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DAUNTLESS LITTLE DIXIE SAILS FOR SOUTHERN SEAS

Auxiliary Cruiser Leaves the League Island Navy Yard For Colon

TAKES 600 MARINES AND MANY SUPPLIES

Vessel is Packed With Ammunition and Material For a Five-Months Campaign. Brigadier General Elliott in Charge

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—The auxiliary cruiser Dixie sailed from League Island navy yard today en route for Colon carrying 600 marines and five months living and fighting supplies for a thousand men. Six companies of marines divided into two battalions sailed on the Dixie.

UNDER RUSH ORDERS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—The Sabbath stillness at the League Island navy yard was broken yesterday by the hurried fitting out of the cruiser Dixie for her trip to Colon, and the trim little vessel lies in the Delaware river ready to sail tomorrow morning. Activity at the yard resembled much the busy scenes there prior to the Spanish-American war.

Brigadier General Elliott, commanding the marine corps, who is going to the isthmus on the Dixie, arrived in the afternoon. Two companies of marines, one from Boston, the other from Washington, also arrived. They were marched to the barracks and later were sent on board the cruiser. Altogether the Dixie takes south 600 marines, who will be under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Waller. The work of loading the cruiser continued until midnight Saturday, and was completed yesterday afternoon. The quantity and character of her cargo indicate that the government expects a long campaign at Panama. Her houses and decks are crowded with stores.

The Dixie takes five wagon loads of small arms, ammunition, a large quantity of lumber, camp supplies and a number of wagons.

BLAME BLIZZARD FOR FATAL WRECK

Red Light Extinguished by Wind and Passenger Rushes by Unwarned

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 28.—Up to last night the number of deaths resulting from the collision between the Pere Marquette passenger trains near East Paris Saturday afternoon stands at twenty-two, with twenty-nine persons injured, several of them fatally.

It was the most disastrous wreck in the history of the Pere Marquette system, and, instead of being caused by man's carelessness or mistake, is charged to the high wind, which extinguished the red signal light in the order board at McCords Station, where the west bound train was expected to stop and receive new orders.

Two minutes before the train rushed by McCords the light was burning, says the operator there, but in that brief interval the blizzard extinguished it and No. 5 flashed by the station to crash into east bound No. 6 near East Paris. The trains which were two of the finest on the system were reduced to a pile of broken timber and metal, and the injured were pinned down and crushed by the fragments of the heavy cars. Five cars and two large locomotives were jammed into a space ordinarily occupied by three coaches.

When train No. 5, west bound, slipped by McCords instead of stopping, the operator notified the dispatcher, then found that his red light had been extinguished. He reported this fact, and then there was but one action to take. The collision was inevitable. The dispatcher's office called for medical aid and gave orders to hold the train over the Saginaw branch at the depot and get the wrecking outfit under steam. They then waited for the word they knew must come.

There was no chance of the fast running trains to see each other through the driving blizzard in time to even slow down, and in a few minutes word came from the conductor of No. 5 that they had crashed together and that there was an awful loss of life.

According to the officials of the Pere Marquette the west bound train was traveling down grade at the rate of sixty miles an hour. The east bound train was climbing the hill at a speed of forty miles an hour. The former probably carried seventy-five passengers, while the latter is believed to have been carrying at least 125 persons.

SAILOR HERO SENTENCED

Man Who Was With Dewey at Manila Goes to Sing Sing

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Fred Cushing, a hero of the battle of Manila, who served with Admiral Dewey on the cruiser Olympia, was taken to Sing Sing prison yesterday afternoon. He will spend the rest of his life in prison for the murder of his wife, Annie.

Standing before Justice Davy, in the criminal branch of the supreme court, Cushing looking anything but a murderer. He is a clean-cut, athletic-looking man of 27. He has a frank, open countenance. All through his trial he made no denial that he had shot his wife to death at their home on July 21 last. His defense was that the shooting was justifiable; that he was half-crazed when he killed her, because she had been unfaithful to him.

RUNNING MATE HARD TO FIND

Fairbanks Seems to Have First Choice of Republicans For Second Place

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(Special)—With their convention city selected, the minds of the republicans are now busily employed hunting down material to fill the second place on their ticket with Theodore Roosevelt. Not much was heard upon this subject from the members of the national republican committee when in this city recently, but it is an established fact that there was much confidential talk between the committeemen upon this very theme. Perhaps the friends of the president were too busy administering knockout drops to the Hanna boom and to disprove the statements made that there is an anti-Roosevelt feeling in some sections to give more room for discussion of vice-presidential timber. At any rate, it is not taking precedence and with the Panama situation forms the sole topic of discussion at the national capital these days.

Expressions are heard that Mr. Roosevelt's partner should come from the middle west. The middle-west, however, embraces a vast territory and includes within its bounds perhaps a score of available nominees for the short end of the republican ticket. Among them are Senator Fairbanks of Indiana, who at present seems to be the strongest candidate for the honor, and since his state is by no means "safe" for the G. O. P. it looks as if he were going to be the lucky man. That is to say, at least get the nomination, for if one thing is certain it is that the next presidential campaign will be one of the closest and most stubbornly contested affairs in the history of the country. Governor Durbin of the same state is also spoken of, but will hardly receive consideration by the convention on account of his position in the Goebel assassination. Governor Taylor, who is implicated in that affair, is still a fugitive from justice under the sheltering wing of the Hoosier executive and his stand in that case will preclude all possibility of him receiving the nomination. Governor Lafollette of Wisconsin, who is having a hard time in bringing about peace between the many warring factions of his state, Governor Cummins, father of the famous "Iowa Idea," long ago knocked out by a Hanna "stand pat" punch, John L. Webster of Nebraska, Governor Herrick of Ohio, who has a call on the place by virtue of his good run for the governor's chair last month, all are more or less receiving favorable mention for the vacancy. It is just possible that an Illinois man be presented at the last moment and walk away with the goods. So far, however, there is no crystallized sentiment in favor of any one person.

The books are still open for more names and will hardly be closed until the convention puts its stamp of approval upon the candidate.

PROPHET GOES ON TRIP

Dowie Will Start For Australia After New Year's

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Preparatory to leaving for Australia, John Alexander Dowie bade farewell to Chicago adherents at a meeting in the Auditorium yesterday. Standing room was at a premium. After an all-night "watch meeting" in Zion City New Year's eve Dowie will leave for New Orleans and will travel to San Francisco via the Southwestern route, stopping at various cities en route. He intends to sail from the latter port Jan. 21 and counts on being back in Chicago next June.

"I am going to leave everything in Zion City and not steal away with either the laceworks or the temple," said Dowie. "That was a lie about my wife taking away $7,000,000, and I am foolish to deny it again. I will only take with me enough cash for spending money."

Several times in the course of his remarks Dowie spoke in a friendly manner of President Roosevelt and in his prayer asked that Mr. Roosevelt's enemies be "circumvented and forestalled in carrying out their mischievous plans."

FALL CRUSHES SKULL

Young Man Near Paris Thrown From His Horse

PARIS, Texas, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Henry Tomlinson, a well known young man living in the northeastern part of this county near the little town of Gautt, was thrown from his horse and had his skull crushed.

BANK ROBBERS BATTLE AFTER BLOWING SAFE

Nitroglycerin Explosion in a Bank at Kiowa, I. T., Awakens Citizens Who Engage in Running Fire—Get $600

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., Dec. 28.—The safe of the Bank of Kiowa, fourteen miles south of here, was blown open with nitroglycerin at 3 o'clock Sunday morning by a gang of five men. They were interrupted by the arrival of citizens at the time of the third and final explosion and were driven away in a battle in the dark. They secured but $600 in silver and gold. Bills amounting to $1,000 were torn to pieces in the explosion and about $300 in silver was scattered over the floor.

CAME ON HANDCAR

The burglars arrived in Kiowa on a Missouri, Kansas and Texas handcar, which they procured at Savanna, six miles away. They secured the tools used in the robbery at the section house at the same place. Entrance to the bank building was made through a rear window. The sound of the second explosion awoke several citizens, including Cashier C. A. Birge, who resides two blocks away. He came to within twenty yards of the bank and began firing a revolver. The robbers returned the fire and soon four citizens joined in the fight.

ROBBER HIT

The burglars had started east on foot, but as they passed his residence Hemp Bell appeared with a shotgun and discharged both barrels. One of the robbers screamed and dropped his sixshooter. There was no trace of blood and no one on either side was hurt in the fight. It was too dark to get more than a vague description of the men.

The United Staes marshal at South McAlester was notified and Deputy Marshal Lee was on the scene by daybreak and traced the men to Blaco, a station on the Ardmore extension of the Choctaw railroad, where it is thought they boarded the 7:30 east bound freight train.

From the similarity of the methods employed, it is thought that this is the same gang which robbed the postoffice at Krebs on the morning of the 23d inst. The bank carried burglar insurance sufficient to cover the loss.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION IN 1864

First Organization of the Kind in Texas Was Formed at Austin

AUSTIN, Dec. 28.—(Special)—In Texas the opinion prevails in certain circles that typographical unions are of very reecnt origin. This doubtless arises from the fact that in the years of its infancy, like all other organizations, the union was numerically weak, its plans and methods not fully formulated and hence not so self-assertive and aggressive as in later years and its influence not so much felt.

AN OLD RECORD

From an old record discovered in the adjutant general's department commenced in 1864, and which seems to have been discontinued about 1880 a brief account is given of what appears to be the first union organized in the state. By what authority, and by whom the union was formed is not stated. The following is a verbatim copy of the proceedings:

Headquarters Fifth Military, Department of Printing, Austin, Texas, Nov. 14, 1868.—We, the undersigned typos, do, in consideration of our friendship and good feeling, generosity and manliness, this, the 14th day of November, 1868, form and pledge ourselves as members of the Headquarters Typographical association established on this day, hereby pledge our respective words of honor to deal fairly and honestly with each other, each performing a part of the labor and receiving an equal share of the proceeds.

Officers—President, Charles W. Waldeck.

Treasurer—I. J. Jamison.

Traveling agent—T. E. Turner.

Recorder—Arthur Koebuer.

Henry McFarlan and Patrick King.

The last two names given are not designated by any official title, and with the officers seems to have constituted the entire membership. Just how the history of this first union in Texas became a record in the adjutant general's department, and why it should have been headed "Headquarters Fifth Military Department of Printing" are questions which are not explained.

FITZSIMMONS WANTS A SONG

Actor-Pugilist Would Like Something "Topical" For His New Act

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Hon. Robert Fitzsimmons wants a "good song."

He wants it quick, and will meet all comers, irrespective of age and weight.

Here is a good chance for some village Milton to soar to public fame and marvelous reputation with music publishers as "the man who wrote the ballad with which Fitz used to knock out an audience in one stanza."

It will be an artistic success almost rivaling the one achieved by the man who made the boots which Mr. Fitzsimmons put to Mr. Corbett at Carson City.

As everybody knows, or will know before the press agent gets through, Mr. Fitzsimmons has taken to the footlights. He will make his debut soon at the Brooklyn Star theater as the main squeeze in "Peck and His Mother-in-Law."

Let it be understood that Mr. Fitzsimmons doesn't just come out in a dress suit and shed it for three exhibition rounds when the heroine cries: "Protect me from yon titled scoundrel! You are only a poor and honest blacksmith, but I know you will avenge the cur's most infamous proposition."

On the other hand, Mr. Fitzsimmons plays a straight part and delivers the goods from start to finish. Incidentally he sings a song.

Attired in his training togs, Mr. Fitzsimmons walked up from Bath Beach yesterday to the Park Row offices of a New York daily.

"I've got me part down all right," observed Mr. Fitzsimmons. "But, say, they handed me a big bunch of words that looked like thirty rounds. I got away with them, but it was the limit. My wife, Miss Julia May Gifford, is, of course, the primmy donney of the game, but I do a little whisky tenor warbling on the side. It's this way: 'Mr. Peck' (that's me) 'will add to the fireside festivities this stormy night with a little song,' says the aged butler.

"'Merciful heaven, protect me,' says Mrs. Peck' (that's me wife, Miss Julia May Gifford).

"This is the cue for the orchestra, and I cut loose. Now I want the best song human ingenuity can produce. Something in the tropical line. No—no—not hot stuff. I meant the—ch—topical line. Let the bards go into training for two weeks. Send all epics to the Star, Brooklyn. That's all, good day, I remain as ever, yours truly."

And the Hon. Robert Fitzsimmons joyously departed.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CHARTER

Articles of Incorporation Filed By Fort Worth Body

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Chartered—Texas Immigration Bureau of Fort Worth; incorporators, Forbess; capital stock, $10,000. First Congregational church of Fort Worth; no capital; purpose, promotion of Christian instruction and religious worship; incorporators, W. A. Eiteman, W. Z. Manchester and W. G. Eiteman.

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Lefevre and Hixson of the department of education left last night for Marlin to attend the state teachers' association.

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The comptroller registered $500,000 worth of Waco water works bonds today.

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Quite a delegation of San Antonio men, headed by Marshal Hicks, is here conferring with the governor in regard to the vacancy in the district judgeship of that district.

YES, YOU CAN GET ALONG

You can get along without paying taxes—for a while.

You can get along without replenishing your stocks—for a while.

You can get along without enterprise or energy—for a while.

You can get along without newspaper advertising—for a while.

But these things are luxuries. They mark the business pace that kills.

STARVING CHILD FOUND BY DEAD MOTHER'S SIDE

Pitiful Tragedy Brought to Light in Salt Lake City After Barber Who Murdered His Wife Gave Himself Up

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 28.—Frank Rose, a barber, surrendered himself at police headquarters yesterday.

He said that he killed his wife Christmas afternoon, and that the body was still lying in the bedroom, where the woman had died after lingering for two hours with a pistol bullet in her brain.

The police found lying on a bed in a miserably furnished shack, the body of Mrs. Rose, clad only in her under garments and by her side was the woman's 2-year-old son, the baby's clothes being saturated with its mother's blood.

It was at first thought the child was dead, but when an officer attempted to release the little arm from around the woman's neck the baby began to cry and plaintively told the policeman that something was the matter with his mother and that "she won't wake up."

For almost two days the child had been locked in the cold room with its murdered mother, without food or attention of any kind.

The child is in a serious condition, but probably will recover. The family came to Salt Lake from St. Louis. The couple are said to have quarreled frequently. Rose was without employment at the present.

CUPID TAUGHT A LESSON

Tear-Stained Face of Pretty Pupil Caused Teacher to Fall in Love

HARRISBURG, Ill., Dec. 28.—Professor E. Morris and Miss Ethel Cummins were married at the home of the bride's parents here Saturday and left immediately for the east on an extended wedding tour. Mr. Morris is principal of the city schools and is a man of nearly 40 years, while the bride is scarcely 17, and thereby hangs a tale.

Miss Cummins was one of Prof. Morris' pupils here last winter, and one day for some small offense he was compelled to call her to task, and while thus engaged and moved by her tear-stained face he fell desperately in love with her.

However, he did not let the fact be known to her until some time after the close of school, and when he pressed his suit his love was reciprocated, and it ended Saturday in the happy marriage of the pair.

CHIEF OF SNAKES KILLED BY TREE

Aged Indian Warrior Meets Death in Peculiar Manner Near Scipio, I. T.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Lah-ta Micco, the executive head of the Snake Indians, the most turbulent faction in the Creek nation, was killed at his home at Scipio in a very peculiar manner Friday.

He had been ill for some time and had gone from the house out into the woods and lay down under a tree to rest. He fell asleep and a large limb above him broke off and fell point down, pinioning him to the earth. The hardy old Indian, after a desperate effort, managed to free himself and crawled to his house, 300 yards away, where he died in a short time. The limb had passed through the left side of his body.

The aged warrior had been at the head of the Snake faction since the signing of the agreement of the Creeks, agreeing to the allotment of their lands. The Snakes have persistently opposed the government in allotting and have caused almost endless delays. Lah-ta Micco, Chitto Harjo and Crazy Snake were at the head of the Snake uprising known as the Creek war, which occurred in 1900. About twenty of the leaders were captured and kept in prison for many months on account of this uprising. The charge against them was conspiracy.

The Snakes refuse to recognize the regular council of the Creeks, and declare that they will never submit to anything except what is given them by the treaties with the United States, in which this land is promised them to hold in undisputed possession "so long as grass grows and water runs." In support of this they have maintained o lobby at Washington every year since the Creek agreement, and even now there is a delegation of three full-blood Snake Indians in Washington trying to get the president to intercede in their behalf. There is a great deal of wealth among the Snakes, and they maintain their lobby from private subscription. Lah-ta Micco was a very wealthy Indian, a full-blood, who could not speak a word of English, and he has contributed largely to the lobby fund.

The Snakes have maintained a form of government of their own, ignoring the regular Creek council, with which the United States deals. Their council is composed of the entire tribe, and is subject to the call of the chief at any time. Their meeting place is at Old Hickory council grounds, in the western part of the nation, and there they have built a large brush arbor, surrounding a square, where their Stomp dances are held. The Old Hickory grounds, as it is called, has been the scene where more plots were laid and more trouble caused the government officials than any other place in the territory.

Lah-ta Micco will be succeeded by Chitto Harjo, who was second chief. Harjo is now in Washington with Crazy Snake, who is in command of the fighting forces of the Snakes. He is expected to return at once upon the announcement of the chief's death.

Similar to the Snake organization in the Creek nation is the Kee-too-wahs of the Cherokee nation, and the two clans are in close sympathy and often hold consultations as to the most effective opposition to the government in the process of allotment. Many an Indian who has agreed to allotment has been found dead in the brush or by the roadside, and no one ever answered for the crime. The officers say that the Snakes and the Ke-too-wahs were responsible, but the guilt could never be fastened upon any one of them.

EGAN SAYS HE WILL QUIT THE DENVER ROAD JAN. 1

Confirms Telegram's Exclusive Story of His Reported Intention

WILL NOT DISCLOSE HIS FUTURE PLANS

Has Been Superintendent of This Division For Past Several Months and Has Just Returned From Extensive Trip

F. W. Egan, general manager of the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway Company, returned to Fort Worth Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Egan, from an extended pleasure trip to Chicago and Kansas City.

"What about your leaving the service of the Denver road?" was asked by The Telegram this afternoon.

"The report is correct. I sever my connection with the company January 1," said Mr. Egan.

Further than this statement Mr. Egan had nothing to say regarding the pending change.

A POSTOFFICE BURNED

And Pouch of Mail Lost at MacDona By Conflagration

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—The postoffice at MacDona Station, fourteen miles yest of here on the Southern Pacific, was destroyed by fire this morning. A pouch of mail was lost.

TERRITORIAL TEACHERS

Three Days' Session of Organization Begun at Oklahoma City

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—The thirteenth annual meeting of the Territorial Teachers' Association began today for a three days' session. Eight hundred teachers are expected.

Uncle Sam's annual income is $558,887,148.

SAVED WHEN HOPE WAS ALMOST GONE

Crew and Passengers of British Steamer Reach Port Nearly Exhausted

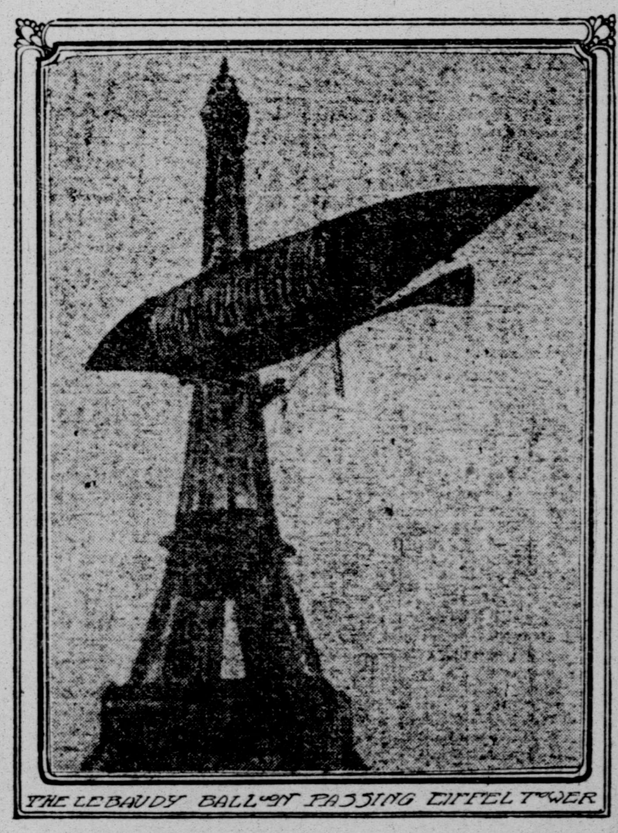
SAN JUAN, P. R., Dec. 28.—The British steamer, Lady Joicey, Captain Smith, bound from Chilean ports to Savannah, Ga., Wilmington, N. C., and New York, with a full cargo of nitrate of soda, took fire and slunk seventy-five miles south of Porto Rico last Wednesday.

