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RESULTS IN MURDER.

GRIFFICE SHOOTS AND KILLS HIS SON-IN-LAW.

One Hundred Head of Cattle Killed in a Houston and Texas Central Railway Wreck—A Runaway Car at Moulton, Lavaca County.

WACO, Tex., May 27.—George Washington Anderson is in his coffin. He was slain by two bullets fired from a Winchester by George Dallas Griffice at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Griffice is in the county jail. George Dallas Griffice was a farmer. He resided near Crawford. His daughter, Pearl, at the age of 14, eloped with Wash Anderson and married him. Subsequently Wash Anderson eloped with a young lady, beautiful and accomplished. After leaving home, Wash Anderson admitted to the young lady that he was a married man and she returned to her parents. Wash Anderson sued for a divorce from his wife, nee Miss Pearl Griffice, and there has been bad feeling between the two families ever since. It was this that caused the killing.

An Important Treaty.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—New treaties of far-reaching importance have recently been made between Nicaragua and Honduras and official copies have just been received here. The treaties have been under negotiation for some time, and were finally put into effect by proclamation on the 11th of last month. They are the first practical steps toward the formation of a Central American nation out of the several small republics—Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Salvador and Costa Rica. The first treaty is a defensive alliance against a common enemy. It obliterates commercial frontiers, so that foreign goods once admitted to one country are free to enter the other. An express provision is made against the possibility of war between the countries by an article requiring differences to be adjusted by arbitration of some government on the American continent. There has been more or less conjecture as to the formation of a Central American nation, but this treaty appears to be the first practical step toward its accomplishment. The text of another Nicaragua-Honduras treaty has also been received. It provides for the arbitration of the boundary question by a commission to be chosen by the two countries, and if an agreement on the commission is not made then Spain is constituted final arbitrator.

Two Lives Went Out.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 27.—News has reached this city of a frightful tragedy near Chestnut Mound, Smith county, on Friday last, as a result of which two young daughters of Sam McKinney are dead, while his baby is slightly wounded. Mr. McKinney had been out on his farm with a Winchester rifle, and approaching the house handed the gun to his 13-year-old son, Henry, requesting him to take it in the house. Approaching the front room he decided to unload the gun, and thinking he had drawn all the loads he let the hammer fall, only to hear a report and felt the gun recoil in his hands. Through the door the bullet sped and through the bodies of the two sisters who were close together just inside the door. The older was 8 years, the other 2 years younger, and both were instantly killed, while a 9-months-old infant was slightly wounded.

A Costly Wreck.

CORSICANA, Tex., May 27.—Yesterday morning as the fourth section of train No. 111 on the Houston and Texas Central, engine No. 100, Conductor Wash, Engineer Hathaway, was running at a high rate of speed, about four miles north of this city, the connecting rod between the drivers of the engine broke and a wreck ensued. The train was composed of seventeen cars of live beeves and a caboose. The broken connecting rod struck a cap on a small bridge, and, throwing it out of place, broke the bridge, and thirteen cars of live cattle were thrown in all directions and some literally splintered. The track was torn up for a distance of about 150 yards and the bridge destroyed. About 100 head of cattle were killed. None of the train crew were hurt.

Gresham Worse.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—A decidedly unfavorable change in Secretary Gresham's condition occurred Saturday night and for a time, it was said, he was in a serious condition. This change, it was said, was the result of a recurrence of stomach troubles, from which he suffered so acutely early in his illness, and he experienced considerable pain and tossed about restlessly unable to obtain rest. His physician was with him several hours, at the end of which he was reported better.

Cried to Talk.

LONDON, May 27.—Oscar Wilde and Albert Taylor were after the conclusion of the trial on Saturday conveyed without relay to the Newgate jail, where they waited until the warrants were signed for their detention. Both men were conveyed in the prison van to Pentonville, where they will serve out their sentences, unless pardoned or transferred to another prison before the expiration of their sentences. Wilde and Taylor, who were sentenced yesterday for heinous crimes, attended the prison chapel at Pentonville Saturday. Their hair was cropped and they were in the prison garb. The two prisoners will only be allowed to see their friends four times a year on condition of their good conduct.

Shooting at Church.

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., May 27.—A bad shooting scrape took place at the Troy Presbyterian church on the line between this county and Woodford at 12 o'clock yesterday between George and John Montgomery, brothers, and Arch D. Riley. Riley was killed and George Montgomery fatally wounded. Five shots were exchanged, one taking effect in Montgomery and three in Riley. The trouble grew out of Riley deceiving a sister of the Montgomeries.

Runaway Car.

MOULTON, Tex., May 27.—A severe wind and rain storm visited this place Friday night. Part of the roof of the oil mill was torn off and the smokestack blown down. The front of a store was partly blown away. During the storm a tank car blew out of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass yards, ran about two miles south and was struck by a stock train going north. The tank car was wrecked and the engine pilot damaged some.

Found Dead.

LAGRANGE, Tex., May 27.—Joe Schriber, a farmer residing about twelve miles from this place was missed from home about two weeks ago. He had domestic troubles and his wife thought he had left home and she brought suit for a divorce. Saturday his remains were found near his house. Decomposition had set in and the inquest did not develope the cause of his death.

Yellow Fever in Cuba.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Advices received from Havana by the surgeon general are to the effect that the situation in that city with reference to the yellow fevor is unchanged. A letter from Santiago states that in that city all regular hospitals are crowded and that in the country thereabouts many hospitals have been improvised and are also full.

Murder and Suicide.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 27.—Joseph Kanerka, a sailor, shot his wife, Anna, and then to avoid capture by the police, who were pursuing him, cut his own throat. It is thought both will die. The wife had refused to live with her husband for two years.

