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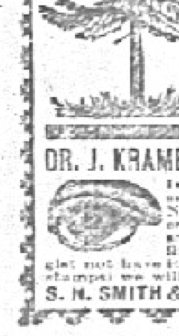
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THE "THANKFUL DAY."

Thanksgiving Day has put aside the curtains of the darksome night,
And all the world awakes to hail the soft, glad dawn of morning light.
My little one upon my knee,
Thus seriously questions me:

"Mamma, is it the Thankful Day because the shine has come again?
Because God sent the dark, black night to hide away the naughty rain,
Which teased me all of yesterday,
So I could not go out to play?"

I tell the pretty questioner, the while my fond arms clasp her tight,
Of all our hearts are grateful for, for comforts and God's blessings bright—
For food to eat, and clothes to wear,
And God's protection everywhere.

Outside the window, presently, a little barefoot beggar stands,
Her heart of every childish hope as starved and empty as her hands.
No smile upon the wee, sad face,
Where many a grief has left its trace.

Oh! quicker than the quickest thought springs to her feet my dainty pet.
"See! See, mamma! This little girl ain't got her Thankful Day quite yet.
I got some comforts I can spare
To that poor little girl out there!"

We call the little stranger in, my loving-hearted child and I,
And dimples gather with the smiles as sunshine clears the cloudy sky,
So gayly does my little May
With her new guest share "Thankful Day."

If there are tears within my eyes, it is because my heart is glad
With the young heart no longer grieved, with the young eyes no longer sad;
And for the ceasing of "the rain,"
When hope and joy shine forth again.

—*Mary D. Brine, in N. Y. Independent.*

FROM DARKNESS INTO DAWN.

A Thanksgiving Story.

How the wind blows! It is a November gale, driving everything before it as it sweeps across the bleak hill-top, on which a little red farm-house crouches, as if trying to shield itself from the fury of the nipping wind.

Just off there to the east a strip of gray light shows that the heavy, dull roar, as of millions of disembodied spirits bewailing their doom, comes from the great, surging Atlantic, which under the influence of the sweeping northwester piles the spray high up on the beach and rocky points.

To one well protected from this attack of the elements by soft, warm clothing, the contact with the fierce wind king, as he comes driving across this bare hill-top, would bring more of pleasure than of pain; but to the child who struggles along through stinging snow-squalls, whose every flake driven by the gale becomes a point of torment, nothing cheerful is evolved from this fury of the elements.

She wraps her threadbare cloak the closer about her chilled form as a fiercer blast than usual curdles the very blood in her veins, and presses on up the lane leading to the farm-house door.

Reaching it, she presses the latch and enters.

No rush of warm air springs to meet her and bring the fresh color in tingling currents to the pinched face.

No glowing hearth or radiating stove fills the room with the comfort of its presence. The picture is all one of bleakness and desolation.

In an adjoining room a low, moaning sound tells of suffering and pain. The low "living-room" is as clean and neat as hands can make it, and the thin, patched dress, which so illy protects the form of the elderly woman sitting quietly by the table, is neat, and with some pretensions to former comfort.

She arises as the child enters the door, and taking the chilled form in her own arms, seeks to instill a little warmth into the numbed fingers and frozen body.

"My poor child, to think that you should have to suffer so, and I not able to help you! Oh, Amy, my baby, what is to become of us? Did you see Mr. Norton, dear?"

"Yes, mamma," and the child's mouth quivers, while the rich blood mantles face and forehead.

"And what was his answer?"

"He said that if we wanted to go to the poor-house he would send a team for us, but as for giving us anything now, he would not do it."

"Oh, merciful Heaven, dost thou hear?" murmurs the mother; "but you are silent, child; did he say anything more?"

"Yes."

"What, Amy?"

"He said, mamma, that Tom Barton and his family had carried matters with a high hand for many years, and now it would not hurt them to suffer a while, and I just slammed the door in his face and started on a run for home, and did not mind the cold a bit, I was so mad. Oh, mother, I wish I could kill him!"

"My child, my dear one, you must not give way so to passion," said Mrs. Barton, as the child throws herself down by her side in a whirlwind of sobs and cries.

"And this can not last much longer. The biting cold will prove more merciful than unfeeling humanity," murmurs the mother, as the child's passion dies away into an occasional sob.

A call from an inner room causes her to hasten in that direction, when a loud double knock at the outer door makes her stop and hasten to lift the latch, when a trimly-dressed groom, whom she readily recognizes as the especial servant of Isabella Leland, daughter of the wealthy Squire, whose elegant mansion can be descried from the farm-house window, steps into the room.

"Can you tell me where or which way from here Mr. Joseph Smith lives, ma'am?" he inquires, touching his hat.

Even as he is receiving the desired information, the man's eyes quietly take in the cheerless room and its occupants, and noting the half-frozen look upon the faces of the woman and child, James, being an unusually sensible specimen of his kind, is not slow in forming his conclusions.

Thanking the matron for her information, he withdraws, and if either of the farm-house occupants were curious enough to follow his movements they might see a bay horse going at a mad gait down the road where it comes out from under the shadows of the hill, and off in the direction of the Leland manor.

The day wears slowly on, the fierce gale still continues, and through innumerable cracks and crevices creeps into the red farm-house.

Thomas Barton lays still and cold in the little bed-room, his breath, coming in cruel gasps, while beside his bed sit mother and daughter, helpless to assist him, the unbidden tears flowing silently down their pinched and hollow cheeks.

Yet this is Thanksgiving day. The thought comes with a startling distinctness to the mind of the mother as, in glancing around the little room, her eyes fall upon a picture of a handsome young fellow, dressed in sailor costume, which hangs on the wall at the foot of the bed.

To-day he was to have returned, but the angry waves have swallowed up both ship and her gallant crew, while grasping usurers and bad seasons have reduced the old farm-house and its occupants to this.

"It must not be; your father must not die so, Amy. Remain here by his side, and I will hasten to the village for relief. All can not be so hard-hearted as Cyrus Norton. Some one will hear my prayers."

Hurriedly wrapping herself in the worn shawl and hood, Mrs. Barton is about to start forth, when a sharp rattle of wheels is heard outside, and a minute later a gentle knock comes at the door, followed by a lifting of the latch, and a young lady, warmly wrapped in furs, and bright and rosy from a brush with the north wind, steps into the room, followed by a man bearing two huge baskets, from the tops of which project certain suspicious necks of bottles, while a soft aroma which enters with the new-comers tells of innumerable delicacies which these hampers are likely to contain.

"There, John, just set them down there by the table, and go out and assist James," cries Bella Leland, as she crosses over to the astonished Mrs. Barton, who stands dazed by the suddenness of the angelic apparition, unable to say a word.

"You must forgive me, Mrs. Barton," cries Bella, with outstretched hands. "I heard that Mr. Barton was seriously ill, and I knew you had no one to assist you, so took the liberty of bringing over a few things. Oh, yes," as the rattle of wood being unloaded fell upon their ears, "I thought possibly your supply of fuel might run short, so just had one of the farm-hands bring over enough to last until this period of bad weather is over."

As she says this Bella lays aside her cloak and bustles around, touching here and there the different things in the room, while James busies himself with the stove, so that a grateful heat now radiates through the room, under cover of which Bella diplomatically forgets to mention what part James's visit in the morning has played in the little surprise.

Under the cover of a gossipy chatter, Miss Leland, with the assistance of the child, unpacks the generous hampers, and it is not long before the little red farm-house glistens with life and joy, bidding brave defiance to the old wind-god, who blows and whistles outside.

"Heaven bless you, my dear!" cries Mrs. Barton, reverently kissing the little soft hands, as they are rested for an instant on her shoulders. "I was too proud to say anything before, but we were slowly starving to death."

"Never mind now, my dear madam," says Bella, gently. "It is Thanksgiving Day, you know, and let us now forget the past and think only of the present."

Such a jolly time as the little room sees the rest of that November day! Even the sick father grows stronger, and the gasping breaths die away under the generous diet prescribed by the heiress, and which she herself administers.

How the old elasticity returns to the mother's step and joy to her heart, as she sees the healthful glow once more creep into Amy's cheeks and the merry heart-song comes bubbling up to her lips!

From the depths of despair they have, by the kind thoughtfulness of another, risen to the heights of the keenest pleasure.

"If Philip were only here!" is the single thought that comes to the mother's heart as she sits at the head of the modest table, while the all-pervading warmth makes each homely chair and each article in the room, from the little chintz-covered lounge in the corner, take on a cheerful home-look.

To Amy, child-like, the beautiful Miss Leland, with her bright, loving ways and delicate generosity, seems the incarnation of all that is good. Never in all her conquests did Bella Leland receive such adoring homage as comes this afternoon from the grateful heart of this child.

Gradually the deepening shades of the evening twilight show that the short day is drawing to a close, and across the lowland, just from the edge of the village, the comfortable pony phaeton, Miss Leland's especial property, is discovered coming for its pretty mistress.

As that young lady is wrapping her graceful form in the warm jacket, preparatory to a start, the door suddenly opens and a stalwart, bearded figure dashes into the room, pausing suddenly as he observes Miss Leland standing there; only for an instant, however, for with a glad cry Mrs. Barton springs into the outstretched arms, exclaiming: "My boy, my boy!" while Amy clings closely to the skirts of the rough jacket, crying: "Brother Philip, you ain't dead; you didn't go down with the vessel! Oh, I'm so glad; I'm so glad!"

Seeing the shape matters have taken, Miss Leland, with gentle tact, slips quietly out, and, jumping into the phaeton, is soon lodged in the handsome little boudoir at the manor, haunted, however, with the remembrance of a sturdy form in a rough jacket, which bears a strong resemblance to Philip Barton.

