. McCarley has been employed in the store of Higginbotham Bros., at Dublin for the past two years but has now accepted a position with T. E. Powell at the county capitol.—Putnam Paragon, Feb. 6th.

An editor down east in an effort to hurry the candidates up wrote the following squib: "It's election year who'll be the first to open the battle in this county." The printer got an o instead of an a in battle making it read bottle and the next day he had at least twenty-five drniks offered him.

B. E. Drake, who was several years ago a member of the Progress force, but who has later occupied positions as foreman on the Comanche Chief and foreman on the Brownwood Bulletin, is now engaged in the newspaper business at Clarendon.

It's all over now says, the Temple Tribune. The man who failed to pay his poll tax is the same as a Chinaman. All had fair and repeated warning, and there can be but few acceptable excuses offered for refusal to qualify.

Wallace S. Shaw, representing Walter Baker & Co., of Boston, Mass., was here yesterday in the interest of his firm, who manufacture cocoa and chocolate. They have a display advertisement in this issue of the Progress.

A mass meeting of the populist and independent voters of Eastland county has been called to meet at the court house in Eastland City at 1 p. m. Saturday, Feb. 27th.

I. N. Pond of Stephenville, candidate for tax assessor of Erath county, was a visitor at the Progress office yesterday while here in the interest of his candidacy.

Rev. G. H. Morrison of De Leon has recently returned from a trip to Goldthwaite, where he did some evangelistic work for the church.

Program Teachers' Institute.

The following is the program for Erath County Teachers' Institute to meet Feb 27th, 1904:

1. The Value of Literary Exercises in School.—E. D. Jennings, Harbin. Discussion—C. E. Grady, Huckabay.
2. How to Teach Spelling.—Miss Ada Ferguson, Sephenville. Discussion.—A. L. Cole, Dublin.
3. Current Events in School.—Miss Sallie Herndon, Dublin.
4. Ethical Training.—Miss Pearl Ponder, Stephenville. Discussion.—J. T. Russell, Purves.
5. Social Functions of the Teacher.—Miss Mary Potts, Dublin. Discussion.—J. C. Bennett, Selden.
6. The Preparation of the Teacher.—Miss Inez Hyatt, Stephenville. Discussion.—E. W. Morton, Stephenville.

Tree Worth a Farm.

In the mountain districts of North Carolina, near Waynesville, a remarkable tree was recently felled. The Charlotte, N. C., correspondent for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: "This tree has an estimated value of $1,500, and contanis 25,000 feet of first class lumber. It is worth more than the average farm in the section in which it was cut. A part of the tree has been engaged for exhibition at the St. Louis exposition this year and will be placed among the North Carolina lumber exhibits. The tree is a curly poplar and twelve horses were required to haul away the butt cut, which was twelve feet long. The lowest limb was eighty feet from the ground. The wood will be used as veneering and will be shipped to eastern markets for sale."

White Man Not Allowed.

Indian Territory has several exclusive negro towns. One is called Rentville, after one of the prominent promoters, and is located fifteen miles south of Muskogee, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad. The Creek nation has a number of other towns, among them being one known as Wildcat. It is a government townsite. The people of no other race are allowed to settle there. It is said by those acquainted wtih the place that if an occasional white person chances to come in on business or otherwise, the word is soon passed around to him: "White man, don't let the sun go down on you here." A hint is all that is necessary.—Exchange.

Judge W. J. Oxford was here Monday shaking hands with the voters and interviewing them regarding his desires for re-election to the office of district judge.

WELL TOLD

Doctor Explains Feeding Without Medicine.

"It is a well substantiated fact" says a Maine physician "that a large per cent of the ailments of humanity are due to errors in diet causing indigestion and the myriad affections following in its train. It was Dr. Abernathy I believe who said 'One-fourth of what we eat keeps us, the other three-fourths we keep at our peril.'

"Loss of flesh from whatever immediate cause is due primarily to nutritional disturbances involving defective assimilation. With these prefatory remarks I wish to relate briefly a case of mine, (not the only one by any means), in which Grape-Nuts was the connecting link between disease and health.

"It was a case of chronic gastritis where the patient had seen rounds of stereotyped treatment and where there was much depression caused by long persistence of distress at the stomach,—pain, gas and burning soon after eating.

"Though I had been regulating the diet considerably while giving medicine it occurred to me that I would try regulating it without medicine and in looking about among the foods I soon found Grape-Nuts was the best adapted to my purpose. Starting in with Grape-Nuts I allowed my patient to take it first with hot water and a very little sugar at intervals of three hours. After a few days I instructed the patient to use it with warm milk. (It should have been served with cream from the start.)

"Improvement was marked from the first. The eructations of gas were at once greatly diminished and the terrible burning and distress were lessened in proportion while the spirits brightened. At the end of two weeks my patient had so far improved that she was allowed some chicken broth which digested perfectly. It has been over two months and she has gradually increased her diet in variety until it now includes all that is needed to avoid monotony and maintain relish.

"Grape-Nuts however still holds a prominent place on her table as it will continue to do for she realizes that it is a sheet anchor." Name of the physician given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Little Andy Skipper of this place returned home this week from a visit with relatives at De Leon.

J. S. Whitacre and his son-in-law, Mr. McDonald, of the Lingleville country were in town the first of the week.

Pianos, organs, sheet-music, everything in the music line.—Thos. Goggan & Bros., Galveston, Dallas, San Antonio. 50-1yr

A lodge of the Farmer's Union was organized at Valley Grove Tuesday night. This makes forty-three lodges in the county to date.

Don't fail to plant plenty of trees, etc. The season is fine and W. H. McKnight, Dublin, Texas, has ten thousand to sell cheap. 39-4t.

Dr. J. J. Mulloy, practice limited to the diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. Office over the Grange Store, Dublin, Texas.

Thus far there is but one candidate announced for office in Comanche county, this one being A. B. Foster, democrat, for sheriff.

An election has been ordered in San Angelo to occur March 3rd to determine whether or not the city corporation shall be abolished.

The total receipts and shipments of cotton at Whitney this year were 6,484 square bales and 2,286 round bales, a grand total of 8,770, which is two thousand less than the preceeding year, says the Whitney Messenger.

H. H. Johnson of Abilene is in the city this week in attendance upon the district court as a witness in the Coons case. Mr. Johnson is the gentleman whose house Coons is charged with burning. Coons had the house rented and had his household effects insured.—Eastland Chronicle.

There has been an impression gone abroad that voters who are exempt from the poll tax by legal exemption must have certificates from the tax collectors to show that fact before they will be allowed to vote. This is a mistake, as that feature of the law applies only to counties in which are cities of more than 10,000 inhabitants.

