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orth Market.

of Cattle Today
0--Hogs 800.

OF CATTLE POOR

eady, With a Slow
Opening.

10 CENTS LOWER

Fell Below Expec-
For the Day.

eceipts Today.

	5,000
	800
	250

Receipts Saturday.

	300
	601
	23

of Market Today.
teers, top $3. Cows, top
75@2.15.
$4.70, bulk $4.65@4.67½.

CATTLE TRADE

Y'S QUOTATIONS

	$3.50@2.75
	3.00@3.50
	2.00@3.00
	1.25@2.00
rs fed	2.15@2.50
r	1.90@2.15
	1.75@1.90
	1.00@1.75
xen	1.65@3.00
fancy veals	3.50@4.00
	2.00@3.50

eral run of cattle arrived
189 cars were in at the
market, with about 3,500
out 50 cars back, which
rive about noon, and these,
driven in, made total re-
day close around 5,000,
for the opening day last
6 for the corresponding day

EF STEERS.

most noticeable features on
day was the small supply
here are usually in such a
w well finished cattle and
g of feeder steers, but today
ing, and on the early mar-
loads of medium light fed
be had, with a few light
feeders here and there.
a good demand from both
feeder buyers, and both
ll force looking for cattle.
offerings were sold early
erally on a steady basis.
e paid today was $3 for one
886 pounds, with a few
2.00@2.50.
eers are quoted from $3.50
m fed $3.00@3.50, feeders
d yearlings $1.25@2.00.
ive sales.

	Ave.	Price
	886	3 00
	869	2 50
	665	1 75

TCHER STOCK.

of cows today was large,
mmon to medium quality.
was a little slow getting
there was a good demand.
yers were bidding generally
men were holding cattle
the supply was fully large
ll, buyers took their time.
hen cattle started to the
was active and generally
asis.
cows sold around $2.15, but
offerings landed within a
$1.75@2.00.
reely on a steady basis at a
$1.75@2.00.
y fed cows are quoted from
ith medium butchers $1.90
than $1.75@1.90, and can-
75.
and oxen are quoted from

Cows.

	815	2 30
	825	2 30
	783	2 15
	851	2 10
	801	2 10
	793	2 10
	824	2 10
	800	2 10
	825	2 10
	827	2 10
	871	2 10
55	840	2 10
40	821	2 10
46	792	2 10
34	804	2 10
49	802	2 10
39	767	2 10
35	760	2 10
20	855	2 10
28	814	1 95
24	727	1 85
62	697	1 85
64	693	1 85
63	685	1 85
28	789	1 80
29	700	1 75
80	694	1 65
1	800	1 65
10	740	1 60
28	700	1 60
35	744	1 60
26	673	1 50
29	702	1 50
54	792	1 50
30	740	1 40
29	649	1 35
26	627	1 20

Bulls.

21	1107	1 80
1	1230	1 75
20	1157	1 75
22	1154	1 75
24	995	1 75
24	981	1 60
22	919	1 60
22	940	1 60
22	938	1 70

Heifers.

3	756	2 35

CALVES

The calf market was liberally supplied, and with the good demand, trading was generally active and steady.

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

55	159	4 00
1	100	4 00
2	165	4 00
10	181	2 75
21	242	2 75
80	206	2 60
5	178	2 50

THE HOG TRADE

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

Choice sorted	$4 60@4 70
Mixed packers	4 40@4 60
Light	4 35@4 50
Choice pigs	4 50@5 00
Stags and roughs	3 00@4 00

Receipts today were disappointingly small. Commission men as a rule were expecting a liberal run after the strong closing market last week, but at the opening only six cars were in, about 450 head. Two more cars arrived by noon, which with those driven in made total receipts for the day close around 650, against 938 for the opening day last week, and 1,686 for the corresponding Monday last month.

The supply today was of about the same quality as the hogs on the closing market last week. The average weight of the run was some heavier and was around 225 pounds.

The market was slow opening, as local packers were bidding generally on a 10 to 15 lower basis.

The demand was good, however, both from local packers and outside butchers, but while they wanted hogs badly they would not take them on other than a 5 to 10c lower basis compared with Saturday's close.

The top was $4.70 for 57 hogs averaging 301 lbs, with the bulk of sales from $4.65@4.70.

Choice sorted are quoted from $4.60@4.70, mixed packers $4 40@4.60, light grades $4.35@4.50, choice pigs $4.50@5.00, and boars, stags and roughs from $3.00@4.00.

Representative sales:

Territory Hogs.

No.	Shrink.	Average.	Price.
2		235	4 00
1		160	4 00
1		200	4 00
71		213	4 65
55		311	4 65
74		211	4 65
12		140	4 65
20		136	4 65
70		198	4 65
60		201	4 65
22		113	4 65
32		135	4 65
47		225	4 65
10		135	4 67½
68		237	4 67½
71		301	4 70
57		301	4 70

Wagon Hogs.

5		180	4 60

RECEIPTS AT THE YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.

W. I. Scrivner, Colorado	89
A. L. Sloan, Colorado	31
Robertson & Williams, Midland	57
Scott & Robertson, Midland	213
S. Arnett, Odessa	80
E. H. Estes, Odessa	123
S. A. Thompson, Odessa	196
Field, Bohart & Co., Odessa	252
Drum Com. Co., Kansas City, Mo.	204
W. B. Smith, Temple	26
J. H. Tipps, Chilicothe	95
M. V. B., Stanton	69
T. A. S., Stanton	32
J. T. Dixon, Stanton	34
T. W. T., Stanton	32
A. B. Hamm, Stanton	282
Thos. & T., Stanton	21
S. F. Dawson, Odessa	174
Leak-Tomo Co., Stanton	244
Soper Cattle Co., Midland	220
J. D. Mc., Strawn	30
C. B. Sweeney, Llano	60
R. G. Kuykendall, Kyle	75
A. F. Crowley, Midland	60
Cowden & Keiser, Midland	92
Cowden & Pemberton, Midland	181
J. M. Cowden, Midland	31
Hall & Cannon, Van Horn	70
Seay, Kent	82
R. M. Cavanaugh, Kopperl	28
W. B. Gay, Montgomery Junction	26
Keven & Barfield, San Angelo	179
W. H. Doran Brady	81
T. R. Holister, Comanche	27
A. B. Eckels, Estelline	60
R. S. Smith, Estelline	59
A. L. Barton, Estelline	30
M. J. Camp, Memphis	33
W. J. Kight, Claude	35
E. Averett, Claude	64
S. G. Hinton, Estelline	62
J. W. Moore, Estelline	61
J. Collier, Estelline	61
A. L. Barton	61
W. & Taber, Dundee	48
W. H. Dowlen, Wichita Falls	24
C. R. Morgan, Bowie	36
F. M. Miller, Electra	75
J. W. Ledbetter, Quanah	94

Hogs.

D. B. Jones, Perry, O. T.	58
R. C. McCormack, Oklahoma City	72
C. C. Wilson, Pawnee, O. T.	78
B. B. C., Stillwater, O. T.	87
1st Nat'l Bank, Sapulpa,	90
Linch & Calhoun, Catoosa	84
A Lacy, Washita	65
D. Bopst, Watonga	79
H. H. Wilson, Douglas, O. T.	86
Dunham & Woolsey, Mulhall, O. T.	70

Sheep.

Armour & Co., Kansas City, Mo.	249

BUYERS ON MARKET SATURDAY.

Cattle.

Armour & Co.	33
Swift & Co.	32
M. Edwardson	1
Sansom	10

Hogs.

Swift & Co	346
Armour & Co.	189
G. S. Miller	11
Gibson	55

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 00

HORSES AND MULES

Horses

Drafts, good	140@180
Chunks, good	75@125
Drivers, good to fancy	75 up
Drivers, medium	50@ 75
Southerners, common to fair	30@ 50
Southerners, good to extra	75@100
Plugs	10@ 25
Rangers, plain	10@ 35
Choice range horses	50@ 75

Mules

13½ to 14 hands, fat	$ 40 to 55
14 to 14½ hands, fat	65 to 75
14½ to 15 hands, fat	80 to 110
15 to 15½ hands, fat	115 to 135
15½ to 16 hands, fat with quality	135 to 150
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 1250 to 1500	155 to 180

CHEAPER AND BETTER FEED.

The corn crop situation is solving itself. There is a consensus of opinion that this crop is better in quality than it was last year. The government estimates the crop at 2,313,000,000 bushels The crop of last year was not much above this figure, but it was off in grade and ill-suited the purposes of the feeder. The official corn crop estimates for 1902 and 1903 are as follows:

	1903.	1902.
Ohio	89,000,000	121,600,000
Indiana	141,000,000	171,300,000
Illinois	320,000,000	372,400,000
Iowa	221,000,000	297,700,000
Missouri	178,000,000	264,200,000
Kansas	180,000,000	222,800,000
Nebraska	205,000,000	252,500,000
Seven States	1,334,000,000	1,702,500,000
Southern States	630,000,000	502,500,000
All other	349,000,000	318,000,000
Total,	2,313,000,000	2,523,000,000

The meat trade takes hope from this fact and from the additional fact that cotton seed meal will be better, and, likely, a bit lower than it was last year. Thus there may be made cheaper and better meat for next year.

Knox Barfield sold 60 cows of 711 lbs, shipped in from San Angelo, at $2.05.

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORT.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	28,000	40,000	25,000
Kansas City	9,000	7,000	1,500
St. Louis	6,000	8,000	4,000
St. Joseph	2,000	1,500	100
	45,000	56,500	30,600

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 7.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 28,000. Good steady, others weak to 10 lower. Top $5.60.

HOGS — Receipts 40,000. Market active, 5 to 10 higher. Top $4.60; bulk $4.35@4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts 25,000. Good are strong, others slow.

Kansas City

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 7.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 9,000 Market slow to weak. Cows and stockers strong.

HOGS — Receipts 7,000. Market 5 to 10 lower. Top $4.50; bulk $4.45@4.50.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,500. Strong.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 7.—The National Live Stock Reporter says:

CATTLE — Receipts 6,000, Texas 3,500. Steady. Top $3.75. Natives slow, steady. Yearlings $5.

