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Fort Worth Live Stock Market.

Receipts of All Kinds of Stock Today.

MARKET RULED STRONG.

Best Stuff Taken, the Close was Lower.

CATTLE STRONG.

Desirable Stuff 10 Cents Lower than Last Week.

THE MARKET TODAY.

Top	$7 37½
Top steers	3 90
Cows	$3 30

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
	800	800	600
	638	741	2,060
Same last week	620	685	245

RECEIPTS FOR 1903 TO DATE

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
	19,157	9,841	489
	13,135	9,022	858
	17,870	15,077	2,432
	706	927	
	914	652	130
	751	1,306	
	197	413	
	1,854	1,637	349
	1,696	681	4,132
	620	685	245
	1,404	732	508
	783	490	110
	625	58	
	2,329	748	1,474
	638	741	2,060

THE HOG MARKET

(Reported up to 3 p. m. daily.)

Receipts of hogs this morning were light and came fully up to expectations. Twelve cars were in at the opening of the market, or 712 head, and it was expected that would be able to get in time for today's market, the receipts did not run over 800, against 685 for last Wednesday and 561 the corresponding day last month.

Quality was again common, with the exception of a load of fairly good ones from the Indian Territory. The bulk of the run were Texas hogs of light weight, common quality, only a piece of a load that would be good. Choice pigs were scarce and a few of the common kind among the receipts.

Northern markets came in lower, and buyers started bidding in sympathy with Northern decline, but sellers didn't see things that way, which resulted in a slow opening. However, demand was good and buyers needed hogs, and after seeing sellers didn't concede a lower price, all the desirable best quality hogs went up at steady prices with it, and in some cases sellers got prices a little strong, but such were few. The best load on the market sold at $7.37½ for 76 head, average 236 pounds. This was the same price as the top hogs yesterday, but the hogs were lighter and quality a little poorer today.

The best hogs were bought up and the market slowed down, and the late trade dragged along throughout the day. Sellers never seemed to get tired bidding on the poor quality light hogs, and some sellers were quoting prices 10c lower on this class with the close of last week, but these exceptions were few, and only on the poorest stuff. The extreme range today was $6.90 to $7.37½, with the bulk of the sales from $7 to $7.30.

Smooth heavy hogs are quoted at $7.25 to $7.40, with the mixed from $7 to $7.25; light grades down to $7.

Demand on choice pigs is good, with 100 to 150 pound averages selling largely from $6 to $6.50. Good roughs from $4.50 to $6.

Stags are quoted 10 per cent off for the same weight and dressed-in hogs.

Pigs closed 10c lower.

Representative sales:

HOGS.

Average.	Price.
390	4 00
540	6 75
410	6 75
189	6 95
186	6 95
170	6 95
206	6 95
240	6 95
29	6 95
10	6 95
17	7 00
11	7 00
1	7 00
5	7 00
39	7 00
20	7 05
19	7 10
5	7 10
39	7 30
76	7 37½

PIGS AND LIGHTS

49	113	6 10
8	145	6 50

THE CATTLE MARKET

(Reported up to 3 p. m. daily.)

Cattle receipts today were smaller than expected. Only fourteen cars came in early with 402 head. Late receipts and driven-ins made the total receipts for the day run about 800 head, against 620 for last Wednesday and 441 for the same day last month.

There was nothing among the early arrivals for salesmen to brag about. Mostly all were of a common quality of light weight, both in steers and butcher stuff. Later in the day several bunches of fair quality fed steers were driven in, which made the run look a little better.

With the bulk of early receipts of the common kind, trading was not very active at the start. Outside butchers bought a few loads, with local buyers waiting to see what late arrivals would bring in.

After all were yarded the market took a turn for the better and all of the good desirable quality steers, cows and heifers sold at steady to strong prices and some salesmen thought the market on this class of stuff to be the best of the week. The top steers today brought $3.90 for 43 head of nice quality 944-pounders, with the top on cows $3.30 for a bunch weighing 870 pounds. With the cream of the offerings bought up on the first round there was nothing left that was very desirable, and the market took a drop, closing 10c lower than yesterday.

Choice fed steers are quoted at $4@4.50; medium fed, $3.50@4; light grades, $2.25@3; choice fed cows, $3@3.50; medium fed, $2.25@3, and canners and cutters hard sale at $1.50@2.25. Bulls, stags and oxen are quoted at $2@3.25; choice vealers, $4@5, and heavy calves and rough yearlings at $2.25@3.75.

Representative sales:

STEERS

No.	Average	Price.
14	921	3 90
29	955	3 90
49	952	3 90
1	760	3 00
1	690	3 00
13	931	3 65
10	892	3 50
9	803	3 50
30	768	3 50
10	810	3 45
20	773	3 45
5	592	2 25
12	725	3 20
6	780	2 90

COWS

25	870	3 30
1	1010	2 80
2	855	2 80
4	825	2 75
28	584	2 75
1	850	2 75
29	896	2 65
3	920	2 60
19	792	2 55
4	727	2 50
1	830	2 50
1	770	2 25
20	589	2 25
7	747	2 25
1	810	2 00
1	750	2 00
1	700	1 85
2	820	1 50
1	660	1 50

HEIFERS

2	595	2 80

BULLS AND STAGS.

1 stag	1470	3 25
2	1085	2 75
1	1060	2 25

CALVES.

1	240	3 00
7	348	3 00
16	351	2 00

Market Quotations Today.

CATTLE.

Steers—Choice fed	$4 00@4 40
Medium fed	3 50@4 00
Good grass	2 75@3 35
Light thin	2 25@2 75
Cows—Choice heavy fed	3 00@3 50
Medium butcher	2 50@3 00
Light thin	2 00@2 50
Canners	1 50@2 00
Bulls, stags and oxen	2 00@3 25
Veals and calves	2 50@4 50

HOGS.

Heavy sorted	7 25@7 45
Mixed packers	7 00@7 25
Light	6 50@7 00
Choice pigs	6 00@6 25
Southwestern pigs	4 50@6 00
Stockers	4 50@6 00

SHEEP.

Spring lambs	$6 00@8 00
Lambs	4 50@5 50
Wethers	3 50@5 00
Ewes	3 50@4 50
Culls	1 50@2 50

SHIPPERS ON TODAY'S MARKET

CATTLE.

H. C. Nelson, Moody	18
Miles & Co., Lorena	28
N. H. Lard, Gonzales	16
M. Corrigan, Hebronville	113
M. Guerra & Son, Hebronville	33
W. L. Straud, Honey Grove	86
O. Wilson, Abilene	35
J. L. Hubbard, Mansfield	30
Cherryhomes & H., Chico	42
W. G. Fowler, Hearne	60
G. L. Morris, Colbert	30

HOGS.

W. A. Crast, Lampasas	14
J. M. Coffin, Blum	92
H. C. Nelson, Moody	21
Jas. Crawford, Purcell, I. T	84
J. M. Menince, Seymour	55
J. K. Willett, Sunset	29
J. L. Turner, Mt. Vernon	89
Joyce & Smith, Mt. Vernon	93
J. A. Balen, Midlothian	69
W. B. Daniel, Granbury	39
M. H. Lard, Gonzales	43
J. C. Phillips, Rockwell	84

SHEEP.

J. McLymont, Standart	511
W. A. Crast, Lampasas	100

PURCHASERS ON MARKET TODAY

CATTLE.

Swift and Co	123
Armour & Company	211
W. H Carter	4
Jas. Crawford	29
Jack Deacon	77
John Daggett	1
Johnson & Kaye	40
Hancock	3
L. Rosenthal	35
Sam Wolf	10
Myers & C	4

HOGS.

Swift and Co	276
Armour & Company	192
J. B. Watkins	15
Winfield Scott	11

Driven In.

HOGS—J. C. Culver 5, C. T. Biff 5, N. L. Lochridge 5.

CATTLE—J. L Clark 14, J. Morris 2, Garland & McKinney 1, W. McCauley 11, Williams & McKinney 94, D. L. Carroll 3, Beckwith 3, Terrell 1, W. R. Farmer 3, J. T. Shirley 9, W. C. Scaggs 2, S. T. Hovenkamp 4.

AROUND THE STOCK YARDS

Hog markets are weak and lower up North.

Strictly top hogs would bring $7.40 on this market.

W. Jorgensen of Perkins, I. T., marketed 71 186-pound hogs at $7.22½.

B. H. Pharr of Sulphur Springs marketed 41 hogs, averaging 236 pounds, at $7.20.

Best hogs at Fort Worth today sold at $7.37½; at Kansas City, $7.35; at St. Louis, $7.40.

H. H. Adams of Dallas was on the market with 24 750-pound cows, which sold at $2.45.

M. R. Birdwell of Encinal, Texas, had on the market 63 head of mixed cattle, averaging 577 pounds, which sold at $3.10.

H. C. Nelson of Moody was on the market with cattle and hogs. He had 10 head of steers, averaging 892 lbs., which sold at $3.50.