"The greatest snap I ever had," remarked the broken-down sport to the New York Herald man, "was when I dealt the bank for old Taylor up at Butte. He paid me $8 a day and I used to knock down from $10 up every time.

"Old Taylor knew it, too, but he didn't care. He was a cheerful cuss and he used to say that a man who didn't have sense enough to knock down didn't have sense enough to deal. He'd come around once in a while and say: 'Leave a little for me, won't you, Jim?'

"Well," he continued, "the greatest time we had was when four sharks came down from Tacoma to break the town. They went up to old Pete's place first, and broke the little man on a tap the first thing."

"What's a tap?"

"Why, where they bet as much as the bank can show up and if they win it breaks the bank. Some banks won't take a tap."

"Well, as I started to say, the experts came into our place next and sat down at my table. I mixed the deck and gave them sight of the second card. They thought they had me sure, and one of them said: 'Will you take a tap?'

"'Yes,' said I, and I began to pull money out of a drawer. Taylor saw me and came over. 'What are you doing, Jim,' says he. 'Taking a tap,' says I. 'Well, then,' says he, 'go over to the drawer behind the bar and get what you can find.' So I got all I could find and put it up. The old sports were wild. They thought they had me sure, and put up all they had. Old Taylor was worth $50,000 or $60,000 then and would have put up every cent if it had been necessary.

"I commenced to turn the cards and when I turned the fourth old Taylor jumped about four feet in the air and gave a yell like a Comanche Indian. 'We've don't it, we've don't it, the pile is ours, Jim!' The four sharks were white as ghosts. I turned to them and said: 'You fellows don't know a living thing about faro. You'd better go into a cattle camp and have the boys teach you how to play.'

"They pawned their watches to Taylor for money enough to get home. I knocked down $125 that night. I would have taken more only Taylor was watching me."

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS.

Items of General Interest Carefully Selected From Many Sources.

One of the prettiest and by far the most brilliantly illuminated trains ever seen in Houston was the Texas Midland electric special, which arrived the other night with ten special coaches full of excursionists from Terrell and other points on the line, to attend the reunion. The train was lighted throughout by electric lights and elegantly furnished and finished. The engine carried an electric headlight and the baggage car was gayly illuminated with electricity. The lights were furnished from a dynamo in the baggage car and operated from the engine.

Tobe Collinsworth, 23 years old, whose parents live in Livia, Ky., died with small-pox the other evening at the home of Mrs. Levi Collinsworth, five miles west of Plano, in Collin county, who lost her husband with that dread disease several days since. This is the fourth death in the Collinsworth families in the past month from this disease. Mrs. F. M. Collinsworth now has the disease and Mrs. Levi Collinsworth and her 9-year-old daughter are the only ones that have recovered.

The rapid spread of the Mexican cotton weevil in southwest Texas is becoming a serious menace to this important industry. The weevil invades the cotton flowers and causes the bolls to rot and shed. So far no poison or preventive has been discovered to stop the march of the rapidly spreading pest. The situation is serious, as ruin is threatened to the crop all over the south ultimately unless some preventive is discovered.

The wool scouring mill is in full operation at Colorado City and is turning out 8500 pounds of white wool every day. More than 50,000 pounds of wool are in the storeroom and large shipments are coming in every day. The effect of the mill is already being felt on the local market, for large clips are now being brought from a distance that was being sold elsewhere.

The railroad commission has ordered that circular No. 99, issued May 14, 1895, be amended by changing the date fixed on for the cancellation of certain special tariffs and rate sheets of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway company and the International and Great Northern Railway company from May 27, 1895, to Thursday, June 6, 1895.

The commissioners' court of Wilbarger county, have made the following levy of taxes for this year: Road and bridge fund 15 cents, for general fund 18 cents, for courthouse and jail fund 55 cents, and for funding fund 7 cents. This is a slight increase over the levy of 1894, due to depreciation in values.

Mrs. S. J. Hansen, who is [illegible] to be demented, recently wrote a threatning letter to Jules Schneider at Dallas, commanding him to bury $1000 on a certain grave in the Trinity cemetery. She is now in jail, as is also Mrs. Emma Bluhme who is held as an accomplice, but who protests her innocence.

There was a largely attended meeting of the citizens of Galveston the other day at the Cotton Exchange in that city, to discuss the plan of building a bridge and terminal railroad to accommodate the expected increase in business owing to the obtaining of deep water on the bar.

The Enterprise ran foul of a snag recently as she was starting down the river from Wharton and a hole was ripped in her bottom, sinking her. The river is shallow where the accident occured and the work of raising her can be accomplished without great difficulty.

Velasco continues to grow, and grow, and the work on the jetties at the mouth of the Brazos progresses.

At Fort Worth, Fred Maxwell, Fred Hamilton, John Terrell and John Walling, all boys about 15, have been arrested and jailed upon a complaint lodged by J. T. Schermerhorr, charging them with the theft of goods from his store of over $20 value.

W. Fouche and S. Burkett of Kokomo, Ind., are inspecting a tract of 250,000 acres of timber land in this state, intending if the prospect be satisfactory to organize a company, purchase the tract and cut and ship the timber to Europe.

The city council of Austin has repealed the ordinance authorizing the issuance of $125,000 of bonds to complete water and light system and passed one fixing the amount at $200,000. The election was ordered for June 24.

At Van Raub, Bexar county, the fruit and grape crops are especially promising. Other crops are good.

That brave Texan frontiersman, "Big Foot" Wallace, was in San Antonio the other day, and in conversation remarked: "Civilization and barbed wire are playing h—l with this country. It ain't near as good a country as when the Indians and buffalo had it."