HOGS — Receipts 8,000. Market 5c higher. Top $4.60; bulk $4.45@4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts 4,000. Dull.

St. Joseph.

Special to The Reporter.

South St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 7.—The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 2,000. Market steady to 10 lower. Top $4.70.

HOGS — Receipts 1,500 Mostly 10 lower. Top $4.50; bulk $4.35@4.45.

SHEEP—Receipts 100. Strong.

CROWDED OUT BY WHEAT.

Daisy Mayme Appleton is the name of a little girl who lives at Atchison, Kan who was recently invited to visit her uncle's family living out in the state Instead of remaining three months, as she expected, Daisy Mayme returned in a day or two and great was the story she had to tell. With her big eyes "bugged out" and rolling in childish astonishment she related how she found that, owing to the shortage of freight cars, not only were the barns, granaries, cribs and other outhouses filled with wheat, but the parlor was filled with it, and she had to sleep on a wheat-filled straw tick. The lounges were stuffed with it, the jardinieres were filled and there hadn't been a washing for a month because the tub and boiler were holding wheat. When she started home she found she had to walk to the station, as the wagon was also holding wheat. Daisy Mayme has written a piece about the situation to ease her mind, and she roasts the railroads real hard.

THE MOST POWERFUL LIQUOR.

New York World: The potato and the turnip promise to become the strong rivals of malt in the manufacture of an intoxicating beverage. The efficacy of the juice of these common vegetables was discovered in a novel way. Thomas Warren, who resides on the old turnpike road west of Geneva, noticed one day this week that his hogs appeared to be dazed.

It was found that George West and William Nobles, two itinerant farm helpers hired by Mr. Warren recently had been squeezing potatoes and turnips up into a mash, and after procuring all the extract therefrom threw the remainder of the mash to the hogs. The hogs evidently did not require much of the left-over essence to get on a good "jag." All this week the swine have appeared to be jagged, and Mr. Warren succeeded in getting at the cause only after he found the two farm hands and a dozen chums hitting up a keg of the new "essence frumenti" in the barn.

Nobles was dazed by the dosage, while his partner was completely "paralyzed."

Warren managed to get the information from the men that led to the news of the wonderful properties of potato juice and turnip juice as a jag producer.

Mr. Warren said: "I tested the alleged merits of this mixture for myself. A vineglassful gave me the sensation of going up in a balloon. Ten minutes afterward I became silly drunk, and it was three hours before I regained my normal self. It will be a winner if put on the market. The taste is not agreeable, but if some sweet cordial is added the drink could be made palatable. I may, myself start the manufacture of this new discovery. I have warned the boys not to drink too much of this stuff and not to feed any of the left-over mash to the swine. If the swine have had the same sensations as I did today they will be greatly disappointed in not getting more mash."

Philippine Universities.

In a recent newspaper article a Philippine student at Georgetown University, Ramon Jose Lacson, quotes the record to show that there were universities in the Philippines before institutions of as high a grade were established in the United States.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS.

A load of sheep came in, billed direct to Armour & Co. from Kansas City.

T. R. Holmesley, Comanche, I. T., sold 27 steers of 886 pounds average at $3.

The week starts off with another big run of cattle, 5,000 being the receipts today.

R. J. Kuykendall sent in from Kyle 75 calves, averaging 197 pounds, that sold at $3.50.

R. McCormack from Oklahoma City sold 71 head of 301-pound hogs at $4.70, the top price.

The hog run continues light, in spite of the fact that this is the best market in the West or South.

W. A. McCullough from Bremond was on the market with 28 cows of 814 lbs average that sold at $1.95.

D. S. Bopst shipped in from Watonga, O. T., 32 head of 135-pound hogs and 47 of 225, which sold at $4.65.

D. B. Jones shipped in from Perry, O. T., 57 head of hogs that averaged 301 and brought the top price, $4.70.

Babcock Bros. & Cheatham had a load of 86 hogs on the market from Stillwater, O. T., that averaged 202 and sold at $4.65.

C. B. Sweeney had in two loads of cows from Laredo. One load of 31 head, averaging 783 pounds, sold at $2.15, and one of 28, averaging 827, at $2.10.

C. C. Wilson, whose name as a hog shipper is familiar to readers of The Reporter, was in from Pawnee, O. T., with 10 light hogs of 135 pounds and 68 of 237, all of which sold at $4.67½.

Though the Fort Worth hog market is quoted lower and Northern markets higher today, the top prices paid at Fort Worth were $4.70, and the top at Chicago was $4.60. The bulk of sales on this market were $4.65@4.67½, which is above the tops at Northern markets.

GENERAL NOTES.

One of the horses belonging to the Fort Worth fire department dropped dead last Sunday, while answering a fire alarm It is supposed that a ruptured blood vessel caused the death.

The bank clearings that passed through the Fort Worth clearing house for the week ending Saturday, were $5,206,301.64. For the corresponding week of last year they were $3,203,355.34, showing an increase of $2,002,964.30.

The Texas Farmers' Congress offered a premium for the best yield of corn at the San Antonio Fair. The premium acre of corn was raised by J. G. Henderson of Fayette county. It was planted May 28 and the yield was 65.15 bushel on one acre.

William Dewey Ashcroft of Windom Tex., is little more than five years old yet he has a distinction which does not often come to lads of his age. He weighs 134 pounds and is fifty inches in height His waist measurement is forty-four inches and he wears a No. 7 hat. His weight at birth was 9¾ pounds.

A large amount of second-class mail matter has been accumulating at Fort Worth, on account of the inability of the force now employed at the postoffice and in the mail cars to handle it. At one time there were about 200 sacks of mail piled up, that the force in the mail car could not distribute. Most of this mail came from the North and East.

W. T. Waggoner at his stock pens near Bowie is fattening for market over 2,100 head of stock. The bunch consists of 750 steers, 3s and 4s, and the balance cows and bulls. Cotton seed meal and hulls are used in feeding, they being supplied from Mr. Waggoner's cotton seed oil mill. Most of the stock have been on feed sixty days and are rounding out nicely.

It is not generally known that the art of cooking is taught in the public school at Fort Worth. Cookery is a part of the curriculum of the high school. It is dignified by the name of domestic science. An accomplished cook has been put in charge of this department, who shows the young women how to prepare food fit to set before their guests. There are 35 pupils taking cooking lessons, being divided into into two classes. The expense of this work is to some extent met by the sale of the food prepared by the learners.

TEXAS CATTLE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago Drovers' Journal: F. T. (Hayes) McFarland of Weatherford Texas, is the feeder of the car of 3-year-old beeves which won first premium in their class. Mr. McFarland has demonstrated his ability as a feeder and deserves much credit for maturing such a carload of cattle in Texas for exhibition at our International Live Stock Exposition here in Chicago. Indeed, there are but few cattlemen who would ever think these cattle were bred and fed in Texas as they compare very favorably in fat, weight and quality with the many carloads of native cattle on exhibition from the feed lots of the corn belt states. Mr. McFarland sends a good many well fattened cattle to the Chicago market annually and they command good prices, as their killing qualities have proved very satisfactory. He will exhibit another car in Fort Worth in March, during the meeting of the North Texas Cattle Raisers' association.

CATTLEMAN GOES IN BANKRUPTCY

B. Gatewood of Ennis Files a Voluntary Petition in Dallas.

From the Dallas News of Sunday we learn that B. Gatewood, a stockman of Ennis, Ellis county, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court in that city. In his summary he places his liabilities at $199,499.76, and his total assets at $128,782.82. Of the assets the petition shows bills, promissory notes and securities amounting to $78,976.29 and other personal property aggregating $50,556.53.

He claims exempt property to the value of $250.

The heaviest creditors are Gregory, Cooley & Co. of Chicago, $116,932.53; City National bank of Corsicana, $6,090; B. B. Slaughter of Fort Worth, $4,215.25; Mary A. Nance of Colorado, $4,560.25; E. P. Davis of Throckmorton, $3,420.94; W. L. and T. F. Donnell, Eliasville, $5,870.09; Maud Gatewood of Ennis, $20,515.60; Third National bank of St. Louis, $7,400; Ennis National bank, $4,497.90, and National Exchange bank of Dallas, $3,081.80.

PEACE AMONG HEREFORDS.

At the International Live Stock Show in Chicago the Hereford breeders appear to have made a good beginning in getting together and reconciling the differences that have split their association.

A committee, on which is Col. B. C. Rhome of Fort Worth, was appointed to arrange a plan to report at a stockholders' meeting, which is to be held subject to thirty days' notice. Col. Rhome was made the member of the executive committee from Texas.

IMPORTANT TO HUNTERS.

Official Interpretation of a Part of the New Game Law.

The game law is being unintentionally violated in some parts of the state by hunters who kill more than twenty-five birds each day. They have asserted that the law would permit one hunter to kill twenty-five of each kind of game birds; that is, that one, in the course of a day, could kill as many as twenty-five ducks, twenty-five geese, twenty-five quail or twenty-five of each kind of game bird. This is contrary to the law, it being intended to permit one person to kill only a total of twenty-five of all kinds of game birds.

The opinion of the attorney general's department on that point was written by Judge T. S. Reese, the first assistant, and is as follows:

"Dear Sir: We are in receipt of yours of the 30th ult. In reply you are advised that according to our construction of the game law, passed by the last legislature, it would be unlawful for a person to kill twenty-five jacksnipe, twenty-five ducks and twenty-five quail in one day. We think that a person can only lawfully kill in one day twenty-five of all of the wild birds mentioned in Sec. 1 of the act, and it would not be lawful for him to kill as many as twenty-five of each kind in one day."

COD LIVER OIL FOR STOCK.

