STOPPED TOO SOON

The president of a big trust which failed recently says: "I believe the failure can be directly traced to stopping our advertising campaign at a critical time." Only persistent publicity wins.

Appeal in Northern Securities Case Reaches Supreme Court

FORT WORTH TELEGRAM

TABLOID NEWS

Barratry proceedings will not be pushed—San Antonio plumbers win strike—First snow of season predicted—Unusual number of fatalities on railroads—Keech given bail at Memphis.

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BARRATRY

Proceedings in the United States District Court in This City

HELD IN ABEYANCE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

By Committee Appointed to Prosecute Alleged Violations of the Law

JUDGE MEEK ASSENTS BUT RETAINS EVIDENCE

And Promises Vigorous Prosecution if Proof of Continuance Is Furnished—Again Scores Practice Severely

Some time before the federal court opened this morning it became known that the committee recently appointed by Judge Edward R. Meek to inquire into the alleged barratrous practices by members of the Fort Worth bar, had prepared a report and that the matter would come up, so that there was expectancy when Judge Meek entered the court room.

After the prayer opening court Judge Meek said: "I have received report from the committee of the bar recently appointed by me to take up and consider the report of the grand jury regarding barratrous practices. I have formulated an answer. I will first read the report, and then the answer."

There was every attention paid as Judge Meek read. The report and answer are here given:

THE COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Hon. Edward R. Meek, Judge of the United States Circuit and District Courts, Northern District of Texas:

We, your committee appointed by your honor's order of Dec. 9, 1903, and charged with the duty "to prepare and bring in appropriate complaints looking to disbarment of the attorneys implicated by the report of the grand jury" of your honor's court, beg to say, that each member of the committee has at all times desired and still desires to maintain that high standard of the legal profession which it is your honor's wish and purpose to secure, preserve and maintain, by the course taken by your honor in which the majority of the bar of Fort Worth heartily joins as do all right thinking citizens and to which as we feel they stand ready to lend their support. Feeling that we are not at liberty as members of the bar and as officers of your honor's court to refuse or hesitate to perform the duties imposed on us, we have proceeded to a consideration of the subject matter of your honor's order, endeavoring to do so impartially and to the best of our judgment. We have come to the conclusion that the end to be attained, namely, the suppression of such barratrous practices as the evidence and report submitted for our consideration tend to show have existed, can be fully subserved without at this time bringing any individual before the bar of your honor's court for trial.

Therefore we petition your honor if such course can meet your approval to permit the matter to go unpresented at this time and let your honor's action operate as a warning that such matters will not go unpresented and unprosecuted in the future. We are led to make this recommendation:

1. Because we believe the consequences of disbarment proceedings against an attorney, even though upon full hearing he might not be shown to be culpable to a degree, that would impel your honor to enter an order disbarring him, would be most disastrous to such an attorney for the remainder of his life.

2. Because we believe some may have unwillingly engaged in improper practices from a feeling that they were only resorting to a necessary means to meet the rivalry of their business.

3. Because we are of the opinion that the immunity which has heretofore existed with regard to the pursuit of such methods has encouraged an indulgence in them so that some persons who may have pursued them have overlooked the evil tendency involved.

4. Because we believe the course we have suggested in view of the profound impression and wholesome effect already produced by the action taken by this court will accomplish your honor's very commendable purpose—namely, to maintain the dignity and purity of the profession and secure the pure administration of justice without any intention to visit punishment upon any particular individual unless such individual should continue such improper practices after having had full warning of the consequences.

We therefore submit this request that your honor suspend further prosecution of said matters at this time.

Wm. H. ATWELL,
B. D. TARLETON,
W. D. HARRIS,
GEO. E. MILLER,
Wm. D. WILLIAMS,
S. H. COWAN,
SIDNEY L. SAMUELS,

Judge Meek then read his answer.

JUDGE MEEK'S ANSWER

I have received and considered the petition of the committee of attorneys appointed to institute and prosecute disbarment proceedings against certain attorneys at law practicing before the United States circuit and district courts of the northern district of Texas.

The evidence adduced before the grand jury and placed with the committee, in my opinion, establisred beyond a doubt the fact that barratrous practices have been engaged in by members of the Fort Worth bar in cases now pending on the dockets of this court; the evidence tends to show that a barratrous and unprofessional course of conduct is followed systematically and persistently at this bar by certain attorneys at law; that persons called "boosters" are in the regular employ of men engaged in the honorable profession of the law at a stipulated wage to seek out and run down the injured and unfortunate and bring them as clients to their employers. It is in evidence that certain personal injury damage suits now pending for trial on the docket of the circuit court were ferreted out and brought to the firms of lawyers now representing the plaintiffs by one of these paid "boosters." (It offends to use the word in connection with the honorable profession of the law and a court of justice.)

It is in the face of this evidence the committee petitions me to permit the matter to go unpresented at this time and to let the action heretofore taken operate as a warning that such matters will not go unpresented and unprosecuted in the future. It is in the face of this evidence that I must act upon their petition. The committee reaches the conclusion:

"That the end to be attained, viz., the suppression of barratrous practices, can be fully subserved without at this time bringing an individual before this court for trial." Waiving the question of the fitness or unfitness of a person guilty of such practices to continue a member of an honorable profession and waiving the question of his right to continue to appear before a court of justice as an officer of that court, which to my mind are paramount considerations, and conceiving that the end to be attained is the suppression of barratrous practices, let me examine the reasons and considerations advanced by the committee as controlling it in petitioning the court; the first is as follows:

"Because we believe the consequences of disbarment proceedings against an attorney, even if upon a full hearing he might not be shown to be culpable to a degree, that would impel your honor to enter an order disbarring him, would be most disastrous to such attorney for the remainder of his life."

Entertaining this consideration in the light of the report of the grand jury I feel that it is entitled to weight with the court. While a disbarment proceeding is civil in its nature, yet the court would be compelled to find an attorney at law guilty of the offense of barratry beyond a reasonable doubt before entering an order against him. In two instances the evidence tends to show beyond any doubt that one member of a firm is guilty of barratrous practices in having brought cases to the firm, and that the other member, or members of the firm, as the case may be, did not know or may not have known of the offending acts of their partner; yet in each instance the firm appear as the attorneys in the case, thus reaping the benefits of his barratrous acts. In each instance the "booster" testifies that he worked for and secured the cases for the firm and that he had all transactions with one member alone. This state of facts, to my mind, makes a prima facie case against each member of the firm and would necessitate putting each member to his defense. In the event it was shown at the trial that a member, or members of such firms, did not know or were not guilty of the barratrous acts of their partner this course would result in the perpetration of grave and irreparable injury, as the institution of disbarment proceedings against an attorney would, in the language of the committee, "be most disastrous to him for the remainder of his life." This professional reputation of an attorney should be carefully guarded by his brothers and the courts and no steps taken to despoil him of it without sure and abundant cause.

The second and third considerations advanced by the committee are as follows:

"2. Because we believe some may have

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EXECUTED

In Sing Sing Prison Policeman W. P. Ennis Pays Penalty for Murder

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—William P. Ennis, the former Brooklyn policeman convicted of having murdered his wife, was put to death this morning in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison. Two applications of the current were made. The murder occurred January 14, 1902, at the home of Mrs. Ennis' mother in Canarsie.

FOUR ABOVE IN OHIO

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 14.—The coldest weather of the winter prevailed today all over Ohio. The mercury registered 4 degrees above zero.

DEATH

To Twenty-five and Injuries to More Than a Score in Railroad Wrecks

THE GREWSOME LIST OF A SINGLE SUNDAY

Three Derailments and One Collision Responsible—Burlington Trains Leaps High Bridge Near Albia, Ia.

PIEDMONT, W. Va., Dec. 14.—Five trainmen were killed and several injured by the overturning of two engines attached to a heavy Baltimore and Ohio freight train on the "seventeen-mile grade" yesterday near this city.

While descending the "seventeen-mile grade" the train, to which were attached two engines, left the track.

The engines and nearly all of the twenty-four loaded cars tumbled into a deep ravine, carrying the trainmen with them. Some of the unfortunate men were mangled beyond recognition. The work of recoving the bodies was accomplished with the utmost difficulty.

Tons of dead weight had to be removed, and on account of the confusion occasioned by the disaster, operations were necessarily slow. Thousands of persons, including relatives of the dead men, visited the vicinity of the wreck.

AT ALBIA, IOWA

OTTUMWA, Iowa, Dec. 14.—Four persons were killed and ten injured in a wreck yesterday morning on the Burlington road, three miles west of Albia, Iowa. The westbound passenger train was derailed at 9:15 o'clock, while running on to the Cedar Creek bridge, and five cars were wrecked by collision with the steel girders of the bridge.

The wreckage took fire and and several of the victims were severely burned.

The work of rescue was carried on with difficulty, as the cars took fire after the accident.

The bridge on which the disaster occurred is a high one, and frightful scenes were witnessed before the imprisoned passengers were relieved.

The hissing of escaping steam, mingled with the screams of the wounded, and the crackling of the flames, filled the air with a horrible din.

NEAR ADELL, IOWA

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 14.—Two trainmen were killed and four injured in a freight collision early yesterday on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road, near Adell, Iowa.

Three engines and fourteen cars were entirely demolished.

NEAR CORDOVA, SPAIN

MADRID, Dec. 14.—The collapse of an embankment near Cordova yesterday derailed a passenger train. Fourteen persons were killed and many injured.

DIES AT HIS DOORSTEP

Sudden Demise of J. P. Semones In Cleburne Saturday

CLEBURNE, Texas, Dec. 14.—J. P. Semones fell dead early this afternoon. He had been sick some time and had not been vigorous for several years. Today, however, he seemed a great deal better and walked from his room to a nearby restaurant, where he had his noon lunch. As he reached his home some two blocks away he stumbled on the steps and fell to the floor. He was carried to his room and died a few seconds later. He has lived here over twenty years and was a well known business man, a Mason and a member of Knights of Pythias. The Masonic lodge has charge of the remains which are being held awaiting instructions from Virginia. A brother, Dr. J. W. Semones, lives here.

Secret Service Man W. T. Sisk will have a guard placed on every train from Temple to Purcell. This is to be done for the protection of the holiday travelers.

In the basket ball contest last night the team No. 1, Ransone, captain, won, 7 to 5. Team No. 3, Moore, captain, won, 19 to 8.

The following cases (capital) have been set:

Hez. Evans, charged with murder, January 28.

Jim Hardcastle, charged with criminal assault, January 29.

Fred Neill, February 1.

One hundred veniremen were ordered in each case.

SHOT FOR INQUISITIVENESS

CARTHAGE, Mo., Dec. 14.—The trial of Chester Maddox, the 9-year-old boy who shot Delos Alyea, another small boy, last spring, while fishing in Spring river, came to abrupt ending by the judge instructing the jury that the boy was too young to have an intent, and to acquit him. The evidence showed that Maddox shot the Alyea boy because he asked him his name.

GIVES UP HIS VISION

Harry Toler Will Not Try to Found New Jerusalem

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Harry Pennington Toler, leader in a movement to sue for the recovery of Harlem property claimed by descendants of early settlers, has given up his efforts in that direction so far as the founding of a new Jerusalem there is concerned because, it is asserted, of the position of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, who, it is said, did not want Christian science affairs mixed on with the contest for the property.

Direction of the litigation has been turned over by Toler to a law firm which he has supplied with funds to prosecute the cases.

Toler recently sold his seat on the stock exchange in order to devote all his time to the restoration of Harlem real estate to its alleged rightful heirs.

DAVY CROCKETT'S GRANDSON DEAD

Takes His Own Life by Hanging at His Home Near Rucker's Creek

CRESSON, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Avery Crockett, brother of Ashley W. Crockett of the Granbury Democrat, committed suicide by hanging himself to a tree on his place near Rucker's creek Friday. It has been thought for some time that his mind was affected. Mr. Crockett was a grandson of Colonel Davy Crockett of Alamo fame, and will be buried in a country cemetery near Acton where his grandmother is buried. Colonel Crockett's wife died in Hood county where the family had located large tracts of land patented to them by the Texas republic.

The grave is in a neglected spot, and is overgrown with green briars and sedge. It is a rough stone vault, covered with a slab of conglomerate rock on which is crudely inscribed:

ELIZABETH,
Wife of Colonel Davy Crockett,
Who Fell
AT THE ALAMO.

UNREST RENEWED NEAR SALONICA

Trouble Between Armenians and the Turkish Troops Breaks Out Afresh

SALONICA, Dec. 14.—Renewed unrest is reported in Armenia and as a result of the excesses of Bashi Bazhouks there is every prospect of a clash between the Turkish irregulars and the Bulgarian troops. The present trouble originally started from the killing of four Turkish soldiers by the enraged inhabitatnts of the village of Negoftse, who had been driven to distraction by the excesses of the troops. Women had been violenced, men, women and children bought by the soldiers, who were not kept in control by their officers.

When the news of the killing of the soldiers reached the ears of the Turkish forces in the villayet, the Bashi Bazhouks determined on revenge and a large body of them left for the village. They succeeded in capturing the three prisoners located there and butchered them after terrible torture. The news of this outrage spread rapidly and the insurgents who were under arms, immediately took the field to avenge the crime. The Turks, however, retired and succeeded in joining the main body.

Because of the activity among the insurgents a number of battalions of Bulgarian troops have been ordered to prepare for duty on the frontier.

JAS. HARMON SENTENCED

Given Fifteen Years in Penitentiary by Judge Burwell

OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—James Harmon, found guilty of criminal assault, was sentenced to fifteen years at Lansing penitentiary by Judge Burwell.

DOORS

Of Illinois Factories Shut Because Employes Refuse a Compromise

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Three implement factories in the Fox river mining district of Northern Illinois shut down today because their employes numbering 1,500 refused to promise in individual agreements not to strike.

THEATER PARTLY BURNS

OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Fire last night partially destroyed Holland's theater and burned many telephone cable wires. The fire is alleged to have been due to carelessness.

KEECH

Believed to Be Implicated in Gigantic Swindling Scheme

RELEASED ON BAIL AT MEMPHIS, TENN.

Fuller Particulars of the Plan Which Found Eager Acceptance in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas Is Disclosed

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—"I am withholding payment on $609 worth of postal orders payable to Robert H. Banks and received from points in Texas," said Postmaster L. W. Dutro to the representative of The Fort Worth Telegram in discussing the arrest of A. V. Keech, who is supposed to be "Robert L. Banks."

"When Inspector A. J. Moore exposed the gigantic and glaring swindle Saturday and the details became known the amazement of the authorities that people would bite at such a humbug reached the limit.

"I find that the people who bit at the scheme so freely reside in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory," related the postoffice inspector.

"Now the $600 mentioned as having been held up by the department and coming from Texas points, is not a drop in the bucket. Thousands of dollars were received by the bogus banks by checks, registered letter and express money orders. Then many postal orders were paid.

"I am satisfied that there is another man and probably a woman in the case. One man could execute the bold scheme, but I hardly think he could originate and arrange the details of swindle."

Keech has been released on a bond in the sum of $10,000.

More arrests are expected.

THE CIRCULAR LETTER

The following circular letter which was sent to thousands of persons living in Texas, Arkansas and the territories was given The Telegram correspondent by Postoffice Inspector Moore:

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 8, 1903.

Dear Sir: You will see by the foregoing letetr that the courts of claims has rendered a decision in favor of those to whom premiums, or prizes, were awarded by the publishers of the Mississippi Valley Planter at their distribution of premiums, October 14, 1903. In this case the Chicago Paper Company and other creditors attached the premiums thus awarded, and caused the Mississippi Valley Publishing Company to make an assignment and also cease the publication of the Mississippi Valley Planter. I was appointed receiver for the publishing company, and was immediately enjoined from distributing the prizes as awarded, on the plea of fraud on the part of Mr. Battle, manager of said company. The plea of fraud was based upon the fact that the names of some twelve or fifteen parties who were awarded premiums could not be found on the mailing list. Mr. Battle was taken sick (has since died), and I could not use him as a witness, nor was I given time to prove that no fraud was perpetrated; however, the court, after due deliberation, decided in favor of the prize winners and entered a decree to that effect, ordering me to ascertain all costs in the matter, including freight or express charges on the various premiums to their destinations, and prorate the cost between the prize winners according to the value of the premiums. This took some time to accomplish. I have made arrangements with the various express companies and freight lines for a special rate, whereby a saving of something over 32 1-3 per cent is made, but in order to do this I will have to deliver all articles to them at one time and pay all freight charges in advance, which I have agreed to do, and this agreement has been approved by the court of claims.