W. B Daniel of Granbury had on today's market 39 head of well finished hogs of his own feeding, which averaged 208 pounds and sold at $7.30.

Scott & Wooten, regular shippers to this market, topped the steer market yesterday with 79 head, averaging 996 pounds, which sold at $3.95.

Teel & Tally of Frisco were on the market today with 29 cows, averaging 896 pounds, which sold to Jas. Crawford of Purcell, I. T., for $2.65.

Too much poor stuff, not enough good. Result: Good prices for the best, lower on undesirable. This covers the market on cattle and hogs.

J. Corrigan of Hebronville had in the best cows on today's market. There were 25 of them, averaging 870, and they sold at $3.30. They were grassers.

C. C. Wilson of Pawnee, O. T., was on the market with two loads of 78 224-pound hogs, which sold at $7.30, and 78 averaging 204 pounds brought $7.27½.

Jas. Crawford, of Purcell, I. T., a regular hog shipper to this market, was in with 84 head of mixed hogs. Seventy-six head, averaging 235 pounds, topped the market at $7.37½.

Frank Sansom took second money riding "Gee Whiz" in the potato race at the Dallas horse show last evening, with his horse Cyclone taking first money, with Fred Shoelkolp up.

J. L Johnson of Paul's Valley, I. T., was a new shipper on the yards yesterday with two loads of hogs. Fifty-nine, averaging 250 pounds, topped the market at $7 37½, and 60 234-pound hogs sold at $7.35. He says he is well pleased with results and will come again.

Williams, McKinney & Mitchell were on today's cattle market with 95 head, out of which 43 head of 2, 3 and 4-year-old steers of good quality, averaging 944 pounds, topped the market at $3 90. These cattle were fed at the Mitchell pasture for about 150 days on meal and hulls.

Hagler & Tipps, large shippers from Vernon, were in with their first consignment of grass cattle from Realitos, which included 129 head of cows, heifers and yearling steers, which averaged 781 pounds and sold at $3.30. They also had in a shipment 37 head of 450-pound calves, which went at $4.

SHEEP WILL BE LOWER.

Chicago Market Not Encouraging for Texas Shippers.

Texas sheep raisers are not much encouraged by the following market report by the Chicago Drovers' Journal:

"This week has brought a further weakening of values for common and medium to good sheep—wooled stock of that class especially suffering badly—the outlet for such having been very uncertain a good share of the week. Most local dealers had anticipated this downward movement of values for such grades of sheep, as it is the time of the year for grass stock to show up among the lower grades of native arrivals and close to 4,000 head of southwestern sheep are expected to land here the first half of the coming week. Some big shipments have already been made from Texas and other points in the southwest for this market and they are due early the coming week. The arrival of this stock will, as usual, fill the place that has heretofore been filled from the plainer classes of native stock and the outlook for such is regarded as very unfavorable. Strictly choice heavy wethers have held with very little decline from the best prices of the year, but the medium to good classes of sheep are about 25c off and the lower and medium classes, which are rather more shrinkly in condition, owing to grass, are selling a big 75c lower than two weeks ago. Shorn yearlings are selling 40 to 50c lower than the high time recently, and choice shorn lambs had to sell here today nearly that much lower, the belief being strong among buyers here that a lower level of prices for lambs will be established and maintained the coming week.

BIG COTTON SEED OIL MILL.

Fort Worth Capitalists Building at East St. Louis.

The National Live Stock Reporter of East St. Louis says: The work of making the proposed cotton oil mill, near the National stockyards, a reality was begun this week. The men were brought to the site and put to work, some temporary structures were put up and ground broken for the buildings, which are to comprise the plant proper. This is the enterprise negotiations for which were closed last fall by Messrs. Winfield Scott and M. E. Singleton of Fort Worth, Texas, two gentlemen well known in the cattle trade of the Southwest, as also because of their connection with several cottonseed oil mills in the Southern states. The object at that time set forth was to construct and maintain a modern cottonseed oil mill, at which the seed would undergo all the processes of oil extraction and refinement, and the residue—the meal and hulls—be utilized as feed in the preparation of cattle for market.

The group of buildings comprising the plant will be six in number, two of brick and four of frame. The chief building wherein the machinery will be placed, and the actual work of converting cottonseed into its various products will take place, will be a two-story brick, 40x170. The engine and boiler rooms will also be brick, 40x80 feet. The frame building will consist of two seed storage houses, 60x350 feet, a hull house 80x100 feet, and an office building. The latter is already in course of construction. Other appurtenances, such as iron tanks for the storage of cottonseed oil, will also be placed on the grounds.

$112,500 SALE OF STEERS.

Herd of Extra Fine Stock from Southwest Texas.

The Ozona (Crockett county) Kicker has this interesting item: Perhaps the best bunch of steers ever driven from the range of Crockett county, or anywhere else in West Texas, passed Ozona early last Thursday morning, en route to San Angelo, from where they will be shipped to the Indian Territory. There were about 2000 head in the herd, all big, shapely, red fellows—high grade Herefords and Durhams—and they represented about $50,000. These splendid cattle were raised by the Val Verde Land and Cattle Co. on their Howard Wells ranch, 20 miles southwest of Ozona, and were sold recently by the manager, L. L. Morrison, to Baldridge Bros. of Waggoner, I. T., together with 2500 others, the entire deal amounting to about $112,500.

The Val Verde Land and Cattle Co. have turned off this spring about $125,000 worth of steers, and are thinking of putting 2000 head in the Territory on their own account. This is no small amount of stuff to be sold from one ranch in one spring.

Wolf Catching is Profitable.

"Wolfing" is a profitable occupation in Wyoming just now. The big bounties being offered by the stockmen and state make it worth while to go after the pests. The other day W. A. Moultan of Wheatland captured two gray wolves and fourteen pups, which netted him $320 in bounties. It took him only about an hour to get the whole bunch, so the job paid very well.

Leading Mutton Market.

Ozona (Crockett county) Kicker.

Major Smith, the big Haskell sheepman, who is also connected with a Fort Worth commission company, was in town several days last week on the lookout for muttons. He is of the opinion that Fort Worth is to be a leading mutton market and is endeavoring to have stuff turned that way. While here he looked at several bunches with Sheriff Moore, and when he returns from the Rio Grande country, where he is now, it is likely that he will make some purchases.

Spread of Mormonism.

The Rev. John K. Nutting, head of the Utah Gospel mission, told the Presbyterian Ministers' Association in New York several days ago that if Mormonism increased at the rate it has the last twelve years in another decade they will control the west of the United States from Canada to Mexico.

Concert to Aid Murderers.

A benefit concert for two murderers, whose guilt was proved, but whose friends wanted funds for a last appeal, was recently given at Brisbane, Queensland. After the concert the father, brothers and sister of the murderers (who were brothers) appeared on the stage and were applauded.

Dyspepsia in England.

According to Sir James Crichton-Browne, the modern Englishman is physically a degenerate, and chiefly because of dyspeptic troubles. The growing frequency of appendicitis is, he thinks, due to the weakened digestive apparatus and insufficient mastication of food.

GRAIN AND HAY.

Quotations at Fort Worth, Wholesale and Retail Prices.

The grain and hay market at Fort Worth is quoted as follows. Prices are for car lots. In smaller quantities, add 2 to 5 cents per bushe for grain and 5c per cwt. for bran and chops:

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 54c; No. 2 white, 55c.
WHEAT—75c.
OATS—45c
BRAN—$1.05 per cwt.
CHOPS—$1.10 per cwt.
KAFFIR CORN—$1.15 per cwt.
CANE SEED—$1.25 per cwt.
MILLET SEED—$1.75.
HAY—Prairie, choice, $12.50 per ton.

Cotton Seed, Meal and Hulls.

COTTON SEED—Car lots $16.00 to $18.00 ton.
COTTON SEED MEAL—Car lots, $22.00 to $23.00.
COTTON SEED HULLS—By contract, $6.50; retail, $7.00.

Hides.

DRY FLINT—Heavy beef, 13c; heavy fallen, 12c; light, 10c. Dry salt, 10 to 11c, culls and bad damaged, 5 to 9c. Green salt, 5½ to 6½c.

Wool.

Light medium, 12-mos., 12 to 14c; 6-mos., 11 to 13c Heavy, short and sandy, 10 to 12c.

AT OTHER MARKETS

Receipts Today.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep
Chicago	23,000	21,000	15,000
Kansas City	10,000	14,000	9,600
St. Louis	3 000	8,500	1,500
St. Joseph	2,500	7,800	2,000
Total	38,500	51,300	28,100

KANSAS CITY.

Special to the Reporter.

Kansas City Stock Yards, April 15.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 10,000. Market steady to a dime lower. Top $5.50. Texas easy. Top $4.80.