Philadelphia Record: "I fatten my stock on cod liver oil," a farmer said at the abattoir the other day. "I find that this oil is cheaper than grain and that it produces a finer and firmer quality of fat. It works admirably on pigs. To young pigs I give one ounce a day, and to adults a quarter of a pint. The porkers like it; you can tell if they are taking too much by a peculiar lassitude that they develop. Killed, their fat has, if they have been overfed with the oil, a yellow instead of a clean white hue. To cattle I give a half pint of oil daily, and to sheep about the same quantity as to pigs. Since I adopted the system of oil fattening two years ago I have made more money off my stock than ever before. They eat less grain now by nearly 40 per cent, and at the same time they weigh heavier than they used to. The butchers tell me their flesh is better, too. They say it is firmer, finer and the fat is whiter. Of course, an animal won't take codliver oil raw, so I mixed it up with meal. Cod liver oil is an excellent thing for broken-winded horses. In fact, I use this fluid for a dozen purposes on my farm, buying it in bulk from the wholesale dealers."

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Notice to Agents.

Subscribers ordering The Reporter must sign subscription blanks. This is necessary to insure the name being correctly written, and to prevent mistakes in making up the mail list. Agents must see that these instructions are carried out.

The Homestead on the Hill.

Fair, fertile fields and grassy meads,
 And orchard slopes between,
A verdant lawn and garden rare,
 Enshrined by forests green.
Morn's earliest sunbeams gild thy brow,
 And Spring's first kisses thrill,
All nature loves thee well, I trow,
 Fair homestead on the hill.

For many years I've wandered far,
 'Mid scenes and faces new,
Yet memory shone like constant star
 Still pointing back to you,
Each lovely spot some story holds,
 And all my pulses thrill
With memories of past days and loves
 Sweet homestead on the hill.

These nooks my dear grandparents loved,
 These flowers their beauty gave
To festive scenes or days of grief,
 To bridal or to grave.
Each duty, sorrow, hope, or joy
 That a woman's life may fill,
You've seen my mother meet them all,
 Old homestead on the hill.

This tree my brother set with care,
 As though to leave some sign,
Some symbol ever pointing where
 The stars in splendor shine.
Still speaks of hope to hearts bereft
 Still whispers, "Peace, be still"—
Though he for heaven's home has left
 The homestead on the hill.

We meet but seldom round thy board,
 Nor oft thy welcome share;
And many rooms are vacant now,
 New footsteps press thy stair.
But when life's checkered curtains fall,
 And evening shades grow chill,
May heaven's peace rest over all—
 Dear homestead on the hill.
—Irene Pomeroy Shields, Monroe Center, Mich.

Reclaims Nile Lakes.

Some of the old Nile lakes, which were formerly dry salt plains in summer and covered with a few inches of alkali water in the wet season, have been reclaimed by the British government and are now worth from $200 to $300 an acre. They produce magnificent crops.

Women's Respect for Age.

Did I understand you to say that women had no respect for age? Verily, my good friend, you are woefully mistaken. So much do women respect age that they refuse to grow familiar with it at any stage of their existence.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

FLORIDA PHILOSOPHY.

Happiness is only possible in those who have suffered.

In all the lights and shades of life a man's reason starts at himself.

There are thoughts which brook no confidant; there are griefs which cannot be shared.

The human heart, like the muscles and nerves, grows tired rounding the sharp curves of life.

A man protesting against error is on the way towards uniting himself with all men that believe in truth.

The man who dies without having helped in some way his fellows is like a barrel of garbage dumped into the sea.

How pathetic—the panting, breathless haste and vehemence of a man struggling in the thick of battle for life and salvation!

All things are good in their true place, each under each, and all must work together for the hapiness and contentment of our fellow-man.

The man who has not the capacity of enjoying solitude either has a troublesome conscience or is of such light draft that he cannot stand up under a little self-confession.

Settle yourself into an easy, peaceful adjustment to the creative rhythm, the march of events, the flow of time, to which you relate about in the same magnitude as an ant affects the light of the sun.—Florida Times Union.

POOR RICHARD JUNIOR.

Formerly it was, Be good! Now it is, Make good!

He who hesitates is—well, he is apt to get the better of the bargain.

This is the season when the debutante comes out by going into society.

When an employe really knows more than the head of the firm he knows enough not to boast of it.

With a million children outside the [illegible] does not seem to be [illegible] Sea [illegible] for al[illegible]round.—

Cuban [illegible]ar for [illegible]

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

COMMITTEES NAMED.

Speaker Cannon Hands in the List Saturday Morning.

LEADING ONES GIVEN.

The Personnel of the Minor Ones Are Not Presented, Only Chairmen of the Same Being Made Mention Of.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Speaker Cannon announced house committees upon the convening of that body Saturday. The personnel of important ones follows:

Appropriations—Hemenway, Brownlee, Bingham, VanVorheis, McCelary, Littauer, Gardiner of Michigan, Burkett, Gilette of Massachusetts, Smith of Iowa, Marsh of Iowa, Livingston, Pierce, Benton, Taylor, Underwood, Brundige.

Judiciary—Jenkins, Parker, Alexander Warner, Littlefield, Thomas of Iowa, Powers of Massachusetts, Nevin, Palmer, Pearrie, Gillette of California, Dearmond, Smith of Kentucky, Clayton, Henry of Texas, Brantley.

Banking and Currency—Fowler, Calderhead, Prince, Lovering, Douglas, Powers of Maine, Spalding, McMorran, Weems, McCreary, Danields, Thayers, Lewis, Padgett, Bartlett, Thompson, Pujo.

Interstate and Foreign Commerce—Hepburn, Sherman, Wagner, Mann, Lovering, Stevens, Burke, Esch, Cushman, Kyle, Townsend, Davey, Adamson, Shackelford, Ryan, Richardson of Alabama, Lamar of Florida.

Rivers and Harbors—Burton, Grosvenor, Bishop, Acheson, Alexander, Laurence, Davidson, McLachlan, Lorimer, Jones of Washington, Bede, Lester, Bankhead, Sparkman, Ransdell, Burgess, Humphreys.

Merchants Marine and Fisheries—Grosvenor, Miner, Greene, Stevens, Fordney, Wachter, Littlefield, Humphrey, Flack, Birdsall, Wilson of Illinois, Spight, Small, Davis, McDermott, Locking, Goulden.

Foreign affairs—Hitt, Adams of Pennsylvania, Cousins, William A. Smith of Michigan, Charles B. Landis of Indiana, Perkins, Beidler, Foster, Otken, Capron, Longworth, Dinsmore, Howard, Burleson, Scudder, Kehoe, Flood.

Chairmen of other committees are: Military affairs, Hull; naval affairs, Foss; postoffice and postroads, Overstreet; public lands, Lacey; Indian affairs, Sherman; territories, Hamilton; insular affairs, Cooper; public buildings and grounds, Gillette; labor, Gardner; militia, Dick; invalid pension, Sulloway; pensions, Loudenslager; District of Columbia, Babcock; irrigation of arid lands, Mondell; census, Crumpacker; library, McCleary; printing, Charles E. Landis of Indiana; industrial arts and expositions, Tawney.

No Time Qualification.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The house adjourned at 1:40 p. m. Saturday without any qualification as to time. This carried the house over, however, until 12 o'clock Monday.

Soon Adjourned.

Washington, Dec. 7.—When the senate met Saturday it adopted a motion to adjourn until 11:30 Monday.

SWUNG NEGRO UP.

Attempted to Criminally Assault a Three-Year-Old Girl.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 7.—Lewis Jackson, a negro, charged with having attempted to assault criminally the three year-old daughter of Superintendent R. F. Ensey of the government works at Fort Desoto, Mullet Key, last Monday, was lynched near Tampa Friday night by a mob of fifty white men.

FIRE AT A WAKE.

Two Lives Were Lost and Several Persons Were Severely Burned.

New York, Dec. 7.—Two lives were lost and a number of persons badly burned at a fire on First street, Brooklyn, where a wake was being held over the bodies of Mrs. Mary Gilligan and Arthur Dougherty, a boy, who died of hydrophobia a few days ago. An overturned lamp is said to have ignited the window curtains. Before any one could move they were in flames and mourning relatives and friends were in a panic. Michael Stafford, seventy years of age, and Charles Burley, twenty-five, were suffocated. John Gilligan, a son of the dead woman, was badly burned while assisting to rescue his mother's body, and Dominick Dougherty, father of the dead boy, was severely burned while trying to save two children. Several others were less seriously injured.

CALLED ON EMPEROR.

United States Wants Korea to Open Up Port of Wiju.

Seoul, Dec. 7.—United States Minister Allen had a long interview with the emperor of Korea on the subject of request of the United States for opening to the commerce of the world the ocean port of Wiju on the Yalu river. No definite decision was reached. The government has been placed in a dilemma by the demand of the United States.

Consulate Opened.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Consul General Arias Ferraud, Jr., representing the new republic of Panama, has opened the consulate of his country in this city.

Grain Rates Reduced.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Central Freight association roads reduced rates on export grain and grain products to a basis of 16½ cents per 100 pounds from Chicago to New York.

BOLD DEED.

Farmer Held Up in Daylight, Bound With a Rope and Robbed.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 7.—E. S. Shannon, an aged farmer, was seized in daylight at a wagon yard here by two men. They grabbed his throat and warned him not to look around. They pulled his hat over his eyes, bound his arms with a grapevine rope and relieved him of $18.

Five Men Arrested.

Crockett, Tex., Dec. 7.—Officers Lacy and Jones of Kennard Mills, about twenty miles east of this place, brought in Jim, Grant, George McKinney, R. G. McKinney, Stone Ramsey and Jack English, all charged with the murder of Olin English. English was found about 2 a. m. Saturday with his throat cut.

Man and Wife Wounded.

Kaufman, Tex., Dec. 7.—Frank Cisco, a Mexican, was found with his throat cut at his home on the outskirts of town, and his wife had a wound in her head, inflicted with an ax, and her throat cut. The woman may recover, but the man is thought to be fatally hurt.

Cities Not Yet Chosen.

Fort Worth, Dec. 7.—In the baseball meeting here the following towns were represented: Dallas, Fort Worth, Corsicana, Sherman, Ardmore and Paris, by proxy. Application for membership by the last three named cities will be acted upon in the near future.

Accidentally Killed.

Edna, Tex., Dec. 7.—Frank W. Milby accidentally shot and killed himself. His pistol fell from his pocket and the hammer struck a chair and was discharged, killing him instantly. He was a deputy sheriff of Jackson county.