Each and every premium is in my possession, and will be shipped promptly on December 15, 1903. The live stock and fowls are in charge of the Elemac Stock Farm and the other premiums stored with the Commercial Warehouse, and all are in excellent condition. While the premiums are not all worth the value placed on them by the late publisher, yet there is not one that is not worth eight or ten times the cost of their delivery. You will please take notice:

1. That all premiums must be delivered for shipment at one time.

2. That I cannot act as agent or sell premiums for the prize winners.

3. That the express or freight charges must be paid in advance.

4. That all premiums not claimed and shipped December 15 will be sold and the proceeds placed to the general creditors' fund.

5. All who fail to claim their premium by December 15 will lose them beyond any chance of recovery.

6. That I am governed by the order of the court and have no power to change any of the above conditions.

The books of the Mississippi Valley Farmer show that you are entitled to prize No. ——, which will be delivered to you upon receipt of $——. This amount covers all cases, including freight or expressage, to your nearest express or freight depot.

All remittances should be made by postoffice money order, registered letter or by express money order, and made payable to Robert H. Banks. If checks are sent they must be certified and twenty-five cents added to cover collection charges by the Memphis banks.

Hoping that you will be more than satisfied with your premium, and that you will also appreciate my efforts in your behalf, I am, yours truly,

ROBT. H. BANKS,
Receiver of the M. V. P. Pub. Co.

Address room 8, 300 Front street Memphis, Tenn.

Inspector Moore also gave the correspondent a copy of a "court order" accompanying the letter setting forth that Banks had been appointed "receiver" for the "Mississippi Valley Planter Publishing Company," the premiums of which concern were supposed to be at Banks' disposal.

FAMOUS CASE IS FINALLY ENDED

Mrs. Lizzie McCormick Is Released at Memphis for Lack of Testimony

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Lizzie McCormick, who was arrested here several months ago at the instigation of the Cincinnati police, on a charge of having sent a bottle of poisoned whisky by express to a woman in that city, has been discharged in the criminal court upon the request of the prosecuting attorney, who anounced that he could not get witnesses to come here from Ohio. J. B. Flicker, an express employe at Cincinnati, and other employes of that office, were seriously poisoned by drinking from a poisoned bottle of whisky alleged to have been sent by Mrs. McCormick.

MISS BARTON AT BUTLER

Head of Red Cross Goes to Fight Fever

BUTLER, Pa., Dec. 14.—There is little change in the fever situation. At last evening's meeting of the executive committee five new cases and one death were reported for the day. This raises the death total to 56.

Miss Clara Barton, president of the National Red Cross Society, addressed an audience of 1,000 last evening and today she, with her aids, General Seers and Dr. Hubbell, consulted with the executive committee regarding the work to be done here.

SOLVE MURDER MYSTERY

Negroes at Louisville Confess to Killing In Last November

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—The mysterious murder of an unknown man was cleared when, after being arrested at Pembroke, Frank Massie, George Holt, Dick Carney, Frank Merriweather, Charles Finch and William Marrott, all negroes, confessed to the murder which occurred on November 14 last. The negroes followed the man and found him sleeping by a fire in the woods. One negro cracked his skull with an ax, another cut his throat and robbed him of $100. The man's face was mutilated and his feet cut off to make identification impossible. The body was then buried. The prisoners were brought to Madisonville for safe keeping.

DEATH OF W. P. WATT

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The news of the death of W. P. Watt, which occurred at Fort Worth yesterday morning, was received in Waxahachie with genuine sorrow. Mr. Watt was formerly a citizen of Waxahachie and several years ago served Ellis county as sheriff. He was later elected city marshal of Waxahchie, which office he held two terms. Since the death of his wife, which occurred about a year ago, Mr. Watt has made his home at Fort Worth, with his daughter, Mrs. Brown Harwood. The body was shipped to Ennis and interred this morning at 10:40.

TAX RECEIPTS GROWING

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—County Tax Collector Bratcher reports that since the cotton crop has been gathered and sold the receipts at his office are increasing at a most satisfactory rate. His report for the month of November, which was completed Saturday, shows that during the month his total collections amounted to $34,408.31, as compared with about $6,000 for the month of October. This collection was on the rolls of 1903. Of the amount collected in November, $2,577.75 was on the poll tax rolls, showing that during the month 1,473 citizens qualified themselves to vote.

DYNAMITE

Ready to Explode Found in Building on Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Two one-pound sticks of dynamite with fulminating caps and fuses attached were found today in the Acker, Merrill and Condit building in process of construction at Sixty-third street and Broadway by laborers.

A mysterious explosion occurred early Sunday in this building and in the Broadway Tabernacle, the contractors for which have been employing members of the new housesmith's union, formed some time ago in opposition to the regular union by Sam Parks, walking delegate.

BRIEF

In the Appeal From District Court Decision in Northern Securities Case

FILED IN SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING

Covers 180 Printed Pages and Was Prepared by Knox and Day

CASE NOW BEFORE THE HIGHEST COURT

And Final Decision Is Awaited With Great Interest—Proceedings Have Been Hurried From the Start

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—The brief of the government in the case of the Northern Securities Company vs. the United States on appeal from the decision of the circuit court of the United States for this district was filed in the supreme court today. The document was prepared by Attorney General Knox and Assistant Attorney General Day, and covers 180 printed pages.

The filing of the brief in the supreme court today marks the final step in the progress of the fight against the gigantic merger embraced under the head of the Northern Securities Company, which has been waged by Attorney General Knox and his assistants. The case was originally from Minnesota, but on agreement of both parties was transferred to Washington with the agreement also that it be rushed to a decision as soon as possible. The case will probably come up in the supreme court next month for final decision.

HEARST'S NEW PAPER

Labor Men of Los Angeles Parade In Its Honor

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 14.—The first issue of the Los Angeles Examiner, owned and controlled by William R. Hearst, has made its appearance. In general it is almost the exact counterpart of the New York, Chicago and San Francisco newspapers, owned by Congressman Hearst. In honor of the event there was a parade of labor men in Los Angeles. Later there were fireworks and a banquet at the publication office of the new paper. The paper is one of the best equipped on the Pacific coast.

In connection with the first issue Mr. Hearst says: "This newspaper will be edited and controlled by the interests of its readers. That is to say by the interests of a great majority of the popular masses."

COX TALKS OF HANNA

Cincinnati Republican Says He Will Refuse Chairmanship

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 14.—George B. Cox, the republican leader of Cincinnati and Hamilton county, who has returned from attending the meeting of baseball magnates in New York and a meeting of political leaders in Washington, says:

"Senator Hanna told me during our conference in Washington that he is not a candidate for the presidency. He told me, also, on Friday that he will not accept the chairmanship of the national republican committee. These are not secret matters among Mr. Hanna's friends and I have no objection to being quoted.

Mr. Cox declined to discuss Hanna's statements in another phase, and positively refused to enter into politics further.

WIFE'S PLEADING VAIN

DEL RIO, Texas, Dec. 14.—Leonidas Salas, a Mexican who is charged with having killed Pablo Mendoza, another Mexican, has been captured by State Rangers Clyde McDowell and W. D. Blackmon and jailed here.

The murdered man's wife was at the scene of the tragedy and on her knees pleaded most pitifully for the life of her husband, but her entreaties were in vain and the murderer stabbed his victim to the heart and fled for his native soil. Salas was captured trying to cross the Rio Grande.

SELLS HALF INTEREST

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Miss Ora V. Eddleman, the Cherokee Indian girl, who owned and edited the Twin Territories, the Indian magazine, for six years, has sold a half interest in the publication to J. Frank Gurman, a lawyer and newspaper man from Ottawa, Ohio, who will be business manager.

Mrs. Mike Conlan, a Choctaw woman, president of the Federation of Women's Clubs of the Indian Territory, which has just seceded from the Oklahoma federation, will edit the club department of the magazine.

Bishop Henry Clay Morrison of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, will make his home in New Orleans hereafter.

PROBLEM FACES THE DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION

Question of Giving Copies of the Declaration of Independence to Colored Schools Still Remains Unsettled

It has developed that during the state meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution, held in this city during the month of November, there was an important subject discussed which was not then made public. It was known at the time that there were some interesting matter brought up, but they could not be ascertained by the reporters. A representative of The Telegram sat outside the meeting for an hour awaiting information, but nothing was given out except the election of officers.

It is now told that during the meeting two of the delegates introduced a resolution, providing for a petition to the legislature asking that a law be passed to allow the women of Texas to bear arms. The resolution went on to recite the numerous assaults by negroes of which the women of the state had been victims, and said some way for pure womanhood to protect herself must be provided. It recommended that every woman in Texas take lessons in target shooting, to the end that she become proficient in the use of the pistol, and when the law is passed, woman would have a chance to defend herself when opportunity required.

The resolution, is is stated, though nobly supported and well worded, met with opposition by a great many. The opposition fought it fiercely, and the protest against it was so decided that it was defeated, according to an informant.

Since that time another question has come up in the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Some time ago there was a resolution passed in the chapter that copies of the declaration of independence be framed and one presented to each of the public schools in the city. The work was done and the resolutions were ready. When the committee started out to distribute the twelve copies which had been prepared they were met with the astounding intelligence that two of the twelve schools they had decided to honor, were negro institutions. This shocked some of the promoters of the scheme, and there is now some question whether the negro schools are to have the favor shown them. An especial objection is that the declaration says "All men are created free and equal." It is feared by some that if this doctrine is preached to the negroes, it will put wrong ideas of equality in their heads, and they will be spoiled. The ladies do not stop to think that the declaration is taught in the history of the country.

However, the matter has been held in abeyance until a vote can be had, which will decide whether the colored people are to have the framed copies of a historical document.

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

W. P. WATT IS FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM

He Had Been in Poor Health for Some Time, But Death Was Unexpected—Suffocation Probably the Cause

W. P. Watt, father of Mrs. Brown Harwood, met death yesterday morning about 4 o'clock from what is believed to have been suffocation, in a room where flames and smoke were discovered.

Mr. Watt has lived with his daughter and son-in-law at 105 South Williams street, for about nine months. Since his residence here he has been quite ill, and has hardly been able to leave his bed at any time. He kept a lamp burning always at night and in some way this lamp must have exploded or been upset about 4 o'clock yesterday morning. He did not give an alarm, and in evidently trying to fight the flames became exhausted. He must have attempted to leave the room, but in his weakened condition probably fell, and was suffocated.

Mr. and Mrs. Harwood sleep in an adjoining room. Though Mr. Watt had been ill for a long time, it was not necessary for him to have constant attendance at night. Sometime early Sunday morning Mr. Harwood heard a slight noise in Mr. Watt's room. He says he thinks it was a groan from the sick man. He did not investigate because Mr. Watt suffered more or less pain all the time and often moaned at night. There was no evidence of any smoke in the house at that time. A little before 4 o'clock both Mr. and Mrs. Harwood were awakened by smoke. They rushed into the sick room and were immediately in a mass of smoke through which they could see nothing. It was with difficulty that a lamp was lighted. Mr. Watt was lying on the floor near the bed. Mr. Harwood feared that he was dead and hurriedly sent for a physician. The latter pronounced Mr. Watt dead, having expired only a short time before the smoke was discovered. His body was severely burned. Whether he died from the effects of the burns or was suffocated in trying to escape in an enfeebled condition is not known. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Harwood heard any noise whatever previous to discovering the smoke. After a lamp was lighted in the room and some of the smoke had cleared away it was found that the fire came from Mr. Watt's trunk. It was on the trunk that the lamp always stood and which Mr. Watt usually kept burning. Through the top of the trunk a hole had been eaten by the fire and the contents of the trunk were practically all consumed. The unburned top of the trunk shows evidence of oil having been scattered over it. The lamp was on the floor broken, showing signs of having been overturned in a hurry.

W. P. Watt was born in Alabama 55 years ago. Forty years ago he came to Anderson county, Texas. He taught a school in that county, and eventually married a daughter of Col. Higginbotham of Ennis. Subsequently Col. Higginbotham married his mother; so he was both son-in-law and stepson to that gentleman, who was mayor of Ennis, and a man of distinction. From Anderson county Mr. Watt removed to Navarro county, and afterward settled in Ennis county, where he was twice elected sheriff.

In 1898 he was elected city marshal of Waxahachie. His wife died in January, 1902. Last March he came to Fort Worth to live with his daughter, Mrs. Harwood. Being in ill health he had since kept close to his home, and did not get around the city much. He had but two children. His other daughter is Mrs. J. W. Parks of Dallas.

The remains were sent to Ennis this morning. The Knights of Pythias lodge had charge of the remains in Fort Worth. The funeral occurred at noon today in Ennis under Knights of Pythias auspices.

L. W. FRISBIE

L. W. Frisble, aged 46 years, died yesterday morning at the Protestant sanitarium in this city.

Mr. Frisbie lived in this city quite a long time, being engaged in real estate business. He went from here to Springfield, Ill., but his health required his return south, and he located at New Braunfels, Texas. Suffering from Bright's disease, he could not get relief there, and came to Fort Worth Dec. 10 to enter the sanitarium. His wife survives him.

The funeral occurred this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of L. P. Robertson.

Elegant dinner sets, toilet sets and odd pieces of decorated china at Nash Hardware Co.

EXPORTS AT GALVESTON

Port Record Shows Big Gain in November Business

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—According to the monthly statement issued by the Galveston Maritime Exchange, the exports foreign from Galveston during the month of November were as follows:

Four hundred and twenty thousand, two hundred and ninety-nine square bales of cotton; 104,074 round bales of cotton; 7,183,776 pounds of cotton seed meal; 2,487,595 pounds of cotton seed cake; 11,944 barrels of cotton seed oil; 224,741 bushels of corn; 2,097,280 bushels of wheat; 8,572,543 pounds of flour; 5,670,345 pounds of timber; 971,730 pounds of logs; 758,824 pounds of copper matter; 11,137,767 pounds of rice products; 139,019 pounds of packing house products; 3,303 head of live stock; 8,757,588 pounds of miscellaneous products.

The distribution of cotton is as follows: Bremen, 74,752 square and 46,818 round bales; Havre, 97,398 square and 10,000 round bales; Belfast, 4,760 square bales; Manchester, 54,661 square bales; Antwerp, 55,682 square and 200 round bales; Liverpool, 128,374 square and 8,200 round bales; Rotterdam, 2,087 square and 600 round bales; Genoa, 18,874 square and 27,998 round bales; Venice, 3,098 square and 55,000 round bales; Trieste, 3,286 square and 200 round bales; Barcelona, 6,099 square and 700 round bales; Dublin, 100 square bales; Hamburg, 15,461 square and 34,604 round bales; Vera Cruz, 2,400 square bales; Dunkirk, 3,286 square and 700 round bales.

SPENDING THE EXTRA $17 PUZZLED CANNON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—If Uncle Sam were a private employer and could hear what his men in the house of representatives are saying about their inadequate compensation, he would expect to see them out on a strike before long. The trouble here is that neither "union" wants to take the responsibility of ordering one.

"I should like to congratulate the member of congress quoted in your columns Wednesday as having a hotel bill less than his salary," remarked a New York representative to the Boston Transcript correspondent. "I pay at the hotel for my family," continued the New Yorker, "$600 a month under contract. I draw from the government $417. You see where the profit comes. Nobody wants to make election to congress a financial prize, but many of us do think the salary should be sufficient to support a man in Washington in accordance with his station. No senator or representative should be expected to go to an alley boarding house."

The story is told of Mr. Cannon's purpose to go to a better hotel on his election to the speakership than he had formerly lived in. He accordingly was conducted by the clerk of one of the more fashionable establishments to such a small suite of rooms as his actual needs required. "How much is it?" asked the speaker.

"We would let you have it for $400 a month."

As the speaker hesitated, fingering his cigar in a nervous way, the solicitous clerk feelingly inquired: "That is not too much, is it, Mr. Speaker?"

"Oh, no; not at all," responded Mr. Cannon, gravely. "I was merely puzzling my brain to think what I could do with my other $17."

Representative Ball of Texas resigned his seat a few days ago, assigning as his reason that he could not afford to stay in congress longer. John R. Thayer of Worcester, expects to decline a renomination for the same reason. While this is a subject about which members say little publicly, they can name of each congress a considerable number of useful men who drop out for no other reason than that they do not feel justified in staying, in view of the financial obligations they owe to their families. The late Charles A. Russell of Connecticut, who served with distinction for many years, left his family so bereft of resources that his friends in the district and elsewhere combined in raising a modest testimonial. This experience is by no means unusual.