At Rio Grande City the examination before a magistrate of Bartolo Ybarra, charged with the killing of the mail carrier in Starr county a few days ago, has been concluded and the accused held without bail.

At Sterrett, Ellis county, plenty of rain has fallen and corn, cotton and oats are doing well. Cotton chopping is the order of the day. Potatoes, beans and peas ready for use, and chickens nearly ripe.

A large shipment of cattle was made from Decatur a few days ago. Since the shipping season began last fall over 4000 head have been shipped from there over the Fort Worth and Denver.

At Dallas the other day Jasper Lyons committed suicide at the house of W. A. Lauderback, while the family, except a small boy, was absent, by blowing his brains out with a revolver.

At Jefferson, Marion county, one morning recently, Will Carpenter, a brakeman on the Texas and Pacific railway, fell between the cars and was instantly killed. He lived at Marshall.

Doyle & Doyle, dealers in dry goods at Taylor, made an assignment recently; naming F. Welch assignee. Liabilities, about $10,000, assets estimated between $12,000 and $14,000.

Falls county recently redeemed $2500 bonds held by the school fund, and Moore county redeemed $10,000 bonds. Newall county paid $2415 interest on bonds.

Wacoans are good rustlers, and the rebuilding of the Cotton palace, and a new steel bridge across the Brazos, connecting the two Wacos speaks well for them.

The Dallas city council, in passing an ordinance authorizing the issuance of $200,000 of bonds, made it read "principal and interest payable in gold coin."

Tax Collector Cook of Motley county has made a final settlement, showing collections for the year, ad valorem tax, $3288.79; occupation tax, $14.

M. B. Wright, a maniac, was killed by the officers of Hamilton county a few days ago. He tried to kill every one he met and made war on the officers.

Seventy thousand bushels of No. 2 red winter wheat were bought in Chicago a few days since by Kansas City parties to be shipped to Texas mills.

At Sartartia, Fort Bend county, recently, a negro from Houston stopped over, and, after killing a negro boy, nearly beat a negro woman to death.

Plenty of rain in McMullen, Leon, Harris, DeWitt, Gonzales, Mitchell, Taylor, Fannin and Freestone counties and crop prospects are fine.

"Big Foot" Wallace, 78 years old, the celebrated scout and Indian hunter, now lives at Big Foot, Frio county, and is hale and hearty.

Galveston business people are be[illegible] themselves in anticipation of [illegible] trade consequent upon securing deep water in the [illegible]

Burglars stopped [illegible] speed over at Kildare, Cass county, recently, long enough to rob one residence. They got about $80 and moved on.

At Dallas the ball craze is supreme among the men and boys, while the little girls amuse themselves by playing mumble-peg.

Fine rains have recently fallen all over Cameron county, and crop prospects are first-class, while stockmen are jubilant.

The West End select school at Waxahachie, with $5000 capital, has been incorporated by Q. E. Dunlap and others.

At Gladewater, Gregg county, recently, W. F. Wall, a man living near Gilmer, was arrested on a charge of bigamy.

The Fruit palace is going up at Tyler, as well as other improvement.

In Eastland county, corn, oats, millet and sorghum are fine. Cotton acreage reduced 25 per cent.

The wheat prospect in north Texas is not so flatering. Last year we raised 6,900,000 bushels.

Gen. John B. Gordon, in his speech at the reunion at Houston, was loud in his praise of Texas.

R. L. Brown, a merchant at Belton, has assigned. Liabilities, $14,000; assets not given.

The Texas Dental association held their annual meeting at Houston a few days ago.

The total tax levy for county purposes in Dimmit county is 60 cents on the $100.

Cameron county boasts of three pound Irish potatoes of this year's crop.

Nine marriage licenses were issued at Waxahachie in one week recently.

Everybody at Devine, Bexar county, are exultant over a splendid rain.

Charles Wreatham, stationer at Temple has filed a deed of trust.

Corpus Christi has not furnished a big fish story in several weeks.

MEDIEVAL CHIVALRY.

What It Was and How Its Aims Were Fostered.

The cardinal principles of medieval chivalry were to honor true heroism and to reverence and protect women. Youths that were designed to become warriors received their training from some veteran at arms. They were taught the exercises and duties pertaining to the profession and were led to noble thoughts and lofty aspirations. From 7 to 14 years of age, the youth served in the capacity of a page. It was the duty of a page to wait upon the ladies of the mansion, and in their society he was taught courtesy and obedience. During his term of pageship he was also instructed in religion, in music, in chess and in the use of the sword and of lighter weapons. At the age of 14 the page became an esquire. He was no longer confined to the society of ladies, but became the comrade of knights and men-at-arms. As an esquire it was his duty to wait upon his lord in castle and in camp, to take care of his weapons, to put on and take off his armor, to go with him into battle and, when necessary, to give him personal aid on the battlefield. When he had attained the age of 21 years, he was made a knight, if he had proved himself worthy of that high honor. The order of knighthood was always conferred upon a candidate with solemn ceremonies. First, the candidate was required to fast for a day and to confess his sins, after which he was given absolution. He then kept the "vigil of arms" by passing the night in prayer, and watching before the altar of some church before which the arms he was to assume next day were placed. When morning came, he dressed himself in new clothes, over which was placed the coat of mail. Again he went to the church and was there examined as to his fitness for the order of knighthood. If he were found worthy he received the sacrament, and then swore to be "brave, loyal, good, just, generous and courteous; that he would defend the church, the clergy, the ladies, and redress the wrongs of the widow and the orphan, the weak and the defenceless." The baldric, a white leather belt embroidered with gold, was then put on him; this belt was worn pendant from the shoulder, diagonally across the breast to the waist, and served to indicate the rank of the wearer. The golden spurs were then put on his feet, and he was ready for the accolade. The accolade ceremony was performed by the lord that was to confer the dignity of knighthood. He took the candidate's sword, struck him a smart blow on the shoulder with the flat side and dubbed him "Sir Knight." The honor of knighthood was often conferred upon the field of battle as a reward for some extraordinary deed of valor.