Goods Found in a Gully.

Dallas, Dec. 7.—A car of the Texas and Pacific railway was robbed Saturday night of $200 worth of Christmas goods. The articles were found Sunday hidden in a gully.

Big Iron Output.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 7.—J. G. Butler, chairman of the Bessemer Pig Iron company, said regarding the output of pig iron that the blast furnaces tributary to the Lake Superior ore region, with a total daily capacity of 31,000 tons, of a yearly capacity of 11,000,000 tons, show up to Dec. 1 sixty-five furnaces in blast and ninety-one furnaces out of blast, or an idle capacity of 57 per cent of the whole region.

Mother Kills Daughter.

Florence, Italy, Dec. 7.—At Ebli, near here, a peasant woman named Lucia Mirra killed her daughter. The woman, whose motive was jealousy, did not display the least regret for her act when she was arrested by the police. The girl was sixteen years old.

Splendid Results.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.—The Chinese cotton crop shows splendid results.

MINOR MATTERS.

Chinese army is to be reorganized.

Commercial club has been organized at Terrell, Tex.

Two-year-old child of Edgar Row, colored, of Tyler, Tex., burned to death.

Safe of Cotton Belt railway depot at Waco was robbed of $100 and a diamond ring.

A Mr. Stahl was thrown from a horse in Little River county, Arkansas, and killed.

Cotton buyers at Big Sandy, Tex., have been paying 12 cents for fleecy staple.

The agent of a German colony has closed a deal for 10,000 acres five miles east of Victoria, Tex.

George I. Harvey, agent at Pawnee, Okla., for the Pawnee Indians, denies that he has resigned.

Precinct No. 1 of Lamar county, Texas, which includes Paris, went anti-prohibition by 108 majority.

At a negro dance near Richardson, Dallas county, Noah Duff was shot and killed. John Bonner was jailed.

Land Commissioner Terrell has been offered $1000 per acre for the Texas school land near Batson's Prairie.

In the contest at Austin for carnival queen Miss Nira Hooper received 42,6.0 votes and Miss Rosa Nalle 21,463.

Herbert W. Bowen, who represented the United States and Venezuela before The Hague tribunal, has returned.

Congressman Smith has introduced in the house a bill providing for a $100,000 federal building at San Angelo, Tex.

Nadene Southern, two years old, strangled to death from a butter bean lodging, at Dallas, in her windpipe.

Several lemons averaging in weight two pounds, raised at Crockett, Tex., will be exhibited at the World's fair.

Jim Spence, a Choctaw railway brakeman, caught two negroes stealing a ride near Barnett. One of them killed him.

William Henry Welsh, President Buchanan's private secretary, died at New York. He was seventy-seven years of age.

Andrew J. Baldwin, who laid the first cable at Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and later built 10,000 miles of telegraph lines, is dead.

Report of Texas State Treasurer Robbins for the quarter ending Nov. 30 shows $500,216 to the credit of the various funds.

An unknown man was found in the woods near Marion, Ind., with handcuffs rusted. He claims to be Jesus Christ reincarnated.

The heirs of two victims of the Park avenue tunnel disaster at New York have been paid by the New York Central railway $148,000.

John Slaughter, librarian of Wyoming since 1881, died at Cheyenne, aged ninety-five years. He was the first judicial officer at Cheyenne.

James Sprott and Henry Whetson had a difficulty near Ardmore, thought to have originated as a joke. Sprott was fatally stabbed and Whitson has some knife wounds.

SPOKE ON SWEAT SHOP

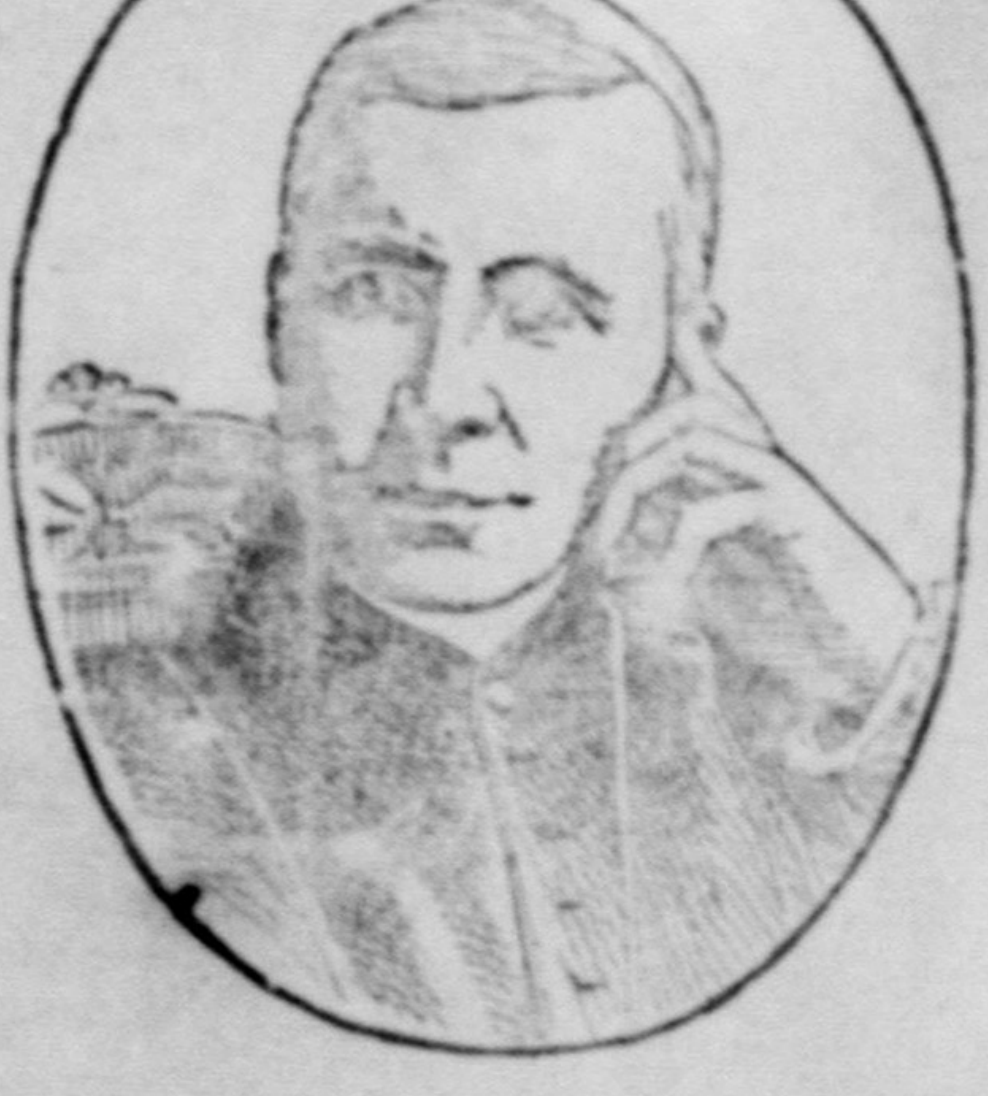
Cardinal Gibbons Preaches Against That System.

PRAISES THE LEAGUE

Speaks Highly of the Organization and Says it Is Composed of Ladies Who Are Engaged in a Noble Work.

Baltimore, Dec. 7.—Cardinal Gibbons, in the course of his regular monthly sermon at high mass at the cathedral Sunday, took occasion to condemn "sweat shops," and appealed to his hearers to discriminate in making purchases in favor of employers who treat their employes with justice and charity, and recommended the charitable work for oppressed toilers by the Consumers' league.

The cardinal said in part: "My purpose to-day, dear brethren, is not to commend to you indiscriminate charity, but my aim is to set before you a special class of persons in this city that you may help to improve their condition, to redress their grievances and enable them to earn by their industry and honesty a comfortable livelihood. To come to the point, there is a class of persons in Baltimore and in other large cities who are employed by proprietors of large clothing establishments. Some of these workers are employed in the stores, others making garments in their homes and bring them to the establishment. Many of these laborers, men and women, are compelled to toil in sweat shops, in which there are eight-



CARDINAL GIBBONS.

een in one section of the city which are contracted in space and poorly lighted and ventilated. They are overworked and underpaid. After a careful investigation I have discovered that after laboring for six days, at ten or pensation amounts to $6 or $8. And with pensation amounts to $ to $8. And with this pittance they have to pay for rent, food and clothing and other expenses incident to family life.

"You can encourage and cooperate with that excellent society existing here and elsewhere, called the Consumers' league. It is composed of ladies zealous in work of the charity, and has already accomplished a great deal in improving the condition of these oppressed toilers and of establishing happier and juster relations between them and their employers."

MUTUALLY PLEASED.

However, the Strike Is No Nearer Settlement Than Before.

Denver, Dec. 7.—President John Mitchell and Governor Peabody had a conference lasting three quarters of an hour Sunday night. The settlement of the strike is as far distant as ever. Mr. Mitchell informed the governor that the strike would continue to the bitter end and the governor as positively informed the strike leader that he would tolerate no violence but would order out the troops at the first provocation. While the conference came to naught between Governor Peabody and President Mitchell, they both expressed themselves as pleased with the interview, each saying he had secured a better conception of the position of the other.

TERRIBLE CRIME.

Negro Attempts to Assault an Aged Territory Lady.

Mounds, I. T., Dec. 7.—Four miles east of here at the residence of Marion Chance, an unknown negro attempted to criminally assault Mr. Chance's aged mother. After a hard struggle she got away and went to a neighbor's a mile away. The negro went to a field where a young son of the lady was working and learning he was Mrs. Chance's son, shot him in an arm and then left. The old lady was considerably bruised.

Large Deal Effected.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 7.—A deal was closed here whereby J. E. Dunn of Oklahoma City and St. Louis and L. Howard Lee of Texas secure control of a townsite and large bodies of valley lands in southern Pottawatomie county, Oklahoma.

Life Imprisonment.

Alva, Okla., Dec. 7.—Samuel Depert gets life imprisonment for killing William Griffin near Woodward. Depert returned home from Woodward and finding his wife and Griffin in conversation, killed the latter.