It has come to be recognized that only those who have a substantial private income can afford to come to congress. As an Illinois member explained to a group of congressmen who were discussing this topic: "Each representative with us is assessed $1,000 by the campaign committee. He will personally give away another thousand during the campaign, even if he has no contest for the nomination. This reduces the salary to $4,000. I made an offer yesterday of $1,200 cash for the use of a small house in Washington for the congressional season, but found that $1,500 was the least for which it could be had. This shows something of the rapidity with which the congressional salary vanishes."

STEPHENS BILL HAS APPROVAL OF ATTORNEYS

New Measure for Providing Additional Probate Facilities in the Territory Will Give Much Relief if Passed

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Congressman Stephens of Texas has asked for a bill for the relief of the judiciary of the Indian Territory which he proposes to pass at the present session of congress.

The bill has been drawn and will make radical changes in the judicial work in the Indian Territory and Oklahoma. The bill, is based on the elemental construction of a bill drawn a few years ago by Judges Townsend, Clayton and Springer, and William T. Hutchings.

The new bill provides for an additional judge in each of the present judicial districts. The business of each district would then be divided between two judges, one taking the criminal and the other the civil and the probate business.

There is also a provision for a new court of appeals that would have jurisdiction over Oklahoma and Indian Territory. This court is to consist of three judges, other than the federal judges, and is to sit semi-annually at South McAlester, in the Indian Territory, and at Guthrie, in Oklahoma. Under the present regime there is a supreme court in Oklahoma and a court of appeals in the Indian Territory which is composed of the federal judges of the four districts, sitting at South McAlester.

The incipiency of this measure lies in the pressing demand for additional help for the judges of the four districts in the Indian Territory. It was this same demand that caused Mr. Stephens to introduce a bill this session providing for a division of the southern district.

The bar of the territory is especially interested in securing a special judge for probate business. Under the present status the dockets of all the judges are crowded and night and day work fails to relieve them, on account of the rapidly increasing business in the territory. The criminal business crowds all probate and civil matters out and they drag along for a year or two without trial. The present lease system will increase probate and civil business fully 100 per cent within a year and attorneys view with alarm the condition that will exist unless a radical change is made to relieve the judiciary.

At present the probate business in each judicial district is handled by a probate commissioner appointed by the judge, but this does not relieve the judge who has to finally pass on all cases. The new bill, if passed, will relieve all probate commissioners of their commissions, make necessary the appointment of four judges in the Indian Territory and three appellate court judges for both Indian Territory and Oklahoma, by the president.

The bill as drawn has the endorsement of the judiciary of the Indian Territory and the attorneys generally. Mr. Stephens says he can pass such a measure through congress this session.

Rheumatism, more painful in this climate than any other affliction, cured by Prescription No. 2851, by Elmer & Amend.
E. F. SCHMIDT,
Houston, Texas, Sole Agent.

FOOT CRUSHED

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—News was received yesterday of an unfortunate accident to a young man at Ennis, named Hunter, an employe of the Houston and Texas Central shops. He attempted to board a freight train which was passing through the yards and in so doing fell under the wheels and had one foot crushed off.

VETERANS NAME CEMETERY PLOT

Much Business Disposed of at Regular Meeting of R. E. Lee Camp

Second Lieutenant Dan Parker, in the absence of Commander E. W. Taylor, presided at the Lee meeting of Confederate veterans yesterday. Following the opening, Chaplain Pankey offered prayer.

S. O. Moodie, one of the original organizers of Lee camp, was introduced to the camp. Mr. Moodie is a resident of El Paso, where he has resided since leaving Fort Worth. He asked to be excused from making an address.

John Murphy, who is chairman of the committee to arrange for the coming old fiddlers' contest, December 16 and 17, made a statement that much interest was being taken in the matter. Major Murphy said that the indications promise a successful occasion.

Under the head of good of the order, suggested that the name of the addition to the cemetery be the "Confederate Veterans' addition."

The camp accepted the suggestion. Mr. Melton said that "tree planting" in the cemetery would take place January 19, the birthday anniversary of Lee.

Colonel Duke Goodman read the action of the New Orleans camp from the Times-Democrat, relative to efforts of that camp to have the "music primer" eradicated from the public schools of New Orleans. That camp passed drastic resolutions, condemning the book and asking that it be taken out of the schools.

Colonel Goodman moved that R. E. Lee camp indorse the action of the New Orleans camp by a rising vote, and that Adjutant McConnell be instructed to advise the New Orleans camp of such action.

Tom Perkins wanted members of Lee camp to give reminiscences of war incidents. He suggested that an effort be made to extend this feature to other camps in the Southern Confederacy, the object being to eventually compile a history of events during the war, which could be published in book form. Mr. Perkins believed that if such a book is printed millions of dollars could be realized from the sale of it, the money to be used in the interest of indigent veterans.

W. P. Lane of the sons called attention of the camp to his recent visit to the Confederate home at Austin. He said that while in Austin he was advised that Rev. H. B. Phillips, who was a chaplain in the Confederate army, was anxious to deliver his lecture, "Problem of Human Happiness," in Fort Worth. It was decided that at a future date the matter would be taken up by the camp, and a committee was appointed to arrange for the lecture.

JUDGE CUMMINGS' PAPER

Judge C. C. Cummings, state historian, read the following paper:

To maintain a spirit of fraternity is one of the main tenets of our camp organization. The writer, in his visits to our camp reunions during their summer chautauquas over the state, has met with various phases of camp management, under the liberal rule of our general assembly allowing local self-government to each camp, and is enabled to speak with more than ordinary confidence as to the need of a closer union among our camps in order to secure this more perfect union of brotherly love.

This article is inspired by the happy results of the late interchange of visits between the two largest camps of our order—the Dallas camp and the Fort Worth camp. It is not too much to declare this sentiment of fraternity as vital—without it we can do nothing of general good. Our actions are imitative, naturally so by the Sons, the Daughters of the Confederacy and the children's auxiliaries, who look to us as examples of conduct. If we are lacking in this vital spark the fault ends not with us.

Article 7 of our state constitution sets forth the importance of this unity thus: "To instill into the hearts of our descendants a proper veneration for the spirit and glory of their fathers and to bring these descendants into a closer communion with our organization, that they may aid us in accomplishing our objects and finally to succeed us and take up our work whenever we may leave it."

State local frictions over matters nonessential, which spread till this spirit of fraternity is swallowed up in a race of victory over issues which, when realized, tend only to division instead of a closer union. Comrades forget the tie that binds in personal struggles for personal advancement.

I find also that this lack of fraternal bonds has crept into certain leaders of thought high in the councils of our order, when they inspire publication of articles derogatory to the memory of certain of our Confederate dead, not spoken till their lips were sealed and no reply can be heard in the grave. This is invariably followed by refutation on the part of the surviving witnesses equally as potent as the charges laid, and the result is irreparable injury, with good to none except news mongers catering to a prurient public.

These lines are only to call attention to the proper self-restraint on the part of all of us, and to the motto, "In Essentials, unity; in non-essentials, variety."

The committee on membership reported favorably on the application of J. T. Ware.

W. P. Lane brought up the matter that some action should be taken by the Confederate camps in the south to have provided for the wives of old soldiers who are inmates in the Confederate home at Austin. Judge S. P. Greene spoke at length on the subject, as did others, all heartily favoring the suggestion. Judge Greene said Confederate veterans should continue the agitation of the matter until the state realized the need for such an institution and provides the same.

Mrs. Jourdan said that at the recent meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy the matter was considered and was made the subject of consideration for the present year. She said that already the daughters had secured more than $300 for this cause.

Judge C. C. Cummings then read a letter from John R. Green of Dickens, who was the leader of the Black Horse Cavalry [illegible] in which the latter regretted he was unable to be present and address the camp.

TAKE NOTICE

The raffle for the lace collar will take place at Mrs. Locanidge's millinery establishment at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

ACCEPT APPOINTMENTS

Sons of Veterans' Commanders in Arkansas and Oklahoma Will Push Work

N. A. Tisdal, commander of the Trans-Mississippi department of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, has just received a letter from D. C. Bell of Pine Bluff, accepting the appointment of commander for that state, and a letter from B. H. Kirk of Oklahoma City accepting the appointment to be commander of Oklahoma.

Both appointments were made by the national commander through the recommendation of Mr. Tisdal and are considered important ones. The cause of the sons is being pushed in both Arkansas and Oklahoma and it is hoped by those at the head of the national department to make these two state departments among the best in the confederation.

Mr. Tisdal leaves today for Buffalo, Springs, Texas, to spend the holidays with his parents and will be absent two weeks.

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FOUGHT ON TWO SIDES

Record of Dead Soldier Caused a Pension Tangle

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—By a decision just given, Mrs. Ida L. Ambrose of Chicago, whose husband was a soldier and lieutenant in the Nineteenth Illinois infantry, has been granted a pension of $18 per month.

Mr. Ambrose enlisted in a southern regiment at the outbreak of the war, but altered his opinion and changed his allegiance to the north, fighting three years for the union. He was allowed $18 per month up to the time of his death, but it was not allowed his widow, because of his former Confederate service. For eight years Mrs. Ambrose has been fighting the case, finally terminating in the result given above. Mrs. Ambrose is being congratulated by her friends, who have known of her brave struggle with ill health and adversity.

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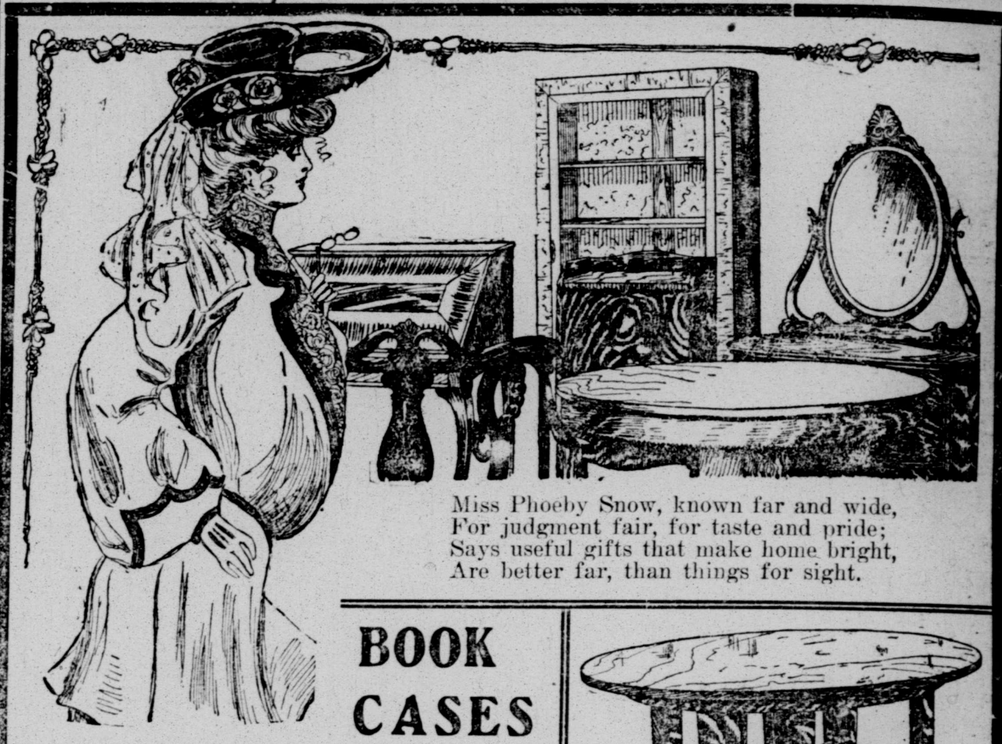
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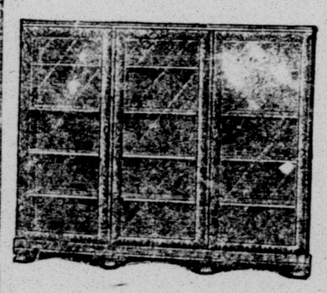
Entire Fruit Crop of New South Wales Is Destroyed

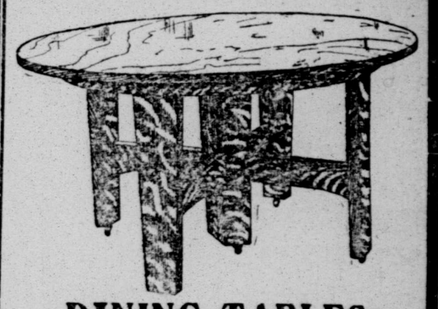
LONDON, Dec. 14.—(Special Cable.)—The caterpillar plague in New South Wales is assuming alarming proportions and the entire fruit crop is a failure. Trains have frequently been compelled to stop because of the rails being made slippery by the crushed bodies of the insects which cross the tracks in countless numbers. An extraordinary sight was witnessed near Bathhurst, where a traveling army of caterpillars, said by eye witnesses to be several inches deep, utterly consumed the oats in a seven-acre field and the wheat in an adjoining paddock within a few hours. The government has been appealed to do something to exterminate the pests.

W. O. W. ELECTION

MERKEL, Texas, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Merkel camp, Woodmen of the World, elected the following officers last night: T. F. Compton, C. C.; J. M. Norris, A. L.; Will Mann, banker; John Elliott, clerk; J. H. McDonald, escort; Charles Hutcheson, watchman; Mack Angtis, sentry; J. H. C. King and E. M. Rust, physicians; Otho Williams, Arthur Browning and G. E. Comegys, managers.


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Today's Market Quotations

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NORTH FORT WORTH, Dec. 14.—Among the local salesmen there seemed to be a divided feeling in regard to the condition of the cattle market today, compared with last week's close. Some salesmen were quoting it fully 10c lower on cows, while others were calling the market steady, except on calves. Steers, however, sold steady, while cows looked weak to a dime lower; calves were slow and dull.

D. F. Sansom & Co. of Alvarado topped the steer market, with one load of choice heavy steers, averaging 1,266 pounds, which sold to Swift & Co., at $4. The usual average quality of steers sold largely at prices ranging from $2.50@3, with a fairly good bunch at $3.20.

One load of choice heavy fed black Poll-Angus cows, averaging 1,031 pounds, brought $2.90, with the best grass stuff selling at $2.10@2.35, and the bulk of sales at $2@2.20.

Calves sold slow and dull, and the sales made showed a poor comparison with last week's high prices.

Anticipating a good holiday trade, the hog shippers to this market sent in a fair lot today, the total run figuring close around 1,800 head and, although outside points quoted a 5c to 10c decline, the local market, influenced by outside buying, opened steady, losing probably 5c on the bulk during the morning trading.

The Houston Packing Company was an active buyer, taking off several loads at top prices. The best straight load, averaging 191 pounds, sold to Houston at $4.90, with the bulk of sales to the local packers at prices ranging from $4.75@4.85.

There was a decided preference among the buyers for the medium weight packing hogs, weighing around 180 to 210 pounds, and this class of hogs sold early at about steady prices with last week's active close.

Pigs and lights were fairly well represented and sold at proportionate prices with heavy hogs. The best was quoted at $4.85@4.95, with the usual grades of medium quality at $4.65@4.80. Stockers and feeders were scarce and the light supply sold at unchanged prices.

Choice sorted hogs are quoted today at $4.80@4.90; mixed packers at $4.75@4.85, and pigs and lights at $4.60@4.95.