THE PLUMBER AT WORK.

His Tact and Experience Earned Him Plenty of Good Money.

The following story is hardly credible, especially as it is laid not far from Evanston, says the Chicago Record. It is said that one of the water pipes was shut off to allow some repairs to be made. Immediately some of the families supplied by that [illegible] that the house pipes were stopped up, so they sent for a plumber. As soon as he received the first call the plumber investigated and learned that the water would be turned into the pipe again in about three hours. During that three hours he received seven calls and went to seven houses, where he made a great deal of noise hammering on the pipes. At each place he told the family not to trifle with the faucets while he was away. After the water had been turned into the pipes he revisited the houses, did some more mystifying work and succeeded in inducing water to run from the faucets. Then he collected seven large bills for repairs.

Nihilist Map.

In Russia newspaper correspondents have a hard time of it. Not long ago a Nihilist conspiracy was discovered, and the correspondent of the London Standard went to see the building. "Can I come in?" he asked the officer in charge. "Certainly," said the officer. The correspondent entered and took copious notes, but when he turned to go the officer barred the way. "Anybody who likes may come in," he explained, "but he is immediately arrested." In vain the prisoner pleaded; the officer had his orders. The correspondent walked to the window and saw the London Times man on the street. "Hello," he called out, "here's the Nihilist place. Come up!" He came up, and when he found himself a prisoner, was furious. Then the two correspondents spent the afternoon inviting flies into the spider's web until there was quite a company, and there they remained until released next morning.

Reasonable Complaint.

"Waiter," said the guest, "I wish you'd ask the proprietor to turn on a little more light. It's so dark in here I can't tell whether I'm eating planked shad or a paper of pins."

AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

THE BUCKEYE STATE CONTRIBUTES THIS STORY.

How Fred Taylor, of the Gallant 189th N. Y., V. I., Finally Found What He Sought.

(From the Ashtabula, Ohio, Beacon.)

Mr. Fred Taylor was born and brought up near Elmira, N. Y., and from there enlisted in the 189th regiment, N. Y., V. I., with which he went through the war, and saw much hard service. Owing to exposure and hardships during the service, Mr. Taylor contracted chronic diarrhoea from which he has suffered now over 30 years, with absolutely no help from physicians. By nature he was a wonderfully vigorous man. Had he not been his disease and the experiments of the doctors had killed him long ago. Laudanum was the only thing which afforded him relief. He had terrible headaches, his nerves were shattered, he could not sleep an hour a day on an average, and he was reduced to a skeleton. A year ago, he and his wife sought relief in a change of climate and removed to Geneva, Ohio; but the change in health came not. Finally on the recommendation of F. J. Hoffner, the leading druggist of Geneva, who was cognizant of similar cases which Pink Pills had cured, Mr. Taylor was persuaded to try a box. "As a drowning man grasps a straw so I took the pills," says Mr. Taylor, "but with no more hope of rescue. But after thirty years of suffering and fruitless search for relief I at last found it in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The day after I took the first pills I commenced to feel better and when I had taken the first box I was in fact a new man." That was two months ago. Mr. Taylor has since taken more of the pills and his progress is steady and he has the utmost confidence in them. He has regained full control of his nerves and sleeps as well as in his youth. Color is coming back to his parched veins and he is gaining flesh and strength rapidly. He is now able to do considerable outdoor work.

As he concluded narrating his sufferings, experience and cure to a Beacon reporter Mrs. Taylor said she wished to add her testimony in favor of Pink Pills. "To the pills alone is due the credit of raising Mr. Taylor from a helpless invalid to the man he is to-day," said Mrs. Taylor. Both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor can not find words to express the gratitude they feel or recommend too highly Pink Pills to suffering humanity. Any inquiries addressed to them at Geneva, Ohio, regarding Mr. Taylor's case they will cheerfully answer as they are anxious that the whole world shall know what Pink Pills have done for them.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine company, Schenectady, N. Y., for 50 cents per box, or six boxes for $2.50.

It is claimed that there are fifty-five dogs in the United Kingdom to every 1000 inhabitants.

BROAD TIRE WAGONS.

There Is No Reason Why They Should Not Be Used Everywhere.

While the subject of good roads is being agitated in every part of the country those most interested in the subject are doing their best to make bad roads still worse by using narrow tires on their wagons. Heavy loads are drawn over our mud roads on these narrow-tired wagons and deep ruts cut into them, that in wet weather make them almost, and sometimes entirely, impassable. I have a sort of a pity for a man who urges his team along a muddy road, all the time grumbling about the badness of it, when he might reduce the labor of his team from one-third to one-half by using wide tires at very little additional cost to himself and to the great saving of team and temper. It is to be hoped that the first legislation looking to the improvement [illegible] of the country will [illegible] in the way of [illegible] Robertson [illegible] tires for [illegible] much damage. A creek do more dam[illegible] town overflowed wide tires if the [illegible] are at all sort. No one disputes the philosophy of wide tires, and no one seems to have any good reason to offer why they should not be used. Our farmers simply follow precedent and go on using narrow tires because their fathers did before them. Lumbermen and freighters use wide tires almost universally and save money by doing so, but it seems that farmers do not care to economize in this direction. The condition of our roads costs us more than any other single item of waste in this country, and the common use of wide tires would reduce this waste of energy to a large extent.—American Farmer and Farm News.