Charged With Murder.

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 7.—Nelson Hawkins and Barney Carney, two leading Chickasaw Indians, have been placed in the federal jail here charged with the alleged murder of Caddo Gordon, an influential Indian, who recently was found dead by the roadside.

COMING TO AMERICA.

Firm of English Cotton Spinners Will Erect Mills on This Side.

London, Dec. 7.—One of the largest firms of cotton spinners at Bradford announces that it is preparing to erect mills in the United States to which it will transfer hundreds of looms, with complement of combing, drawing and spinning machinery, the dismounting of which has already commenced. In making the announcement the firm says: "The American manufacturers recently have made such vast improvements in the manufacture and dyeing of the finest classes of goods, similar to those we produce in which we are paying 100 percent and upwards in duty, that we are confident our present American department will never be able to pay its way more than three or four years more at the most."

SERIOUS EFFECT.

London Papers Urge That British Colonies Raise More Cotton.

London, Dec. 7.—All the morning papers print editorials concerning the serious effect which the cotton shortage in the United States will have on the Lancashire trade and the dangers arising from the fact one market is able to control the price of raw cotton. The belief is generally held that the United States department of agriculture underestimated the crop, but the editors avail themselves of the crisis to point out the necessity of using the utmost exertions to foster the cultivation of cotton in the British colonies so as to broaden the area of supply.

MEETS AT ATLANTA.

Little Rock Will Not Seek to Secure the Baseball Championship.

Little Rock, Dec. 7.—President W. M. Kavanaugh has issued the official call for the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Baseball Clubs to be held in Atlanta, Ga., Tuesday, Dec. 15. At this meeting the annual election of officers and directors will take place, the pennant will be awarded to Memphis and plans laid for next year. There will be no change in the circuit. It is understood President Kavanaugh will be re-elected. Little Rock will not push her protests against Nashville.

FOREST FIRE.

Nearly Six Million Feet of Lumber Have Been Reduced to Ashes.

San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 7.—A forest fire in the mountains northeast of this city has proved destructive and is by no means under control. All sawed lumber belonging to the Brookings Lumber company, between 4,000,000 and 6,000,000 feet, has been destroyed, but as the flames are kept away from the mills the Brookings' loss will reach $100,000. The fire reached Fredalba Park, a summer resort not far from the Brookings mill, and destroyed all cottages there.

New Railway.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 7.—The Colorado, Oklahoma and Southwestern railway was incorporated by Oklahoma capitalists with $1,000,000 capital stock. The new line is to be 100 miles long, passing through Woodward, Day, Dewey, Custer, Washita, Caddo and Comanche counties and connecting with the Santa Fe in Woodward county and Cherokee, Oklahoma and Gulf at Weatherford.

Blair Depressed.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—James L. Blair, who was indicted by the grand jury on two counts charging forgery, is in a very depressed condition according to what little can be learned at the hospital. The attending physician said he feared the result of the shock of Thursday's experience on Mr. Blair.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mexia, Tex., reports snowflakes on the 4th.

Some of Dowie's creditors deny that he is insolvent.

Bob James was waylaid and killed near Trinity, Tex.

Governor Lanham signed forty land patents on the 4th.

Many stockmen around San Angelo favor sotol for feed.

Oil indications are promising in Reeves county, Texas.

Government will locate eighteen experiment farms in Texas.

Strike of old cracker packers at Chicago has ended; strikers gave up.

Ninety-three people from Mississippi have located near De Leon, Tex.

Forty-two carloads of cattle were shipped from Seuilin, I. T., on the 3d.

Samuel Lynn, seventy-three years old, a leading citizen of Paris, Tex., is dead.

The skeleton of a white man was found in the mountains near Snyder, Okla.

Ex-President Cleveland denies he will foreclose railroad whose bonds he holds.

Masonic temple at Sioux Falls, S. D., valued at $20,000, burned. Four firemen were hurt.

Leading cotton manufacturers of New England say curtailment of output is necessary.

The steamboat City of Memphis carried 40,540 bushels of peanuts to St. Louis from southern points.

Attorney General Roberts of Oklahoma says the examination fee for physicians in the territory is $5.

In a quarrel at Frankfort, Ky., over a few cents Dudley Williamson was killed by Irvin Crumbaugh.

Some San Antonio railway ticket agents charge other agents with selling tickets below tariff rates.

Will Welty, charged with the murder of Henry Smith, was tried at Goldthwaite, Tex., and given life imprisonment.

W. L. Sachtleben, who toured the world on a bicycle, and Miss Mae Merriman were married at St. Louis. The couple will reside at New York.

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Depart
• 9 45 am Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo Mail & Ex
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• 5 00 pm Accommodation

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Depart North
• 7 50 am Kan. C. & Chicago Ex & Mail
• 8 20 pm Kan. C. & Chicago Fast Ex.
Depart South
• 8 05 am Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex.
• 9 10 pm Houston & Gal. San Antonio & Galveston Mail & Express

MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXA
Depart North
• 8 35 am "Katy Flyer"
• 11 45 am Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago Mail & Ex.
• 9 00 pm Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago, Fast Express
Depart South
• 8 15 pm Houston and Gal. and San Antonio, "Katy Flyer"
• 8 30 am Houston Mail & Ex
• 6 00 pm Houston Mail & Ex

COTTON BELT ROUTE
Depart
• 10 30 am St. Louis & Memp Ex.
• 12 30 pm St. L. Limited, via Dallas
• 9 30 pm Dallas, Memp & St. Louis

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Depart East
• 7 45 am St. Louis Cannon Ball
• 8 00 pm St. Louis Mail & Ex
• 9 25 am Dallas Local
• 10 35 am Dallas & Weatherford Local
• 12 30 pm Dallas Local
• 1 55 pm Dallas Local
• 6 00 pm Wills Point Local
• 7 46 pm St. Louis Mail & Ex
• 9 30 pm Dallas Local
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Depart West
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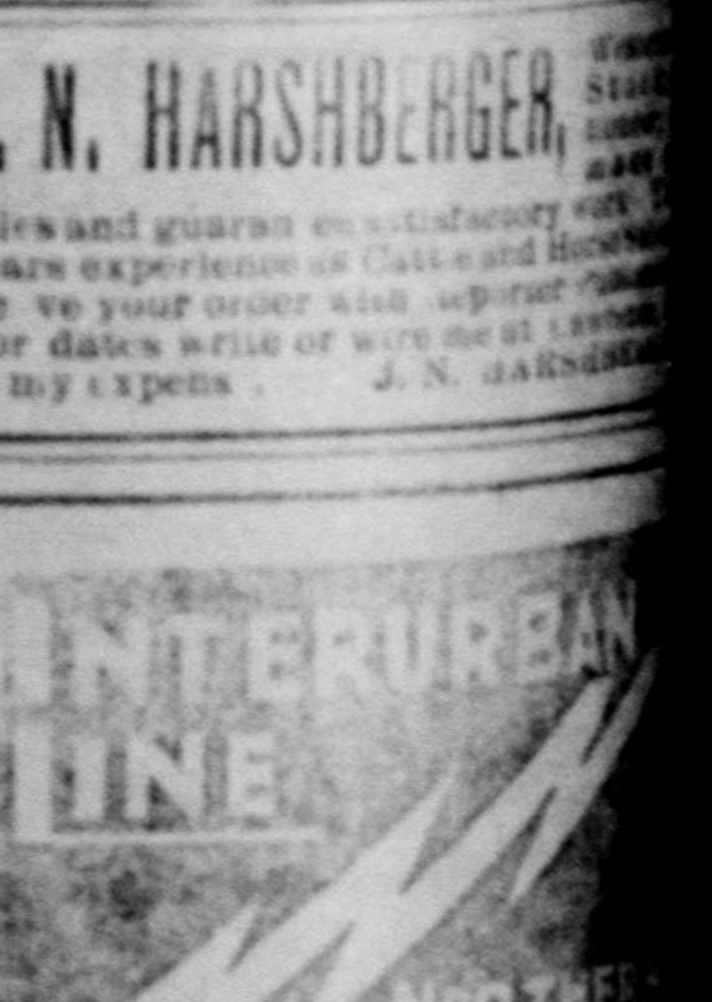

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Statistics for Lovers.

An expert mathematician has figured it out that if two lovers spent four hours together and the lover takes or receives 200 kisses, and each kiss takes ten seconds, in five years' time the lover would have had 365,000 kisses, and their lips would have been united for the space of forty-six days and six hours.

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And who, in their brave and stainless youth,
Are fearless of all beneath the sky.

The boys that are wanted are honest boys,
That cannot be bribed, nor bought, nor sold;
Whom neither a friend nor a foe decoys
From the royal way that the good uphold.

The boys that are wanted are faithful boys,
True to their trust, whatever it be;
True to their trust, whatever employs;
True, though their faithfulness none may see.

The boys that are wanted are loving boys,
Fond of home, and father, and mother;
Counting the old-fashioned household joys
Dearer, and sweeter than any other.