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H. & M.
Today.	5,400	1,800	300	50
Last week	4,534	775	249	145
Previous week	4,903	938	232	80
Last mouth	3,574	1,551	....	103

TOP PRICES TODAY

Steers	$4.00
Cows	2.90
Calves	3.75
Bulls	1.80
Hogs	4.90

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS—Considering the heavy receipts of cattle the steer end of the run was comparatively light and the moderate supply sold at steady prices. One load of heavy fed steers, averaging 1,266 pounds, sold at $4, with the bulk of sales at $2.75@3.20. The sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
20	1,266	$4.00	56	842	$2.75
36	963	2.75	19	918	2.75
15	905	2.50	2	800	2.50
5	946	2.65	4	862	2.20

BULLS

23	1,073	1.80	24	1,632	1.80
24	1,072	1.80	23	1,031	1.80
1	1,010	1.75	1	950	1.75

COWS—All grades and qualities of cows were offered today, though the heavy end of the run consisted of good quality grass cows, which sold at $2@2.20. One load of heavy fed black Poll-Angus cows, averaging 1,031 pounds, brought $2.90, with long strings of range cows selling at $2@2.20. The sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
23	1,031	$2.90	13	975	$2.35
1	910	2.20	60	786	2.20
60	772	2.20	60	808	2.20
60	790	2.20	60	792	2.20
60	800	2.20	60	793	2.20
60	790	2.20	67	791	2.20
60	787	2.20	60	785	2.20
59	790	2.20	1	810	2.20
24	866	2.20	29	833	2.15
62	832	2.15	56	855	2.15
31	839	2.15	28	764	2.10
59	768	2.00	61	750	2.00
30	828	2.00	30	718	2.00
30	715	2.00	30	737	2.00
1	850	2.00	30	777	1.80
29	690	1.70	30	681	1.60
1	650	1.80			

CALVES—Calves were in good supply, but salesmen had trouble in showing them, as there seemed to be no demand for this class of cattle. One load of fairly good stuff sold at $3.25, with a range in prices between $2@3. The sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
80	197	$3.25	3	173	$2.50
1	360	1.50			

HOGS—At the opening of the market today over 1,100 hogs were yarded and with the arrival of seven cars on the afternoon market the receipts for the day reached 1,800. Best hogs sold to outside buyers at steady prices with last week's close, but the bulk of the supplies to the packers showed a decline of about 5c. The market closed weak at 5c to 10c lower. The sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
94	191	$4.90	59	292	$4.90
72	217	4.85	88	211	4.85
88	187	4.85	71	272	4.85
61	207	4.77½	13	135	4.75
74	223	4.77½	82	190	4.75
10	135	4.77½	63	248	4.75
2	145	4.77½	34	226	4.70
22	125	4.77½	84	109	4.70
88	177	4.67½	15	80	3.35
12	114	4.67½			

TODAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

W. H. Montgomery, Comanche	27
J. R. Montgomery, Comanche	28
T. R. Hainsley, Comanche	56
D. F. Sansom & Co., Alvarado	43
C. Bretrill, Alpine	130
J. H. Bowers, Alvord	31
T. L. Wade, Seymour	107
A. Albright, Dundee	28
C. R. Morgan, Bowie	32
Roy & Co., Vernon	29
J. P. Hagler, Quanah	26
W. W. Overstreet, Quanah	30
Frank Pattin, Seymour	158
J. W. Moore, Estelline	40
R. B. Hyde, Brownwood	29
J. N. Womack, Brownwood	29
Robert McMurry, Stanton	155
G. S. Hall, Caldwell	34
J. M. Craig, Burton	45
W. B. Blackburn, Burton	80
W. F. F., Cisco	29
Harrison Beck, Baird	69
Richard Cordwent, Baird	100
— Evans, Kent	179
— Means, Kent	180
— Fisher, Kent	76
— Prude, Kent	113
Bush & Tiller, Jatan	60
Dawson & Co., Monahans	31
E. D. Thomas, Monahans	33
E. F. D., Odessa	45
W. M. C., Odessa	103
E. F. D. & Co., Odessa	149
B. McMurray, Stanton	203
W. R. Setters, Big Springs	213
D. A. Rhotan, Big Springs	52
Bob McMurray, Stanton	414
O. Q. Cattle Co., San Angelo	706
Ward & Stribbing, Graphite	208
W. L. Booth, Sweetwater	58
L. Coffee, Big Springs	144
O. B. Holt, Stanton	12
R. M. Trunslow, Brady	59
J. D. Jackson, Alpine	33
R. L. Nevill, Alphine	31
J. D. Jackson, Alphine	69
O. Q. Cattle Co., San Angelo	123
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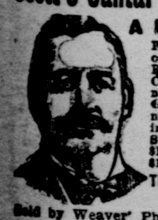
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NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—A prominent southern mill treasurer writes us: "We really cannot see why some of the mills are raising so much fuss about the high price of cotton. As for ourselves we do not see but what our mills will have as good showing out of cotton at present prices as we would have if it were lower, as we are now getting nearly as much more for goods as will make up the difference with the advantage of a very active demand and higher offers. A sharp decline right now would really be a disadvantage to our trade in that it would complicate matters and make the buyer all the more uncertain of his position. We do not want a decline."

Messrs. Atwood, Violett & Co., New York, wire: "Same crowd aggressively selling on Houston estimate for tomorrow. They never look beyond their noses, forgetting that large port receipts show enormous extent of demand and that the cotton has already been sold and paid for consequently a bull argument."

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

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

	Tomorrow.	Last year.
Galveston	14,458	9,448
New Orleans	15,429	16,288
Mobile	3,588	2,557
Savannah	9,666	6,642
Charleston	6,906	2,667
Wilmington	....	1,900
Norfolk	3,914	3,144
Baltimore	....	595
New York	....	260
Philadelphia	....	22
Total estimate	50,000	43,504
St. Louis	....	5,447
Memphis	9,578	10,032
Houston	12,021	8,543

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS

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

	Today.	Last Year
New Orleans	16,000 to 17,000	14,656
Galveston	27,000 to 29,000	26,170
Houston	26,000 to 27,000	11,237

LIVERPOOL

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 14.—The market for spot cotton was easy in tone. Middlings, 6.70d. Receipts, 15,300 bales. Sales, 6,000 bales.

Futures closed steady at the following range of prices:

	Open.	Close.
January-February	6.52-50	6.49-50
February-March	6.52-48	6.48
March-April	6.49-47	6.47
April-May	6.49-48	6.46
May-June	6.46-45	6.45
June-July	6.45	6.43-44
July-August	6.43-40	6.41
August-September	6.28	6.28
September-October	5.98	....
November-December	6.63-58	6.58
December-January	6.56-54	6.53-54

NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—The market for spot cotton was quiet in tone. Middlings, 12⅛c. Sales, 1,800 bales.

Futures closed steady at the following range of prices:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	12.30	12.38	12.22	12.27-29
March	12.61	12.65	12.52	12.58-59
May	12.75	12.77	12.63	12.68-69
July	12.85	12.87	12.73	12.78-79
December	12.20	12.24	12.14	12.18-22

NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The market for spot cotton was quiet in tone. Middlings, 12.45c. There were no sales.

Futures closed quiet and steady at the following range of prices:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	12.16	12.21	12.13	12.14-16
March	12.40	12.43	12.29	12.34-35
May	12.49	12.51	12.35	12.41-42
July	12.46	12.49	12.35	12.41-42
December	12.05	12.11	12.04	12.04-05

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The grain and provisions markets ranged as follows today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
July	77¼	77¼	76¾	76⅞
December	79	79⅜	78⅞	79¼
May	81½	82	81¼	81⅝
Corn—				
July	43⅛	43¼	42¾	43⅛
December	41½	41⅞	41¼	41¾
May	43⅜	43⅜	42⅞	43¼
Oats—				
December	35	35	34⅞	34⅞
May	37	37⅛	36⅝	36¾
Pork—				
January	11.42	11.55	11.37	11.50
May	11.80	11.85	11.70	11.80
Lard—				
January	6.40	6.52	6.37	6.47
May	6.62	6.67	6.57	6.62
Ribs—				
January	6.20	6.20	6.10	6.15
May	6.35	6.37	6.27	6.30

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—We look for strong and higher opening with some further advance in the early trading to reflect the higher London market and foreign buying, but it will be advisable to take profits on the early advance, as the upward movement will be sharply contested by bear party which is again alive and predicting radical declines in Pennsylvania Steel preferred, Sugar and the general market. The Northern Securities case will now be a factor in the market and the hearing before the supreme court will be closely followed for a line-up on the decision. With the public doing nothing the big professionals bearish we look for the market to work lower during the week and advise the selling of Pennsylvania Steel preferred, Sugar, Reading and A. C. P. on the rallies. The bears are talking 90 for Pennsylvania, 45 for U. S. Steel preferred and proportionately lower prices for other stocks. London early market strong and active with advances of ¼ to ⅜ from Saturday's close. London will buy considerable lines in our market today.

(Furnished by Hoffman & Weaver.)	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Atchison	67⅞	68⅝	67⅞	68⅝
Amal. Copper, pfd.	45	47⅛	45	47⅛
Baltimore and Ohio	78½	78⅞	78¼	78⅜
B. R. T.	48½	49½	48⅜	49¼
Ches. and Ohio	32½	32⅞	32½	32⅞
Erie	29⅜	30⅜	29⅜	30¼
Illinois Central	128¾	129¼	128¾	129¼
Louis. and Nash.	105¼	106⅞	105¾	106⅞
Manhattan L	140¾	141	140¾	141
Missouri Pacific	91⅞	92⅞	91⅞	92¾
Metropolitan	121½	122½	121½	122¼
M., K. and T., pfd.	38½	39¼	38½	39
Mexican Central	9⅞	....	....	9⅞
New York Central	117¾	118½	117¾	118½
Pennsylvania	115¾	117¼	115¾	117¼
Reading	43¼	44⅝	43¼	44½
Rock Island	25¼	26	25¼	25⅝
Southern Pacific	47⅛	48¾	47⅛	48¾
Southern Railway	20¾	20⅞	20½	20⅝
St. Paul	141	142	140⅞	142
Amer. Sugar, com.	123¼	124⅜	123¼	123⅝
Texas and Pacific	24½	25⅛	24½	25⅛
Tenn. Coal and Iron	32¼	32½	32¼	32⅛
Union Pacific	77¼	79¼	77¼	79¼
U. S. Steel	10½	10⅜	10⅜	10⅜
U. S. Steel, pfd.	52½	54	52½	53½
Wabash	19¾	19⅞	19¾	19¾
Wabash, pfd	36⅞	37⅛	36⅞	37⅛

MARKET TIPS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—Spots were very quiet today, and there was little doing. There was some buying for northern mills. Holders were firm. Interior offerings were light. We look for higher prices.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 14.—Brown bid 60 for 5,000 bales for March delivery at 12:10 p. m.

NEW ORLEAN, La., Dec. 14.—Havre cables spots quiet and steady, with middling at 81¼; futures steady. March, 77½, and May, 77⅜.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—D. J. Sully of New York wires that Taylor of Houston has wired that the railroad officials throught the state have agreed that fully 90 per cent of the cotton crop has been moved. Nothing is left in the fields, and demands for cars are now growing less daily. A heavy decrease in movement is bound to follow very soon.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 14.—Factors were very firm today, but export demands were small.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 14.—It is reported that Jackson, Miss., growers and speculators have secretly combined to hold their cotton for 14 cents, and it has caused much amusement around here. It is said there is no foundation for the statement.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—Offerings reported from the interior are light. The demand is moderate, and there is little doing in spots today.

ALBANY, Ga., Dec. 14.—The Georgia crop is reported to be 150,000 to 200,000 bales short of last year. It is also reported that the South Carolina crop will be 18 per cent short, and this is considered a very conservative estimate.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 14.—The total estimate of the crop for Georgia is 1,250,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—There was a good undertone today. Sellers of Saturday were buyers today. Liverpool cables: "Bearish and quiet times expected over the holidays. Political news of all sorts will be used for attacks on the cotton market."

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—Stock afloat, 87,964 bales against 75,393 bales last year; in presses, 221,165 bales against 287,521 bales last year; total stock, 318,912 bales against 362,956 bales last year. There is expected to be a heavy clearance from New Orleans soon for Genoa, Liverpool and Bremen.

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

MARINES LANDED ON THE ISTHMUS

COLON, Dec. 14.—A company of marines from the United States boat Prairie landed here today under the command of Captain Smiley Butler and started for Panama whence the marines will be sent to a point on the coast of South Panama. This step consequent on the receipt of information that Colombian troops had landed in that direction with the object of marching on Panama. If this is confirmed it will mean the beginning of a long campaign of guerilla warfare on the isthmus. The destination of the marines is said to be Yaviza up San Miguel gulf and Tuira river.

BIG BLAZE IN HOUSTON

$50,000 Fire in Warehouse Early This Morning

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—Fire early this morning damaged the warehouse of Henke & Pillott and resulted in the injury of four firemen who were precipitated to the ground by the breaking of a 34-foot extension ladder. All four men were near the top when the ladder broke. Austin Jourde was probably fatally injured and the other three men were seriously hurt. Captain Rafferty was nearly suffocated by smoke, but was rescued.

BAD BULL GETS BUSY

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—An old maddened bull leaped into the amphitheater seats at the Ciudad Juarez bull ring Sunday afternoon and a panic ensued. Thoughtful men caught the animal by the tail and while it was attempting to give battle the spectators escaped and Matador Cervera reached its side and dispatched it with a sword.

A bull fight was in progress and the bull ring was packed at the time. Many were bruised but none were seriously injured. The bull got up to the seventh seat before he was stopped.

HURT BY A STREET CAR

Charles Siamon, an Italian, came near being seriously injured Sunday morning by getting in front of a street car on Daggett avenue. Siamon attempted to get off a car going south and stepped on the track in front of a car going in the opposite direction. He was struck on the right side and knocked fifteen or twenty feet. Besides a number of bruises Siamon was not otherwise injured. He was taken to the hospital and Dr. R. E. L. Miller called to attend him.

OPERATIVES WAGES CUT

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—A reduction of wages averaging 10 per cent and involving 6,000 operatives, was made today in the cotton mills of North Adams, Mass., and Norwich, Conn. The mills reducing today are the last of the Southern New England and Western Massachusetts mills to adopt a lower schedule of wages. In all about 8,000 hands had their pay reduced.

CUT SISTER'S THROAT

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 14.—Carlilo Resendez, a Mexican, cut the throat of his sister, Rita Resendez, aged 16, with a knife this morning, making a gash from ear to ear. The knife narrowly missed the jugular vein and the girl still lives. Resendez has been arrested.

REYES WILL ACCEPT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—General Reyes stated this morning that he would consider it his duty to accept the presidency of Colombia if his election had been by as large a majority as reported. He is still undecided as to the nature of the note to the United States regarding the Panama matter.

BAILEY ON RECIPROCITY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—In the senate this morning Senator Bailey of Texas spoke in opposition to the Cuban bill at considerable length.

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The ladies of the First Christian church will hold their Christmas bazaar on the 14th, 15th and 16th inst. in the parlors of the Parker drug store, corner Seventh and Houston streets. They would be pleased to have all their friends call.

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The cars of the Northern Texas Traction Company were stopped for a couple of hours yesterday. Caused by the blowing out of a tube of one of the large boilers at the power house at Handley.

A private message from Amarillo this morning states that in the local option election held at Amarillo last Saturday the antis won by a majority of 61. The fight has been a fierce one on both sides.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. O'Gwin to the marriage of their daughter, Mary, to Claude Tewmey, Sunday, December 20, at 7:15 p. m., at the First Christian church. They will be at home at 805 Missouri avenue after January 1.

The Young Women's Society of the First Baptist church will give a bazaar and social at the residence of Miss Minnie Nash, 832 Monroe street, Thursday from 3 to 10 p. m.

Mrs. D. Stefano of Dallas is a guest of Miss Nona Leach.

OF INTEREST TO STOCKMEN

Advices from Quanah are to the effect that very nearly all the heifer calves have been sold and shipped to market off of the ranches in that section, it being deemed inadvisable to try to hold them over on account of the shortness of the grass.

A practical cowman whose home is in the state of Colorado, says that range conditions have so changed that it now costs as much to carry cattle on the range as it does on pastures in the corn belt. The trouble with present methods in his state is that the range is overcrowded and too much reliance is placed on the open range in the winter. He says that when he rounded up his cattle this fall he found that he had lost 100 head out of 1,000, while one of his neighbors lost 300 out of a total of 3,500. It is his opinion that fewer and better cattle, greater care, more feed and shelter in the winter, is the only solution of the problem.

In speaking of the present depressed condition of the cattle trade a representative of one of the big Chicago packing concerns says: "I am hoping that the flood of supplies of plainer grades of beef cattle will let up soon, for the packers generally would prefer to pay more satisfactory prices for cattle than the low ones lately prevailing. Our coolers have been crowded with meats for which there has been a rather slow and narrow outlet. We have not been able to clear our stocks of meats for a long time, and outside competition in the trade has compelled us to buy beef cattle at lower prices than we really care to see. When the marketing of cattle falls to its normal volume of this time of year I believe prices for cattle will improve considerably."

S. M. Domer of Fort Stockton, Texas, has purchased 149 head of range horses from Will Deland of Carlsbad, N. M., taking them as they come, at $14 around. The horses are being railed into Texas.

