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VII — NORTH FORT WORTH, TEXAS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1903. — No. 247.

Worth Market.

of Cattle Today, 00—Hogs 1,000.

DULL AND QUIET

for Good Feeders Ac- Cows Slow, Steady.

TRONG TO HIGHER

Active and Snappy om the Start.

Receipts Today.

	2,100
	1,000

Receipts Yesterday.

	1,740
	416
	248

of the Market Today

Steers, top $3.10, bulk $2.45
top $2.15, bulk $1.25@2.10.
bulk $2.50@2.85.
$4.75, bulk $4.65@4.70.

CATTLE TRADE

day's Quotations.

fed	$3 50@3 75
	3 00@3 50
	2 00@3 00
	1 25@2 00
heavy fed	2 15@2 50
cher	1 90@2 15
	1 75@1 90
	1 00@1 75
and oxen	1 50@3 00
to fancy veals	2 00@4 00
fair	1 50@3 00

cattle today were moder- t fully enough to supply

g of the market 50 cars about 1,700 cattle. Very el, and by noon total re- dy were estimated not to 0, against 1,950 for last 2279 for the same day

EEF STEERS.

of steers today was very tside of several loads of rs, the offerings were light

not much demand from on killing steers trading uiet, with prices about the day.

very good demand for good , and all of this kind sold ng, with the common thin low but about steady.

y was $3.10 for those av- nds, but the bulk of sales a range of $2.00@3.00.

fed are quoted from $3.50 edium fed from $3.00@ d feeders $2.00@3.00 and @2.00.

e sales:

	Ave.	Price.
	1053	3 10
	874	3 10
	996	3 10
	954	3 00
	917	2 85
	765	2 65
	850	2 65
	725	2 45
	900	2 00
	440	1 50
	580	1 25

CHER STOCK.

ket was liberally sup- ly seemed to have cows, hich was mostly common. as slow getting a start, e bidding generally on a d while the general mar- there was a seasonable prices about the same as

rce and sold steady with ange of from $1.25@2.00. fed cows are quoted from um butchers $1.90@2.15. @1.90, and canners $1.00

d oxen are quoted from

Cows.

	852	2 50
	801	2 15
	817	2 15
	765	2 10
	795	2 10
	752	2 00
	640	2 00
	808	2 00
	804	1 95
	651	1 85
59	745	1 85
26	725	1 85
27	795	1 85
23	756	1 85
24	732	1 85
16	727	1 80
34	802	1 70
29	752	1 65
22	757	1 40
36	611	1 25
62	630	1 25
58	618	1 25
52	643	1 25
52	614	1 25
47	646	1 25
26	660	1 25
20	632	1 25
33	621	1 25

Heifers.

1	700	2 15
38	539	2 00
14	544	1 90
7	504	1 85

Bulls and Stags.

1	1350	1 90
1	1150	1 85
1	1210	1 80
3	873	1 75
4	1167	1 75
1	740	1 75
1	850	1 75
1	1250	1 75
1	1270	1 70
1	1140	1 50
5	582	1 50
1 stag	1430	2 75
1 stag	770	1 35

CALVES.

The calf market was moderately supplied, the bulk of which were of the common to medium kind. Packers seemed to have plenty on hand, having taken freely of the large supply so far this week, and with a slack demand trading was slow, but about steady with yesterday.

Good to fancy vealers are quoted from $3.00@4.00, with common to fair kind from $2.00@3.00.

2	190	4 00
2	140	4 00
68	261	3 25
90	210	2 85
8	350	2 50
78	248	2 50
1	250	2 00
1	350	1 25
1	310	1 00

THE HOG TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Choice sorted	$4 55@4 75
Mixed packers	4 45@4 65
Light	4 45@4 60
Choice pigs	4 50@5 50
Stags and roughs	3 00@4 00

There were about 1,000 hogs received, against 744 last Thursday, and 1,494 for the corresponding Thursday last month.

There was no material change in quality, but the proportion of light weight and pigs was somewhat smaller.

The market opened strong and business was snappy from the start, and by 9 o'clock the feeling strengthened to a 5 higher basis, compared with yesterday's close.

The early supply was cleaned up in a short time, and those that came stringing in throughout the morning were bought up as fast as yarded.

The top today was $4.75 for pigs averaging 127 pounds, and medium weights averaging 206 pounds, with the bulk of sales from $4.65@4.70.

Choice sorted are quoted from $4.55@4.75, mixed packers $4.45@4.65, light grades $4.45@4.60, choice pigs from $4.50@5.00, and boars, stags and roughs from $3.00@4.00.

Representative sales:

No.	Shrink.	Average.	Price.
Territory Hogs.			
1		200	4 00
1		430	4 00
3		246	4 00
1		240	4 35
61		202	4 65
36		119	4 65
64		210	4 65
29		124	4 65
75		213	4 70
73		216	4 70
15		110	4 70
80		197	4 70
30		205	4 70
56		246	4 70
71		232	4 72½
15		127	4 75
77		206	4 75
Texas Hogs.			
40		157	4 50
35		79	4 50
44		120	4 65
55		170	4 65
80		224	4 70
60		239	4 70
Wagon Hogs.			
2		310	4 75

F. Hoffman of Amarillo was represented on the market today with 60 hogs averaging 239 pounds, which sold to Swift & Co. at $4.70.

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORT.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	11,000	36,000	14,000
Kansas City	5,000	7,000	4,000
St. Louis	3,500	4,500	1,500
St. Joseph	1,900	4,600	1,900
	21,400	52,100	21,400

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 10—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE—Receipts 11,000. Market slow, mostly 10 to 15 lower than Monday. Top yesterday $5.85.

HOGS—Receipts 36,000. Market 5 to 10 higher. Advance partly lost. Top $4.65; bulk $4.40@$4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts 14,000. Steady to 10 lower.

Kansas City.

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 10.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 5,000. Market slow, steady. Christmas beef $5.65. Cows lower. Stockers steady.

HOGS — Receipts 7,000. Market 5 to 15 higher. Top $4.72½; bulk $4.60@4.70.

SHEEP—Receipts 4,000. Steady.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 10.—The National Live Stock Reporter says:

CATTLE—Receipts 3,500, Texas 1,800. Slow. Natives slow. None choice.

HOGS — Receipts 4,500. Market 10 to 15 higher. Top $4.75; bulk $4.60@4.70.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,500. About steady.

St. Joseph.

Special to The Reporter.

South St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 10.—The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 1,900. Market steady to 10 lower.

HOGS — Receipts 4,600. Market steady to 5 higher. Top $4.65; bulk $4.50@4.60.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,900. Steady to 10 lower. Lambs $5.50.

RECEIPTS AT THE YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.

