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VESTOCK MARKET

ETABLE CATTLE CONTINUE IN LIGHT SUPPLY.

ity of Steers Today was not up to Average—Market Opened Slow, and es Were Made on a Lower Basis. d Killing Cows Steady—Bulls and ves Steady.

S IN FAIR SUPPLY, LIGHT STUFF.

et Opened Strong and Sales Were 5 her—Later There Was a Decline, the Closing was Steady With Yesday.

RECEIPTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
y	2,900	1,300	300
month	1,118	2,399	24
day 1903	1,051	1,363	3,485

Official Receipts Yesterday.

e	2,810
	1,041
	300
s and mules	38

Range of Selling Prices Today.

TTLE—Steers, top $3.85, bulk $3.50 5. Cows, top $3.10, bulk $2.50@3.00. GS—Top $4.95, bulk $4.75@4.85. EEP—Top $5.25, bulk $4.25.

THE CATTLE TRADE

Today's Quotations.

s—Good to choice	$3 65@4 25
dium fed	3 60@3 65
ckers and feeders	2 50@3 25
arlings	1 25@2 50
—Choice heavy fed	2 50@3 50
dium butcher	2 15@2 50
tters	1 65@2 15
nners	1 00@1 75
stags and oxen	1 50@3 50
s—Good to fancy veals	2 50@4 25
mmon to fair	1 00@2 50

other liberal run of through cattle expected today. Early receipts were moderate, but about six trains were ted to arrive some time during the

out thirty cars were in early for the ng market, with twenty-five going gh, and total receipts for the day estimated to figure close around against 923 for last Wednesday, for the same Wednesday in March, 1,051 for the same day one year ago.

BEEF STEERS.

e supply of steers today was in fair rtion to the run, and while there several loads of well finished cattle le, the bulk were only medium half tuff.

ssages came in reporting liberal and lower prices at other markets, buyers here were trying to buy catower. This resulted in a slow open-

en cattle started to the scales, salesmen were quoting the market to 10 lower, but the general run les was only a shade lower, conng the quality, which was not near od as that yesterday.

veralloads of well finished cattle were enough to land at $3.85, with the string of sales from $3.50@3.85.

od to choice sorted steers are quotrom $3.65@4.25, medium fed from @3.65, stockers and feeders from @3.00, and yearlings $1.25@2.50.

presentative sales:

	Ave.	Price.
	990	3 85
	972	3 85
	1155	3 85
	1013	3 70
	1078	3 70
	940	3 70
	970	3 65
	906	3 55
	902	3 55
	1110	3 55
	912	3 55
	885	3 55
	891	3 55
	910	3 55
	1170	3 55
	932	3 50
	879	3 50
	802	3 50
	1080	3 50
	926	3 50
	855	3 40
	875	3 40
	755	3 30
	1031	3 25
	1100	3 25
	1030	3 25
	808	3 25
	771	3 20
	920	3 05
	827	3 00

BUTCHER STOCK.

e supply of butcher stock today was argest for some time, the quality of was medium to good.

yers have been wanting cows badly some time, and trading on all she was fully steady. The bulk of sales d within a range of from $2.50@ with a few choice cows and heifers $3.00@3.50.

od to choice heavy fed cows are d from $2.50@3.50, medium butchfrom $2.15@2.50, cutters $1.75@2.15, canners from $1.00@1.75.

ls were steady at at a range of from @2.65, a few fat bulls and stags g around $3.00.

Cows.

	1210	3 50
	1025	3 40
	1070	3 35
	985	3 25
	955	3 25
2	1135	3 25
25	959	3 10
1	670	3 10
16	948	3 10
26	659	3 05
3	863	3 00
7	925	3 00
12	749	2 75
11	784	2 75
1	1120	2 75
6	966	2 75
32	651	2 85
2	800	2 65
22	739	2 60
26	673	2 50
2	980	2 50
2	430	2 50
2	880	2 50
25	747	2 50
2	780	2 25
1	1010	2 00
5	780	2 00
27	810	2 00
4	465	2 00
1	650	2 00
1	850	1 75
1	950	1 75
4	645	1 75
1	680	1 75
2	810	1 75
2	690	1 50

Heifers.

2	710	3 00

Bulls.

1 stag	1170	3 00
1	1460	2 65
1 stag	1070	2 50
1	1420	2 35
5	1132	2 35
1	1140	2 25
3	1126	2 25
2	925	2 25
1	1360	2 25
3	896	2 25
1	1020	2 10
2	730	2 00
2	695	2 00
1	720	1 50
1	580	1 25

CALVES.

The small supply of calves on the market met a good demand and sales were generally steady.

The supply was mostly common to medium heavy calves, and sales were largely at a range of from $2.50@3.00.

Good to choice vealers are quoted from $3.00@4.25, with common to fair kinds from $1.50@3.00.

1	150	3 75
2	75	3 50
3	360	3 25
2	130	3 25
7	575	3 10
1	150	3 10
6	201	3 00
2	380	3 00
2	250	3 00
2	345	3 00
4	500	2 85
1	340	2 75
4	452	2 75
4	372	2 75
4	493	2 65
2	340	2 50
2	450	2 50
6	336	2 50
1	350	2 25
1	160	2 25
1	390	2 00
9	371	1 75
2	400	1 50
1	330	1 50
3	326	1 40
3	233	1 00

THE HOG TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Choice sorted	4 75@4 95
Mixed packers	4 65@4 80
Lights	4 45@4 75
Pigs	3 50@4 00
Stags and roughs	3 00@4 00

The hog supply today was again moderate. Sixteen loads came in for the opening market, or about 1,100 head. One more load arrived about noon and with a few wagon hogs total receipts for the day figured close around 1,300, against 1,433 for last Wednesday, 2,399 for the same day in March, and 1,363 for the corresponding day one year ago.

The quality today was medium to good, with the bulk of offerings from Texas points. Several loads averaged fairly heavy, but the big end of the run was light mixed loads and averaged under 200 pounds.

The market opened with a good demand and trading during the early hours was active on a strong to 5 higher basis compared with yesterday, putting the market back to a steady basis with the close of last week.

All were sold on the early active market but about four loads.

Late messages came in which weakened the trade, and the early advance was lost, late sales no better than steady with yesterday. Two loads of Texas hogs averaging 225 and 236 lbs topped the market at $4.95, with the bulk of sales at a range of from $4.80@4.85, and pigs from $3.50@4.20.

Good to choice sorted are quoted at a range of from $4.75@4.95, mixed packers $4.65@4.80, light grades $4.45@4.75, pigs $3.50@4.00, and boars, stags and roughs from $3.00@4.00.

Representative sales:

Hogs.

No.	Ave.	Price.
90	163	4 50
60	168	4 65
82	170	4 70
57	182	4 75
81	180	4 75
74	189	4 75
12	196	4 77½
91	182	4 77½
5	206	4 77½
90	188	4 80
90	192	4 80
30	206	4 80
82	191	4 80
55	202	4 80
7	226	4 80
81	199	4 82½
86	201	4 82½
85	207	4 82½
4	337	4 85
59	236	4 95
57	225	4 95

Pigs.

1	130	3 50
10	118	3 85
10	115	4 00
10	126	4 20
6	115	4 25

THE SHEEP TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Lambs	3 50@5 50
Wethers	3 50@4 50
Ewes	2 50@3 50
Culls	1 50@2 50

One double-deck and a few wagon sheep were about all on the market today, which arrived late.

Buyers were badly in need of sheep and it was a race among them to see who would get to the pens first after the sheep were yarded, the fastest runner getting the supply on a good strong basis compared with yesterday's trading.

One small bunch of fat good quality clipped 100-lb yearlings topped the market at $5.25, with 120-lb clipped sheep at $4.80, and one double-deck of mixed ewes and wethers averaging 80 pounds at $4.25.

The market for the past two weeks has shown its good demand, paying strong prices for all good killing lambs and sheep.

It pays to raise sheep when they bring the good price they are now selling at, but be sure they are finished and don't ship them to market like a great many do, half fat, as thin sheep are almost unsaleable.

Representative sales:

Sheep.

No.	Average.	Price.
9 wool lambs	55	5 50
10 clipped yearlings	100	5 25
1 clipped ewe	120	5 00
11 clipped sheep	120	4 80
131 clipped e. and w.	79	4 25
134 clipped e. and w.	81	4 25

HORSES AND MULES

Horses.

Drafts, good	$140@150
Chunks, good	75@130
Drivers, good to fancy	75 up
Drivers, medium	55@ 75
Southerners, common to fair	35@ 50
Southerners, good to extra	75@100
Plugs	15@ 20
Rangers, plain	10@ 30
Choice range horses	50@ 75

Mules.

13½ to 14 hands, fat	$ 50@ 60
14 to 14½ hands, fat	75@ 85
14½ to 15 hands, fat	90@120
15 to 15½ hands, fat	125@140
15½ to 16 hands, fat with quality	145@160
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 1,200 to 1,500	165@175

RECEIPTS AT YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.

Tom Finley, Celina	106
J. F. Stark, Carrollton	29
J. G. Leuschner, Otto	32
J. Nolan Nevins, Detroit	14
J. E. L., Commerce	41
J. W. Whatley, Greenville	27
D. C. Hill & Son, McKinney	33
C. Russell, Checotah	18
J. N. Payne, Graham	81
Interstate Nat'l Bank, Mathis	238
——, San Antonio	54
Miller & Short, Whitewright	47
M. E. Cole & Co., Kemp	69
McKinney & Mayfield, Ennis	24
A. C. Hawgley, Brownwood	32
Petty Bros., Hico	26
Gage & Co., Lometa	62
R. Y. Scoby, Henderson	23
W. D. Malone, San Marcos	130
Ward Malone, Kyle	24
O. Cain, San Angelo	64
R. W. Foster, Ballinger	75
Through shipments—	
H. M. Clark, Midland	947
Scott & Robinson, Stanton	624

Hogs.