Cotton growing in the western part of the state has been taking on the aspect of a boom of late, owing to the fact that this section is entirely free from the boll weevil pest. The past season has been a favorable one, for crops in localities where, as a rule, there is a scarcity of moisture and it is now a demonstrated fact that the soil of many dry counties is admirably adapted to cotton. With occasional rains, good crops can be raised in the semi-arid region. Misfortunes of farmers in the agricultural belt as heretofore defined have opened up new possibilities.

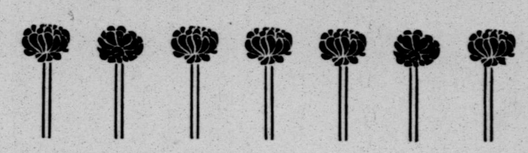
The farmers of Wilbarger and Wichita ccunties will plant large feed crops and cotton next spring. The fall has been so dry but little wheat has been planted and what is planted is not coming up. The dry spell will give the irrigation people an opportunity to test their system.

Fred Estes of Childress is in the city this morning and visited W. J. Estes, assistant city secretary, while in the city. Mr. Estes says that while he lives in the garden spot of the world, it is a spot which could stand a little rain at this time. Cattle are in good condition, but need some grazing land. All cattle are on feed.

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PEOPLE WHO WRITE ABOUT TEXAS

The people who write stories about Texas and Texas towns fail to provide important information, before they start in to relate a happening. The latest is a "Story" in Everybody's Magazine for December. "The Honorable Roderick's Wash," is supposed to be a narrative of the plains country, the scene being laid at Amaryllo. The writer describes it thus, "Amaryllo lay before him, a play house huddle of 'dobe and thatch dumped in the midst of limitless plain, level as a chess board; hot as a waffle iron." The story describes the population at the time of the narrative as "six Germans, four Frenchmen, nine Americans, fourteen Irish and sixty-seven Greasers." It then goes on to tell of the discomfiture of a ranchman who is invited to a social function, and his language is as follows, "It would be an outrage to go in anything but evening clothes, and I haven't a clean shirt to my name, and can't get one short of San Antonio."

These things are all too inconsistent with facts to make a Texas reader follow the story with interest. In the first place Amarillo was never a town of "'dobe and thatch." The town is located far away from the Mexican country, and the people who located there did not learn the "greaser" method of building homes. 'Dobe has never been a building material in the plains country, and it would be as much a curiosity there as it would be in Arkansas. No one remembers when Amarillo was inhabited by more greasers than any other class of population. The town is a direct result of the building of the Denver road. That line was pushed through the plains country where there was little population, and less business. It was a long length of track which connected two great business centers—Fort Worth and Denver, and as it was constructed, towns were built up along its right of way. Amarillo is one of these towns. It has always been an up to date, well built place, and today it is one of the thriving villages in the great southwest. It was never as hot as a "waffle iron." The year round there is breeze at Amarillo, and while towns in all other parts of the world are sweltering beneath the blazing sun of a summer day, Amarillo is always cool and pleasant.

To a Texan, it seems ridiculous for a man to talk of sending to San Antonio for a clean shirt, when he is at Amarillo. It would be nearer to make an overland trip to Denver than to San Antonio. It is as far from one of those Texas towns to the other, as it is from New York to Chicago, and there are hundreds of places where clean linen can be had, nearer to the plains country, than is the Alamo City.

The Telegram does not object to the story in Everybody's Magazine, believing it does an injustice to Texas or a Texas town, as its effect will be of no especial moment, but calls attention to the inconsistencies because they appear so ridiculous, it takes from the story the interest it might otherwise have. Writers generally endeavor to have their locations correct, their climatic conditions exact and their population well placed. These things are necessary in making an interesting story, and the man who has never visited Texas is making a mistake to try to write a story of distances, climate and people. This state has remarkable distances, all kinds of climate and people from every point on the habitable globe. These distances are not understood unless they have been studied, the climate is not known unless the individual has experienced it and the cosmopolitan population must be met to be known.

Green leaves are the proper decoration at Christmas time. These leaves may be of holly, of mistletoe, of ivy or of cedar. They make the interior of the room appear prettier, they add to the beauty wherever they are placed, and when we celebrate the Christ child's birth, we have all about us the green which grows wild in winter weather. Therefore in its Christmas edition The Telegram yesterday followed the custom of Christmas decoration. The border of green leaves on the front page was a part of the Christmas decoration. It added to the appearance of the paper's front page, and attracted a great deal of attention.

The chief interest lately among Fort Worth lawyers has been in trying to find an answer to the question, "Is my name written there?" It has reference to the list which Judge Meek placed in the hands of a committee of lawyers for a barratry investigation.

The Farmers' Institute is to be organized in this city tomorrow. It will be a good thing for this county, and probably it will sooner or later bring a demonstration farm to this county.

The police ought to watch for violations of the anti-spitting ordinance. Remind the people of it, and we can start the New Year with a cleaner Fort Worth.

In the excitement incident to the coming of Kris Kringle, do not let the auditorium be forgotten. That must be built. It is needed.

This is a good week to pay your poll tax.

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There is a large sign board located on Jennings avenue, south of the viaduct. This sign board is 80 feet in length and 4 feet in height. It stands there day by day attracting the eye of every passer, whether he be a pedestrian, a passenger on the car or is in his own vehicle. The length of the board attracts attention, and if there is an attractive wording on it, there will be more attention.

The Telegram has leased this sign board. It has closed a contract by which the length and breadth of it will be at the dsposal of this paper, to announce whatever it will to the world. All residents of the South Side pass that sign board at least once every day. They will read it oftener and with more pleasure if there is something on it which is attractive.

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The Blazed Trail

By STEWART EDWARD WHITE

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He approached the skidway rapidly, laid his flexible rule across the face of each log, made a mark on his pine tablets in the column to which the log belonged, thrust the tablet in the pocket of his coat, seized a blue crayon, in a long holder, with which he made an 8 as indication that the log had been scaled, and finally tapped several times strongly with a sledge hammer. On the face of the hammer in relief was an M inside of a delta. This was the company's brand, and so the log was branded as belonging to them. He swarmed over the skidway, rapid and absorbed, in strange activity to the slower power of the actual skidding. In a moment he moved on to the next scene of operations without having said a word to any of the men.

"A fine t'ing," said Mike, spitting.

So day after day the work went on. Radway spent his time tramping through the woods, figuring on new work, showing the men how to do things better or differently, discussing minute expedients with the blacksmith, the carpenter, the cook.

He was not without his troubles. First he had not enough men, the snow lacked and then came too abundantly, horses fell sick of colic or calked themselves, supplies ran low unexpectedly, trees turned out "punk," a certain bit of ground proved soft for travoying, and so on. At election time, of course, a number of the men went out.

And one evening, two days after election time, another and important character entered the North woods and our story.

CHAPTER II.

ON the evening in question some thirty or forty miles southeast of Radway's camp a train was crawling over a badly laid track that led toward the Saginaw valley. The whole affair was very crude. To the edge of the right of way pushed the dense swamp, like a black curtain shutting the virgin country from the view of civilization. Across the snow were tracks of animals.

The train consisted of a string of freight cars, one coach divided half and half between baggage and smoker, and a day car occupied by two silent, awkward women and a child. In the smoker lounged a dozen men. They were of various sizes and descriptions, but they all wore heavy blanket mackinaw coats, rubber shoes and thick German socks tied at the knee. The air was so thick with smoke that the men had difficulty in distinguishing objects across the length of the car.

The passengers sprawled in various attitudes, and their occupations were diverse. Three nearest the baggage room door attempted to sing, but without much success. A man in the corner breathed softly through a mouth organ, to the music of which his seat mate, leaning his head sideways, gave close attention. One big fellow with a square beard swaggered back and forth down the aisle offering to every one refreshment from a quart bottle. It was rarely refused. Of the dozen probably three-quarters were more or less drunk.

After a time the smoke became too dense. A short, thickset fellow with an evil, dark face coolly thrust his heel through a window. The conductor, who, with the brakeman and baggage master, was seated in the baggage van, heard the jingle of glass. He arose.

"Guess I'll take up tickets," he remarked. "Perhaps it will quiet the boys down a little."

The conductor was a big man, rawboned and broad, with a hawk face. His every motion showed lean, quick, pantherlike power.

"Let her went," replied the brakeman, rising as a matter of course to follow his chief.

The brakeman was stocky, short and long armed. In the old fighting days Michigan railroads chose their train officials with an eye to their superior deltoids. The two men loomed on the noisy smoking compartment.

"Tickets, please," clicked the conductor sharply.

Most of the men began to fumble about in their pockets, but the three singers and the man who had been offering the quart bottle did not stir.

"Ticket, Jack!" repeated the conductor. "Come on, now!"

The big bearded man leaned uncertainly against the seat.

"Now, look here, Bud," he urged in wheedling tones, "I ain't got no ticket. You know how it is, Bud. I blows my stakes." He fished uncertainly in his pocket and produced the quart bottle, nearly empty. "Have a drink?"

"No," said the conductor sharply.

"A' right," replied Jack amiably. "Take one myself." He tipped the bottle, emptied it and hurled it through a window. The conductor paid no apparent attention to the breaking of the glass.

"If you haven't any ticket, you'll have to get off," said he.

The big man straightened up.

"You go to blazes!" he snorted, and with the sole of his spiked boot delivered a mighty kick at the conductor's thigh.

The official, agile as a wildcat, leaped back, then forward and knocked the man half the length of the car. You see, he was used to it. Before Jack could regain his feet the official stood over him.

The three men in the corner had also risen and were staggering down the aisle intent on battle. The conductor took in the chances with professional rapidity.

"Get at 'em, Jimmy!" said he.

And as the big man finally swayed to his feet he was seized by the collar and trousers in the grip known to "bouncers" everywhere, hustled to the door, which some one obligingly opened, and hurled from the moving train into the snow. The conductor did not care a straw whether the obstreperous Jack lit on his head or his feet, hit a snow bank or a pile of ties.

The conductor returned to find a rolling, kicking, gouging mass of kinetic energy knocking the varnish off all one end of the car. A head appearing, he coolly batted it three times against a corner of the seat arm, after which he pulled the contestant out by the hair and threw him into a seat, where he lay limp. Then it could be seen that Jimmy had clasped tight in his embrace a leg each of the other two. He hugged them close to his breast and jammed his face down against them to protect his features. They could pound the top of his head and welcome. The only thing he really feared was a kick in the side, and for that there was hardly room.

The conductor stood over the heap, at a manifest advantage.

"You lumber jacks had enough, or do you want to catch it plenty?"

The men, drunk though they were, realized their helplessness. They signified they had had enough. Jimmy thereupon released them and stood up, brushing down his tousled hair with his stubby fingers.

"Now, is it ticket or bounce?" inquired the conductor.

After some difficulty and grumbling the two paid their fare and that of the third, who was still dazed.

The interested spectators of the little drama included two men near the water cooler who were perfectly sober. One of them was perhaps past the best of life, but still straight and vigorous. His lean face was leather brown in contrast to a long mustache and heavy eyebrows bleached nearly white, his eyes were a clear, steady blue and his frame was slender, but wiry. He wore the regulation mackinaw blanket coat, a peaked cap with an extraordinary high crown and buckskin moccasins over long stockings.

The other was younger, not more than twenty-six perhaps, with the clean cut, regular features we have come to consider typically American. Eyebrows that curved far down along the temples and eyelashes of a darkness in contrast to the prevailing note of his complexion combined to lend him a rather brooding, soft and melancholy air which a very cursory second examination showed to be fictitious. His eyes, like the woodman's, were steady, but inquiring. His jaw was square and settled, his mouth straight. Unlike the other inmates of the car he wore an ordinary business suit, somewhat worn, but of good cut and a style that showed even over the soft flannel shirt. The trousers were, however, bound inside the usual socks and rubbers.



He was seized by the collar.

The two seat mates had occupied their time each in his own fashion. The elder stared straight before him and spat with a certain periodicity into the center of the aisle. The younger stretched back lazily in an attitdue of ease. Sometimes he smoked a pipe. Thrice he read over a letter. It was from his sister and announced her arrival at the little rural village in which he had made arrangements for her to stay. "It is interesting now," she wrote, "though the resources do not look as though they would wear well. I am learning under Mrs. Renwick to sweep and dust and bake and stew and do a multitude of other things which I always vaguely supposed came ready made. I like it, but after I have learned it all I do not believe the practice will appeal to me much. However, I can stand it well enough for a year or two or three, for I am young, and then you will have made your everlasting fortune, of course."

"She's a trump," said Thorpe to himself, "and she shall have her everlasting fortune if there's such a thing in the country."

He jingled the $3.60 in his pocket and smiled. That was the extent of his everlasting fortune at present.

The letter had been answered from Detroit.

"I am glad you are settled," he wrote. "At least I know you have enough to eat and a roof over you. I hope sincerely that you will do your best to fit yourself to your new conditions. I know it is hard, but with my lack of experience and my ignorance as to where to take hold it may be a good many years before we can do any better."

When Helen Thorpe read this she cried. Things had gone wrong that morning, and an encouraging word would have helped her. The somber tone of her brother's communication threw her into a fit of the blues from which for the first time she saw her surroundings in a depressing and distasteful light. And yet he had written as he did with the kindest possible motives.

Thorpe had the misfortune to be one of those individuals who, though careless of what people in general may think of them, are in a corresponding degree sensitive to the opinion of the few they love. This feeling was further exaggerated by a constitutional shrinking from any outward manifestation of the emotions. Perhaps for this reason he was never entirely sincere with those he loved.

After the disgrace of his father Harry Thorpe had done a great deal of thinking and planning which he kept carefully to himself. He considered in turn the different occupations to which he could turn his hand and negatived them one by one. Few business firms would care to employ the son of as shrewd an embezzler as Henry Thorpe. Finally he came to a decision. He communicated this decision to his sister. It would have commended itself more logically to her had she been able to follow step by step the consideration that had led her brother to it. As the event turned, she was forced to accept it blindly. She knew that her brother intended going west, but as to his hopes and plans she was in ignorance. A little sympathy, a little mutual understanding, would have meant a great deal to her, for a girl whose mother she but dimly remembers turns naturally to her next of kin. Helen Thorpe had always admired her brother, but had never before needed him. She had looked upon him as strong, self contained, a little moody.

At the beginning of the row in the smoking car Thorpe laid aside his letter and watched with keen appreciation the direct practicality of the trainmen's method. When the bearded man fell before the conductor's blow, he turned to the individual at his side.

"He knows how to hit, doesn't he?" he observed. "That fellow was knocked well off his feet."

"He does," agreed the other dryly.

They fell into a desultory conversation of fits and starts. Woodsmen of the genuine sort are never talkative, and Thorpe, as has been explained, was constitutionally reticent. In the course of their disjointed remarks Thorpe explained that he was looking for work in the woods and intended first of all to try the Morrison & Daly camps at Beeson lake.

"Know anything about logging?" inquired the stranger.

"Nothing," Thorpe confessed.

"Ain't much show for anything but lumber jacks. What did you think of doing?"

"I don't know," said Thorpe doubtfully. "I have driven horses a good deal. I thought I might drive team."

The woodsman turned slowly and looked Thorpe over with a quizzical eye. Then he faced to the front again and spat.

"Quite like," he replied, still more dryly.

The boy's remark had amused him, and he had showed it, as much as he ever showed anything. Excepting always the river men, the driver of a team commands the highest wages among out of door workers.

It is easier to drive a fire engine than a logging team.

But in spite of the naivete of the remark the woodsman had seen something in Thorpe he liked. Such men become rather expert in the reading of character. He revised his first intention to let the conversation drop.

"I think M. & D. is rather full up just now," he remarked. "I'm walkin' boss over there. The roads is about all made, and roadmaking is what a greenhorn tackles first. They's more chance earlier in the year. But if the old fellow"—he strongly accented the first word—"hain't nothin' for you, just ask for Tim Shearer, an' I'll try to put you on the trail for some jobber's camp."

The three who had come into collision with Jimmy and Bud were getting noisier. They had produced a stone jug and had collected the remainder of the passengers, with the exception of Shearer and Thorpe, and now were passing the jug rapidly from hand to hand. Soon they became musical, striking up one of the wierd, long drawn out chants so popular with the shanty boy. Thorpe shrewdly guessed his companion to be a man of some weight and did not hesitate to ascribe his immunity from annoyance to the other's presence.

"It's a bad thing," said the walking boss. "I used to be at it myself, and I know."

(Ctontinued tomorrow.)