An old ex-confederate veteran by the name of Bruce, who came from southwest Texas, was here last Saturday en route to Brownwood, where he has relatives. The old gentleman was very feeble and suffering from a cancer on one side of his face. He came through De Leon where the local camp of ex-confederates furnished him money to proceed on his way.

When the north-bound passenger train was about half way between this place and Clifton last Monday afternoon, the heater in the front of the smoking car exploded, blowing out several windows and part of the roof of the car, scattering fragments everywhere. Fortunately no one was near enough the front of the car to be hurt.—Valley Mills Protectionist.

Some months ago we mentioned that Mrs. A. G. McMahan of this city had an orange tree in full bloom. It has for the past several weeks been bearing fruit and contained sixty-one oranges. The fruit is small, though it is delicious and fully matures. Mrs. McMahan states that the attention required by the culture of her orange tree was very little, she changing it from her front porch to her hot-house twice a year, as the changes from warm to cold weather occur.—Whitney Messenger.

An atempt was made one night recently to rob the tax collector's office in San Angelo. The would-be robbers entered at the window and broke open a roll desk in which the collector generally kept a tin box containing the collections for the day. He had taken in that day something over three thousand dollars, but had placed all the money in a safe at a store across the street except five dollars, hence the latter is all the robbers got. They were supposed to have been boys, as the tracks on the grouud outside and in the dust on the window sill indicated such.

Two Large American Eagles Killed.

In the top of a natural tower, on the summit of a mountain close to the Brazos river, near the dividing line between Bosque and McLennan counties, a pair of eagles had their nest and reared successive annual broods for many years, but their career is over, John Folks, a young hunter, having slain them with a long range rifle. The birds are pronounced true American eagles, the male measuring across the wings over nine feet. Beneath the roost were bones of minks, possums, rabbits and a few pig bones. They have many descendents along the bluffs of the Brazos, enough probably to keep up the breed, and the boys acquainted with the locality are arranging to catch live specimens during the breeding season next summer.

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Drowned in the Leon River.

"Uncle" George Black was drowned in the South Leon river last Thursday, says the Comanche Visitor of yesterday. It appears that he attempted to cross the stream with his team while the river was slightly swollen and by some means got into deep water and while attempting to get out was drowned. His remains were found next day one mile below the crossing by parties who had been searching for him during all this time. He was quite an old man and leaves several grown up children.

Dogs For Sheep Herding.

T. K Rea returned Monday from a trip to Waco, bringing back with him two fine specimenss of dogs for use on his sheep ranch. One is a genuine Scotch Collie that came from St. Louis, a small innocent looking fellow, but they are said to be the most intelligent animal in the world. This dog will be worth at least fifteen dollars a month to Mr. Rea. The other one is a Great Dane, that is said to take special delight in tackling a wolf. Mr. Rea thinks a great deal of his newly acqired possessions.—Hamilton Herald

Remedy for Blind Staggers.

The Breeders' Gazette says of blind staggers: "Staggers" is merely a symptom of indigestion of one form or another and food and manner of feeding is the cause. Careful feeding and attention to the state of the bowels will prevent the disease which is in no way contagious nor should previous trouble necessitate keeping the horses out of the customary feeding place. Mouldy hay or grain, gorging on grain of any kind, drinking water after a meal and irregular feeding may all cause the disease, which should be treated by liberal doses of linseed oil together with turpentine and fluid extract of cannabis indica according to severity of case.

Indianola Affair Settled.

The president has appointed W. B. Martin to succeed Mrs. Minnie Cox as postmaster at Indianola, Miss. This postoffice was closed some time ago, the white inhabitants of the place refusing to accept mail from Mrs. Cox, who is a negress. Martin, who is a white man, was one of Mrs. Cox's bondmen.

F. E. Ray has removed to De Leon and accepted a place in the R. Q. Bills barber establishment.

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25 lb box Prunes	1.15
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SPOT CASH GROCERS.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

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PROVED HIS CASE.

Let some one brag about a shot
Before old Sikes, and, like as not,
Some fancy shot he would recall
That he had made when he was small
And rather intimate that he
Was champion shot in '43.

If some young fellow won a race,
Sikes could recall the time and place
That he had carried off the prize
In running, much to the surprise
Of every one. He was, what's more,
The champion runner in '44.

Did some one drop around to tell
How trees before his good ax fell,
Sikes could recall the time and place
Once with the ax he was not slow;
He was, if he recalled the date,
The champion chopper in '48.

And so it was down through the list;
Not any sport or work was missed.
He was the best, he owned, with pride,
In all the spacious countryside.
But all agreed that this old bore
Was champion liar in 1904.

May Have Been Either.

"What do you think of that fellow? He has actually gone to work."

"You don't say! We'll have to cut his acquaintance, for we would be disgraced if we were seen with him."

Now guess whether the above conversation took place between two tramps or two society dudes.

Flutter-Budget.

Flutter-budget flies about through the parlor to the hall, back and forth and in and out, bounding like a rubber ball, chasing both her kittens round papa's chair while papa smokes, making kitty leap and bound to evade her clever strokes.

Flutter-budget doesn't care whether kitty likes the play; papa, reading in the chair, is invited to go 'way if he doesn't like the fun she is having with the kits; he is told she'll soon be done; just be patient where he sits.

Papa takes the little girl with the kittens in her arm, gives her such a sudden whirl Flutter cries out in alarm, finds herself outside the door, where she and the kittens choke: "Oh, dear, pussens, what a bore! Papa cannot take a joke."

Depended on Conditions.

"If John had three apples and he gave two to Mary how many would he have left?

"That would depend somewhat on Mary's capacity and how badly John was stuck on her."

That Is Railroading.

When you're ahead the train is late
Three hours, as like as not;
When you're behind you're apt to find
It went off on the dot.

Might Be Worse.

"Talk about modern progress! I cannot imagine anything worse to ride in than these street cars."

"Well, there is the patrol wagon."

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Perhaps popular song writers understand grammar, but do not care to interfere with the popularity of their songs.

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In leap year does the girl have to get the consent of the timid young man's mamma?

—

It is hardly an ideal open winter when it must be kept open with snowplows.

—

While there is plenty of room at the top, it is apt to be pretty cold up there.

—

Some men get lopsided through carrying a chip around on their shoulders.

—

Lawyers know what laws were made for if no one else does.

—

Because he is the father to this country does that make Washington something of a grandfather to Panama?

—

Sometimes it is hard to believe that a boarding house egg ever saw a hen.

—

Some people play the piano; others play at it.

—

In acquiring a foreign language why does it come so much easier to learn the swear words?

—

When you get something for nothing, on closer examination it generally proves to be nothing.

—

When a man is broke, the pawnbroker tries to make him broker.