A. G. McClure, Chico	52
Quisenberry & Baer, Midland	183
Jas. Belcher, Midland	306
S. P. Stone, Itasca	20
Laines Bros., Midland	139
H. N. Garrett, Midland	80
J. F. Gilmore, Graham	94
Reynolds Cattle Co., Pecos	87
Nelson & P., Pecos	350
J. D. Jackson, Alpine	68
H. S. Laldy, Alpine	31
A. T. Wridel, Alpine	27
Jas. Glenn, Gainesville	26
E. S. Wallace, Chiton	30
J. B. Evans & Son, Rio Vista	23
J. E. Stowa, Eskota	96
C. Burns, Gordon	39
Geo. Sliger, Stephenville	29
J. B. Wilson, Maysville	50
W. P. Mays, Maysville	50
W. McCutcheon, Inez	54
H. Hilgenfield, Henrietta	34
J. Webb, Quanah	30
J. Van Linden, Hereford	31
D. M. Henard, Memphis	69
S. B. Bullard, Pocasset	15
T. A. Ross, Wortham	35
Hogs.	
S. R. Overton, Hennessey, O. T.	96
T. P. Maddox, Kremlin, O. T.	75
McDonald & P., El Reno, O. T.	97
T. P. Jordan, Custer City, O. T.	93
J. L. Richardson, Boyd, Tex.	99
Joyce & Smith, Mt. Vernon, Tex.	80
J. H. Coy, Skeedee, O. T.	71
D. B. Jones, Perry, O. T.	76
F. Hoffman, Amarillo	60
H. Von Heimer, Hereford	75
W. T. Scott, Chickasha, I. T.	95
Davis & Mays, Maysville, I. T.	86
Horses.	
T. M. Gaither, Estelline	29

BUYERS ON YESTERDAY'S MARKET

Cattle.

Swift & Co.	876
Armour & Co.	692
Bingham	71
Woodall	105
Burns	56
Sansom	129
Huddleson Bros.	42
Koogler	27
D. & H.	36
Saunders	84
Slocum	36
Deacon	19
All others	27
Calves.	
Swift & Co.	531
Armour & Co.	34
Hogs.	
Armour & Co.	234
Swift & Co.	212

GOOD PANHANDLE HOGS

SALE OF RANDALL COUNTY HOGS TODAY AT $4.70.

The Shipper has a Good Field of Alfalfa and Finishes on Milo Maize and Rye.

A man who has found out that hogs can be raised in Texas, and that there is money in them, is F. Hoffman, who was in today from Canyon City with 60 hogs that averaged 239 pounds and sold at $4.70. These hogs were well graded Berkshires and Poland-Chinas.

Mr. Hoffman told of his success in hog raising. He has a ranch of 18 sections near Canyon City, in Randall county. This is in the extreme west of the Panhandle, where cattle and not hogs have had the run. On this ranch Mr. Hoffman has 175 acres of alfalfa, which in a large measure accounts for his success. He has cut this alfalfa four times this year, getting a ton an acre at each cutting, or four tons to the acre. His hogs had the benefit of this fine grazing, and he fed them on milo maize and rye, ground together. He raises on his ranch kaffir corn, milo maize, rye, wheat and oats.

Mr. Hoffman told a representative of this paper that he started about three years ago with 4 brood sows. He has sold 200 hogs this year and has 200 stock hogs on hand. He figures that the raising of these hogs cost him next to nothing, his profit was so large.

Such is the kind of men Texas has need of. There are millions of acres in the state that are as well adapted to profitable hog raising as Mr. Hoffman's ranch, but they lack the right kind of an owner.

THE SHEEP TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Lambs	3 50@4 50
Wethers	3 50@4 00
Ewes	2 50@3 50
Culls	1 50@2 50

Representative sales:

No.	Ave.	Price
14	84	3 35

GENERAL NOTES.

San Antonio Express: Powell Bros. of Karnes county have recently completed the delivery of $10,000 worth of mules to a Louisiana party. Both of these gentlemen are Missourians and brought with them to Texas the knowledge that the mule as a money make should not be overlooked in any locality.

Reports from cattlemen in the lower portion of Lavaca county to the San Antonio Express show that cattle are in very bad condition and will hardly be able to stand the winter. Many are now dying from some disease among them. Some of the stockmen attribute it to the eating of acorns, there being an abundance of them this year.

The Fort Worth courts are making it warm for lawyers who have been engaged in the practice of barratry, or encouraging litigation. It is reported that certain members of the Fort Worth bar have been indicted. In the Federal district court Judge Meek appointed a committee of lawyers to investigate the case of a lawyer charged with the offense of barratry, with intent to disbar him. This committee is composed of William N. Atwell, United States district attorney, and B. D. Tarlton, W. D. Harris, G. E. Adler, W. D. Williams, Sam H. Cowan and Sidney L. Samuels.

San Antonio Express: Kansas City has a Knife and Fork club and commission men of Chicago have successfully launched the Saddle and Sirloin club. Now if Judge W. J. Moore, Tom Coleman and a few kindred spirits would take the initial steps toward the organization of a Prickly Pear and Goat Meat club, so that the boys would have an assurance of something to eat until grass rises, San Antonio will have taken another step forward.

Not until a Chili and Tamale club is organized will San Antonio reach the proud position in clubdom of which she is worthy.

The Champion Economist.

Albert J. Barr, proprietor of the Pittsburg Post, while in New York attending the annual meeting of the Associated Press, was discussing with a group of friends the queer economical traits some men develop. "I heard of a miserly chap in Western Pennsylvania," said Mr. Barr, "who determined to save on his undertaker's bill, so he made his own coffin and had it ready when he needed it."

"That's nothing," remarked one of the party. "I frequently have heard of people making their own coffins."

"Yes," said the Smoky City journalist, "but when the part of this man's house devoted to bodily cleanliness was undergoing repairs, to keep down the plumber's bill he lined the coffin with zinc and used it as a bathtub for the rest of his life. Then he was buried in it."—New York Times.

Commonsense in an uncommon degree is what the world calls wisdom.

SALE OF FINE CATTLE.

Registered Shorthorns and Herefords to be Offered at Fort Worth.

On Monday, Dec. 21, a sale of registered Shorthorn cattle will be held at the Stock Yards. On Tuesday, Dec. 22, registered Herefords will be sold.

The following well known breeders will have Shorthorns at the sale: J. W. Burgess Co., Fort Worth; L. B. Brown Smithfield; Chas. Maloney, Haslet; Morton Bros., Saginaw; T. B. White Watauga; James T. Day, Rhome; R. H Brown, Chico; George Craig, Graham; Col. P. B. Hunt, Dallas; J. C. Washington, Marietta, I. T.; Harrington Bros. Estelle.

Sellers of Herefords: B. C. Rhome & Son, Fort Worth; W. S. & J. B. Ikard Henrietta; Tom Hoben, Nocona; W. H Myers, Blue Grove; W. M. Hovenkamp Keller.

J. F. Hoverkamp, secretary of the Texas Shorthorn Breeders' association, will furnish catalogues to any person writing for them, at Fort Worth.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS.

James Glenn from Gainesville sold 26 steers of 874 pounds at $3.10.

A. T. Winder sold 28 cows of 804 lbs at $1.95, shipped in from Alpine.

C. Burns sent in from Gordon 38 heifers of 539 pounds, that sold at $2.

H. Lackey sent in from Alpine 31 cows of 765 pounds that sold at $2.10.

A. Fuchs sold 25 steers, sent in from Page, at $3.10. They averaged 1053.

W. L. Phillips sent in from Buffalo 30 cows of 651 pounds that brought $1.85.

L. L. Russell of the Russell-Flato Commission company was visiting at the yards today.

J. H. Cox from Skeedee, O. T., marketed 71 232-pound hogs at the satisfactory price of $4.72½.

Joyce & Smith sent in from Mt. Vernon 80 hogs averaging 224 pounds, which sold to Swift & Co. at $4.70.

J. D. Jackson was in with a shipment of calves from Alpine, that averaged 261 pounds and sold at $3.25.

D. B. Jones, a regular shipper to this market, had in today from Perry, O. T. 75 hogs averaging 213 pounds, which sold at $4.70.

F. W. Scott of Chickasha, I. T., had in today 77 hogs averaging 206 pounds and 15 pigs of 127 pounds average, which sold to Swift & Co. at $4.75.