In the meantime, Philip had been made acquainted with the history of the summer, winding up with the incidents of the day drawing to a close.

"I am sure I hardly know what we would have done," adds Mrs. Barton, "had Miss Leland not arrived just as she did."

"And she was so kind, too, brother Phil," cries Amy. "She's an angel; that's what she is."

"Angel or not, I am deeply in her debt for what she has done for you all this day," cried Philip, heartily; "but hereafter you shall not want for anything while I live. I have enough for all."

Philip's story, briefly told, is that, when the vessel was supposed to be sinking, all deserted her but himself and one other. After the abatement of the storm they managed to rig a jury mast and sail, when, being not far from land, they brought the vessel and cargo intact into port. A heavy salvage had been awarded them, which, divided between the two, gave each a small fortune, which, together with the liberal praise bestowed, was enough to have turned the head of a less sensible young man. Not being at a port where he could mail a letter to the folks at home, announcing his safety, Philip waited till he should come himself, which he expected would be very soon. He was delayed, however, and in the meantime the report of the ship's foundering and the loss of himself and companion had been set afloat by the portion of the crew who took to the boats.

"But now we are all right once more, mother," he cries, as he finishes the narration, "and hereafter I will try to remain ashore."

Strangely enough, several weeks pass before Miss Leland can muster up courage enough to again visit the red farm-house and its inmates, but one bright, pleasant morning the jaunty phaeton draws up before the low-lying house, where its occupant is welcomed at the door with open arms.

A presentation to "my son Philip" follows, and the young lady finds it hard to recognize in the quiet, tastefully-dressed gentleman the rough-looking fellow who burst so unceremoniously into the house on Thanksgiving Day. Clothes, you know, sometimes effect great changes. The acquaintance ripens with the opening spring, and the thousand and one friends of the beautiful heiress are startled to learn, later in the season, in fact in time to furnish food for a delicious dish of watering-place gossip, that Miss Bella is engaged to a young manufacturer "up country."

"I know positively nothing about him, my dear; he was formerly a sailor, or something of that sort, I believe," is the invariable answer to the question as to who he is.

Bella, however, is satisfied, and this is of more importance, probably, than the wishes of her pseudo friends.

They are quietly married in the early fall, and not very far away from the little red farm-house, which neither Philip nor Bella, will suffer to be touched, rises a handsome home, where, the next Thanksgiving Day, a merry party is gathered, and into which no chill ghost of grim misery is suffered to approach, even so near as the outermost boundary of the wide-stretching lawn that reaches away toward where the tall chimneys just on the edge of the village tell of the presence of the great factories of Leland-Barton.

Shameful System of Female Slavery.

After supper the rancher called our attention to a comely-looking squaw and three pretty half-breed children, who sat in the room. "I gave a pretty good horse for her," he said. "She was very pretty then." I inquired if he was married, and Mince gave some facts which are rather startling. The purchase of Indian girls into slavery by white men, under the pretense of marriage, was referred to by one of the chiefs who spoke at the Standing Rock peace council, described in my last letter, and what our host said corroborates all I have previously heard about the shameful practice. Several years ago he went to the Standing Rock agency and bought an Indian girl, to whom he was afterward lawfully married. Several children were born, and the wife, wearied of toiling in the fields from daylight until dark, ran away and rejoined her tribe. Then Mince bought his present squaw and brought her home. She is not allowed to eat at the same table with the rancher, although she labors at least ten hours a day and cooks all the meals, and Mince informed me that when the unfortunate woman does not please him he beats her. This system of female slavery is much more extensive than the public generally suppose. Scores of white men are accumulating wealth from the physical labors of these poor women and their children. Captain Boyton says that a few days ago a white woodcutter bought a twelve-year-old Indian girl for $150 at the Berthold agency, and it was regarded there as an ordinary business transaction. As all half-breed children are entitled to rations and clothing from the Indian agencies, the importance of this immoral slavery question as a mere matter of governmental economy is self-evident. This is a phase of the Indian question which is kept in the background, but it is a fruitful source of evil and misery which needs immediate attention.—*Montana Cor. N. Y. Herald.*

Keely and His Motor Secret.

The contest for the possession of the secrets of the Keely motor promises to be a lively one. In accordance with the resolution adopted at the meeting of the Board of Directors last week, Mr. Keely yesterday forwarded to the New York Committee of Directors a statement of what he proposed to do for them. It is said that in this document he agreed that a special committee of the directors might be appointed, for whom he would take his generator apart, make working drawings of the apparatus, and have them placed with a safe deposit company for the use of the stockholders in case of his death. The vitalizing force he holds to be his own secret, and refuses to divulge how the power is obtained or anything relating to it. As a result of this the committee telegraphed to Philadelphia for copies of certain contracts and some other agreements with Keely. They will meet to-day and compare the latest propositions of the motor man with some of his previous declarations.

The members of the Board of Directors are fighting among themselves, the New Yorkers striving hard to compel Keely to reveal his secrets, while the Philadelphians, who have his ear, are endeavoring to get the discoverer to hold out until he secures a controlling interest in the stock. While this is transpiring the stock is being hammered down in the market, and is said it will reach $1 per share in a short time.

If Keely persists in refusing to give up what he knows the New Yorkers declare they will take him into court, hoping to obtain some information from him there.—*Philadelphia Record.*

—If one dog can be placed on a scent, how many dogs can be placed on a trade dollar?—*Waterbury American.*

"A Little Fast."

A murder trial which is now in progress gives us a view of the habits and temptations of the lower middle classes of this country. A pretty young girl, the child of respectable parents, was found murdered. The young man with whom she has been most intimate is put on trial charged with the crime. It is proved that she had been in the habit of driving alone with him, of going with him to the theaters and public gardens at all hours, and of remaining out all night at places of amusement. Yet witnesses testified in the trial that she was considered by her own class to be a virtuous girl, simply fond of fun, and a "little fast." Her mother, even, seems to have entered but a feeble protest against her absence from home all night.

Hardly a week passes in which the daily papers do not give accounts of young girls who are missing from their homes. They usually are found by their friends or parents, sometimes rescued morally unharmed in distant cities to which they have wandered with a vague longing for adventure. But as a rule, the rescue comes too late. The adventure has ended in death, like this for which the young man is on trial to-day, or in ruin far worse than death.

In our country towns, too, cases of immorality frequently occur that never find their way into the papers. There is an outbreak of despair in some quiet farm-house, a fury of scandal in the neighborhood, a young man is disgraced and sent away, to begin, perhaps, his life over again elsewhere. But a girl, more innocent than he, remains behind. She is the victim. Contrition and despair avail nothing for her. Her life is ruined.

We would not allude to this subject did we not know that the *Companion* enters thousands of homes of the very class in which these tragedies most frequently occur. That they do occur is in part due to the circulation of foul, exciting novels and low story-papers among these boys and girls. The principal cause, however, lies deeper than this. It springs from the neglect of parents to interest themselves in the amusement of their children. Such parents clothe, feed and provide their children with work, but they give little thought or attention to their reading or their recreations. In their leisure hours, when they are most open to temptation, the young people are turned loose together. Drives, walks, dances and kissing-plays kept up half the night, are the recreations of these untrained young people who are totally unguarded by their parents. If it is no discredit in the eyes of parents or neighbors for a girl to be loud, fond of beaus and "a little fast," who is to blame if ruin follows?—*Youth's Companion.*

The Wrong Girl.

His name was Augustus Smythe; he was a clerk in a dry-goods store, and didn't earn enough to starve decently on, but with that sublime assurance which distinguishes the la-de-dah young man of the day, he was paying attention to the prettiest girl in Detroit. He managed, by not paying his washer-woman or tailor, to take her to operas and theaters, but as times were getting hard, he concluded to marry her and save the expense of boarding. By some process of mental arithmetic known to the genus, he decided that what was not enough for one was enough for two, and forthwith he concluded to pop. He knew that his persistent visits had kept all other young men away, so he had no fears of a trial. When the time came and he found himself in the company of his Laura in her papa's comfortable parlor, he leisurely seated himself by her on the sofa, took her little dimpled hand, used only to tinkle the piano with, and said, in a bronze voice:

"Dear Miss Laura, I have concluded to marry."

Laura started, as he intended she should. Then he resumed, grandiloquently: "I want a dear little girl about your size, with a great big heart, just like yours, to share my lot."

"Is it on Jefferson Avenue?" murmured Laura.

"No, dearest, it is on Croghan Street; but what are localities to hearts that love? I want a girl who is good tempered, smart, economical, and who loves Me! Darling, do you know of such a one?"

Laura faintly: "Yes, oh yes, I am sure I do."

"One who would rather live with me in poverty than dwell with some other man in riches? Who would esteem it a pleasure to serve me, cook my meals, keep the house tidy, and listen for my footsteps? Who would rise early and sit up late for my sake?"

"Oh, how beautiful," murmured Laura; "just like a dear, self-sacrificing man!"

"Do you know such a one, my angel?"

"Yes, I do," responded Laura, fervently; "but you must not call me your angel, for she might not like it; she's in the kitchen now washing the dishes, and she told mother she'd just as leave get married this winter as live out, if she only felt able to support a husband. She's just the girl you want, and she'll love you within an inch of your life."

But Augustus Smythe had fled into the outer darkness; the too muchness of the occasion overcame him like a summer cloud.—*Detroit Post and Tribune.*

—A few weeks ago a large box attracted the attention of the traffic superintendent at the Birsula station of the Odessa section of the Southwest Railway. It had been sent off from Pultawa and was addressed to Odessa. It was opened, and inside was discovered the body of an aged Jew. Under the corpse was found a note, on which was written in the Little Russian language, "If Jews will not quit the country living, we shall send you out dead."