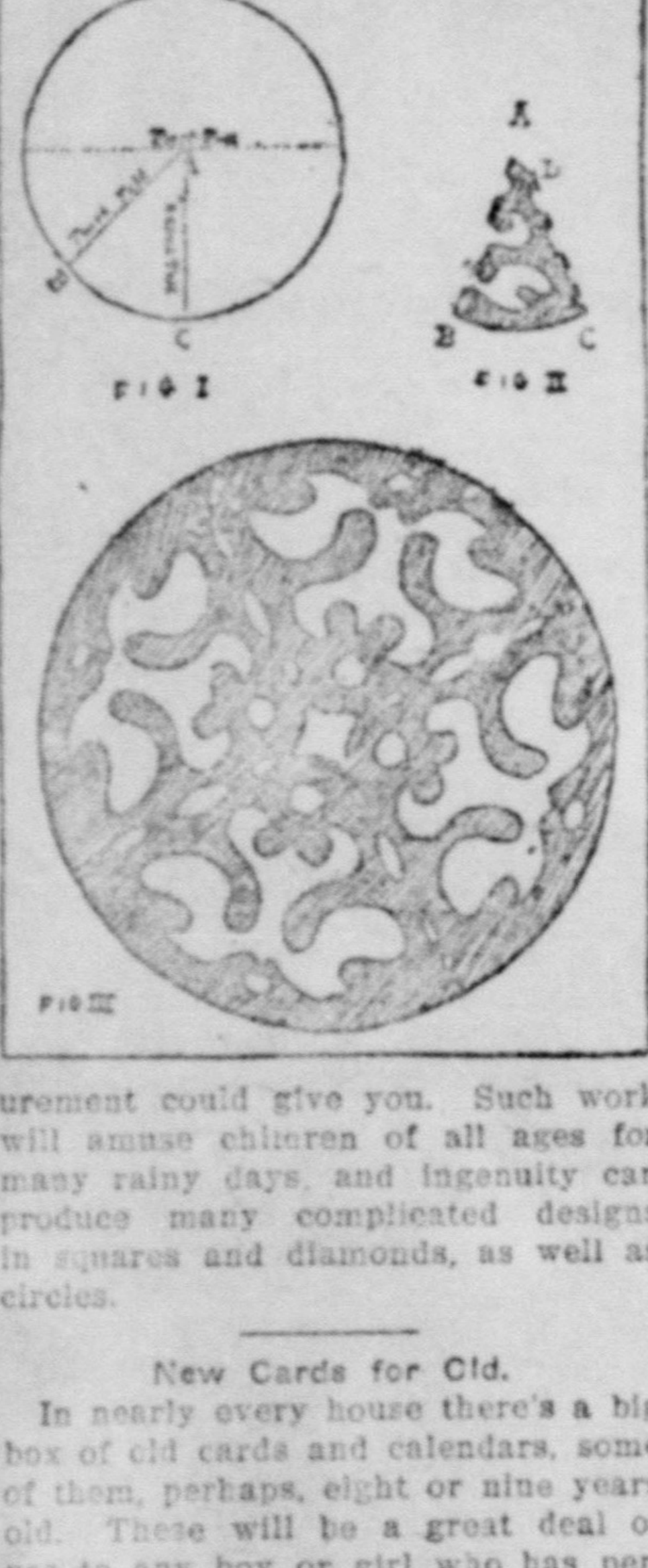
These are the boys the world will need
When she flings her baser tools aside;
When Truth, and Honor, and Justice plead,
These are the boys will stand by their side.

Easy Designing.

Take a piece of stiff paper, cut out a circle about five or six inches in diameter, fold it in half, then in quarters, finally in eighths. (Fig. 1.)

The dotted lines show where to fold the third, A B C being the shape of the circle when folded three times.

Take a pair of sharp scissors and beginning at D (in Fig. 2) cut out any pattern or any shape which comes into your head. Take care not to go over the circumference line, and the result, when you open what is left of your circle, will be a design of far greater symmetry than actual measurement could give you. Such work will amuse children of all ages for many rainy days, and ingenuity can produce many complicated designs in squares and diamonds, as well as circles.



New Cards for Old.

In nearly every house there's a big box of old cards and calendars, some of them, perhaps, eight or nine years old. These will be a great deal of use to any boy or girl who has permission to use them.

First of all, buy a packet of visiting cards or something bigger, gold edged, costing not over 5 cents a dozen.

Then spread a sheet of paper on the table, and get your scissors, your paints, a pencil and a pot of paste or gum. Now sort out the cards, and when you come across any especially pretty little bird or spray of flowers or a little figure cut them out very carefully and put them on one side.

When you have quite a lot of these, take one of your cards, and, sorting the little ornaments out, arrange them on the cards as you think best.

For instance, you could have a spray of flowers in the left hand top corner and a little landscape or bird or butterfly in the right hand bottom corner. When you have pasted them on, leave the cards till next day to get perfectly dry. Then pencil anything that is wanted, such as a few leaves, a stalk or two, a little true lover's knot, words of greeting, and so forth. Paint them over, and then your card is finished. Perfectly charming Christmas and birthday cards can be made in this way, and people much prefer them to the bought ones if they're nicely and neatly done.

How Jamaican Negroes Shave.

The Jamaica negroes, some of whom are great dandies in their way, make a soap out of cocoanut oil and homemade lye, and a fine soap it is, smooth and fragrant. This cocoanut oil soap is used for shaving. When a man wishes to have in the morning, he starts out with his cocoanut shell cup and his donkey-tail brush and a bottle. It is never any trouble to find an empty bottle in Jamaica, even in the mountains. At least twenty generations of thirsty people have lived there and thrown away the empty bottles. The man carries no mirror because he has none to carry. Not one negro cabin in a dozen has even a cheap looking-glass. But nature provides the mirror as well as the soap. The man goes to a convenient pool in the mountain stream, where the water is still, and there is his mirror. He breaks his bottle on a stone, and picks out a good, sharp piece. Then he lathers his face profusely and begins to scrape away with his piece of glass, which works almost as well as a sharp razor.

Rare Fun Hiding Presents.

For the girls and boys who are inclined to scoff at the story of Santa Claus and his kindly offices there is left a lot of fun in being their own Christmas saint in a novel and very delightful fashion.

If at Christmas time there happens to be gathered under one roof a romping, happy family of young folk, this novelty will find special favor. It is the aim of each one to hide from the other the individual gifts, but as confusion might arise if this plan were worked out irrespective of a definite scheme of ambush, two grown ups are pressed into service, and to them the gifts are confided, with the names of the prospective recipients attached thereto.

As the adults are generally the most interested in Christmas fun are father and mother, they are naturally accorded the honor of treasure keepers. They confer with the donors as to the best hiding places, being of course very careful not to tell to one what the other has confided. The youngsters in a body plan to hide the parents' gifts, and when the morning sun shines upon Christmas day there will be found a household of curious ones eager to indulge in this holiday form of hide and seek.

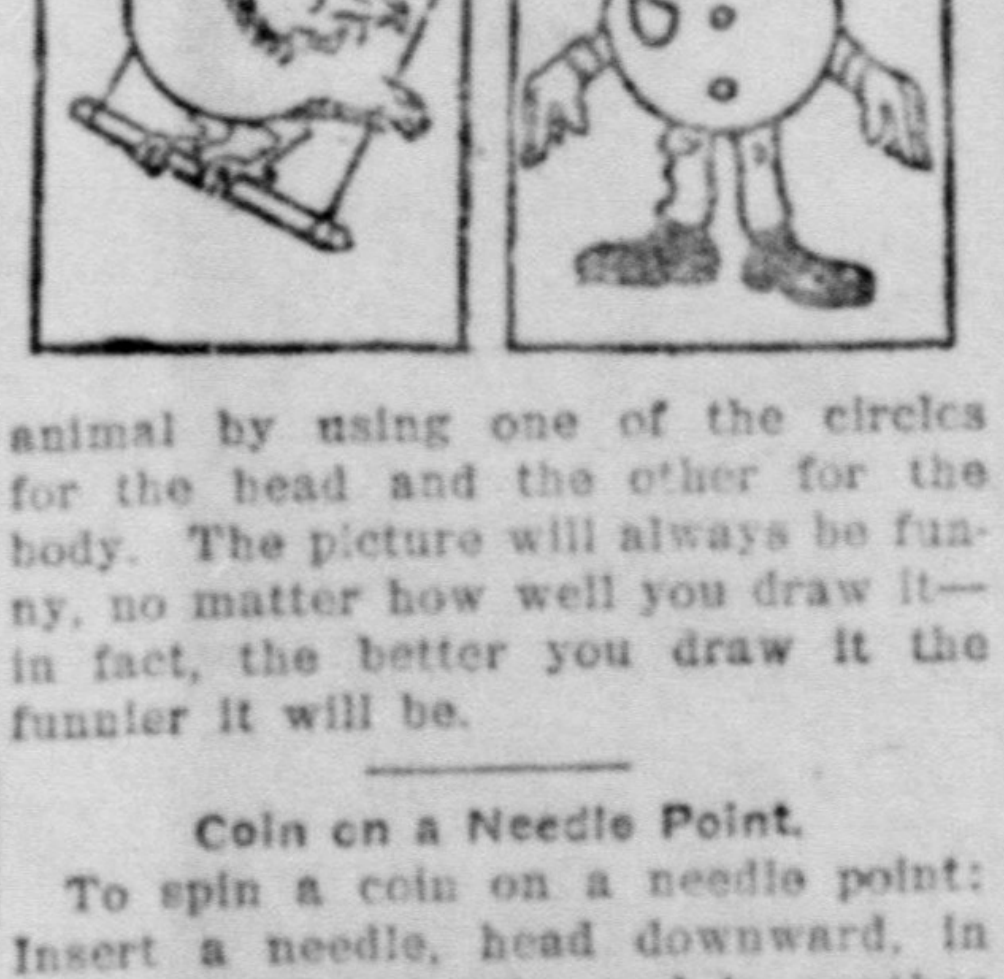
In the family of a well known writer this Christmas custom is carried out most gleefully. One of the boys who always boasted that he could find his gifts no matter where they were hidden was quite nonplussed last Christmas, and finally gave it up, only to discover that in his sleep he had been raised on his mattress, the bundles placed underneath it and he himself put back as guardian without so much as a wink of knowledge of what was going on. On another occasion the breakfast table was employed for a hiding place for all of the gifts, the young people in a body being kept in the dark as to the secret. And it was only a discouraged and petulant kick from the youngest that revealed a platform built beneath and parallel with the surface, where all the things were carefully disposed. Ingenuity in devising hiding places adds greatly to the fun of the occasion, and as a change from trees and stockings will surely be welcomed.

Crabs Up a Tree.

In some of the South Sea islands there is a land crab which is very fond of cocoanuts. To get a supply of the coveted dainty it has learned to climb trees. Of this habit the natives take every advantage when they want a crab for dinner. While the creature is aloft stealing a nut the native ties a rope of grass around the trunk of the tree as far from the ground as he can reach. When the crab is on its downward journey, it comes to this grass band in due course. Then, thinking it has touched solid earth, it lets go its grip and falls to the ground, thus becoming an easy prey to the wily native.