HOGS — Receipts 14,000. Market 5 to 10c lower. Top $7.35; bulk $7.15@7.30.

SHEEP—Receipts 9,600. Market 10 to 15c lower. Lambs $7 40. Arizonas $5.50.

CHICAGO.

Special to the Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., April 15.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 23,000. Market steady to 10c lower. Four loads $5 60.

HOGS — Receipts 21,000. Market 5c to 10c lower. Top $7.57½; bulk $7.15@7 35.

SHEEP—Receipts 15,000. Sheep and lambs mostly 10 to 15c lower.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

Special to the Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., April 15.—Receipts and quotations as furnished by the National Live Stock Reporter:

CATTLE—Receipts 3,000; half Texas. Top $5.00, grass steers $4.50, grass cows $3.75. Natives steady to shade lower. Top $5.45.

HOGS — Receipts 8,500. Market 10c lower. Top $7.40; bulk $7.05@7 25.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,500. Steady.

ST. JOSEPH.

Special to the Reporter.

South St. Joseph, April 15.—The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 2,500. Market steady to 10c lower. Top $5.25.

HOGS — Receipts 7,800. Market 5 to 10c lower. Top $7.37½; bulk $7.20@7.30.

SHEEP — Receipts 2,000. Market steady; closed 10 to 15c up on western lambs. Colorado lambs $7.25.

HORSE SHOW IN DALLAS.

Event Opened Last Night With a Good Attendance.

The Dallas Horse Show, the first of the series of the Texas shows, opened last night. The attendance was large, and society was out in force. The prizes were awarded as follows:

Park team—First, Sen Sen and Flirtation; second, All-but-King and More-than-King.

Heavy harness class—First, Riley; second, King Boyd; third, Lad.

Gaited geldings—First, Huckleberry; second, King Boyd; third, King Dodo.

High-school class — First, Missouri Belle; second, American Beauty; third, Black Artist

Four-in-hand class—Ashford's Flirt, Flirtation, Sen-Sen and Sensation took first.

Trotters, single roadsters—First, Mex; second, Sid; third, Gov. McCauley.

FOR SALE.

Cotton Seed Hulls.
Cotton Seed Meal.
Cotton Seed Cake.

Whitesboro Cotton Oil Co., Whitesboro, Texas.

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FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—We have for sale at Estelline, Texas, on the Fort Worth & Denver R R. 150 full blood Hereford bulls from 12 to 15 months old. Nothing better in the Panhandle. For prices and further information, address R. D. Green, Estelline, Texas, or the Continental Land & Cattle Company, Continental Building, Denver, Colo. Bulls can be seen at any time; one-half mile from the station.

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FOR SALE—Small ranches, well improved. 1100 acres in Burnett county, 1100 acres in Jack county, 2800 acres in Montague county. H. H. Cobb, Fort Worth, Texas.

MONEY TO LOAN on farms and ranches by W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co., Board of Trade Bld., Fort Worth, Texas.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

FOR BARGAINS in stock farming lands and ranches on North Plains, write or call on Dunson, Floyd & Hoffman, Dalhart, Texas, office City Hall.

NOTICE—If you are in need of Farm Hands, Ranch Hands, Clerks, or any kind of help, call, write or phone 105 West Eleventh street. Phone 889-4 Rings, Fort Worth.

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Only official paper of this market and of the Fort Worth Live Stock Exchange.

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TEXAS STATE FAIR.

It is given out that the Texas State Fair may be discontinued at Dallas. In a carefully-worded statement Capt. Sidney Smith, general manager of the fair, says: "After talking the situation over earnestly, the directors decided that, owing to the importance of the matter, the question of whether or not the fair should be given this year should be submitted to a special meeting of the stock-holders, which it was finally determined to call at a date yet to be named. All the stock-holders, sixty in number, are citizens of Dallas. The meeting will probably be held toward the end of April. I have no idea what the stock-holders will do; but they must make the decision for or against the fair; it is up to them to say."

The Texas State Fair was begun about 20 years ago, and its yearly exhibits have done a great deal for the farming and live stock interests of the state. The farmers and stock raisers who went there saw many things to urge them to better methods in their own work. The value of this educational effect it would be hard to estimate. The breaking down of the fair will be a bad thing for the entire state. The people of Dallas will feel it more directly, because to them it is a local enterprise; but its scope was state-wide, and the effect of its failure will be as extended.

Southern cattle receipts at St Louis last week were 96 cars, against 302 cars for the corresponding week in 1902. The Southern cattle that formerly went North, now come to Fort Worth. This falling off of more than 200 cars in one week represents the change from the Northern market to the Texas market. Of the 6,381 cattle that came to Fort Worth last week, 4,000 or more were taken away from St. Louis. The rest were taken from Chicago, Kansas City and New Orleans. St Louis is the chief loser because that was the biggest market for Southern cattle before Fort Worth went after them.

Philip H. Hale, editor of the National Farmer and Stock Grower, of St. Louis, has published a "Book of Live Stock Champions." It has 126 pages filled with fine photo-engravings of prize-winning animals of all kinds. The lover of high-bred stock, will see here correct representations of cattle, horses, hogs and sheep of every breed and class. The book is well worth the dollar that is asked for it

From extreme South Texas, 600 miles away or further, cattle and sheep are coming to Fort Worth. Six hundred miles is a good distance to ship stock, but it is 600 miles less than the nearest Northern market, and the Texas rates are less than those outside the state. **A Texas market for Texas stock is the popular thing.**

PARRY WAS OVATED

He Was Warmly Cheered Upon Presenting Annual Report.

DELEGATES GOT UP.

Men and Women Clapped Their Hands and a Great Number of Them Stood Upon Chairs and Waved Handkerchiefs.

New Orleans, April 15.—The first day's session of the annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers ended without any definite conclusions as to whether or not the organization will adopt as its own policy the aggressive hostility to union labor methods outlined by President D. M. Parry in his annual report. Mr. Parry's attitude on the labor question was the chief point of interest for the delegates and it, it is declared, was the cause for the largest delegate representation in the history of the association. When Mr. Parry was introduced at the morning session he received a remarkable ovation, the 600 delegates rising and cheering him vigorously and repeatedly. His report was immediately referred to committee.

At numerous times during the day in resolutions and in speeches, the matter of trades unionism came to the surface, but at no time was there any test vote by which the attitude of the convention was shown. The frequent outbursts of applause, however, showed intense feeling on the part of the members of the association.

The opening of the convention at Tulane hall was made the occasion of an impressive manifestation of New Orleans hospitality. The local committee had made elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the delegates and the ladies and the arrangements were carried out to the entire satisfaction of the visitors. The convention hall was profusely decorated with brilliant flowers and foliage of the early New Orleans summer, and when Vice President J. W. Porch of Louisiana called the convention to order, several women residents and visitors were present with the delegates. Mr. Porch, after welcoming the visitors on behalf of the commercial interests of the south, introduced Mayor Capdeville of New Orleans and Governor W. H. Heard, who gave a hearty and eloquent welcome. Then came the features of the day's session in the spirited reception given President Parry. The delegates first applauded with vigorous handclapping, and as the enthusiasm grew men and women arose or climbed on their chairs, cheering lustily and waving hats and handkerchiefs.

Mr. Parry responded briefly and then submitted his annual report, dealing largely with labor conditions.

Following the president's message Marshall Cushing, national secretary, made his annual report, showing an increase in the association's membership for the last year of over 100 per cent.

Numerous resolutions were introduced and referred to committee without debate, among them being the following:

Endorsing the organization of non-union workmen and pledging the association to their support; pledging the support and assistance of members for any member under union boycott; condemning the convict labor system; providing a committee of five to make an effort to settle the present tariff differences between the United States and Russia; providing for an association bureau of labor to investigate and attempt to adjust the labor troubles of members and the endeavor to organize and promote a non-union workingman's association to be known as "The Workingman's Liberty Union;" urging tariff revision on general lines; favoring measures to increase the elasticity of the currency.

A resolution condemning a Wall street paper for its attack upon President Parry's labor policy was introduced and some debate followed an attempt to have it adopted without referring it to the resolutions committee.

The chairman ended the matter by requesting that the resolutions go to committee in the regular order.

COSTLY PRESENTS

Probably the Most Valuable Ever Bestowed on a Married Couple.

Newport, R. I., April 15.—The marriage of Reginald C. Vanderbilt and Miss Cathleen G. Neilson was characterized by a brief ceremony, Mendelssohn's Wedding March indicating its completon. The bride was gowned in heavy white silk with a costly veil of rare lace flowing back from the crown of her head to the end of the train. Around her throat was tightly clasped a serpentine necklace of rarest pearls, the gift of the bridegroom.

A reception followed and inspection was made of the bridal gifts, which were declared to be probably as costly an array as was ever bestowed on two young people at the advent of their married life.