T. P. Jordan, a young and well known hog shipper from Custer City, O. T., had in today a mixed load of hogs. Sixty four averaging 201 and 29 averaging 125 sold at $4.65.

McDonald & Petree, two of the oldest shippers to this market, had in today from El Reno, O. T., 61 hogs averaging 202 lbs and 36 119-pound pigs, which sold to Swift & Co. at $4.65.

John White of Tarrant county drove in 14 head of sheep that averaged 84 lbs and sold at $3.25. The sheep market is considered strong—when there are enough in to make a market.

Several shipments were on the market today from Alpine, on the Southern Pacific railway, in the extreme southwestern part of the state. They traveled 600 miles or more to get to Fort Worth.

Wm. Van Heimer had on the market today from Hereford, Tex., his first consignment of hogs, 40 light averaging 157 pounds and 35 pigs averaging 79 pounds, which sold to Armour & Co. at $4.50.

A. G. McClure was on the market today from Veto, Tex., with 50 steers of 996 pounds average that sold at $3.10. Mr. McClure raised and fed these steers. He has about two more loads on feed, which when marketed will about clean up fed stuff in Jack county around where he lives.

Warfield an Original Humorist.

David Warfield, the actor, was a very promising scholar as a lad when he attended the public schools of San Francisco.

"I remember an examination," said he, "which was the hardest thing I ever had to get through. The teacher, I understand, has kept some of my answers, which she says are much more humorous than edifying. Among a bunch that she sent me recently was my answer to the query, 'What is a synonym?' It ran:

"'A synonym is a word we use in place of one we don't know how to spell.'

"Clever, wasn't it? Yet a lot of fellows have appropriated that as their own, and Belasco says other fellows were just as bright as I was, years before I was born. Isn't that discouraging to a budding genius?"—New York Times.

Woman Pastor.

Miss Safford, who recently resigned the pastorate of a Unitarian church in Sioux City, held it fourteen years, her congregation being the largest of that denomination in Iowa.

NEW PASS RULES TODAY

COMMISSION ORDER NOW IN EFFECT ON TEXAS ROADS.

Number of Passes to Live Stock Shippers Regulated by the Amount of Cars Shipped.

Today puts in effect the new rules of the state railroad commission regulating live stock shippers' passes.

From Houston the following report is sent out and published in the daily newspapers:

"Houston, Dec. 9.—Local traffic officials have received notice that after January 1, no return transportation will be issued to those who accompany live stock shipments.

The arrangement now in vogue as to feeding cattle in transit is to continue, but the additional weight gained by the cattle during the feeding process is to be charged for on new bills, instead of having the old bills remain in effect."

This is an error as to shippers' passes. The railroads will not, it is safe to say, disregard the late order of the state railroad commission. That order was, that 1 pass both ways should be given to the shipper of 2 cars of live stock; 2 passes both ways to the shipper of 5 cars to 12 cars; and 3 passes to the shipper of 13 or more cars. This calls for return transportation.

The new rule went into effect today. Some of the railroad officials in Fort Worth, however, say they have no instructions in regard to the new order, and will give passes as heretofore until further instructed.

The second proposition—to "pay for the additional weight gained by stock" on account of being fed in transit—is causing shipers no worry. It makes them smile, to think of cattle weighing more at the end of their trip to market than at the start. If the railroad companies will agree to make the stock weigh as much when it is unloaded as when it is loaded, shippers will gladly pay freight on the extra weight.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Meeting Called at Portland January 12th. Who May Attend.

Secretary Chas. F. Martin sends out the official call for the meeing of the National Live Stock association at Portland, Ore., on January 12th.

Each state, territorial, county or local range association of cattle, sheep, horse of swine-breeders may appoinut one delegate for every 10,000 head of stock, or part thereof, represented by the members of such organization.

The governors of each state and territory may appoint three delegates-at-large.

Each feeders' and breeders' association may appoint one delegate-at-large and one for every twenty-five members or part thereof.

In counties where there is no regular live stock organization, the county commissioners may appoint one delegate from among the stock men of said county.

Each state or territorial live stock sanitary board may appoint three delegates.

Each state board of agriculture or agricultural college may appoint one delegate.

Each live stock commission merchants' exchange may appoint one delegate-at-large and one for each twenty-five members thereof.

Each stock yards company may appoint one delegate.

Each railway and transportation company may appoint one delegate.

Each chamber of commerce may appoint one delegate for every 100 members.

Each dairymen's association may appoint one delegate.

Each irrigation association may appoint one delegate.

An alternate may be appointed for every delegate.

All associations, governors and county commissioners are requested to send the names and postoffice addresses of their delegates to the secretary as soon as named, in order that the roll may be promptly and properly arranged.

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Correspondence telling of the condition of live-stock, its progress and improvement of the industry, and anything that would be of interest to stock raisers, is invited.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 1903

Notice to Agents.

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Wrought Into Gold.

I saw a smile—to a poor man 'twas given,
And I was old.
The sun broke forth; I saw that smile in heaven
Wrought into gold.
Gold of such luster never was vouchsafed to us;
It made the very light of day more luminous.

I saw a toiling woman, sinking down
Footsore and cold,
A soft hand covered her—the humble gown,
Wrought into gold.
Grew straight imperishable and will be shown
To smiling angels gathered round the judgment throne.

Wrought, into gold! We that pass down life's hours
So carelessly,
Might make the dusty way a path of flowers
If we would try.
Then every gentle deed we've done or kind word given,
Wrought into gold, would make us wondrous rich in heaven.

—Anonymous.

An Irish Bull.

George Moore, the novelist, has accumulated from his residence in Ireland a number of Irish anecdotes that are not included in his sad book, "The Untilled Field." Mr. Moore says that he was walking one day in a Dublin street when an undertaker's assistant passed him, carrying on his back a coffin unusually tiny. A young man stopped the assistant near Mr. Moore.

"Is it possible," exclaimed the young man, "that this coffin is intended for any living creature?"

Silence for a Month.

A curious custom prevails in Bulgaria which must be a hard penalty for the woman who loves to hear the sound of her own voice. All newly-married women are obliged to remain dumb for a month after marriage, except when addressed by their husbands. When it is desirable to remove this restriction permanently the husband presents her with a gift, and then she can chatter to her heart's content.

Aluminum Dishes.

Aluminum cooking utensils are being pushed by many of the big shops. They are brought out in shapes as attractive as the fine silver, copper and gold lined cooking vessels used in wealthy households. The stew pans terrapin dishes, coffee urns and tea-kettles of aluminum have now such beauty of contour and finish that they seem almost more appropriate to the dining-room table than to the kitchen.

Taxes in Macedonia.

The average peasant of Macedonia has a net yearly income of only about $50, of which about $17 goes on taxes. It is a common incident for villages to cut down their fruit trees to avoid the tax on them.

Weather Wise.

Jack—How do you like this weather? Old Crusty—What difference does it make how I like it? It wouldn't be changed, no matter how much I objected to it.—Somerville Journal.

Well Mated.

"Them hosses," said the old farmer, "is the best matched team I ever see. One is willin' to do all the work and t'other is willin' to let him."—Home Ideas.

COLOR LORE.

The gala tint of the Turk is green.

To the Chinese yellow betokens royalty.

Constancy and steadfastness are signified by blue.

Orange of the tint of the sunset is said to be the color of hope.

In ancient times the Egyptians considered red a symbol of fidelity.

In its varying shades rose color is said to betoken the highest wisdom.

White is taken as a symbol of purity, faith and chastity the world over.