The cargo of the Lady Joicey exploded and the vessel went down within two and a half hours. Captain Smith, with his crew and passengers, arrived at Ponce in two small boats, completely exhausted and almost naked, having battled their way through terrible seas. There were no fatalities and the only injury was suffered by one sailor, who had his leg broken and who is now in the hospital.

The Lady Joicey was a vessel of 2,046 tons register, and was built in 1898 at Sunderland, Eng.

FINE RESIDENCE BURNS

GAINESVILLE, Texas, Dec. 28.—The fine residence of John P. London was destroyed this morning by fire. Loss $25,000.



THE LEBAUDY BALLOON PASSING EIFFEL TOWER

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PARIS, Dec. 28.—M. Santos Dumont is no longer autrocrat of the air, he has several competitors, foremost of whom is M. Lebaudy. The above picture is a snapshot of the Lebaudy dirigible airship rounding the Eiffel Tower on its last trip only a few minutes before the accident which put it temporarily out of commission.

A SERMON FOR MONDAY

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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Does it pay? That is a question I would like every man who reads these lines to ask himself, if, in his inmost conscience, he finds that the words I am about to write apply to him.

A great tragedy in court circles recently occurred; a princess of royal blood killed the paramour of her husband.

The wife was only a score of years old, and she had been married to the man of her choice only two years.

She was young, beautiful and loving; she had signed away her right to the throne in order to marry the man she loved.

She was an expectant mother.

Yet all these proofs of her devotion and sincerity did not awaken in her husband's heart a sufficiently high sense of manly honor and pride to keep him from allowing a physical passion for another woman to dominate him.

And to make the insult to his young wife still more pronounced, he brought the actress who had inflamed his desires to his home—under the same roof with his wife.

The wife learned of the intrigue, and in a moment of terrible anger—that anger which is insanity—killed her rival. Did the giving way to a physical infatuation at the sacrifice of all noble ideals pay the husband?

Hundreds of men who read these words are tempted from within and from without to yield to fascinations similar to that which placed Prince Otto of Hapsburg before the world today in the role of the most contemptible man living.

Men by nature, habit and the custom of society are subjected to such temptations, and have always held to the belief that they were less reprehensible when they yielded than a woman under similar conditions. Putting that question aside, the one question for a married man to ask himself is, "Does it pay?" Does it pay to follow every impulse of the desires and appetites and passions, and to weaken the will power and vitiate the moral fiber by self-indulgence? Does it pay to deceive a woman who loves and trusts you, or to defy her and argue that your nature is one requiring more license and indulgence than hers?

Would it not eventually bring you more happiness were you to control those lawless impulses, which come to all strongly sexed human beings at times, by the exercise of your higher nature, and to live up to the ideal of the woman who loves you? It will become easier each time you resist, just as it will become more and more difficult each time you yield.

Think it over, and ask yourself which pays best, as you recall the tragedies occurring daily in the world through this self-indulgence of human beings.

Then there is the gratification and pleasure you find in the drink habit.

Does that pay?

You gain a half hour, or perhaps two or three hours, of mirth and freedom from care, and then you go home to pain, grieve or disgust some loving woman—mother, wife or daughter, perhaps all three.

You do this only once in a while, perhaps, and say that a woman should be liberal-minded enough not to make a scene over such an occurrence. I agree with you that the wise woman treats a man who is, as a rule, sober and kind, with great care when he first yields to the weakness of drink. She should think of him as something to pity and to help until he is sober and able to reason about his conduct. Then she should not hesitate to make him realize, as quietly and kindly as possible, how he has fallen in her estimation, and how he has hurt her pride and respect.

Men are in the habit of making a jest of such lapses, and they think a woman hard-hearted and narrow-minded who regards them as tragedies. But while a tender and loving woman will treat a drunken man with pity and consideration, she cannot feel the same admiration and respect and pride, which are elements in every great love. Aside from hurting her feelings and wounding her heart, the husband or father who frequently comes home intoxicated digs a ditch at the foundation on which his happiness is laid—the solid respect and admiring love of the women of his household.

Does it pay?

Then there is the delight men find in the gaming table.

I believe cards have helped many a brain-fagged man to keep his mind from business, and his nervous system from collapse.

I believe clubs are good institutions.

But does it pay to make the home secondary to the club, and to become so debauched with the gaming mania that you sit at the table night after night until dawn, and rush through business in order to get back to the club?

Does it pay to let the habit grow upon you until you find any other amusement a bore, and an evening at home so perceptible a tax upon you that it destroys its pleasure for your family?

Aside from the fact that you are destroying your better nature, your real immortal qualities by self-indulgence in all or any of these habits herein enumerated, does the pleasure you get out of them pay you for all they cost yourself and others dear to you?

If not, why not right-about-face, and start over in a new line of conduct?

You need not be a "goody-goody man"—you need not shut yourself from all worldly pleasures, or give up everything but duty. But suppose you try how it seems to be faithful to your marriage vows, to avoid crossing the line of sober self-control, and to leave the club and card table by midnight, and to pass three or four evenings with your family each week. Suppose you try this for one year, and see whether it does not pay better dividends in the long run than the other course.

Look at the matter of these indulgences as an investment—just as you look over your financial matters to see what has best paid you during the year. And then confess to yourself whether the gain in "pleasure" may not be counterbalanced by the continual assessments of shame, fear, deception, reproach and loss of self-respect, not to mention taxes of physical pain and discomfort.

Does it pay?

A chance for Telegram subscribers to win a Five Dollar prize. See announcement elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

WATCH FOR THE HEADLESS ITEM.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

ABEEL IS FOUND DENIES CHARGES

Young Man Well Known in Texas, Says He Didn't Impersonate Young Goelet

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—James Nielson Abeel is living at 294 Church street, this city. He declares he is not the man, who, under the name of "J. Ogden Goelet, Jr.," paid court to pretty Grace Anderson, a telephone attendant in the Grand hotel, New York, a month ago, and gave society such a stir when it was learned that a "J. Ogden Goelet, Jr." and Miss Anderson had visited the rector of St. Patrick's cathedral and made arrangements to be married. He is aware that an indictment for impersonation has been found against him by the grand jury of New York, but he will not say what his plans are or if he contemplates returning to face the charge.

"I never represented myself to Miss Anderson as J. Ogden Goelet, Jr.," said Abeel in an interview today, "nor have I ever represented myself as being connected in any way with that wealthy family, or of any family other than my own.

DENIES FORGERY CHARGES

"I never forged the name of Goelet, nor that of Mr. De Witt, the trustee of the Goelet estate. I never saw the checks or the telegrams which, it is said, according to the newspapers, were forged by me. That is all there is to that forgery business."

"What about the letter of introduction purporting to have been signed by Mr. Van Every of the Western Union Telegraph company, intended to present 'J. Ogden Goelet, Jr.' to employes of the corporation and which, it is alleged, you used in making Miss Anderson's acquaintance?"

"I forgot that. I never saw that letter and not until I saw Mr. Van Every's name in the papers did I know that such a person existed."

"Then, if all you say be true, why did you leave New York so suddenly? Why didn't you stay there and face the charges made against you?"

"That is nobody's business but my own and my family's. There was a good reason, but the public can not possibly have any interest in it. I will say this much, however—I did not leave New York on account of 'J. Ogden Goelet Jr.,' or Miss Grace Anderson.

HE IS PUZZLED HIMELF

"There are many things, I know, which seem strange and inexplicable to the public and which connect me with 'J. Ogden Goelet, Jr.,' but they are equally as inexplicable to me. The papers say that Miss Anderson identified a photograph of me as the likeness of the millionaire or supposed millionaire who had promised to marry her. Photographic proof is poor proof. There may be a hundred people who look like me, and when a photograph labeled with my name was published in the New York papers I did not recognize it.

"One particularly strange thing which I would like explained is how my dress suit case found its way into Miss Anderson's home. I did not take it there, nor did any one else with my knowledge."

"Are you the man who went to St. Patrick's cathedral with Miss Anderson and talked with Father Lavelle regarding your marriage?"

"I am not the man. I was never in St. Patrick's cathedral in all my life."

Abeel was apparently in the best of health, and his manner or speech did not indicate the weakened mentality which has been suggested as being responsible for the romance of "J. Ogden Goelet, Jr."

The young man declined to discuss his doings from the time of his disappearance from New York. He said he had been in Toronto about a week, and that his family at all times were informed of his movements and whereabouts.

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WAS SHOT IN THROAT

Young Man Dangerously Wounded While Squirrel Hunting.

ABILENE, Tex., Dec. 28.—Easton Marley and his father, of about ten miles northeast of Abilene, were squirrel hunting this morning. The latter took a second shot at a squirrel that was about to make its escape up a tree, the young man at the same time trying to prevent the squirrel's escape by kicking at it, when a stray shot took effect in the young man's throat. The wound was dressed with very satisfactory results, though the shot had lodged in a vital spot.

Thursday evening Mr. Thomas E. Willis and Miss Lena Kenny were married at the home of the latter's brother-in-law, S. M. Baldinger, of this city. The newly married couple have gone to Dallas and other points in east Texas for a few days' visit.

"THREE'S A CROWD"

Tom—I suppose you spent a pleasant evening with your best girl.

Dick—Pleasant! Hah! A fellow can't make love to his girl in a crowd.

Tom—Oh! was there a crowd there?

Dick—Yes and the chump didn't have sense enough to realize that he wasn't wanted.

PARENTAL OBJECTION

Pretty Daughter—So you don't like Tom, Her Father—No. He appears to be capable of nothing.

Pretty Daughter—But what objection have you to George?

Her Father—Oh, he's worse than Tom. He strikes me as being capable of anything.—Chicago News.

It is expected that the immigration into the United States for the year ending this month will total 860,000. Two-thirds of the immigrants are from Russia, Italy and Austria-Hungary.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

A COURTSHIP SCHOOL.

Traveling Institution Planned by an Indiana Woman.

BRIDES OFFERED AS PRIZES.

Mrs. Julia E. Work, Head of an Orphan Asylum in Plymouth, Ind., to Take Flock of Marriageable Girls to Parts Where Wives Are a Crying Need.

A traveling school of courtship, by means of which orphan girls reared to womanhood in the institution which she conducts in Plymouth, Ind., may be provided with husbands, is the novel scheme which Mrs. Julia E. Work will put into execution next summer, says a Laporte (Ind.) dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean. Mrs. Work has already got the details of her new home making system planned. She is confident of its success.

For a number of years Mrs. Work has conducted a refuge for parentless boys and girls. The problem of providing for the boys when they reached an age when they could fend for themselves offered no difficulties of solution. But the problem of insuring the future of the grown up girls was one which Mrs. Work always found beset with the greatest difficulty. She has now under her care more than a score of girls who have reached a marriageable age, and it is to provide for these that she has struck upon the traveling school of courtship scheme.

Out in the most sparsely populated sections of the far west where women are at a premium and man in his isolation yearns for a helpmeet and comforter is where, she says, she will first open her novel school. Thither in the spring, when the poets say the heart is most prone to subjugation, she will make a pilgrimage with her flock of marriageable girls. When a suitor appears and makes his choice his worthiness will be put to the strongest tests. Should he come up to all Mrs. Work's requirements she will buy the license and pay the preacher, give the new bride a little out and her blessing and transport her school to the scene of other conquests.

The girls whom Mrs. Work will take with her into the west, she is determined, will be in every respect efficient home makers. The kitchen and the laundry were their school. And, Mrs. Work says, the men who get them will be lucky beyond their vainest dreams.

"This country is in need of wives who know the difference between biscuits and Battenberg," declared Mrs. Work. "Too many of our modern young women lack the knowledge of practical housekeeping, and I am going to see that none of my girls get married without knowing all that a modern house wife should.

"I am looking forward with the greatest interest to conducting my traveling school of courtship. I am sure it will be a success. Good wives are a crying need where I am going, and my object is to supply the demand so far as lies in my power."

A HISTORIC SATCHEL.

Gift From Washington Being Exhibited by a Maine Antiquarian.

John L. Donohue, an antiquarian of Rockland, Me., is exhibiting to his friends a historical object of much interest in the form of the portmanteau presented to General Knox of Thomaston by George Washington, whose secretary of war he was, says a Bangor special to the New York Tribune. It is a commodious hand sewed leather satchel, about eighteen inches long, twelve inches wide and six inches deep, with lining of linen, and fitted interiorly with a double cover, which is fastened by a leather strap running through six brass staples, the outside covering fastening with straps, through buckles. In this General Knox was wont to carry part of the pay of the Continental army on his journeys to headquarters.

It was made in 1775 and was one of the most highly prized treasures of General Knox for the many associations connected with the gift and the giver. The portmanteau was after the death of General Knox in the possession of the family of Seth Gerry, a close friend of General Knox, who also lived in Thomaston and who purchased the Knox mansion at Montpelier.

Patent Leather Out of Fashion.

Patent leather has fallen into disfavor among men who have the means and inclination to follow the mode through all its whimsical windings, says the Haberdasher. The indiscriminate use of this leather for business boots and even for strictly negligee boots has vulgarized it to such a degree that it is now inbooed except for dancing pumps. In place of patent leather boots are worn oiled calfskin boots, which take a bright polish akin to that of patent leather. The leather is a peculiar grain, midway between enamel and calfskin, and, while very smart looking, it hasn't the plebeian glitter of patent leather, which is distasteful to many men. Really it is just calfskin subjected to a special process.

A Bacteriological College Yell.

The students of the dairy department of the University of California have adopted this yell:

Whole milk, skim milk, buttermilk, cream!
Bacteriological phenomena team!
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Keep 'em up a tree!
U. C. dairy boys, 1903!

New Work For Tramps.

A new occupation is opening for tramps in England. They station themselves near a police trap and warn approaching motorists of danger and, as a result, are rewarded with donations of small pieces of money.

WHAT THE PUBLIC HAS TO PAY FOR

Dignified Nonsense of Senators in Debate on the Panama Question

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—The senate of the United States generally discusses questions relating to treaties in executive session. On Thursday last a highly interesting, if not luminous and instructive, debate arose over the course of the administration with regard to Panama, and before the doors could be shut the world was given an insight into the weighty and portentous style with which the solons treat great diplomatic questions. The following verbatim extract shows the Panama debate at its climax. Senator Hoar had precipitated the debate, and had been taken to task by Senator Foraker of Ohio, who, by the way, has become a great supporter of Roosevelt, which of McKinley he never was. The following is the climax, the residuum or what the druggists would call the "precipitate" of the great discussion "precipitated" by the sage of Massachusetts. All who delight in genuine repartee should note the rare points given below:

Mr. Foraker—Mr. President, I am glad the senator from Massachusetts has reconsidered, and that he has concluded to interrupt me.

Mr. Hoar—I have not reconsidered.

Mr. Foraker—Well, the Record will show as to that also. Mr. President, it is true the senator from Massachusetts said it did not matter whether it was five minutes or five days, or five months, or some other specified time that intervened ewteen secession and the establishment of an independent government and its ecognition; but I understood the senator—and if I misunderstood him I withdraw the statement I made a moment ago to be arguing in that connection that there was not any necessity for haste, because it did not matter whether the recognition came five minutes afterwards, or five days afterwards, or five months afterwards, it was just as effective when it did come.

Mr. Hoar—Mr. President——

Mr. Foraker—I object to being interrupted any more.

Mr. Hoar—I think the senator ought not to misstate my position.

Mr. Foraker—Have I misstated again?

Mr. Hoar—I stated as distinctly and as clearly as I could put it into words the exact contrary of what the senator has said. I said that, in my judgment, there was no criticism to be made in the matter of haste.

Mr. Foraker—Did I not withdraw that? What is the use of arguing it again?

Mr. Hoar—The senator said he would withdraw it, and then he added that he was glad I reconsidered my statement.

Mr. Foraker—That was the senator's statement, not to interrupt me again. (Laughter.)

Mr. Hoar—I did not make any such statement, Mr. President. I made no statement that I would not interrupt the senator again.

Mr. Foraker—Then I hope the senator will make it now and adhere to it. (Laughter.) I am not going to misrepresent the senator intentionally or knowingly.

Mr. Hoar—I am sure of that.

Mr. Foraker—The senator from Massachusetts may be certain of that.

Mr. Hoar—And therefore the senator from Ohio will like to have me interrupt him when he misstates my position. (Laughter.)

Mr. Foraker—Mr. President, that is the way the good nature of the senator from Massachusetts always enables him to get the better of everybody. Yes; he may interrupt me whenever he likes. But I wish the senator would remember when he has interrupted me to tell me before he quits where I was when he interrupted me. (Laughter.)

Mr. Hoar—I will tell the senator where he was. He was making misstatements of my position when I interrupted him. (Laughter.)

Mr. Foraker—That does not help me any. According to my interpretation there are so many misstatements that I am hopelessly at a loss when the senator tells me I was discussing one of them. There are several of them I wanted to discuss. I am reminded now by the senator from Illinois (Mr. Hopkins) that I was speaking on the question whether or not there was any undue haste in the recognition of the republic of Panama.

All of this might have been lost to the world had the debate occurred in executive or secret session.

LITTLE STORIES

It is not generally known, but it is nevertheless true, that Judge N. A. Cravens, the governor's private secretary, at odd times and between business rushes plays the role of law professor as a matter of diversion.

One day last week he walked soberly and seriously from his desk to the large table in the executive office, around which Fritz Lanham and a bunch of newspaper reporters were seated, and said, "Young men, for the time you may consider yourselves members of a law class, and will be expected to answer the following important questions. Your answers will be taken as evidence of the progress you have made. They will be expected in writing, and handed in at your convenience."

LEGAL QUESTIONS AND PROPOSITIONS

First—Is every sleeping child guilty of kid-naping?

Second—Is a false alarm a lie-bell on the fire department?

Third—Is a person who walks by a counterfeit quarter, guilty of passing spurious coin?

Fourth—Can a half-starved boarder be ejected under the act controlling the landlord's lien?

Fifth—Would a person who hurriedly shoved a baby out of his way, be guilty of infant-side?

Sixth—Can a man justify his refusal to pay for the hire of a poorly constructed vehicle under the plea that it was a fraudulent conveyance?

Seventh—Ought the state of Texas to be forced to feed one of its impecunious citizens under the terms of the chapter on general provisions in the revised statutes?

Eighth—If the members of a coaching party were thrown out and badly injured during their ride down a declivity, would the treatment of their damages be controlled by the statute regarding descent and distribution?

The class is now dismissed.

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A horse, famous in more ways than one, died in Austin and was accorded a decent burial Saturday. It was the sagacious and dauntless steed ridden by the noted Ben Thompson in 1882 when he was marshal of this city and participated with his intrepid master in some of the most exciting scenes Austin ever knew. The marshal's name was on the lips of as many people in Texas at that time as any man in the state, and this horse was his inseparable companion in many of the stirring encounters that made his name and character famous. This horse was round turned, medium size, fiery and high strung and used altogether for the saddle. There is no way of determining his age, but in 1882, twenty-one years ago, he was considered an old animal and on the day of his death he was thought to be close to 40 years old.