—A tame partridge has lived in the woods at Parker's Mills, Oakham, Mass., since December, 1879. Coming at the call of "biddie," or the striking of two boards together, it will even perch on the shoulder of a stranger, but any undue familiarity is promptly resented. The sportsmen of the vicinity know the bird and respect its freedom.

SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

—A society for the promotion of experimentation in navigation of the air has been formed in Berlin. All plausible ideas and inventions in that direction are to be encouraged, aided, and thoroughly tested. A permanent station for giving aerial voyagers a good start on their flying trips is to be provided. The main object of the association will be the attainment of some practical and trustworthy method of steering balloons or other air ships, this being the first point to be overcome, and no progress being possible without it.

—From a privately issued report on silk cultivation in the Chinese province of Kwangtung, it appears that in the Pakhoi district, on the southern seaboard, wild silkworms are found, which feed on the camphor tree, and their silk is utilized in a singular manner. According to Nature, when the caterpillar has attained its full size, and is about to enter the *papa* state, it is cut open, and the silk extracted in a form much resembling catgut. This substance having undergone a process of hardening, makes excellent fish-line, and is generally used for that purpose in the Pakhoi district.

—The chicken-hatching machine in the Paris Electrical Exhibition deserves celebration as well as other electrical contrivances. It is an ordinary egg-hatching machine, in which the heat is regulated by a thermometer, the surface of the mercury in which, as it rises or falls, acts by electric wires and a magnet upon a ventilator, which opens as soon as the heat rises to 104 degrees and shuts when it begins to fall too low. It has been observed that machine-hatched chickens suffer from lonesomeness, and do not eat so well as those who hear a mother's constant voice; and so the ingenious proprietor of this machine is now constructing a telephone which will convey to his henless chicks, scattered in different cages about a meadow, the clucking of a central hen.

—The Herz system of telephony has excited special attention among electricians in Europe, on account of the surprising distances through which telephonic communication has been maintained by it, and especially since the announcement that a conversation had been carried on through the cable connecting Brest and Penzance—a thing generally considered impossible, on account of the comparatively sluggish action of the electric current in submerged cables. The Herz system—by which conversation, it is stated, has been carried on through an actual distance of over 600 miles over circuits having no special adaptation to telephonic communication—claims to have solved two difficult problems, viz., that of increasing the amplitude of electrical vibrations, and of neutralizing currents foreign to the telephonic circuit.

—Charles Brush, of Cleveland, O., is declared to have perfected a new invention for storing electricity. The design consists of a battery in the same sense as in Plante's and Faure's, but the details are entirely different and do not infringe upon the rights of either. Mr. Brush uses for his storage reservoir metal plates so arranged that they are capable of receiving a very large charge of electricity and of holding it for an indefinite time. The storage reservoirs vary in size as desired, may be transported from place to place and used as desired. Each citizen may then run his own electric light as he pleases; the plates can be put on street cars, connected with the axles, and made to run the cars without horses, and steam cars may be ultimately run in the same way. The practical character of the invention is said to be settled, and it is simply a matter of expense, but the details of the methods are not made public.

PITH AND POINT.

—The man who went to work with a will must have been a lawyer.—*Lowell Citizen.*

—It was at the Music Hall not long since that a lady remarked to a visiting friend, after a solo on the big organ, "That's all very well, but you just wait till they put on the *vox populi*."—*Boston Courier.*

—It was a negro who remarked after a short but tempestuous voyage at sea that he was a land lubber. He said he lubbed it so well that he never wanted to go to sea again, for sure.—*Boston Transcript.*

—When an object is brought too close to the human eye it can not be seen; for that reason we can not see a fault in ourselves which we plainly see in others. P. S.—And lots of us don't want to.—*Steubenville Herald.*

—A Rockland man saw advertised "a sure cure for drunkenness." He forwarded the necessary dollar and received by return mail, written on a valuable postal card in beautiful violet ink, the magic words, "Don't drink."—*Rockland Courier.*

—The force of habit will assert itself. A man selling the carcass of his dead horse to a soap-fat man worked hard over the trade, and laid great stress upon the fact that the animal was of a kind disposition. He also lied about the age of the deceased.—*Boston Post.*

—Christmas cards grow larger, more artistic and more expensive. In a few years a young man that has only a couple of hundred dollars to spend during the holidays will be undecided whether to buy his girl a Christmas card or a gold watch and chain. *Norristown Herald.*

—The landlords of Yorktown celebrated the Centennial by charging $10 a day for beds in the hay-mow. If it was the ancestors of these brigands who charged at Yorktown, we don't wonder that Cornwallis surrendered. The only wonder is that he didn't have to go back to England in his bare feet, with a blanket pinned around his neck.—*Burlington Hawkeye.*

A maiden went into the water
To bathe; but her mamma she sater,
And after some effort she cater,
And back to the seabeach she brater,
Like a lamb led away to the slater.
She told her she always had thater
An obedient, dutiful dater,
And if she had done as she'd tater,
She'd have staid on the shore; and she'd dater
Resist her desire for the water.

—*Puck.*

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THERE was a slight earthquake at San Jose, California, last week.

TRAINS on the Union Pacific road have been blocked by snow already this season.

EL PASO is going to have a bull fight on the 14th of December, next, in honor of her railroad connections.

THE ISSUE of $4,000,000 in nickel two and five cent pieces, has been prohibited by the Mexican congress.

IT IS said there is a secret organization in Ohio, of which the members swear to kill Guiteau, should he be acquitted.

GUITEAU seems to have his own way to a great extent in the court room. One would think he was the judge by his actions.

A DISASTROUS fire occured at Lawler, Iowa, on the night of Nov. 20, destroying eleven of the finest business houses in the town.

NEARLY all the trains running into St. Louis, are again cut off by the extensive wash-outs caused by the recent rains in that section.

SMALL-POX is raging in Dayton, Washington Territory, there being ninety-three cases in town and new cases are reported every day.

IMMIGRANTS need not be afraid to come to Texas, for they can see by her exhibition, at the Atlanta exposition, that she is capable of doing a great deal more than has been anticipated.

THE ILLUSTRATED papers are representing Arthur as a very handsome man. He must have improved considerably, since three or four months ago they represented him as a Broadway swell.

FORTUNATELY for Cincinnati, nature has solved the problem of cheap illumination. In boring an artesian well in that city recently, a bountiful stream of gas was encountered, and when lighted it sent up a flame seven feet high.

A MEMBER of the Danville, Illinois, fire department was shot recently, while setting fire to a building, and six members have been arraigned on the charge of systematic incendiarism, which has destroyed property to the amount of $75,000.

THE TOTAL number of immigrants which arrived in this country from foreign countries during the four months ending Oct, 31st, was 239,732, as against 216,533 during the same time last year. There were sixty-seven thousand arrivals in the month of October alone, and during October 1880, there were 61,000.

IT IS said that Blaine is worth a million dollars. It appears rather singular to us how rich all Republicans become after holding a public position for a short time. It seems but yesterday that Mr. Blaine was teaching school in Kentucky at sixty dollars a month, and that hard to collect; and now he is building a residence in Washington City, worth $80,000.

ACCORDING to the census returns for 1880 Texas has a total agricultural area already settled, of 124,900 square miles; 48,200 of this amount have from 2 to 6, 48,500 5 to 8, and 28,500 have from 18 to 45 inhabitants to the square mile. It is further stated by reports, that agriculture is not carried to such a point as to afford employment and support a population of more than 45 to the square mile.

The connection between the Texas and Pacific and the Southern Pacific roads will be made in ten or twelve days, eighty miles east of this city; and the connection between Shreveport and New Orleans *via* the New Orleans and Pacific will be made in the same time. There will thus be a continuous railway communication between San Francisco on the west and Galveston and New Orleans on the east before December 1st.—*El Paso Lone Star.*

MR. EDWIN BOOTH is a good example of a devoted husband and if there were more of such a class the world would be the better for it. He is still inconsolable at the loss of his wife and refuses to see his most intimate friends. He was always devoted to Miss Mary McVickers as a lover, and she has shown herself a most devoted wife. He will in his future portrayal of death and death-bed scenes, be affected by the dread reality.

THE PEOPLE of the little town of Clayton, N. J., being determined that there should be no liquor sold in their town, formed a joint-stock company and bought out the hotel with its stock of liquors. The latter they concluded to burn, so the people were called out to witness the funeral of King Alcohol. Speeches were made, the doxology sung, and the torch applied to the remains. The hotel will hereafter be kept as a temperance establishment. The value of the liquors destroyed was $261.

Cheaper Railroad Rates.

The most noticeable fact in the business of railroads in this country, next to the enormous increase of that business, is the cheapening of rates of carriage. In 1869 the cost of moving thirteen tons of freight from Chicago to Boston was $300; in 1879 it had been reduced to $102—and still further reduction has been made in the last two years. The amount of freight carried in 1873 by thirteen leading trunk lines and their feeders was 45,000,000 tons; the amount carried over the same roads in 1880 was 78,150,000 tons, the increase being over 71 per cent. But the receipts for carying, which were $112,000,000 in the year 1873, were only $143,000,000 in 1880. While, therefore, the amount of freight moved, increased 71 per cent, in the six years, the cost of moving it increased only 28 per cent. In 1873 the charges for carrying freight were 1.77 cents a ton per mile; in 1880 it was only 1.07 cents, a decrease of over 39 per cent. The amount of freight moved over the New York Central, the Erie and the Pennsylvania roads trebled in the period from 1868 to 1880, and in the same time the carrying rates were reduced 50 per cent. This shows that the minimum of railroad freight charges had not yet been reached, and that the constant tendancy is towards that undetermined limit. How low the rates will become, in the end, it is impossible to conjecture. They are so low now as to have completely silenced the clamor against the high charges of a few years ago and they are still tending downward by the voluntary action of the companies that own the roads. In view of this fact, it is doubtful if there is now, or ever was, any real need for legislative definition of railroad rates. As long as competition between the roads is reducing rates to lower units than legislatures themselves propose, it would appear unwise for legislatures themselves to interfere. Another fact brought out by recent statistics is, that those trunk lines have most largely increased their traffic which have most largely reduced their rates. —showing that gradual and reasonable reductions in charges are steps to a greater prosperity. *Missouri Republican.*

Money Ending in Smoke.