The Delineator

For JANUARY



MRS. OSBORN

the renowned fashion authority, has become a regular contributor to The Delineator. Three pages of the January number (and of future issues) will be devoted to her letter with accompanying illustrations. This is our latest achievement in the interest of those who subscribe to The Delineator primarily for its fashion information. Hereafter the magazine will contain not only the latest ideas covering an immense range of styles of our own corps of designers, artists and writers, with illustrations by the most skilful fashion artists, but it will also present the views of the present and the prophecies for the future of this justly famous modiste.

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WEATHER FORECAST

FORECAST

For Fort Worth and vicinity until 8 p. m. Tuesday—Tonight and Tuesday, cloudy weather probably with occasional snow flurries; continued cold—freezing.

For Texas east of the 100th meridian, issued at New Orleans—North, tonight and Tuesday, partly cloudy to cloudy weather and probably rain or snow tonight, and in the east portion Tuesday; colder tonight in west portion; colder Tuesday. South, tonight and Tuesday partly to cloudy weather; probably rain tonight and in east portion Tuesday; colder in the west portion.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Very cold weather prevails throughout the country east of the Rocky Mountains. The temperature is below in nearly all the northern states, and the freezing line extends southward within 150 miles of the coast.

The weather is generally clear throughout the northwest, middle west, northern and eastern states; cloudiness is on the increase in the lower Mississippi valley and in Texas, but no precipitation had occurred up to 8 o'clock this morning.

GEORGE REEDER,
Official in Charge.

WEATHER RECORD

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

Stations—	Temperature. Min.	Max.	Wind.	Rainfall.
Abilene	34	52	lt.	.00
Amarillo	14	44	16	.00
Bismarck	-8	-4	8	.00
Chicago	-2	-2	-4	.00
Davenport	-2	4	8	.00
Denver	16	50	6	.00
Detroit	0	14	..	.00
El Paso	24	58	lt.	.00
Fort Worth	22	47	10	.00
Galveston	32	50	lt.	.00
Jacksonville	48	68	8	.00
Kansas City	8	20	lt.	.00
Lander	10	30	lt.	.00
Little Rock	22	36	lt.	.00
Marquette	12	-4	20	.00
Miles City	-6	6	lt.	.00
Montgomery	32	50	8	.00
Nashville	20	32	6	.00
New Orleans	40	54	10	.00
North Platte	6	22	lt.	.00
Oklahoma	26	42	8	.00
Palestinee	32	50	8	.00
Pittsburg	8	28	8	.00
Rapid City	-4	6	lt.	.02
St. Louis	10	14	6	.00
St. Paul	-8	-4	6	.00
Salt Lake	24	42	lt.	.02
San Antonio	42	56	lt.	.00
San Diego	48	62	lt.	.00
Santa Fe	22	42	6	.00
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Territory News

CARNEGIE LIBRARY

GUTHRIE, Ok., Dec. 14.—Andrew Carnegie has donated $12,500 for the erection of a public library at El Reno, Ok.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

GUTHRIE, Ok., Dec. 14.—While with a serenading party near Prague, Ok., Will Walden was shot accidentally and killed.

WANTED IN FORT WORTH

LAWTON, Ok., Dec. 14.—Deputy United States Marshal Fry brought Tom Street to Lawton and placed him in the county jail while he went to Guthrie to take another prisoner there. Street was arrested at Frederick and is wanted in Fort Worth for alleged violation of the United States revenue law.

DAUGHTER HELPED FIGHT

GUTHRIE, Ok., Dec. 14.—With aid of his daughter, Postmaster Irwin of Parker, Ok., put to flight a band of unknown masked highwaymen, who attempted to rob him. Irwin has a revolver and his daughter quickly came with a Winchester and together they defeated the outlaws, who escaped on horseback.

PREACHER IN JAIL

VINITA, I. T., Dec. 14.—Moses Ridge, a fullblood Cherokee Indian preacher, is in jail here on a charge of having married a couple without having his authority first inspected and certified by the district clerk. He was sent to jail for thirty days.

VINITA BONDS

VINITA, I. T., Dec. 14.—Waterworks and sewerage bonds of the city of Vinita have been sold by the city council to Farson, Leach & Co., 140 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill. The bonds were issued for $85,000, and were sold for par. The contract for building the waterworks and sewerage system will be let as soon as Burns & McDonald of Kansas City, Mo., complete their contract of furnishing plans and specifications.

DUEL WITH BURGLARS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., Dec. 14.—Three men were caught in the act of burglarizing Laird's hardware store at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by Policemen McCoy and Celts.

A duel with pistols ensued, in which a dozen shots were fired. None of the shots took effect and the burglars escaped. At least ten business houses have been robbed during the last month. Six of the alleged burglars are in jail.

SCHOOLHOUSE BURNS

LAWTON, Ok., Dec. 14.—The schoolhouse three miles east of the city in district No. 48, was burned to the ground last night. There was no insurance on the building, which was valued at $1,200. The Sunday school also lost a fine organ and a library.

There has been some dispute about the building between the district and the contractor and the structure was not paid for.

KILLED BY CAVE-IN

VINITA, I. T., Dec. 14.—News has reached here of a fatal accident in the coal mines about three miles in the country northeast of Claremore, I. T., in which Curlin McDrummond, aged 23 years, and Colquitt McDrummond, aged 19 years, were killed.

The two unfortunate boys were working in a drift under a high bank of the slate and earth, which caved in. One of the boys was instantly killed and the other was rescued but only lived an hour after he was taken from the mines.

The accident was caused by two heavy shots of dynamite. There were a number of men at work at the mines when the accident occurred and the work of rescue commenced immediately.

PARDON FOR CHRISTMAS

GUTHRIE, Ok., Dec. 14.—Seymour Price of Oklahoma City was here Saturday with Governor Ferguson, petitioning for a pardon for Harry Pearson, an Oklahoma City youth, who is serving a term in the penitentiary of two and a half years for forgery.

Pearson, it is claimed, went out with a gang of boy friends one night and after they had blown all their money they prevailed upon him to draw a check on a coffee firm, by whom he was employed. He did this, the other boys promising to take up the check the next morning; but they failed to do so, and Pearson had to suffer for it. His father made good the check as soon as he was apprised of the matter, but Pearson was arrested and pleaded guilty with the understanding that he would receive one year in the penitentiary.

On the contrary he was sentenced to thirty months at hard labor. His time will be out next February, and Mr. Price, who speaks highly of the boy and his parents, desires the governor to give him a Christmas pardon.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY FINES

GEORGETOWN, Texas, Dec. 13.—County Attorney James E. Neal makes the statement that there were fines assessed in the county court of Williamson county from December, 1902, to December, 1903, to the amount of $7,900.40. This does not include the jail sentences imposed or costs collected, but the amount that goes to the county treasury. The present session of the county court is a heavy one, principally on account of the civil docket.

County Collector W. H. Eanes reports 3,480 poll taxes collected out of 8,000 assessed. This is the heaviest poll tax collection reported so far in Texas.

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WORK ON FORT WORTH DIVISION

PALESTINE, Texas, Dec. 14.—Much comment has been going the rounds the past several months in regard to the building of the Fort Worth division, many people claiming that the pay roll of the International and Great Northern at Palestine has been cut short and that many people have been removed from the city.

In reply to a query made General Manager Trice of the International and Great Northern railroad, by George Wright, that gentleman replied in part as follows:

"I have checked up the matter very carefully and find if we were not operating the Fort Worth division we would have four more train crews and four more engine crews runnings out of Palestine than we now have, costing about $1,860 per month or $22,320 per year; therefore we would be paying out at Palestine for train and engine crews $1,860 per month more than we are paying out now.

"All heavy repair work on equipment and locomotives and renewals for the Fort Worth division are made in the shops at Palestine, and all of the accounts are handled in the general offices at Palestine, and this additional work brought about by the opening up of the Fort Worth division has made it necessay for the shop and general office pay rolls to be increased and the average increase at Palestine necessary for this additional work brought about by the Fort Worth division is $12,589.10 per month or $151,069.20 per year; deducting the decrease in our train and engine men rolls of $22,320 per year, leaves a net increase in our pay rolls at Palestine, amounting to $128,749.20 per year. So Palestine is getting the benefit of the Fort Worth division to the extent that the increase in our pay rolls at Palestine, amounting to $128,749.20 per year benefits it; and this increase in the shop and general office pay rolls will continue as business on the Fort Worth division grows, it now being in its infancy."

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TO MEET IN THIS CITY

Committee to Fix Location for Orphans' Home

CAMERON, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The committee appointed by the board of trustees of the Texas Presbyterian Home for Orphans, to outline the plan upon which the orphanage will be instituted, for the benefit of those contemplating donations, etc., met in Waco, December 10. Those present were Revs. J. O. Reavis of Dallas, J. G. Tanner of Navasota and C. C. Weaver of Cameron.

The plan as adopted calls for not less than 250 acres of land. Upon this will be erected a farm house, with necessary outbuildings, and cottage room to accommodate thirty children, with two matrons and one teacher, and when this is accomplished the institution will be ready to open doors. To this will be added a refectory, school house, laundry, industrial shops and other cottages as the need arises.

The board of trustees will meet in Fort Worth February 11, 1904, to consider all bids for location, and if the way be clear decide upon the place where the orphanage will be located. We ask those contemplating the donation of a site to have their offers ready to present to the board at that time.

We invite the donations of cottages and other buildings, farm implements, furniture, building material, etc.

All money sent to our treasurer, Hon. Cooper Sansom, Georgetown, Texas, will be receipted.

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GEORGE MORTON AND PARTY HERE

General Passenger Agent of the Katy Visits City of Fort Worth

George Morton, general passenger agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, and party, consisting of twelve or fifteen general agents and traveling passenger agents of the company, headquarters in the larger cities of the north and east, arrived in Fort Worth at 5:30 Sunday afternoon, having spent most of the day at Wichita Falls, viewing the great irrigation dam near that place. While in that city they were entertained by citizens at a breakfast.

The party remained over Sunday night in this city and left this morning over the Katy for Waco. Visits will be made at all the prominent points on the system in Texas before returning north.

Many of the employes in the passenger department of the Katy were never in the state before, and with Mr. Morton are being shown over Texas in order that they may personally acquaint themselves with conditions in the state so that they can be able to better transact the passenger business that may come under their personal supervision.

The fact is, these Katy officials are in Texas particularly to study conditions with the object in view of pushing immigration into the state. Heretofore the Katy has been the means of locating thousands of new comers in Texas, and during the coming year the Katy proposes to do a great immigration business, and the present trip is for the purpose of educating the passenger men of the company on the great and endless resources of Texas.

Music and Drama

"PECK'S BAD BOY"

The lean will fatten (from laughter) and the fat will lean (on the arms of chairs) while laughing at the performance of "Peck's Bad Boy," which will be given at Greenwall's opera house Tuesday, matinee at 3:30, and night, December 15.

This piece of American humor is an everlasting favorite.

IN OLD KENTUCKY"

"In Old Kentucky" will be the attraction at Greenwall's opera house Wednesday, matinee and night, December 16. This remarkable American play will never wear out its welcome with the theatergoing public, for it has been constantly on the boards for ten years, and it still possesses all the drawing powers that it exhibited in the first years of its existence.

MARIE CORELLI

Has written many dramatic stories, but none better than "Thelma," which, in its dramatic form will be presented at Greenwall's opera house Thursday, matinee and night, December 17. This is the third successive season for this play, and this year it has by far the best interpreting company ever seen in its several strongly drawn characters.

"THE CONVICT'S DAUGHTER"

Sensational to a degree, and full of strong climaxes, the story and events of the play live in your memory long after all others have faded into forgetfulness, in "The Convict's Daughter," which comes to Greenwall's opera house Friday night, December 18. Every detail has been carefully attended to, and each artist has been engaged for his or her special fitness for the respective parts.

PROSPERITY IN HILL

County Has Enjoyed a Good Year and Farmers Are Paying Mortgages

HILLSBORO, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—While a representative of The Telegram was interviewing an official of one of Hillsboro's prosperous banks, a worn, bent man appeared at the cashier's window. He spoke to the man behind the counter:

"Give me that thare mortgage!"

"Sold your cotton, uncle?"

"Yes, sir," said the farmer, and he slowly opened his old brown coat, unbuttoned his waist coat and then his checkered shirt and pulled from under his arm a red handkerchief in which was tied the savings of years, plus the cotton receipts of the day before.

"There," said the banker, when the transaction was closed, "is a sample of Hill county prosperity."

The last statements of the three national banks of Hillsboro show deposits of nearly $600,000 or $10 for every man, woman and child in the town. This is an increase of nearly $100,000 over a like showing of one year ago.

"The average yield of cotton throughout the county, notwithstanding the ravages of the boll weevil," said George Carmichael of the Citizen's National Bank, "has been about one-half a bale to the acre. The wagon receipts up to date have been over 1,500 bales. This is not large for Hillsboro, but considering the excellent markets furnished by Hubbard, Itasca, West and many other small towns, is a good showing."

It is estimated that about 80 per cent of the crop in Hill county has been marketed; 10 per cent is yet in the field and the farmers are holding the remainder for a higher market.

Real estate is changing hands at from $30 to $40 per acre. Many renters are able, owing to the excellent crops this year, to buy farms.

NEWS OF GATESVILLE

GATESVILLE, Texas, Dec. 13.—(Special.)—A large number of teachers met yeterday evening and organized a teachers' institute.

The truck growers' association held a meeting yesterday evening.

A number of people here have been summoned to attend as witnesses in the A. S. Busby trial at Rusk on the 17th instant.

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THE LATEST IN RAILROAD NEWS

FUNDS FOR ORIENT

President Stilwell of the Orient has made the statement at Kansas City that he has interested 200 prominent men in Europe in his railroad project and secured $5,000,000 from the Holland stockholders in addition to the amounts previously subscribed by capitalists of that country.

President Stilwell gives assurance that the road from Kansas City to Port Stilwell will be in operation in two years.

FRISCO INTO HUTCHINSON

There is a probability that Frisco trains will be running into Hutchinson, Kan., by January 1 via Medora, using Rock Island tracks for eight miles.

There is to be through service from St. Louis to Dodge City, by the Rock Island-Frisco system, according to late reports.

YOAKUM'S ROAD AHEAD

There has been a lively railroad building war in Southeast Texas for some months between the San Antonio and Aransas Pass and the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico as to which road would be finished first to Brownsville.

The results of the past few months have demonstrated that the latter road is in the lead and will reach Brownsville first.

CANE BELT EXTENSION

That the Santa Fe is seriously contemplating the extension of the Cane Belt across the Colorado river and along the coast an indefinite number of miles, is almost assured.

News comes from South Texas that Vice President L. J. Polk has been making personal investigations of the territory through which it is proposed that the road is to run.

It is generally believed that the Santa Fe proposes to make an immediate extension of the Garwood branch down the west side of the Colorado river, running through all the large rice farms on that side of the river.

George Russell, superintendent of the Chicago division of the Santa Fe, is also in South Texas inspecting the Cane Belt.

PECULIAR BASIS OF RATES

Officials of the Pueblo and Beulah Valley railroad have decided on a new and novel plan for fixing passenger rates. Instead of fixing a rate which shall be dependent upon the age of passenger and the distance traveled, the company will adopt a plan based upon weight, and that every passenger who enters a Beulah train will be weighed upon scales which will be arranged at a train stall through which they must pass before entering the car.

Their weight will be registered on the scales, and although the company has not as yet entirely agreed upon the price which must be charged per pound, it is figured that it will have to be fixed at threequarters of a cent per pound for the round trip to Beulah.

Discussing the plan, Vice President Burns says: "It is obvious that it costs more to carry a man who weighs 200 pounds than it does a man who weighs but 125 pounds. More coal will have to be shoveled when the 200-pound passenger adds his weight to the train, and the only equitable way to fix the tariff on his ride is to place it upon the same basis as charged for freight."

It is believed that original idea will be adopted by other roads eventually. It is estimated that the average weight of the passengers will be 150 pounds and this at three-quarters of a cent per pound, will make the rate $1 for the round trip from Pueblo to Beulah and return.

GUARDS ON TRAIN

Desperadoes who have for many years infested the extreme portion of the Texas Panhandle and Eastern New Mexico continue to cause the Colorado and Southern much trouble. Repeatedly during the past four or five years trains on this road have been held up and robbed.