J. M. T., Bryan, Tex	90
M. Allen, Marietta, I. T.	90
M. Zucherman, Ardmore, I. T.	82
W. D., Turner, Caldwell, I. T.	81
Smith & McCaughey, Lindsay, I. T.	85
J. D. Bure, Ambee, Tex.	80
H. E. Pearcy, Kingfisher, O. T.	92
H. R. Rich, Jacksboro, Tex	70
Davenport, Antlers, I. T.	90
C. C. Carroll, Madill, I. T.	91
Teel, Frisco, Tex	116
Bradley & Ford, Venus, Tex	55
J. N. Norris, Detroit, Tex	57
J. W. Whatley, Greenville, Tex	11
B. H. Pharr, Sulphur Springs, Tex.	41
R. Y. Scoby, Henderson, Tex	40
G. Moore, Winsboro, Tex	81

Sheep.

J. W. Whatley, Greenville	21
A. J. Stewart, Lampasas	265

BUYERS ON YESTERDAY'S MARKET

Cattle.

Armour & Co.	690
Swift & Co.	237
Saunders	72
Slocum	25
J. Williams	15
Ehrman	13
Others	15

Calves.

Swift & Co.	49
Armour & Co.	9

Hogs.

Armour & Co.	650
Swift & Co.	489

Sheep.

Swift & Co.	364
Armour & Co.	300

Pressed For Time.

Judge Knott—Why did you rob this man in broad daylight? Prisoner—I couldn't help it, your honor. I had an engagement every night that week.

DECREASE IN QUARANTINES.

Fewer Cattle Going to Northern Markets from Southern States.

The National Live Stock Reporter gives the following figures showing the comparative receipts of quarantine cattle at the St. Louis market, up to date, this year:

	1904.	1903.
Texas	3,055	3,522
Arkansas	562	683
Louisiana	82	253
Indian Territory	600	434
Mississippi	53	125
Tennessee	15	12
Alabama	....	8
Oklahoma	243	235
Total	4,610	5,272

This shows a decrease of 662 cars, most of which is from Texas.

The percentage of decrease in quarantine receipts is larger at other Northern markets than at St. Louis. Kansas City has fallen off 892 cars and Chicago 670 cars.

CATTLE MOVEMENT LESS.

Heavy End of the Shipping from Concho County is Over.

The heavy end of the cattle movement from the Concho country is about over, though shipments will continue for some time. There were a great many cattle sent to Territory and Kansas points to pasture. The late rains in that country started grass, and it is likely that a great many herds that would have been shipped, have had their futures changed, and they will be fed on Texas grass.

Sheep are now coming from that country to market, but most of them that are fit for mutton have been fed. The grass was so late that it will be some time before grass sheep are ready for slaughter.

FINED FOR FEEDING CUSTOMER.

L. E. Roberts & Co., members of the Omaha Live Stock Exchange, were recently fined $50 for violating the rule against giving a meal to one of their customers. The rule at Omaha is that one meal ticket a day may be given to a customer. One of the employes of Roberts & Co. gave a meal ticket to a customer, and later in the day another employe, not knowing that he had a ticket, gave him another. This became known, and the firm was fined $50.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS TODAY.

Bradley & Ford sold 55 hogs from Johnson county, averaging 202, at $4.80.

W. D. Turner from Caldwell, I. T., sold 81 hogs that averaged 199 and brought $4.82½.

J. B. Davenport from Antlers, O. T., sold 90 hogs that averaged 163 pounds, at $4.50.

G. H. Gage had in 32 cows from Lampasas county, of 652 pounds average, that brought $2.85.

Scott & Robinson had 624 steers unloaded for feed, on the way from Stanton to Latham, Kan.

H. M. Clark unloaded a train load of 947 cattle, shipped from Midland to Clements, Kan., for grass.

J. M. Thompson had 180 head of Indian Territory hogs in, of 188 pounds average, that sold at $4.80.

H. R. Rich sold 60 hogs from Jack county, averaging 168, at $4.65, and 10 pigs of 126 pounds at $4.20.

M. Zuckerman had a load of 82 hogs on the market from Ardmore, I. T., that averaged 191 and sold at $4.80.

M. E. Cole & Co., from Kaufman county, sold 28 steers averaging 855 at $3.40, and 26 of 659 pounds at $3.05.

J. A. Runyon, near Burleson, bought in the yards today one Poland-China sow and nine sucking pigs for $17.

J. F. Strak had a load of mixed cows and heifers in from Dallas county, that averaged 746 pounds and sold at $2.60.

B. H. Pharr had 30 Hopkins county hogs on the market, averaging 206 lbs, that sold at $4.80, and 10 pigs of 118 at $3.85.

Wm. Blanks shipped in 65 steers from Caldwell county. One lodd of 23 head, average 1031 pounds, sold at $3.70, and 22 of 926 at $3.50.

The Interstate National Bank sent in from San Patricio county 187 steers that averaged 867 to 912 pounds and sold at $3.55 and 10 of 1031 at $3.75.

Col. W. P. Peed, editor of the Grand Prairie Hustler, was at the yards today, to see what we had here to use up the fine stock that Grand Prairie ships in.

A. J. Stewart had a double-deck of clipped ewes and wethers on the market from Lampasas county, a total of 265 head, that averaged 80 pounds and sold at $4.25.

The best hogs on the market today were sent in by J. T. Teel, from Collin county. He sold 116 head, averaging 230 pounds, at $4.95. Collin county generally "gets there" with hogs.

MINISTER EXPELLED.

He Signed a Saloon License, as Mayor of the Town.

Harrisburgh, Ill., April 22.—The Rev. Elisha Baugh, on trial before the Mount Carmel district Methodist conference for "imprudent and unchristian conduct," in signing licenses for saloons while mayor of Brookport, was found guilty and expelled from the church.

The evidence submitted was intended to show that, before the election of mayor and council last spring, the Rev. Mr. Baugh held a conference with the whisky men and agreed to run for mayor with the understanding that it was not to cost him anything; also that his son spent about $200 in electing the whisky ticket.

After being elected mayor the board granted a saloon license which was promptly signed by the mayor. Subsequently, charges were preferred, and when the presiding elder went to investigate the complaint it was alleged that the Rev. Mr. Baugh used some language which was not in accord with a minister's vocabulary.

RIGHT STEERS TO FATTEN.

Avoid Rough Shoulders, Sway Backs and Coarse Heads.

Prof. Mumford writes to the Chicago Drovers' Journal:

It is believed that all who finish cattle, either for their own breeding or those purchased as feeders in the market, will become more intelligent producers if they will become more familiar with the possibilities of the various grades of feeding cattle. There is much of a pecuniary value to the cattle feeder in knowing the corelation between the various grades of feeding cattle and the several grades of fat cattle.

Following is a description of the various grades of feeding cattle:

For fancy selected feeders stockers must not only possess the characteristics of good to choice stockers and feeders, but they must be uniform in color, give unmistakable evidences of being high grades of some one of the beef breeds, and they are more invariably better fleshed than feeders of the good to choice grades. Fancy selected stockers and feeders are to the stocker and feeder class what prime steers are to the beef cattle class—the best grade within the class and practically above adverse criticism. They are the grade of feeders which, if properly handled, will finish into prime steers of the market-topping order.

For choice feeders it is highly desirable to describe in detail a standard grade of stockers and feeders, else we would confuse rather than define. If the animals in one grade of stockers and feeders are more uniform than in the others, it is in the choice of grade. Steers of this grade will, under proper management, develop into choice and prime steers. It would, therefore, seem wise to consider in detail their desirable characteristics.

The general form should be low-set, deep, broad and compact, rather than high, gaunt, narrow and loosely made. Stockers and feeders should be low-set or on short legs, because animals of this conformation are almost invariably good feeders and capable of early maturity. Such conformation indicates a good constitution, capacity for growth and for ultimately producing a relative high percentage of the most valuable cuts. Select feeders with broad, flat backs and long, level rumps. They should possess straight top and underlines, which should be nearly parallel; should be low at the flanks, thus forming what we have spoken of above as good depth, for the barrels of stockers and feeders, as well as dairy cows, should be roomy. An animal which is too pouchy, however, is objectionable to the butcher. The matter of low flanks should be emphasized, as it is almost an unfailing sign of good constitution and good feeding quality.

Secure as much smoothness of outline as is consistent with low flesh, being especially careful to avoid too great prominence in hips, tailhead and shoulders. Avoid rough, open shoulders, swaybacks and large, coarse heads with small eyes set in the side of the head. Short, broad heads and short, thick necks indicate strong tendency toward beef-making. A large, prominent and mild eye is to be desired. A mild eye denotes that the animal has a quiet disposition, which all feeders know is so desirable in a steer intended for the feed lot. The distance between the eye and horn should be short, and the horn should be flat and of medium fineness, rather than round and coarse. The lower jaw should be heavily coated with muscle; the muzzle, lips and mouth should be large, but not coarse.

SHIPMENTS FROM SAN ANGELO.

The San Angelo Press reports the following late shipments from that town:

Bishop & Adams, 55 cars cattle to Elgin, Kan.

C. Hagelstein, 11 cars cattle to Fairfax, I. T.

Jerry F. Smith, 3 cars cattle to Okesa, I. T.

Gibson & Edwards, 90 cars cattle to Coweta, I. T.

J. S. Dabney, 8 cars cattle to Elgin, Kan.

John Murrah, 1 car horses to Sapulpa, I. T.

J. G. McGannon, 2 cars horses to Summit, I. T.

Jim Coleman, one horse to Dallas.

S. H. Henderson, 21 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

Ake & Johnson, 3 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

S. H. Henderson, 3 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

E. W. Lofton, 5 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

Ake & Johnson, 3 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

T. H. Taylor, 7 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

S. L. Henderson, 12 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

W. H. Collyns, 29 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

Jerry F. Smith, 1 car cattle to Kaw, O. T.

J. E. Hersey, 7 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

Pleas Childress, 6 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

W. A. Nix, 8 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

McCrohan Bros, 2 cars cattle to Kellyville, I. T.

Baker & Bjorkman, 20 cars cattle to Kaw, O. T.

McCrohan Bros., 18 cars cattle to Kellyville, I. T.

Hayden & Rucker, 11 cars to Choteau, I. T.