Then came the wedding breakfast, after which Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt left for their new villa at Sandy Point, a few miles up the island during the afternoon, where they will spend a few days previous to a three months' trip to Europe.

Desire an Investigation.

Washington, April 15.—The Central Yellow Pine association, composed of lumber manufacturers and shippers in Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia Monday filed with the interstate commision a formal request for an investigation of alleged illegal advantages given to the manufacturers of yellow pine lumber whose mills and plants are located along the Rising river in Arkansas and Louisiana, west of the Mississippi river.

UNION LABOR EXEMPT.

Governor Lanham Says it Is Not Affected by the New Anti-Trust Law.

Austin, April 15.—Governor Lanham has given his answer to the representatives of the labor organizations relative to submitting to the special session of the legislature the recommendations that a law be enacted which will exempt labor unions from the operations of the anti-trust act which was passed at the regular session.

A delegation of these representatives, consisting of Walton Petee of the State Federation of Labor, E. P. Curtis and J. W. Lawson, representing the organizations of railroad trainmen, called on Governor Lanham and petioned him to recommend some relief measure to the legislature.

The governor declined to submit the proposition. He informed the visitors that he was of the opinion that the anti-trust law did not apply to labor organizations and that there was no need of supplemental act exempting them from its provisions.

TEXT BOOK BILL

Provisions of the Measure Introduced in the Senate.

Austin, April 15.—Under the terms of the textbook bill introduced in the senate the board to select the books is composed of the governor and four teachers to be appointed by him, none of whom shall be connected with normal schools.

The textbooks now in use are to be readopted provided they shall be found with equal merit with books offered at the same or higher price in competition. The best books are to be selected.

The books adopted by the board are to be introduced and used as textbooks to the exclusion of all others on Sept. 1, 1903, or as soon thereafter as practicable. All cities having a population of 10,000 or over are to be exempted from the provisions of the act.

Two More Vetoes.

Austin, April 15.—Governor Lanham has vetoed the pharmacy and quarantine bills.

GRAND ARMY.

It and Woman's Relief Corps Convene at Dallas.

Dallas, April 15.—The first session of the eighteenth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of the state of Texas, together with the Woman's Relief Corps, was held Tuesday. General Fred D. Grant, son of the late ex-president, made an address that was received with marked favor. He paid a touching tribute to the wives and daughters of the soldiers. Colonel Mann introduced Captain D. E. Grove of Dallas, an ex-Confederate, who extended a welcome on behalf of the mayor and Commercial club.

Department Commander Haskell of Denison delivered an address.

At the Oriental hotel General Grant met a number of old soldiers.

Cotton Manufacturers.

Waco, Tex., April 15.—The Texas Cotton Manufacturers' association held its annual convention here. President Fairbanks made a speech dealing with the interests of the organization and J. C. Saunders of Bonham discussed the effect of restrictive legislation on the industry of converting raw cotton into yarns and fabrics.

Democrats Probably Win.

El Paso, Tex., April 15.—The municipal election here was the closest contest ever held in this city. Indications are that the Democratic ticket, headed by C. R. Moorehead for mayor, has defeated the Union Labor ticket by a small majority. The vote was heavy and returns from two of the four wards give Moorehead a majority of 168.

Fifteen Per Cent Dividend.

Tyler, Tex., April 15.—At a deferred meeting of creditors of A. Wettermark, banker, who recently failed at Henderson, held in this city before Referee C. G. White, a dividend of 15 per cent He was accompanied by a retinue of gaily attired courtiess.

Fire at Nacogdoches.

Nacogdoches, Tex., April 15.—Fire broke out here at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning, upstairs in the Huntley building, on east Main street, and resulted in $16,000 loss.

Sons of Hermann.

New Braunfels, Tex., April 15.—The grand lodge Sons of Hermann met here in annual convention and transmitted much business. Delegates were tendered a moonlight picnic.

Twelve Indictments.

Nacogdoches, Tex., April 15.—The grand jury has indicted B. S. Wettermark for alleged forgery in twelve different cases.

Rode an Elephant.

Dallas, April 15.—The Kaliph in the parade here Tuesday rode an elephant. He accompanied by a retinue of gally attired courtiess.

Goes to Supreme Court.

Washington, April 15.—The case of August Busch et al. vs G. F. Webb, county judge of Grayson county, Texas, asking continuance of order issued by Judge Bryant at Beaumont restraining commissioners' court of Grayson county from publishing result of local option election until United States supreme court can pass on it will be heard by that body Monday. Plaintiffs contend entire local option law of Texas is invalid.

Arias Surrenders.

San Salvador, April 15.—Juan Angel Arias, who was appointed president of Honduras by the retiring president, General Sierra, has surrendered to the forces of General Bonilla, the president-elect of Honduras, whose forces occupied Tegucigalpa, the capital of that republic.

COST OF SHIPPING HOGS.

COMPARISON OF RATES TO KANSAS CITY AND FORT WORTH.

New Rates from Northern Points More Favorable to this Market.

We print a table showing the new tariff on hogs in single-deck cars from points in Oklahoma and the Indian Territory to Kansas City and Fort Worth. These figures will enable any shipper to ascertain the cost of sending his hogs to market, and to decide whether Kansas City or Fort Worth is the better place.

The new rates are an advance beyond the old, but the increase has been far greater to Kansas City than to Fort Worth, and in that way this market is favored.

On the Santa Fe the point of equal rates is Red Rock, 342 miles from Kansas City and 282 from Fort Worth. South of that place the rates favor Fort Worth, and are against Kansas City. The equalizing point on the Rock Island is Pond Creek, Okla., 300 miles from Kansas City and 291 from Fort Worth On the Frisco it is at Sapulpa, 278 miles from Kansas City and 293 from Fort Worth, and on the Katy about Wagoner, 288 from Kansas City and 268 from Fort Worth.

From all points in the Indian Territory the rates are so much in favor of Fort Worth that hogs cannot be shipped to Kansas City except at a considerable loss on account of excess of freight charges.