A Drawing Game.

Here is a funny new drawing game. Put down two circles, and then draw a picture of a human being or an animal by using one of the circles for the head and the other for the body. The picture will always be funny, no matter how well you draw it—in fact, the better you draw it the funnier it will be.



Coin on a Needle Point.

To spin a coin on a needle point: Insert a needle, head downward, in the cork of a bottle, and in another cork cut a slit that will just allow a coin to be held in it. In this cork stick the prongs of two forks, opposite to each other, and so that they will incline downward. The forks must be alike and of the same weight. Now, to spin the coin on the needle point, you have only to place the rim on the point, and as the forks establish an equilibrium the little system will work very nicely without danger of an upset or a fall.

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Intoxicating but not inebriating is "The Champagne Dance," one of the features of "The Silver Slipper," Mr. John C. Fisher's musical production that enjoyed a successful engagement of six months at the Broadway theater, New York. This dance is performed in the second act and is so inspiring and coquettish, that even the most sober will have to yield to its charms. Following a few bars of gay, catchy music, six young women in bright yellow dresses appear, dance and whirl about until they are joined by six young men garbed as waiters. The waiters are as animated as the girls, and the fact that each carries a table to which are attached small bells in no way detracts from their agility. The tables, being placed in position, the girls dance about them and with a quick whirl seat themselves, at the same time tapping the bells with their toes. The waiters then retire, only to return in a second with champagne bottles and glasses. After going through the motions of filling the glasses, the girls spring up and the real dance begins. They dance with the waiters in a whirl-like way and the effect is striking. The young men who participate in this dance are considered the best dancers from George Edwardes school in England, and were brought to this country under contract by Mr. Fisher especially for this dance, which was one of the features in the London production of "The Silver Slipper," and was the sensation of the play during the long run at the Broadway theater. The "Champagne Dance" is only one of the many features of "The Silver Slipper," the delightful musical play by the authors of "Florodora" that will be the attraction at Greenwall's opera house tonight and tomorrow matinee and night.

During the engagement the complete production will be seen. There will be the same dazzling scenic and lighting effects and the same expensive costumes. The leading roles will be played by such well known favorites as Sam Collins, Gertrude Millington, Fred Runnells, Harry B. Burcher, Virginia Palmer, Nannette Thulon, Lora Lieb, together with a company numbering 100, makes "The Silver Slipper" the highest salaried musical play ever seen on tour.

THE BUSY BEE,

No. 1108 Main street, has added a candy factory, and will sell all 25c per pound candies on Wednesdays at 15c per lb. All drinks drawn from the soda fount free to ladies on Wednesdays from 2 to 4 o'clock.

Profits in Municipal Plants.

Municipal development of water, gas, electricity, street railways, markets, baths and cemeteries in Nottingham, England, has shown an average annual net profit of $158,000 for the last four years. The money is applied to the reduction of taxes.

Antarctic Icebergs.

Icebergs in the Arctic regions are neither so large nor so numerous as those seen in the Antarctic seas, but they are usually loftier and more beautiful, with spires and domes. When the sun shines on them, they look like a fairy city.

Resists Electric Current.

Artemiev, a Russian electrician, has invented a pliable coat of mail which effectively protects against currents of 150,000 volts.

World's Catholics.

The Pope is the head of over 250,000,000 human beings, or nearly one-seventh of the population of the globe.

Massachusetts Birth Rate.

The birth rate among the foreign-born in Massachusetts is 52 per 1,000; among the native-born it is 17.

Discover Tin Oxide.

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Holiday Rates of the Rock Island System in the Southeast and also to Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado at rate of one fare plus two dollars for the round trip on December 19, 20, 21 and 26, limited 30 days. This rate is an extremely low one and gives opportunity for all to spend Christmas and New Years at the old home. The 26th was made a date of sale to accommodate those who will be compelled to remain at their work until the Christmas rush is over.

The Rock Island has one route to Memphis via the Katy to South McAlester, one each via Paris and Denison in connection with the Frisco, one via Ardmore via the Santa Fe and Choctaw and one via El Reno and the Choctaw.

To the north it has its own rails to all the states mentioned, and runs through sleepers and chair cars to Kansas City and Chicago daily, connecting at gateways with diverging lines.

Local holiday tickets will be sold December 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, and January 1, limit January 4, at rate of one and one third fare for distances of one hundred miles, and a fare plus ten per cent beyond.

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Polish Women's Perfect Feet.

Polish women are renowned for their beauty, for the perfection of their hands and the smallness of their feet. They place the fineness of the hands above all other charms. "I regard my hands, not my face," said one, and it is reported in Warsaw that the Vienna shoe dealers keep a separate case of shoes for the delicate feet of their Polish customers.

Got In for Nothing.

A Carthage small boy, who accompanied his father to church for the first time the other day, was much interested in what he saw," says the Press. "When the collection box went by he noticed it and also that his father put nothing in it. "Say, Pop," he whispered, "you an' over half of 'em got in for nothin', didn't you?"

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

Country Produce.

PRICES TO SELLERS

POULTRY—Hens, per dozen	$3.00 to $3.5
Fryers, per dozen	$2.50 to $3.2
TURKEYS—per lb.	7c to 8
DUCKS—Per dozen	$.:
EGGS—Per dozen	15c to 2:
BUTTER—Per pound, yellow	15c to 20

Grain and Hay.

PRICES PAID TO FARMERS.

HAY—Johnson Grass, ton	$9.00 to 10.0
Prairie Texas, ton	$9.00 to 10.0
Prairie Territory ton	$9.00 to 10.0
Alfalfa	15.0
BRAN—Per cwt	.85
CORN CHOPS—	1.1
CORN SHELLED—Per bushel,	.5
OATS—Per bushel	.4
WHEAT—No 2	.8
No 3	.7

Vegetables.

CABBAGE—Per pound	2
TURNIPS—Per bushel	50c to 60
SWEET POTATOES—Per bushel	50c to 75
LIMA BEANS—bushel	$1.4

Seeds.

SELLING PRICE.

ALFALFA—100 pounds	$15.5
MILLET—Prime, 100 pounds	1.0
Fancy German	1.1
Pearl or Cattail	12.5
KAFFIR CORN—Per bushel	.6
DWARF ESSEX RAPE—100 pounds	6.0
CANE—Early Amber	1.3
Orange	1.3
Red Top	1.1
TURNIPS—Purple top, 100 lbs	22.5
Rutabaga	20.5
OATS—Tenn. Winter Turf, bushel	.7

Hides.

PRICES PAID SHIPPERS.

Heavy Dry Beef	12½
Heavy Dry Fallen	11½
Lights	9½
Dry Salt	10½
Green	5½

Provisions.

FROM THE STORE.

BACON—Standard	11½c
Extra	10½c
Dry Salt Standard	10½c
Dry Salt Bellies	11½c
Bacon Bellies	13½c
HAMS—Medium	15c
Large	14c
LARD—Leaf, in tierces	11c
50-pound cans	11½c
10-pound cans	13c
Compound, tierces	8c
10-pound cans	10c

Sugar and Molasses.

SELLING PRICES AT STORES.

SUGAR—Granulated, pound	5½c
Cut loaf and powdered, pound	7c
Yellow	4½c to 5c
MOLASSES—Sorghum, gallon	.40
Reboiled molasses	.55c
Table syrup, gallon..	.65c
Louisiana Ribbon Cane	.60

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COFFEE—Roasted, pound	13½c
RICE—Fancy, full grain	.8½
Choice	.6
Prime	.6
FLOUR—High Patent	$2.1
Fancy Patent	2.0
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GIRL SHOT INTRUDER

Mortally Wounds Man Who Sought to Embrace Her.

TELEGRAPHED WORD

To the Nearest Station and Went on Foot Quarter of a Mile to a Magistrate and Told of the Occurrence.

Williamson, W. Va., Dec. 7.—William Howardson, an alleged outlaw of notoriety, who worked in the lumber camps near Thacker, this county, was shot and mortally wounded by Miss Katie Roubough, a girl of less than twenty, who is employed as telegraph operator for the Norfolk and Eastern railway at Thacker. Howardson, Saturday night, entered the tower where the girl was at work alone, and attempted to embrace here. The girl fired four shots, two of which penetrated Howardson's chest. He will die. The girl, after firing the fatal shots, called up the telegraph operator at Williamson, related her experience and told him she would no longer be on duty that night. She then walked a quarter of a mile in the darkness and surrendered to a magistrate. No one witnessed the tragedy, the inhabitants of the village all being asleep at the time. She was released on her own recognizance.

EACH EMPTIED PISTOLS.

Officer Was Wounded and the Other Participant Arrested.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 7.—In a pistol duel Sunday night at the corner of Market and Lindsley avenue between Thomas D. Cox and Patrolman Benjamin E. Dowell, each man emptied his revolver. The trouble arose over the arrest of Cox's sister in connection with the police raid on the saloon of her husband, Owen McDonobugh.

Cox was captured some time after the affray, but would make no statement. It was learned later that Dowell is shot in the abdomen, and physicians have little hope of his recovery.

The shooting occurred just in front of Grace Cumberland Presbyterian church. Dr. W. A. Ausban of Savannah, Tenn., was filling the pulpit and had just taken his text when the fusillade began. Almost immediately after, the door opened and Dowell staggered in, his smoking revolver still in his hand.

"Gentlemen," he gasped, "I'm shot; take my gun, please."

The congregation was thrown into excitement and confusion, but the wounded man was made as comfortable as possible. The interrupted services were not continued. A curious coincidence in connection is the text selected by Dr. Ausban, from Numbers, 23 10: "Let me die the death of the righteous."

SHOVEL WORKS BURNED.

One of the Largest, Covering About Five Acres of Land.

Pittsburg, Dec. 7.—The Hubbard Shovel works, one of the the largest of the kind in the country, employing close to 1000 men and covering a ground space of nearly five acres, was almost totally destroyed by fire. J. W. Hubbard, president of the company, says the loss will reach close to $300,000 with but little insurance.

DISASTRIOUS FIRE.