Black and indigo signify sorrow, the mournful to the Persians; hence our mourning.

Syrian purple, which is crimson [illegible] shade of blue in it, is almost [illegible] regarded as royal.

For the first time in [illegible] years cane sugar is being [illegible] from Cuba to England.

SCORED BY SENATORS

Teller and Morgan Spoke Against Reciprocity Measure.

CALLS IT A MERE SOP

Colorado Member of the Upper House Declares Five Years' Agreement Valueless and Alabamian Imparts His Ideas.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Senator Teller concluded his speech in opposition to the Cuban reciprocity bill and Senator Morgan also was heard in opposition to that measure. The Alabama senator devoted the greater space of his attention to the Panama canal question. He charged that the United States had broken faith in failing to obey the Spooner law, and warned Cuba that the same course might be followed by us towards that country in case the pending bill should become a law.

Mr. Teller took up the question of the activity of General Wood, while acting as governor of Cuba in behalf of Cuban reciprocity with the United States. He said there were official records to show that the Cuban government had paid to exceed $15,000,000 in that interest during General Wood's administration. He declared that the press of both the United States and Cuba had been realized in supporting the policy of reciprocity and quoted figures showing the amounts paid newspapers for advocating this policy.

In conclusion Mr. Teller said the five year's clause could have no weight, because no legislative body can bend the act of a future body. That clause was put in as a sop, he said.

Mr. Morgan took occasion to refer frequently to the Panama canal treaty and in that connection again freely criticised what he denominated "presidential usurpation." He declared that the United States is becoming affected to the core with covertousness and he said the country seemed to be quivering with doubt as to whether it should go over entirely or pursue the better course set by our nation's forefathers. So far as he was concerned he would not be so mean as to yield to a temptation simply to advance the commercial interests of his state.

It is asserted that the United States would do as it pleased with the island of Cuba, and added, "She is now fettered to the decks of our warships as firmly as Professor Langley's airship was ever attached to his house boat."

He spoke of the canal treaty as a grotesque act and declared that Panama had "no more right to appoint a minister to the United States than that country had to consecrate a Saint."

"It came," the senator continued, "as a swift winged message of falsehood dispatched on his mission by the Panama canal company."

Mr. Morgan, reverting again to Cuba, said: "Our relations with that island ought to remain as they are so far as our economic policy is concerned or she ought to be admitted as a state."

Wished Another Member.

Washington, Dec. 10.—In the house Wednesday, Mr. Dearmond (Dem., Mo.) caused applause on the minority side by asking if it would be in order to request that an additional member of the minority be added to each of the ten big committees. The speaker said that stream would be crossed when reached. Mr. Dearmond then said that in order to relieve the speaker of embarrassment he would ask unanimous consent for the additional minority representation on those committees. Mr. Payne objected.

Denied by Scott.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Senator Scott of West Virginia says the story to the effect that he is trying to secure a delegation from his state for Hanna for president is untrue.

"Senator Hanna is not a candidate for presidency" he said. "Those stories are circulated for the purpose of creating ill feeling between Senator Hanna and President Roosevelt."

LOOKING AT RECORDS.

Inquiry Is Being Made at General Land Office at Washingnton.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Incidental to the general investigation being conducted by the interior department into the land frauds in the west, an inquiry is being made of the records in the general land office in Washingnton by inspectors detailed for that purpose. Their inquiries are in connection with charges that employes of the office have given advance information of lands to be set aside for forest reservations, whereby opportunities are afforded speculators to take up lands in the territory to be reserved.

BOLD ROBBERY.

Glass Broken and Tray of Diamond Rings Stolen at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 10.—An unknown man hurled a stone through the window of E. H. Koetkamp Jewelry company, seized a tray of diamond rings valued at $6,000 and escaped. Two clerks gave chase and fired two shots, but the man ran into an entrance and escaped. Later the police arrested Samuel E. Kendrick, a laborer, and Thomas Treastor, his brother-in-law, on suspicion.

Writ Suspended.

Denver, Dec. 10.—Governor Peabody issued a proclamation suspending the writ of habeas corpus in the case of Victor Poole, the union miner, now held by the military at Cripple Creek and in whose case Judge Seeds has granted a writ. The case comes up for hearing.

Grave Offence Charged.

Barron, Wis., Dec. 10.—The ten-year-old son of John Lignieer is alleged to have died of internal injuries sustained at school by being thrown twice across the room by the teacher. The teacher, Mr. Hanson, is under arrest.

CASE REVERSED.

Colonel Edward Butler's Appeal Sustained by Supreme Court.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 10.—The supreme court has reversed the decision of the lower court in the case of Colonel Edward Butler of St. Louis, convicted at Columbia, Mo., in October, 1902, of attempted bribery, and discharged the prisoner. The specific charge against Colonel Butler was that he offered a bribe of $2500 to Dr. Chapman, a member of the St. Louis board of health, to induce Chapman to use his influence in having the board award the garbage contract to the St. Louis Sanitary company, a corporation in which Butler is interested. The jury fixed punishment at three years in the state penitentiary. Butler immediately took an appeal to the supreme court and has been out on bond since then. Final arguments on the appeal were heard by the supreme court Oct. 13 last.

ENDORSE HIM.

Chamberlain's Fiscal Proposals Meet With Approval of Farmers.

London, Dec. 10.—The Central and Associated Chambers of Agriculture of the United Kingdom endorsed Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal proposals at a meeeting held in London Wednesday. The chambers, which are thoroughly representative of agricultural interests, debated the matter at several recent meetings before adopting a resolution welcoming the former colonial secretary's proposals as necessary for the welfare of the farmers. An amendment proposing the question be referred to a royal commission was defeated, and the consensus of the speeches dissented from Premier Balfour's scheme and declared that the farmers in their own interests must heartily support Mr. Chamberlain.

CHANGE OF COLOR.

Professor Dilscott Thinks it Would Improve Chicago's Morals.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—A new scheme of reforming Chicago's red light districts has been suggested by Dr. Walter Dilscott, professor of psychology at the Northwestern university, in an address to his class.

"Change the color of illumination of those sections," said he, "and there will doubtless be a change in the morals of the community. Red light has a peculiar effect upon those constantly in its presence.

"Professor John Quincy Adams cites instances where a photographic factory in France illuminated with red light became so demoralized by the hilarity of the workingmen and women the color of the light had to be changed, with the result that all became orderly once more," says Dr. Dilscott.

FOUR MEN DROWN.

Were Trying to Cross Sacramento River at Dangerous Place.

Redding, Cal., Dec. 10.—Charles McCreary, John White, William Weiner and William Smith were drowned in the Sacramento river Tuesday night while attempting to cross the river at an unfavorable point.

Settlement Probable.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—The foreign office has not been informed of the details of the Russo-Japanese negotiations, but it regards the basis of the understanding as cabled to the Associated Press from St. Petersburg Tuesday as being within the probabilities, and officials here remain firmly convinced that a settlement will be reached.

Russian Ships Arrive.

Tokio, Dec. 10.—A strong Russian squadron, consisting of eight warships, including two battleships, has arrived at Chomulpo, Corea, port of Seoul, to support Russia's opposition to the proposed opening of Yongampho to the commerce of the world. Russians threaten to land 3000 men and march on Seoul should Corea disregard this warning.

MINOR MATTERS.

London's streets are rivers of mud.

Eastrop, Tex., has several smallpox cases.

Santa Anna, Tex., has no vacant houses.

C. G. Hudson was found dead in his pasture near Athens, Tex.

Panhandle section from Washburn to Amarillo had snow Tuesday.