—

The landlord has a good memory for dates.

—

You can count on a January thaw being a soft snap.

—

Sofa pillows were made to look at, as the man of the house finds out whenever he tries to use one.

—

It does not cost anything to look at strawberries displayed in the stores in January.

—

When a man has ten dogs in his front yard the assessor knows better than to call.

—

Even though a man is all in, he generally finds room for the dessert.

Humor and Philosophy

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THE SONGS OF YESTERDAY.

Where are the songs of yesterday?
I neither know nor care.
I hope that they have gone away
And lost themselves somewhere.
I wouldn't be the one to cry
Or say that it was tough
To lose those melodies, for I
Know when I've had enough.

Do you remember how of old
Some one with piping voice
Would warble forth, "Take back your gold?"
Or possibly his choice
Was "Sunday night 'tis my delight,"
And you were never spared
"Where is my wandering boy tonight?"
As though you knew or cared.

Nor was that all or even half,
For you could always bet
On "Annie Rooney" and such chaff
As "How can I forget?"
"Sweet violets," "I dreamed I dwelt
In marble halls" likewise;
"Just break the news" until you felt
Like breaking some one's eyes.

Where are the songs of yesterday
Of lame poetic feet?
I only hope they're stowed away
In some old songs' retreat.
Speak softly of them if at all
Nor at their absence weep
Or possibly you might recall
Them from their well earned sleep.

A Certain Remedy.

"Here is a man who advertises to cure poverty for a dollar. I wonder if it would be wise to invest."

"Keep your money, and I will give you a recipe for nothing. Marry a rich widow."

Desirable Trouble.

If wealth is only trouble
And care and loss of sleep,
Then I'm out hunting trouble;
Please pile it on real deep.

Not With His Consent.

"I wouldn't marry the best man on earth."

"No, my dear; I am inclined to think you wouldn't unless he was chloroformed."

No Time For It.

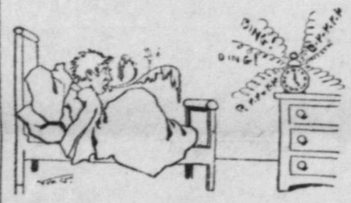
Let dogs delight to bark and bite;
That form of sport is cheap,
So they don't keep it up at night
Just when I want to sleep.

A Limitless Supply.

"Where do you suppose Abel did get his wife?"

"Patronized a matrimonial bureau, probably. They always have a supply far greater than the demand."

Confound the Other Fellow.



God bless the man who first invented sleep,
But it's too bad the fellow didn't die a-borning
Or didn't croak before he learned to creep
Who first invented rising in the morning.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Doubtless the author of "Beautiful Snow" had a winter home in southern California if he could afford it.

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Really accomplished thieves do not bother with hot stoves now. They carry off a grip full of live wires.

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A fool may pass as a wise man by keeping his mouth shut, but he wouldn't be a fool if he knew enough to do that.

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Horse meat may suit some people, but most men would say "neigh" to it.

—

It is generally found that something was overlooked in a fireproof building when the fire fiend comes around asking for proof.

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Although it is impossible to turn back the wheels of time, you can forget to wind your watch.

—

The boy who goes fishing in a pond without permission does not catch a whale, but he may catch a whaling.

—

No one but the manager of the glass trust knows the full value of the hotel clerk's diamonds.

—

It is a smart man who knows his own New Year's resolution by this time.

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It is considered proper for a girl to propose in leap year, but first she must get within shouting distance of a man.

—

Generally the man who is slave to a cigar would not thank any one to come around to break his chains.

—

Antique furniture is very fine if a man doesn't happen to have only that kind and can afford no other.

—

It is hard to get a middle aged gentleman in a plug hat to enter into the spirit of snowballing if he is the target.

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When the fire wagon runs by, it is a spiritless girl who does not wish she were a boy.

THE NAME MARY.

At One Time It Was Practically a Bar to Matrimony.

Mary as a Christian name was held in very singular veneration during the mediæval ages, and in some parts of Europe there existed a superstitious reluctance among men to marrying any one who chanced to have been so christened, or the bride elect was at least required to change this name for some other of less sanctity.

All Marys were at one time believed to be invested with extraordinary powers in connection with the affairs of life. Bearing the same name as the Blessed Virgin, they were considered worthy of more than common consideration, and their personal influence over their husbands especially was unusual; hence many men sought authoritative ordinances forbidding their wives to be known as Mary. Sovereigns, in some cases, dreading subjection to their partners, showed a marked distaste for Marys.

Thus Alfonso IV. of Castile, when on the point of wedding a Moorish maiden, made it a condition of the marriage that at her baptism, as a recent convert to Christianity, she should not take this name. In the articles settled for the union of Ladislas of Poland with Marie de Nevers there was a clause which bound this princess to change her name to Aloysa. Casimir I. of Poland, who married Mary, daughter of the Duke of Russia, required of her a similar sacrifice to popular sentiment.—Pearson's Weekly.

RATS KNEW CAT WAS ABOUT

They Never Saw Puss and Were on Another Floor of House.

"I have observed recently a rather curious thing with respect to the relationship between cats and rats, and it has led to a rather interesting reflection," said a man who takes much interest in animal life. "For awhile the rats overran my place. At night there was no such thing as quiet around the house. They would scamper across the floor, bump up and down the steps and cut all kinds of capers. We secured a cat, and from the very time the cat appeared on the place the rats began to get scarce.

"There is nothing curious about this fact in itself. But to my personal knowledge the rats have never seen the cat. The cat has remained on one floor and the rats on another. There has been no chasing and no conflict between them. Now, I want to know how the rats know the cat is on the place.

"The inquiry has caused me to indulge the more interesting reflection. How far can a rat detect the presence of a cat by the sense of smell? Evidently at considerable distance. Else the rats at my place would not have known of the cat's presence under the circumstances. I'm quite sure that they have never seen the cat. But they know he is there just the same, and they have been awfully cautious since his arrival."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Dangerous Fishing.

Some years ago the New London sloop yacht Redhot, while cruising off Marthas Vineyard for swordfish, was struck by a wounded fish and so badly injured that she sank. The fish had pierced the bottom with his sword and in his blind attack had butted his head so hard against her timbers that they were shattered.

Actually not one of the fifty or sixty vessels that cruise for swordfish has a record of complete immunity. One craft was struck and rammed by swordfish twenty times in one cruise. Luckily none of the attacks was delivered under such circumstances that the fish succeeded in piercing her hull entirely, but the vessel was injured so badly that she needed a thorough overhauling after she made port.

Spencers and Titles.