From		To Kan. City m.	rate	Ft. Worth m.	rate
SANTA FE RAILWAY					
Thackerville,	I. T.	518	47	86	18
Ardmore,	"	500	45½	104	20½
Berwin,	"	490	44½	114	21½
Davis,	"	473	44	132	22
Wynnewood,	"	463	44	142	24
Pauls Valley,	"	455	43½	149	24
Paola,	"	448	43½	156	25
Purcell,	"	433	42	171	27
Noble,	O. T.	424	41½	180	28
Norman,	"	418	41	186	28
Moore,	"	409	41	195	28½
Oklahoma City	"	400	40	204	30
Britton,	"	393	40	211	30
Edmond,	"	386	40	218	30
Waterloo,	"	381	40	223	30
Stewart,	"	376	40	228	30
Guthrie,	"	368	40	236	30
Lawrie,	"	363	38	241	30
Mulhall,	"	354	36	250	30
Orlando,	"	348	36	256	30
Asp,	"	344	35	260	30
Perry,	"	338	34½	266	30
Arnettville,	"	334	34	270	30
Black Bear,	"	332	34	273	30
Red Rock,	"	322	30½	282	30
White Eagle,	"	309	26	295	30
Ponca City,	"	304	26	300	30
Kildare,	"	297	26	307	31
Newkirk,	"	291	26	313	31
Arkansas City,	Kansas	279	26	325	—
C. R. I. & P. RAILWAY.					
Renfro,	O. T.	281	26½	310	31½
Medford,	"	290	28	301	31
Jefferson,	"	297	28½	294	30½
Pond Creek,	"	300	30	291	30½
Kremlin,	"	309	31	282	30½
North Enid,	"	317	31½	275	30½
Enid,	"	320	31½	271	30½
Waukomis,	"	327	33½	264	30½
Hennessey,	"	339	36	252	30½
Dover	"	349	38	243	30½
Kingfisher,	"	356	40	235	30½
Okarche,	"	366	40	225	30½
El Reno,	"	381	40	210	30½
Union City	"	390	40	201	30
Mineo,	I. T.	396	41	196	28½
Chickasha,	"	414	42	177	27
Minnekah,	"	421	42½	170	26
Marlow,	"	544	44	148	24½
Duncan,	"	453	44	138	23½
Comanche,	"	463	44	128	22
Addington,	"	472	44½	109	21½
Ryan,	"	488	45	103	19½
Terral,	"	497	45	98	18
FRISCO RAILWAY.					
Vinita,	I. T.	195	23½	376	35½
White Oak,	"	202	23½	369	35½
Catale,	"	214	24	357	35½
Chelsea,	"	219	24	352	35
Bushyhead,	"	225	24½	346	35
Sequahay,	"	231	27	340	33½
Claremore,	"	237	27	334	33½
Mingo,	"	246	28½	315	32½
Tulsa,	"	263	28½	308	31½
Red Fork,	"	267	30	304	31
Sapulpa,	"	268	30½	293	30½
Mounds,	"	288	31	283	30½
Beggs,	"	297	31	274	30½
Miami ton,	"	303	31	268	30½
Okmulgee,	"	310	31	261	30½
Henryetta,	"	323	33½	248	30½
Wetumka,	"	345	40	226	30½
Bryant,	"	329	35	224	30½
Foster,	"	354	—	217	25
Holdenville,	"	360	40	211	10½
Spaulding,	"	365	40	205	30
Sealey,	"	372	40	199	29
Francis,	"	380	42½	191	26
Ada,	"	389	43½	182	24½
Fitzhugh,	"	399	44	172	24½
Roff,	"	404	44	167	24½
Ravia,	"	433	44½	138	21½
Randolph	"	437	45½	134	20½
Madill	"	444	46	127	20
Helen,	"	451	46	121	20
Woodville,	"	459	46½	112	19
Oklahoma City,	O. T.	383	40	397	30½
Luther,	"	365	40	380	30½
Wellston,	"	346	40	362	30½
Dorgett,	"	327	40	342	30½
Stroud,	"	318	40	342	30½
Hollis,	I. T.	307	37½	322	30½
Bristow,	"	290	35	314	30½
Kellerville,	"	286	35½	301	30½
M., K. & T. RAILWAY					
Welch,	I. T.	172	20	334	37½
Blue Jacket,	"	177	20½	329	37
Kelso,	"	184	22	322	36
Vinita,	"	189	23½	319	25½
Big Cabin	"	202	24	304	34½
Adair,	"	209	25	297	33
Daves,	"	213	26	293	32½
Pryor Creek,	"	214	27	292	32
Chouteau,	"	222	28	284	31½
Maisie,	"	228	28½	278	31
Leliaetta,	"	234	29	272	30½
Wagoner,	"	238	30	268	30
Blackstone,	"	246	30	260	30
Wybark,	"	249	30	258	30
Muskogee,	"	254	30	252	30
Summit,	"	261	30½	245	30
Oaktaha,	"	268	31	239	29
Checotah,	"	275	31½	231	29
Bond,	"	280	33½	225	29
Eufaula,	"	288	35½	218	28½
Wirth,	"	293	36	215	28½
Canadian	"	297	37½	209	28
Crowder City,	"	301	37½	205	28
Reams,	"	305	39	201	27
Nekko,	"	311	40	195	27
So. McAlester,	"	316	40	190	27
Frink,	"	319	41	187	27
Savanna,	"	325	41½	181	26½
Kiowa,	"	333	42	173	24½
Reynolds,	"	337	42½	168	24
Limestone Gap	"	341	43½	164	24
Atoka,	"	360	43½	146	23½
Peck,	"	362	45	144	23½
Caddo,	"	389	45	126	20½
Wesselta,	"	385	45	121	20
Durant,	"	392	45	114	20
Colbert,	"	404	45	102	18

TEXAS RATES ON LIVE STOCK.

FIGURES OF INTEREST TO SHIPPERS TO THIS MARKET.

They Can Estimate the Cost, and Compare It With Cost of Reaching Northern Markets.

A Texas market for Texas stock raisers means a great deal in the way of freight charges. We speak for Indian Territory and Oklahoma stockmen as well, for the latter, though not strictly shipping under the Texas commission rates, get the benefit of a short haul when sending to the Fort Worth market.

The following tables give the rates on beef cattle, oxen, cows, calves, goats, hogs and sheep; also on cattle three years old and over, for distances from 10 miles to 750.

DISTANCE—Miles.	RATES. No 1	No. 2
10 and less	6	8½
15 and over 10	6½	9
20 " 15	7	9½
25 " 20	7½	10
30 " 25	8	10½
35 " 30	8½	11½
40 " 35	9	12
45 " 40	9½	12½
50 " 45	10	13
60 " 50	10½	13½
70 " 60	11	14½
80 " 70	11½	15
90 " 80	12	15½
100 " 90	12½	16½
125 " 100	13½	17½
150 " 125	15	18½
175 " 150	16½	20
200 " 175	17½	21½
250 " 200	18½	22½
300 " 250	20	23½
350 " 300	21½	25
400 " 350	22½	26
450 " 400	23½	27
500 " 450	25	28
550 " 500	26½	29
600 " 550	27½	30
650 " 600	28½	31
700 " 650	30	32
750 " 700	31½	33
Over 750	32½	34

Column No. 1 is for shipment over a single line of road, or over two or more lines under one management. Column No. 2 is for shipments over two or more lines under different managements.

CHARGES FOR SELLING.

Rates Fixed by Live Stock Exchange for Handling Stock.

The commission charges for selling and handling stock consigned to the Fort Worth market are fixed by the Live Stock Exchange and are as follows:

Cattle, 50 cents per head, but not more than $12 for a carload; calves, 25 cents per for single deck and $18 for double deck

Hogs, 10 cents per head; $6 for single and $10 for double deck.

Charges for sheep are the same as f

FEEDING CHARGES.

The charges by the Stock Yards Co yardage are fixed as follows:

Cattle, per head

Hogs, per head

Sheep, per head

Prices charged for feed by the Sto Hay, 80c a bale; corn, $1 a bushel; o bushel; chops $1 50 cwt.; bran, $1.30 c 40c bale.

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A NOTED IRISH FAMI

John and William Dillon Desc of Patriotic Leader.

John Dillon, who has been to abandon public life for a se withdraw to the warmer cli Egypt, had once before, in t '80s, to retire from Parliame prolonged period, owing to ill He then spent a couple of year brother's ranch in Colorado. A born a British subject hims member for East Mayo is in ous position of having an only William Dillon, who is a born can citizen. The explanation their father, the late John Di lon, was one of the leaders of insurrection in Ireland, and, most of his colleagues in that tionary enterprise, succeeded ding the Irish police and esc America in the disguise of a He remained in exile for som and it was during this period son William was born. Will lon is the author of a life Mitchell, the fiery spirit who tated the '48 rebellion and re sentence of fourteen years' tra tion.

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Gen. Miles May Live in B

It is reported in Boston tha Gen. Nelson A. Miles will make that city his home upo tirement from active service ust next. He was a clerk in in that city from his seventeen his twenty-second years a there for the south as capt company in the Massa Twenty-second infantry unde mission issued by Gov. Andre outbreak of the war in 1861.

Lucky Recovery of Diam

A frequenter of Brighton Be toria, Australia, lost a diamon the water at the commencem season, and searched for it Six weeks later, having taken customed dive off the spring b found the gem. In skimming tom of the bath his hand tou ring, which he unconsciously

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BREAK AT WATERLOO

Waters Pours Through a Hole That Is Eighteen Inches Wide.

MANY MEN ON SCENE.

An Element of Danger Is the Softened Condition of the Levees, Which Is Due to Period River Has Stood Against It.

New Orleans, April 15.—The flood situation interest centers in the trouble at Waterloo levee, on the east banks of the river about sevnty miles above the city, and advices from there state the situation is considered serious. Water is pouring through a crawfish hole eighteen to twenty inches in diameter, near the base of the levee, and the fear is that before a run around can be built the weakened levee will give way.

Five hundred men are at the scene and four rows of cribbing, the longest 200 feet, have been started under direction of President Leake of the levee board, State Engineer Lewis and planters. A mud box will be built to the rear of the cribbing.

An element of danger is the softened condition of the levees, due to the long period the river has stood against it. The break at this point may be disastrous, putting the Mississippi Valley road out of condition, flooding hundreds of acres of cotton land and truck farms in the new river section, submerging thousands of acres of valuable sugar lands in the Pontchartrain district.

Work at Hymelia crevasse was continued with an increased force of men but it will be several days before it can be determined whether renewed efforts to close the crevasse will be successful.

Information has reached here that water from the crevasse is flooding large sections of Lafourche parish already, and great damage will be done unless it can be closed. Two crevasses on the lower Lafourche are being closed.

THE MANUFACTURERS.

Annual Meeting Convenes With Many Present at New Orleans.

New Orleans, April 15.—The National Association of Manufacturers, representing hundreds of millions of invested American capital, began in Tulane hall what promised to be the most important annual convention in the history of the organization. The session commenced with the reading of President Parry's annual report.

Marshall Cushing, national secretary, followed with his annual report, showing an increase in membership of 100 per cent during last year and a satisfactory financial condition.

The chairman announced standing committees and at 1 o'clock adjournment for luncheon was taken.

The afternoon session was devoted to a discussion of the annual reports and offering resolutions. Delegates are being entertained by New Orleans in royal fashion.

THEATER BURNS.

A Wall of the Structure Fell and a Score of Persons Were Hurt.

Rome, N. Y., April 15.—The Washington theater here, owned by Wallace & Gilmore of Oswego, was destroyed by fire. The loss is between $125,000 and $150,000; about half covered by insurance.