Thomas Forbes was found dead in a pile of cotton seed at Enid, Okla.

John Wayteck died nea Sublime, Tex., from strychnine poisoning.

In a row at a circus at Deport, Tex., Tom Singleton was injured so badly he died.

Jim Murphy was seriously stabbed at Oklahoma City. W. Hickman was jailed.

The decomposed body of a man was found in a thicket one mile from Dublin, Tex.

Twenty lodges of the Farmers' Union have been organized in Kaufman county, Texas.

Burglars robbed a loan office at Lake Charles, La., of twenty watches and chains, valued at $200.

During the Rev. Sid Williams' revival at Carthage, Tex., there were about seventy-five conversions.

Bob James, while en route to his home from Trinity, Tex., was waylaid and killed. He lived near Kittrell.

Coleman county, Texas, stock show, held at Santa Anna, was the most successful one held there in years.

J. R. Hamilton of San [illegible], Tex., bought 15,000 sheep in New Mexico. He will winter them in the San Angelo section.

Mrs. Frances P. Fernald, a wealthy New York lady, has donated the funds for a public library at Arapahoe, Okla.

The Fannin wild cat well in the Sour Lake oil field is a 1000-barrel gusher.

While hunting near Erick, Okla., S. H. Dunn shot at a prairie chicken and hit Jethro Dunn, his brother, in the right eye, destroying the sight. They are both traveling salesmen and reside at Sherman, Tex.

TALE TOLD BY TURKS

Communicate Their Version of the Alexandretta Affair.

BLAME OUR CONSUL.

He Insisted That Attrarian Be Permitted to Embark at Once and Violently Struck Policemen in the Face.

Constantinople, Dec. 10.—Turkish official reports of the incidents at Alexandretta complained of by United States Consul Davies have been telegraphed here by the governor of Beirut, Syria, as follows:

Attarian, a native of Kharput, who for some years has been abroad, recently reentered the country secretly and had been traveling in the interior with a Turkish passport. On his arrival lately at Alexandretta Attarian claimed the protection of the American consul and asked his assistance to enable him to embark for Egypt. Mr. Davies accordingly notified the authorities and the latter insisted that the sanction of the government must be obtained and the usual formalities be carried out, such as photographing Attarian. Mr. Davies refused to tolerate any delay and attempted to embark Attarian by force. The police arrested Attarian at the quay, whereupon Mr. Davies, aided by military couriers, struck the policemen, who were wounded in their faces, and afterward attempted to force an entrance into the guardhouse, breaking windows and doors, but unavailingly. Thereupon Mr. Davies threatened that unless Attarian was released and allowed to embark within four hours he himself would leave. Not receiving satisfaction, Mr. Davies embarked for Beirut on the same steamer Attarian tried to take.

AS TO ATTARIAN.

Went to Asiatic Turkey to Bring His Family to America.

New York, Dec. 10.—Attarian, the Armenian, whose arrest precipitated the attack by Turkish police upon United States Consul Davies, at Alexandretta, Asiatic Turkey, has been a resident, during the past four years of Paterson, N. J., where he has been employed as a moulder.

Upon coming to America he left his wife and son behind and frequently tried to interest the United States and Turkish officials at Washington in securing permission for his wife and son to join him. Finally he decided to risk a journey home and bring them himself, although he told several friends he feared for his life if he again visited Turkish territory.

COLOMBIAN TROOPS.

Eleven Hundred of Them Have Landed at Mouth of Atrato River.

Laguira, Dec. 10.—The French steamer Versailles, which arrived here from Savanilla, reports that Colombian steamers landed 1100 men from Cartagena near the mouth of the Atrato river (on the Guf of Darien) to open the way over the Darien mountains into Panama. Other troops from the department of Cauca, Colombia, are said to be converging on Panama, and from all parts of Colombia troops are reported to be marching or awaiting the result of General Reyes' mission to Washington.

Not by Reyes' Orders.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Dr. Herran, Colombian charge, authorized the statement that if troops from Cartagena have landed near the mouth of the Atrato river it is directly in opposition to advices of both himself and General Reyes. General Reyes stated that the Laguira dispatch was the first information he had received. He declared, however, that if it was true it was without any order from him.

ASLEEP TWO WEEKS.

Infant Girl Appears to Be Healthy and Takes Nourishment.

New York, Dec. 10.—Doctors here are much interested in the case of a baby girl six weeks old which has been asleep for two weeks. The child apparently is perfectly healthy, takes food naturally and continues to develop, but has not opened her eyes or made a sound in a fortnight. The coma followed a high fever, which was broken by the doctors and has not reappeared.

Many Going Back.

New York, Dec. 10.—Rush foreigners to their native lands continues unabated. Outgoing steamers, particularly those to Italy, are crowded with steerage passengers. Last week's figures show 13,600 sailed, while only 12,000 arrived, and this week's total undoubtedly will be still greater as to the departure. Sheamship agents believe, however, the rush will be over by Christmas.

Died In an Hour.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 10.—A special to the Item from Hiwanee, Miss., near here, says a rapidly revolving friction pulley at McLean's sawmill broke, one of the pieces striking Charles Bailey in the fact, injuring him so badly he died within an hour.

Died From Cancer.

City of Mexico, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Ignacio Marsical, nee Miss Laura Smith of Washington, wife of the secretary of state of Mexico, died from cancer. She leaves three daughters, one of whom married Julio Limantour, brother of the finance minister.

Will Appoint Adkins.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The president has decided to appoint Thomas J. Adkins, chairman of the Republican state committee of Missouri, assistant United States treasurer at St. Louis.

DETERMINED TO DIE.

Shot Himself Twice, but Did Not Succeed In His Desire.

Austin, Dec. 10.—James A. Snow, aged fifty, keeper of a boarding house here, attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself twice with a 45 calibre pistol. He is believed to be fatally wounded. One bullet entered the abdomen, passed clear through his body and lodged in a bedstead, and another entered just below his heart and was probed out under the left shoulder blade. Ill health and despondency because he could not provide for his wife are the causes he stated for wanting to end his existence.

Fell Fifty Feet.

Austin, Dec. 10.—Joe Dewitt, a newsboy of fourteen years, fell through a shaft of the elevator in the First National bank building, a distance of fifty feet, and is believed to be fatally injured. Several bones in his body were crushed.

TRUNKMAKER KILLED.

It Is Thought He Was Mistaken For a Strike Breaker.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Mistaken for a strike breaker, as the police believe, John Osuchowski, a trunkmaker, has been shot and killed. The crime is attributed by the police to union pickets of the striking tanners of the American Hide and Leather company, whose principal plant is located a block from the scene of the shooting.

The district has been turbulent since the tanners' strike began a month ago. One man was shot soon after the trouble began. Pickets have surroundered the plant at all hours and non-union men have been escorted to and from their work under a heavy guard.

The police found in Osuchowski's pockets a certificate of deposit for $1000, $60 in money and a gold watch. The victim left eight children and a widow, who have practically nothing but the money mentioned above. Osuchowski was a member of the Trunk and Bagmakers' union.

MEETS AT WASHINGTON.

Place of Holding Democratic National Convention to Be Decided.

Washington, Dec. 10—James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet at the Shoreham

hotel in this city Tuesday, Jan. 12, for the purpose of deciding upon the time and place of holding the Democratic national convention.

TRACKAGE RIGHTS.

Revival of Plans For Building an Independent Line Reported.