For the year ending June 30, 1880, there were 567,386,982 cigarettes used in the United States, upon which a revenue duty was levied of a little less than a million of dollars. Americs is to-day the great cigarette-smoking nation of the world. Of course there are millions of cigarettes used which pay no duty. This is the most objectionable of all forms of tobacco smoking. The paper is itself bad for the mouth, and the nicotine acts directly and with poisonous effect upon the teeth and tongue. Cigarettes are made from the refuse of the tobacco plant, from old stumps and waste; and the most popular brands are doctored with opium. Were it not for the apparently harmless cigarette hundreds of thousands of our boys would never learn to smoke.—*From Demorest's Monthly for October.*

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Behold the printer. He is hunting for a pick up of half a line. He has been hunting for two hours. He could have set the half line in twenty seconds, but it is a matter of principle with him never to set what he can pick up. The printer has a hard time. He has to set type all night and play pedro for the beer all day. We would like to be a printer were it not for the night work.—*Denver Tribune Printer.*

THE Taylor County Court, convened at Buffalo Gap, was held the full extent of time—two weeks. The Grand Jury also was kept busy at work the full extent of that time, and presented thirty bills of indictment—fifteen felonies and fifteen misdemeanors. This term of court, held by special judge, Chas. I. Evans, was said to have been a very pleasant and satisfactory one.

IT WOULD be too bad, to have the trial of Guiteau last so long that he would die a natural death, but the law may be cheated out of its victim if it does not get through with before long, for there seems to be fools enough in the world that are willing to put their neck in the halter for the sake of killing Guiteau.

Owing to the appearance of a new and important witness, Mr. John Davidson, the grand jury did not find a bill of indictment in the Ivey affair. Mr. Davidson was herding some cattle within a short distance from where the shooting occurred, and was an eye witness to the whole affair. Owing to his evidence, we are informed, the jury failed to indict.

A Big Sheep Ranch.

It comprises 20,000 acres of some of the very best land in Dakotah, and is owned by John W. Bookwalter, one of the candidates for governor of Ohio. It is on Mission Creek, fifteen miles from the Kansas border. On this ranch are 18,000 sheep, and the number constantly increasing. The great West contains many gigantic farms. Sheep and cattle raising requires, of course many acres, but some of the corn and wheat farms are also very large, running into the thousand of acres. In Europe, small farms have been found the most productive, and east of the Alleghanies one and two hundred acre farms are the rule, larger ones the exception. But the machinery which has been invented within the last quarter of a century has made it possible to convert a farm into a species of manufactory. Land is required to use machines to advantage, and men of means have discovered that if land is cheap and the rates of grain transportation to the seaports very low, that it pays to invest money in machinery to till large farms. Some day this will create political trouble, for it will not be possible to work a small farm economically by the side of an immense plantation, the owner of which has wealth and machinery. There has been a revolt already in California against the ownership of so much land by very few persons, and where vacant land is all taken up, the landless will view with envy the vast farms owned by the few rich men.—*From Demorest's Monthly for November.*

Substitutes for Lumber.

THE attention of people in general is attracted by the growing scarcity of timber, and the importance of devising some kind of a substitute. It is now stated that a house could be built of glass blocks about as cheaply as from granite rock. It would be well for some glass manufacturer to make the demonstration. It is claimed also that fireproof houses can be built of cotton and straw. In preparing these materials, raw cotton of inferior quality, the scattered refuse of plantations and sweepings of factories, are mixed and converted into a paste, which becomes hard as a stone, and then is called architectural cotton. It may be made in large slabs whereby the building of a house would be rapid compared with the practice of laying brick upon brick, and at about one-third the cost. For the other part wheat straw is converted into pasteboard. The sheets thus prepared are soaked in a solution, which hardens the fibers, and then are compressed under enormous power into beams and board of any desired size, and the soaking is said to render them difficult of combustion.—Ex.

How to Live on Ten Dollars a Week.

A man to live on $10 a week and another to support must live at home. If he lives out he will get inferior food and become discontented, and those depending on him will have to go short at home. He should spend on lodging, $2; on food for two, $5; on coals, light, dress, etc., $3. Pieces of fried meat are extravagant; stews, with vegetables are profitable; fish dressed with sauce and vegetables, to make meals is profitable; so are fish pies; good well-thickened soups; fruit puddings; small pieces of roast for Sunday with accompanying vegetables and well-selected pudding. A small peice of chuck beef roasted and well covered with a Yorkshire pudding a few parsnips and some baked potatoes; for desert, some pears stewed. A home-made cake, and a little cold meat, with home pickles or cresses, for tea or supper. These are the combinations.—[*Food and Health*

In Memoriam.

WHEREAS, on the 16th day of November, 1881, it pleased the Supreme Master and Creator of the Universe to call from our midst Miss Sirlenia Catharine Whitley, the beloved daughter of W. C. and Catherine P. Whitley, to rest with the angels, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Miss S. C. Whitley, the church has lost one of its most zealous members, society one of its brightest ornaments, the Sabbath School one of its most worthy members, and her family a loving and affectionate daughter.

Resolved, That Baird Lodge I.O.O.F. revere the memory and deplore the loss of Miss Whitley, the beloved daughter of our worthy D. D. G. M., W. C. Whitley, and that we, as brothers offer up to her memory before the world our last tribute of affection, we commend her soul to the mansions of the blest.

Resolved, that we hereby tender to the family our deepest sympathy in this their sad bereavement, and commend them to the care and keeping of that God who has promised to be a father to the sorrowing and afflicted. Be it further

Resolved, That Baird Lodge tender to our worthy D. D. G. M. a copy of these Resolutions which shall be printed in the CALLAHAN COUNTY CLARENDON and that a copy be kept on record of Baird Lodge.

Respectfully Submitted in F.L.& T.,
PH. SHWARTZ,
C. H. RUST,
L. B. VEIT.

IT IS announced that the gap will be closed between the Texas & Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads by next Monday, the 28th inst.

Over The State.

The top crop of cotton, in this state, is reported a failure.

Two hundred and ten students attend the Stephenville high school.

The total debt of Texas is about five million during the past year.

Snow fell to the depth of half an inch, at Mobeetie, on the 13th inst.

Three persons were bitten by a mad dog, at Houston, on Sunday last.

Total Custom House receipts at Galveston for the month of October, $209,628.

Munroe, a horsethief, was arrested in the court house at Orange, a short time since.

The total receipts at the Land Office for the year ending September 1st were $81,691.

The store of W. W. McDowell, at Waco, was destroyed by fire Sunday morning last.

The manufacture of paper from the cactus plant will probably be carried on at Laredo.

A man named Lewis, while resisting arrest was shot through the head by an officer, at Palestine.

It is said that work has commenced on Huntington's road from Eagle Pass to the City of Mexico.

The Missouri Pacific road will be completed to Waco by the 1st of December, if the weather is favorable.

In a shooting affray at Hearne, the other day, a negro was shot in the head by a white man by the name of Dixon.

A fire which occurred in Sherman, last week, consumed the Tremont House and Sherman House, also 1,500 bales of hay.

John Gordon has been sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of John A. Dodds, county commissioner of Orange.

There are 115 criminal cases on the court record of Ft. Worth, which are to be tried at the present term of court now in session.

Railroad construction train, crossed the Rio Grande at Laredo, on the 21st, and work will be pushed toward the interior of Mexico.

The Reciprocal Aid Association of Texarkana, has filed a charter and proposes to pay each member who gets married $2000

The International Railroad is now completed eight miles beyond Cactus Station, and passenger trains are now running to that place.

General Dodge says the construction companies have built 1,200 miles of railroad in Louisiana and Texas in the last eighteen months and have spent $25,000,000.

There are some six hundred or more bales of cotton in the yard at Cleburne, waiting to be shipped, and it is still coming in at the rate of about a hundred bales a day.

The Chicago, Texas and Mexican Central road has sufficient iron in Dallas to complete their road to Cleburne, and with good weather will reach the latter place in a month.

The engineers of the Sabine & North Texas Railroad Company, have been somewhat delayed in laying out the depot grounds and right-of-way, at Marshall, by the recent heavy weather.

On Sunday evening last, a lady by the name of Miss Rinkel, fell thirty feet from the railroad bridge at Houston, crushing her shoulder, and breaking three ribs. Her recovery is considered doubtful.

From a farm in Gillespie, at the Austin fair, was a bushel of wheat weighing nine-ty pounds. There were a number of bushels on exhibit from Travis county weighing from sixty to sixty-five pounds each.

The army worm, or a similar pest, has played havoc with many fields of wheat in north Texas that a few days ago looked unusually well. We hear of many cases where the farmers have plowed up their fields and sowed again.

The deficiency in the receipts of cotton, at Galveston, since August, aggregate 31,132 bales. The shrinkage in exports for the same period is 1,829 bales, and the excess of stock as compared with that of the same period last year is 63,557.

A quiet, peaceable young man, aged about twenty-five years, by the name of Martin, was murdered on the road between Thompson's Ferry and Judge L. L. Wood's residence on Monday the 21 inst. When the body was found it contained nine bullets. The trouble which caused his death, originated at a dance on the night of the 18th.