A Confession Necessary.

A curious point in Swedish criminal law is that confession is necessary before a capital sentence can by carried out. If, however, the culprit persist in protesting his innocence in the face of overpowering evidence, the prison disciplin is made extremely strict and severe until the desired confession is obtained.

All a Notion.

Schlegel, who lectured in Latin at the age of 72, had a peculiar stimulant. He always had his snuff-box in his hand, as without it he fancied he could not get on.

"Carbide of Calcium."

"Carbide of Calcium," which can now be produced by the ton, is a combination of coal (carbon) and lime. The combination takes place when the two substance are heated together. If water is dropped on the compound so produced and a match applied the resultant gas will burn until the water is exhausted. It is feared by some and hoped by others that the discovery is revolutionary, as the gas burns with a flame "which makes an electric light look a dull yellow," and its cost is low.

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EDITORIAL.

Walter Q. Gresham is dead.

The writ of error in the Debs case was refused in the Supreme Court, and Eugene V. Debs goes to jail.

The Memphis "Sound Money" convention is said to have adopted a gold basis for the Democrats.

Venezuela is in trouble. Indeed Central and South America may be likened to a number of wasp nests and Europe to a set of bad boys with long poles stirring 'em up.

On May 21st, at Pinole, Cal. The nitro-glycerine house of the Cal. powder works blew up leaving only a hole in the ground. Five white and nine chinamen were literally blown to fragments and swept into eternity. Pieces of their bodies were found a mile away.

If you have occupied your school land the allotted time of 3 years, you may let it forfeit and file again within ninety days, and by paying all the ints. that have accrued under the old purhase, refile under the late act, and thereby save your 2 per cent occupancy; or you may file anew, reoccupy, and save all that any man can under the law. If you would like to know why direct relief could not be granted, read Art. 7, Sec. 4 of the constitution.

A recent special to the St. Louis Republic says leather has advanced 50 or 100 per cent.

Flour has gone out of sight also. Shoes and biscuit will now be on a parity with Stetson hats, thus elevating both ends and the middle of man at the same time for the first time.

The olk "confeds" have had their reunion, and the R. R. Companies (most of them controlled by northern capitalists) have gotten the greater and more lasting good of it all. The "grand parade" [illegible] now retire to private life. [illegible] ALL [illegible] the pension paid these wounded R. R. presidents.

If ever a well informed minerologist strikes Scurry county (we dont mean a greedy gold hunter) you may be astonished at his find.

There are many more useful minerals than gold and silver.

Iron, coal, asbestos, granite, scalite, graphite and mica are each more necessary than the primary money metals, and some of these are in this, and adjacent counties.

If the common school system of Texas continues to increase its "red tape" for the next, as in the past twelve years, where'll we be at?

The Armenians are being horribly scourged by the Turks and Kurds. An insurrection is expected.

Unrestricted liberty is natural, but true liberty is restricted by a perfect law that must be studied, learned and obeyed, to be enjoyed. For proof of this position see James—chap. 1—verse 25.

The foul murder in Boston of little eight-year-old Alice Sterling, forces upon us more than ever the infinite importance of infinitely greater efforts to promote humane education in all our public and private schools and the incomprehensible folly of leading educators who devote almost their entire efforts to educating the heads and almost entirely neglect the hearts of the rising generation.

Let our colleges, high and normal and lower schools go on with their sientific teaching doing little or nothing to inspire a belief in God and humanity and we shall have—and bye—plenty of murders like that of little Alice Sterling.

Geo. T. Angell.
(In "Dumb Animals.")

If any one has an answer to Coin's Financial School we would like to like they would bring it around.

It was in December, '94 that Mrs. Nolson, a school teacher of Omaha Neb., and her two little children were missed. Until a few days since, their sudden disappearance was a great mystery.

We learn that a farmer recently found their bodies lashed together and floating down the Missouri river, and were easily identified.

Financial trouble caused her to take the step. Having secured [as the note she left last Dec. states] a life insurance policy, death would pay her debts.

Thus went a good woman, a sweet little girl and boy, all on account of insufficient financial system.

When Coin closed his financial school, Eli Perkins in a gust of fun replied to the youthful financier. But Bill Arp read the book to another effect and in his comment on a certain point made by Coin, he pays his respects to Eli thus: "If it is false why does'nt Eli Perkins say so. I see that he has taken the field against Coin but I can't tell exactly from his last piece wether he is lying or joking. * * * I like Eli. I like anyone that is funny and harmless.

His last book is better than the first and if these two little books are made up of fallacies the gold bugs had better get somebody else besides Eli to expose them—Eli's forte is fun not finance—though I'll bet a dollar he was opposed to the income tax."

Phyllis.

Burlington Hawkeye.

The shadows closed on the orchard bloom,
The scent of the locust filled the room,
The night winds kissed the mist tree's plumes,
And bore on their wings the kiss of rain.

Clouds in the red west dimmed the skies,
With fleecy fingers cold and gray,
As the sweet-breathed kine with Juno's eyes,
Came down the clover perfumed way.

And the shepherdess there in the morning light,
With red lips fashioned like Cupid's bow,
Her clear gray eyes so tender bright,
And white brow catching the sunset's glow.

I will hear her speak when the lowing herd
Is folded under the walnut trees:
Soft as the note of a singing bird,
And I'd give $1,000 right out of the office if I could think of any rhyme for "trees" except "breeze, but I can't; all the same, I heard her voice; she hit a bumble bee over the lip with a cedar bucket, and said; "So, brute, so! Stand over! I'll spike your old tail to the fence if I hit me with it again. So brute so!"