Thompson owned this horse when he was killed in San Antonio in 1884. After that time he came into the possession of the old colored man, who kept him until Saturday.

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SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS

Daughter—Edwin says he wants a wife with good lungs. It shows how considerate he is of her health.

Mother—I wouldn't be too sure. He might want her to blow the kitchen fire in the morning.—Chicago News.

STILL HOPE

Miss Passey—Really, I don't believe in a woman marrying her first love.

Miss Pepprey—Oh, don't be discouraged. Your first love will come along some day.—Philadelphia Press.

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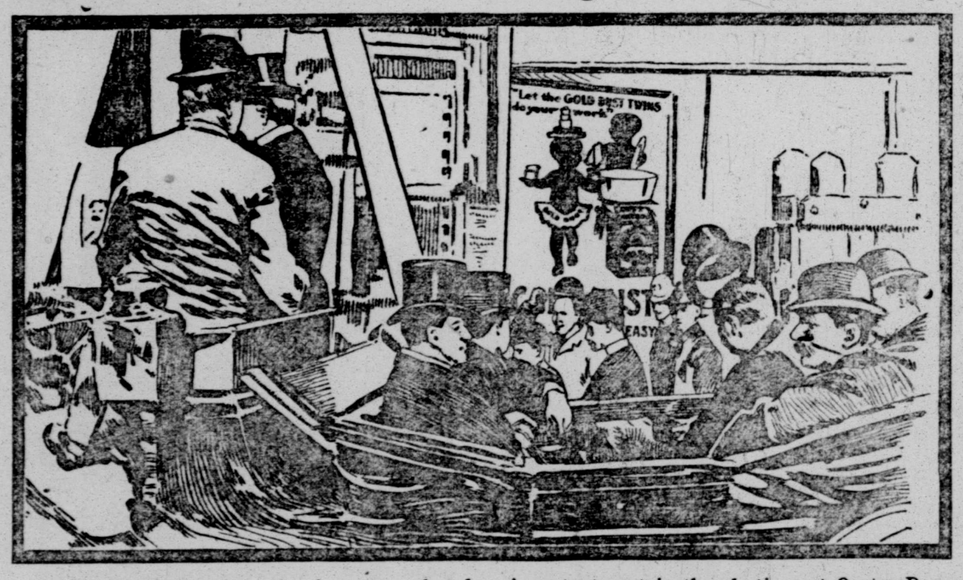
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President Roosevelt voting at Oyster Bay



Although the race question has never played an important part in the elections at Oyster Bay, an amusing reminder of it got into the greeting accorded the President yesterday while he was on his way to vote. As pictured above, those little darkies, the Gold Dust Twins, were the most conspicuous persons in the throng that hailed the nation's chief. And singularly enough, the camera has caught Mr. Roosevelt at the moment that he seems to be lifting his hat to those infant wonders.

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Today's Market Quotations

Latest and Most Complete Report Printed in North Texas

NORTH FORT WORTH, Dec. 28.—Considering the light receipts during the latter part of last week, a surprisingly light run of cattle was received for market today, a liberal proportion of which were steers with a good sprinkling of bulls. All told, today's offerings did not reach 500 head, which was hardly a good average Saturday run.

At the opening, packers conceded a 10c advance on cows and medium fed steers, and a good part of the supply changed hands on this basis. However, a few of the sellers held back, asking an additional advance on the strength of the light Monday supply. One car of heavy fed steers was offered, but buyers and sellers could not agreed on prices and they were held over. Best medium fed steers, weighing around 1,000 pounds, sold at $3.30, with a long string of lighter medium stuff, weighing around 850 to 900 pounds, selling at $3, and a small bunch of good 900-pound steers at $3.15. The market on this class of cattle was quoted a good dime higher than last week.

Cows were scarce, but salesmen found no trouble in disposing of their holdings at 5c to 10c better than last week's low time. O. S. York of Palo Pinto had in two cars of good quality range cows, averaging 887 pounds, which sold at $2.30@2.35. F. W. Hudson of Hico marketed top cows, four in number, averaging 1,095 pounds, at $2.50; medium butchers and canners selling at $1.75@1.90.

Bulls sold strong and active, the best bringing $2.40, with the average feeder kinds hovering around $1.75@1.90.

The light receipts of hogs was no surprise to the salesmen, as they did not anticipate a heavy run for today and are generally of the opinion that the week's supply will be very light.

Four cars, with nothing in sight represented the entire offering today, and with a good local demand and higher markets quoted from outside points, buyers bought up the supply early on a basis of 10c to 15c higher over last week's best time. Three cars of average good Oklahoma hogs brought $4.75, with one car of medium stuff carried over for late sale.

With a shortage of 20,000 hogs on today's estimate Chicago opened with a good advance, while Kansas City and St. Louis, with moderate receipts, followed with a proportionate advance in values, the effect being felt here which stimulated the market for a strong advance at early opening. During the past ten days packers have shown some little preference for the desirable weight packing hogs, but with the minimum week's supply prophesied by the salesmen, there will doubtless be a good demand for all grades of killing hogs.

The stocker and feeder movement, which has been light during the past month, should show some activity during January, as a great many prospective feeders have been holding back waiting for a turn in the fat hog market, which now seems to have a tendency towards the 5c mark rather than towards a 4c basis.

Choice sorted hogs are quoted today at $4.75@4.80; mixed and packers at $4.65@4.75, and pigs and lights at $4.50@5.

TODAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

John G. Harris, T. and P. stock yards	1
W. B. Blackburn, Burton	133
J. M. Craig, Santo	62
W. W. Mors, Commerce	54
Baldridge Bros., Waxahachie	20
H. & P., Italy	46
W. A. Briggs, Waxahachie	28
F. W. Hudson, Hico	23
A. A. Hartgrove, Dublin	27
W. H. B., Ardmore	38

HORSES AND MULES

Baldridge Bros., Waxahachie	1
J. D. Dodson, Hillsboro	26
Cook & Simmons, Mabank	24
T. T. Thompson, Bremond	17

HOGS

J. W. Team, Foss, Ok.	82
Clark Watts, Yoakum	76
Donahue Bros., Muihall, Ok.	85
Oklahoma Packing Co., Oklahoma..	68

SHEEP

P. C. Franklin, Midland	210

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H. & M.
Today	500	325	210	75
Previous week	5,684	1,931	251	24
Last month	4,534	775	249	145

TOP PRICES TODAY

Steers	$3.20
Cows	2.50
Bulls	2.40
Hogs	4.75

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

HOGS—With a big shortage at all markets and an excellent demand, the local market opened early at the advance of 10c to 15c over last week's best time. Practically everything in the yards of good killing quality sold at $4.75, all sales being made on the early market. Salesmen look for a short supply this week and are estimating the receipts at between 1,500 and 2,000. Today's sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
68	241	$4.75	77	219	$4.75
76	238	4.75	8	153	4.75
4	108	4.40			

STEERS—Medium fed steers, of which a good liberal proportion were among today's receipts, sold strong at 10c higher with the heavy finished cattle selling slow with practically no demand for this class of cattle by the packers. One small bunch of 1,021-pound steers brought $3.30, with a long string of medium fed stuff at $3@3.15, and one car of lighter steers at $2.95. The sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
12	1,021	$3.30	27	900	$3.15
22	896	3.00	27	845	3.00
50	840	3.00	27	817	2.95
8	701	2.20			

BULLS.

7	1,364	2.40	4	1,290	1.90
1	1,210	1.90	1	1,370	1.50
1	1,440	1.85	1	770	1.75
78	1,291	2.40			

COWS—The light supply of she stuff found a good outlet, and as a rule sold early on a 10c higher market than last week. The best brought $2.50, with the good range kinds at $2.15@2.35. The sales:

4	1,095	$2.50	31	890	$2.35
31	883	2.30	1	1,070	2.50
1	980	2.25	3	786	2.00
15	827	1.95	9	866	1.90
7	680	1.75			

HEIFERS

4	807	2.25	2	560	2.00
10	562	1.45			

OF INTEREST TO STOCKMEN

Reports from New Mexico and west Texas state that New Mexico sheep are being taken into Texas this year at a lively rate, and that large numbers will be put on feed. Sheepmen around San Angelo are feeding large herds for the spring market. This movement is receiving all encouragement possible from the packers and commission men at this market, as the demand for fed mutton here is excellent and cannot be supplanted by the light receipts of common Texas stuff which has been coming here this fall and winter.

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Clark & Watts, a regular patron to this market, sent in today from Yukon, Ok., one load of good mixed hogs, averaging 238 pounds, which went to Armour & Co. at 4.75.

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Out of a mixed consignment of cattle shipped by J. M. Craig of Burton, W. R. McClendon of Coleman bought a well-graded red pole bull, which he shipped to his ranch near Coleman for breeding purposes.

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W. J. Turner, who owns a fifty-section ranch in Borden county, reports the range pretty dry out there, but says that ranchmen generally will pass a good winter, as there is sufficient feed to carry the cattle over.

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The Oklahoma Packing Company had on the market today from Oklahoma City sixty-eight hogs, averaging 241 pounds, which sold to Armour & Co. at $4.75.

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Advices from Chicago are to the effect that today's estimate of hogs fell short 20,000 head, and with a continuation of last week's demand the market opened strong to higher, the effect being felt at all points, which opened on a basis of 5c to 15c higher than last week's close.

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P. C. Franklin, a well-known stockman of the Midland country, was in today with two carloads of mixed stocker sheep, consigned to O. S. Carr of Arlington, I. T., where they will be placed on feed. The shipment consisted of ewes, wethers and lambs.

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"Sheep and cattle in Colorado are in fine shape," says E. R. Gorman of Lamar, Colorado. "We have an abundance of both corn and alfalfa and feeders are anticipating no trouble in carrying their herds over. There is still a good supply of fat stock on hand, which will be marketed during the near future."

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H. A. Judd, general manager of the Armour packing plant, is in Kansas City.

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The Stock Yarks Company is preparing to cut down expenses for the coming year and on the 1st of the month a number of changes will be made.

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LIVERPOOL

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28.—Sales amounted to 3,000 bales. Receipts were 69,000 bales. Spots, 7.46d. Export, 300 bales. Futures ruled steady, with the following opening and closing:

	Open.	Close
January-February	7.10-29	7.27-28
February-March	7.09-29	7.26-27
March-April	7.07-27	7.25-26
April-May	7.10-12	7.25
May-June	7.09-26	7.24
June-July	7.09-20	1.22-23
July-August		7.20
August-September	6.96-99	....
September-October	6.63-65	....
October-November	6.38-38	....
November-December	7.22-42	7.32
December-January	7.16-28	7.29

NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Spots ruled quiet today with middlings at 14.10 cents. There were no sales.

Futures closed firm, with the following range for the day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	13.55	13.80	13.00	13.76-79
January	13.65	13.87	13.65	13.85-87
March	13.80	14.16	12.80	14.15-17
May	14.20	14.24	14.03	14.25-26
July	14.14	14.26	14.07	14.26-27

NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 28.—Spots ruled quiet today, with middlings at 13⅝ cents. The sales were 450 bales.

Futures closed firm with the following range for the day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	13.65	13.95	13.75	13.92-94
January	13.71	13.97	13.71	13.94-95
March	14.30	14.40	14.17	14.39-40
May	14.50	14.70	14.39	14.68-69
July	14.61	14.87	14.54	14.86-87

GRAIN—PROVISIONS

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 28.—The grain and provisions markets today ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—				
December	81¾	81¾	81⅜	81⅜
July	78	79⅛	78¼	78⅝
May	84	84⅞	83⅞	84⅛
Corn—				
December	41⅝	4[illegible]	41⅛	41¾
July	44⅛	44¾	44	44⅝
May	45	45⅝	44⅝	45⅛
Oats—				
December	34⅜	35	34⅛	35
July	34½	35¾	34½	34⅞
May	37⅜	37⅞	37⅜	37⅝
Pork—				
January	...	...	...	12.20
May	12.55	12.65	12.50	12.55
Lard—				
January	6.70	6.75	6.70	6.70
May	6.97	7.00	6.92	6.92
Ribs—				
January	6.32	6.35	6.30	6.30
May	6.60	6.65	6.55	6.57

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Prices of stocks on the New York Exchange today ranged as follows:

Atchison	67¾	69⅛	67¾	68⅝
Amal. Copper, pfd.	48¾	49½	48¾	48⅞
B. and O.	78½	80	78⅜	79½
Brooklyn R. T.	53½	54⅝	53	54¼
Ches. and Ohio	33½	33⅝	33½	33⅝
Erie	29⅝	30⅛	29⅝	29¾
Illinois Central	130½	131⅞	130½	131⅞
L. and N.	107¾	110	107¾	110
Manhattan L.	144	144⅜	143¾	144⅜
Missouri Pac.	94¼	95½	94¼	95½
Metropolitan	125	....	....	125
M. K., and T., pfd.	39⅞	40⅜	39⅞	40⅜
Mexican Central	9⅞	10¼	9⅞	10¼
N. Y. Central	119½	122	119½	121⅝
Pennsylvania	118½	119⅞	118½	119⅜
Reading	45⅜	47⅛	45¾	46⅝
Rock Island	23½	24½	23¼	24½
Southern Pacific	47¾	49	47¾	48⅞
Southern Railway	20½	21	20½	21
St. Paul	143¾	146¼	143⅜	145⅞
Am. Sugar, ref.	127¼	127⅞	126⅞	127¼
Texas and Pac.	25½	25⅞	25½	25⅞
Tenn. C. and I.	37½	38½	37¼	37⅝
Union Pacific	78¾	80⅛	78¾	79⅞
U. S. Steel	10⅜	11¼	10⅜	11
U. S. Steel, pfd	55¼	56½	55¼	56⅜
Wabash	20⅜	20⅜	20⅜	20⅜
Wabash, pfd	37	38	37	37⅜

New York call money, 4½ per cent.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Begins Its Annual Session in Chicago Today

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The annual meeting of the American Baseball Association began here today. The club owners are uncommunicative in regard to their choice for a new president, who is to be elected at this meeting, but if the plans of a few leaders in the organization do not miscarry, it is practically certain that J. E. Grillo, a Cincinnati newspaper man, will be named to succeed President Hickey, who has announced that he will hand in his formal resignation today.

The circuit will remain the same as last year, with clubs at Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Columbus, Louisville, Kansas City, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Toledo. The only change in ownership for next season will be in Minneapolis, Manager Watkins of Indianapolis having acquired control of the northern club and sold out his interests in the Indiana city.

FORBES AND ATTELL

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Harry Forbes of Chicago and Abe Attell, the California featherweight, who claims the 122-pound championship of the world, have been matched to fight ten pounds before the Indianapolis, Ind., Athletic Club on January 4. The men will meet at 122 pounds at the ring side, for a purse of $1,500. Straight rules will govern.

SCHLUTER'S CAMPAIGN

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—About twenty friends of Louis A. Schluter, candidate for attorney general, met here today to organize his campaign. Many of those present were prominent in state political affairs.

CITY IN BRIEF

Nash Hardware Company.

Dr. Ray, osteopath. Phone connections.

Cut Glover at Drumm's. Phone 101.

J. W. Adams & Co., feed, fuel and Produce, 430 W. Weatherford. Phone 84.

Broiler Electric Co., 1202 Main street.

It will always be found a little better and perhaps a little cheaper at the Wilson Heavy & R. E. Fair Hardware Co 1615-17 Main and 612-14 Houston street.

Dr. M. V. Creagan, 403½ Main street, phone 2263. Special attention given to diseases of the skin.

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

Bound Electric Co. for globes.

The Metropolitan Magazine offers some easy money for a good writer of stories. The magazine will give $2,500 in prizes for four short stories and a poem. See the January number for particulars.

Miss Katie Daffin of Ennis, president of the Daughters of the Confederacy of Texas, is here the guest of Mrs. W. P. Lane, 710 West First street, state secretary of the Daughters.

Colonel J. Q. Chenoweth, superintendent of the Confederate home at Austin, will arrive here tonight. He will be guest of W. P. Lane.

The annual reception of the Epworth League of St. Paul's church will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Nies New Year night. Watch night services will be held at St. Paul's church New Year eve.

General Passenger Agent A. A. Glisson of the Denver road will attend a meeting of the Southwest Excursion Bureau at St. Louis, Dec. 30. At this meeting excursion rates will be arranged for southwestern lines.

O. Hinchman of New York City, representing Tager & Epstein, is in the city.

The contest had between the Reds and the Blues of the First Christian Sunday school resulted in a victory for the Blues, and tomorrow evening at the church the Reds will serve a supper to the other side.

J. C. Wilmarth, business manager of the El Paso Herald, is in the city.

Pilot Point Post-Signal: Misses Bessie and Minnie Drake visited in Whitesboro Monday. From there Miss Bessie went to Fort Worth for a few days and from there to Addington, I. T., to spend the holidays with her sisters.

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ROSEN FRANCHISE PASSED OVER TO A LATER DATE

Full Attendance of the Comittees Was Not Had at the Meeting This Morning

There was to have been a meeting this morning of the committees to take up the Sam Rosen franchise and pass upon it, but there were present only Mayor Powell, and Aldermen Waggoman, Ward and Henderson. The committee has a protest from citizens of the west side of town, before whose homes the proposed line is to pass, asking that the franchise be declined.

Alderman Ward stated that some of his constituents were opposing the franchise and as there was not a large attendance of the committees he would suggest that the ordinance go over, to be taken up at a later date.

This met with favor, and the ordinance was passed over.

The ordinance ought really to come up for discussion before the council next Friday night, but as it is New Year's day, it is not believed there will be a lengthy meeting. It is expected that the council will meet and approve monthly bills, and will then adjourn, leaving other matters to go over to the next regular meeting.

The Natatorium people on Third and Rusk street are opposing the new car line by that building. To offset that opposition B. H. Dunn, who owns the building at the corner of Fourth and Main wants the line to pass his property, and will promise Mr. Rosen no opposition along there if he will select that street instead of Third. Mr. Dunn says he can speak also for property owners along Rusk.

There is a great deal of interest in the proposed franchise. While there is some opposition, there are those who want to see the line built and believe it will result in good to the city.

The proposition to run a street car line south on Rusk street pleases the general public, as it is believed it will result in cleaning out that section of the town. For years Rusk street from Ninth street south to the Texas and Pacific railway has been more or less the red light district of the city. Gradually business houses have encroached upon the territory, but still the bad remains. It is the general opinion that if the car line goes on that street it will drive the denizens of the acre to some less frequented spot. The publicity will make them seek other localities, and it will have a purifying effect.

AMERICAN BEEF FOR RUSSIANS

Order For a Million and a Half Pounds Placed in Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—The Russian government has just placed an order with local packers for a million and a half pounds of mess meat for immediate shipment to San Francisco. The meat, it is said, is for the use of the Russian army and its destination is Port Arthur.

SHEEP MEN MURDERED

GLOBE, Ariz., Dec. 28.—News has just come to this place of the murder of two sheep men near the Gizla settlement, eight miles north of Globe. The victims are a young man named Berry and a Mexican. The crime occurred at Bruzh Hollow, in the Tonto basin, the scene of the famous Graham-Tewksbury feud between sheep men and cattle men. On December 22, while camped near the Gizla settlement, two men rode to Berry's camp and shot Berry and his companion, a young Mexican. A deputy sheriff later arrested Zack and John Booth at their home near Gizla, charging them with the killing.

The murder of young Berry and the Mexican is an addition to the long list of victims of the feud between cattle men and sheep men, which has been carried on in the basin district for many years.

COTTON SEED

An important question which will come before the Mississippi legislature in January is that of the proper building of the Mississippi levees. A bill has been prepared providing for the issuance of $1,000,000 worth of levee bonds by the Mississippi levee board to be used for the purpose of strengthening and improving levees.