The charter of the Galveston and Rio Grande railway company was filed on the 8th. The line as proposed begins at Galveston and passes through Galveston, Brazoria, Matagorda, Jackson, Victoria, Goliad, Bee, Live Oak, McMullen, Duval and Encinal counties, to Laredo in Webb county; also a branch from a point on the main line in Live Oak county through Duval county to the Rio Grande in Star county. Total mileage about 500.

Tom Moody, the leader of the gang of stage robbers who have terrorized western Texas for years was, on the 8th, sentenced to life imprisonment. This makes the sixth member of this gang who has been sentenced by the present term of the federal court in San Antonio, five of them for life and one for ten years. Two more are to be tried who will no doubt get the full extent of the law. Only one of the gang, Cresswell, remains at large.

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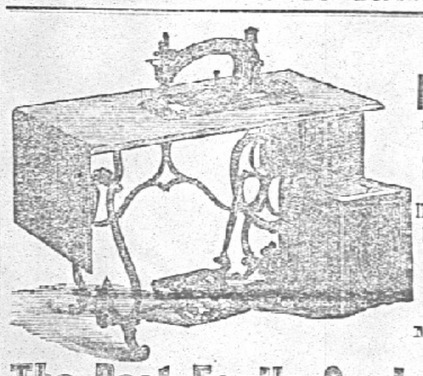
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Every man and woman in Callahan county, who is not at present a subscriber to the Clarendon is respectfully invited to bring or send the sum of two dollars to pay for a copy of their home paper one year.

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By a liberal use of printer's ink P. T. Barnum, the great showman, made a fortune and became famous. Others have been likewise blessed through the same agency. The CLARENDON has a subscription list of which it is not ashamed and the same is increasing daily. Immigrants are arriving and settling in our county very rapidly and they lose no time in finding their way to the CLARENDON office and subscribing for the paper, and reading the advertisements therein, find out who deals in this, that and the other classes of goods and know just who to call on when in need of any article of merchandise, and every business man knows the advantage there is in selling a new settler his first bill of goods—by fair dealing he secures his trade for the future. In view of this fact, we consider it an advantage for all the business men of Callahan county to make liberal use of our columns for the purpose of securing a share of this constantly increasing trade. Our prices are very liberal and within reach of the peanut vender as well as the wholesale merchant.

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State Officers.

Governor—O. M. Roberts.
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Comptroller—W. M. Brown.
Treasurer—F. R. Lubbock.
Commissioner, General Land Office—W. C. Walsh.
Secretary of State—T H Bowman.
Attorney General—J. H. McLeary.

District Officers.

District Judge—T. B. Wheeler.
District Attorney—A. R. Coleman.
District Clerk of Callahan County—J. W. Newman.
Congressman of 3rd Congressional District—Olin Wellborn.
State Senator of the 24th Senatorial District—J. H. Davenport of Eastland County.
Representative of the Seventieth Representative District—C. K. Stribling.

County Officers.

County Judge—T. J. Austin.
County Clerk—J. W. Newman.
Sheriff—J. W. Jones.
County Attorney—F. S. Bell.
County Treasurer—J. G. McDonell.
County Assessor—J. P. Brightwell.
County Surveyor—S. R. Dunnagan.
Cattle and Hide Inspector—Jake Farmer.
County Commissioners—S. C. Pack, Prec. No. 1; W. T. Stayton, Prec. No. 2; ——Hudson, Prec. No. 3; Capt. Taylor, Prec. No. 4.
Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 1—R. B. Brown.

Courts.

District Court for Callahan County Convenes on the Eleventh Monday after the First Mondays in February and September.
County Court for Callahan County on Convenes on the Third Monday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
Commissioners' Court, Convenes on the Second Monday in February, May, August and November.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

Belle Plain Lodge, No. 522, A. F. and A. M. meets at Belle Plain, on Saturday on or before each full moon.
T. J. Largen, W. M.
W. H. Parvin Secy.

Belle Plain Lodge, No. 247, I. O. of O. F. meets every Saturday night at the Court House Hall. J. E. Thomas, N. G. J. N. Reeves, V. G. J. W. Jones, Secretary. Tom Russell, Treasurer.

Baird Lodge, I. O. of O. F. meets at the Academy every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. Philip Schwartz, N. G. C. H. Rust, Secretary.

Church Directory.

Preaching by the Baptist organization, at the school house on third Sunday and Saturday previous, in each month.

Railroad Time Table.

WESTWARD

ARRIVES.

No 8 Mail and Express	11 45 pm
No. 9. Through Freight	11 30 p m
No 11 Local Freight	4 20 am

LEAVES.

No 3 Mail and Express	11 55 p m
No. 9. Local Freight	2 00 a m
No 11 Through Freight	7:25 a m

EASTWARD

ARRIVES.

No 2 Mail and Express	8 45 a m
No 12 Stock Express	12 45 a m
No 10 Local Freight	12 45 p m

LEAVES.

No 2 Mail and Express	8 55 a m
No 12 Stock Express	7 45 p m
No 10 Local Freight	6 30 a m

Arrivals and Departures of Mails.

ARRIVES.

From the East at	11 45 p m
" " West at	8 45 a m
" Belle Plain at	8 00 a m
" Albany at	12 00 m

DEPARTS.

Going East	8 55 a m
" West	11 55 a m
" Belle Plain	9 00 a m
" Albany	1 00 p m

PH. SCHWARTZ, P. M.

LOCAL NEWS.

Go to the I X L for a "smile."

Eureka Spittoons, at J. F. Rettig's

Call and examine our samples of fine job printing.

Christmas tricks at Turner's Drug Store. Call and see them.

You can find cedar churns, cedar buckets etc., at J. F. Rettig's.

If you want a good drink of liquor, go to the Nip & Tuck saloon.

A fine assortment of lamps of all kinds, at the City Drug Store.

Nothing but first class liquors for sale at the Crystal Palace saloon.

Just arrived, one carload of corn, oats, and flour at Hodes & Veit's.

Christmas is coming, and Turner is prepared to make everybody happy.

Just arrived another lot of new Job material at the CLARENDON job office.

Christmas will soon be here and there should be some preparations for it.

Winchester Rifles. Model 1873 for sale at S. L. Robertson's Hardware Store.

A nice venture for some one, for the coming spring, would be a market-garden.

Boys, where do you get your Groceries? Why, at Ed. Coppin's, of course.

Somebody should start a poultry-yard in Baird. They would find a nice little profit in it.

The EARLY BREAKFAST can always be had at my store.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

There was quite a display of immigrants' canvas on our streets, the fore part of the week.

For fine Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Trunks, and gents furnishing goods go to Hodes & Veit's.

The turkey now is seen strutting around and whistling "I am so glad they didn't get me."

Go down to the Nip & Tuck saloon and wash the cobwebs out of your throat.

S. Lapowski & Bro will give you the best bargains in dry goods and provisions.

Mr. F. W. Heyn has moved his family into their new house in the Eastern part of Baird.

Did you ever? No, I never. Then go to the Nip & Tuck immediately, and take a nip.

Go to the I X L. Saloon and see John and George Laird and get a glass of refreshments.

If you wish to spend an evening pleasantly, just step into the Crystal Palace saloon, once.

One of those fine castors is just the thing for a christmas present for your wife, at J. F. Rettig's.

Our fine school building has been improved upon this week by the addition of a neat belfry.

Onion for ever, is what those who buy their onions and other vegetables at S. Lapowski & Bro's, say.

La! How wonderful! But it is a fact that the Nip & Tuck saloon can't be beat for fine wines and liquors.

Go to Hodes & Veit's and see the splendid display of holiday goods which are now on exhibition there.

"Jim why do you look so happy?" "Oh! I just had a good drink at the I X L. Saloon, the boss place in town."

We hear the word snow, ringing in our ear, from every direction, but we fail to see any of the "beautiful" as yet.

Dr. T. J. Largen has sold his residence in Belle Plain, to Mrs. S. A. Carroll, of that place. Compensation $300.

Just received a fine line of Ladies' Hats, Ostrich Plumes, Cloaks, Dolmans, Silks and Satins at Hodes & Veit's.

Don't fail to call at the City Drug Store young man, and procure some of those fine presents, for your sweetheart.

The norther that prevailed last Saturday and Sunday, caused one to feel rather uncomfortable without an overcoat.

There were two large train loads of laborers and track-layers passed through here, on the T. & P. road, bound east.

Yum, yum, yum. Wasn't that good though? Wasn't what good? Why, that drink we just had at the Crystal Palace saloon.

Judge Fleming left yesterday evening for his home in Eastland, having gotten through with his business in court at Belle Plain.

If you would lock your out houses safely, go to J. F. Rettig's for one of those jail locks. He also has knob locks, hinges, butts etc.

Our merchants must be doing considerable business, from the large number of loads of goods which are taken from here every day.

Go to the City Drug Store at once, so as to get first choice of holiday presents, the finest selection that was ever brought to this market.

He smole a pensive smile
And many a wink he wank
He then went to the I X L.
And a good drink he drank.

Sausage cutters and stuffers, and every thing else in the hardware line just arriving at Robertson's. Remember he is head-quarters for every thing in his line.

Building seems to be progressing, as we notice several new buildings which have been put up within the past two weeks, and more are under construction.

The other morning as we were passing down street we saw a painter improving the front of our new fruit store, and we concluded to go and "do likewise" with care.

The pay-car, which passed through here Wednesday caused much rejoicing of the laborers on the road. Some were so over-joyed that they went on a "high lonesome."