Herbert Spencer in disdaining all titles happened to follow a lead set to him by others of his name. Charles Spencer, second Lord Sunderland, would not, when he sat in parliament for Tiverton, allow himself to be called my lord and expressed the hope that he would live to see the day when not a peer would be left in England. Another and a later Spencer, the Hon. George Spencer, sixty years ago astonished his father, the Earl Spencer of the day, by dropping his title and even his name when he became a Roman Catholic and entered the Passionist order as "Father Ignatius."

Shortest Street In the World.

What is perhaps the shortest street in the world is West South Division street in Buffalo. Furthermore, it has only one side. South Division street proper runs east from Main, but the old surveyors allowed it to cross Main street and run for thirty feet on the west side, where it intersects Erie street, which runs diagonally southwest from Main. On the north of West Division street is Shelton square, so the short street has but its south side to call its own.—Exchange.

Labor Saving Device.

"Yes," said the boarding school teacher, "I think that is a model letter for you to write your fiance. But of course you will copy it, leaving out those numerous spaces?"

"Oh, dear, no!" replied the girl. "Those are for 'dearest.' I have it on a rubber stamp."—Detroit Free Press.

Excess of Attention.

"Did her father show you the door?"

"He did better than that. He showed me the door, the front gate and the corner drug store two blocks away."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The oyster at its best is inferior as a toothsome delicacy to the succulent clam.—Providence Journal.

THE BULLFIGHT.

Mexicans Usually Leave the Arena Dejected and Disgusted.

"I was born and reared in the republic of Mexico, and I never yet have witnessed a bullfight," said a prominent and wealthy resident of the Mexican capital.

"This form of amusement was never to my liking, and, though I have no criticism for those who go, it cannot be pictured as an entertainment that appeals to people of refined taste and humane feeling. Yet it is a sport that makes people become in a way devotees, and the bullfight habit once cultivated is difficult to break. I have heard Americans after witnessing their first exhibition declare they would never go to another, and yet these very people are apt to become the most habitual attendants. Except on rare occasions our native women do not attend the fights, but now and then they go when the proceeds are to be given to some charity.

"One of the curious phases of these performances is the enthusiasm with which the crowds start forth to view it and the subdued and melancholy way they leave when the fight is over. Instead of the eager looks and murmurs of expectant pleasure, most of the spectators return dejected and disgusted. The sport rarely comes up to the anticipation of the public. The matadore erred egregiously in this point or that, and, though advice was hurled at him on all sides, he did not profit by it. Many give vent to their disgust in angry epithets, and yet next Sunday finds them at the ring as usual."—Washington Post.

HIS FOOLISH REMARK.

A Statesman Who Was Made and Unmade by Newspaper Men.

A certain young man was sent to congress. He delivered a clever maiden speech. The correspondents liked him. They wrote him up in their dispatches. His pictures were printed in the newspapers, and anecdotes of his life appeared in many journals. He was alluded to as a prospective speaker of the house, and it was generally agreed that he would do great things—after he had been elected for the second term.

One day a correspondent called upon the young statesman. He was engaged with some constituents; so the newspaper man sent in his card. When it was handed to the embryo speaker his constituents offered to excuse him.

"Oh, no," he said, with affected carelessness. "It's only one of those penny a liners outside. He can wait until I get ready to see him."

The door was ajar, and the correspondent heard the remark. He had met such men before. He hastened back to his office, and that night there was a meeting of correspondents.

"What do you want us to do," asked one of the men—"roast him?"

"Oh, no," was the reply; "not that."

"What, then?"

"Why, simply ignore him."

He was ignored. And his first term in congress was his last.—Schoolmaster.

Unique Family Circle.

A small town in Bavaria can boast of what may be described as a unique family circle. A shopkeeper resident there includes among his household three living mothers-in-law, each with a mother of her own; his own mother, his third wife and four daughters in their teens. The twelve women are reported to live on terms of the greatest amity, and the shopkeeper himself, who is fortunately in good circumstances, professes to be perfectly contented notwithstanding that he is thus the thirteenth of his family. The incessant banter to which he is subjected he philosophically welcomes as tending toward the better advertisement of his business.

An Ultra Modern Child.

Margaret's mother numbers among her friends several schoolteachers, and, although she is not yet five, Margaret has observed some things. Not long ago a family of kittens made an entree into Margaret's home, and she was most anxious to keep them all. Her mother objected on the ground that they were all girl pussies and would eventually grow up into mother cats.

"No, they won't, mother," said Margaret very earnestly. "I won't let them be mothers; I'll train them to be teachers."—Brooklyn Life.

The Silver Bridge.

One of the customs observed at a Bohemian marriage feast is that of making the bride cross a silver bridge. The bride's father-in-law lifts her on to the table, where she walks on two rows of silver coins, at the end of which her husband stands and receives her into his arms. The silver bridge typifies the wealth with which her bridegroom hopes to smooth her path in life.

A Crushed Genius.

"So Josh didn't hold his position very long?"

"No," answered Mrs. Cornfossel. "But it wasn't the boy's fault. It wasn't six weeks before he knew so much more about how to run the business than the man who owned it that they got jealous and discharged him."—Washington Star.

Easily Believed.

"Many have said that if Longfellow were living today he could not sell his poems," remarked the girl with the book.

"I'm sure of it," replied the amateur poet. "Why, I haven't been able to sell mine."—Philadelphia Record.

A little boy in a Virginia Sunday school, when asked to tell something about Solomon, replied, "He's the man that knowed it all."

A FIERCE ANATHEMA.

The Pious Wish a Woman Flung at Jean Paul Richter.

Jean Paul Richter once observed that if a lady officer wanted to give the word "Halt!" she would do it in the following strain: "You soldiers, all of you, now mind what I say. I order you as soon as I have done speaking to stand still, every one of you, on the spot where you happen to be. Don't you hear me? Halt, I say, all of you!"

Upon this a strongminded woman made the following comment: "Now, M. Jean, it was an unlucky day on which you wrote that sentence. May you never hear anything but that little, concise word 'No' from every rosy pair of lips you meet. May you halt wifeless through life. May your buttons be snappish, your strings knotty and your stockings full of holes. May your bootjack be missing, your feet corny and your shaving water cold; your razor dull, your hair stand up, your collar lie down. May your beard be porcupiny, your whiskers thinly settled and your mustaches curl the wrong way. May your coffee be muddy, your toast smoky and your tea water bewitched, and, with a never dying desire for affection, may you crawl through creation a meek, miserable, nasty, forlorn, fidgety, fussy, ridiculous, ruined, dejected old bachelor."

THE ABUSED OYSTER.

Fattened For the Vulgar Crowd and Deprived of His Fine Flavor.