Reports from Memphis say that Christmas was celebrated with great enthusiasm owing to the fact that the section of the cotton belt surrounding that city has enjoyed almost unprecedented prosperity, following in the wake of the rapid rise in the staple.

Cotton brokers in Fall River are complaining that they have been victimized by ginning men in the south who have been sending in short weight bales. The shortage varying from 40 to 60 pounds. It is asserted that the ginning men make up the shortage in weight by using an unusual wrap of burlap.

AN ANTE-ELECTION THOUGHT

Political Boss—I saw a little joke in an almanac today; "Where there's a will there's a way—to break it."

His Lieutenant—Yes.

Political Boss—Yes, and it got me thinkin' about the "will of the people." We've got to think up a new way to break that.—Philadelphia Press.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

COTTON HITS 14 CENT MARK IN NEW YORK

Prediction That Quotation For March Would Be Reached is Fulfilled

ALL MONTHS SHOW GAIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A new record of high prices was made amid greatest excitement at the opening of the cotton exchange today. First prices were at an advance of from 23 to 51 points. Before the call was fairly completed March sold at 14.01, May 14.20 and July 14.14.

On realizing the market sagged off a point or two.

IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—An immense volume of business was seen on the cotton market at the opening with prices 28 to 57 points higher than the close Thursday. Profit taking was enormous but had little effect on the prices. The demand from all quarters was strong and the market bulled itself.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

JAPANESE TO DISCUSS THE WAR CRISIS

Important Meeting of the Cabinet and Privy Council Held Today

MEANS ENOUGH AT HAND

TOKIO, Dec. 28.—An important joint meeting of cabinet and privy council take place today to consider ways and means in view of the grave situation, but no difficulty is anticipated in providing for extraordinary expenditures. It is believed unless Russia will modify its reply Japan will immediately safeguard Korea, though such a step may not necessarily mean war with Russia.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

BEAT WIFE TO DEATH

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 28.—Jacky Smokalem, a widely known Siwash Indian, murdered his wife on the Puylup reservation Saturday noon either by the use of his fists or with a stick of wood. The woman's chest and face were beaten into a pulp. The only witness was a 12 year old daughter of the couple. After committing the horrible crime the Indian remained in his shanty with the corpse for twenty-four hours when news of the crime became known and the Indian was placed under arrest.

DO YOU WANT THAT $5?

POLITICAL PRESTIDIGITATION

"Don't you feel embarrassed with the eyes of the world upon you?"

"No," answered Senator Sorghum, as he signed another check, "the quickness of the hand deceives the eye."—Washington Star.

JUSTIFIED

Bill the Hobo—I see dere goin' to keep up de water rent in Baltimore.

Mike the Marauder—Hi! De insatiable greed ob de gov'ment monopoly has at last windicated our principles! Down wid water!—Baltimore News.

MARRIED AT BELLEVUE

BELLEVUE, Tex., Dec. 28.—(Special)—John D. Bird and Miss Leva Jackson were married at noon today by Rev. John Moore at the residence of the bride's parents. Only a few friends and relatives were present.

ATTENTION, COOKS, WAITERS

All members are requested to be present at regular meeting Dec. 29. Election of officers.

A. J. SHANAHAN, Secy.

CHRISTMAS EVE IN ENGLAND

The Little Ladybug (dejectedly)—I do hope Santa Claus will be able to distinguish between bugs and ordinary bugs!

Mama Ladybug—Why, Gladys! What a strange remark! What is troubling you, dear?

The Little Ladybug—Why, Cissie Centipede told me she was going to hang up one whole set of her stockings!—Town Topics.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

Fort Worth Lodge No. 148, A. F. and A. M., will confer the sublime degree of master tonight, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. All members of the lodge are urgently requested to be present. Visiting brethren will be cordially welcomed.

C. F. EDERLE, W. M.

(Attest)
W. H. FEILD, Secretary.

LOST—Between church and 1302 East Weatherford street, Christian Tabernacle medal, engraved Star Redford, 1903.



"My fair one will be here soon."
Where is she?

GEN. MACARTHUR WILL NOT TALK

He Refuses to Discuss His Alleged Recent Warlike Utterances

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 28.—General MacArthur returned yesterday on the steamer Siberia from the Hawaiian islands, where he has been making a military inspection. The general was greatly pleased with the islands, which he termed "a most valuable acquisition to the United States."

One of General MacArthur's first questions was for news concerning the Japanese-Russian controversy, and he listened intently to the information given him. He was then asked: "Is it true, general, that your visit to the islands was cut short by the probability of hostilities at Panama?"

The general considered the question a moment and said: "Well, I am here."

His attention was directed to the recent activity displayed in the transport service, and he remarked:

"I have not been notified about the transports."

Then the interview brought up the report of Colonel Jones of the Hawaiian militia, who quoted General MacArthur as saying that war would come between the United States and Germany, and that the principal fighting would be in the Pacific, with the Hawaiian islands as an objective point.

General MacArthur said firmly and positively: "That is a matter that I will discuss in no way. You must excuse me."

In relation to his trip the general said: "I have made a very thorough inspection of the islands of Oahu and have sent to Washington a complete report of my ideas for the defenses, the establishment of fortifications, also the number of posts thought advisable to establish. The trip was most instructive and invaluable. The wealth of the country surprised me, and particularly was I amazed at the enormous sugar plantations."

NEW RECORD FOR HOMING PIGEONS

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—A record of nearly 1,000 miles in from four to six days, when the usual time taken by old and trained birds is eight days, is the record of a young and untrained homing pigeon owned by Mr. Robert Clark, of 2035 Druid Hill avenue, who recently came to this city from Milwaukee.

While in Milwaukee Mr. Clarke had his lofts on Cass street, one block from the shore on Lake Michigan. He bought ten young pigeons from Mr. Charles Bang, who has his pigeon lofts on the water front also, and when he shipped the birds to Mr. Clark he told him that they were very wild, having been accustomed to quiet surroundings. When the ten birds arrived here Mr. Clark turned them loose in his loft and aviary. The walls of the aviary consisted of strong wires, strung perpendicularly, about two inches apart. One pigeon got out of his inclosure and took a trip back home.

The pigeon which made the great fly is a blue checker hen and is entered on the books of the National Federation of Homing Pigeon Fanciers as V—18491, G—18485, T—7887. The first is the number of the bird and the latter numbers are those of her parents. She was hatched in 1900, but was not trained and has never been in a race, and is consequently known as a young bird.

PITTSBURG ICE GORGE

Water Is Backing Up and Spreading Over Low Lands

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 28.—The recent cold snap has made navigation dangerous on account of the ice in the Allegheny river. At Rosston, the gorge is an immense affair, being packed to the bottom and extending fifteen miles up stream. It was formed during a thaw, and, the ice breaking into small cakes, has packed all the way to the bottom, offering resistance that can scarcely be overcome.

The water is backing up and spreading over the low lands. The gorge at Springdale still holds, and but little ice is floating in either the Allegheny or Monongahela river.

WATCH FOR THE HEADLESS ITEM.

AN OCEAN OF WHISKY

Purchased by Cincinnati Firm From Kentucky Distillery

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Levy Brothers of this city have bought twenty-five thousand barrels of Kentucky bourbon from the Kentucky Distilleries and Warehouse Company, a branch of the whisky trust, paying for the same over four hundred thousand dollars.

The whisky is in the Ripey bonded house near Lawrenceburg, Ky. Before it can be secured the tax of $46 a barrel must be paid, amounting to $1,000,000, making the whole deal involve $1,600,000.

WATCH FOR THE HEADLESS ITEM.

MURDERED WIFE AND YOUNG BABE

William Shepherd May Be Lynched By Angry Citizens of Letcher, Ky.

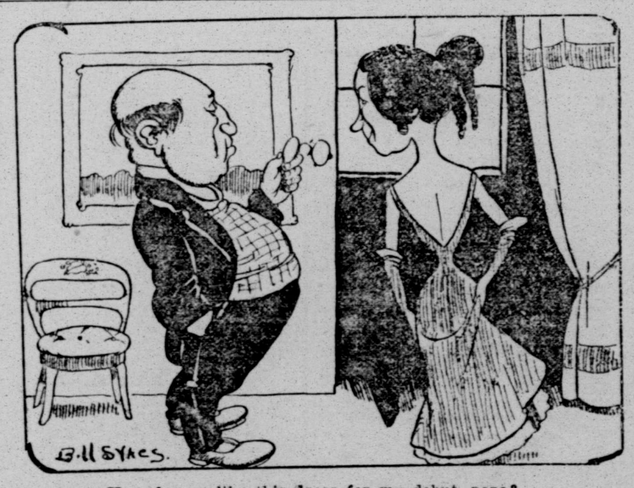
SERGEANT, Ky., Dec. 28.—On big Cowen Creek, Letcher county, William Shepherd entered the home of Obediah Fields, his father-in-law, and shot and killed Riley Webb and then turning to his wife, Mary Shepherd, the slayer fired a fatal ball into her body. The wife was carrying a ten months old baby, and it too is fatally shot. Shepherd was arrested and taken to Whitesburg jail. There is much excitement, and a lynching is threatened.

WATCH FOR THE HEADLESS ITEM.

SOUTHERN EDUCATORS

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 28.—Leading educators of the south will meet in this city December 30 in the annual convention of the Southern Educational associations, which will be in session for three days.

Many matters of importance to educators and teachers will be presented, dealing chiefly with suggestions for a new regime of scholastic, college development in the south.



Daughter—How do you like this dress for my debut, papa?
Papa—Ahem!—well, I guess it'll do for your coming-out dress all right!

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PAY YOUR POLL TAX

Three weeks from tomorrow will be the primary election to select democratic nominees for city offices, and unless your poll tax has been paid you cannot cast a vote.

It matters not how much a person may oppose the poll tax payment, believing it an unjust tax, he cannot exercise the right of suffrage unless it is paid. This is a sure proposition, and the only thing to do is to pay it. The provision is in the organic law of the state. The question was submitted to a vote of the people, the people decided that it should be incorporated in the constitution, and there it is. The provision is that the city, county and state poll tax must be paid before a person can vote.

There are nine aldermen to be chosen by the people of Fort Worth at the next election. The democratic nomination is equivalent to an election, and unless the citizen participates in the primary, his vote is lost to him. The councilmen to be chosen at this primary will have charge of municipal affairs for two years to come. They will pass upon many questions of importance, and the citizen should take enough interest in his town to want to vote for the best and against those who are not so good. Be a citizen in more ways than one, and do not disqualify yourself as a voter by failing to put up the amount necessary to secure the poll tax receipt.

Every poll tax paid means that much more money for the school fund.

THEORY FOR MUNICIPAL REFORM

There is a new theory for municipal reform, and it is very proper after the disclosures of the past year, that this theory should come out of St. Louis, one of the strongholds of the graft in this country. The theory under which graft and corruption are to be stopped is outlined at length in the current number of the Municipal Journal and Engineer, a publication devoted to the interests of municipalities, and usually filled with valuable information and timely advice. This St. Louis reformer proposes to entirely remodel the scheme of municipal government. He points out the evils that have followed the present plan of allowing the political element in each city to control and dominate the selection of officials and direct their conduct in office. He contends that this system tends to make spoils the chief purpose of official preferment and shows that men are selected for office without regard to their fitness, but solely with reference to what service they may render their parties and their fellow spoilsmen. Much of this is generally admitted to be true, and all sorts of theories have been advanced for remedying the evil.

It is proposed by the Missouri reformer to allow the different interests in each community to select representatives in the councils. He would have the doctors select a representative, the lawyers another, the railroad and manufacturing interests another, one for the colleges and educational institutions, one for the labor organizations, one for the insurance men, one for the preachers, and so on through the list. He would have this council employ a mayor, city attorney, surveyor, and all other executive officers, paying them salaries commensurate with their earning capacity in their different professions and callings. Then he would have matters of legislation affecting the different interests referred to committees of the council chosen by the representatives of those interests, with the result, as he contends, of having expert opinion upon each matter of legislation proposed. He believes that the scheme would result in placing municipal matters upon a basis with the business of a large commercial house and cause them to be managed on conservative, intelligent, and economical lines.

Although the suggestion has been made the brunt of a joke by many, and newspapers have laughed at the author, he presents a point which may some day be so seriously considered that it will be tried. In the first place, every man to his trade is a good proposition, and no one can deny it. Instead of having health laws passed by politicians, physicians should have the matter in charge, because physicians know what is necessary. They have studied the thing from a practical standpoint. What is true of the health department, is true of all other departments, and if the municipal councils were made up of representatives of each class, in that way, there would be better men selected for the positions, and each class or profession would put forward the best, to the end that credit would be reflected upon the whole profession. The suggestion to allow the class representatives, that is the doctors, lawyers, labor men, etc., select the mayor, city attorney, etc., by employment, is another point which is a good one. The old story of a "business man for mayor" sounds very well, but there are not many parts of the country in which it has proved successful. The business man who tries to run a city's executive office as he would try to run a dry goods store, or a grocery store, would prove a signal failure. The successful mayor is a man who studies municipal reform, who by close application as a student, fits himself for the profession of mayor. The head of a municipality must know something of municipal ownership, municipal control, of health, of water supply, of lighting, of street cleaning, of buying, of fire fighting expenses, of bond sales, of refunds—in fact he must be a student of many things, and bring them all to bear upon the one corporation. The mayor cannot depend upon the aldermen, the city attorney, the chief of police, the chief of the fire department, the superintendent of water works—in fact he has no one to depend upon. He must educate himself so that he will not be led into some drag net, which will pull him down.

There are some good suggestions in the theories presented by the St. Louis reformer, but it is hardly possible that we will see a practical application soon. At the same time such discussions will have a wholesome effect. When the grafters see the entire country talking of these things, the grafters will take steps to stop some of the crookedness which has been rampant in this country.

Up in New Hampshire there is a governor who is the whole thing. According to the latest reports he is at the same time commissioner of immigration with an allowance not exceeding $2,000 annually; cattle commissioner, at a compensation fixed by the governor and council and paid from the state treasury and secretary of the state board of agriculture at a salary of $1,500, besides clerk hire and other necessary expenses. How he managed to get hold of so many offices is not clear to New Hampshire people themselves, but they are quite clear that he should lose some of them and give the other fellows a chance. The Manchester Union says that this multi-office-holding governor "is only a type, an illustration of the tendency of office-holding. He has had what to him must have been peculiarly patent example. Here in New Hampshire, for years, politics has not found expression in a contest for principles between two great parties, but, with one party assured of supremacy, it has degenerated to a struggle within that party to determine who is the stronger hog. The idea has been inculcated by precept and enforced by example that it is a mark of superiority to keep feet as well as nose in the public trough. Governor Bachelder was ever an apt pupil. It is not strange, if educated in such a school, he has learned his lesson well."

Now that Christmas is over, the presents of the season have been exchanged, the last bomb has been exploded and the last toy has been purchased, suppose we settle down on a good business basis to commence the New Year, being determined that one year hence we will have a bigger, better and greater town in which to celebrate.

The next meeting of the city council falls on the night of Friday, January 1. Let the city start right for the year 1904, and granting a franchise for a new street railway system would not be bad.

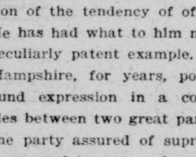
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SYNOPSIS

Thrown on his own resources for the support of himself and his only sister Harvey Thorpe finds employment in Radway's lumber camp which is doing a contract job and which has suffered various annoying delays including a shortage of men.

Thorpe is hurt by a falling log and after six weeks in the hospital he returns to camp to find that Radway has been made practically bankrupt by a freshet.

Under the terms of his contract, Radway had agreed to finish the entire job for Marcus & Daly, owners of the timber, in a stipulated time, and on his failure to do so, the firm refused to pay anything for the work done. Thorpe secures from Radway permission to act as his attorney and effects a settlement for $9,000, $1,000 of which Radway forces him to accept. Thorpe goes to visit his sister, gives her $500 and then starts north for the timber regions.

No reply.

"Were you playing your fiddle in one of those houses?"

The cripple nodded slowly.

"Are you hungry?" asked Thorpe, with a sudden thoughtfulness.

"Yes," replied the cripple, with a lightning gleam in his wolf eyes.

Thorpe rang the bell. To the boy who answered it he said:

"Bring me half a dozen beef sandwiches and a glass of milk, and be quick about it."

"Do you play the fiddle much?" continued Thorpe.

The cripple nodded again.

"Let's hear what you can do."

"They cut my strings!" cried Phil, with a passionate wail.

The cry came from the heart, and Thorpe was touched by it. The price of strings was evidently a big sum.

"I'll get you more in the morning," said he. "Would you like to leave Bay City?"

"Yes!" cried the boy, with passion.

"You would have to work. You would have to be chore boy in a lumber camp and play fiddle for the men when they wanted you to."

"I'll do it," said the cripple.

"All right; then I'll take you," replied Thorpe.

The cripple said nothing nor moved a muscle of his face, but the gleam of the wolf faded to give place to the soft, affectionate glow seen in the eyes of a setter dog. Thorpe was startled at the change.

A knock announced the sandwiches and milk. The cripple fell upon them with both hands in a sudden ecstasy of hunger. When he had finished, he looked again at Thorpe, and this time there were tears in his eyes.

A little later Thorpe interviewed the proprietor of the hotel.

"I wish you'd give this boy a good cheap room and charge his keep to me," said he. "He's going north with me."

Thorpe lay awake for some time after retiring. Phil claimed a share of his thought. In an hour or so he dozed. He dreamed that the cripple had grown to enormous proportions and was overshadowing his life. A slight noise outside his bedroom door brought him to his feet.

He opened the door and found that in the stillness of the night the poor deformed creature had taken the blankets from his bed and had spread them across the doorsill of the man who had befriended him.

CHAPTER XVI.

THREE weeks later the steam barge Pole Star sailed down the reach of Saginaw bay.

Thorpe had received letters from Carpenter advising him of a credit to him at a Marquette bank and inclosing a draft sufficient for current expenses. Tim Shearer had helped make out the list of necessaries. In time everything was loaded, the gangplank hauled in, and the little band of argonauts set their faces toward the point where the Big Dipper swings.

The weather was beautiful. Each morning the sun rose out of the frosty blue lake water and set in a sea of deep purple. The moon, once again at the full, drew broad paths across the pathless waste. From the southeast blew daily the lake trades, to die at sunset and then to return in the soft still nights from the west.

The ten horses in the hold munched their hay and oats as peaceably as though at home in their own stables. Jackson Hines had helped select them from the stock of firms changing locality or going out of business. His judgment in such matters was infallible, but he had resolutely refused to take the position of barn boss which Thorpe offered him.

"No," said he, "she's too far north. I'm gettin' old, and the rheumatics ain't what you might call abandonin' of me. Up there it's colder than hades on a stoker's holiday."

So Shearer had picked out a barn boss of his own. This man was important, for the horses are the mainstay of logging operations. He had selected also a blacksmith, a cook, four teamsters, half a dozen cant hook men and as many handy with ax or saw.

"The blacksmith is also a good wood butcher (carpenter)," explained Shearer. "Four teams is all we ought to keep going at a clip. If we need a few axmen we can pick 'em up at Marquette. I think this gang 'll stick. I picked 'em."

There was not a young man in the lot. They were most of them in the prime of middle life, between thirty and forty, rugged in appearance, "cocky" in manner, with the swagger and the oath of so many buccaneers, hard as nails. Altogether Thorpe thought them about as rough a set of customers as he had ever seen. Throughout the day they played cards on deck and spat tobacco juice abroad and swore incessantly. Toward himself and Shearer their manner was an odd mixture of independent equality and a slight deference. It was as much as to say, "You're the boss, but I'm as good a man as you any day."

Constituting the elite of the profession, as they did, Thorpe might have wondered at their consenting to work for an obscure little camp belonging to a greenhorn. Loyalty to and pride in the firm for which he works are strong characteristics of the lumber jack. For this reason he feels that he owes it to his reputation to ally himself only with firms of creditable size and efficiency. The small camps are for the youngsters. Occasionally you will see two or three of the veterans in such a camp, but it is generally a case of lacking something better.