DENTAL, DENTAL,

Dr. M. E. Freeman, Dentist, Leaves Snyder soon, and will not return for 6 or 8 weeks. If you need dental work come and see him now.

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A new "Pop" gun is soon to be fired at Anson and a Democratic "pen knife" is to be drawn at Roby. Then will follow fuss, fun and fethers. No work for the "fool killer" however as the parties are apt to commit "sideways."

The "Sound Money" folks have had their meeting and the "More money" crowd convenes at Cleveland, Ohio this week. Why can not these factions unite? They together offer just what we want.

It is taught by many that the coming campaign will be the most exciting of all the past. But we would not be at all surprised if we common folks were to turn the chip and catch the bug before the political spoiler has quite reached the stump this time. Wouldn't it be a stunner! But some want to discourage us by saying that such wisdom among working people will not take place until the mellenial dawn. Well let it dawn who cares.

Chairman Dudley called a convention th save the "party."

Neither the greedy spoiler, the money-lover nor the anarchist will do more than deform a country. It is never their wish to reform or improve society.

There is a golden mean between extremes with an "awful" pretty silver lining.

It is believed that were the hen to go out on a strike, the greatest calamity would befall the poorer classes about Chicago, where from $8 to $15 worth of eggs are eaten every minute, and about $314,000,000 worth annually.

Chairman Dudley called a convention to save the "party" and got a lesson in cabinet work; i. e. he now knows what it is to miss the nail and hit his thumb.

The Snyder Cemetery Association met yesterday in regular session and elected directors for the ensuing term as follows;

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THE NEWS.

LOCAL NOTES.

Rev A. N. Ridenour was in town last week and reports fine rains throughout the vicinity of Grady and Cottonwood Flat. Crops are in good condition.

J. M. Wood, itinerant salesman for the drygoods firm of Feltman Bloom & Co. of Cincinnati, rolled out last Tuesday with a two-horse load of nice samples. Mr. Wood has a well improved and comfortable home and an interesting family here, which enables him with the best of spirits to leave. Certainly this gentleman has struck his talent.

John Millman was in town Tuesday. Said he was very much pleased with Scurry's outlook. Grass fine and plenty of water.

F. A. Miller of Colorado passed through Snyder this week going north with 5000 muttons. He is bound for Kansas City.

Bee Clayton says he wanted to stay in Snyder right bad, but he was warned to work the road. That settled it and Bee went to the ranch.

Pictures are now being taken in Snyder for $2 per dozen. Go elsewhere and you pay $4.

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Messrs. J. C. Tow, A. J. Beal and — Strobey, all of Llano Co., arrived in our town last Monday.

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We are requested, by the standing committee, to announce a mass meeting of the citizens of Scurry Co. on next Saturday, 3 P M, to arrange for a "all purpose" picnic, some time in June. Now S S folks, now is our time.

D. F. and I. W. Woody left us yesterday for Eastland Co., to attend court in the capacity of wituesses.

Messrs Scott and Charley Green left Tuesday for their ranch 55 mi. north of here, taking with them their mother and sister (Miss Byrdie) and Miss Jane Scarborough.

Don't forget that next Saturday is the day to elect the school trustee in each district.

Sound Money means gold strictly. But F. Crist will accept silver at face value and in return give you some of the best groceries you ever saw.

Frank Aucutt, assisted by Joe Oliver and Dan Awalt, came in last Monday, reloaded his 7000 pounds of wool that he had stored here during the rain last week, and rolled out for Colorado.

J. W. Wharton and family passed through last Monday from Dexalmonia to their home at Gail. Mr. W was much pleased with our town and says the rain fall seems to be greater here than at some points east of us.

The following couples were out driving last Sunday over the various roads leading from Snyder;

Mr. Lee Boren, Lamar McNeil
Lora Wood, Irene Scarborough
Dr. Freeman, Jack Jones
Fannie Patterson, Ella Bean
Scott Green, Bryant Boren
Pearl Clark, Mattie Patterson
Ike Boren
Charley Green

Dr. M. E. Freeman, dentist, is still with us and will remain as long as the good people patronize him as they have done in the past. All who have had Dr. Freeman do dental work for them testify to the fact that he knows his business.

Mr. Higgins was in our office this week. He had just returned from Coppenger's ranch and reported fine range and fat cattle.

Go over to Jeffs' and get a shave, shingle and shampoo. You don't know how good looking you are until you try his hand.

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Dr. Culberson informs us that Mrs. Autrey, wife of our esteemed Co. commissioner, Joe Autrey, living 5 mi east of Snyder was run over and somewhat injured by a cow on last Saturday evening. The injuries are not serious however.

Later, Mrs. Autrey is doing well attended by Dr. Culberson.

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Snyder, 1st. Sunday 11 A. M.
" 3rd. " Night
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LOST

Some time in December on Colorado road not far from Snyder, one copy of "Political Revelation" by "Cyclone" Davis. We had borrowed the book from H. P. Wellborn to whom we request the finder to return it, or if more convenient leave at this office and oblige.

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Dr. Scarborough was called in haste to visit Mr. James Peterson at Durham in Borden Co., last Tuesday. There is no better citizen at Durham than Mr. Peterson.

J. W. Shaw and Bud Green returned from Roscoe last Tuesday.

Will buy, hire, or borrow a milch cow. Speak all at once and often, if you have the cow.

L. H. Pruitt has returned from his eastern trip. He was detained at the Houston "big meeting" where he met many old acquaintances and fellow-soldiers.