J. B. Riley, 9 cars cattle to Choteau, I. T.

Gage & Conley, 22 cars to Remington, O. T.

Gage & Conley, 15 cars cattle to Remington.

J. G. McGannon, 30 cars cattle to Summit, I. T.

Solomon's Temple.

Solomon's temple was 107 feet long, 36 feet broad and 54 feet high. Though deemed a wonder of the world, it was not larger than many private houses of the present time.

DAILY WEATHER FORECAST.

Weather Bureau, Fort Worth, April 27.—Local weather forecast:

Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Warmer.

Thursday, showers.

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	31,000	33,000	15,000
Kansas City	11,000	11,000	3,000
St. Louis	2,500	5,500	2,800
	44,500	49,500	20,800

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Apr. 27—CATTLE—Receipts 31,000. Market weak, 10 lower. Beeves $3.75@5.60, cows and heifers $2.00@4.00, stockers and feeders $3.00@4.15.

HOGS—Receipts 33,000. Market slow 5 to 10 lower. Top $5.05, bulk $4.90@5.00. Mixed and butchers $4.85@5.05, good to choice heavy $4.95@5.05, lights $4.75@5.00, pigs $4.25@4.60.

SHEEP—Receipts 15,000. Steady.

Kansas City.

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, April 27.—CATTLE—Receipts 11,000. Market lower. Beeves $3.75@5.40, cows and heifers $2.00@4.50, Texas and Westerns $3.00@4.60.

HOGS — Receipts 11,000. Market 5 lower. Top $4.92½, bulk $4.75@4.85. Mixed and butchers $4.75@4.85, good to choice heavy $4.85@4.92½, lights $4.75@4.85, pigs $3.50@4.40.

SHEEP—Receipts 3,000. Steady.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stockyards, April 27.—CATTLE—Receipts 2,500, Texas none.

HOGS — Receipts 5,500. Market 5 lower. Pigs and lights $4.45@4.95, packers $4.70@5.00, butchers $4.95@5.10.

SHEEP — Receipts 2,800. Steady to strong.

PRAISES TEXAS FEEDERS.

Big Illinois Farmer Says They are the Best for that Country.

W. C. Norris, one of the largest feeders in Illinois, who own thousands of acres of the most valuable farm land in that state, is buying Texas feeders. He said to a newspaper reporter recently:

"I have been watching the Texas cattle for some time, and I am convinced that they are the best cattle for the feeder. They are high grade and well bred as a rule, and those in the string that I have bought are exceptionally high bred and will feed out well, I am satisfied. But while Texas steers have been going into Illinois and Indiana for two years or more and have become very popular with the big feeders, I am the first man to introduce them in my entire neighborhood. I shall put this string out on blue grass pasture as soon as the grass is ready to run on and will feed them up for the late fall market, and will not winter one of them."

Evidencing his faith by his deeds, Mr. Norris has bought $33,000 worth of Panhandle feeders.

HE WANTS A WORLD'S FAIR JOB.

Arkansas Bald Knobber Asks a Paper to Use Influence With Francis.

The St. Louis Live Stock Reporter gives this gem to the world:

During the past year the Reporter has been called upon by its readers to render many and various services, including the furnishing of names of merchants for the purchase of many kinds of merchandise for use in the home and on the farm, but until now has not been requested to use its influence with the World's Fair officials for the procurement of positions.

Today, however, the Reporter's influence was solicited in an altogether different direction in a letter from a fellow down in Arkansas who wants us to get him a position at the World's Fair. Here is what he says:

Horse Creek, Ark., April 18, 1904.

Editur uv Reapoartur, Nashunal Live Stock Yords: Say—Darn your skin I want you to see if you can't git me a jol at the wurlds Fare. unKel Eb Grear hez been readen me some uv the thingz you print in the paper and I hev kum to the konclushen thet you must be a smart sort uv a cus and I belev you kin do if for me. Unkel eB sez thet the hed boss uv the hull darn show is a feller named Dave Fransiss that runs a buket shop on foarth street in sent looiS and I wisht you wud talk to him about it. I dont na much about makin bukets but I worked in Josh Hankins shingle mill for 2 winters makin shingels.

If he wont give you no job fer me I wisht you wud see the seckerterry uv the lady managers about one I bleve her name is mIss Viginie O'Reagon or sumthen like thet.

Eb sez she is boss of the wimin fokes department and she might need somboddy to hep manage em. I yousta be a good lady manager myself but about six year ago I got akwainted with Lizzy and sheas been managin me ever sence. Ef she dont want me to work for her Ida like to be at the place where they sei eaten en drinken things.

They wuz the smartest feller I ever seed down hear last week. He sed he wuz traveling agent fur a shampane mine in Krondelet and thet they had pipes lade to the wurlds fare and wuz goin to sell it to all the peaple to drink. He hed some of the dern stuff in a bottle and he giv us all some to taist. Gosh but it wuz good.

Whut in thunder do they make it frum enyway. He sold unkel Eb en Bill Shooks a intrust in the biznes. You aut to see whut a nice payper he giv em. He sed it wuz a stock sertifket fer part uv the mine. I doant no how much they give him but it looks mitey fine. Its got stilish printen in black and the purtyest green border around it you ever seen en unkel Eb is goin round so perked up ex rich looken thet youd think he wuz Rockfelder er sum of them sports. Now I wanter get a job at the fare somehow and I will be much bliged if you see Dave Fransiss about it.

Yourz truley. JAKE LANE.

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The Aristocracy of Birth.

Why did the aristocracy of parentage fail to hold its own? Why did it die out in America and, practically speaking, in all the British colonies? It had every advantage at the outset; it held the inside track. It failed because two great laws of the universe were against it—first, the laws of arithmetic, and, secondly, the laws of physiology. It violated the principles of arithmetic because it required that each individual or household should have a distinct line of ancestors, and it would thus be discovered in a few generations that there were not nearly enough ancestors to go round, leaving people in the position of Mark Twain, who declared that he had "no parents to speak of, only a father or mother or so." It was contrary to the laws of physiology, as shown by the deterioration of one royal family after another in Europe, these having come to resemble those English race horses which have so much blood that there is very little horse, and it must be replenished from a more plebeian stock. —Thomas Wentworth Higginson in Atlantic.

Old Leather Bottles.

Leather bottles, or blackjacks, were common in Europe two centuries ago. The bottles were often made of one skin doubled up and closely stitched together, leaving an aperture for the neck. The thick piece between was inserted for the slip. It was meant to be slung at the back, a leather thong passed through two loops placed on either side of the neck, and it was sufficiently flat at the base to stand when put down. The stopper was made of wood, horn or old leather. A good deal of care was required in the preparation of the leather, which had to be oiled and worked with hammers to make it supple and then washed with a lye so that all the impurity was entirely removed, leaving the leather clean and dry. No moisture or air had any effect on it. Blackjacks were, in fact, flagons made in various sizes. They were sometimes pitched inside.

Gruesome Humor.

The story of the French humorist who was presented with a silver ornamented coffin by a grateful undertaker whom he mentioned in his latest story is not without a parallel in the Lincoln's Inn store of anecdotes. The late Mr. Edward Karslake, Q. C., while canvassing at Colchester in the seventies, is said to have asked an elector to make him two trunks. "But I'm not a trunk maker," said the disappointed tradesman. "What are you, then?" inquired the candidate. "I'm an undertaker," was the answer. "Very well, then," said the learned gentleman, "make me a coffin instead." When the coffin arrived at his London residence there were members of his family who strongly objected to giving it house room. "Very good," he rejoined. "I'll have it sent to my chambers. It will serve as a receptacle for Beavan's reports."—London Globe.

Velocity of Raindrops.

Of course we all know that it would be an utter impossibility for storm clouds to form and rain to fall were it not for the forty odd miles of atmosphere that rises above our heads. But, supposing it were possible for human beings to exist in an atmosphere that only rose to a level with their mouths, and that storm clouds could form in the region outside such a low grade atmosphere, then every raindrop would prove as fatal to earthly creatures as if it were a steel bullet fired from a dynamite gun.—London Nature.

LIVELY DAY.

Cochran and Dalzell Have a Warm Debate in the House.

Washington, April 27.—In the house Tuesday Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania again referred to the charge that Congressman Bourke Cochran of New York had been paid to make speeches in the interest of the late President McKinley.

The New Yorker vigorously de-

W. BOURKE COCKRAN.

nied this charge. Dalzell claimed Cockran had been consecutively a greenbacker, a sound money man and a free silver man.

Mr. Cockran, Mr. Williams and other Democrats demanded immediate consideration of a resolution offered by Mr. Cockran that a committee to investigate this matter, but the speaker ruled it out until he had examined precedents.

FAIRBANKS SPOKE.

His Remarks to Indiana Republicans Warmly Received.

Indianapolis, April 27.—The Indiana Republican convention was begun here Tuesday. Senator Charles W. Fairbanks spoke at some length upon Republican principles and issues. The senator was greeted by the convention with an enthusiastic ovation, delegates rising to their feet and waving hats and handkerchiefs while cheering. Senator Fairbanks' references to President Roosevelt was greeted with deafening cheers. Senator Fairbanks was followed by Senator Beveridge, who was also given an ovation.

The convention selected by acclamation for presidential electors at large George A. Cunningham, Evansville, and Joseph D. Oliver, South Bend. For delegates at large to the national convention, Charles W. Fairbanks, Indianapolis; Senator Albert J. Beveridge, Indianapolis; Governor W. T. Durbin, Anderson; State Chairman James Goodrich, Winchester.

MEMORIAL DAY.

It Was Generally Observed In Cities of Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., April 27.—Memorial day was observed very generally throughout Georgia, parades and special exercises being held in many of the larger cities. In Atlanta an elaborate programme was carried out, which included an extended parade of local militia, Confederate veterans and school children. The orator of the day was Judge W. O. Aikin of Cartersville, Ga. County and state offices were closed for the day and many business houses closed at noon.

At Mobile.