The truth is Shearer had managed to inspire in the minds of his cronies an idea that they were about to participate in a fight. He retold Thorpe's story artistically. The men agreed that the "young fellow had sand enough for a lake front." After that there needed but a little skillful maneuvering to inspire them with the idea that it would be a great thing to take a hand, to "make a camp" in spite of the big concern up river.

Shearer knew that this attitude was tentative. Everything depended on how well Thorpe lived up to his reputation at the outset. But Tim himself believed in Thorpe blindly. So he had no fears.

A little incident at the beginning of the voyage did much to reassure him.

Thorpe had given orders that no whisky was to be brought aboard. Soon after leaving dock he saw one of the teamsters drinking from a pint flask. Without a word he stepped briskly forward, snatched the bottle from the man's lips and threw it overboard. Then he turned sharp on his heel and walked away without troubling himself as to how the fellow was going to take it.

The occurrence pleased the men, for it showed them they had made no mistake. But it meant little else. The chief danger really was lest they become too settled in the protective attitude. As they took it, they were about, good naturedly, to help along a worthy greenhorn. This they considered exceedingly generous on their part, and in their own minds they were inclined to look on Thorpe much as a grown man would look on a child.

Fine weather followed them up the long blue reach of Lake Huron, into the noble breadth of the Detour passage, past the opening through the Thousand islands of the Georgian bay, into the St. Mary's river. They were locked through after some delay on account of the grain barges from Duluth and at last turned their prow westward in the Big Sea water, beyond which lay Hiawatha's Po-ne-mah, the Land of the Hereafter.

Next morning by daybreak every man was at work. The hatches were



The men were on him again.

opened, and soon between-decks was cumbered with boxes, packing cases, barrels and crates. In their improvised stalls the patient horses seemed to catch a hint of shore going and whinnied. By 10 o'clock there loomed against the strange coast line of the Pictured rocks a shallow bay and what looked to be a dock distorted by the northern mirage.

"That's her," said the captain.

Two hours later the steamboat slid between the yellow waters of two outlying reefs and with slackened speed moved slowly toward the wharf of log cribs filled with stone.

Thorpe knew very well that the structure had been erected by and belonged to Morrison & Daly, but the young man had had the foresight to purchase the land lying on the deep water side of the bay. He therefore anticipated no trouble in unloading, for, while Morrison & Daly owned the pier itself, the land on which it abutted belonged to him.

From the arms of the bay he could make out a dozen figures standing near the end of the wharf. When, with propeller reversed, the Pole Star bore slowly down toward her moorings, Thorpe recognized Dyer at the head of eight or ten woodsmen. It looked suspicious.

"Catch this line!" sung out the mate, hurling the coil of a hand line on the wharf.

No one moved, and the little rope after a moment slid overboard with a splash.

The captain, with a curse, signaled full speed astern.

"Captain Morse," cried Dyer, stepping forward, "my orders are that you are to land here nothing but M. & D. merchandise."

"I have a right to land," answered Thorpe. "The shore belongs to me."

"This dock doesn't," retorted the other sharply, "and you can't set foot on her."

"You have no legal status. You had no business building in the first place"—began Thorpe, and then stopped with a choke of anger at the futility of arguing legality in such a case.

The men had gathered interestedly in the waist of the ship, cool, impartial, severely critical. The vessel swung her bow in toward the dock. Thorpe ran swiftly forward and during the instant of rubbing contact leaped.

He alighted squarely upon his feet. Without an instant's hesitation he rushed on Dyer and with one full, clean in-blow stretched him stunned on the dock. For a moment there was a pause of astonishment. Then the woodsmen closed upon him.

During that instant Thorpe had become possessed of a weapon. It came hurling through the air from above to fall at his feet. Shearer, with the cool calculation of the pioneer, had seen that it would be impossible to follow his chief and so had done the next best thing, thrown him a heavy iron belaying pin.

Thorpe hit with all his strength and quickness. He was conscious once of being on the point of defeat. Then he had cleared a little space for himself. Then the men were on him again more savagely than ever. One fellow even succeeded in hitting him a glancing blow on the shoulder.

Then came a sudden crash. Thorpe was nearly thrown from his feet. The next instant a score of yelling men leaped behind and all around him. There ensued a moment's scuffle, the sound of dull blows, and the dock was clear of all but Dyer and three others who were, like himself, unconscious. The captain, yielding to the excitement, had run his prow plump against the wharf.

Some of the crew received the mooring lines. All was ready for disembarkation.

Bryan Moloney, a strapping Irish-American of the big boned, red cheeked type, threw some water over the four stunned combatants. Slowly they came to life. They were promptly yanked to their feet by the irate river men, who commenced at once to bestow sundry vigorous kicks and shakings by way of punishment. Thorpe interposed.

"Quit it," he commanded. "Let them go."

The men grumbled. One or two were inclined to be openly rebellious.

"If I hear another peep out of you," said Thorpe to these latter, "you can climb right aboard and take the return trip." He looked them in the eye until they muttered and then went on: "Now, we've got to get unloaded and our goods ashore before those fellows report to camp. Get right moving and hustle!"

So Dyer and his men picked themselves out of the trouble sullenly and departed. The ex-scaler had nothing to say as long as he was within reach, but when he had gained the shore he turned.

"You won't think this is so funny when you get in the law courts!" he shouted.

Thorpe made no reply.

With thirty men at the job it does not take a great while to move a small cargo thirty or forty feet. By 3 o'clock the Pole Star was ready to continue her journey. Thorpe climbed aboard, leaving Shearer in charge.

"Keep the men at it, Tim," said he. "Put up the walls of the warehouse good and strong and move the stuff in. If you get through before I return you might take a scout up the river and fix on a camp site. I'll bring back the lumber for roofs, floors and trimmings with me and will try to pick up a few axmen for swamping. Those fellows won't bother us any more for the present, I think. But it pays to be on deck. So long."

When Thorpe returned to the bay he found the warehouse complete. Shearer and Andrews, the surveyor, were scouting up the river.

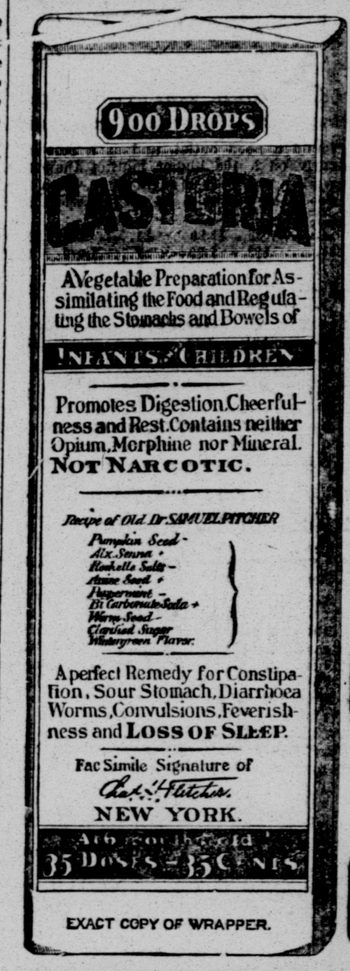
"No trouble from above, boys?" asked Thorpe.

"Nary trouble," they replied.

The warehouse was secured by padlocks, the wagon loaded with the tent and the necessaries of life and work. Early in the morning the procession—laughing, joking, skylarking—took its way up the river trail. Late that evening, tired, but still inclined to mischief, they came to the first dam, where Shearer and Andrews met them.

"How do you like it, Tim?" asked Thorpe that evening.

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WEATHER FORECAST

FORECAST

Following is the forecast until 8 p. m. Tuesday for Fort Worth and vicinity: Tonight fair weather; Tuesday generally fair; colder in the afternoon.

Following is the forecast for Texas east of the one hundredth meridian, as issued at New Orleans: Tonight and Tuesday generally fair; warmer in southwest portion and on west coast tonight; colder in northwest portion Tuesday.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Forecaster George Reeder issued the following report of weather conditions this morning:

With the exception of the Missouri valley and the upper portion of the Mississippi valley, where there is some snow, clear conditions prevail generally.

Low temperatures from and including the Ohio valley northward and eastward continues. South of the Ohio and west of the Mississippi the temperatures have risen slightly, ranging about 32 degrees in the eastern states, 40 degrees in Texas and from about 28 to 32 degrees in the middle and northwestern states, and about 20 degrees in the Rocky mountain states.

There was no precipitation in the wheat or cotton belt states during the past twenty-four hours.

WEATHER RECORD

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

Stations—	Temperature. Min.	Max.	Wind.	Rain-fall.
Abilene	34	68	lt.	.00
Amarillo	28	54	12	.00
Bismarck	20	28	20	.02
Chicago	4	34	6	.00
Cincinnati	16	42	lt.	.02
Davenport	8	36	lt.	.00
Denver	26	58	8	.00
Detroit	6	28	8	.00
El Paso	22	62	lt.	.00
Fort Worth	35	71	lt.	.00
Galveston	48	58	lt.	.00
Jacksonville	26	52	lt.	.00
Kansas City	32	50	12	.00
Little Rock	36	58	lt.	.00
Miles City	28	48	lt.	.00
Montgomery	28	48	lt.	.00
Nashville	28	48	lt.	.00
New Orleans	42	54	lt.	.00
North Platte	18	52	10	.00
Oklahoma	34	58	lt.	.00
Palestine	40	68	8	.00
Pittsburg	10	30	lt.	.04
Rapid City	28	48	14	.00
St. Louis	24	48	lt.	.00
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Salt Lake City	14	32	lt.	.00
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UMBRELLA FOR CHIEF

Members of the Police department Make a Presentation Last Night

The members of the Fort Worth police department last night presented Chief of Police Rea with a silk, ivory handled umbrella. Officer Logan made the presentation speech just as the night force was preparing to go on duty. Chief Rea made a suitable response. The handle is properly inscribed.

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LOVER DIED IN WRECK

Pretty English Girl Crossed Water to Find Betrothed a Corpse

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Miss Lillian Bennett, a pretty English girl, was to have been married Saturday to Ambrose Good. Miss Bennett arrived abroard the Cedric Friday, only to be informed that her fiance had been killed in the wreck of the Duquesne limited on the Baltimore and Ohio near Connellsville, while on his way to meet her. The girl was crushed by the news. Good's brother met Miss Bennett, finding her hysterically weeping in her berth, with wedding gifts and finery strewn around the room. The immigration authorities will permit Good to give bond for Miss Bennett's support and she will attend the funeral of her lover at McKeesport, Pa.

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PORTRAIT OF THE POPE

Will Be Painted Next Spring by Cleveland, Ohio, Artist

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 28. — J. Charles Arter, a Cleveland artist, has received a commission to paint the portrait of Pope Pius X. The Clevelander made the acquaintance of his holiness while the latter was the patriarch of Venice, and last summer was received by him at the vatican. Arrangements were then made for sittings, which will begin in the spring. Arter has won considerable distinction abroad by his portrait work.

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TWAIN'S PARTING JOKE

Mark Tells of His Legal Troubles Over a Contract.

SAYS HE'S TOO PURE, TOO INNOCENT

Humorist Confesses He Cannot Fool Anybody and Tells of His Experience In Buying an Umbrella From a Stranger Whom He Appealed to For Advice.

Mark Twain, the great humorist, has had the good fortune to be able to bring all his books under the control of one publishing firm. The contract was concluded just before he recently sailed for Italy for the benefit of his wife's health. In a farewell interview he said, in speaking of the new arrangement:

"For three or four weeks now I have been bothering over this contract, full of strange things about the party of the first part and the party of the second part, and I have never yet been able to make out whether I was the party of the first part, the party of the second part or any party at all. Throughout all these four weeks' work my respect for the Divine Creator has grown week by week, because, while it took us a month to create a contract, he created the world in only six days.

"I have found this dealing with lawyers an expensive undertaking. It has cost me four umbrellas already, to say nothing of the onslaught upon my morals. I have done nothing but buy umbrellas and leave them in my lawyer's office. The other day I stopped at one of the umbrella counters in a big downtown office building, where there were three piles of umbrellas. One pile was marked $1, the second pile $2, and the third pile was marked $3. I did not look beyond the third pile, because this contract was not yet signed, and I was not certain how much money I could afford to spend. I said to the man in charge of the umbrellas: 'I am a stranger from west of the Mississippi, all unused to the effete ways of the east. I came from the wild and hoping west, and I appeal to you as a man whether, in your judgment, you being an eastern man and I a stranger on his first visit to your great city, you would advise me to buy this $1 umbrella for $1, the $2 umbrella for $2 or the $3 umbrella for $3? I ask you this as a pilgrim and a stranger.' And the man, looking me straight in the eye, said, 'As man to man and speaking heart to heart to you, a stranger, I would advise you to buy the $3 umbrella—Mr. Mark Twain.'

"Which shows that a man with a past can't get away from it, even if he has become honest enough to buy his own umbrellas. That is the trouble with me. I can't fool anybody. I am too pure, too innocent. Everybody takes advantage of my innocence. It is a mighty good thing I was not born a girl.

"I am going abroad and may never see my fellow Americans again in this life and I hope for their sakes not in the next."

ANTI-OSCULATION SOCIETY.

National Organization That Forbids Kissing and Googoo Eyes.

A. S. Rutherford, secretary of the National Anti-osculation Society of America, believes that it is more important to enlist the kisser than the kissee, and so he avows frankly that he would rather bring under his anti-osculation banner the men than the women, says a San Francisco special.

Rutherford has attached to his anti-kissing pledge the pledge "to abstain from the use for purposes of attraction, allurement or fascination of all such facial expressions and contortions as are known and designated by the names of cat's eyes, sheep's eyes, goo-goo eyes, winks, blushes or other designing alterations of countenance."

The member also binds himself or herself "not to make use of any terms of endearment, such as lovely, sweetness, birdie, littlest, onliest, tootsy wootsy, etc., to any one, whether a member of this organization or not."

The Riches of Alaska.

Colonel Dick Plunkett, whose administering of the duties of marshal in Creede, Colo., and other western mining camps is a matter of record, is widely known for his assiduous distribution of the shamrock among well known men, whose acknowledgments he treasures. He arrived at New York a few days ago from Alaska, says the New York Tribune. "The mineral wealth of Alaska," said the colonel, "has as yet only been scratched. Alaska has wealth for the world, and in the next two years it will be more in the public eye than any other quarter of the globe. I have been in the territory for nearly two years, and after more than twenty years' experience in the mining camps in the western states I pronounce Alaska a great treasure house. My most recent investigations have been on Prince of Wales island, where there is a mountain of copper."

Christmas Tree on a Yacht.

A new steam yacht, the Vergemere, with A. C. Bostwick, the millionaire automobilist and family and a party of friends aboard, recently left New York for the Mediterranean, where Mr. Bostwick expects to spend the winter, says the New York American. Mr. Bostwick and party plan to celebrate the holidays on the yacht, and the feature of the trip will be a big Christmas tree for the children. The party will visit the principal ports of Africa and Italy to take snap shots. A dozen large cameras were taken along for this purpose. Last year Mr. Bostwick and friends cruised in the West Indies and took pictures.

ARGUMENT LIVENS MEETING OF CAMP

Breezy Discussion Over Dispensation of Funds by Confederate Veterans

The feature of Lee camp meeting yesterday was the "friendly row" over whether funds to the amount of about $14 should be diverted from the general fund to a special one to be used in beautifying the forty burial lots donated the camp by the city of Fort Worth.

Judge S. P. Greene thought that there should be no division on the question, but Colonel Duke Goodman held that the camp had no right to use the funds as proposed—that had been raised for specific purposes. George Jackson was of the same view.

Judge C. C. Cummings said the camp had a legal right to use at least one-fourth the amount of money now in the treasury for the purpose proposed.

Several sharp speeches were made against the use of the money by a committee of which Comrade J. J. Melton is chairman, who had been directed to arrange for setting out the forty trees in the burial ground.

Those who opposed the committee doing the work maintained that a resolution had been previously passed, directing that each member donate a tree, but no resolution of the kind could be found in the minutes of any previous meeting of the camp.

The discussion warmed up to such an extent that Judge Beckham moved that the camp adjourn, and the matter was left in the hands of the committee. The arbor day exercises will take place on January 19—General Lee's birthday.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The committee to whom was referred the applications of L. C. Adams and J. C. Miller for membership, reported favorably.

The application of R. M. Strange for membership was referred to the proper committee.

MUSICAL BY CHILDREN

[illegible] of Lee camp were invited to attend a musical to [illegible] Children of the Confederacy, in the basement of the court house, at 8 o'clock p. m., December 29.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

When the camp had been opened, Assistant Adjutant Ball read the proceedings of the previous meeting.

Duke Goodman read a letter from Sterling Price camp, with reference to the adoption of a resolution regarding a medal for the women of the Confederacy.

Adjutant Ball reported that $167.50 had been turned over to him as the proceeds of the late old fiddlers' contest.

There are quite a number who took tickets for sale yet to report, and until all tickets are accounted for the total receipts will not be known.

Comrade Attwell reported that the committee had sent turkeys, etc., on Christmas to ten of the needy members of the camp. The amount expended was $40.

Commander Taylor commended the work of the committee.

On motion the unknown donor of $15 to the fund to provide a Christmas dinner for needy Confederates was extended the thanks of the camp.

THANKS TO DAUGHTERS

Comrade Freeman read a resolution of thanks to the women of the Daughters of the Confederacy for their donations for a Thanksgiving dinner for the inmates of the Confederate home at Austin. The resolution is as follows:

Whereas, This camp has learned through a communication from Comrade Roland F. Walters, now at the Confederate home in Austin, of the overabundant feast prepared by the various chapters of the Daughters of the Confederacy, at the suggestion of their state president, Mrs. Cone Johnson, on Thanksgiving day, the amount being far beyond the needs of the occasion and large quantities of the most deliciously prepared viands remaining after the appetites of the four hundred old soldiers had been fully satisfied; therefore be it

Resolved, By R. E. Lee Camp, that we find ourselves at a loss to fully express to the Daughters our appreciation of this touching remembrance of these battle-scarred comrades of ours who, through the effects of wounds or the infirmaties of advancing years, find themselves dependent upon the help of their more fortunate companions in arms, and upon the tender care and ministrations of these noble women, whose only peers are the southern women of blessed memory, who during the sixties sent forth these same old warriors, then in their prime, with words of bravest cheer to battle for their homes, and who through the long conflict ministered to the wounded and dying with a tenderness and devotion paralleled only by the love and affectionate remembrances of "The Daughters" for these now old and battle-worn heroes.

Resolved, further, That every member of this camp most heartily thanks the Daughters for the love and regard they have on this and many other occasions shown for their comrades at the home, and that the aujutant be ordered to furnish a copy of these resolutions, and the communication which called forth this action of the camp, to Mrs. Johnson, state president of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

THE OLDEST INDIAN

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 28.—(Special)—The oldest Indian in Indian Territory is Crazy Fish (Clatho Harjo), a Seminole, living near Wewoka. He is 109 years of age. He was with a small band of Semiroles who were run out of Florida by United States troops, and located in the Indian Territory. Crazy Fish has full control of his mental faculties and recalls many interesting incidents of the Seminole war.

DENTON MERCHANTS PROSPEROUS

DENTON, Tex., Dec. 28.—As is customary, the local merchants for the most part here are taking advantage of the dull interim that follows Christmas eve to take stock. It is thought that an inventory will show that all the businesses in Denton have had a prosperous year, to take the year as a whole. Collections have been splendid and the cash trade has been excellent ever since wheat was thrashed. A man in a position to have a good idea about it said the other day that one of the 243 counties in Texas, Denton was the most prosperous.