I. P. Skinner leaves today for Gail.

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On account of the failing health of Mrs. Webb, her many friends have prevailed on her to give up the hotel business. W. A. Jones will take charge 1st prox.

W. A. Jones keeps the best rigs in Snyder. He has no shakey turnouts to play off on you, but all first class. He sells more feed than any one else in town and feeds more transient teams.

Mr. Winton, a strange young man who was passing through the county, had his horse to fall with him and very seriously injure him but we hear he is improving.

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We hear that Fred Walther died, but the statement is little more than rumor.

Eld. Barry assisted Mr. Hale to sink himself a well this week. They found an abundance of water at 39ft. Near the end of job Mr. Barry by accident let fall a chair at one time and a bucket of earth at another. Both shots took effect, but not seriously, as Mr. Hale relates it.

Remember to come to preaching next Sunday. It is the regular appointment of Rev. Mr. W. H. Harris.

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THERE WAS BEgun in the last week or two a very thorough revision of the telegraphic cipher codes in use by people in this city doing business with European countries, says the New York Sun. The revision is in order to conform with a new regulation of the International Telegraph bureau, designed to put an end to the difficulties, disputes and inconveniences that have been connected with international telegraphing for very many years. The International Telegraph bureau is a telegraphic clearing-house and intelligence office located at Berne, Switzerland, of which all the governments of Europe, and all the important nations of the rest of the civilized world, with the sole exception of the United States, are members. "Berne," as the bureau is generally referred to, is the central information bureau of the telegraph service of the whole world. Any interruption to a cable or land line, the opening of a new line, or rearrangement and shortening of an old one; all delays to telegraphic communication, anywhere and from any cause, such as storms or earthquakes, or censorship on telegrams because of war or civil disturbances in Cuba or Armenia, or anywhere else; anything or everything that improves or disturbs the telegraph service in any part of the world, is at once reported from the affected locality directly to Berne, and the information is promptly sent out from there to the headquarters of every government and telegraph company, and so on to every telegraph office of importance in the world. While the United States is not represented at Berne, or in the international conventions, this country shares in the information, and is to a great extent under the domination of Berne. With a few exceptions all the cable lines in this hemisphere are owned by British companies, and in telegraphing to Cuba or South America even Berne's territory is entered.

Berne is really the center of everything telegraphic, and "CQ" in the nomenclature of telegraphy, is the circumference of everything. Every city in the world has its code, recognized by Berne and known everywhere. Thus "Ln" means London, "NY" New York, "BM" Bombay, "SZ" Suez, "CT" Calcutta, "MV" Monte Video, and so on. A message from Berne simply addressed "IQ" would quickly find its way to Iquique, away over in Chili. "CQ" means "all stations," and a telegram sent from Berne telling, perhaps, of an interruption of communication with Australia by reason of an earthquake in Java, addressed simply "CQ" would be passed from one government and telegraph company to another, and from center to center, until inside of twenty-four hours it would reach every office of importance in the world.

The bureau was first established as a result of an international telegraph convention held at St. Petersburg in 1875, to settle all matters of rules and regulations for the interchange of telegrams among the various countries; to collect and apportion the charges on international telegrams, according to the proportion of work done by each country, and generally to do the work of the telegraph companies and systems that the clearing-house does for the banks. Every five years a convention is held, at which all the governments are represented, and the rules to govern Berne are considered and revised and enacted.

There has always been difficulty between the telegraph service and its customers over the use of cipher words. Of course, where the cost of telegraphing runs to several dollars a word, every effort is made to be brief. Most elaborate and really wonderful codes have been constructed, some at a cost of thousands of dollars, by the aid of which one word is made to express a whole sentence, or paragraph, of commercial information. To such a science has this matter of codes been reduced that the bulk of telegrams passing between this country or England and distant places like China and Australia rarely consist of more than two or three words. Many hundreds contain only one word, besides the name and address. And one word often sums up a whole day's business. To insure accuracy and speed the convention decided many years ago that only legitimate words, belonging to one of eight languages, should be allowed in codes, and no word should contain more than ten letters. Arbitrary combinations of letters, such as xqp, or wzy, are only accepted on a basis of three letters to a word. While cable operators are not expected to know eight languages, yet there is something about legitimate words of a modern language that makes it easily recognized. It sounds all right on the Morse instrument and looks all right on the cable slip. A mutilated word is as readily distinguished and stopped. The sender of a foreign telegram of eight words may use a word each from English, German, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch and Latin, but they must be good words and not over ten letters long. The receiving clerk in a cable office will almost infallibly s[illegible] an illegitimate word, and, as he [illegible] responsible at the rate of sev[illegible] any wrong word he may pass, he lets very few indeed get by him.

OF BENEFIT AT LAST.

Republican Gains from the Six New Northwestern States.

The admission of six new states in the early years of President Harrison's administration was intended by the Republicans to strengthen the party in the northwest for the contest of 1892, and to make certain the control of the United States senate by the Republicans. As is often the case in politics, the plans arranged by the Republicans for strengthening themselves failed. Idaho, one of the new states, was carried by the Populists. North Dakota scattered its electoral vote among the three candidates. The admission of the northwestern states gave an impetus to the free silver movement which cost the Republicans the electoral votes of Kansas, Colorado and Nevada, and the changes in the United States senate consequent upon this free silver defection put the Democrats in control of it. But in the last two years the political pendulum has swung back again and the Republicans are now about to get, tardily it is true, some of the benefits of their legislation of six years ago. The next United States senate will contain twelve members from the newly admitted northwestern states. Of these, ten are straight out Republicans, one a Populist, and one, Roach of North Dakota, a Democrat. This gives the Republicans a lead of eight over the Democrats and Populists combined. Without the representatives of the six new northwestern states, the next United States senate would consist of thirty-seven Democrats, thirty-four Republicans, and four Populists, with Delaware not included in the count. The Republicans would only have thirty-four senators in a total of seventy-six, and Mr. Cleveland would have for the next two years a Democratic instead of a Republican senate on his hands to confirm or reject his nominations.