Mobile, Ala., April 27.—Memorial day was observed here Tuesday afternoon. The exercises were under the auspices of the Confederate Memorial association and the Mobile chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy. The graves of all the Confederate dead in Magnolia cemetery were decorated with wreaths and appropriate memorial addresses were made. The local military assisted in the exercises.

Refused Bond.

Lawton, Okla., April 27.—The case against L. T. Russell, ex-editor of the Lawton State Democrat, charged with killing Colonel William Hawkins, ex-assistant chief of police, in a street duel in Lawton April 4, came up before Probate Judge Hussey on preliminary hearing. He was refused bond.

Large Company.

Tulsa, I. T., April 27.—Another large oil and gas company has been organized in Tulsa, with $500,000 capital stock, and the company will drill for oil and gas adjoining the town section in the Cherokee nation. Oil and gas wells are being brought in daily almost, and Tulsa is in the center of a fine oil and gas field.

SILVER SAENGERFEST.

Thousands Present at the Initial Concert Tuesday Evening.

Dallas, April 27.—One of the largest audiences ever known in Texas listened Tuesday evening to the initial concert of the silver jubilee Saengerfest. There were people present from every section of the Lone Star State, and other commonwealths were represented. The various musical numbers received unstinted applause. Mme. Sembrich, however, was received with the greatest enthusiasm. "Ah Forse E Lui Che L'Anima," from La Traviata, was this gifted songstress' first number, and so great was the applause she repeated one passage. Her second number was the mad scene and aria from "Lucia de Lammermoor." She responded to encore, in compliment to the singing societies with a German ballad, "O, wie Wonderschoen ist de Fruelings."

The German male chorus gave their numbers as follows: "Des Sohnes Heimkehr," "Am Bruennele" and "Blau Aeuglein." With the latter they made their hit for the evening.

The Chicago Symphony orchestra was liberally applauded.

The hall was illuminated by 2000 incandescent lights.

Struck Pawhuska.

Guthrie, Okla., April 27.—A tornado struck the town of Pawhuska, capital of the Osage nation. The Catholic school building, a large three-story stone structure, and outbuildings, was wrecked. The building was filled with teachers and pupils, but all escaped injury. In the town two livery barns and two residences were wrecked and many smaller buildings blown down. Only one person was seriously injured.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Annual Gathering Held at the Bayou City.

Houston, April 27.—Mayor Jackson, Tuesday, welcomed the delegates to the Texas grand lodge meeting of the Knights of Pythias, many in number. In doing so he presented Grand Chancellor Onion with a large key, gaily decorated. The chancellor, in responding, spoke of the great growth of his order. Business was then taken up.

The Rathbone Sisters were called to order by Mrs. H. C. Shropshire, grand chief sister.

FOUGHT A DUEL.

One Negro Mortallly Wounded, the Other Seriously.

Texarkana, April 27.—A shooting affray with fatal results took place near Wilton, thirty miles north of here on the Kansas City Southern. Two negro men named Ed Vaughn and Ben DeLoney engaged in a duel, DeLoney using a Winchester and Vaughan a six-shooter revolver. Vaughan was shot through the body and mortally wounded. He has since died. DeLoney was shot three times and badly hurt, but will recover. A woman was also wounded, but not seriously.

TEXAS MEDICOS.

Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention Held at State Capital.

Austin, April 27.—The Texas State Medical association held its thirty-sixth annual convention here. There was a large attendance. Secretary's report showed a membership of 2415. Several interesting papers were read.

Tabor Determined.

Austin, April 27.—State Health Officer Tabor was asked as to the complaints of the Mexican authorities with reference to his quarantine regulations against that country, the inconvenience, etc. He said that this state unquestionably has the right to regulate the quarantine at the coast points, such as Galveston.

Old-Time Darkey Dead.

Sherman, Tex., April 27.—Joe Meek, colored, aged ninety years, a fine old specimen of ante-bellum days, died here. Many white friends sent flowers. His proudest boast was always that he was a southern man. The last words the failing voice uttered were the names of his old master and mistress.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Ex-Governor Sayers favors Parker for president.

Sixty tagless dogs were killed at Terrell, Tex.

Property loss to Fairland, I. T., by Sunday's cyclone is $25,000.

F. B. Drake, charged at Laredo, Tex., with smuggling, was fined $1000.

At Woodward, Okla., James Barrett, charged with killing two men, was acquitted.

Texas Yale association was organized at Dallas by twenty-five of the graduates.

Every house at Ketchum, in the Cherokee nation, was blown down by Sunday's storm.

President a Member.

New York, April 27.—Fifty members of the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, a branch of the Masonic order, went to Washington for the purpose of constituting a new grotto, which it is understood will include among its charter members President Theodore Roosevelt. The chief executive became a master Mason at his home in Oyster Bay, L. I., two or three years ago.

An Odd Jewish Ceremony.

In the Jewish Encyclopædia is an account of the queer ceremony of the taking off a brother-in-law's shoe by the widow of a brother who has died childless, through which ceremony he is released from the obligation of marrying her. The ceremony is described as follows:

The yabam (brother-in-law) must have his right foot, on which the shoe is placed, washed very scrupulously, and after he has strapped it on he must walk four cubits in the presence of the judges. Then the chief of the judges reads the following passage, which the yabamah (woman) repeats word for word: "My brother-in-law refuses to raise unto his brother a name in Israel; he will not marry me." Then the yabam is required to repeat the sentence, "I do not wish to take her." He then presses his right foot against the floor while she looses the straps with her right hand, takes off the shoe and throws it some distance away. Then she places herself in front of the yabam, spits on the floor in front of him and repeats these words after the presiding judge: "So shall it be done unto that man who will not build up his brother's house, and his name shall be called in Israel 'the house of him that hath his shoe loosed.'"

Poison In Walls.

"As much as 46 per cent of organic matter has been found in plaster taken from the walls of a hospital ward in Paris." Statistics tell us that it is not uncommon to find air in public assembly rooms and even in dwellings containing from ten to fifteen times the amount of carbonic acid found in pure air. Of this gas Tomlinson says: "It acts as a poison. If we attempt to inhale it by putting the face over the edge of a beer vat the nostrils and throat are irritated so strongly that the glottis closes and inspiration becomes impossible." One need remain but half an hour in an unventilated room to have inhaled 600 times the foul and poisonous fluid; the blood will have carried it to every part of the body, and the entire system will have become saturated.—Exchange.

The Friends.

Effie (just engaged)—What do you think Edwin said last night? That if he had to choose either me or $10,000 he wouldn't even look at the money! May (still waiting)—Dear, loyal fellow! I suppose he wouldn't like to risk the temptation.

"Money," said Uncle Eben, "is what makes de mare go, but sometimes it wants a sensible driver to prevent somebody f'um gittin' throwed habd." —Baltimore American.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

H. A. D'Arcy is advance man for Edward Harrigan in "Old Lavender."

Henrik Ibsen recently celebrated the seventy-sixth anniversary of his birth.

Miss Grace Field has been signed for a principal part in "The Man From China."

Maxine Elliott, in "Her Own Way," has been establishing new records everywhere.

Forbes Robertson has sailed for England. He will return to this country next season.

Brandon Tynan is at work on a new play in which David Belasco will present him next season.

Giacommetti, the Italian dramatist who wrote "Judith," is also the author of "Elizabeth of England."

Marion Crawford and George Ade have been elected members of the American Dramatists' club.

Robert McWade, Jr., recently joined William Collier's company in Washington to appear in "The Dictator."

A season of performances in the Yiddish language was recently inaugurated at the Hub theater, Boston.

SHORT STORIES.

A wine cask has just been built in California to hold 97,000 gallons. Its iron hoops weigh 40,000 pounds.

A letter addressed to "Any Good Young Lawyer" was returned to the writer by an Indiana postmaster.

The suicide rate in the United States has increased in ten years from twelve to seventeen per 100,000 of the population.

At Philadelphia recently a letter written by Washington during the Revolution was sold at auction for almost $1,000.

A little girl of nine years skipped the rope 200 times in Pittsburg in competition with other children and died soon after of heart disease.

The buildings of five Fort Fairfield (Me.) farmers are equipped throughout with electric lights, and that fruitful cause of fire in farm buildings, the lantern, has been put out of action.

Perhaps an average of 40,000 men will be employed during eight years making the Panama canal. Judging from the experience of the French, the mortality if American laborers are employed will be more than half.

FACTS FROM FRANCE.

Reporters on Paris newspapers earn from $30 to $80 a month.

The cradle of the prince imperial of France has been offered by M. Pietri, manifestly acting for the Empress Eugenie, to the Carnavalet museum in Paris.

France has 464,556 saloons to supply the wants of 38,666,366 inhabitants—that is, one saloon to eighty-three inhabitants, and this number is constantly increasing.

The annual revenue from the real and personal estates of the French nation is $38.60 per capita, or $154.40 a family, which for France is estimated at four persons.

Victorien Sardou and an enterprising group of academicians and historians continue to make researches with a view to clearing the mystery surrounding the death of the son of Louis XVI.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

The figure of a huge elk constructed out of beans is one of the peculiar exhibits. The bean elk comes from Ventura county, Cal.

The gold cup which Mrs. Langtry received when she won one of the great races at Ascot, England, some years ago will be exhibited in the trophy room of the physical culture building.

The private car used by President Lincoln during the civil war and which carried his body to Springfield for burial has been loaned to the exposition for exhibition in the Lincoln museum by the Union Pacific railroad.

A pack train of twenty-five horses, with all of their accouterments, will be one of the novelties at the fair. The spectacle will be sent by citizens of Wyoming to mark Wyoming day. The horses will all be equipped as if ready to start on the trail.

EDITORIAL FLINGS.

Professor Langley now declares that if Uncle Sam will let $25,000 more of his good dollars fly his machine will imitate them.—Pittsburg Post.

"The war experts are all at sea," declares a New York paper. Perhaps that is why we hear so little of the land fighting.—Kansas City Journal.

London women are wearing monocles. Cupid's idea is that he can do enough damage through one eye, and consequently he masks half his batteries.—Washington Post.

A young consumptive who came out to this country with but one lung is now greatly improved in health and has three lungs. He married the other two.—Forsythe (Mont.) Times.