The oyster in his glory is a rich, dark colored, shapely inhabitant of salt water. He is plump, but not swelled up, and has a delicious, incomparable salty flavor which nobody who really knows him and has the taste to appreciate him would ever dream of spoiling with crude condiments. But rarely will the oysterman send such an exquisite creature to market. It is not fat enough or white enough for the vulgar crowd. So he puts it in fresh, or nearly fresh, water to "fatten"—that is, he draws off the fine natural juices by a process of osmosis and substitutes therefor a quantity of water which distends it like a balloon and makes it just as tasteless. But it looks fat like a scrawny Christmas turkey judiciously fed by an air pump. Then it is put before the American as an oyster, and the American, who judges his food and drink largely by labels, pours over it salt, pepper, tabasco, Worcestershire, horseradish or what not and thinks it is all right. He might as well have any sort of sea urchin that was soft and puffy and wet as a vehicle for the concoctions which he used to make himself believe that an oyster tastes like something.—New York Tribune.

A DRINK OF WATER.

Why It Is a Good Plan to Take One Before Breakfast.

In the morning the stomach contains a considerable quantity of mucus, spread over and adherent to its walls. If food enters at this time the tenacious mucus will interfere to some extent with the direct contact between the food and the stomach necessary to provoke the secretion of gastric juice. A glass of water taken before breakfast passes through the stomach into the small intestines in a continuous and uninterrupted flow. It partially distends the stomach; it thins and washes out most of the tenacious mucus; it increases the fullness of the capillaries of the stomach directly if the water is warm and indirectly in a reactionary way if it is cold. Care must be taken not to take cold water when the circulation, either local or general, is so feeble as to make reaction improbable. We should not risk it in an advanced age nor in the feeble, whether old or young, nor should it be taken in local troubles like gastric catarrh. In these cases it is best to give warm or hot water. The addition of salt is very beneficial.—London Family Doctor.

If Quail Are Scarce, So Are Turkeys.

"I don't know whether you ever noticed it, but it's a fact just the same that whenever we have a year in which quail are scarce the same is true of turkeys," said a prominent meat dealer the other day. "Prolonged wet weather in the spring or in the early summer is fatal to young quail and turkeys alike. Both are extremely tender, and the weather has much to do with their successful rearing. I have watched this thing for years, and invariably a poor quail year means a scarcity of turkeys and high prices."—Youngstown Herald.

Rather Fruitless Advertising.

It is an open secret that tailors make presents of elegant clothing to prominent persons, in consideration for which the latter are expected to mention the maker, casually, to be sure, but as often as possible. Other firms are known to employ persons who, when occasion offers, say in a crowded street car, converse naturally, but quite audibly and energetically, on the merits of their employer's establishment.—International Quarterly.

The Wail of the Victim.

"You can't get something for nothing," said the man who affects proverbs.

"No," answered the easy man; "I can't. But the people with whom I do business seem to manage it every now and then."—Exchange.

Social Tact.

Mrs. Chic—In the closest analysis, what is social tact? Mrs. Au Fait—My dear, it is getting familiar with all sorts of people without letting them get familiar with you.—Indianapolis Journal.

We must not sit down and look for miracles.—Eliot.

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Something Was.

Rivers was smoking a cheap cigar.

"Seems to me," said Brooks, "I smell something like cloth burning."

But Rivers was game.

He touched the lighted end of his cigar to his shirt sleeve.

"No wonder," he said, exhibiting the burned spot.—Chicago Tribune.

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The Lion Didn't Roar.

It is related that Pinnow, the faithful servant and personal valet of Prince Bismarck, once trod on his master's gouty foot. Instead of swearing at him or even declaring he was a clumsy fool, Bismarck, noticing that Pinnow himself was frightened, said: "Consider yourself honored. No other person, my dear Pinnow, not even the kaiser himself, would have been suffered to tread on my corns."

A Mother's Recommendation.

I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a number of years and have no hesitancy in saying that it is the best remedy for coughs, colds and croup I have ever used in my family. I have not words to express my confidence in this remedy.—Mrs. J. A. Moore, North Star, Mich. Sold by Overton Drug Co.

A Demand For Pockets For Women.

A solemn protest against the pocketless woman is made by the Westminster Gazette of London, which remarks:

"It is quite time that some sumptuary law were passed to prevent ladies from offering unnecessary temptation to passersby to take brooches or watches off them like ripe oranges from a tree. The county council might issue a by-law making it an offense punishable by fine for ladies not to carry their purses and watches in their pockets. A great many ladies would be only too glad to have pockets, but at present they dare not because their dressmakers won't let them."

The World's Highest Railroad.

The highest railway in the world is now being built by a German firm in the Mexicana mining district in the Argentine Republic. Its upper terminus will be 4,585 meters above sea level

Tendency of the Times.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalance of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slightcold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. Sold by Overton Drug Co.

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Hawkins' Prolific Extra Early Cotton Seed.

The English-American Cotton Co., with a capital of one million dollars and unlimited resources, is organized for the purpose of offering the planters of Texas improved facilities for growing and handling the cotton crop. This company will operate warehouses at all the principal cotton centers of the state and will be in position to offer the PLANTERS DIRECT MONEY AT 5 per cent, to cultivate their crops, and when made, if there is a prospect of improved prices, the planter can hold this cotton in our warehouses at less than one-half the usual cost, on which cotton he can secure money from us at not over 5 per cent., and probably less. This will place the planter in position to secure the benefit of any advance in price at very small price for carrying the cotton.

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Poisons.

Snake poison would kill the strongest man if the smallest possible drop of it were injected into his veins or laid on a cut finger or chapped lip. But the smallest child might drink a teaspoonful—probably a glassful—without suffering the least injury. The same is true of most of the poisons savages inject into their arrows, and you can suck the dangerous wound with impunity.

Arsenic eaters become so accustomed to the use of this drug that one of them could eat as much of it in a week as would kill a troop of cavalry, horses and all. If a man took a dose of lunar caustic and his wife a dose of hydrochloric acid they would be subjects for a coroner's inquest in a very short time. But if either the man or the woman took both doses together the result would hardly be different from that of taking so much strawberries and cream. If two men each took a small quantity of hemlock one might drop dead, if he had a fatty heart, and the other feel only a slight inconvenience, if his heart was all right.

Brights disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were takeu when headaches, urinary disorders, digestive troubles first appear, much suffering and sorrow would be averted. Prickly Ash Bitters will quickly stop the spread of the disease, quiet the inflamation, heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver and drive poisons and impurities out of the system. Sold by Dublin Drug & Jewelry Co.

WILDCAT AND MAID.

Impressed by Its Good Looks, Girl Caught Animal With Nettings.