THE RIGHT HAND.

Used More Than Its Mate It Grows Big and Important.

"I wish I were ambidextrous," remarked a young woman who was seated at the glove counter of a Woodward avenue store. "I wear out so many right-hand gloves before those of the left hand that a pair would last nearly twice as long if the wear were more evenly divided between the two."

"Couldn't you begin now?" asked the young woman who was fitting on the gloves.

"No," was the sorrowful inflection; "I've tried, and taken several tumbles in consequence. I always use my right hand to open doors, to swing myself on a street car, to clutch railings, to carry parcels and my umbrella, and hold up my gown, until my left hand has become almost useless. I couldn't save myself from falling with it."

"It is the same with all ladies," said the glovefitter in a tone intended to be comforting.

"Yes, that is the worst of it! I can't see what parents and instructors are thinking of to overlook, as they do, the value of the left hand. My right hand, because of the extra work, it performs, is half a size larger than its mate. Have you noticed it?"

"Oh, yes, indeed; we try all ladies' gloves on the right hand first," said the girl as she fitted that useful member.—Detroit Free Press.

LEITER ISN'T LITERARY.

That's Why He Thought Howells Was a Reporter.

The Leiters are always willing to give out for publication anything which the public has a right to know.

Perhaps that is the reason some people believe the story told about Mr. Leiter's meeting with William D. Howells. According to the chronicler, Miss Leiter met Mr. Howells just prior to the entertainment dedicating the beautiful Leiter mansion, and extended an informal invitation to the distinguished writer to attend the reception. Therefore, Mr. Leiter was not expecting this particular guest when his daughter presented him. "Father," she said, "this is Mr. W. D. Howells, the celebrated writer."

"Glad to meet you, sir," said Mr. Leiter; "well, if you want to write anything about me for your papers at any time, just come to me and I'll give you all the facts. I'd rather give them to you than have you get them wrong."

Robins Shot by Pot Hunters.

Unusually cold weather throughout Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi has driven the robins that winter in all parts of these states considerably further south than usual. Many have wintered in Florida, where idle northern visitors and the native crackers have slaughtered them in large numbers. Robins wintering in the south always suffer greatly at the hands of gunners. The birds go in considerable flocks, are fat, and do not sing, so that there is neither sentiment nor any practical consideration to protect them.

Life in New York.

Hurried Editor—I must have some one to help on this at once. Where's Binks? Where's Scribbler? Where's Leader?

Boy—They is all down stairs gettin' up a list of folks killed last year by cable cars, cabs, wagons, subway explosions, gas an' 'lectric light wires, get through for a month.

Editor (despondently)—They won't get through for a month.

A Decided Saving.

Domestic—Do yez want me to use this square thing? Mistress—Yes, place the dishes inside and turn the crank. "Phawt good is it, sure?" "The dealer warranted it not to break over a dozen dishes a week."

Roman Lamps.

Roman lamps were of many sizes, but many of them very closely resembled what is at present denominated a sauce or gravy boat. At one end there was a ring, through which the finger was passed when the light was carried. The body of the vessel was filled with oil, and at the other end there was a small tube through which a rag wick was passed.

To Run Fast.

A Welshman proposes to build a ship that will have a speed of sixty miles an hour. The boat will be 550 feet long and 50 wide, with a flat bottom and wedged shaped bow and stern; of 10,000 tons displacement, and with eight paddle-wheels on each side, each making seventeen revolutions a minute.

No Sense at All.

Some birds in Patagonia have a foolish habit of roosting low down, close to the ice, and in the morning may sometimes be seen the curious sight of scores of these unfortunates with their tails frozen into the ice. There they may be compelled to remain until the sun, by the process of melting them out, liberates the prisoners.

Why She Smiles Sweetly.

Sparkling eyes, quick beating heart, and the rosy blush of pleasure on the cheeks makes the strong man happy when he meets his lady love. That's the kind of a man whose very touch thrills because it is full of energy, vigorous nerve power and vitality. Tobacco makes strong men impotent, weak, and skinny. No-To-Bac sold by Druggists everywhere. Guaranteed to cure. Book, titled "Don't Tobacco Spit or Smoke Your Life Away," free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

Octroi Duties.

Octroi duties, the tax on edibles, wines and liquors, fuel and building materials entering a town, are levied in 1518 municipalities in France. Last year the gross receipts from the duties were $63,000,000 and the cost of collection $5,500,000, or nearly 9 per cent. Paris alone paid $30,000,000, nearly half the whole amount, and over $10 a head for every inhabitant, while the average of the other towns is $5 a head.

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The Ladies.

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On the Beat.

A circus, which had been performing at Jackson, Mich., with forty-two people, boarded a train there the other day, after seeing that a vast mass of scenery, carpets and the like was taken care of in the baggage car. Conductor Corey had been notified of the movement of the troupe and was surprised to find only thirty tickets and people. He took up the tickets and passed into the baggage car. While there he jumped on a roll of the circus carpeting, out of which rolled a circus performer. Search revealed eleven more of them stowed away in the baggage. Corey went to the manager for tickets for the extra men. He did not have them and Corey dumped the twelve off at Grass Lake, and they had to count the ties to Ypsilanti, thirty-six miles away, to rejoin the company.

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