Look! Do you see that fellow? Well, he is going to S. Lapowski & Bro's, to get some of their new goods. They keep the most complete stock and sell at the most reasonable prices of any firm in the west.

Sugar, Coffee, Meal, Bacon, Cheese, Pickles, Green Apples, Evaporated Apples, Kiln dried Apples, Grits, Hominy, Rice, Beans, Cordova, Rio, Java and Mocha Coffee, at the City Drug and Grocery Store.

We should like to see more of the young people at the Literary meetings, which are held every Thursday evening at the school house. These meetings might be made interesting and profitable to both old and young, as they give life to the town, and instruction to the members. Let us see better attendance in the future.

Last Thursday night, at the instigation of some of the jolly boys in town, a couple of Irishmen with considerable of "oh be joyful" on board, tried to put heads on each other, but they were too nervous to succeed in that way; later however one of them made the riffle by taking a tumble to himself, off from the depot platform. Dr. West patched his bloody head up, and Pat is still happy.

We are sorry to part with friend F. S. McEwing, from the depot at this place; he has been assigned to the position of depot agent at Toyah. Success attend him wherever he goes. We congratulate Mac. on his promotion.

Last Monday night as the train bearing the laborers and track-layers from the T. & P. terminus, was passing between this place and Cisco, a man was accidentally shot through the leg, by a revolver which one of the gentlemen in the car was examining.

Say, Mr. Meyers, did you ever see wooden-ware, tubs, buckets, sifters, trays, coffee mills, brooms etc., in a furniture store? No, I never did. Hardware stores generally keep them. Well, J. F. Rettig got in a big lot yesterday, and I never saw such a lot of household stuff in a furniture store.

Mr. M. N. Killough, has moved his building from First Street, near the City Hotel, to Market Street between the I X L Saloon, and Hodes & Veit's stone store. This is the second attempt made at moving this building, and we congratulate Mr. Killough upon his success in moving this time, and hope his business will increase ten fold.

It is now the latter part of the Month of November and still the grass is green and thrifty, the oak and mesquite trees are still arrayed in their summer clothing, and the sear and yellow leaf is still not of the things that are; the grass fed beef we eat is still fat as if it had been three months corn fed. Where is the country that can beat this.

Mr P. L. Callahan has been permanently placed in charge of the lumber yard of Wm Cameron, at this place. A better man it would have been hard to find. Mr. Callahan takes the position made vacant by Mr. Burton's going to Colorado to take charge of the lumber yard a while, when he will go to El Paso. We regret to lose so clever a gentleman as he has always proved himself to be.

IN bringing the PRICKLY ASH BITTERS before the public, we claim that it is one of the best remedies extant for the prevention and, cure of all diseases arising from disordered Liver. By using them according to directions they will keep the system in a strong, healthy condition, and prevent any miasmatic influence. Ask your druggist for them.

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There seems to be a general movement on the part of the stockmen throughout this section of the country to hold their cattle, and not allow them to stray off, going many miles south of their home range as they have done for several winters heretofore. They are riding lines and keeping, all cattle turned back upon their range. If this is continued during the winter it will save very many miles ride next Spring and summer, besides cattle will not be driven from pillar to post from early spring to winter, and they will consequently be marketable much earlier in the summer. The cattle lost by straying south in the last two winters would have paid men well for herding them the entire winter.

Editorial Jottings.

We have been for several days of the past week in attendance at the District Court at Belle Plain. This term is the most important one ever held here, first, owing to the fact that Court has not been held before for six months, second, that there are several murder and some very important civil cases on the docket. Quite a number of people are in attendance and during the next week a still larger number may be looked for, a great many persons having been summoned as witnesses and for the two special venires in the murder cases.

Business in town has been very brisk. The popular Power House has been crowded. By ten o'clock Monday morning the beds were all spoken for and a large number of hack and buggy loads of persons were compelled to ride to Baird in order to get accommodations for the night. But ample preparations had been made to feed everybody who might come.

W. J. Power & Co. are doing an immense business. Mr. Power returned last week from Dallas where he had been to purchase goods. These goods are constantly arriving and are being sold as fast as opened.

We met quite a number of our old friends here, many of whom we have not seen for a long time, and it made us feel good all over to hear so many of them complimenting our earnest endeavors to furnish a good county paper. Many of them show their appreciation by solid support.

We are glad that our friend P. H. Grady's case has been dismissed, for Grady would no more steal an ox than go to Heaven in a hand basket.

Perry Langford having been a regular attendant at the District Court for two years is now free to go on his way rejoicing, the Jury having pronounced him innocent.

As far as we are able to learn, Judge Webb's Court is giving very general satisfaction.

Early Breakfast.

Is the best cook stove in the market and for first class medium and cheap stoves none are better than the Plow Boy and Texana, just received and for sale very low at

S. L. ROBERTSON'S.

In the District Court.

In the absence of Judge T. B. Wheeler the members of the bar present proceeded to elect a special judge to hold the term of Court. There were present sixteen attorneys—fourteen votes cast, all of which were for Judge B. R. Webb, of Baird.

After the empanneling of the Grand Jury, of which Mr. D. A. Olds was appointed foreman, the Judge proceeded to deliver his charge which was given in a very clear concise, and able manner and reflected much credit upon our talented young townsman.

The Criminal docket was taken up on Tuesday morning and the cases thereon disposed of as follows:—

The State vs Perry Langford was tried by a jury, and verdict of "not guilty" rendered.

The State vs W. C Tinker was dismissed by the state for want of sufficient evidence.

The State vs Nathan McDow was submitted to a jury, and jury having failed to agree, were discharged, and the case set again for Wednesday of next week.

The State vs W. A. Glenn was continued by the state and a fine of fifty dollars entered against R. Tanner, a defaulting witness.

The State vs P. H. Grady was submitted to a jury, and by consent, a verdict of not guilty was taken.

The State vs Wm. Hyser, charged with murder, was set for Thursday, and a special venire of sixty men ordered for that day. On Thursday, the defendant not having had an entire day's service of list of the jurors summons, the case was again set for next Monday at 9 o'clock a. m.

The State vs Craig Clemor was also set for next Monday, and special venire of sixty men ordered for that day.

The State vs S. R. Dunnagan, county surveyor, was dismissed by the state, it being considered that the facts charged did not constitute an offense.

The State vs Calvin Wilcoxen was set for Wednesday of next week.

The State vs D. Belt was dismissed by the District Attorney.

On the civil docket, the following proceedings were had:

Harriet E. Aikens vs John Aikens, suit for divorce, was continued in order to perfect service.

Rachel Terry vs M. M. Terry, was dismissed by plaintiff at her cost.

J. D. Merchant vs D. F. Gorselton and E. E. Bergin, was also dismissed by the plaintiff.

The two cases of John Bargman and of T. J. Walls vs the T. & P. R. R. Co. were each continued until next term, by consent.

E. R. Shipman vs James Randall was continued to perfect service.

The grand jury up to Thursday noon, had returned nine indictments and will doubtless conclude their labors this week.

J. B. Cutbirth, H. Windham and E. S. Seay were appointed Jury Commissioners for this term of court.

Counsel for James Ivey and Clay Mann, heretofore charged with the murder of George Williford, on Thursday asked the court to discharge the bonds of the defendants on ground that the grand jury had declined to find a bill against the parties. The court declined to entertain the motion until the grand jury should have adjourned, as it still remained within their province to indict, should they see fit to do so.

An Encouraging Letter.

Boston, Mass, Nov. 1st 1881.

EDITOR CLARENDON:—

Dear Sir:—Please find enclosed, four dollars, in payment for two copies of the CLARENDON, one year in advance. I am under the impression my time is about up, and you know I believe in prompt payment to newspaper men, especially when the paper is so generally filled with all that makes a weekly so acceptable as the CLARENDON; of course you understand that as heretofore, one copy comes to me, the other to my son.

I congratulate you upon the enlargement and fine appearance of the CLARENDON, and trust it will be generously supported by the people of Callahan and surrounding counties. I am sure you deserve the gratitude of your community, in your earnest and generous efforts to establish a newspaper in a frontier county. Every business man must at once understand how substantially he is benefitted with such a medium of communication and information as is afforded in the columns of the CALLAHAN COUNTY CLARENDON. Success to you.

With sincere good wishes, I am very truly your friend.

EDWARD J. JONES.

The following is a list of Callahan and visiting attorneys constituting the bar at the present term of the District Court:

B. R. Webb, Special Judge of Callahan.

J. H. Calhoun District Attorney, of Eastland.

F. S. Bell, county attorney, of Callahan.

A. R. Coleman of Coleman.
J. E. Thomas of Callahan.
John Bowyer of Callahan.
Jas. A. Ponge of Hunt.
J. R. Fleming of Eastland.
L. P. Hutchison of Comanche.
N. B. Lindsey of Comanche.
W. H. Cliett of Callahan.
H. M. Chapman of Weatherford.
I. T. Blount of Callahan.
A. J. Little of Callahan.
J. J. Vardiman of Bosque.
W. P. Sebastian of Stephens.

Baird Shipments and Receipts.

The following is a list of the shipments and receipts at the depot at this place, for the week, ending Thursday evening the 24th inst. as furnished us by depot agent Wagner:

SHIPMENTS.

2 cars bones, 3 cars lumber, 3 cars stone, 5 cars stock, 2 cars cotton, 38 sacks pecans, 56 sacks wool, 1 car merchandise.

RECEIPTS.

1 car flour, 5 cars lumber, 1 car corn, 6 cars merchandise.

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Saratoga Chips,
Dried Sweet Corn,
Smoked Hallibut.