The Arlington hotel, adjoining, took fire twice, but the flames were extinguished without much damage being done. A wall of the theater building fell, injuring a score of persons who crowded within the fire lines. The theater building also contained a number of offices.

Failed to Come to Time.

New York, April 15.—A leading interest in the Rock Island company announced that the proposed purchase of the St. Louis and San Francisco road had been abandoned for the present. Negotiations have been dropped but may be resumed. This same authority declares that the failure of the plan has nothing to do with the recent decision in the Northern Securities case. It was simpy a question of price and the parties concerned failed to come to terms.

Sad End of a Courtship.

Savannah, Ga., April 15.—Pursued by a deputy sheriff with a warrant, Ivy Dampier, a young man of Quitman, Brooks county, shot himself to death Monday night. Early Tuesday morning Miss Georgia Rogers, who is said to have been engaged to marry Dampier, placed the muzzle of a shotgun against her breast and discharged it. She is believed to be fatally wounded.

Numbers of Windows Smashed.

New York, April 15.—Much havoc was caused in the Bronx by a blast fired in the work of cutting One Hundred and Seventy-Second street through from Third avenue to Fulton avenue. This cutting is through an immense wall of solid rock. The blast broke the windows of more than a score of houses in Third avenue and partly wrecked one house and the shock knocked down several children who were on their way to school, injuring some of them slightly.

Gone to Algeria.

Marseilles, April 15.—President Loubet, accompanied by the ministers and president of the senate and the chamber of deputies, boarded the armored cruiser Jeanne Tuesday and started for Algiers amid salutes from the assembled French land batteries. A heavy sea and a northwest wind made the embarkation difficult and promised a disagreeable voyage. The Jeanne is due at Algiers in a short time. An imposing array of warships representing Russia, Great Britain, Italy, Spain and France awaits her arrival.

BODY IN A BARREL.

Only Information a Couple of Initials Painted on Receptacle.

New York, April 15.—A murder was discovered by finding of the body of a of the river about seventy miles above covered by finding of the body of a man, apparently an Italian, in a barrel in East Eleventh street near the docks. The man's throat was cut from ear to ear and the body warm when found.

.. scrub woman on her way to work noticed the barrel on the sidewalk, and she saw hanging on it a man's coat soaked with blood. She informed the police. The first and only clew found during the several hours' search was letters "W. T." painted on the bottom of the barrel, but the police think these letters will aid them a good deal in revealing the mystery. It is supposed somebody intended to throw the body into the river after bringing it there in a wagon, but found the pier at East Thirteenth street closed and dropped the load in the street in a hurry, fearing discovery.

DOUBLE FORGERY.

Charged With One Offense a Soldier Repeats it and Escapes.

New York, April 15.—With rifles loaded and belts full of ball cartridges detachments from the regiment at Fort Lotten, Willet's Point, scoured the neighborhood Monday in pursuit of a comrade who was imprisoned for a forgery and obtained his release by another and promptly fled. The fugitive is a member of the Fifty-fourth artillery and attached to the office of Captain Bailey, disbursing officer for the school of submarine defense. He had access to the check book and forged Captain Bailey's signature to a check, which he cashed in his own company. Obtaining leave of absence he came to this city. Meanwhile the forgery had been discovered and soldiers dispatched in search of the clerk. He was found and taken to the Fort Totten guardhouse.

All day Sunday he was confined there. Monday he was taken under guard for an interview with Captain Bailey. As he came out he handed to the sentry a release, saying: "Give that to the sergeant." The sergeant recognized the order for release and the clerk went to his tent. Hastily bundling his civilian clothes together he swam a creek which separated the fort from the mainland and disappeared just as it became known that the "release" was also forgery.

New York Court Sustained.

Washington, April 15.—The United States supreme court decided the divorce case of Lillie Winston vs. Kalker Winston, both of New York in favor of the latter. The case involved the validity of a decree granted Mrs Winston by an Oklahoma court which was claimed had been granted her without a sufficient residence. The decree was not accepted by the New York courts and this decision upheld that view. Mrs. Winston married after she secured her decree and is now known as Mrs. Ludden.

Widow and Negro Indicted.

Philadelphia, April 15.—Mrs. Catherine Danz and George Hoosey, a negro were held responsible by the coroner's jury for the death of Mrs. Danz' husband. A half hour later the grand jury indicted the defendants. Diaz died two years ago. His widow is accused of administering arsenic, said to have been furnished by Hoosey.

Due to a Belated Explosion.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 15.—Two men were killed and two injured in a belated explosion of dynamite at the New Mount Washington tunnel on the Wabash railroad. The blast had been prepared, but failed to explode, and the men returned to ascertain the cause, when suddenly it went off with terrific report, hurling rocks in every direction. The men were Hungarians.

Kaliph and Red Men.

Dallas, April 15.—An immense concourse gathered at the Katy depot to witness the arrival of the Kaliph. He was escorted to the corner of Main and Akard streets, where the keys of the city were given him by Mayor Cabell. The Red Men also paraded the streets and made an excellent showing. Many are attending the carnival.

Were Resisting Arrest.

Silver City, N. M., April 15.—Francis Copartelo and Guadeloupe Mendos, Mexican miners at Santa Rita, were shot and killed by a deputy sheriff while resisting arrest.

Gone to Attack Fez.

Madrid, April 15.—Advices received here from Fez, Morocco, say rebel Kayble tribesmen have left Tazza to attack Fez.

Copious Rain in Russia.

Odessa, Russia, April 15.—General and copious rains have fallen in southern Russia and have removed the fears for the safety of the crops which had been aroused by the long continued drouth.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Rock Island railway expects to enter Dallas May 15.

Waxahachie, Tex., received 427 bales of cotton on the 11th.

There are eight murder cases on court docket at Antlers, I. T.

In a difficulty near Slate Shoals B. B. Vaught was shot twice and killed.

St. Louis parties are figuring on purchasing land in Cherokee county, Texas, and engaging in smelting of iron.

By prompt action of Commander Drake of United States ship Monterey a plot that would have cost many Chinese lives was averted.

The trial at Eufaula, I. T., of James Mitchell et al., charged with embezzlement of funds of the Junita post office, resulted in a mistrial.

Through the explosion of a pitch distill at the Oak Cliff Paper mills, Harrison Henderson, a negro stableman, was scalded to death by boiling tar.

NEW ORGANIZATION.

Southern Association of Newspaper Publishers Formed at Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., April 15.—The Southern Association of Newspaper Publishers was organized in this city with representatives present from the leading newspaper publications of the southern states. A constitution was adopted and the following officers were elected:

President—H. H. Cabaniss of the Atlanta Journal.

Vice president—Bruce Haldeman of the Louisville Courier Journal.

Secretary and treasurer—F. B. Glass of the Montgomery Advertiser.

The following executive committee was named: Robert Ewing of the New Orleans States; Rufus N. Rhodes of the Birmingham News; D. A. Tompkins of the Charlotte Observer; J. C. Hemphill of the Charleston News; Edgar M. Foster of the Nashville Banner; F. T. Stockton of the Jacksonville Times Union and Citizen; A. P. Holderby, Jr., of the Richmond Dispatch.

According to the constitution of the organization it was formed for the mutual benefit of its members and to promote the best interests of papers comprising the organization. The association will be not antagonistic to any other newspaper or association.

KILLED THREE.

That Number of Fatalities Result from a Terrific Windstorm.

Montgomery, Ala., April 15.—A special to the Advertiser from Evergreen, Ala., says: A terrific windstorm, accompanied by rain and hail, passed over the western portion of Conecuh county, resulting in the death of three persons. H. H. Salter, his mother and child were riding along a road, and when opposite a clmp of trees, the storm overtook them, the wind uprooting the trees, which fell across the wagon, crushing all three of the occupants.

Much damage is reported to growing crops. Hailstones fell as large as hen's eggs.

WORK OF TORNADO.

Ten Persons Are Reported to Have Lost Their Lives as a Result.

Birmingham, Ala., April 15.—Specials to the Age-Herald from Evergreen, Ala., says: News has just reached here by telephone confirming the rumor of appalling loss of life and property in the neighborhood of Peterman and Burnt Corn wrought by the tornado which passed near there Monday.

Ten persons are known to have been killed and numerous barns, residences, fences and outhouses were swept away, entailing a loss which will reach high in the thousands.

BREAK REPAIRED.

Prompt and Effective Work Stopped the Hole in Waterloo Levee.