SMALL BEGINNINGS.

Cornelius Vanderbilt began life as a farmer.

Adam Forepaugh was a Philadelphia butcher.

John Wanamaker's first salary was $1.25 a week.

Cyrus Field began life as a clerk in a New England store.

P. T. Barnum earned a small salary as bartender in a New York theater.

Whitelaw Reid was a correspondent on a Cincinnati newspaper at $5 a week.

ITEMS ABOUT JAPAN.

A foreigner cannot own land in Japan.

In Japan the excess of males over females employed in various industries is 2 per cent.

The house of representatives of the Japanese parliament consists of 375 members, elected for four years.

In Japan there are pagodas of considerable height which have withstood the effects of frequent earthquake shocks for centuries.

THE ENDOWMENTS OF YOUTH

[Original.]

Allan Douglas and Austin Brownell were devoted college chums. The intimacy was inexplicable to others. What Douglas, with his splendid physical and intellectual endowments, could find to bind him to Brownell, a reticent, cynical man, without an element of popularity in him, no one could discover. Douglas was the pet of the petticoats and invited everywhere. Brownell was considered very dull by the fair sex and seldom invited anywhere. If he had been invited he would not have accepted. However, there was one surprise concerning Brownell. Though he stood quite low in his class, when he was graduated one of his classmates, who was an "honor" man, said that he wished he had Brownell's mind.

The friends studied law and practiced in partnership. They were still young when the more showy endowments constitute prominence, and every one, at least in society, wondered how Douglas could have taken up with such an ordinary partner. Douglas was courted by the social world, every one striving to secure him for entertainments. He tried to drag Brownell out with him, but failed both on account of the disinclination of society for Brownell and Brownell's disinclination for society.

Douglas married a belle. She was a member of the smart set and a very smart member. There was nothing she would have considered more out of place than attention in public from her husband, and there was nothing she considered more in place than to have some prominent society man dancing attendance upon her. Finally a cotillion leader, Ernest Rackle, became so devoted to her that the intimacy became the town talk. As usual in such cases, no one talked of it to the husband.

One night Brownell went into a fashionable hotel restaurant where the smart set were used to taking supper after the opera. He had never been there before and went for a purpose. Presently a gay party sailed in like a fleet of yachts under a spanking breeze, among them Rackle and Mrs. Douglas. They passed directly by the table at which Brownell sat, and as Rackle passed Brownell put out his foot, and Rackle tripped. He didn't fall, but came very near it. Turning, he glared at the man who had tripped him, then went on. Brownell toyed with a wine glass and waited. Rackle as soon as seated gave him a threatening and contemptuous glance. Brownell took a bit of paper from his pocket, wrote something on it, folded it and gave it to a waiter to take to Rackle. Rackle opened it, glanced at it and put it in his vest pocket without any of the party having noticed anything unusual.

At 1 o'clock the two men met in the cafe.

"Well, sir," said Rackle, "what do you want?"

"To fight you."

"For tripping me up?"

"No; ostensibly for scowling at me; really for a matter which it concerns you and a certain lady to keep dark."

"Who are you?" asked Rackle, nervously pulling his mustache.

"Allan Douglas' law partner."

"Indeed. I am surprised that you wish to bring trouble on him."

"I don't. I wish to save him from trouble."

"By a public altercation?"

"No; by a private fight to the death."

There was something so calm in Brownell's tone and eye, yet so determined, that Rackle paled.

"When and where?"

"Now, in an upper room of this hotel."

Rackle stood looking in different directions like a cornered rat seeking an outlet.

"What will obviate the necessity for this meeting?"

"Your pledge never to communicate with Mrs. Douglas again."

Rackle thought it over, still pulling his mustache. Finally he said:

"To avoid bringing a lady's name into unpleasant notoriety I shall have to submit. I promise."

"Write it."

A paper was drawn and signed, which Brownell put in his pocketbook, and the two separated.

In less than a week Douglas came to his friend and announced that he must dissolve the partnership. Mrs. Douglas had taken an inconceivable dislike to Brownell and had made the dissolution a sine qua non. Brownell pressed his friend's hand fervently and assented.

Two years passed. Douglas' endowments had not gained him any prominence except in society, and, though he did not know the cause, his wife's intimacy with Rackle had detracted from even this. Certain prominent judges said that Brownell possessed the finest legal mind at the bar, and if he had ambition he might be the foremost lawyer in the city. This got spread abroad, and there was a good deal of curiosity with reference to Brownell.

One day Douglas told his old friend that Mrs. Douglas had recovered from her prejudice and wished him to come to dinner. Brownell accepted. Then Mrs. Douglas went and sat by her guest and whispered in his ear:

"You were just in time to save me. I was a fool. From this time I as well as Allan will be devoted to you."

Another ten years have passed. The attentions of Rackle to Mrs. Douglas are forgotten in society, and Mrs. Douglas is a model wife and mother. Among his friends Douglas is regarded as prosy, but on Saturday nights he gets a select few old fellows of vigorous minds at his house, the central figure of whom is Judge Brownell, and in this way the host retains his reputation for an intellectual man.

F. A. MITCHEL.

Betrothed to a Family.

The sweetheart of a man at Colmar, Prussia, died. He was accepted subsequently by her sister, who died, however, two days before the wedding day. The determined fellow then wed the mother of his two former sweethearts.

Andrew Carnegie did his first work as a Pittsburg telegraph messenger at $3 a week.

Tying a Horse to a Hole.

It has been discovered that the Ute Indians, who have never been credited with superabundant wits, have for many years employed a method of tying their horses to holes in the ground that is clever, unique and effective. The operation of tying a horse to a hole seems an impracticable and impossible one, for there is something decidedly intangible and unsubstantial about the hole. The operation is performed in this way: Kneeling on the hot sands, the Indians dig with their hands until they have made a hole about two feet deep. They then tie an immense knot in the end of the lariat rope, lower it into the bottom of the hole, fill the hole with sand and then jump and stamp upon it until the earth over the knot is about as hard as a stone.—London Magazine.

Cats and Cattle.

In certain parts of southern California it is absolutely necessary to have cats to successfully raise cattle. The cows feed on a red clover which makes a superior quality of beef. The clover grew very sparsely until it was discovered that one farmer who had raised a large number of tabby cats always had fine clover fields. Investigation proved that the cats killed the field mice who killed the wild bees who fertilized the clover seeds by carrying the pollen from flower to flower, thus causing the seeds to sprout thickly every year. Now all the farmers have many cats.

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10 and less	6	[illegible]
15 and over 10	6½	[illegible]
20 and over 15	7	[illegible]
25 and over 20	7½	[illegible]
30 and over 25	8	[illegible]
35 and over 30	8½	[illegible]
40 and over 35	9	[illegible]
45 and over 40	9½	[illegible]
50 and over 45	10	[illegible]
60 and over 50	10½	[illegible]
70 and over 60	11	[illegible]
80 and over 70	11½	[illegible]
90 and over 80	12	[illegible]
100 and over 90	12½	[illegible]
125 and over 100	13¾	[illegible]
150 and over 125	15	[illegible]
175 and over 150	16¼	[illegible]
200 and over 175	17½	[illegible]
250 and over 200	18¾	[illegible]
300 and over 250	20	[illegible]
350 and over 300	21¼	[illegible]
400 and over 350	22½	[illegible]
450 and over 400	23¾	[illegible]
500 and over 450	25	[illegible]
550 and over 500	26¼	[illegible]
600 and over 550	27½	[illegible]
650 and over 600	28¾	[illegible]
700 and over 650	30	[illegible]
750 and over 700	31¼	[illegible]
over 750	32½	[illegible]

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The State of Texas. Suit pending in District court Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Tarrant county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to make publication of this citation in some newspaper published in said county, for three consecutive weeks previous to the second Monday in May, 1904, the return day thereof, and thereby notify and summon the unknown owner, and A. W. Poerce, Titus Marks, J. S. and Birdie Works, and J. S. Eder, J. D. Reeves, H. F. Lee, J. O. Sullivan, J. W. Bishop, J. Sterling, E. M. Wells, Max R. Anderson and Jas. Logue, whose residence is unknown, and all parties owning, having or claiming any interest in the land herein mentioned, to be and appear before the 48th District court of the Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, on the second Monday, the ninth day or May, 1904, and there to answer the petition of the State of Texas, filed in said court on the first day of April, 1904, in said above numbered cause, wherein the State of Texas is plaintiff and the hereinbefore named parties defendants, and in which the plaintiff alleges that there are now delinquent and unpaid to the State of Texas and County of Tarrant, state taxes amounting to $13.75, county taxes amounting to $25.35, fees allowed by law amounting to $241.95, including a penalty amounting to 10 per cent of said taxes for the year, including and since the year 1897, for which the said taxes are delinquent, together with 6 per cent interest on said taxes from the first day of January next succeeding the years for which any taxes are delinquent, and that the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs are delinquent, unpaid and due to the plaintiff, and that the amount thereof is a charge against and a lien on the said land in Tarrant county, Texas, described as follows: Lot 10, block 4, lots 6 to 10, block 4, and all of block 4, lot 9 in block 5, and all block 6, lots 1 and 8 to 10 and less lots 1 and 2, all less lot 2 and 3 to 10, block 12, lots 1 to 4 and 13 to 16, lot 8 in block 24, all block 25, lot 1 block 29, lots 1 and 2 and 4 to 13, block 30, N½ block 31, lots 1 to 9, block 40, lots 9 to 15, block 40, lots 1 to 5, block 41, all in Ederville, Tarrant county, Texas, for the years 1891 to 1902. Plaintiff prays judgement for the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and court costs, and for a foreclosure of said tax lien against all of said defendants on said land, to satisfy the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, and all court costs, and for all other general legal and equitable relief. Herein fail not, but have then and there before this court on the first day of the next regular term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon indorsed, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Fort Worth, this the 1st day of April, 1904. Jno. A. Martin, Clerk District Court, Tarrant County, Texas. (L. S.) By E. J. Brock, Jr., Deputy.

Citation by Publication.—No. 24,447.