Meal, Oat-meal,
Bacon, Citron Peel,
Sugar, Hominy,
Syrups, Cranberries,
Tobacco, Currants,
Tea, Prunes,
Dried Peas, Grits,

And in California Goods,
Bratoria Shrimps,
Appricots,
Grapes,
Asparagus,
Bartlett Pears,

And everything kept in a first-class Grocery Store.

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I am now offering to sell my entire hardware and saddlery business in Baird, together with store house and lot. There is no better business in West Texas; it pays well. An early application will secure the bargain.

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MARRIED.

BARCLAY—ANDREWS—On Nov. 22, at the residence of the bride's parents, in this county, Mr. R. A. Barclay to Miss Ella Andrews, all of this county. Rev. O. M. L. Parker officiating.

COMMERCIAL.

GROCERIES.				
Flour, white per cwt.	$4 50	to	$5 00	
" Graham "			5	c
Meal, corn "			$1 25	
" oat "		to	8	1-3c
Hominy "		to	6	c
Grits "		to	6	c
Rice "	9	to	10	c
Beans "	8	to	9	c
Coffee "	14	to	16	1-2c
Tea "	50	to	$1 00	
Sugar "	10	to	12	1-2c
Bacon sides "	15	to	16	c
" ex'l sid's "	12	to	13	c
Dry Salt Meat "	11	to	12	c
S. C. Hams "	15	1-2to	16	1-2c
Lard "	15	1-2to	16	1-2c
crackers xxxx "			12	1-2c
Salt (coarse) " sack			$2 25	
" " barrel			$3 25	
DRIED FRUIT.				
Apples per lb	10	to	12	1-2c
Peaches "	12	1-2 to	15	c
Prunes "			12	1-2c
currants "			12	1-2c
PRODUCE.				
Potatoes Irish per lb	4	1-2to	5	c
" Sweet "	4	to	5	c
Onions "	6	to	7	c
Butter "			25	c
Cheese (cream) "			25	c
Eggs " doz			25	c
chickens "	$2 00	to	$3 00	
GRAIN.				
wheat " bu				
corn "			$1 25	
Oats "				
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Coal " per gal			35	c
Hides " lb	10	to	12	1-2 c
Rope "			15	c
Cotton "	9	to	10	1-2 c
wool "	15	to	20	c
Lime " bu				
Lumber, rough " M			$30 00	
" matched " M			35 00	
Pecans " bu			2 50	
Tobacco " lb	40c	to	1 00	

ESTRAYED.

Estrayed before W. H. Cliett, J. P. Prec. No. 1, Callahan County, Texas, on the 23th day of Oct. A. D. 1881, by W. W. Foreman, one black ox, with white feet and white in face, marked, hole and slit in the left ear and half and upper half in the right branded GFL on left hip. Appraised at $18. Oct, 31st 1881.

Estrayed before W. H. Cliett, J. P. Prec. No. 1, Callahan Co., Texas, on the 17th day of Oct. A. D. 1881, one bay horse, about 15 years old, saddle and harness marks, branded TO with bar over it, on left scoulde, valued at $15.

One sorrel pony horse, about six or seven years old, branded I BP on back part of right thigh, valued at $20.

One bay mare, 7 years old, branded S under half circle, on left shoulder, valued at $25. Oct. 17th A. D. 1881.

Returned by S. C. Pack, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, October 24th 1881, one bay 1 year old fley, 12 hands high, no brand.

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The Man Who Smiles—A Road Agent With a Record.

There is in the Detroit Work-house to-day a prisoner whose smile is as soft and sweet as a woman's, and the stranger who meets him is instinctively drawn toward him by his clear, blue eye, soft voice and gentle smile. And yet that very man is accounted the shrewdest, sharpest and most "nervy" prisoner of the lot. The fact that two officers rode over a thousand miles with him, handcuffed and shackled and constantly watched, is proof of the above assertion. When they turned him over at last to the custody of the Superintendent they left the following record on the books:

"Prisoner has been engaged in one train robbery at least, and in half a dozen stage and highway robberies. Has broken jail three times and bears the scars of several wounds. Has the reputation of being a shooter and a fighter; has killed at least three men; was a pal of Wild Bill; is supposed to know all the leading outlaws in the far West. Is sharp and crafty and has great nerve. Look out for him. Offense, highway robbery."

The "Smiler" has not yet exhibited the slightest desire to see the outside walls of the Work-house, but is reported as one of the most orderly and quiet prisoners in the institution.

The first Deadwood line stage robbed was the work of a single man, and if that man was not the prisoner we write of, then he has a twin brother. The robbery occurred just at sunset, six miles from Deadwood. The stage contained seven men, all well armed. It was just rounding a thicket when a man stepped in front of the horses, halted them, and quietly said to the driver:

"If you pull a line until I am through I'll send a bullet through your head!"

This was accompanied by such a soft, bland smile that the astonished driver yelled back:

"Stop your fooling, or I'll run over you."

But the smile was deceiving. Up came a navy revolver on line with the driver's eye, and his teeth chattered as he loosened the reins and soothed the horses. Yells and shouts were heard inside the stage, but none of the passengers suspected what was happening until the road-agent pulled open one of the doors and called out:

"Now, then, gentlemen, please climb down!"

"Who the dickens are you?" was shouted at him by three or four in chorus, and his smile was honey itself as he answered:

"I'll introduce myself directly. Come, gents—these shooters are in a hurry to hurt some one!"

He backed off a few feet, a revolver in either hand, and the passengers began climbing down.

"Leave your arms in the stage!" shouted the "Smiller." "I'll pop the man who brings out any sort of weapon with him! Come, now—sun's going down fast!"

There were seven revolvers and three Winchester rifles among the passengers, but that one man had the bulge on the crowd. Men are half disarmed when surprised. Coop them up in addition to the surprise, and pluck is gone. The road-agent knows this, and the fact is as good as half a dozen men behind him. One by one the seven climbed down and stood in a row, and as the last man left the coach the "Smiler" confronted the line and softly remarked:

"I will now trouble you to deposit your watches and money on the ground!"

With many a groan and curse and sigh the request was complied with. Those who had wallets lost all; those who had divided their money in different pockets saved half. Two of the seven had no watches to lose. After the last man had "deposited" the robber pointed to the open door of the stage and said:

"It's a tough country, and I won't take your weapons. Please climb in."

As the last man mounted the step the robber slipped behind the coach and called to the driver to go on at a gallop, at the same time firing three bullets over the coach to start things with a rush. Half a mile away the coach halted and the seven victims jumped down with their arms, but the "Smiler" had disappeared with his booty.

Less than a month after the robbery related above, the "Smiler" was half asleep in a Custer City saloon, when in came a sharp known as "Grizzly," accompanied by three or four men, whose admiration for his brag and bluster made them his backers. "Grizzly" wanted to fight some one, but he wanted to pick his man. When he saw the "Smiler" dozing away in his chair he thought he had discovered a "tenderfoot" whom he could wallop. Without a word of warning he advanced and pulled the sleeper's nose. The soft smile came to the little man's face as he slowly rose up, and his voice was no more than a whisper as he inquired:

"Stranger, did ye mean that?"

"You bet!"

"Then sich of this crowd as don't like bullets had better git!"

Three or four men rushed out just as the revolvers commenced to speak. The "Smiler" was alone—the bully had three backers. For three or four minutes there was a constant pop! pop! of revolvers, and then two of "Grizzly's" friends rushed out and ran away, both wounded. Those who rushed in found the bully down and severely wounded and the other one stone dead, while the "Smiler" was sitting on a bench reloading one of his revolvers. Thirty shots had been fired at him from a distance of twelve feet, and yet he had received only one slight flesh wound.

One day as four men rode out from Julesburg, Colo., they encountered a smiling stranger, who made several inquiries regarding mines. They were giving him all possible information, when he suddenly interrupted the conversation with:

"Gentlemen, dismount and hold up!"

At the same time he covered the crowd with his shooters, and there was no alternative but to yield. The crowd left him over $1,600, but it was his last robbery. A large party were soon on his trail, and after dodging them for two or three days he was captured and given a sentence of ten years.—*Detroit Free Press.*

—Rather than sell fish below the price fixed by them, monopolists of London throw tons of fish into the sea every day. The abuse is beginning to attract public attention, and it is not unlikely that Parliament will be called upon to legislate in such a way as to prevent this wanton destruction of food.

A Massachusetts Woman's Wonderful Cure by Prayer.

From the little village of Plainville, Mass., comes a remarkable account of a prayer cure. There lives David Cowles and his daughter Almena, better known as Allie, the subject of the cure. Thirteen years ago, while practicing gymnastics, she strained the nerves of the spinal cord. The result was that her whole system became diseased. According to her own statement, she suffered from acute attacks of angina pectoris, had a severe attack of cerebro spinal meningitis, and was bedridden for years. All the efforts of many physicians were powerless to save her. Speaking of her experiences, Miss Cowles says:

"Jan. 1, 1881, I was admitted to the Adams Nervine Institute, Boston. I was confined to my bed, and although under the care of the most skillful physicians in New England, I continued to fail. I had the best medical treatment and the tenderest nurses that could be given me. Everything that human power could do was done. The terrible agony of those last moments are known only to God. I tried in every way to bear up uncomplainingly, knowing as each experiment failed that the physicians would become discouraged and give me up. I tried to speak hopefully. But, oh, the agony of those days and nights! I can not even now think of it without a shudder. It was beyond anything that can be expressed in words. The time came when I could stay there no longer. They had tried all the means in their power to help me, but God had ordered otherwise. I was taken, Aug. 25, to St. Luke's Home. I was not admitted as a patient, but placed there for a few days till I could be carried to Brooklyn, where I was to be admitted to the Faith Home for Women with Incurable Diseases. While waiting at St. Luke's, on Tuesday, Aug. 30, at my request my kind physician brought to me the Rev. George B. Peck, M. D., and a Boston lady. This lady had been praying for me the past year, but we had never met. Dr. Peck anointed me with oil in the name of the Lord, and prayed, claiming the promise. I arose, walked without any pain across the room, knelt and praised the Lord for His wonderful gift, dressed and walked down stairs. My diseases were wholly healed, and I gained in strength rapidly. I walked and rode, and three weeks from the day I was healed I came home alone from Boston to surprise my friends. My general health is perfect, and new strength comes day by day. I ride, walk, attend church, make and receive calls, and sleep like a child."