HAPPY HOOLIGAN IN CHURCH CHOIR

Causes Minister of Manitowoc, Wis., Church Choir No End of Bother

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—The comic supplements of the Chicago Sunday newspapers have caused no end of trouble in a Manitowoc church. Members of the choir, during the sermon, have been putting in their time looking over the newspapers. When this was discovered by the pastor he circulated a paper among the members of the choir, in which they agreed to refrain from mixing colored supplements with the service. A majority of the choir have struck, and only five members remained at their post.

FORT WORTH CO. TO SINK A WELL

Stockholders of John Peter Smith Company Authorize Spending $6,000

On Saturday the stockholders of the John Peter Smith Oil Company held a meeting in this city and completed preliminary arrangements for sinking a well on the property of the company at Batson Prairie.

Orders were given for the purchase of machinery which it is estimated will cost between $5,000 and $6,000.

A well with an eight-inch bore will be put down.

President Taylor states that the machinery will be purchased this week and the work of sinking a well will commence at once. Colonel Taylor estimates that it will take about ten days to put down the well. Other wells are to be sunk on the property when the first hole is completed.

The Korean government has ordered that all Koreans, without regard to rank or class, should not wear clothes except of a dark blue or dark color.

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Watch for the headless items in the issues of December 30, 31, January 1, 2, 3 and 4. Cut the item out and paste it on a piece of paper. Write your headline on the paper. Keep all the six items until the last day of the contest and then send the six headed items to The Telegram office, addressing your offering to The Headline Editor.

The Telegram offers this one way in which to add further interest in newspapers, to stimulate newspaper reading in Fort Worth. Few people have any idea of the work that is necessary in the issue each day of their favorite newspaper. Trying to write a head line for the headless item will show some of the difficulties that the news editor of a newspaper labors under all day long.

Remember the headless item will first appear in Wednesday's paper. A headless item will appear in every issue for six days. Cut these headless items out and paste them on a piece of paper each day. Then write such a headline over each item as you think will best bring out the story printed. The contestant is to decide how important the news is and the kind of a headline it ought to bear.

Watch for the headless item.

Music and Drama

MAN TO MAN

"Man to Man," one of the best melodramas of the year, comes to Greenwall's opera house Tuesday matinee and night, December 29. "Man to Man" is now in its third successful season and is reported to have scored an emphatic hit wherever it has been seen. The electrical designs and effects are said to be extremely fine, and as the company of players is of more than ordinary capability, a first class performance in every respect is assured.

"POUSSE CAFE"

The engagement of Harris and Sidman in Weber and Fields' "Pousse Cafe" promises to be a very successful one when those mirth provokers appear at Greenwall's opera house Wednesday matinee and night, December 30.

JEFFERSON DE ANGELIS

At Greenwall's opera house Friday (New Year) matinee and night, January 1, the Jefferson De Angelis Opera company will present the great musical comedy success, "The Toreador," under the direction of Sam S. Shubert and Nixon and Zimmerman. Mr. De Angelis in his present piece is given one of the best roles he has ever had, and manages through a series of situations in which he is placed to get into some of the most amusing complications ever laughed at. The music is tuneful and catchy. The company is exceptionally strong, and includes Edgar Norton, Edward Metcalfe, William Blaisdell, Bertha Ricci, Norma Bell, Edna Burd, John Dudley, Adine Vouvier and Margaret McKinney.

"THE BURGOMASTER"

There are twenty-four great song hits in "The Burgomaster," Pixley and Luders' greatest musical comedy, which will be seen at Greenwall's opera house Saturday matinee and night, January 2. Gustav Luders has never written music that can compare with his "Burgomaster" melodies. "The Tale of the Kangaroo" has been whistled and sung from the Atlantic to the Pacific and in almost every home where there is a piano one will find a copy of "I Love You" song, "College Song," or the famous "Indian chorus."

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RUMORED CHANGES ON MO. PACIFIC

Reported That E. A. Gould May Be Succeeded by W. T. Tyler

It is unofficially learned here that there are several important changes to take place among the officials of the Missouri Pacific road soon after the first of January. One report is to the effect that there is friction between some of the high officials of the road and that these officials contemplate resigning.

The most important among these contemplated changes is that E. A. Gould, the present general superintendent of the Missouri Pacific, will resign and take a more lucrative position on some of the western roads.

The report has it that General Superintendent W. T. Tyler of the Iron Mountain, headquarters at Little Rock, Ark., will be tendered the position to be vacated by Mr. Gould, and that he will accept the same. Mr. Tyler is said to be among the best transportation men in the railroad service of the Gould system.

It is said that G. G. Hartigan, superintendent of the Iron Mountain, is to succeed Mr. Tyler in the general superintendency of that line.

It is not suggested who is to take Mr. Hartigan's place, although it is believed some well-known Colorado railroad man will be offered the position.

STARTS WAR ON RAILROADS

Federal authorities at Springfield, Ill., have commenced the enforcement of the law in regard to the safety appliance on engines and cars provided for by an act of congress, and suit has been instituted against the Terminal association at St. Louis, which operates trains across the Eads bridge.

The prosecution comes under a section of the interstate commerce act providing that not less than 50 per cent of all the cars in a train shall have their brakes operated by air, and that all cars shall be equipped with safety coupling appliances which work automatically by impact. When the law was passed by congress in 1893 it was provided that it should be in force by January 1, 1898. This time was extended to September 1, 1903, and the law is now in full force.

Discussing the matter yesterday a federal officer said: "The sacrifice of life has been frightful, and the federal officers are going to try to reduce the number of deaths from railroad accidents that should be avoided."

The preliminary report of the interstate commerce commission shows that during the past year 321 passengers and 3,233 railroad employes were killed and 6,973 passengers and 39,004 employes were injured in the railroad traffic of the United States.

By enforcing the above law which was duly passed by congress, the federal officials hope to materially lessen the fatalities to both passengers and to trainmen generally.

TO HEAD OFF MOFFAT ROAD

The Utah Eastern railway, a projected feeder for Gould's Denver and Rio Grande road, has made a sudden change or front and by amending articles of incorporation the route that was to be followed by the new line from Salt Lake City has been materially changed. The statement was made that the change was made in order to secure easier grades than would be possible via the first survey.

A Salt Lake City dispatch says: Those who have been following the situation closely, however, assert that the move was made to head off the Moffat Denver-Salt Lake Road, which has already made preliminary surveys over practically the same ground that the Gould system has made a move to capture.

It is said that the intention is to build the Utah Eastern into the Indian reservation as projected and then taking a leaf out of the San Pedro-Oregon Short Line fight incident, to unload the new line and the Provo branch onto the Moffat road.

To get into Salt Lake valley the Moffat road will have to come down one of three canons, two of which are claimed to be under the control of the Denver and Rio Grande. The third, Emigration canon, presents some knotty engineering problems.

MERGER OF MEXICAN ROADS

The merger of the National, International and the Interoceanic railroads is conceded as a certainty. During the past week the presidents of these three roads were in the City of Mexico in consultation regarding the consolidation of the above roads into one system.

There is some talk that the Vera Cruz and Pacific railroad will also be a candidate for admission into the combination. President Pegram is now in Washington on business connected with his road and also to spend the holidays with his family.

THE PAN-AMERICAN ROAD

J. M. Neeland, general manager of the Pan-American Railroad company, states that in a very short time he hopes to see the Pan-American railroad operating all the way to Tonala, near the northern boundary of Guatemala, and forming a real material link in the much-talked of project of a great Pan-American railway system, which now, with the United States in Panama, seems to have gained another and very powerful advocate.

When asked how long it would require to finish all missing links needed to furnish a continuous line of rails through to the proposed site of the Panama canal, Mr. Neeland gave it as his opinion that such a line might be constructed in seven years from the present time with a reasonable large force of men, backed up by solid capital, assisted by the governments of the respective countries in which the necessary building would have to be done.

COMPARTMENT CARS TO GO

The Pullman company has ceased to build compartment sleeping cars and the railroads are gradually stopping the use of them. The passing of these cars was made an assured fact recently when all the Chicago-St. Louis railroad lines entered into an agreement to cease their use.

Soon after that other railroads signified their intention of doing away with them as fast as possible and the Pullman company will not construct any more cars of this type. The reason for the move is not to be found in lack of popularity with the public, but in the increased travel. The compartment car weighs nearly ten tons more than the standard Pullman and will not carry as many passengers.

THE ORIENT IN TEXAS

More than 300 miles of grade of the Panhandle and Gulf, the Texas end of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad, is completed and ready for the rails. Construction material, rails and ties sufficient to lay 200 miles of road, has arrived at Sweetwater during the past few weeks, and track-laying will be commenced early in January.

It is proposed by President Stilwell to have more than 500 miles of the line in operation before the close of the coming year.

YOUNG GOULD'S TRAIN

A dispatch from Lakewood, N. J., December 24, says:

When George J. Gould, Jr., 6 years old, wakes up tomorrow morning to see what Santa Claus has brought him he will find among his gifts the most perfectly appointed miniature railway train ever built. It was imported from Germany expressly for young Gould at a cost of $500. The train and its equipment is an exact reproduction on a minor scale of a first-class Pullman train. It consists of a locomotive and tender and a vestibuled train made up of a combination mail coach, dining and parlor coaches. It runs on steel rails and is equipped with an automatic brake system and an electric lighting plant.

The locomotive is large enough so that its owner may seat himself in the cab and handle the throttle and lever. The coaches are twenty inches in height and about three feet in length. They are fitted up inside as luxuriously as a regular Pullman coach. The fuel used is alcohol, and no smoke or dust is given off, as all the gases are consumed. It is perfectly safe for a child to operate, as there is absolutely no danger from an explosion. Young Gould will receive his first lesson in the running of a railway train from his father.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Baptist Sunday Schools Held Their Elections in This City Yesterday

There are five Sunday schools under the jurisdiction of the First Baptist church of this city. It is a custom to hold an election for officers at each of these schools on the last Sunday in the year, and yesterday this election took place. The following were selected:

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—Superintendent, W. J. O'Conner; assistant superintendent, J. W. Draughon; secretary, F. Grantham; assistant secretary, Charley Baker; librarian, Miss Kittie Crosby; organist, Miss Estelle Hager; treasurer, Lawrence Long.

WELLS MISSION—Superintendent, W. H. Taylor; assistant superintendent, Charley Baker; secretary, Everett Groom; treasurer, Miss Annie Lane; organist, Miss Clara Smith.

TRINITY MISSION—Superintendent, W. M. Teal; assistant superintendent, R. J. Fowler; secretary, Carroll Jenkins; treasurer, Miss Lucy Rainey; organist, Mrs. J. M. Youngblood; assistant organist, Miss Willie Hunter.

GRACE MISSION—Superintendent, M. J. Dowlin; assistant superintendent, M. Scougale; secretary, Miss Maud Pearley; treasurer, Professor McDonnell; organist, Miss Estelle Hagar.

MISSION OF THE SUNRISE—Superintendent, George Ellison; assistant superintendent, L. H. Du Bose; secretary, Mrs. J. A. Walker; treasurer, Mrs. George Ellison; organist, Miss Georgia Turner.

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BALL TONIGHT BY POLICEMEN OF THIS CITY

Annual Affair to Raise Money For the Benevolent Fund of the Department

The annual ball under the auspices of the police department of the city, the proceeds of which will be applied to the benevolent fund, will be held this evening at Foote's hall on Jennings avenue, and the indication is it will be well attended.

For several weeks the members of the force have been selling tickets. They have met with success, the doctor, lawyer, banker, merchant—in fact, every one being a purchaser, all being anxious to help the fund along. The benevolent fund is for the aid of officers who are ill or injured, and every year there is some call upon it. It is judiciously expended, and every member forced off duty by reason of ill health or injuries, gets the benefit of it. W. K. Logan is president of the benevolent organization and C. W. Newby is secretary.

Every arrangement for the affair is complete. The officers have been working hard on the details, and they will have good music and pretty programs.

SOME VISITORS HERE AND WHAT THEY SAY

By James Hays Quarles

Charles Frederick Smith of McGregor, Tex., is a guest of the Worth. Mr. Smith is a banker of that town in the western part of McLennan county, and can be said to be one of the pioneer citizens. He went to McGregor about twelve years ago from Boston and located, establishing a national bank. He has seen the town grow, has seen an improvement in the crop conditions, and is a substantial man of those parts. Speaking this morning, Mr. Smith said: "The cotton crop in our section of the state has been good. It is true we have been bothered some with the boll weevil, but we have not suffered to any great extent, and what has been raised has proved profitable to the producer. Western McLennan, eastern Coryell, and Bell and Bosque counties, which are just about McGregor, have good results from planting, and good business has followed."

Here with Mr. Smith is W. Goodrich Jones of Temple. Mr. Jones is a banker, who has become more or less prominent in Texas because he has advocated tree planting from time to time. He is a great believer in forestry, and in protection of the trees, and it is the result of his efforts that Arbor day in this state has been observed at all. Mr. Jones said this morning: "In our black land county the farmers have averaged one-third of a bale to the acre. Some have raised a half, and some a fourth, but the average is about a third and they got a good price for it. Things are prosperous down our way. There has been a good corn crop, and the price was in every way satisfactory."

It is believed Mr. Jones and Mr. Smith are figuring some on investments in this section, but of this they would say nothing.

John J. Terrell of Austin, commissioner of the general land office, was here last night. He has been visiting at his home in Decatur, and is en route to Marlin to attend the annual session of the State Teachers' association, where he is to read a paper on the state school lands.

Mr. Terrell believes firmly in the actual settler and he believes the western part of the state is being benefited by the man who takes up state land and locates his home. In some parts of the west he is satisfied the actual settler can make a living on four sections of land. Of course, there are parts of the state where the land can be used only for stock grazing, and on that account four sections are not sufficient.

According to Mr. Terrell the state has sold 550,000 acres of land since January 1 last. This land is located in Andrews, Gaines, Martin, Yoakum, Terry and Lynn counties, and some of those counties bordering the Republic of Mexico, south of the Pecos river.

John F. Meyer of Houston, a merchant tailor of that city, is here looking about, and while he would not say so positively, it is believed he is prospecting with a view to some location. Mr. Meyer says he believes Fort Worth is one of the good business points of the state, and that it has a great future. He has been in Houston for about ten years, and had quite a large business there at one time.

J. B. Goodlett of Quanah, sole agent for the Sarnol fluid, which is being used extensively by the cattlemen, is in the city, a guest of the Worth. Mr. Goodlett makes frequent visits to this city, and he is an enthusiast when it comes to talking "cattle dipping." He has been convinced that the proper method of disinfecting has been discovered, and that the danger from cattle below the line is eliminated by the proper methods which are now being used.

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TIME TABLE

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS AT FORT WORTH TEXAS AND PACIFIC

WEST-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
4:45 pm—	1	St. Louis, Memphis, Fort Worth	.....
9:25 am—	3	Cannon Ball (St. L., N. O., El Paso)	9:45 am
7:45 pm—	5	Cannon Ball (St. L., to El Paso)	8:20 pm
11:05 am—	7	From Wills Point	.....
2:55 pm—	9	Dallas-Min'l Wells.	3:00 pm
5:15 am—	11	Dallas-Ft. Worth	.....
12:30 pm—	13	Dallas-Ft. Worth	.....
6:50 am—	103	Dallas-Ft. Worth	.....

EAST-BOUND.

.....—	2	St. L., Memphis-New Orleans	8:00 am
7:00 pm—	4	Colo., Memphis, St. Louis, N. Orleans	7:45 pm
7:00 am—	6	Cannon Ball (El Paso to St. Louis)—	7:45 am
.....—	8	To Wills Point	6:00 pm
10:30 am—	10	Min. Wells-Dallas	10:35 am
.....—	12	Dallas Local	9:25 am
.....—	14	Dallas Local	1:55 pm
.....—	102	To Dallas	9:30 pm

TRANSCONTINENTAL
(Texarkana, Sherman and Paris.)
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
.....—	32	Local	8:35 am
4:25 pm—	31	Local	.....

Texas and Pacific trains Nos. 5 and 6 stop at Texarkana, T. C. Junction, Atlanta, Jefferson, Marshall, Longview Junction, Big Sandy, Mineola, Wills Point, Terrell, Forney, East Dallas, Dallas and Fort Worth.

HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
1:35 pm—	83	North Texas Lim'd	.....
7:55 am—	85	Mail and Express	.....
11:50 am—	*93	Local Freight and Passenger	.....

SOUTH-BOUND.

.....—	84	South Texas Lim'd (Houston-Galves'n)	8:30 am
.....—	86	Mail and Express (Houston-Galves'n)	7:45 pm
.....—	*94	Local Freight and Passenger (Ennis)	1:05 pm

*Daily except Sunday.

INTERNATIONAL & GREAT NORTHERN
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
7:35 pm—	2	Mail and Express	.....
12:05 pm—	8	Ft. Worth Limited	.....

SOUTH-BOUND.

.....—	1	Mail and Express (Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston)	7:05 am
.....—	7	Houston and Galveston Limited	3:30 pm

FORT WORTH AND DENVER CITY
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
.....—	1	Mail and Express (Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver)	9:45 am
.....—	7	Amarillo Express	8:40 pm

SOUTH-BOUND.

5:10 pm—	2	Mail and Express	.....
7:25 am—	8	Amarillo Express	.....

FRISCO SYSTEM

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
10:55 am—	10	Meteor (Sherman, Denison, St. Louis, Kansas City)	11:15 am
6:00 am—	32	Mixed (Sherman)	6:00 am

SOUTH-BOUND.

2:55 pm—	9	Meteor (Brownw'd)	3:15 pm
7:35 pm—	35	Mixed (Brownwood and Brady)	9:30 pm

Trains Nos. 32 and 35 arrive at and depart from Hemphill street station. Other trains use Texas and Pacific station, foot of Main street.

MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
1:10 am—	16	Katy Flyer	8:35 am
10:55 am—	2	Kan. City Express	11:45 am
8:15 pm—	4	Kansas City Mail and Express	9:00 pm

SOUTH-BOUND.

7:45 pm—	15	Katy Flyer	8:15 pm
5:10 pm—	1	Waco Mail and Express	6:00 pm
7:00 am—	3	San Antonio and Houston Express	8:30 am

ROCK ISLAND SYSTEM
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
.....—	12	Fast Express (El Reno, Topeka, Denver, Chicago)	9:00 pm
.....	14	To Omaha and Mo. river points	8:30 am

SOUTH-BOUND.

7:10 am—	11	Fast Express (from Chicago, Denver)	.....
7:15 pm—	13	From Omaha and Mo. river points	.....

COTTON BELT ROUTE
WEST-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
1:20 pm—	5	From St. Louis and Memphis, through express	.....
6:50 am—	101	From Dallas, Memphis, Chicago	.....
5:05 pm—	103	From Texarkana, Pine Bluff and Arkansas	.....

EAST-BOUND.

.....—	6	To Memphis and St. Louis, through express	12:30 pm
.....—	102	To Dallas, Memphis and Chicago	9:30 pm
.....—	104	Texarkana, Pine B. and Arkansas	10:30 am

SANTA FE ROUTE
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
8:20 pm—	6	Day Express (Chicago, K. C. and Colorado points)	8:30 pm
7:20 am—	18	Limited (Chicago, K. C. and Colorado)	7:30 am

SOUTH-BOUND.

9:00 pm—	17	Limited (Galveston H'ston, San Anto.)	9:10 pm
7:55 am—	5	Day Express (Temple, Houston, Galveston)	8:05 am

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.

Fate of Childish Scrawls Received From All Over the Country.

No matter what some persons may say about the passing of childhood's dream of Santa Claus, the good old man of the chimney top is just as popular as he was fifty years ago, says the New York Herald.

The white haired clerk at the head of the inquiry department in the New York postoffice says so, and he ought to know. For fifty years he has been receiving the Santa Claus letters, and he declares the old man's correspondence this year far exceeds anything he has ever known. They are the same miscellaneous assortment of big and little envelopes disfigured with childish scrawls. They contain the same simple appeals to be remembered at Christmas time, and they will all be forwarded after New Year's to the dead letter office in Washington to be destroyed.