New Orleans, April 15.—Prompt and effective work arrested the threatened destruction of Waterillo levee about seventy miles above this city on the east bank of the river. A crawfish hole had developed near its base and widned to a diameter of eighteen to twenty inches. For a time there was much apprehesion that the levee, softened by the length of time the water has stood against it, would go, timely alarm was given. President Leake of the levee board, State Engineer Lewis and the planters with men and material hurried to the scene and after a day of hard work a run round was completed and the source of the trouble made reasonably secure. Work of bracing the levee will continue. This was the first serious scare the Pontacha train district has had during the present season of high water. A break at Waterloo or in that vicinity would inundate a vast area of cotton, sugar and truck farming land, put the Mississippi Valley Railroad out of business and damage the Illinois Central.

Considerable progress was made at Hymelia in the construction of the five hundred feet of cribbing to enclose the break in the old time line. Labor is less plentiful than is needed but it is expected that the forces will be augmented as the work proceeds. The reports are to the effect that the new cribbing is holding but the forces have not yet encountered the heavy current and the increased depth of water which which they are certain to find in front of the break.

Legislative Expenses

Guthrie, Okla., April 15.—The territorial auditor announces that the total expenses of the recent legislature amounted to $18,188, an increase of $7000 over the 1901 legislature. It is claimed that this was due to extravagane in employing clerks, especially in the house.

Three Cars Turned Over.

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 15.—A Frisco passenger train was derailed near Weston. Three cars were turned over and several hundred feet of track torn up. Charles Brown of Kansac City was seriously cut and bruised.

Mother and Child Burned.

Chickasha, I. T., April 15.—While Mrs. Thomas Lindsay was cleaning a coat of her husband with gasoline an explosion followed and she and her little daughter were awfully burned. Both will die.

Cleveland on Negro.

New York, April 15.—In an address in the interest of the Tuskegee instute fromer President Cleveland indorsed the work and method of Booker T. Washington. He defended the southern people, declaring they are not prejudiced against the negro, but are his best friends.

More Than Six Minutes Ahead.

Weymouth, April 15.—In the race Tuesday between Shamrock I. and Shamrock III., the Challenger beat the older boat under all conditions and finished more than six minutes ahead of her opponent.

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Indianapolis, Ind.—Annual Meeting Travelers Protective Association of America—For this occasion the Frisco System will have on sale round trip tickets to Indianapolis June 7, 8 and 9, limited until June 20, at rate of $28 90 from Fort Worth.

Nashville, Tenn.—Account of National Assembly, Cumberland Presbyterian church, the Frisco System will sell round trip tickets to Nashville at rate of $24.85 from Fort Worth, dates of sale May 18, 19 and 20, with final limit of June 3.

Savannah, Ga.—Southern Baptist Convention—Frisco System will have on sale round trip tickets May 2, 3 and 4, limited until May 23, at rate of $33 40, applying from Fort Worth.

Kansas City, Mo.—Account Grand American Handicap, Kansas City, April 14-17, the Frisco System will sell round trip tickets to Kansas City on April 12 and 13, at rate of $16 50, limited until April 19.

Sherman-Denison—Account Meeting Texas Bankers' Association, Frisco System will have on sale round trip tickets to Sherman at rate of $3.30, and to Denison at rate of $3.30. Dates of sale May 11 and 12, good until May 14.

California—Second-class "Colonist" rates in effect from Fort Worth via Frisco System to California common points at rate of $25, on sale daily to June 15, inclusive.

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Meeting Grand Commandery Knights Templar, Austin, Texas, April 15-18, 1903. Convention basis. Dates of sale April 13-14, and for trains arriving at Austin morning of April 15. Final limit April 19, 1903.

Texas State Medical association, San Antonio, Texas, April 28-May 1, 1903. Convention basis. Date of sale April 27. Final limit May 2, 1903.

Dedication Ceremonies Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., April 30 May 2, 1903. One fare plus $2 for round trip. Dates of sale April 29-30, 1903. Final limit leaving St. Louis not later than May 4, 1903.

Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, Fort Worth, Texas, April 27-30, 1903 Convention basis. Dates of sale April 26, 1903. Final limit May 1, 1903.

State Christian Endeavor convention, Temple, Texas, June 9-11, 1903. Convention basis. Dates of sale June 9 and for trains arriving at Temple on morning of June 10. Final limit June 12, '03.

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NUPTIALS AT NEWPORT.

Reginald Vanderbilt and Miss Cathleen Neilson United in Matrimony.

Newport, R. I., April 15.—The wedding of Reginald C. Vanderbilt of New York, youngest son of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, and Miss Cathleen G. Neilson, also of that city, which occurred at Arleigh at noon yesterday, was brilliant as well as the early beginning the social season of 1903 at Newport. As the marriage took place in the private villa, it lacked much of the splendor which usually attends church functions. About 150 guests, nearly all from New York were present. The decorations were white on a background of green. Bridesmaids were gowned in white with white picture hats. The bridegroom, his best man and his ushers wore white puff cravats and white boulenniers, and the bride, of course was attired in the purest white. The day was gray and cold with misty northeast wind blowing in from the sea.

HARRIMAN'S POWER.

He Is Said to Be Largely Instrumenta for Removal of Offices.

San Francisco, April 15.—The general offices of Wells, Fargo & Co. which have been maintained at San Francisco ever since the establishment of the company, over half a century ago, are to be removed to New York next month. Directors' meetings henceforth are to be held at New York, as well as annual meetings of the company, and new arrangements it is said, will in all probability necessitate some changes in the personne of the board. According to the Chronicle, the influence of E. H. Harriman is said to be largely responsible for change of headquarters, as he wishes to be in close touch with the express company's offices.

E. H. HARRIMAN.

SUMMER RESORT FIRE.

Capital Hotel Was Destroyed and Severa Other Establishments.

New Orleans, April 15.—A fire swept East Side, a West End summer resort on Lake Ponchartrain, destroying considerable property. The fire department found difficulty in reaching the scene and the bucket brigade was powerless to stay the flames. The blaze started in the Capitol hotel, which was destroyed, along with a number of smaller business establishments and boat houses. The most serious losses were sustained by members of the Southern Yacht club.

A large number of sloops, catboats and yachts were at anchor in the pen when the fire started and many burned before they could be moved out into the canal. Among the boats burned are some of best known in the Southern Yacht club fleet. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

Another Message.

Austin, April 15.—The speaker appointed Representatives Calvin, Wood and Jackson as committee to investigate the matter of contempt against Austin correspondent of Beaumont Journal.

The governor sent the following message to the legislature, embracing subjects to consider during the special session: 1. To provide uniform system of text books. 2. To authorize counties to issue bonds for the purpose of improving and maintaining public roads. 3. To provide a method of making apipication for purchase of state, school and asylum lands and regulating manner of filing same.

Patient's Ribs Broken.

Louisville, Ky., April 15.—Throwing himself upon the mercy of the investigating committee of the board of trustees of the Central insane asylum and begging for protection, declaring that he feared for his life, a patient of the institution who has just recovered from an assault made by an attendant gave his testimony in the presence of a subcommittee representing the grand jury. The patient had been sonfined to his bed for five weeks on account of two broken ribs and other injuries, which may disable him physically for life.

Fatal Quarrel.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 15.—News reached this city of a fatal affair which occurred near Ringgold, Ga., a few miles south of here. Joe Phelps and Bud White, while under the influence of liquor, quarreled, and both drew pistols. Phelps fired first, instantly killing White. The former fled and the sheriff of Walker county is pursuing him with a posse.

Whitaker Wright Hearing Set.

Washington, April 15.—The United States supreme court granted the motion of Attorney Marshall, representing Whitaker Wright, in the extradition proceedings against him and, set the arguments for next Monday after the disposal of the other cases for hearing on that day.

Murdered His Young Wife.

Rome, N. Y., April 15.—In a fit of jealous anger Anton Linolin, an Italian, shot and killed his young wife and escaped. She died in a few minutes.

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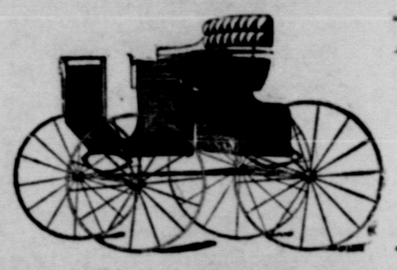

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The Two Locks of Hair.

A youth, light-hearted and content,
I wander through the world;
Here, Arab-like, is pitched my tent,
And straight again is furled.

Yet oft I dream that once a wife
Close in my heart was locked,
And in the sweet repose of life
A blessed child I rocked.

I wake! Away, that dream—away!
Too long did it remain!
So long that, both by night and day,
It ever comes again.

The end lies ever in my thought;
To a grave so cold and deep
The mother beautiful was brought;
Then dropped the child asleep.

But now the dream is wholly o'er;
I bathe mine eyes and see,
And wander through the world once more,
A youth so light and free.

Two locks—and they are wondrous fair—
Left me that vision mild;
The brown is from the mother's hair,
The blond is from the child.

And when I see that lock of gold
Pale grows the evening-red;
And when the dark lock I behold
I wish that I were dead.

Testing the Will Power.