Cotton Warehouse, Eight Hundred Bales and Engine Destroyed.

Opelika, Ala., Dec. 7.—A disastrous fire occurred here in which the Planters' warehouse, containing 800 bales of cotton and a $3500 engine were destroyed. The loss is more than $60,000. The cotton was not insured. The warehouse was partially covered by insurance. The Royal hotel was damaged, the loss to the building being about $2000.

Town Badly Damaged.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 7.—The little mining town of Jellico, Tenn., has been damaged by fire. The Jellico hotel and Jellico Grocery company's store were destroyed, together with the sample rooms of the Glen Morgan hotel. The latter hotel was damaged and several stores close to it. Loss $15,000, insurance $8000.

All Got Out.

New York, Dec. 7.—The occupants of a tenement house at Ninth avenue and Fifty-seventh street were driven out by fire which swept through several floors. All escaped unhurt.

Fire In Kentucky Town.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 7.—Fire at Auburn, a town of 900 inhabitants, eighteen miles south of Bowling Green, caused a loss of $75,000. There was very little insurance.

Department Store Gone.

Newark, O., Dec. 7.—Fire partially destroyed the Union block, burning out the Powers-Hill company's department store, entailing a loss estimated at $123,300.

Jealousy the Motive.

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 7.—John Spires, aged thirty, killed Lina Perkins, a school girl, aged fifteen, with a dagger at Winslow, west of this city, and then killed himself. Jealousy was the motive.

Due to Diplomacy.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—By a stroke of diplomacy, J. Alexander Dowie has established harmony beween Zion and its receivers and its creditors in and out of co. He proposes to settle with his immediate creditors, to arrange with others on a time basis to end the receivership.

VICTIM OF MAFIA.

Party Who Suicided In California Was Evidently Marked.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 7.—The inquest on the body of Amodeo Nicola, an Italian, who shot himself at Mikon Station, just west of this city, developed the fact that he was probably a victim of the Brooklyn Mafia. Just before he fired the fatal shot Nicola handed a letter to Dr. Lewis, another passenger, and the letter was turned over to Conductor Rickert, who incorporated it in his report to the division superintendent at Oakland. A literal translation of the letter, which was written in Italian, follows:

"All this that you do to me is unjust. I do not remember to have done wrong to anybody. You will give me the death penalty, but without me having committed any fault. I salute all of you of Brooklyn and I declare yourselves being men of great power, and that you are men who protect women of ill fame and vagabonds. All that you have done to me I never deserved, but my blood will call vengeance upon you all.

"AMODO NICOLA."

The verdict of the jury was that Nicola came to his death by suicide.

PRESS CENSORSHIP.

Victor Daily Record Can Only Publish Ordinary News Matter.

Victor, Colo., Dec. 7.—Censorship of the press has been established here. Major Naylor called at the office of the Victor Daily Record, the only daily paper in Victor, and informed its editor and proprietor that censorship has been placed upon the columns of the Record. Editor Keyner was told that he must not publish anything but ordinary news matter and is compelled to show his proofs. Major Naylor has prohibited the publishing of a leading editorial Mr. Keyner had written commenting on the situation. He likewise forbade the editor printing an official statement of the miners' executive committee.

VENETIAN FETE.

One of the Most Gorgeous Spectacles Ever Seen at Manila.

Manila, Dec. 7.—The Venetian fete given by Governor W. H. Taft was one of the most brilliant affairs ever seen here. Citizens on their part organized a water carnival and the scenic effect was manificent during the parade of the flotilla. Gaily decorated boats sped past the palace ablaze with various colored lights. Vast crowds of enthusiastic spectators lined the river banks, which were illuminated for miles, to witness the gorgeous spectacular display. Governor Taft and wife received the guests as they arrived in costume at the river entrance to the palace. Farewell receptions are being had nightly, which are largely attended by residents of all nationalities.

SPAIN'S NEW CABINET.

Senor Maurau Is Premier and Every Portfolio Is Represented.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—The new cabinet is constituted as follows: Senor San Pedro, minister foreign affairs; Senor Toca, minister of justice; General Linares, minister of war; Senor Fernandez, minister of marine; Senor Osma, minister of finance; Senor Sanchez Guerra, minister of the interior; Senor Domingues y Paschal, minister of public instruction; Conde de Allende Salazar, minister of public works.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Miss Kate Daffan of Ennis President of the Daughters.

Houston, Dec. 7.—The Daughters of the Confederacy elected the following officers: Miss Kate Daffan of Ennis, president; Mrs. E. Crawford of Palestine, first vice president; Mrs. E. M. Goldstein of San Antonio, second vice president; Mrs. J. B. Williams of Brenham, third vice president; Mrs. Moore, fourth vice president; Mrs. W. P. Lane of Fort Worth, secretary (reelected); Mrs. A. C. Johnson, treasurer; Mrs. S. H. Watson, historian; Mrs. Z. T. Fulmore, custodian.

HONEY GONE.

Inventor of Underground Trolley and Noted Telegrapher.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Albert A. Honey of Chicago, inventor of the underground trolley, is dead from a stroke of paralysis at the Chicago Union hospital. Mr Honey was an old-time telegraph operator, beginning when twelve years old with the old Illinois Telegraph company. He was one of the three first operators employed by the Associated Press at Chicago. Later he entered into the employ of the Union Pacific Railway company and later aided in the construction of the lines of the Northern Pacific from Bismarck to the Pacific coast. Mr. Honey located at Chicago in 1901. He was one of the organizers of the Old-Time Telegraphers' association.

Fine Cigars Confiscated.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—The government authorities have confiscated 14,000 Mexican cigars in a private warehouse here, many of them priced at 25 cents each. It is believed the cigars were brought in concealed casks by members of the crew of the cruiser New York upon her last arrival from Mexican waters.

FRISCO'S AGENT.

Alexander Moore Is Appointed With Headquarters at Dallas.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—Official announcement has been made by General Passenger Agent Hilton of the St. Louis and San Francisco system of the appointment of Alexander Moore as southwestern passenger agent of the system with headquarters at Dallas, Tex., to succeed C. P. Johnson, resigned. Mr. Moore has been general agent of the Frisco system at the City of Mexico.

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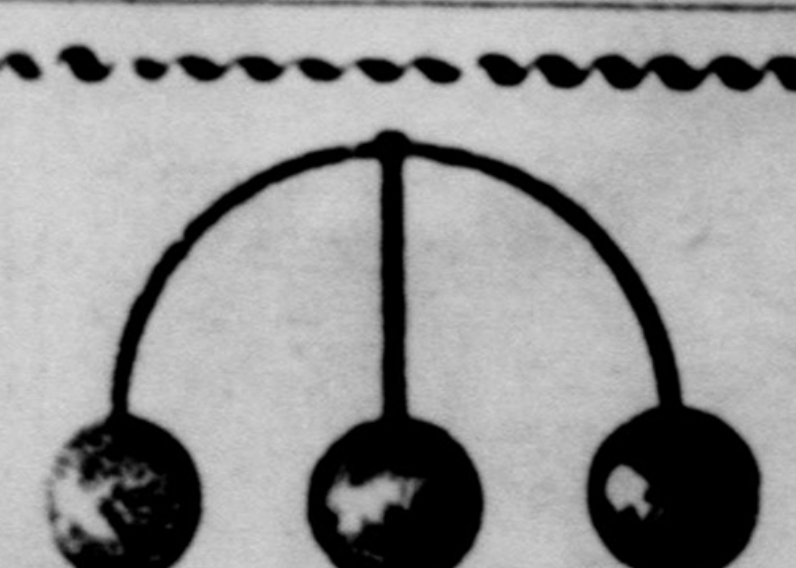

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Glaciers Disappear.

The ice in Greenland is melting more rapidly than it is formed. Comparison of the descriptions of the Jacobshaven glacier shows that its edge has receded eight miles since 1850, and it has lost twenty to thirty feet in depth.

Old Presbyterian Church.

St. Andrew's is the oldest Presbyterian church in South Africa and it has for nearly seventy-five years been the garrison church for Presbyterian soldiers in Cape Town. It is proposed to erect a building to seat about 1,200 people.

Kept Tab.

A New York girl testified in a breach of promise case that the defendant had kissed her exactly 1,386 times. She must have used a street car register on him and rung up every one as she collected it.—Denver Post.

Great Medical School.

Half of the ground known at the time of the Chicago exhibition as the Midway Plaisance is to be made the site of the greatest medical school in the world.

Man's Life Growing Longer.

Under modern conditions, man's life is growing steadily longer, despite the increased strain of competition, social, political and commercial.

Thought Beards Effeminate.

The ancient Romans considered it effeminate to wear beards. All their busts representing the famous men of olden times are without beards.

AN INVITATION

To take advantage of the very low rate made by the M., K. & T. Railway to the North and Southeast for the Holidays.

Tickets will be sold on December 19, 20, 21 and 26, at rate of one fare plus dollars for the round trip.

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If you are contemplating making holiday trip you should see one "Katy's" agents, or write a letter "Katy," Dallas, Texas, and learn of the many inducements offered the holiday traveler.

Appealed to Satan.

Dean Pigou tells in his new book of anecdotes the story of the little girl who was much upset by a maiden aunt and posted in a hole in the garden a letter in these terms: "Dear Mr. Satan: Will you kindly come and take away Aunt Jane? She is a very fussy person and does worry me so. Yours affectionately, Alice."

Landlord's Share.

The Turkish bey landlord in Macedonia gets half the farmer's produce. Every village supports a number of Turkish policemen, who are really parasites, the average household paying them $6.25 out of an income of $50—not for protection, but for a precarious immunity from outrages.

What He Wanted.

Lord Melbourne, when British prime minister, was pressed to give an appointment to a man because he was a good fellow, "and always votes with us when he thinks we are right." "D—— him! What's the good of that?" demanded his lordship. "I want a fellow who will support me when I am wrong."

Bacteria Are Hardy.

Prof. Dewar has recently submitted living bacteria to the temperature of liquid hydrogen, about 250 degrees Centigrade, and about as near absolute zero as we can get, and after an immersion for ten hours there was no appreciable effect on the vitality of the organism.