John Stephens, who lives near Altoona, Pa., was awakened the other morning by a frightful squalling and commotion in his kitchen. Seizing a revolver, he rushed downstairs, where he found his new Swedish maid placidly preparing breakfast, while a squirming mass near the fireplace spat out a vocabulary of feline invective such as he had never before heard.

"I got von cat," she said, smiling at Stephens. "I got him in stable ven I milk. I catch him vit horsefly nettings, so he don't scratch. Yes, he is von fine big cat."

The farmer looked at the struggling animal. It was a wildcat which weighed at least seventy-five pounds and had claws like a small tiger.

Suddenly a ripping was heard, and with a howl the cat began to extricate itself from the netting. The farmer dragged the girl into an adjoining room and locked the door. A minute later the animal leaped through a window to liberty.

"Him vas von nice cat," the maid said regretfully. "I vish him vould stayed."

No Title For Toledo's Mayor.

Some handsome charts and calendars recently have been issued in Toledo, O., giving the names of the heads and subordinates in all the city offices of Toledo. These adorn the business houses and offices of many professional men and city officials, says a Toledo dispatch.

The other night as one was hanging in the mayor's office Mayor Jones' attention was called to it. It contained in good sized type these words: "Hon. Samuel M. Jones, Mayor." He deliberately took out his pocketknife, cut out the "Hon.," returned the knife to his pocket without a word and then went on with his discussion.

Newton's Blue.

It is well known that under the action of gravity the water composing such a thin shell as a soap bubble tends to run down on all sides, so that the walls of the bubble grow thin at the top and thicken toward the bottom. After a time the bubble becomes so thin at the top that further flow of water from this point can hardly take place, and finally the bubble bursts. But before this last stage is reached a degree of thinness in the walls of the bubble is attained which causes it to glow with brilliant iridescent colors. Newton noticed that on top of the thin bubble illuminated by white sky light a black spot is formed. With increase of thickness downward from this point on all sides, a red band next appears; then a blue one; then again red and blue, red and blue, and so on, the colors showing more extremes of red and purple in the higher orders. This blue band which first expands outward from the black spot at the top and descends slowly with the subsidence of the water Newton called the "blue of the first order," and, although somewhat dingy, he judged it to be of the same tint as the blue of the sky.—T. J. J. See in Atlantic.

Inquisitive Birds.

Of the birds undoubtedly the blue jays have the most inquisitiveness. And they are the most noisy in expressing it, although crows will hold a close second place, if not fully the equal. How the jays screeched and whistled and called—a confusion of all the sounds of jaydom—near my home! More than a dozen darted into a small evergreen tree on the lawn. People came from several houses in the vicinity, all curious to know what was the matter with the birds. It seemed to be a "want to know" on both sides. The jays had discovered a cat walking meekly along by the fence in the low shrubbery near and under the spruce tree. There was no nest in the vicinity, and, so far as could be ascertained, the cat had not attacked the jays. But what a pandemonium of jay jargon over one meek looking, quiet cat! The jays outdid themselves and called out nearly all the occupants of the many houses on that street.—St. Nicholas.

To Restore Leather Bindings.

To restore the leather bindings of books wash them first very lightly and carefully with clean warm water in which a tiny piece of soda has been dissolved, in order to free the leather from grease; then wash with clear water to remove the soda, and dry. Dissolve a bit of gum arabic the size of a small bean in a teaspoonful of water and beat it up with a teaspoonful of the white of an egg. With a bit of sponge go lightly over the leather with this glair and let it dry.

Should the glair froth up on the leather, as it is very likely to do if there is much tool work on the book, dab it until it subsides with the palm of the hand or with the sponge squeezed as dry as possible.

Her Husband's Male Friends.

One of the most complicated duties of a wife is the shuffling off of her husband's male friends, says the Ladies' Field. Fifty per cent can go at once, for half a man's bachelor associates are, according to his wife, not fit for polite society, either because they have no manners or because they wear the wrong sort of collars. Ten per cent she may genuinely dislike, or possibly they may not take to her. Some of the rest are on the borderland of toleration, but most of them have a knack of dropping off by slow degrees. Possibly this is the inward and spiritual meaning of the farewell bachelors' dinner most intending bridegrooms give, though they never realize it at the time.

Can't Lose Her.

"The doctor," said Mr. Henpeck, "has ordered me away for a good, long rest."

"Good!" exclaimed Mrs. Henpeck. "I will go with you."

"In that case the doctor has ordered me to stay at home and save my money for the funeral."—Chicago Record-Herald.

His Own Manuscript.

George Ade, in the early days of his career, before the "Fables In Slang" had brought him fame, called one morning in Chicago upon a Sunday editor on a mission from a theatrical manager.

"I have brought you this manuscript"—he began, but the editor, looking up at the tall, timid youth, interrupted:

"Just throw the manuscript in the wastebasket, please," he said. "I'm very busy just now and haven't time to do it myself."

Mr. Ade obeyed calmly. He resumed:

"I have come from the —— theater, and the manuscript I have just thrown in the wastebasket is your comic farce of 'The Erring Son,' which the manager asks me to return to you with thanks. He suggests that you sell it to an undertaker, to be read at funerals."

Then Mr. Ade smiled gently and withdrew.

"Capping" Crows.

The following account is given in Country Life of the way in which pilfering crows are dealt with by Italian agriculturists: A hole of a certain depth is dug in the ground, at the bottom of which is placed some decayed meat. A funnel shaped wedge of paper is then inserted into the hole, the upper edge of the paper being coated with birdlime. "Maitre Corbeau" sees the food, descends to grasp it, and when he has firm hold of it he rises up again. His head is, however, swathed with the paper cap, and in his mad endeavor to rid himself of it he circles up to extraordinary heights in the air, revolving constantly and at so rapid a pace that, soon overcome with giddiness, he falls to the earth dead.

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(From Kansas City Journal, Dec. 10, 1903.)

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OVER THE COUNTRY.

STEPHENVILLE.

From the Empire.

Feb. 4th.—The ladies of the Baptist church cleared about fifty dollars on their dinner Monday.

R. T. Long is preparing to make some improvements and additions to his hotel.

G. L. Gresham of Huckabay recently sold his farm and intends to leave Saturday for Oklahoma.

Ed Sharp recently purchased the G. L. Gresham farm near Huckabay, and later exchanged it for J. C. Murray's farm in the Oak Dale community.

Gordon Riddle, son of Lee Riddle, fell from a tree and broke one of his arms while playing a few days ago. His injury has given him but very little trouble.

Editor Eugene Moore left Tuesday morning for Los Angeles, Cal., to spend a few weeks with his mother and brother and to recuperate his health.

Mr. Rice of Wills Point, visited his sister Mrs. B. H. Estes, in this city the first of this week. Mr. Rice is a railway mail clerk and has just been assigned to a run on this road.