Miss Cowles's story is corroborated by "a physician of Boston so well known that his name would be generally recognized." This physician says, after speaking of the thirteen years of unsuccessful treatment of the patient:

"I had heard of Dr. Peck, and wanted that he should visit Miss Cowles. So he came to the Home. I obtained the consent of the Matron that he might see Miss Cowles, but I had to be responsible for whatever might happen. Miss Cowles was asked if she was willing to see the Rev. Dr. Peck, a man who had been very successful in his prayers for the sick. She consented to see him at once. So Dr. Peck and I and Miss —— went up stairs to her room. Dr. Peck questioned her as to her faith. She believed fully that the Lord was able to cure her if He would. 'What makes you think He will not?' 'I don't think He will not; I think He will.' After further conversation, Dr. Peck said, 'We will all kneel in prayer.' They did so. Dr. Peck was on the right side of the bed, and had her right hand in his left hand and placed his right hand under her spine in the center of her back. I was on the other side, with her left hand in my right, and with my left placed under her spine also, but my hand did not touch Dr. Peck's. Dr. Peck then offered prayer, and after they arose he said that he sometimes anointed people, because the apostles were directed to do so. 'If you and Miss Cowles do not object,' said he, 'I will anoint her on the forehead.' Neither of us objected, and he took a little oil and anointed her in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Then they knelt again in prayer that the Lord would make the recovery complete and immediate for body, mind and soul. Then we rose, and Dr. Peck and I went down stairs, for I was anxious lest Miss Cowles should be overdone. Miss —— did not come down with us, and in a few minutes I went up, knocked at the door, and asked if she had not better come down. She replied that she would be down in a few minutes. In about three minutes she came down, and Miss Cowles was with her. She had walked without help down the two flights of stairs. Miss —— had been dressing her while we were waiting for her to come down. Two days afterward I saw her at the Home. She said she would like to walk out. We walked up to the horse-cars; rode down Washington Street till we met another Norfolk House car, and took that back. The ride did not hurt her at all. Soon after this Miss —— took her to Hull, and it was the first time she had been on a steamboat or had seen the ocean. The second day after, as she wanted to visit the Nervine Hospital, I went with her. We walked from St. Luke's Home to the Jamaica Plain horse-cars, and walked from the cars, as we were disappointed in getting a barge at the soldiers' monument to the hospital, three-quarters of a mile. She went through the hospital, seeing the inmates she knew, and was on her feet there three-quarters of an hour. We then walked back to the cars, and from there over the hill to the Home, as we had walked in coming. She must have walked at least that day two and a quarter miles. After that she left St. Luke's Home and went home to Amherst. The long walk did not hurt her at all. I have seen many remarkable cures, but never anything so remarkable as this."

Miss Cowles is a member of the First Congregational Church of Amherst, and has been since she was nine years old. She is said now to be in health.

—This heroic cure of snake bite is published by Mrs. Mary A. Mansfield, in the Sanford (N. C.) *Journal:* "My son James and Mr. C. W. Thigpen were out on a hunt on September 23, when James was bitten on the leg, below the knee, by a very large rattlesnake. Being five miles from home he bound a cord tight above the wound, and, then split his leg to the bone right at the wound. After bleeding about a pint he stopped the bleeding, put a charge of powder on the wound and touched it off with a match, which burned the flesh to a sear around the wound. All he has to do now is to cure the burn."

—A few years ago a Mr. Highley, of Louisville, Ky., purchased a Florida orange grove, with a handsome cottage upon it, for $7,000. The price was considered extravagant by the people in the neighborhood. He will this winter gather at least 300,000 oranges.

HOME AND FARM.

—No starch should ever be put into anything a baby has to wear.

—A New York doctor declares that horses ought to be treated to fruit and sugar now and then, and he agrees with Rev. Mr. Spurgeon that above all, one day's rest in seven is important for them.

—Sweet potatoes require a temperature of at least sixty deg. for their preservation or they will decay very quickly. The place of storage should also be dry. When a large quantity is to be kept over, a room in the house, or an outhouse specially prepared, or an upper loft in some building may be provided with lath bins, and furnished with a stove so as to keep the temperature regular and sufficiently warm.

—Snow Cream. Beat the whites of five eggs to a stiff froth, add two large spoonfuls of fine white sugar, a large spoonful of rose water, or pine apple. Beat the whole well together and add a pint of thick cream. This is very nice to use over grated cocoanut. Heap the cocoanut in the center of a handsome dish. Pour over this several spoonfuls of the snow cream, and call it a dish of snow.

—Pumpkin-pie.—Stew the pumpkin very dry, indeed; take a pint of rich cream, or if this is not obtainable, half a pint of warm milk, with one-quarter of a pound of butter stirred well into it; beat eight eggs very light, and stir them into the other ingredients, together with sugar enough to make it sweet; add to this a grated nutmeg, a large teaspoonful of powdered mace and cinnamon mixed, a wine-glass of rose-water mixed together, and a tiny pinch of salt; beat all together very hard, and bake in a rich paste.

—Cellars must have ventilation in the coldest weather, and this should be provided for by making a double air-flue from outside having two outlets—one near the ground into the bottom of the cellar, and one some feet above from the upper part of the cellar. A double window should then be provided which may be opened if necessary. Clean straw may be placed against the wall outside for protection, and held by boards or rails, and covered with boards and some earth, but a cellar should always be built tight enough to need no such outside protection.

—Pickled Purple Cabbage.—Quarter the cabbage, lay in a wooden tray, sprinkle thickly with salt, and set in the cellar until the next day; drain off the brine, wipe dry, lay in the sun for two hours, and cover with cold vinegar for twelve hours; prepare the pickle by seasoning enough vinegar to cover the cabbage, with equal quantities of mace, cloves, whole white peppers, a cup of sugar to every gallon of vinegar, and a teaspoonful of celery seed for every pint; pack the cabbage in a stone jar; boil the vinegar and spices five minutes and pour on hot; cover and set away in a cool, dry place. This will be ripe in six weeks.

—It has been generally supposed that Indian corn was so much of a tropical plant that Northern varieties, especially those large ones of the Mississippi Valley, would stand any reasonable amount of heat and drought both in the upper and lower cotton belts. But the experience of this year has corrected this notion, for it is found that in Louisiana the Creole (that is the native corn) has produced fair crops under conditions of heat and drought where corn the product of Northern seed has wholly failed. This admits of the reasonableness of the idea that there are varieties in existence capable of withstanding an unusual amount of drought and that at the same time will attain maturity under a comparatively low summer temperature, while there are others, which, having acquired the tendency to make strong and large root growth, will yield good crops on comparatively poor soils.—*Rural New Yorker.*

A Good Feeding Pen.

We have a farmer friend who has a feeding pen, which he calls his "mortgage extinguisher"—a good name, indeed, for its adoption by him permitted that blessed sort of a job to be done for his farm. Our friend is the owner of a quarter section in the central portion of the State, and the raising of hogs has been the leading feature of his agricultural work. Finding that he had ill-luck with his hogs, he conceived the sensible idea that if he would feed his hogs on floors, keep them supplied with abundant good water, and where he could reasonably protect them against storms, he would escape, so he went to work on the following plan: Selecting a place sloping to the west in his hog lot, he built a pen, twenty by sixty feet. The posts were cut from the timber and put in so that the bottom of the pen was four feet above the ground. He hewed out the timber necessary to make the frame good and strong, running a beam through the middle. This was covered with two-inch plank, twelve inches wide being used, with a slope of one foot in twenty. Sides and ends were put on four feet high of the same plank. A "run-away" was made at one corner for the hogs to run up to the feeding place. A water trough was put in, reaching along the whole upper side, eight inches deep and ten wide, out of two-inch stuff. The water problem was settled by the digging of a well at the end of the pen, where the pump could turn its supply directly into the trough. At the lower side the planks serving as sides were raised two inches or more from the floor, so that the cobs and excrement would work through and fall out. This pen, unroofed, was used one season; then a light, movable roof was put up that could be run on rollers into sections, so that half the pen could be made to have sunlight. A platform was made on one side where a couple of hundred bushels of corn could be piled up, to be shoveled over as required. When the real work of fattening came on, the pen was subdivided into six or more places, so that about twelve or fifteen hogs were together. This prevented piling up to a dangerous extent in the early cold weather, and kept them quiet. All that was fed those hogs counted. In the cold rains of the fall they were under good protection, and they were always ready for market about twenty days before any others in the neighborhood.

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A MARYLAND exchange refers to Mr. Thos. G. Forward, of Belair, that State, who was cured by St. Jacobs Oil of rheumatism.—*Rochester (N. Y.) Sunday Morning Tribune.*

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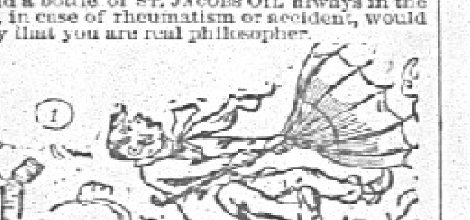
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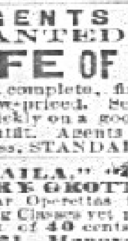
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