New York, Dec. 10.—Disagreement over the condition under which the St. Louis and San Francisel railroad was to have obtained trackage rights over the Iron Mountain into New Orleans, it is reported, has resulted in a revival of the plans by the former company for building an independent line. Options on the right of way are said to have been already renewed.

Negotiations looking to the use of the Iron Mountain between Memphis and Baton Rouge, La., have been under way about a year. It is understood the Frisco officials would not agree, however, to abstain from seeking local traffic between points mention, and it is upon this pint negotiations split. The Frisco has already invested a large sum in terminal properties at New Orleans.

HAPPINESS BRIEF.

Groom Stricken With Smallpox on Honeymoon and Soon Expires.

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—Stricken with smallpox on Thursday last, just one week after his marriage and while on his honeymoon, Frank Thistle of Orange, N. J., is dead at the municipal hospital. The wedding took place in New York, and when the couple arrived here on their tour the groom was stricken. He was a grandson of the late millionaire merchant, H. O'Neill of New York.

Who A. S. Cochran Is.

New York, Dec. 10.—It has just been learned that A. S. Cochran, who figured as an extensive buyer at the recent horse sales in Tennessee, is Alexander Smith Cochran, to whom was bequeathed the millions of the late Warren B. Smith, a Yonkers manufacturer. It is said to be his intention to gather material for a large racing establishment.

Expected Momentarily.

Tokio, Dec. 10.—The Russian reply to the Japanese proposals is expected momentarily, as it is announced here that Foreign Minister Lamsdorff was in readiness to submit it to the czar Tuesday.

Imported Rifles.

Willemstad, Dec. 10.—The Venezuelan government has imported 15,000 rifles and 10,000,000 cartridges and, it is reported, is preparing to invade Colombia in case of war between the latter country and the United States.

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Promises Another Trial.

"I admit I done wrong, judge," pleaded the prisoner, "but gimme another chance, won't yer?" "Not now," replied the magistrate, "but I'll give you another trial if you're ever brought before me again. Six months."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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When Autos Get Cheap.

The Minnesota Board of Tax Equalization has discovered that the many hundreds of automobiles subject to taxation in the state the values scheduled ranged from $4.75 to $300. Several automobiles in one county were listed at $12 each.

Must Be Bad Spirits.

A. B. Seizer of San Francisco has brought suit for divorce against his wife on the ground that the spirits told him she no longer loved him. Singularly as it may sound, this testimony was recorded in court.

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Precedent Established.

"It is quite natural for American girls to seek Englishmen with titles," remarked the Webfoot Philosopher, as he slid into his rubber boots. "The precedent was established by Pocahantas when she married Capt. John Smith."

WITH THE JESTERS

HUMOROUS ITEMS, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

The Good Wishes of a Friend—"Poor Lo's" Comment on the Blessed State of Marriage—Editor's Friendly Tip to Aspiring Poet.

A Friendly Tip.

"Could you suggest anything that might improve my poem?" asked the party with the unbarbered hair, as he pocketed the rejected manuscript.

"Sure," replied the editor. "If it were mine I would cut it down about one half, and then——"

"Yes," interrupted the versemaker, "and what would you do then?"

"I'd burn what was left," continued the blue pencil manipulator.

Possible Explanation.

"There's one thing in the Scriptures that puzzles me," said the old doctor, "and that is how to account for the longevity of the ancients."

"Of course, this is merely a theory of my own," rejoined the parson, as a merry twinkle appeared in his off eye, "but the fact that there were but few physicians in those days may have had something to do with it."

She Wasn't Very Good at English.

"There's a strange man at the door, sir," announced the new servant.

"What does he want?" asked the master of the house, impatiently.

"Begging your pardon, sir," replied the servant, a shade of disapproval manifest in his voice, "he wants a bath, but what he is asking for is something to eat."—Stray Stories.

Faithful to the Law.

"Why did you let him get away from you?" thundered the chief.

"He—er—took a mean advantage of me," replied the green detective. "He ran across the grass in the park, and—"

"Well?"

"Well, there was a sign there, 'Keep off the grass.'"

No Danger.

"Look here, old man," said the tonsorial artist to the restless man in the chair, "if you don't keep still I'm liable to cut you."

"Oh, I'm not afraid of that," rejoined the helpless victim," as long as you continue using that razor."

One of Many.

Naggsby—I say, old man, what do you do when you get home at an early hour in the morning and find you have forgotten your night key?

Jaggsby—Oh, I don't have to do very much. I simply press the button and my wife does the rest.

Worth Trying.

"If there is anything that will make a fool appear wise," remarked Softun, "it is silence."

"Perhaps you may be right, Mr. Softun," rejoined Miss Caustique. "You at least could lose nothing by trying the experiment."

As Revised.

"Say," queried the maid, "what is that old adage about the moss and the stone?"

"A revolving fragment of the paleozoic age accumulates no crytogamous vegetation," answered her girl friend from Boston.

An Awful Jolt.

Saphead—Ah, me! Would I were your muff, that I might hold both your fairy-like hands.

Miss Guyem—Oh, but that would be just too lovely for anything. And I've always wanted a monkey muff so much.

His Congratulations.

"How are you, old fellow? Are you keeping strong?"

"No; only just managing to keep out of my grave."

"Oh! I'm sorry to hear that!"—Illustrated Bits.

His Opinion.

Singleton—I wonder why Eve made her debut while Adam was asleep?

Wederly—She was probably waiting for a chance to go through his pockets.

Wisdom of Experience.

"Say, pa," queried little Johnny Bumpernickle, "what's a prolonged conflict?"

"It is something," said the old man, "that you will never be able to understand until you grow up and get married."

Her Friendly Service.

Nell—You and Jack Sterling seem to be quite chummy these days.

Belle—Yes; Jack's a good fellow. He's going to marry May Simpson in a month or so.

Nell—I knew they were engaged, but I thought she was growing cold.

Belle—Oh, she's warming up now! I've been giving her the impression lately that I wanted him.

Considerate.

"But why," they asked, "don't you put up more street signs?"

"Solely out of consideration for the boys," replied the city official.

"Out of consideration for the boys!"

"Yes. We don't like to lead them into evil ways, and street signs are such a temptation that they can't resist the impulse to change them."

Never Weary of the Hearing.

"I overheard him telling her a story last night, which I know she has heard fifty times before, but she didn't stop him."

"She is long suffering, surely."

"Oh, I don't know; he told her she was the prettiest girl he had ever seen."

After the Marriage.

Big Injun—Ugh! Priscilla squaw no longer ask: "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"

She Knew Him.

Husband (looking up from a book) "Do you know what I would have done if I had been Napoleon?"

Wife—"Yes, I know. You would have settled down in Corsica and spent your life grumbling about bad luck and hard times."

Candid Admission.

"Yes," said the elder Snifkins, "the happiest hours of my life were those I passed in school."

"Well, father," rejoined Snifkins, Jr., "I cannot tell a lie. My happiest hours begin when school is dismissed."

One Drawback.

"'Tis love that makes the world go round," whispered the pretty girl as she nestled closer.

"Yes," sighed the young man as he glanced at the time, "and it seems to make the hands of the clock go round, too."

Resemblance.

La Montt—Made a terrible blunder to-day. Saw a man in a rubber suit and cap and asked him if he was a sewer cleaner.

La Moyne—Who was he?

La Montt—Millionaire chauffeur.

Very Dangerous.

Sandy—I saw Dusty running from a danger sign this morning.

Cinders—Was it at a railroad crossing?

Sandy—Yes, an' it said: "One Hundred Workingmen Wanted."

A Flippant Child.