Mrs. M. A. Byrd, formerly a resident of Stephenville, died last week at Denton. Mrs. Bryd, with her daughters, Misses Mamie and Helen, and her sons, Wick and Cleburne, lived in Stephenville for some time, but moved to Denton about two years ago. Mrs. Byrd had been an invalid for several years. Her remains were taken to Cleburne to be interred by those of her husband.

The stock law recently voted in commissioner's preinct No. 1 of this county will become effective on the 12th inst., when horses, cattle, etc., must be kept up.

Sheriff Cresswell left last night for Austin with E. J. Beasley, whom he will place in the insane asylum. Mr. Beasley was adjudged insane in November, and has since been kept in jail, waiting until he could be received at the asylum.

Mrs. R. M Porter of near Paluxy, was in Stephenville today to have an operation performed. It was necessary to remove one of her eyes.

The teachers' institute was held here last Saturday with about thirty or forty teachers present. In the afternoon the question of the next summer normal was brought up, and it was decided to hold a normal in Stephenville at John Tarleton college. Other counties will be asked to co-operate.

Will Wells was arrested Monday evening on a charge of violating the local option law. There are four cases against him. It is charged that Wells sold whiskey at the Sales wagon yard and that he had previously procured a United States revenue license. He is out on bond.

G. W. Truett of Holder, Texas, an old time resident of Erath county, was here last week.

Miss Lillie Shelton came over from Dublin Tuesday morning and went out to Huckabay for a visit with friends.

George L. Sikes, one of the Empire's good friends from Duffau, was in to see us Saturday. Mr. Sikes has been noticing some of the reports concerning fine hogs and tells of one that he raised himself. He killed a "seven-months-old-pig" first of January that weighed two hundred and eighty pounds net. This pig was Berkshire stock, and was fed principally on milk. The entire amount of corn fed it would not exceed four bushels. The four bushels of corn fed it could have been bought for $1.60; the pork at eight cents a pound would be worth $22.40.

From the Tribune.

Feb. 5th.—Rev. C. M. Morton, a former Erath county boy, was married in Houston last week to Miss Bessie Warner.

Judge L. N. Frank attended the county judge's, meeting at Ft. Worth this week.

Wilburn Rothel of Dublin and Miss Maryiee Harvey of Acton, Hood county, were married a the home of the bride last week.

The Granbury Truth notes that Dr. Carmichael of that city has recently purchased a car load of registered and graded Herefords.

The revival meeting at the Methodist church closed Sunday night. As a result of the meeting twenty-eight additions were made to the church.

There will be an election in the city on the 29th inst., for the purpose of determining whether or not the city of Stephenville shall issue bonds to the amount of $12,000 for the purpose of building a new school house.

K. S. Felts, who has been at Pecos City for some time, arrived in town last week to look after some business interests here. Mr. Felts says it is terrible dry in the west at present, and without rain pretty soon terrible suffering will ensue among the cattle. He does not think the Pecos country is now or ever will be any good for farming.

BIRTHS.

Reported to the county clerk since Feb. 1st:

Robt. Luckie and wife, near Clairette, a girl.

Jasper Jones and wife, a boy.

Jim Boyse and wife, near Victor, a boy.

John J. Jordan and wife, Thurber, a boy.

Joseph Gallocina and wife, Thurber, a girl.

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COMANCHE.

From the Chief.

Feb. 6th.—C. A. Brick of San Angelo, who has been buying cotton seed here, has closed his office for the season and returned home. His purchases amounted to forty cars.

Twenty-five thousand, three hundred bales of cotton have been received from wagons in Comanche since last August. This practically winds up the cotton receipts of Comanche for this season.

A stranger came near dying from alcoholism on the south side of the square Saturday. His heart almost ceased to beat and he lapsed into unconsciousness, but rallied after treatment by a physician.

One of the best day's work ever done by our county officers was the arrest and punishment of a street medicine fakir Monday for the offense of cursing on the public square. He was free with the use of cuss words in the course of his remarks on Saturday and when he repeated them in his talk Monday he was promptly arrested by the sheriff and carried before Judge Jackson, who fined him the price of twenty-five liver pads, or twenty-five dollars. The trimmings ran the total to $43.05, which was just two dollars less than the amount he gathered in from the natives on his remedy Saturday. He left the town Monday night vowing he would proclaim from the streets of every town he visited hereafter, the embargo laid by the officers on free speech. If he does so the board of trade ought to pay him for his services.

Three children of W. D. Jenkins, who recently removed here from the west, have scarlet fever. Mr. Jenkings lives near the railroad tank.

Assessor Switzer reports that his office issued 313 poll tax receipts out of 364 assessed; but of the 313 paid thirty-five were not assessed. The town vote is about 425, counting those over age and boys coming of age.

Last Saturday one hundred and one delegates, representing forty-five local unions, having a membership of about seven hundred farmers in this county, met at the court house and organized a county Farmer's Educational and Co-Operative Union of America. W. T. Loudermilk of Downing was elected temporary chairman and H. D. McDonald of Hasse temporary secretary. After the report of the commmittee on credentials had been received, a permanent organization was effected with W. T. Loudermilk president, J. P. Dingler vice-president, T. J. Camp of Sipe Springs secretary, Mr. Undrwood of Indian Mountain assistant secretary, C. W. Lusk of Sidney conductor, H. D. McDonald chairman of the executive committee and J. P Dingler and W. T. Loudermilk delegates to the state meeting at Mineola February 16th. The next meeting of the union will be held at the court house at 2 p. m. on March 4th.

J. R. Gafford has moved from Sidney to Proctor, where he has bought a lot and will improve it.

The school board has instructed Supt. Donaldson, at his request, to supply the school rooms with a system of electric bells to connect the superintendent's room with the other rooms of the building.

From the Visitor.

Feb. 11th.—Work is progressing rapidly on the new opera house being erected by E. W. Harris.

G. M. Jones and wife of Dublin spent several days in Comanche this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Carwile.

Capt. Rich of De Leon was here Monday shaking hands with the boys and incidentally keeping his eye on the county clerk's office.

J. H. Garner has sold his interest in the blacksmith business to Short Bros. and has bought a farm five miles south of town.

J. Brin and his son Jake came in Monday night and expect to get their stock of goods open for business in eight or ten days.

Petitions asking the commissioner's court for another prohibition election throughout the county is being circulated and numerously signed.

A series of revival meetings will be held at the Methodist church in Comanche begining on April 3rd and continuing indefinitely. It will be held under the direction of Rev. C. M. Shuffler, presiding elder.

GUSTINE.

Special Correspoddence.

Feb. 10th.—There are a number of cases of measles in this section at this time.