The State of Texas. Suit pending in 48th District court Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Tarrant county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to make publication of this citation in some newspaper published in said county, for three consecutive weeks previous to the second Monday in May, 1904, the return day thereof, and thereby notify and summon the unknown owner, and W. D. Williams, T. M. Jackson, Geo. T. Fielding, J. C. Smith, J. B. Baum, Bacon E. Savage, Frank W. Jones, Eugenia Bassard, J. Scott, G. E. Wallace, Samuel Hunt, W. H. Coffman, Christine Wagner, Mrs. J. B. Richmond, C. Y. Merlin, Geo. Schubert, R. L. Paschall, F. C. Cremer, whose residence is unknown, and all the parties owning, having or claiming any interest in the land herein mentioned, to be and appear before the said court of the Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, on the second Monday, the ninth day of May, 1904, then and there to answer the first amended petition of the State of Texas, filed in said court on the 1st day of April, 1904, in said above numbered cause, wherein the State of Texas is plaintiff and the hereinbefore named parties defendants, and in which the plaintiff alleges that there are now delinquent and unpaid to the State of Texas and County of Tarrant, state taxes amounting to $11.16, county taxes amounting to $21.04, fees allowed by law amounting to $236.25, including a penalty amounting to 10 per cent of said taxes for the year, including and since the year 1897, for which the said taxes are delinquent, together with 6 per cent interest on said taxes from the first day of January next succeeding the years for any taxes are delinquent, and that the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs are delinquent, unpaid and due to the plaintiff, and that the amount thereof is a charge and a lien on the said land in Tarrant county, Texas, described as follows: Lots 4 to 6 block 3, lots 2, 5, 9 and 16, block 4, and lots 3, 10, 11 and 13, block 5, lots 9, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 16, block 6, lots 3, 11, 15, block 10 Brooklyn Heights addition to the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, for the years 1891 to 1902. Plaintiff prays judgement for the amount of the said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs, and for a foreclosure of the said tax lien against all of said defendants on said land, to satisfy the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs, and for all other general legal and equitable relief. Herein fail not, but have then and there before this court on the first day of the next regular term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon indorsed, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Fort Worth, this the first day of April, 1904. Jno. A. Martin, Clerk District Court, Tarrant County, Texas. (L.S.) By E. J. Brock, Jr., Deputy.

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The State of Texas. Suit pending in the District court Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Tarrant county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to make publication of this citation in some newspaper published in said county for three consecutive weeks previous to the second Monday in May, 1904, the return day hereof, and thereby notify and summon the unknown owner, and Dixie Wagon Co., Democrat Publishing Co., Mrs. C. C. Drake, J. A. Dooley, Wm. J. Ribley, Stanley & Gully, Daisy O. Truly and W. A. Huffman, whose residence is unknown, and all parties owning, having or claiming any interest in the land herein mentioned, to be and appear before the said District court of the Forty-eighth Judicial District of Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, on the second Monday, the 9th day of May, 1904, then and there to answer the first amended petition of the State of Texas, filed in said court on the 1st day of April, 1904, in said above numbered cause, wherein the State of Texas is plaintiff and the hereinbefore named parties defendants, and in which the plaintiff alleges that there are now delinquent and unpaid to the State of Texas and county of Tarrant, state taxes amounting to $18.05, county taxes amounting to $37.82, fees allowed by law amounting to $298.25, including a penalty amounting to 10 per cent of said taxes for the year, including and since the year 1897, for which the said taxes are delinquent, together with 6 per cent interest on said taxes from the first day of January next succeeding the years for which any taxes are delinquent, and that the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and al court costs are delinquent, unpaid and due to the plaintiff, and that the amount thereof is a charge against and a lien on the said land in Tarrant county, Texas, described as follows: Lots 5 and 6, block 13, lot 16, block 12, lot 6, block 13, lots 4 and 5 to 9, block 14, lot 9, block 14, lots 13 and 14, block 14, lot 16, block 14, and lot 9, block 15, lot 1, block 17, lots 5 to 7, and 11 to 16, block 17, and lots 1, 8, 9, 15, block 18, and block 19, all in Dixie Wagon Co.'s addition to the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, for the years 1891 to 1902 inclusive. Plaintiff prays judgment for the amount of the said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs, and for a foreclosure of the said tax lien against all of said defendants on said land, to satisfy the amount of said taxes, penalty, interest, fees and all court costs, and for all other general legal and equitable relief. Herein fail not, but have then and there before this court on the first day of the next regular term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon indorsed, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Fort Worth, this the 1st day of April, 1904. Jno. A. Martin, Clerk District Court, Tarrant County, Texas. (L. S.) By E. J. Brock, Jr., Deputy.

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Reason Why Birds Make Toilet.

As bird fashions do not change, the lady birds of today wear the same kind of dresses their grandmothers wore and are never troubled about style. Two suits a year are quite enough for most birds, but they need to take great care of them. Each separate feather must be cleaned and looked over and the useless ones pulled out. You have seen a canary preening his feathers by lifting them and smoothing them out with his bill, and you have thought him vain to do this so often. If you neglect to comb your hair it will become tangled and look untidy, but more serious things happen to a bird who does not comb his feathers. These feathers are not packed close together, you know, but lie loose, and have places between them filled with air. When a bird wants to get warmer he lifts his feathers so that these air spaces may be larger, but if his feathers are tangled or wet and dirty he could not raise them, and soon he could not keep the heat in his little body and would die, of course.

The Sturdy Man of Japan.

The average Jap we see in Europe gives no fair idea of the physique of his people. He no more represents the average man of his people than does the boulevardier represent the French peasant.

The average Japanese man, while not tall, gives one the impression of being probably the hardiest man on earth. He lives perpetually in the open air and on the simplest food. His home consists of paper screens, which never shut the air wholly out and are always open a great part of the day.

He is hardy because he has been inured to the most extreme discomfort since infancy. He does not know what comfort is. His home has practically no furniture. Matting, bedding (no bed) and a tray for food supply his wants. In a land cold beyond belief over a large part of the year he never has a coal fire, but warms himself over a box holding a few fragments of burning charcoal.—London Mail.

Origin of City Plans.

All cities, with few exceptions, trace the origin of their plan to the inclosed camp, and many still show marked features of primitive fortifications. In all early scheme for defense the inclosed square was considered the best. From the time when wagons were merely parked on the plain to the time when buildings were constructed with blank walls to the enemy, and their facades to the open square, this plan has been universally adopted, and many of the great squares or market places of great cities still show undeniable evidences of these precautions for defense. In the old city of Brussels the square upon which faces its wonderful city hall is approached by streets so narrow that they must surely have been constructed with the idea of defense in mind.—Architects and Builders' Magazine.

The Stickleback Legend.

The stickleback is one of the species of fish that build nests. There is a legend that the stickleback builds a nest because during the deluge it pulled the tow out of the bilge hole of the ark, and if it had not been for the hedgehog, who plugged up the leak with his own body, Noah and his sons would have had an exciting time baling out their boat. When Noah found out who had done the deed he ordered as a punishment that the culprit should be compelled each year to build a nest, while other fishes would have an easy time of it.

THE MAN WITH *The* BROWN BEARD

[Original.]

At the first station after crossing the Russian border a man got into the compartment, took a seat directly opposite me, pulled out a newspaper and began to read. I was reading too. Presently, probably actuated by thought transference, probably by coincidence, we raised our eyes to each other at the same moment. The man turned quickly and looked out of the window. I resumed my reading. When I looked up again his eyes were fixed upon me.

I carefully noted the man's appearance. He wore a brown beard, while his hair was black and sprinkled with gray. He was tall and slender, with a slight stoop. He looked more respectable than his clothes, which were very shabby.

That evening while at supper at my inn I suddenly felt an inclination to look up. My eyes met those of the man with the brown beard. This time there was a slight scowl on his face, but he lowered his eyes to his plate and went on with his supper.

In the morning I proceeded on my journey, stopping again the next evening. While sitting in the office smoking who should come in but this man, who I was now fully convinced was shadowing me. As he passed me he started, but whether his surprise was real or feigned I could not make out. He put down his belongings, except a morocco covered box. A servant who gathered up the traps attempted to take the box as well, but the man held on to it nervously.

I am something of a detective, and the incident, though trifling, interested me. Was not the box an infernal machine, and did not the man take me for a high Russian official traveling incog?

The next day I took a train for St. Petersburg, not needing to stop overnight, for the distance was but a hundred miles. On entering my compartment I noticed that there was but a single person in it besides myself. Taking my seat, I let down a window for better air, arranged my belongings, then, while taking a book from my satchel, glanced at my fellow passenger.

He was the man with the brown beard.

A moment later, though I was not looking directly at him, I saw him tugging at something under his overcoat, as though he were getting a revolver into a position where he could use it expeditiously. My conscience was so clear of any intention that would call his weapon into service that I simply gave him a contemptuous glance, then, opening my book, began to read. After awhile I dropped it on my lap and sank into a light slumber. But before losing consciousness I saw my shadower nervously reaching under his seat to feel for his box and casting suspicious glances at me.

I was awakened by something striking heavily against me. Opening my eyes, I saw the man with the brown beard trying to regain his balance, having evidently been thrown upon me by a lurch of the coach. But what was my surprise and, I will admit, consternation to see that he held a revolver within a foot of my nose.

"Sit still!" he cried in English. "If you dare move I'll blow out your brains!"

Thunderstruck, especially at being addressed in my native tongue, I made no reply.

"Your game is blocked," he said.

"My game?"

"Yes. I have you covered and at the next station shall turn you over to the police."

"Does the czar employ English detectives?"

"You can't throw me off the track by assuming to be a nihilist. I know your intentions."

"Well, I'll be obliged to you if you will tell me what they are."

"What they are? You know very well what they are—the jewels."

"What jewels?"

Perhaps it was my unfeigned look of astonishment that threw a shade of doubt, of perplexity, across his face.

"Do you mean to tell me," he said, "that you have not information concerning me and my acts; that you have not shadowed me ever since I crossed the border; that you have not been waiting an opportunity to possess yourself of the treasure; that before we had been long in this compartment you would have chloroformed me, seized my box and left the train at the first stop?"