The first letter for Santa Claus this year came from Alaska. It was written in October and was addressed to "No. 120 Ice street, Frozetown, Central Park, Nuork." This was followed the next day by another from a little girl in New Mexico addressed to "Santa Claws, 2d snow house, Raindears dpt., Sparkletown, New York." Then they began coming by the score, addressed to Snow Mountain, Lapland, Cloudville in the Sky, Klondike avenue, Greenland, Icy Regions, Arctic Regions, North Pole, Snowtown, Ice County, Snow Hill, Central Park and a hundred other places where Santa Claus is supposed to live.

Somehow, no matter what the address may be, these letters seem to be forwarded to New York. First they go to the foreign department, where they are passed upon in a serious business-like way, and then they are turned over to the inquiry department, where they again receive the sober attention of the government clerks.

Occasionally a watchful father or mother intercepts the letter and places the name of the sender on the envelope, and all such letters are carefully returned, so that the parent may learn the particular request made of Santa Claus in time to see that the order is filled. Frequently little postscripts are scratched in corners of the envelopes as an afterthought. They are such messages as this: "Tommy would like a train of cars." One letter from a little girl in Maine informed Santa Claus on the outside of the envelope that "we have all been good since last Christmas."

POET STANTON'S SORROW.

Georgia Writer's Desk Condemned as a Menace by Fire Inspectors.

City fire inspectors in Atlanta have declared the desk of Frank L. Stanton, Georgia's poetic son of "Just From Georgia" fame, a menace to the business section of the city. With sorrowing eyes Stanton recently had his desk overturned and the letters and papers which covered it to a depth of more than a yard carted away.

True to the old newspaper legend, he avoided bad luck in sorting his papers, and they all went together. The unanswered letters of autograph hunters formed a part of the rubbish which the fire officials feared would start a conflagration in the Constitution building.

Stanton will not say how many years these papers have been accumulating. Once one was laid on the desk, its fate was sealed, as it was soon covered by another, which fared no better. All kinds of things, from morocco bound books to rats' nests, were found in the drawers of the desk, and all found common refuge in the junk paper yards.

Stanton will at once begin a new collection, to which autograph and photograph fiends the country over likely will be the chief contributors.

ELECTRIC LIGHT BATHS.

Latest London Fad Made Fashionable by King Edward.

King Edward is a great believer in the electric light baths, which he has had installed in all his residences in order to have them regularly, says a London cable dispatch to the New York World. He attributes his amazing health and vigor to them and to his observance of the dietetic rules laid down by a Marienbad specialist.

Consequently such baths have become fashionable, although some physicians consider their effects not sufficiently understood to be used indiscriminately.

The baths used by the king are of the double light variety, with a projector of 2,500 candle power, for use on local affections of the body. Inside the bath are fifty-two electric lamps, which radiate any colored light desired. This light not only permeates every part of the body, but has a sort of Turkish bath effect. The lights are of these colors which some scientists say have curative effects on certain ailments.

Christmas Night—Tired Out.

The yule logs burn to an ashen char;
The joys of the day assemble
Like beams that cling to a dying star,
While a wooden soldier dreams of war
On a Christmas bough a-tremble.

Still is the voice of the little child,
And sleep is come to capture
The painted beasts of the jungle wild
And the eyes that danced with glee and smiled
When the dawn awoke to rapture.

The last little bear in the picture book
His tale in the wood has spoken,
And tired eyes close on a last fond look
At the sweets and toys in niche and nook
Scattered and bent and broken.

Christmas fades from the weary eyes,
As day to her dark and dreaming,
But over the coals, in love's disguise,
Two hearts, like stars in the shadowy skies,
Are burning yet and beaming.

For sleep may come to the drowsy glee
And night to the love supernal,
But age in paternal ecstasy
And youth in the dreams of joy to be
Are immortal and eternal.
—New York Commercial Advertiser.

HELP WANTED—MALE

WORK—We pay 25c each for writing short, plain letters; particulars free. National Memorial Co., Columbus Grove, O.

SELL us your old feather beds and pillows. We pay top prices. Send postal, Simon Greenberg, city, will call.

WANTED—Five good newspaper solicitors at Telegram office. See Mr. Calkins.

SEVERAL persons of character and good reputation in each state to represent and advertise old established wealthy business houses of solid financial standing. Salary $21.00 weekly with expenses additional, all payable in cash direct each Wednesday from head offices. Horse and carriage furnished when necessary. References. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Colonial Co., 334 Dearborn st., Chicago.

WANTED—For the U. S. Army. Able-bodied, unmarried men between the ages of 21 to 35, citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information, apply to Recruiting Officer, 345 Main st., Dallas; 1300 Main st., Fort Worth; 306½ Austin st., Waco, Tex., or 218½ Main st., Oklahoma, Okla.

CIGAR SALESMAN WANTED—Cigar salesman in your locality for city and country trade; experience unnecessary; $60 per month and expenses; inclose stamp for particulars. Pioneer Cigar Co., Dept. 130, Toledo, Ohio.

SPECIAL NOTICES

PHONE 2171, Mitchell & Mitchell, 1418 Oak Grove street, for wood, coal and all kinds of feed. Prompt service and satisfaction guaranteed.

FRISCO TAILORING COMPANY, 1211½ Main street. Why send to Chicago or other northern points when we will do your work for less money? Special rates on pants. Clearing, dying and repairing neatly done, at any old price. All work guaranteed.

FOR ONE DOLLAR A MONTH THE FORT WORTH JANITORIUM presses four suits and shines your shoes every day. Steam cleaning and dyeing. Ladies' work a specialty. Clothes called for and delivered. Phone 1588. 111 W. Sixth street. B. D. KEITH, Manager.

IS IT furniture you want?
It is furniture we have.
Is it prices you desire?
It is prices we give.
For prices and terms, always the lowest, when others haven't got it, see Nix, the furniture man, 302-4 Houston st. Phone us for your want.

W. H. WILLE—Fire, tornado and plate glass insurance. 601 Main street, Fort Worth, Texas. Telephone 1800.

M VOLINO, bridge carpenter, can secure a certain note and book, by describing same and paying for this notice. A. B. Collins, at King's Chile Parlor.

HOUSE FURNISHERS—We rent goods. We furnish your home complete, on easy payments. A few bargains this week: Chiffoniers, $10 to $35; sideboards, $12 to $50; folding beds, $15 to $75; cook stoves, 10 to $25; steel ranges, $30 to $50. Ten per cent cash and balance on small payment—a little at a time is all we ask. Ladd Furniture and Carpet Company, 704-6 Houston street. Phone 562.

TOOL'S wood yards, corner 14th and Throckmorton and 19th and Elm. For prompt service in anything in wood line. Cord, chunks, range and stove. Phone 525.

ACCORDION PLAITING by Mrs. Kate Wolfe. Skirts replaited at 200 S. Rusk.

THOS. DILLIARD, cabinet maker and fixture dealer. Sells plate glass and show cases, Flemish oak furniture made to order, mirrors resilvered and furniture repaired. 1304 Jennings ave. Phone 727-2 rings.

PERSONAL

I AM EXTENDING my business and must have second-hand goods to meet the demand of my installment and rental customers. I also exchange new goods for old and, therefore, will pay more for second-hand furniture and stoves than any other dealer in the city. IXL Second-Hand Store, corner First and Houston streets. Phone 1329.

DR. TAYLOR (Colored)—Specialist in genito-urinary diseases. 112 W. 11th st.

DR. J. R. SINGLETON, Dentist—Crowns and bridgework, $4; work guaranteed. Office, 703½ Main street.



I CAN straighten cross eyes with my glasses. Nothing else, or your money back. That's fair isn't it? Dr. T. J. Williams, Scientific Refractionist, 315 Houston st.

DR. GARRISON, Dentist. Corner Fourth and Main streets. Phone 729-4 rings.

CHARACTER masks for masquerades; all characters. 805 Houston street. Mrs. Wallace.

MRS. DR. G. W. SMEED, scientific and magnetic healer, is permanently located at 303 E. First street. Terms reasonable. Consultation free.

DR. JOHN D. NEAL, the veterinary surgeon, treats diseases of domestic animals, surgical operations and dentistry a specialty. Residence, 515 W. Daggett ave. Phone 183.

JOHN T. ARNOLD, veterinary surgeon, treats all diseases animals are subject to. Terms reasonable. Free examination at barn. 14th and Rusk. Phone 351.

WANTED BOARDERS

FOR first class room and board, phone 2011.

MINERAL WATERS

FOR FRESH mineral waters, "Crazy" and "Gibson," delivered promptly phone 2167, J. S. Lee, agt., 1002 Houston st.

THESE

Classified Advertising Columns of THE TELEGRAM solve the little problems of daily life before such problems have a chance to

GROW BIG

FOR SALE

N. A. CUNNINGHAM, Furniture and Stoves; easy terms or cheap for cash.

A FEW SECOND HAND PIANOS, cheap, at Ross-Armstrong Company, 711 Houston street.

WATERMAN IDEAL FOUNTAIN PENS At CONNER'S BOOK STORE 707 Houston St., Fort Worth.

ONE OF THE FINEST ranches in the state for sale by W. H. Graham, Cuero, Texas.

FOR SALE—Finest of grass land, farms, truck gardens, city and suburb property; for exchange farms, ranches, houses, lots, merchandise, vendors' lien paper. E. T. Odom & Co., real estate and merchandise brokers, 310 Houston street. Phone 771-2 rings.

WE HAVE several homes to sell for less than improvements cost. Will sell homes on small monthly payments. Farms to exchange for city property. J. E. Eggleston & Bro., 613½ Main. Telephone 1528-2 r.

FOR SALE—One stick seat, steel tire, runabout; cheap. See J. A. Clary at Nobby Harness Company.

THE LARGEST STOCK of new Pianos at Ross-Armstrong Company's Music Store in Texas.

FOR SALE—Four-room house on one acre of good land, with well of fine water; for only $430. Homes on small monthly payments. Twephone J. E. Eggleston & Bro., 613½ Main street.

Old feather beds and pillows wanted. Send postal, Simon Greenberg, city. Will call.

$350 WILL buy beautiful Chickering & Sons upright piano, good as new, formerly cost $750. Alex Hirschfeld, 812 Houston street.

HAVE FROM ONE TO THIRTY cars strictly choice hay for sale at $5.50 per ton, and one to ten cars good packing hay at $3.25 per ton, f. o. b. cars. N. P. Teague, Rosenberg, Texas.

FOR SALE—One of the most desirable homes on southwest side, two-story, plastered house, all modern conveniences. Corner lot, 100x150, east front. Terms, part cash, part on time, part for city real estate. A bargain for a few days only. Byers & Trice.

FOR SALE—Punching machine, Mills make, almost new. Can be seen at 1214 Main. J. W. Hermans.

FINANCIAL

Thomas D. Ross, Pres. Tillman W. Sydnor, Secy.

Texas Securities Co., Land Title Block, 412 Rusk Street, Fort Worth.

Loans on Farms, Ranches and City Real Estate.

Vendor's Lien Notes taken up and extended.

LOANS on farms and improved city property. W. T. Hamble, representing Land Mortgage Bank of Texas, Board of Trade building.

MONEY TO LOAN on farms and ranches by the W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co., corner Seventh and Houston sts.

MISCELLANEOUS

BEST DENTISTRY—Dr. Crenshaw, Seventh and Houston streets, Dundee building.

STEAM RENOVATING WORKS—Carpets, Rugs, Feathers and Mattresses renovated. Scott's Renovating Works. Phone 147-1 ring.

FOR ALL kinds of scavenger work, phone 918. Lee Taylor.

HARNESS washed, oiled and repaired. Nobby Harness Co., J. A. Clary, mgr., 600 Houston street. Phone 86 2 rings.

TO EXCHANGE—Fine cash paying business, clear of incumbrance and paying good profits; will trade for land or small city property. Address Deal, Telegram.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Yellow Jersey milk cow, dehorned. Reward. Phone 882-1r.

LOST—One large bay horse. Deliver to 214 E. 3rd st., corner Calhoun, or telephone 1803-4 rings and get reward.

LOST—A silver watch with burnt leather fob, name Lillian on back of case. Finder leave at this office and receive reward.

LOST—One tan Russia kid glove, on 3rd, between opera house and Main. Please return to this office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Candidates for Municipal Offices Announced Subject to the Action of the Democratic Primaries, January 12, 1904.

FIRST WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce W. H. Ward as a candidate for re-election as alderman of the First ward, city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries, January 12, 1904.

SECOND WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce B. L. Waggoman as a candidate for re-election as alderman of the Second ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries January 12, 1904.

The Telegram is authorized to announce B. J. Houston as a candidate for alderman from the Second ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held January 12, 1904.

THIRD WARD

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

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

FOURTH WARD

Thanking the voters of the Fourth ward of the city of Fort Worth for past courtesies, and appreciating election in the past, I hereby announce myself a candidate for renomination as alderman from that ward, subject to the action of the democratic primaries, January 12, 1904.

Respectfully,
J. F. LEHANE.

FIFTH WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce M. M. Lydon as a candidate for re-election as alderman from the Fifth ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the democratic primaries, January 12, 1904.

SEVENTH WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce J. F. Henderson as a candidate for re-election as Alderman of the Seventh ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries, January 12, 1904.

EIGHTH WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce J. F. Zurn as a candidate for alderman from the Eighth ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries, January 12, 1904.

NINTH WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce Clarence Wallace as a candidate for alderman in the Ninth ward, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

ROOMS FOR RENT

FURNISHED rooms for light housekeeping, on South Side; references exchanged. Address B., care Fort Worth Telegram.

FOR RENT—Nice room, furnished, all modern conveniences. 915 Taylor. Phone 1351.

FOR RENT—Two nice unfurnished rooms, well ventilated. 1314 Houston st.

FOR RENT—One furnished room at 507 W. 3rd st.

WANTED TO BUY

Sell us your old feather beds and pillows. We pay top prices. Send postal, Simon Greenberg, city, will call.

TEN cars of bones, old iron, etc. City Junk Co., corner Weatherford and Rusk. Phone 2429-1 ring.

OLD feather beds and pillows wanted. Send postal, Simon Greenberg, city. Will call.

EDUCATIONAL

W. W. HEATHCOTT, M. A., elocution, oratory, dramatic art. 403 Houston.

DRAUGHON'S Practical Business College, Board of Trade building, corner Seventh and Houston streets. Phone 2067. J. T. Brantley, manager. This college is one of a chain of ten colleges. Incorporated for $300,000.00 capital stock. Call or send for catalogue.

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FOR RENT

H. C. Jewell Sr. H. Veal Jewell. H. C. JEWELL & SON, The rental agents of the city, 1000 Houston street.

NOTICE—That I am now rental agent for Union lodge, No. 318, of the I. O. O. F., at 603½ Main street, and any one wishing to rent or pay rent can find me at 706½ Main street. Phone 840. W. W. Haggard of the firm of Haggard & Duff.

FOR RENT—A 5-room completely furnished house. Apply 406 Ballinger street.

TO RENT—6-room flat, 1410 Houston street at $20 per month. Water furnished. J. F. Moore.

FOR RENT—Twenty-five by 75 feet, corner of Tenth and Houston streets; also 20x50 feet on Tenth street, between Houston and Throckmorton. Apply, Heaton, Bury & Co., real estate agents.

FOR RENT—Six-room house, 1 block from car line, $18. Phone 2262.

EXACT KNOWLEDGE OF MEXICO

Is a sealed book to most people in the United States; yet it is the most attractive neighbor America has. Its fertile soil produces cotton, corn, tobacco and tropical fruits in abundance, while its mining regions are rich in treasure. There are but five cities in the Republic of Mexico not reached by the Mexican Central Railway. Excursion tickets sold the year round with nine months' limit and stop-over privileges.

Write for "Facts and Figures" about Mexico. "Neuva Galicia" or folders, map, etc., to

W. D. MURDOCK, General Passenger Agent, Mexico City.
J. T. WHALEN, G. W. P. A., 713-14 Bank of Commerce Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

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R-I-P-A-N-S Tabules Doctors find A good prescription For mankind.

The 5-cent packet is enough for an ordinary occasion. The family bottle (price 60 cents) contains a supply for a year.

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SCHEDULE OF SLEEPER

Lv. FORT WORTH	.....	9:10 P. M.
Lv. TEMPLE	.....	3:00 A. M.
Ar. SAN ANGELO	.....	12:45 P. M.
Lv. SAN ANGELO	.....	3:30 P. M.
Ar. TEMPLE	.....	1:30 A. M.
Ar. FORT WORTH	.....	7:20 A. M.

SLEEPING CAR RATE
Bet. Fort Worth and San Angelo, $1.25
Bet. Temple and San Angelo....$1.00
W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A., GALVESTON, TEXAS.

CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS
Original and Only Genuine.
SAFE. Always reliable. Ladies, ask Druggist for CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH in RED and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refuse Dangerous Substitutions and Imitations. Buy of your Druggist, or send 4c. in stamps for Particulars, Testimonials and "Relief for Ladies," in letter, by return Mail. 10,000 Testimonials. Sold by all Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Mention this paper. Madison Square, PHILA., PA.

City Express Co.

We furnish Transfer Wagons, Hacks and Messenger Boys at all hours.

Phone 161

WATCH FOR THE HEADLESS ITEM.

READY REFERENCE LIST

Fort Worth Business Concerns that The Telegram Recommends to the Readers of the Paper.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Fort Worth, Texas.
Capital Stock, Surplus and Undivided Profits, $600,000.
M. B. Loyd, pres.; W. E. Connell, cash.; D. C. Bennett, vice-pres.; W. P. Andrews, ass't. cash.; H. L. Gahagan, 2d ass't cashier. Directors—M. B. Loyd, D. C. Bennett, W. E. Connell, Geo. Jackson, Zane-Cetti, S. B. Burnett, R. K. Wylie, R. B. Masterson, J. L. Johnson, G. T. Reynolds, W. T. Waggoner, G. H. Connell, John Scharbauer.

Fort Worth Machine and Foundry Co.
Engineers, Founders and Machinists.
Architectural Iron Work, Railroad and Bridge Castings, Well Drilling Machines and tools, Horse Powers, Pumping Jacks, Hydraulic Cylinders, Head Trees and Other Repairs for Cotton Oil Mills and Refrigerating Plants.

Anchor Mills BEST FLOUR
THE "BEST" FLOUR

ORDINANCE NO. 891

An ordinance to prevent oil wagons from dripping oil on the streets of the city of Fort Worth—

Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Fort Worth:

Section 1. That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to haul oil upon any of the paved streets of the city of Fort Worth in any vehicle which has a faucet for drawing the oil from such vehicle, unless there is provided for such faucet a good and sufficient drip pan to keep any and all oil that may drop from the said faucet in such manner that the same cannot and will not be dripped or spilt from the said drip pan upon any of the said paved streets of the said city of Fort Worth.

Sec. 2. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than five dollars and not more than one hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this ordinance take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Filed December 18, 1903.
JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

Passed under suspension of the rules December 18, 1903.
JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

Recorded in ordinance book E, page 79, December 21, 1903.
JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

This ordinance not having been approved nor disapproved by the mayor within three days after its passage, as required by the charter, takes effect the same as if approved.
JNO. T. MONTGOMERY, City Secretary.

NOTICE

I will sell for storage charges December 31, at 10 a. m., at public sale to the highest bidder, household goods of Vina Jackson, Jerry Muse, Liza Bowlan and George Cribb. G. W. WILLS, 1310 Houston street.

Bound Electric Co.
For Electrical Goods and House Wiring, Get Our Bid
1006 Houston St. Phone 837

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A POSITIVE CURE
For Inflammation or Catarrh of the Bladder and Diseased Kidneys. No cure no pay. Cures quickly and Permanently the worst cases of Gonorrhoea and Gleet, no matter of how long standing. Absolutely harmless. Sold by druggists. Price $1.00, or by mail, postpaid, $1.00, 2 boxes, $2.75.
THE SANTAL-PEPSIN CO., DES MOINES, IOWA.
Sold by Weaver Pharmacy, 504 Main St.