Our farmers are now enjoying the fine rain that fell Wednesday night of last week.

Two new mercantile establishments have recently opened here, that of W. G. Chancellor in the dry goods and grocery line and Kee Bros. of De Leon in the hardware business.

A local lodge of the Farmer's Union has been organized here.

M. B. Odell is putting in a large amount of new land on his place.

BROWNWOOD.

From the Banner-Bulletin.

Feb. 4th.—J. T. Berry, representing the Burton Lingo Co., with headquarters at Fort Worth, has bought the M. T. Jones lumber yard at this place and taken charge of the purchase temporarily. Mr. Berry has permanent charge of the company's yard at Cisco and will remain here only a short time. The Burton-Lingo Company have about twenty yards in Texas, among them yards at San Angelo, Coleman and Santa Anna, as well as Cisco.

H. R. Kaneaster is adding three rooms and a hall to his home near the Carnegie Library site. (Mr. Kaneaster was once a resident of Dublin and was engaged in the confectionery business here.)

The city collector issued six hundred and twenty-five poll tax receipts up to the first of the month. The total assessment was a little over eight hundred.

A number of members of the Comanche gun club took part in the practice at the gun club park Friday afternoon.

The Brownwood National Bank last Thursday sold for S. D. Thomas twenty-nine bales of cotton for the handsome price of fifteen cents a pound. Others have sold higher since, but not so many bales to the man.

C. H. Bencini is back from St. Louis, where he has been looking after oil mill interests. Mrs. Bencini and Miss Grace George are still visiting in Kentucky.

From the News.

Feb 4th.—Monday afternoon a seedy looking hobo appeared at the home of Tom Majors, in north Brownwood, and made the usual request for a handout. Mrs. Majors brought him out some food when he asked to be allowed to come in and eat at the table. Her failure to grant this request angered the gentleman, and he threw the handout down and kicked it out of his way, announcing, with a choice punctuation of profanity that he would go elsewhere to get his meal. He then sauntered across the street to the residence of Geo. McMahan, but Mrs. Majors had warned her neighbor, and he was given the icy palm. This was more than his gentle breeding could stand, and he proceeded to give expression of his vile feelings. Marshal Hale was called to the rescue, and the city is now under contract to take care of him for some weeks to come. He will also be furnished with a pick and shovel.

A local dealer has shipped over twelve thousand dozen eggs the past month.

Henry Drake, a prominent attorney of this place, died very suddenly and unexpectedly Thursday night. His remains were shipped to his old home at Buena Vista, Georgia, for interment.

The total assessments for poll tax in Brown county for last year was 3233. Of this number all but 243 paid before the first of February.

Mr. Brashear, of Rising Star, was in town last week to have his little boy treated. The little fellow had stuck a splinter in his eye ball, and it seemed for a while as if his sight would be lost, but the spinter was removed and he is getting along all right.

The vigilance and prompt action of night operator, Goyette, prevented Brownwood from getting a new Frisco depot a few days ago. A defective flue set fire to a partition wall, but it was extinguished before much damage was done. The fire wagon made a quick run to the scene, but was not needed.

PURVES.

Regular Correspondence.

Feb. 9th.—Mr. Martin, a prominent farmer of the Palmer school house community, was trading in our city yesterday.

Miss Stella Dunnegan has had her piano removed from this place to Hico. Mr. Graves of Hico did the moving. Miss Stella has a good music class at this place, having fourteen regular pupils.

Messrs. John Barrett and D. I. Woods will soon have their respective residences completed and ready for occupancy.

Dr. Agee preached at the Baptist church last Sunday.

The paint that is to be used in painting the new Baptist church house at this place has arrived.

Messrs. John T. Simmons and Lum Burnett are sick this week.

Daniel McMillan entered school at this place this week.

Miss Davenport is still unable to attend to her duties as teacher in our school. Miss Luda Capell is teaching in her stead.

Our young people were entertained by a musical at "Uncle" Jeff Bell's last Saturday.

Messers. Tom Coppedge, Fred Ascue and Thomas Case drove with their ladies to singing last Sunday at Wilson.

GRANBURY.

From the Democrat.

Feb. 10th.—A splendid rain fell here on last Thursday night. This is the second good rain we have had since the year began, and everything is now promising for good crops.

Deputy Sheriff Swafford on Monday morning arrested Will Hunnicutt at Cresson for theft of two overcoats and a lap robe from a buggy at Cresson Sunday night. Him lives in Ft. Worth.

Ben East and Paul DeLuca, two men who stole Olin M horse and buggy at Ft. Worth time in January, and were near Hico by Sheriff Sandf Deputy Sheriff Swafford of this ty, were last week convicted Ft. Worth district court. fought his case and was and DeLuca entered a plea of

From the Graphic-Truth.

Feb. 12th.—A Red Men lod organized here Saturday with bership of fifty-six.

Mrs. Laura Brown has re from Dublin.

Talks with farmers indic the cotton crop of Hood co this year will be planted from ty to thirty days earlier than and that most farmers will their rows wider than heretofo

The executive committee Settlers and ex-Confederates Saturday and decided that union for this year shall be Granbury on July 27th, 28 29th.

Our fellow townsman M Lemaster has been elected pre of the Altus National bank of Greer county, Oklahoma, and sold his interests in the dry business here will soon depart sume control of the new bank.

Our officers had an excitin Monday after one J. W. Hun whose headquarters seem to be Worth. With Hunnicutt we boys, one his brother and a had ran away from his parents Worth because his father had ened to use the rod on him fo ing truant from school. It that Hunnicutt is a pr stealing everything he could hands to. The cause of his here was a phone message Cresson, stating that a lap two overcoats had been stole parties in attendance at Cresson, and that some parti covered wagon had passed the evening before. The officers the lookout and arrested Hu and found the stolen goods. of his belongings were sold at to liquidate his fine, and after ing a two days' sentence in was released.

The democratic executive c tee in Hood county met at G last Saturday and decided to primary elections for the nom of county candidates and pre the following test of voters pledge myself to vote for the nees of this primary election.

The democratic executive c tee for this judicial district Granbury last Monday and upon primary elections for the nation of district candidates. committee is composed of J. lam of Somervell, J. J. Be Erath, W. E. McConnell of Pinto, and Jno. J. Hiner of H

Tomorrow the committee in charge the location of normal for Erath and the ing counties will meet here. welcomes the committee and more than pleased to enter normal. It is really doubt this year to have it, to say of the advantages offered those who attend, in the cation, the good railroad and magnificent school quarters for the holding of mal.

POINT LOOKOUT.

Correspondence.

16th.—According to about the ground hog the 14th of February more or less bad we fifth of April. have nothing to early, especially truck, as corn can and garden tru