I had so recently awakened and the adventure was so surprising that I could not for some time quite gather my faculties. This, however, gave me time to see the absurdity of the matter.

"You're a fool," I blurted out at last, "and so am I. I thought you were shadowing me."

"Shadowing you? What for?"

"The government."

The strained expression on his face melted into an amused smile.

"Who are you?" he asked.

"A citizen of Philadelphia."

"Philadelphia! So am I."

We pulled out cards and exchanged them.

"Why, you are the gentleman," said I, "whose daughter recently married Count Denizoff of St. Petersburg."

"Yes, and I am taking her the family jewels."

"And you mistook me for a robber?" I said.

"And you mistook me for a member of the secret police."

Still trembling, he opened a bag, took out a flask and offered it to me.

"Thank you," I said, glad enough myself to get a bracer. "Here's to the amateur detective service of America."

He smiled grimly, I returned the flask, and he emptied it.

FRANK BARTHOLOW.

The Borrowed Book.

"The borrowed book—what a text for a sermon!" said a clever author. If books are borrowed, mar them not; neither turn down the leaves and, above all, be careful to return them in as good a state of preservation as when borrowed. To write on the margins is unpardonable, vulgar, ill bred.

The Canadian Line.

The length of the frontier line separating Canada from the United States is 3,000 geographical miles—1,400 being a water line of rivers, lakes and seas and 1,600 miles a land boundary.

"IT IS A BIRD."

Prehistoric Winged Reptile Is a Unique Exhibit at the World's Fair.

St. Louis, Mo., April 15.—Something that will excite wonder at the World's Fair is the remains of a gigantic pterodactyl, a curious winged creature of the reptile class that enjoyed itself by flying through the air in the good old days, five or six million years ago. This unique specimen comes from Connecticut and will be exhibited in the Connecticut building at the fair, although it was found in Kansas, from which come so many strange things.

An examination of this olw pterodactyl will enable the World's Fair visitor to note its peculiarities so that should any person meet with one in the woods he would be able to distinguish it from ordinary birds and bats.

This old pterodactyl has wings fourteen feet long and if seen floating through the air at the World's Fair, as he formerly did, he would doubtless be taken for one of the flying machines or air ships in training to compete for the $100,000 prize.

Probably the nearest of living relatives of pterodactyls are to be found among the crocodiles and lizards. Doubtless the pterodactyls preyed upon small fishes in shallow inland seas. They lived in the cretaceous period millions of years ago, and were contemporaneous with the huge dinosaurs.

The original fossil bones, from which this restoration was made, were found in Western Kansas, embedded in the chalk formation. The chalk was deposited at the bottom of the wide, shallow sea which once covered that part of the continent and made a perfect receptacle. The bones are a part of the Marsh collection and have been for a score of years in the basement of the museum. As it stands completed, it is the only mounted fossil pterodactyl in the world.

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RAPID RISE.

Mississippi River Is Creeping Up Faster Than Ever Known.

St. Louis, April 27.—The Mississippi rver passed the thirty-foot danger line yesterday and was creeping up at the rate of an inch and a half an hour. The rise is one of the most rapid ever recalled by river men. The water is backing up in creeks around Easts St. Louis, but Mayor Silas Cook, who last year directed the force in constructing the dykes, declares that city will be able to withstand the anticipated stage of thirty-five feet. The greatest danger is said to be about twenty miles northeast of St. Louis, where the levee first broke last year. At Madison, Venice and Granite City, tri-cities located just north of East St. Louis, dykes are being constructed by large forces of men. Already much bottom land is under water. Many people have left their homes. Rain poured in St. Louis and vicinity all Monday night and continued Tuesday. At St Charles, twenty-five miles northwest of St. Louis, the Missouri river is out of its banks. People have been driven from their homes in the bottom lands. The Missouri rose Tuesday at the rate of two and one-half inches an hour, having risen up to noon Tuesday eight feet since Saturday. Ferry boat service at St. Louis has been abandoned because of the difficulty of making landings with such a strong current.

CASES DISMISSED.

Supreme Court Rules Against Selden and Others.

Washington, April 27.—The Virginia cases, involving the validity of the suffrage provision of the new Virginia state constitution, were Monday dismissed by the United States supreme court on the ground that no relief was possible, the acts from which relief was sought having already been committed. There were two cases, one being a proceeding by Jones and others to secure a writ of prohibition against the state board of canvassers to prevent its passing upon returns of the election held Nov. 4, 1902, and the other a proceeding in equity by Selden and others.

AT KINGSTON.

British King and Queen Accorded a Grand Reception There.

Dublin, April 27.—King Edward, Queen Alexandra and their suites landed at Kingston from the royal yacht Victoria and Albert before noon Tuesday. They soon after proceeded to Punchestown. The sovereigns were accorded a splendid reception and large crowds assembled to greet them. Vessels in the harbor are gaily trimmed with bunting, while Kingstown is bright with Venetian masts and festoons.

RICE BELT CEASES.

It Is Said Lott Road Will Run Over Its Survey.

Houston, April 27.—At a conference of B. F. Yoakum and directors of the proposed Rice Belt railway the latter agreed to abandon the project in favor of the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico, now building between Robstown and Brownsville. The two corporations represent the same interests and the Rice Belt charter will be withdrawn. Lott's road will run over the survey of the Rice Belt, taking over all concessions, etc., and final survey between Robstown and Houston begins Monday. President Clark of the Rice Belt railway will probably become associated with the Lott road. He stated that the line to Houston will begin at an early date.

Jail Still Guarded.

Austin, April 27.—Soldiers still guarded the jail Tuesday, there being four companies and a Gatling gun squad on duty.

Railroad Strike Ended.

Buda Pest, April 27.—The railroad strike is ended. Passenger and freight trains are running regularly.

MINOR MATTERS.

"Grandma" Birdsong, a long-time resident of Weatherford, Tex., is dead.

A catfish weighing fifty-two pounds was caught in Black Cypress, near Jefferson, Tex.

Mable, the little daughter of Walter Banks, died near Joshua, Tex., from eating matches.

George Keaney, colored, convicted at Palestine, Tex., of rape, was sentenced to hang May 28.

W. H. Lucas' store at Sherman, Tex., was burglarized and $100 worth of jewelry taken.

Mrs. George Gales was bitten by a rattlesnake at Kerrville, Tex. Prompt action saved her life.

Several ranch houses in Lamb county, Texas, were destroyed by a prairie fire and a lady badly burned.

The death of Willie Devere, who took part in several of Hoyt's comedies, occurred at New York.

International and Great Northern railway expects to haul 3000 carloads of melons, vegetables and fruit from east Texas this season.

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PASSAGE OF THE YALU

Japanese Claim They Have Crossed That Noted Stream.

HEAVY FIRING HEARD

Island of Samolindo Is Reported as Having Been Taken, and Russians Said to Have Successfully Resisted.

Liao Yang, April 27.—Between Monday night and Tuesday morning the Japanese forced a passage of the Yalu, two companies crossing between Tchangdjiou and Siaopousskhe. Heavy firing was heard near Tatung Kau, in which it is believed the Japanese made a feint in order to distract attention from the real point of passage. So far no bridge spans the river.

At 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the Japanese occupied the Island of Samelindo, to which they carried pontoon boats, etc. The night passed quietly, the torpedo boats maintaining a careful watch in case the troops ashore should be attacked and examining the mouth of the river by means of search lights.

At 3:40 Tuesday morning the Japanese crossed the river near the village of Tchimidiagon, where, however, the Russian outposts commenced firing upon them. The Russian advance guards had been furnished with a small gun and they succeeded in destroying the pontoon constructed near Wiju. The wrecked pontoon was carried away by the current and further Japanese bridging operations ceased, but the Japanese continued to cross by another pontoon southward of Wiju.

A Japanese column with a battery of artillery approached Turenchen, but the Russian skirmishers met them with sharp fighting, evidently giving them trouble as they retired with the battery which made no attempt to answer the Russian fire.

TOGO WAITING.

Japanese Are Taking Steps to Cut Off Vladivostock Fleet.

London, April 27.—No further news from the seat of war has reached London, and there is no confirmation of the reported Japanese reverse on the Yalu river. Stirring news, however, is hourly expected, both from the regions of the Yalu and Vladivostock. The general opinion that Vice Admiral Togo is waiting for the Vladivostock squadron is confirmed by the Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspondent, who says there is no doubt that the Japanese are taking steps to cut off the retreat of the Vladivostock warships.

SUNK FOUR.

Japanese Transports Had on Board Four Thousand Men.

Paris, April 27.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin says: "I learn from a sure source that the Vladivostock squadron sunk four Japanese transports which were convoying 4000 men."

Object to Cruise.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—The emperor has received a dispatch from the commander of the Vladivistock squadron confirming the reports of the sinking of a Japanese transport of 600 tons at Wonsan Gen San. The object of the squadron's cruise is to destroy all transports traversing the Sea of Japan, showing the Japanese flag in Korean waters and impress the population advantageously, also compelling the Japanese to guard all their transports' expeditions.

Reports Are Untrue.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—The reports that the emperor's health is unsatisfactory are untrue. He transacts business with his ministers, receives them as usual, takes his customary walk in the garden of the winter palace in the afternoon and later, almost daily, takes a drive about the city.

HEART HEALED.

Third Successful Operation of the Kind In United States.

Philadelphia, April 27.—Thomas Emerson, a negro, whose heart was pierced by a penknife nearly two months ago, has recovered after undergoing the operation of having the wound stitched and has been discharged from Jefferson hospital. The operation was a delicate one, and is the third successful case of the kind ever performed in this country.

DREADFUL DROP.

Forty-Three Miners Fell Distance of Two Thousand Feet.

Johannesburg, April 27.—The collapse of a cage in the Robinson mine precipitated forty-three natives 2000 feet to the bottom. All were killed. The bottom of the shaft is a quagmire of human remains.

Plates Strengthened.

New York, April 27.—A delicate and difficult piece of work—that of strengthening the plates of the battleship Illinois in collision with the Missouri—has been completed at the New York navy yard. It was believed that when the battleship arrived at the yard that the shaft could not be straightened and that a new one would have to be put in.