"Jane, you re... me dreadfully. When that very rich Mr. Squintum tried to talk to you last night you gave him the cold shoulder."

"Well, the other shoulder was no warmer, ma."

Encouragement.

He—I should kiss you, but I am afraid you would set the dog on me.

She (patting the dog's head)—Poor beast! he has lost all his teeth.—Smart Set.

Similar but Different.

"I say, old man," queried Shortun, "can you let me have $10 for a day?"

"No," replied Longleigh, "but I can let you have $1 for 10 days."

Left Over from Last Year.

Larry—Bedad, Rafferty won thot turkey in the rffle down at Mahoole's! Thot's phwat Oi call luck.

Denny—Yis, tough luck.

Tempus Fugit.

He—Be candid, and tell me when you want me to go.

She—It's a couple of hours too late for that.—Smart Set.

A Cruel Rejoinder.

Cholly Nimrod—Aw—and when is the season I can't shoot?

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Exempt.

Fweddy—Aw—by the way, what is this brain fag I heah so much about?

Old Hunks—Something you'll never have, young man.

Not on Credit.

"Are you running on time, conductor?" asked the nervous passenger.

"Not this trip," was the reply. "Fare, please."

Just a Hint.

He—"I love you more than words can tell."

She (shyly)—"Well, there are other ways."

Only the Young These Days.

"He's a blase fellow, isn't he?"

"Oh, not at all. He's outgrown that."

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The most interesting of the season's events will be the appearance at Greenwall's opera house of Miss Marie Wainwright as Viola, in her splendid production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" on Friday, matinee and night, Dec. 11th. The host of star parts in this comedy makes its interpretation by a star cast a necessity, and such is this season's support of Miss Wainwright. This actress unites to a high degree two qualities rarely possessed in an equal manner by the same artist, refinement and strength. Possessed of a warm emotional temperament and a very sympathetic voice, her comedy is as piquant as her feeling is profound. By this means she makes it easy to understand why the gentle Viola, transformed into Cesario, should become the duke's favorite page. The staging of this comedy has been made a great feature. Scenically considered it is a series of glorious pictures, a kaleidoscopic spectacle of color and light.

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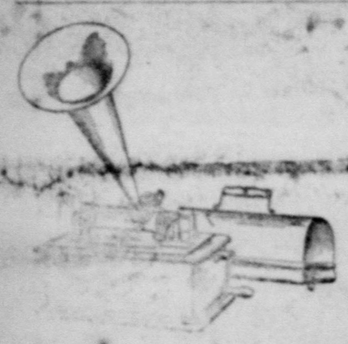

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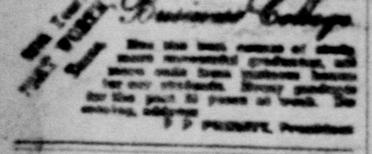

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PREVENT A CONFLICT.

This Is Said to Be the Policy of the Navy Department.

KEEP TROOPS BACK.

Transit Across the Isthmus Will Remain Open No Matter What the Soldiers of Colombia and Panama May Do.

Washington, Dec. 10.—News has reached Washington of the reported movement of the Colombian troops toward the isthmus, but the reports come in a roundabout manner, which throws doubt on their reliability.

The point on the Gulf of Darien where the Colombian troops are supposed to have landed, is believed to be just about on the dividing line between the territory of Panama and Colombia, and it is probable the troops will not cross the border without instructions from Bogota, which, in turn, will depend on the reports made to the Colombian government by General Reyes and by the two commissioners, Jimenez and Blanco, who left Washington two days ago on their return to Cartagena. A current report is to the effect that Colombian naval vessels are participating in the movement towards the isthmus, but it is said at the navy department that they are so insignificant in power and size that the smallest of the warships on the east side of the isthmus could speedily terminate their activity.

The policy of the navy department with respect to the entry of Colombian troops into Panama is said to be to prevent a conflict before it commenced. To this end, having in mind previous experiences on the isthmus, the naval commanders in those waters have been given instructions to keep the Colombian troops at a greater distance from the isthmus at points where a fight with the Panamanian troops is likely to occur. As to naval operations, it may be stated on authority that the department is still guided by the treaty of 1846, under which the United States guarantees to keep transit across the isthmus open.

When asked Lieutenant-General Young, chief of staff, authorized the statement that the war department was ready to dispatch troops to the isthmus on short order should their presence be demanded. Although the statement has just been denied it is learned that the department has taken notice of the repeated reports that Colombian troops were assembling at different points with the avowed purpose of making a hostile demonstration against Panama, and has perfected all military plans to repel such an invasion.

LONGER SEASON.

This Was Done to Allow Winners to Play Extra Games.

New York, Dec. 10.—The National League of Professional Baseball Clubs decided to lengthen the baseball season so as to allow the teams of the two major leagues who win the pennants to play for the championship of the world. The board decided that each club shall play 154 games, instead of 116, as was called for in last season's schedule. The schedule committee will try to so arrange the schedule so that each club will have enough off days, so that postponed games will not be played on the same day with a scheduled game.

The following board of directors were elected: A. H. Soden, Boston; Joseph Herk, Chicago; John T. Brush, New York, and Barney Dreyfus, Pittsburg. Barney Dreyfus of Pittsburg, Jas. A. Hart of Chicago and Jas. Ebbetts of Brooklyn were chosen as the schedule committee.

The season will open about April 15 and continue until Oct. 10.

The uniform contract that was approved by the national committee was adopted by the league, and President Dullam was instructed to vote at a meeting of the national committee for a rule to declare ineligible any player who jumps a contract with any league party to the national agreement. The league adopted a rule that clubs of the league must waive claim to the services of a player before he could be signed by a club of another league.

ATTORNEY ARRESTED.

He Had Been Employed to Look After Miners' Interests.

Scofield, Utah, Dec. 10.—Much excitement exists over the arrest of Attorney Elder of Salt Lake, who had been employed to look after the interests of the striking miners who have been imprisoned upon various charges.

Elder was arrested as he stepped from the train, and although he attempted to resist he was hustled to jail by a deputy sheriff and several company guards. The charge against him is a criminal libel, based upon a recent newspaper interview, and is preferred against him by Noah Potter, one of the guards.

Attorney Elder immediately wired Governor Wells, protesting against his arrest and imprisonment. The governor answered that he would at once send a personal representative to make a thorough investigation.

Extradition Favored.

City of Mexico, Dec. 10.—Word from Guadalajara says the court in the Kratz case has rendered a decision granting Kratz' extradition. The department of foreign relations here will study the papers in the case as soon as they are received from Guhrdalajara.

Order Was Obeyed.

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 10.—Armed with clubs, a mob of about fifty strikers of the Royal mine at Hobson, turned back about fifty strike breakers who were under escort near Milton and ordered them out of the vicinity. The oder was quickly obeyed.

FIRE AT ABBOTT.

Four Brick Business Houses and a Hotel Destroyed.

Abbott, Tex., Dec. 10.—This place on Wednesday sugered from a fire to the amount of nearly $75,000. The fire started in the George Fennel hotel, which was destroyed with all its contents and $2000 in cash, which Mr. Fennel is said to have had in the house. The M. M. Walker brick store and Masonic building, which adjoined it on the north, was also destroyed, but most of the Walker stock of dry goods, etc., was saved, but in a damaged condition. Hillsboro sent fire apparatus.

ORDERED RELEASED.

Has Been In Jail Some Months on Contempt Charge.

Austin, Dec. 10.—Federal Judge Maxey has ordered released from jail the former Lockhart merchant, S. R. Pogue, who has been confined several months for alleged contempt in failing to produce and turn over to the trustees of his bankrupt stock about $1,400 in cash.