During the past week it became known to the officials of the Colorado and Southern that desperadoes contemplated attacking trains and as a precaution armed guards were placed on express cars of this company between Trinidad, Colo., and Texline, Texas.

It is said Wells-Fargo Express Company officials had been advised that an attempt would be made to hold up the train and rob the express car. Thus far the reported robber has failed to materialize. However, the railroad and express companies prefer to be on the safe side and are guarding the trains.

HAD FINGER TORN OFF

D. C. McCoy of Abilene the Victim of Peculiar Accident

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 14.—While loading a car of horses one evening last week, D. C. McCoy, climbing down from a fence, slipped and caught a ring on his little finger in some way on the top of the fence. His whole weight was suspended on this finger which was cut off by the ring from the force of the fall.

Colonel Mark Elliston and wife of Garland are guests of the family of O. P. Thomas.

Mrs. Ora Hickey of Fort Smith, Ark., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ingle, of this place.

C. E. Strain of Lancaster has been the guest of W. W. Winniford of this place the past week.

Commissioner B. F. Jones and daughter of this county are visiting relatives in Mineral Wells.

Miss Ella Cockrell of Abilene has been visiting the family of Judge Joe Cockrell in Dallas this week.

Mrs. Bert Bracken left a few days ago for a visit to her parents in Holdenville, I. T., while Mr. Bracken left for Texarkana to join a theatrical company.

Mr. Scruggs who for some time has been cashier of the cattleman's branch of the New York Life Insurance Company at this place, has resigned his position to accept a similar position with an El Paso firm.

M. L. McDonald, recently an employe of the Taylor County News, left a few days ago for Colorado City, where he has secured a permanent position.

Mrs. W. S. Lackey of Caldwell is visiting her son, Principal W. W. Lackey of the Abilene public schools.

Colonel J. W. Childers has just let a contract for placing another story on his one-story building on North First street, which will be properly fitted up for a first class hotel.

The Abilene country was treated to a fine rain early yesterday morning. It was the first rain for several weeks and is expected to be of much benefit to wheat that has been sown.



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NO TEXAS CHANGES

The Telegram Sunday morning quoted A. J. Davidson, general superintendent of the Frisco, as saying there would possibly be no changes in Rock Island-Frisco agencies in Texas. On this subject the Houston Chronicle says:

Information received in Houston with reference to the Rock Island-Frisco combination is to the effect that both roads will maintain separate agencies in Texas, but that elsewhere in the United States, where both roads maintain agencies, these will be consolidated and will represent the Rock Island-Frisco after January 1.

This is pleasant news to the separate agencies in Texas, as it has been feared ever since the Rock Island-Frisco deal was announced that with the rearrangement of the agencies throughout the country many would be relieved of their positions. Under the rearrangement, however, Texas employes and officials are not affected and will continue separate as heretofore. At New York, Boston, Buffalo, Philadelphia, Atlanta, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Omaha, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, City of Mexico and other points, the offices will be consolidated. Several new joint agencies have beeen established to care for those thrown out of positions by this consolidation. Among these new agencies are Jacksonville, Fla., Richmond, Va., Kansas City and other places.

In view of this information it is assumed locally that the Rock Island and Frisco in Texas will not be changed from what they have been in the past and that two separate and distinct organizations will be maintained throughout. This policy is in accordance with the Texas laws governing consolidations.

PRESIDENT RAMSEY'S OPINION

Joseph Ramsey, Jr., president of the Wabash railway, says on the railroad situation, present and prospective:

"The general conditions are good. There will not be such a heavy traffic as in 1903, but a nominal traffic with the better net results, due to greater economy in operation. I look for a maintenance of rates during the year. The betterments have been carried so far during the past five years that railroads need do little in that line. Net earnings, even with considerable reductions in gross, should show no decrease, because of the reduction in expenditures for betterments heretofore paid out of earnings."

FRISCO DENIED RIGHT OF WAY

A Washington dispatch says:

The St. Louis and San Francisco Railway Company has been denied the right to build a branch of its system into the Sulphur Springs reservation in the Indian Territory. This ruling was made by the secretary of the interior on an opinion given by the assistant attorney general for the department. Colonel L. F. Parker, general solicitor of the company, has been in correspondence with the department for some time in relation to the right of way asked.

PENN GETS DAMAGES

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Instead of the $6,000,000 to $7,000,000 asked for by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, a jury in Judge Smith's court Saturday awarded the sum of $896,670.72 for the strip of land on the west bank of the Chicago river, between Madison and Van Buren streets, which the sanitary district board thus appropriates by condemnation for the purpose of widening and improving the river at this point. The strip of land under condemnation includes about 55,000 square feet, and now forms a portion of the Penn's freight terminals, and holds a number of freight houses.

ONE ADVANTAGE

"There's one good thing about being sick," remarked the philosopher.

"What's that?" asked the cynic.

"A fellow feels so much better when he gets over it," replied the philosophical party.—Chicago Daily News.

THE USUAL THING

First Gossip—You haven't told me a thing about yourself.

Second Gossip—I haven't had time.—Town Topics.

SOLD HIMSELF

First Citizen (indignantly)—I am surprised that young Longhead would lend himself to any such scheme.

Second Citizen—Lend himself? Why, man! he was bought.—Judge.

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NEGRO LEADERS FROM ARKANSAS

Rev. Ralph Amos of Montrose Endeavoring to Get Aid for His Work

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Rev. Ralph Amos of Montrose, Ark., a new apostle of education for the negro is in the city. Rev. Amos is a full blooded negro and was born in Louisiana some forty odd years ago. His great school, the M. and F. I. and A. school, is located at Montrose, Ark., the center of the black belt in the southwest, where there are ten colored persons to each white one. Rev. Amos is a noted orator and is well and favorably known by the Arkansas delegation in congress. He declared that the negro is the architect of his own fortune and proves by biblical and ancient history a close parallel between the Jews and the negroes.

The Washington Post, under the caption of "A True Negro Leader," says the following of the Rev. Ralph Amos:

"The Rev. R. Amos, a negro clergyman and educator from Montrose, Ashley county, Arkansas, is the latest prophet of the industrial education of his race. He is trying to raise $2,000 to complete the establishment of an academy devoted to that end in the town of his residence. Montrose is in the extreme southern part of Arkansas, near the Louisiana line, and lies in one of the richest alluvial regions in that country. The negro population is very heavy there, and it is composed of people who wish to live in the south and, therefore, to acquire the kind of training best fitted to make them useful and substantial citizens. They have no idea of going to Africa or in any other way becoming the victims of false leaders and crazy doctrinaires. Mr. Amos seeks to repeat in his neighborhood the excellent and patriotic work which has borne such excellent fruit in other parts of the south at Hampton, Tuskegee and elsewhere—and herein he is heartily recommended by the best class of whites in Arkansas. The attorney general of the state, the secretary of state, the editor of the Gazette, the postmasters of Little Rock and Dardanelle, public officials and private citizens of the highest standing unite in testifying to his good character and to their sympathy and confidence.

"Mr. Amos is visiting the north in the hope of securing from genuine and intelligent friends of the negro the small sum still required to perfect his plans. In a few days he will deliver an address at one of the local churches, when he will expound fully to his audience the details and the purposes of his Montrose project. To such an enterprise as this, the Post is always willing to lend a helping hand. Those teachers and preachers who awaken the negroes to the importance of character and self-respect, and educate them to the useful ways of citizenship, are the true leaders of their race. They deserve the sympathy of the whites, for their labor contributes to the welfare of civilized society. Negroes who are taught to maintain themselves and to acquire independence become at once valuable and influential members of the body politic. To own one's home, to pay taxes, to rear a virtuous and decent family—this is to be of far more consequence in the equation of society than to wear patent leather shoes, bawl for 'recognition' at noisy gatherings, and herd like vermin in a city's slums. Nobody pays the smallest attention to the agitators, but every one respects and values the representatives of legitimate and productive industry.

"There is no royal road to eminence and power for any race. The Caucasian rose through centuries of painful and slow development. The negro cannot expect to rise on the strength of a fourth rate scholastic education and a trunkful of cheap finery. It is work, not talk; property, not pretention; achievement, not empty aggressiveness, that tells the tale. We hope that Mr. Amos will find friends and helpers by the way."

LOSES AN ARM IN A GIN

Will Mattox Badly Injured at Gilmer Saturday

GILMER, Texas, Dec. 14.—Will Mattox, while working in a gin belonging to his brother, Bob Mattox at this place, had his arm so badly mangled that it had to be amputated above the elbow. Mattox's hand caught in the gin saws and the whole arm was drawn in before the machinery could be stopped.

A good rain fell here Saturday. The rain will be of much benefit. Cotton is practically all gathered and most of the crop has been sold.

The funeral of W. Florence was held Friday. Mr. Florence was 78 years of age and was one of the pioneers of Upshur county. He and his wife, who survives him, lived together fifty-three years.

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

PLOTTED KING'S DEATH

Shooting of King Alphonso's Gamekeeper Not Accidental

MADRID, Dec. 14.—The mystery in connection with the recent shooting of a gamekeeper who was alleged to have attempted the life of one of King Alphonso's suite, is deepened as the result of the arrest of two foresters and the suicide of a third to escape the police. It is declared that the dead man and the two under arrest plotted the death of the king and it is believed his majesty escaped the bullet of an assassin by pure good fortune. Popular indignation has been aroused and every effort is being made to keep the matter quiet. It will be remembered that on December 6, while King Alphonzo was hunting at Catam one of his immediate followers declared that he saw one of the gamekeepers aiming his gun at one of the party and he immediately shot the man dead. It now seems certain that instead of it being one of the king's companions that the gun was pointed at the person whose life was in danger and was none other than the king himself. As a result of the plot the guard about the king has been doubled and all anarchists in the country are to be placed under arrest.

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Liquozone alone kills germs in the body without killing the tissues, too. It is so certain that we publish on every bottle an offer of $1,000 for a disease germ that it cannot kill. Liquozone destroys at once and forever the cause of any germ disease.

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Liquozone is simply liquid oxygen—no drugs, no alcohol in it. It is the discovery of Pauli, the great German chemist, who spent 20 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.

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Asthma	Dyspepsia
Abscess—Anemia	Goitre—Gout
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Bright's Disease	La Grippe
Bowel Troubles	Leucorrhea
Coughs—Colds	Liver Troubles
Consumption	Piles—Pneumonia
Colic—Croup	Pleurisy—Quinsy
Constipation	Scrofula—Syphilis
Catarrh—Cancer	Rheumatism
Hay Fever—Influenza	Skin Diseases
Dysentery—Diarrhea	Stomach Troubles
Eczema—Erysipelas	Throat Troubles
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VIA

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Louisiana	South Carolina	Iowa
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Daily Train **3** Each Way

Special Train Service on Dec. 19, through to New Orleans.
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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.

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WANTED—A lady typewriter. For particulars address A10, care The Telegram.

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WANTED—Boarders at 310 Taylor st. Rates reasonable. Phone 709-3-r.

FOR first class room and board, phone 2011.

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Every family in Fort Worth to telephone us their orders for oil and gasoline. The best costs no more. Southern Oil and Paint Co. Phone 681.

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FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. Call at 121 S. Main.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for housekeeping or roomers. 800 West 1st.

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FOR RENT—Furnished house or part of same. Best neighborhood in city, on belt street car line. Modern conveniences. References exchanged. Address Home, care Telegram.

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ROUGH coated Scotch collie pups. Have a nice litter from Red Cross Gypsy by Royalty. Two pure white ones. They would make acceptable Christmas presents. For prices phone 2926, or call at 1205 East Belknap and see them.

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Clothes called for and delivered.
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Dallas, Texas.

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.

THIRD WARD

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.

THIRD WARD

The Telegram is authorized to announce T. F. Murray as a candidate for re-election as alderman of the Third ward of the city of Fort Worth, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held 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.

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.

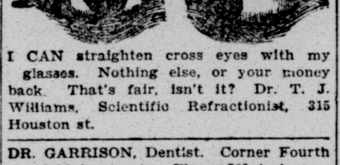
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Doctors find
A good prescription
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The 5-cent packet is enough for an ordinary occasion. The family bottle (price 60 cents) contains a supply for a year.

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
4:35 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.

FORT WORTH AND DENVER CITY
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
.....—	1	Mail and Express (Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver)	9:45 am
.....—	3	Wichita Falls Acc.	6:00 pm
.....—	7	Colorado Express	11:10 pm

SOUTH-BOUND.

5:10 pm—	2	Mail and Express	.....
9:50 am—	4	Ft. Worth Accommodation	.....
6:00 am—	8	Texas Express	.....

INTERNATIONAL & GREAT NORTHERN
NORTH-BOUND.

Arrive.	No.		Depart.
8:55 pm—	2	Mail and Express	.....
8:30 am—	8	Ft. Worth Limited	.....

SOUTH-BOUND.

.....—	1	Mail and Express (Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston)	7:25 am
..... —	7	Houston and Galveston Limited	5:45 pm

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—	25	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.
8:10 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
7:40 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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LAW SILENT ON A MOOTED POINT

No Provision for Teacher's Payment if Week Is Taken at Christmas

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The state department of education is now receiving scores, and it may be said hundreds, of letters asking as to whether the trustees of a school community should give a week's vacation during the Christmas holidays, and if so if teachers are entitled to their pay for the time.

The department may have ruled on this mooted question in private communications to correspondents, but has given out nothing for publication on the subject. However, the law seems plain.

Section 21, article 3910, revised statutes, as amended by the Twenty-seventh legislature, says: "Public schools shall be taught for five days in each week. Schools shall not be closed on legal holidays, unless so ordered by the trustees. A school month shall consist of not less than twenty school days, inclusive of holidays, and shall be taught for not less than seven hours each day, including intermissions and recesses."

Section 21a, article 3939, providing for holidays, says: "The 1st day of January, the 22d day of February, the 2d day of March, 21st day of April, the 4th day of July, the first Monday in September, and the 25th day of December of each year, and all days appointed by the president of the United States, or by the governor, as days of fasting or thanksgiving, and every day on which an election is held throughout the state, are declared holidays on which all the public offices of the state may be closed, and shall be treated and considered as Sunday or the Christian Sabbath for all purposes regarding the presenting for payment or acceptance and of protesting and for giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks and promissory notes placed by the law upon the footing of bills of exchange."

In this connection it may not be amiss to state that section 21 of article 2940, provides: "The 22d day of February of each year, the same being a legal holiday, is further set apart and designated as 'Arbor Day,' to be devoted to the planting and cultivation of forest, shade and ornamental trees throughout the state, and to be observed for that purpose in such a manner as may seem best to the people of each community."

It will thus be seen that the law is silent as to explicit provisions on the question as to whether teachers are entitled to pay when a week's vacation is given during the Christmas holidays. The view is entertained by some of the state officials that certain discretionary powers are delegated to trustees, and they may or may not allow the teachers pay for the time, just ts they may see proper.

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

NEW MALLORY STEAMER

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The new steamer of the Mallory line, the San Jacinto, is scheduled to sail on her maiden trip from this port on the New York-Galveston service on Wednesday, December 16.

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Drake's Palmetto Wine will restore the appetite, assist digestion, stimulate the liver and kidneys and cure sick headache, cramps, nausea, dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness and constipated bowels. Any reader of this paper who is a sufferer can secure a trial bottle free. It will give you quick relief and a permanent cure, and cost you nothing. Write for it today to the Drake Formula Co., Drake Building, Chicago.

BARRATRY

(Continued from page 1.)

unwillingly engaged in improper practices from a feeling that they were only resorting to a necessary means to meet the rivalry in their business.

"3. Because we are of the opinion that the immunity which has heretofore existed with regard to the pursuit of such methods has encouraged an indulgence in them so that some persons who may have pursued them have overlooked the evil tendency involved."

It is a sad commentary on the condition prevailing in the legal profession when men are compelled to resort to unprofessional conduct and violate the law in order to meet rivalry in their business. It may be that those who have unwillingly engaged in improper practices and those who have committed the offense of barratry by reason of the immunity which has heretofore existed in regard to it will turn back and take higher ground when advised of the evil tendency of their practices and when confronted with a strong and healthful sentiment on the part of the bar.

In passing I cannot refrain from the suggestion that attorneys may have engaged in improper practices unwillingly but not unknowingly or blindly. Any step taken by an attorney in acquiring or prosecuting his business is taken advisedly and deliberately, if not, he is not fit for the practice of his profession. The willingness of a man who stoops to take part in an unworthy rivalry is not of the kind possessed by honorable and upright attorneys, who command and hold the respect of their brother lawyers, the courts and the public and who are a real adornment to their profession.