An Ultimatum.

Philadelphia, April 27.—Having failed to obtain reinstate of three freshmen hazers who were suspended a week ago, University of Pennsylvania students are reported to be about to send the faculty an ultimatum demanding the restoration of their classmates. Otherwise, it is said the entire class will strike. The university authorites derde the movement.

Aeronaut Dies.

Dallas, April 27.—Charles Raymond, the aeronaut, who was injured at Smithville, Tex., Saturday last while making a balloon ascension, he striking with great force a pole, died here Tuesday night.

President Indorsed.

Providence, R. I., April 27.—The Republican state convention met here Tuesday and elected delegates at large to the national convention. The platform commends the administration of President Roosevelt, and pledges him the support of the Republicans of this state in the coming campaign.

Prince Entertained.

Washington, April 27.—Secretary and Mrs. Hay entertained the Chinese prince at an informal luncheon Tuesday. In addition to the guest of honor there were present President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Senator and Mrs. Lodge, Mr. and Mrs. Rockhill and Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister.

CLAYTON LEAVES.

Ambassador to Mexico Returns to United States Seeking Health.

City of Mexico, April 27.—General Powell Clayton, United States ambassador, and Mrs. Clayton left for the United States. They will be gone several weeks. The ambassador is in need of a change from this climate for his health.

POWELL CLAYTON.

REVIEWS TROOPS.

President Loubet Recipient of a Great Deal of Attention.

Rome, April 27.—President Loubet Tuesday drove to Piazza Darmi with Queen Helena and reviewed 20,000 troops. M. Loubet and the queen were accompanied by King Victor Emmanuel and the royal princes and followed by several hundred staff officers. Pincio Heights, the Janiculum and Monte Marco, surrounding Piazza Darmi, were occupied by several hundred thousand people, cheering and shouting, while military bands played the Marseillaise. The president expressed to King Victor Emmanuel the highest satisfaction with the efficiency and martial bearing of the troops, especially admiring the Bersaglieri, who, with their quick step and waving cocks' feathers in their hats, marched past in a most characteristic manner.

Returning to the Quirinal through the city, the president and royal party passed through Piazza Dispagna, where the historic steps of the church of Trinita de Monti were entirely covered with flowers, producing a gorgeous effect.

Form of a Note.

Rome, April 27.—It is asserted that the protest of the pope against the presence of President Loubet at the Quirinal will take the form of a note to all the Catholic powers.

ALL TO BE MANNED.

Three Hundred Gatemen Will Be Employed Opening Day.

St. Louis, April 27.—Arrangements have been made for employing 300 gatemen for the opening day at the World's fair. Every gate will be manned for the first time. As the vaults in the World's Fair National bank have not been completed, automatic slot machines at the entrances will not be used. With the machines, it is necessary to carry a large amount of small change, and this is deemed inadvisable unless a safe place is provided for storing money at night. The sale of season tickets, which was to have closed May 1, has been extended indefinitely.

MAURU SHOT AT.

Bullet Whizzed Through the Roof of the Car He Was In.

Madrid, April 27.—Premier Maura, who arrived here Tuesday morning, was shot at, but not wounded, while on his way here from the Baleric Islands. When between Alicante and Encina a bullet whizzed through the of his car. The ipcident created great alarm, but no one was injured.

RECEIVES BULK.

Most of Hutchinson Estate Goes to Tulane College.

New Orleans, April 27.—Under a decision rendered by the state supreme court Monday Tulane Medical college receives the bulk of the estate of the late A. C. Hutchinson, who, at the time of his death, was president of Morgan's Louisiana and Texas railroad.

Mr. Hutchinson's estate was valued at nearly $1,000,000, and most of it was left to Tulane university for the use of its medical college in the establishment and maintenance of a clinic and hospital for the sick.

HEARD ADDRESSES.

Bishop Galloway Discussed the Negro Question.

Birmingham, Ala., April 27.—The seventh meeting of the conference for education in the south convened here Tuesday night. The first session was devoted to hearing addresses. Colonel T. G. Bush delivered the welcome to the visitors to Alabama in behalf of Governor Jelks, who is ill in New Mexico. President Robert C. Ogden of New York responded.

Mr. Ogden defined the object of the conference, saying that the party did not come to the south to advance theories, but to learn of the educational conditions here, especially in Alabama.

Bishop Galloway of Jackson, Miss., also addressed the conference. His address was the feature of the first session. Bishop Galloway devoted his entire time to a discussion of the negro question. Bishop Kalloway said that two points in the negro question had already been settled in the south. First, they would never be equal socially; second, they will always be educated separately, and in different buildings. This was applauded by both whites and negroes in the audience.

FORTY THOUSAND MEN

That Number Occupy Positions Along the Yalu River.

ALSO ON THE TUMEN.

Russian Cavalry and Light Artillery Hold Towns and Points on the Coast Where Japanese Are Likely to Land.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—Advices from Mukden indicate the Russians have completed concentration of their forces on the Mukden, Liao Yiang, Yalu and Mukden New Chwang lines. Forty thousand men are occupying the fortified positions along the Yalu river and 20,000 are posted at Taku Shan, at the head of Korea bay, where the Japanese threatened to make a landing. Russians also occupy the banks of the Tumen river from the Russo-Korean frontier to Lake Tai Tji Paik, and from Ttou San, on the Manchu-Korean frontier, near the source of the Yalu. Detachments of Russian cavalry and light artillery hold the towns of Kio Lin, Musan and Zunduyan, along the river, and points on the east coast of Korea offering facilities for landings.

RUSSIA'S NAVY.

It Is Freely Criticised by a Leading St. Petersburg Journal.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—The Novoe Vremya contains a remarkably free criticism of the Russian navy, which reads as follows:

"I will be well to put an obelisk in front of the admiralty inscribed, 'Remember Makaroff.' His death should be the signal to destroy the old order of things, to which he fell a victim after heroically doing the best he could with the defective weapons at his disposal. Makaroff's death marks a new era for the Russian navy. The old days, marked by muddle, carlessness and inefficiency, are over and we have learned our lesson. The nation understands them just as well, and from the first lesson the necessity of reform in the personnel of the navy. The present system of promoting officers according to the number of nautical miles they sail may work well in a highly efficient navy, but it is dangerous for ours, in which the capacities of officers fluctuate. As a result, many of our best officers are discouraged into retirement. The present war is unlike any previous war in that the whole nation is following its phases with breathless anxiety. Our nerves are strained much as are those of the defenders of Port Arthur. We weep over our reverses and rejoice at our slightest success. Like the British in the Boer war, we are one of the greatest world powers fighting a smaller one, and sentiment of patriotism overwhelms all other considerations."

FLED TO HILLS.

Destroyers, However, Retired Without Shelling Gen San.

Seoul, April 27.—When the attack on Fonsen (Gen San) was made the people sought refuge in the hills and the garrisan prepared to resist the possible landing of a party from the three Russian cruisers, which were sighted in the offing, which was expected to complete the ruthless destruction of harmless craft. The destroyers, however, retired wthout damaging the town. The attack is regarded as being allied with the Song Jin expedition and designed to discover the Japanese strength on the east coast and as being a diversion from the Yalu river campaign. The garrison of Won San numbering eighty men, was reinforced during the past week. While the Japanese authorities consider the situation serious, no apprehension is entertained as to the result.

Fleet Not to Go.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—The report that the Baltic fleet is to leave Libau Thursday for the far east is incorrect. Some ships are just going into commission. Those being completed cannot be finished before July. Reports may be attributed to the fact that some school ships are going out to train naval reserves. The battleship Borodino left the admiralty works Tuesday for Cronstadt to receive her armor and heavy guns.

Gladly Received.

Kharkov, Russia, April 27.—Some officers of the Variag and Korietz declare they do not consider themselves prisoners of war, but merely as shipwrecked sailors who can fight again. The reception accorded here to the survivors of the two warships' crew was very enthusiastic. Officers were repeatedly embraced by women.

None of Importance.

New Chwang, April 27.—Russian authorities here deny that there have been important engagements recently on the Yalu, but they report the destruction of a few Japanese junks by Russian volunteers.

Deny Bombardment.

Tien Tsin, April 27.—It is reported upon good authority that the Japanese fleet bombarded the town of New Chwang Monday night. Russians here deny there is any truth in the report.

Much Alarm Felt.

Keokuk, Ia., April 27.—Both rivers are rising here at an alarming rate. All the district flooded last year is again in danger. Much alarm is felt by the inhabitants of Alexandria, Mo.

An Affray.

Athens, April 27.—An affray between Turkish gendarmes and Greeks is reported from Smyrna in which M. Delyannis, secretary of the Greek consulate, was slightly wounded. Serious complications may ensue.

TRIAL FRIDAY.

Simmons Was Indicted by Travis County Grand Jury.

Austin, April 27.—Henry Williams, alias Simmons, is a confessed and indicted murderer, and is to be tried on Friday of this week.

The special grand jury convened Tuesday morning and shortly after noon it returned a true bill against the prisoner for the murder of [illegible] Sanberg.

He was brought into court and [illegible] he desired to plead guilty, but [illegible] court told him it was not time [illegible] make any plea. Under the provisions of the law the trial can not occur before Friday, and Williams will [illegible] placed on trial for his life on that day. It is said Simmons has confessed to seven other murders.

CORSICANA CHOSEN.

Next Meeting of Patriarchs Militant Be Held There.

Dallas, April 27.—Next meeting of the Patriarchs Militant will be held at Corsicana in October next, [illegible] candidates had the degree conferred on them. The following officers were installed: F. D. Johnson, president; H. E. Traylor, secretary; E. A. Johnson, treasurer; E. B. Casey, officer of the guard; W. F. Bradley, sentinel; and W. F. Matthews, picket; W. [illegible] Clopton, chaplain; M. B. DeJarnett, aid to the department commander.

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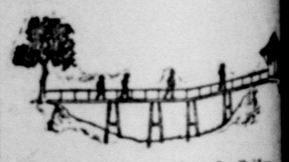

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