Pogue recently asked for release stating that he was without funds and that confinement was fast ruining his health. The judge who committed him ordered his release.

LAND TO BE SOLD.

It Is Situated Near the Batson Prairie Oil Field.

Austin, Dec. 10.—The land commissioner has decided to sell the school land in Hardin county as scrap or isolated land, which will bring cash and at the price fixed by the commissioner. The land, some twenty acres, is near the Batson prairie oil field, with gushers within 400 feet of the boundary, but it is claimed by parties owning an adjacent tract.

Sons of Herrmann Lost.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 10.—The jury awarded Mrs. Annie Scheutze $7,500 damages against the Sons of Herrmann, because of the alleged injury she suffered in not being elected to a membership, etc.

Negro Methodists.

Dallas, Dec. 10.—The twenty-fifth annual conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church is in session here, Bishop Salter of Charleston, S. C., presiding. The attendance is very large.

Seven Cases of Smallpox.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 10.—Seven cases of smallpox were discovered in a family of eight negroes. They were moved to the pesthouse.

For Annulment.

Havana, Dec. 10.—The house of representatives continued the discussion of the bill for the annulment of the contract made by General Wood with the church authorities in 1902 under which $150,000 is to be paid annually for five years as the rent of a number of buildings occupied by the government in Havana and other towns. The opponents of the measure contend that the contracts cannot be annulled. The senate passed the bill for the reorganization of the artillery branch of the army.

Came Near Escaping.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 10.—Henry Judge, John Evans and John E. Delp, the three men under death sentence for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bucher at Winchester, were barely prevented from escaping from the Franklin county jail. They had saws in their possession which they received from a man who was disguised as a tramp, and was caught by the deputy when they were in the act of getting away.

CLARK'S CAR.

It Was Successfully Operated on at New York City.

New York, Dec. 10.—Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, who has been ill in his apartments in this city for the past five days, was operated on for an affection of the ear, and will be confined to his house for at least three weeks. The operation was successful.

Blacksmith Shop Destroyed.

Victor, Colo., Dec. 10.—The blacksmith shop at Sunnyside cemetery was blown up and destroyed by unknown persons. In digging graves it is necessary to blast the rock and a blacksmith shop for the sharpening of drills is maintained. The cemetery is owned by an assaying firm. The loss is small.

Proclamations were issued by the military commander prohibiting gambling and directing the closing of all saloons at midnight and forbidding the sale of liquor to soldiers.

Saloonist Slain.

Enid, Okla., Dec. 10.—Twenty-five men employed in the Denver, Enid and Gulf machine shops at this place went on a strike because there was a notice posted in the shops saying that in the future the men would not be paid extra for overtime.

Highwayman Took a Horse.

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 10.—A lone highwayman near Davis held up two farmers named Gargis and Waldin and, failing to secure any money, took one of their horses and escaped.

Strike at Enid.

Enid, Okla., Dec. 10.—Herman Kearsting, proprietor of the Bank Exchange saloon was killed. The trouble grew out of a difference between the bartender of the saloon and the man who it is alleged did the shooting.

Dying of Diabetis.

Stratford, Conn., Dec. 10.—Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, retired, is dying here of diabetis.

More Typhoid Fever Cases.

Butler, Pa., Dec. 10.—The fever situation seems more discouraging. Three deaths occurred and twelve new cases are reported.

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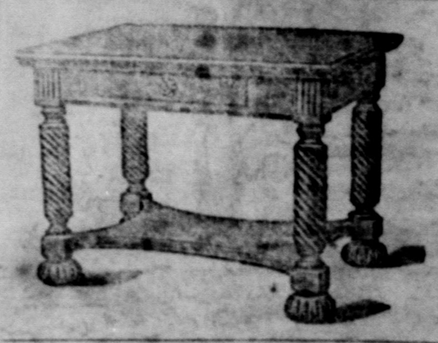

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How to Placate Hubby.

Young Wife—What do you do when your husband gets cross and wants to scold? Wife (with experience)—I read him one or two of the letters he used to write to me before we were married.—Baltimore American.

Nice Trip for Safe Expert.

Not so very long ago a safe expert was summoned from New York city all the way to Mexico, with his expenses paid, in order to open a time lock safe in which the mechanism had stopped.

Palestine Railroad.

It is purposed to construct a railway from Haifa, on the Palestine coast, to the Sea of Gennesareth, taking in Nazareth and other towns in Galilee. It will be controlled by Germans.

Pity the Overfed Man.

The women should complain less about their lot in life. After they have eaten a big Sunday dinner they have to hustle around and do the dishes, and this activity is good for their health. A man, having no dishes to do, gets sluggish sitting around and becomes miserable. We fear that the women do not appreciate all their advantages over the men.—Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

Puzzling Names.

Just fancy the agony of the little Indian children who in the early days of Long Island had to learn the terrible names that their heedless elders had given to places. Down on the far end of the island is a beautiful spring called Achabanawesuck. Imagine a little pappoose playfully saying: "I am going to get a drink down at Achabanawesuck."

Lightning Statistics.

The risk of being struck by lightning is five times greater in the country than in cities, and twenty times greater at sea than in a railway carriage.

Railway Information.

Palace and sleeping cars go back only to the close of the civil war, the airbrake to 1868, and vestibuled trains to 1886.

Train Loads Increase.

Fifty years ago a trainload of 200 tons was heavy. Now loads of 2,000 to 2,500 tons are handled.

Appendicitis Insurance.

Appendicitis insurance policies are issued in England at $1.25 a year for every $500.

Kansas Bank Deposits.

The total deposits in Kansas banks are about $90,000,000.

Play.

Play distinguishes the higher from the lower animals and it signifies possibility of education. Fishes do not play at all; the lower mammals can hardly be taught to play, and birds are entirely devoid of the instinct. But the kitten and the lamb are essentially playing animals. The human young, however, are the true players, and, in reality, it is play that develops them into manhood.

Leading From a Sneak.

"Papa, you took a scientific degree at college, didn't you?" "Yes, my boy; I spent two years on science." "When you look in a mirror the left side of your face appears to be the right side and the right side seems to be the left. The looking glass reverses it, doesn't it?" "Yes." "Then, why doesn't it reverse the top and bottom of your face the same way?" "Why, er—ah!"—The American Boy.

Yankee Squash Story.

Roy E. Fifield of Stonington, Me., sent to a Bangor paper the following squash story: "I took seed from the squash raised this year, scratched my name upon it, and planted it. The result was a healthy vine, bearing a six and a quarter-pound squash, upon the surface of which my name appeared, clearly outlined. It was a Southern squash." This story has been awarded the annual gold medal for squash stories. The competition has now closed.

Russian Army Generals.

At the end of the year 1902 the Russian army had 1,386 generals, of whom 129 were "polmilo generalus" (half generals), 387 lieutenant generals and 870 major generals. The average age of these generals was 59 years for the "full" generals, 62 years for the lieutenant generals and 56 years for the major generals. Fifty-eight per cent of all the generals have seen active warfare and four of them are over 80 years of age.

Age of Discretion.

"A man reaches the age of discretion," says the Cynical Bachelor, "when he realizes that he is too old to marry."

Women Wage-Earners.

One-half of all the women in Massachusetts who are able to work are wage-earners.

Wages of Bohemian Miners.

The average wages for a day of nine hours in the Bohemian coal mines are 46 cents.

Whales Are Long Lived.

Greenland whales sometimes attain the age of 400 years.