There is a wonderful little instrument which is called the myergesthesiometer, invented by Prof. Elmer Gates, to test a person's will power. The individual takes hold of the handle and repeatedly pulls the cord, which unwinds from a pulley, and owing to the nature of the mechanism, the pull requires a uniform amount of energy throughout the whole length of the motion. Gradually, however, and unknown to the individual, the instrument is made to move, for example, one-fiftieth harder, and so on, until the energy-difference between the original and more difficult motion is perceptible to the person. The more practice a person has with such an instrument the greater becomes the mind's capacity to will its attention to the feelings of muscular energy. Briefly, the object is to make the intellectual functions respond quicker than they ordinarily do by a process of training.

His Broken Back Getting Well.

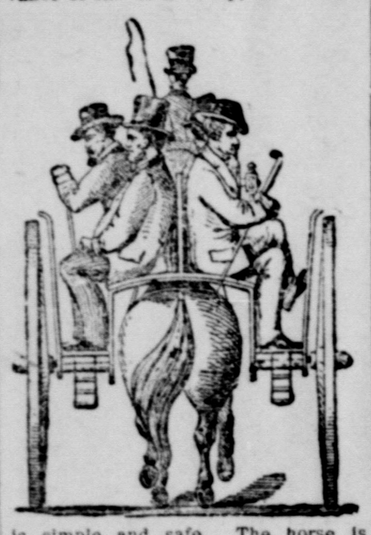
George W. Garrett of Summit Hill, whose back was broken by a fall of coal at the Adams colliery seven weeks ago will probably soon recover the use of his limbs. He was hit on the shoulder by a 600-pound lump of coal, and it was expected that death would soon follow. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital, at Bethlehem. From his shoulders down he was without a particle of power or feeling for the first four weeks. His backbone was broken but the spinal cord was only badly bruised. The numbness gradually moved downward, and to-day he has the use of his body to the knees. It is expected in a short time that he will be able to move around with freedom, although he may never be able to do a hard day's work.—Philadelphia Press.

Queer Matrimonial Arrangement.

Two girls—twin sisters from the mountains of Tennessee—have gone to Vinita, I. T., to meet a man at that place who has agreed to marry the one who makes the best impression upon him at their meeting. This is a case where the parties were brought into communication through the agency of a matrimonial paper. Both girls sent their photos, but the would-be groom could not make up his mind which he liked best, so sent money for both to come, that he might make his choice between them. To prove that his intentions were all right the territory man sent money for the girl's big brother to come along and see that everything was square.

Odd Vehicle.

The inventor of this vehicle says it will carry four people, without counting the driver. It is strong, easy to draw, and can turn in a horse's length. The driver completely controls the animal, and no dust is thrown up to inconvenience the sitters, for by the time it rises the car is well in advance of it. It is cheap; the harness



is simple and safe. The horse is sheltered from heat, and rain, and flies.

A Weighty Club.

A society of some weight has just been established in Marseilles under the title of the "Cept-Kilos de Marseille." The main condition of membership is that no one shall be eligible whose weight is less than 100 kilos (about 18st.). The officers, it need scarcely be added, have been elected by weight also. The president turns the scale at 145 kilos, the secretary at 138. With a weight of 136 kilos it would appear no easy task for the treasurer to decamp in a hurry with any of the society's funds. So far the roll of membership runs to about thirty.—London Answers.

Tax on Digestive Organs.

Claude Trimble, 24 years old, walked into Erie county hospital in Buffalo a week ago and asked for medical attention. Friday, Dr. Gaylord performed an operation. In Trimble's abdomen were more than two pounds of metal. After the operation had been successfully performed the surgeons had taken from Trimble's stomach 453 carpet tacks, forty-one penknife blades, 142 screws, forty pen-points, six and a half ounces of ground glass and a chain about three inches in length and made of wire. Trimble formerly traveled with a circus and was a tack eater.

Famous Mormon Hill Is Sold.

The famous "Mormon Hill," near Newark, N. Y., on which Joseph Smith asserted he found the golden plates of the "Book of Mormon," and the Urim and Thummim, has recently been sold, as part of a farm, to Walter J. Hunt. James Wilson was the former owner. The elders of the Mormon church in Utah have made several attempts to secure possession of the hill. Smith had his manuscript published in 1830 at Palmyra, and he averred that the golden plates disappeared mysteriously soon afterward. The original manuscript is now in a bank vault at Richmond, Mo.

"Mormon Hill."

Thought It Was the Devil.

The beadle of a parish church near St. Beauzely, Aveyron, France, was nearly frightened out of his wits the other morning. While he was slowly opening the door of the sacred building an enormous beast rushed out and knocked him over. The terror-stricken beadle for a moment imagined that he had encountered Satan, but the inhabitants of the village later recognized the cause of his fright as a wild boar which the night before, while being chased by a pack of hounds, had suddenly disappeared, and sought sanctuary in the church and passed the night there.

Trap for Foxes Killed Man.

A peasant living in a village in the vicinity of Berne, Switzerland, wishing to get rid of foxes which do a great deal of harm in the district, set a trap recently, to which he attached a dynamite cartridge, in a forest. A workman, while crossing the forest, trod upon the trap, and was so severely burnt by the explosion that he died soon after. The peasant, overtaken by remorse, brooded over the affair in prison, and just before the warders come to conduct him before the judge he blew out his brains with a revolver which he had succeeded in smuggling into his cell.

Remarkable Sea Monster.

A remarkable sea monster was caught in Port Fairy Bay, Melbourne, Australia, recently by some fishermen. It measures nine feet six inches in length, has a tail like that of a screw tail shaft, no teeth, a nose like a rhinoceros, a head like an elephant, two dorsal fins, four side fins, and two steering fins. The skin is black and very soft.

The most experienced fishermen say the specimen is altogether new to them. They cannot hazard a guess as to the species. The fish will be sent to the Melbourne Museum.—London Mail.

Dogs Ate His Church.

Rev. E. G. Peck, an English missionary who has spent much time among the Eskimos, tells an amusing story of how he built a church and how he lost it. When his flock reached sufficient size he had a church built. It was eighteen feet long by twelve wide and was made of sealskins stretchd over light framework, the whole banked with snow. It had been in existence but a short time when the dogs discovered that it was edible. They scratched the snow away and between two Sundays ate the church—at least its covering—up.

Coal Mine on Fire Fifty Years.

The Lehigh Coal and Navigation company is about ready to make an effort to extinguish the fire which has been raging in the old Greenwood mine, north of Tamaqua, for nearly half a century. The company's plan is to drill into the burning portions of the mine at different points, pump water from the Schuykill river, mix it with culm and run it into the mine. It will then be possible to work three of the richest and largest veins in the region.

A Peculiar Accident.

Six Italian workmen had their legs broken at the same time in Amityville, L. I., recently. They had been relaying the tracks of the Long Island Railroad and had a rail ready to lower when a drill engine backed against the car in which they were, knocking the rail from their grasp. It fell, and in doing so caught several of them on the legs, with the result above stated.

California Prunes.

The first prune tree was planted in California in 1870 by a Frenchman, who brought the tree to this country from France. The first orchard—of ten acres—began to yield in 1875. In 1901 the state produced 150,000,000 pounds of prunes and the total crop of 1902 will be considerably larger. The center of the industry is the Santa Clara valley, which contains 3,567,140 bearing trees.

Relic of Roman Period.

A stone coffin, containing the remains of a man and woman, was discovered while plowing a field at Templethorpe Farm, Temple Newsam, near Leeds, England, recently. The remains, which are in a wonderful state of preservation, are thought to date from the Roman period. Near the spot where the coffin was found the foundations of a building, said to be that of a temple, were brought to light.

Needed Advice.

Some of these papers that run every Sunday articles headed "What to Eat" would make a greater hit with a whole lot of us if they would run a series of articles headed "How to Get It." Lord heavens! we all know what to eat, as most of us usually eat whatever we can get, but the question of how to get it is the burning theme of the hour.—Canton Saturday Roller.

Real Vindication.

The American dentist expelled from Saxony cannot want for a compensating joy when he considers the certificate of character publicly given by his wife. "My husband is a perfect man; he has absolutely no vices." Many men believe themselves deserving of such a testimonial, but how few, alas! have got their deserts.

Doctors Have to Work Hard.

Swansea, Eng., has clubs the members of which pay $1.50 each per year for medical treatment, while their wives and children are attended free. To make a decent living from such club practice a doctor has to see about 100 patients a day.

"Mr. Dooley's" Success.

Finley Peter Dunne, the celebrated "Mr. Dooley," is said to have been offered $40,000 a year to write exclusively for certain American publishers. Only a few years ago he worked on a Chicago newspaper for $12 a week.

U. S. Cadets Take Notice.

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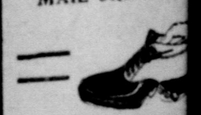

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