The law is a high and useful calling and a lawyer takes his place either among the best citizens of the community or the worst. I cannot understand how attorneys could have overlooked the evil tendency involved in barratrous practices. They are not only evil in tendency, but are evil within themselves. Barratry has been held to be unprofessional and unworthy for centuries; its commission stirs up strife, prostitutes the law and ofttimes diverts the true course of justice. It turns litigation from its natural channels and causes business to flow to the unfit and unworthy, to the exclusion of the capable and upright practitioner. It appropriates an unjust proportion of a recovery from a client with a just case. A "booster" ridden client pays all too heavily on the day of settlement.

The fourth consideration advanced by the committee is as follows:

"Fourth—Because we believe the course we have suggested in view of the profound impression and wholesome effect already produced by the action taken by this court will accomplish your honor's very commendable purpose—namely, to maintain the dignity and purity of the profession and secure the pure administration of justice without any intention to visit punishment upon any particular individual unless such individual should continue such improper practices after having had full warning of the consequences."

It may be that the committee is justified in entertaining this view. I have grave doubts of the efficacy of a single charge to the grand jury and the effect produced thereby to uproot and overturn this system of practice. If this charge had been delivered in a court having jurisdiction of the offense of barratry rather than in a court of limited jurisdiction having simply the power to scrutinize its own proceedings I would be much more hopeful of the results to flow therefrom. I entertain great deference for the views of the committee and their suggestion of a course of action at this time will be controlling with me.

The proceedings instituted will, for the present, be suspended. I will retain the report of the grand jury and if in future investigations, which I shall direct, the parties incriminated are found to be still prosecuting this character of practice I will direct the committee to proceed and for this reason I will not discharge, but will hold it under the order heretofore entered.

In closing, let me say a word in behalf of the honorable and upright members of the Fort Worth bar. My acquaintance with them is such that I can affirm their loyalty and faithfulness to a high standard in the practice of their profession. Their lives are devoted to the vindication of the law and the right and they stand ready to sacrifice wealth and comfort if it must be done to uphold the dignity and honor of their chosen calling. They will be rewarded as one who labors worthily in a temple of justice. In the language of Webster: "Justice, sir, is the great interest of man on earth. It is the ligament which holds civilized being and civilized nations together. Wherever her temple stands and so long as it is duly honored there is a foundation for social security, general happiness and the improvement and happiness of the race. And whoever labors on this edifice, with usefulness and distinction; whoever clears its foundations, strengthens its pillars, adorns its entablature or contributes to raise its august domes still higher in the sky, connects himself in name and fame and character with that which is and must be as durable as the frame of society."

EDWARD R. MEEK, Judge.

AN OPPORTUNITY

Account of the holidays, the M., K. and T. of Texas will sell round trip tickets at very low rates, between all points within the state of Texas, and from all points in Texas to all points in Louisiana and the Indian and Oklahoma Territories within a distance of two hundred miles from selling station.

Tickets on sale December 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1903, and January 1, 1904. Limit to return January 4, 1904.

See "Katy's" agents, or write a letter to "Katy," Dallas, Texas.

SENTENCED 100 YEARS HENCE

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 14.—John H. Wood, a leader of the convicts who escaped from the Folsom penitentiary last summer, when a guard was stabbed to death, has been convicted of murder in the second degree. As Wood is already serving a life sentence, Judge Hart ordered him to appear in court for sentence 100 years hence.

WASHINGTON'S BUST

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The bronze bust of Washington intended for the Statuary Hall of congress will be shipped to Ambassador Jusserand in a few days. The ambassador will present it in behalf of Count de Rochambeau, the Marquis de Lafayette and other donors. Ambassador Porter has advised the state department that it is expected that congress will determine on the ceremony to be followed on receiving the bust, which will give further expression to Franco-American friendship.

REV. LIMBAUGH ON THE GOSPEL

Second of a Series of Sermons Touching Unitarian Beliefs

At the Temple yesterday morning, Rev. D. C. Limbaugh, who has recently begun conducting Unitarian services in this city regularly, spoke on "The Gospel as Jesus Taught It."

After considering the three refracting media of the messianic hope, the ascentic tendency and the contest respecting the law among the early followers of Jesus, particularly between James and Paul, Mr. Limbaugh went on to say that while "we must make due allowances for the coloring lent to the teachings of Jesus by these media, yet Jesus stands out in the midst of the centuries as the most original ethical and spiritual teacher and leader."

Taking a naturalistic view of Jesus the man and giving to His teachings a rationalistic consideration and an application of the same to life, Mr. Limbaugh said that Jesus, like every other teacher, must be allowed to speak for himself through the best that is reported of him. "It is not fair to interpret such a character in the light of that which was incidental. He must be understood and his message applied to the human soul, not by the refracting media of his age, by any of the dominant thoughts of that age and of those people, not by any of the stories, narratives, legends, etc., which gathered and clustered about his personage and which grew by mistaken though honest tradition among his loving, reverential followers, two, three, four and five generations after his death.

"We must look to the sayings, the beatitudes, and the parables for the core of the gospel of Jesus. These we know to be inspired, because they inspire us. Looking to these we find many of them uttered in highly figurative language. We must remember that Jesus was an Orientalist, that he belonged to the Semitic peoples who are highly characterized by enthusiasm and extravagance of language, that Jesus himself was of a highly imaginative temperament, that he was an idealist, a poet and a prophet. I have heard Mozoomdor, the great Bramo Somaj scholar of Calcutta, India, say time and again that the occidental people do not understand Jesus, that only the Orientals are able to understand and appreciate him. It is another illustration of that scripture which says 'The spirit maketh alive, but the letter killeth.'"

MARSHAL REA IS NOT THE POLICE CHIEF

Officer Speight Arrested a Man Whose Name Is Spelled Same as the Head of the Department

Officer Ab Speight arrested a man Saturday on a charge of theft. The prisoner gave his name as Marshal Ray and in entering it on the book, Officer Speight spelled it Marshal "Rea," being the same as that spelling used by the chief of the department for his family name. In due course of time the chief found out that his name was on the big blotter, and while he did not have to argue long to convince the officers that he was not the man, he did not want the general public to think that he was stealing hats. The city hall attaches had a lot of fun out of the chief on the subject. He took the joke good naturedly, but says he really thinks Officer Speight ought to get about ten days for making a mistake in spelling a proper name. Officer Speight says he knows but one way to spell "Rea," and he used it.

Officer Sebe Maddox arrested Mary Dean on a charge of being a fugitive. F. L. Hudson, city marshal of Mart, came yesterday and took her in charge, returning her to the jurisdiction of his own court.

Officer Sebe Maddox arrested Henderson Gaines, a negro, on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property.

BILL TO PERMIT SALES

Introduced in the House by Congressman Little Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Congressman Little of Arkansas introduced a bill to remove the restriction of the sale of lands in the Indian Territory in the following cases: All white intermarriages, freedman citizens of color not of Indian blood, all Indians of not more than half blood. The bill empowers courts to authorize allottees of more than half blood to transact business, including the sale of lands. The bill has no application to the sale of homesteads. Congressman Little also introduced a bill to establish a court at Weeletka, I. T.

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ARIONS MUST POSTPONE THE CONCERT AGAIN

The Illness of Madame Bishop Has Prevented the Affair Being Given This Evening as Announced

The Arions have been forced to postpone the concert until Thursday evening. Mme. Bishop was to have appeared Friday evening at the Christian Tabernacle, but on account of illness could not do so. It was then thought she would be able to sing tonight, and the date was fixed for this evening. Now it develops that she is too ill to appear tonight and the later date has been selected.

The souvenir programs of the affair are very pretty. They are gotten up in handsome pamphlet form, on fine paper, and include in addition to the program, the list of members of the organization, and the associate members as well.

There is a great deal of interest in this first musical event of the season under the direction of the Arions.

INJUNCTION

Prevents the Southern Pacific From Controlling Aransas Pass Railway

GRANTED IN COURT AT AUSTIN TODAY

The Suits to Cancel Permits Brought Against Express Companies Are Continued to Next Term

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Judgment was rendered today in Travis county district court enjoining the Southern Pacific from exercising any kind of jurisdiction or control over the affairs of Aransas Pass.

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The supreme court reversed and remanded the case of the Austin Northwestern Railroad vs. John G. Cluck, from Travis.

Argument was heard in the cases of J. W. Riggins vs. Ben C. Richards, from McLennan, and Henne and Meyer vs. Moultree, from Milam.

The court reset for December 21 the mandamus case of W. A. Boswell vs. J. J. Terrell, land commissioner.

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Chartered: Daugherty Lake Club of Dallas, capital, $11,000. Terrell Ice Factory Terrell, capital, $100,000. Somerset and San Antonio Telephone Company, Somerset, capital, $3,000. South Texas Truck and Fruit Growers' Exchange, Houston, capital, $2,000. Incorporators, G. H. Schleicher, S. A. McHenry, E. Krenig, all of Cuero. Sherman Refining Company of Sherman, capital, $50,000.

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Governor Lanham will leave tomorrow via the International for Rusk, to attend the meeting of the board of penitentiary managers Wednesday.

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The suits brought by the state to cancel permits of the four companies now doing express business in Texas were continued in the district court today until the next term.

IN THE COURTS

Nothing was done this morning in either of the district courts.

County Judge Milam is hearing the case of L. C. Downtain, who is suing the Texas and Pacific, alleging damages to a shipment of cattle. Damages in the sum of $8,000 is asked.

ONE CASE FILED

Only one case was filed in the district courts this morning, that of H. B. Gibbons vs. J. T. Idleman et al, action for debt.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS

There were reported to the county clerk this morning the following deaths: N. B. Perry, Wilson P. Watt, Arthur Hardy, Mike Johnson and Miss Nancy Kelly.

Only three births were reported.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

The county clerk this morning issued the following marriage licenses: H. N. Fuller and Miss May Kedy; Henry Brown and Miss Mary Tuley; Henry Stigall and Miss Kate Lynch.

NOTES OF TH ECOURTS

The grand jury of the Forty-eighth district court re-convened this morning.

G. M. Fuller, charged with forgery, waived examination in Justice Terrell's court, and went back to jail. Fuller is the man arrested in Dallas Saturday, on information furnished by the Continental bank of Fort Worth, full report of which occurrence appeared in The Telegram Saturday.

DOCKET OF JANUARY CASES

Following is the sitting of the civil docket of the Forty-eighth district court, beginning January 4:

MONDAY

22419—F. N. Grubb vs. International and Gerat Northern Railway Company.

22380—C. W. Neloms vs. International and Great Northern Railway Company.

22641—James M. Mallard vs. Fort Worth Furniture Company.

17546—E. B. Daggett vs. Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company.

19592—R. H. Brown vs. Houston and Texas Central Railway Company.

TUESDAY

21531—A. Q. Thompson vs. McCord-Collins Company.

21777—M. E. Malone vs. James Strong et al.

22225—Fort Worth Light and Power Company vs. San Jacinto Oil Company.

22236—Zane Cetti vs. City of Fort Worth.

22269—J. O. Clark vs. Texas and Pacific Railway Company.

WEDNESDAY

22543—R. A. Weaver vs. Chicago, Rock Islan and Gulf Railway Company.

22344—W. E. Simms vs. The Herald Shoe Company.

22562—John J. Haywood vs. Fort Worth and Denver City Railway Company.

22681—B. F. Burk vs. Fort Worth and Denver City Railway Company.

22744—B. D. Hamilton vs. Armour & Co.

THURSDAY

22732—Tom Byas vs. St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company.

22529—H. Shanewerk vs. Texas and Pacific Railway Company.

22582—City of Fort Worth vs. Mike Mansfield.

22604—James Loughray vs. International and Great Northern Railway Company.

22630—C. H. Dickey vs. International and Great Northern Railway Company.

GASH

From Ear to Ear Cut in Man's Throat During Dance Near Waxahachie

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—News was received here this morning of a serious cutting scrape which took place Saturday night at a dance fifteen miles from Waxahachie, in which during trouble between a number of men, Jim Walker's throat was cut almost from ear to ear. Physicians think the wounded man will die. No arrests have been made.

SQUIERS IS RECALLED

For Conference With Roosevelt According to Report

HAVANA, Dec. 14.—Herbert Squiers, minister of the United States to Cuba, has left for New York and it is understood he has been called for a conference with President oosevelt. Mr. Squiers recently returned from a visit to Washington and he assured President Palma that he was assured of enough votes to pass the Cuban reciprocity treaty through the United States senate. Nothing is known here regarding the reason for his sudden return to the states.

PLUMBERS' STRIKE ENDS

Union Men Are Victorious at San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The plumbers' strike has ended in a victory for the union.

SUIT AGAINST COMPANY

Will Be Pushed By County Attorney at Dallas

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The county attorney here is about to begin suit against the street railways in this city for violation of the "vestibule" law.

Notice was served on the companies about a month ago that the cars were improperly equipped. It is said that these notices were ignored.

TO BEATIFY JOAN

LONDON, Dec. 14.—It is stated that on January 6 the pope will beatify Joan of Arc. This date is declared to have been decided upon because it is the birthday anniversary of the heroic Maid of Orleans. On the morning of that day the decree of beatification will be solemnly proclaimed in the Sistine chapel, and afterwards his holiness will receive a monster pilgramage of French Catholics in St. Peters.

NEWS OF HILLSBORO

HILLSBORO, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special)—The protracted meeting which is being conducted by Dr. Fannan, the Christian evangelist at the First Christian church, continues to draw large crowsd. There have been twenty additions to the church.

Rev. Mr. Moore of West has been called to the pastorate of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of this city.

Rev. T. H. Garrett has been re-elected pastor of Whitney Baptist church.

The First Baptist church of this city raised a public collection yesterday, Buckner's orphans' home realizing $130, which may be added to this week.

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APPROVING

"How did you like the opera?"

"First rate," answered Mr. Cumrox. "I didn't care much about the tunes they played, but it was a great comfort to have enough noise to drown the vacuous conversation that was going on around me."—Washington Star.

MRS. CUPPLES DEAD

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. Laura Cupples, widow of the late Dr. George Cupples, died this morning, aged 72. She had lived here since 1837.

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TYLER BUSINESS COLLEGE BURNED

Building Was Erected at a Cost of $12,000—Students Have Close Call

TYLER, Texas, Dec. 14.—Sunday morning at 8 o'clock the Tyler business college was discovered to be on fire and the two-story building, the largest frame structure in East Texas, was entirely consumed by the flames in less than thirty-five minutes. There were in the neighborhood of ninety students, many of whom were young ladies, boarding and rooming in the building, and some had narrow escapes. Several of the young men received painful burns about the hands in assisting the ladies from the building and trying to save their effects. Nearly all of the students lost all of their clothes. Nearly all of the household furniture was lost, as were the college fixtures and apparatus. There were forty typewriters in the building, and none were saved.

The building, owned by the estate of Colonel W. S. Herndon, was insured for only $1,200; loss on contents is placed at $7,500, with only $2,500 insurance.

The building was the old fruit palace and was erected in 1895 at a cost of $12,000.

AGED MILLIONAIRE WEDS A SHOP GIRL

He Is Seventy-seven and Owns Some of the Richest Mines in Utah

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 14.—Salt Lake's society circles are today deeply stirred over news of the marriage in San Francisco of Colonel James A. Cunningham, a millionaire and owner of some of the richest mines in Utah and Nevada, and Miss Bessie Glass, the prettiest shopgirl in Salt Lake City. By this union the shopgirl becomes one of the richest matrons in the city.

It is announced that relations between Colonel Cunningham, who is 77 years old, and his daughters are so strained that after a trip to Honolulu he will purchase a home in Southern California and live there.

Colonel Cunningham's wife is three years the junior of the youngest of the children whose stepmother she now is. The three Mises Cunningham were greatly surprised.

Mrs. James Glass, mother of the girl who now controls the Cunningham fortune, lives in a tiny cottage on a side street. James Glass, her father, is a carpenter. The girl was employed at a glove counter in a department store.

WESTFALL BANK CLOSES

BURNET, Texas, Dec. 14.—The Westfall bank case against G. H. Lorentz, after being on trial for eight days, came to an end by the jury giving a verdict of acquittal. The plaintiffs based their case on the charge that Lorentz received money for deposit, knowing the bank was insolvent. This was denied from the start, and the plaintiffs failed to prove otherwise, hence the verdict above. The case against Gus Grove on the same charge was continued to next term.

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