MEN Young, Middle Aged and Elderly.—If you are sexually weak, no matter from what cause; undeveloped; have stricture, varicocele, etc., MY PERFECTION APPLIANCE will cure you without drugs or electricity. 75,000 cures and developed. 10 DAYS' TRIAL. Send for free booklet. Sent sealed. Guaranteed. Write today. R. V. EMMET, 208 Tabor Blk., Denver, Col.

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WILLIE WAS MINUS.

Willie Sappley—Today I thought of two things at once. I wonder if we have two brains?

Vera Smarte—Well, between you and me, Mr. Sappley, I think we have only one.

MISSES FACTS BY MARGIN OF TWENTY-FOUR

Dallas Paper Tries to Answer Question Regarding Fort Worth's Train Service and Employs Peculiar Addition

The Dallas News of Sunday published the following statement in giving a comparison of the trains in and out of Fort Worth and Dallas:

1. How many different trains has Fort Worth, and what are they? 2. How many different trains has Dallas, and what are they?

Fort Worth has 41 passenger trains each day. They are Rock Island 2, Houston and Texas Central 3, St. Louis and San Francisco 2, Fort Worth and Denver City 2, Fort Worth and Rio Grande 2, Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe 4, Missouri, Kansas and Texas 6, Cotton Belt 3, Texas and Pacific 13, International and Great Northern 4. Dallas has 54 passenger trains each day. They are Rock Island 2, Cotton Belt 10, Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe 6, Missouri, Kansas and Texas 8, Texas and New Orleans 2, Houston and Texas Central 8, Texas and Pacific 18.

The facts are Fort worth has 78 trains daily, in and out, to and from the Texas and Pacific union station and the Santa Fe-Central depot, while Dallas, taking the News estimate, has only 54, a majority of 24 trains daily in favor of Fort Worth, and yet in the face of these undisputable facts, the News claims to have more passenger trains daily than Fort Worth.

THE LIST

Following is the correct list of passenger trains in and out of Fort Worth every twenty-four hours:

Rock Island 4, Red River, Texas and Southern 4, Houston and Texas Central 6, Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe 8, Fort Worth and Denver City 4, Missouri, Kansas and Texas 12, Cotton Belt 6, Texas and Pacific 26 (four of which are Cotton Belt trains), International and Great Northern 4. Grand total, 78.

In this connection it may be stated that Fort Worth has more daily passenger trains than any other city in the state, with Houston second and Dallas third.

ELLIS & GREN,
Real Estate. 708 Main Stret Phone 1922

FAILED TO GET TRAIN IN TIME

T. D. Wagner, Hurrying to Mother's Bedside, is Too Late

T. D. Wagner of Oklahoma, formerly a Texan, was here last night en route to Marshall.

Mr. Wagner was at one time station agent at Quanah. He has many friends in this state. He has been in business a number of years at some point in Oklahoma, and was passing through here en route to Marshall to attend the bedside of his mother. He failed to get a train out last night and before he left this morning he received a message advising him of her death. He continued on the journey to attend the funeral.

LITTLE BOY ARRESTED

14-Year-Old Lad Charged With Robbing Mail Boxes

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Elmer Barney, an orphan, aged 14 years, was arrested charged with robbing mail boxes at the post-office last night.

SUPPLIES ARE RUSHED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Nearly a train load of army supplies, hospital tents and blankets arrived here under rush orders from Omaha to the superintendent of the transport service of this city.



A DIFFERENCE.

Miss Antique reminds me of a flower."
"The rosebush?"
"No; the century plant."

MAPLES PICKS PRISONER OUT

Wolfe City Man Says He Thinks Officers Have Fellow Who Got His Money

F. A. Maples of Wolfe City, Hunt county, arrived in the city last night and has positively identified one of the men arrested by Chief of Detective Potts, as being implicated in the robbery which occurred in this city several weeks ago.

It will be remembered that The Telegram Sunday morning told of the arrest of two suspects by Chief Detective Potts. These suspects were believed to be the men who have been working the buffalo game in Fort Worth. Mr. Maples, who lost $45 by the operation of the confidence men, was communicated with, and arrived last night. He was taken to the city hall, and several prisoners were brought out. Among them were the two suspects, and Maples picked out one of them as the man who got his money. The man gave his name as McWilliams.

Mr. Maples said this morning: "I am satisfied the man I picked out is the fellow who got my money, $45. I propose to prosecute him to the end. It costs a little money to come over here and attend the trial, but I am willing to spend it to have such people punished. I lost my money, and I do not want such men to be at large where they can continue their operations."

Mr. Maples could not identify the other man positively.

HOGS PLENTIFUL SAYS GEO. PRATT

Head Buyer For Armour Says Millions Will Be Received During January

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—"Hogs! Why the country is full of them," said George Pratt, chief of the Armour force, today. "Wait until after the holidays and you will see them coming by the million.

"If we do not get more than a million hogs at Chicago in January and 800,000 in February I'll be willing to take a back seat as a hog forecaster.

"Go lower! Of course they will. The country both west and east of Chicago is full of them. High prices established last year stimulated production and market receipts from now on will show it."

ANOTHER VIEW

Stock yards talent does not agree with Mr. Pratt, whose judgment, however, on porcine matters is not usually at fault. The talent is looking for 5 cent not 4 cent droves in January, advancing the arguments that corn is scarce and high priced; that few cattle are being fed and that hog growers are displaying anxiety to cash in. Consequently, they say, the bulk of the season's crop will be marketed as light weights and the portly "fat back" or lard hog will naturally go to a premium.

MR. PRATT REPLIES

Mr. Pratt listened to this logic by the talent and replied:

"Fallacious arguments. We always get a flood of light hogs at this season. It is cleaning up time."

Simon O'Donnell of the Pittsburg Provision Company and general manager of the Pittsburg Stock Yards, a visitor here, reports a big crop in Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York.

EUNICE FERRELL IS BOUND OVER

Woman Who Admits Shooting Dave Gay Still Held—Suspects in Custody

J. W. McWilliams and N. Dixen, the two young men who were arrested Saturday evening by Chief Detective Steve Potts, on the charge of "flim-flamming," via the "Buffalo" route, F. A. Maples, were brought before Justice John L. Tercell this morning.

By mutual agreement McWilliams was permitted to waive preliminary examination and his bond fixed at $750.

The case against Dixen was passed until Tuesday morning. Dixen is being held as a suspect.

Maples, it will be recalled, was relieved of $45 in greenbacks on the 29th of November, in the vicinity of the Jennings avenue viaduct, by two young men, one of whom he says is McWilliams, who, he alleges, impersonated an officer, intimidated him and then took from him the $45.

The scheme by which Maples was relieved of his cash was given in The Telegram Sunday morning.

Maples is a young farmer, living near Wolf City, on the Denver road. He says he is willing to lose his $45 if he can be the means of convicting the men who defrauded him.

EUNICE FERRELL CASE

Eunice Ferrell, the woman who admits shooting Day Gay Saturday night at her room, was taken before Justice Rowland this morning, but waived preliminary hearing and was released on a $300 bail.

This action was taken pending the results of the wound inflicted on Gay, who is still alive with a fair chance of recovery.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Christmas continues to be observed in the different courts, no sessions being held today.

Judge Milam of the county court will this afternoon hear motions.

District Clerk Martin, after a slight illness, is at his desk again.

WOODMEN WILL COME TO TEXAS

Sovereign Officials of W. O. W. Will Tour the State Next Month

Sovereign officers of the Woodmen of the World will start on a tour of Texas beginning Jan. 11, on which date the party will come within the borders of the state. The first stop will be at Paris, Jan. 21, and other cities will be visited as follows: Texarkana, 13th; Tyler, 14th; Marshall, 15th; Dallas 16th; Cleburne, 18th; Fort Worth, 19th; Hillsboro, 20th; Waco, 21st; Austin, 22d; Houston, 23d; Yoakum, 25th and San Antonio, 26th.

HEADED BY FOUNDER

The delegation will be headed by Joseph Cullen Root, the founder of Woodcraft, and the present sovereign commander. The others in the party will be: John T. Yates, sovereign clerk; B. W. Jewell, chairman sovereign finance committee; Dr. Ira W. Porter, sovereign physician; W. A. Fraser, sovereign manager and head consul jurisdiction C. This is the first official visit that has been paid to the state of Texas by the sovereign officers of the order, and great preparations are being made by the membership to give them an enthusiastic welcome.

The railroads have promised special rates to each of the above meetings and as the Woodmen have over 65,000 members in Texas, it will be difficult to find halls large enough to accommodate those who desire to listen to the words of eloquence from the visitors.

HENRIETTA BANK RECEIVER NAMED

R. L. Van Zandt of This City Succeeds Temporary Receiver Weir

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The comptroller of currency has appointed R. L. Van Zandt of Fort Worth receiver for the Farmers National bank of Henrietta, Texas, which closed its doors November 19, and which has since then been in the hands of Bank Examiner Weir as temporary receiver.

Mr. Van Zandt, who has been appointed receiver for the bank, is a resident of Fort Worth, and is a son of Major K. M. Van Zandt of this city. He is in the insurance business in this city, and the appointment came as a surprise to him. He will go to Henrietta tomorrow morning to look into the affairs.

DENVER'S NEW COAL CHUTE

The Denver road is putting in a coal chute at Seventeenth street.

During all the years the Denver road has been operated the coal for the motive power at Fort Worth has been handled by hand. Recently the company purchased property on Seventeenth street which is located between the tracks, and a coal chute is being put in. The incline starts at Seventeenth street and runs north. It will be a great convenience in the future in handling coal.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

H. M. Levinson of Toyah, who has charge of the track of the Texas and Pacific west from Toyah to El Paso, is in the city.

H. M. Jack, assistant superintendent of bridges and building of the International and Great Northern railway, is in the city having his eyes treated. He hopes to be from under the care of the surgeon in the next two weeks.

TWO FROZEN TO DEATH

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Dec. 28.—Tim Tompson was found yesterday frozen to death in his cabin at Bennett's Fork. Tompson is supposed to have been overtaken by a blizzard Saturday and took refuge in the cabin. In Stony Creek valley near here the body of William Wilson of Cincinnati was found yesterday frozen stiff.

NO MORE VICTIMS TODAY

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 28.—There were no further deaths at the hospitals among the injured in Saturday night's wreck on the Pere Marquette railroad. Only one of twenty-three dead still remains to be identified. He is a man with the initials A. J. K. on his cuff, but with no other mark to identify him.

TOEPPERWEIN'S WORK

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 28.—Adolph Toepperwein yesterday, with a Winchester rifle, made a score of 4,954 out of 5,000 wooden blocks 1 3-4 by 1 7-8 inches thrown in the air. The marksman made a run of 1,165 hits. The weather was unfavorable, the wind blowing in fitful gusts.

MUNSEY VAUGHN KILLING

LAWTON, O. T., Dec. 28.—William Ridley and A. Tucker, who, it is alleged, killed Munsey Vaughn on November 26 and waived examination, will have their preliminary hearing on December 30 before Judge Gillette. The attorney wants to get these men out on bond, and the judge ruled that they would first have to have their preliminary examination before he could decide upon it.

We Offer $1,000

For a Disease Germ That Liquozone Can't Kill.

On every bottle of Liquozone we publish an offer of $1,000 for a germ that it cannot kill. We do that to convince you that liquid oxygen does kill germs.

Any drug that kills germs is a poison to you and it cannot be taken internally. Liquozone alone can kill germs in the body without killing the tissues, too. It is the only way known—the only way one can conceive of—to destroy the cause of any germ disease.

Kills With Oxygen

Liquozone is simply liquid oxygen—no drugs, no alcohol in it. It is the discovery of Pauli, the great German chemist, who spent twenty years on it. His object was to get such an excess of oxygen in staple form into the blood that no germ could live in any membrane or tissue.

Oxygen is life to an animal—the very source of vitality. It is the essential part of air. It is Nature's greatest tonic. But germs are vegetables, and this excess of oxygen—the very life of an animal—is deadly to vegetable matter. Liquozone charges the blood with such an excess of oxygen that no germ can live where that blood goes. We spend fourteen days in making each bottle.

We Paid $100,000

for the American rights to Liquozone—the highest price ever paid for similar rights on any scientific discovery. Before making the purchase we tested the product for years through physicians in the most difficult germ cases.

We proved that Liquozone does what nothing else in the world can accomplish, and that the results are unvarying.

A discovery that could command such a price is something you should know, if you need it. We are doing our part by supplying the first bottle free. Will you do your part by requesting it?

Germ Diseases

These are the known germ diseases. All that medicine can do for these troubles is to help Nature overcome the germs, and such results are indirect and uncertain. Liquozone kills the germs, whatever they are, and the results are inevitable. By destroying the cause of the trouble, it invariably ends the disease, and forever.

Asthma	Hay Fever
Abscess—Anemia	Influenza
Bronchitis	Kidney Diseases
Blood Poison	La Grippe
Bright's Disease	Leucorrhea
Bowel Troubles	Liver Troubles
Coughs—Colds	Malaria
Consumption	Neuralgia
Colic—Croup	Many Heart Troubles
Constipation	Piles—Pneumonia
Catarrh—Cancer	Pleurisy—Quinsy
Dysentery	Rheumatism
Diarrhea	Skin Diseases
Dandruff—Dropsy	Scrofula—Syphilis
Dyspepsia	Stomach Troubles
Eczema	Throat Troubles
Erysipelas	Tuberculosis
Fevers	Tumors—Ulcers
Gall Stones	Varicocele
Goitre—Gout	Women's Diseases
Gonorrhea—Gleet	

All diseases that begin with fever, all inflammation—all catarrh—all contagious diseases—all the results of impure or poisoned blood.

In nervous debility Liquozone acts as a vitalizer, accomplishing what no drugs can do.

50c Bottle Free

If you need Liquozone, and have never tried it, please send us this coupon. We will then mail you an order on your local druggist for a full-size bottle, and we will pay your druggist ourselves for it. This is our free gift, made to convince you; to show you what Liquozone is, and what it can do. In justice to yourself, please accept it today, for it places you under no obligation whatever.

Liquozone costs 50c and $1.

CUT OUT THIS COUPON

for this offer may not appear again. Fill out the blanks and mail it to the Liquid Ozone Co., 221-229 E. Kinzie St., Chicago.

My disease is.....

I have never tried Liquozone, but you will supply me a 50c bottle free I will take it.

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Give full address—write plainly.

Any physician or hospital not yet using Liquozone will be gladly supplied for a test.

Fort Worth As It Is Today

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

Fort Worth possesses the purest water in the world. It is artesian and is obtained by a tunnel system from 900 feet below the earth's surface.

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

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

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

If you are interested in Fort Worth, read the following:

Population, 43,000.
Good newspapers.
Rural mail routes.
Free kindergartens.
A $100,000 city hall.
A healthful climate.
Beautiful residences.
A $75,000 county jail.
Many women's clubs.
The Commercial Club.
Five artificial ice plants.
Four express companies.
Reasonable city taxation.
Forty acres of public park.
Eighteen wholesale houses.
Several messenger services.
Annual business $30,000,000.
A $500,000 county courthouse
Four railroad machine shops.
Bank deposits over $5,000,000.
A teachers' training institute.
Two local telephone systems.
The natural live stock market.
Five loan and trust companies.
Seventy miles of water mains.
Over 150 miles of public streets.
A $50,000 public library building.
Twenty hotels of various grades.
Bradstreet's Commercial Agency.
Freedom from labor disturbances.
Annual pay rolls of over $4,000,000.
Several energetic historical societies.
Sixty-eight passenger trains, all daily.
Two long-distance telephone systems.
The finest Country Club in the South.
Real estate valuation about $17,000,000.
Seven national and two savings banks.
One company of Texas National Guard.
The Board of Trade, with 295 members.
Many philanthropic and charity societies.
A splendid surrounding agricultural region.
The gateway to the panhandle and the west.
R. G. Dun & Co. report 950 business houses.
Unsurpassed advantages as a business center.
Unrivaled facilities as a manufacturing center.
A commodious and well-equipped natatorium.
Over forty-five miles of underground sewerage.
Five and two-thirds square miles of territory.
A $175,000 postoffice building, about to be enlarged.
Sixty-eight miles of paved public thoroughfares.
Postal and Western Union Telegraph companies.
Unequaled attractions as a place of residence.
One handsome theater and several vaudeville houses.
Headquarters of only literary magazine published in Texas.
More fraternal organizations than any city of its size in the south.
Most efficient police force of any city in the state.
Lowest per centage of losses by fire for any city of the size in the south.
There are three state banks in Texas. One of them is located in Fort Worth.
Population of over 100,000 reached by electric car service.
One extensive gas and three large electric lighting companies.
The largest and costliest freight depot of any city of its size.
A $100,000 steel viaduct across the Texas and Pacific reservation.
Two well-equipped hospitals and a third one in course of construction.
Forty-two church edifices, nearly all of striking architectural beauty.
Young Men's Christian Association, about to erect a costly structure.
Twenty-two miles of modern street car lines, not including the Interurban line.
A newly formed merchants' and wholesalers' association, with fifty-six members.
A kindling factory, where prepared kindling for making quick fires, is manufactured.
One of the seven complete roundhouses in the United States and four other roundhouses.
The finest passenger station in the world for a city of its size; also a second fine passenger station.
Over 200 artesian wells, supplying pure water for domestic, factory and fire protection purposes.
The home of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, the richest association of cattlemen in the world, the National association not excepted.
A paid fire department of eight companies which is the most thoroughly trained department in the southwest.
Medical department of Fort Worth University which has graduated 1,200 students in the past ten years.
Headquarters of the Eleventh division of the Railway Mail service comprising Texas, Arkansas, Indian Territory and Louisiana.
Many clubs devoted to social, athletic, literary, musical and dramatic objects, panies, forming the best fire department in the southwest, besides several factory besides a large number of lesser social organization.
Twelve public and one parochial schools, all of high order; the Fort Worth University, Polytechnic College, St. Ignatius' Academy for girls and several business colleges.

A chance for Telegram subscribers to win a Five Dollar prize. See announcement elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

Drake's Palmetto Wine.

For Indigestion, Flatulency, Constipation and Catarrh of the Mucous Membranes. Every case is cured absolutely with one dose a day; gives immediate relief and cures to stay cured. Seventy-five cents at Drug Stores for a large bottle, usual dollar size, but a trial bottle will be sent free and prepaid to every reader of this paper who needs it and writes for it. Address your letter or postal card to Drake Formula Company, Drake Building, Chicago, Ill.

NEW PHONES BEING TESTED BY OPERATORS

The Independent Company Expects to Commence Operations in This City Friday

The Texas Telephone company announces that its system in this city will be in operation January 1 and that at that time there will be about 1,050 phones in use in Fort Worth.

Manager James Keenan of the company has a force of operators in the new building on Throckmorton street today making the preliminary tests on the phones. These preliminary tests will continue every day until Friday, and Friday it is expected to start the new plant for future business. There are about 500 phones in at the places of the subscribers, and they are being installed at the rate of 100 per day.

SUES HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 28.—W. W. Cassiday, a merchant of Winterset, has commenced a suit against his mother-in-law in the district court here to recover $5,000 for alleged alienation of his wife's affections. The mother-in-law, Mrs. Ernest C. Draeger, and her husband, who is jointly sued, reside in this city. Mr. Cassiday has been married about a year. He avers his wife's parents set about it to win her from him and so far succeeded that last April she left her home in Winterset and came to live with them in Des Moines.

Blue or black Kersey overcoat, $3.85. $10.00 and $12.50 Men's suits for $7.45. $2.50 and $3.00 pants for $2.00.
L. GORDON, 1513 Main St.



Congress—Allow me to introduce my Bill.

Uncle Sam—Something familiar in the appearance—'pears to me we've met before.