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SENATOR MILLS' IDEA.

HIS VIEWS ON FINANCES SET OUT IN A BILL.

Wants the Silver in the Treasury Coined Into Halves, Quarters and Dimes, and the Issue of Non-Interest Bearing Full Legal Tender Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Senator Mills yesterday introduced two bills in the body to which he belongs. The first was to furnish with $12 a month the widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war.

The other bill provides that the secretary of the treasury shall coin into half-dollars, quarters and dimes all the silver bullion in the treasury, which shall be paid out for the current expenses of the government. The second section provides that there is an insufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the government that the secretary of the treasury shall issue non-interest bearing legal tender notes in amount sufficient to cover the deficiency and pay out the same on current expenses of the government. It provides that when these notes are paid into the treasury in payment of government dues they shall be destroyed.

The bill then says that when the gold reserve shall exceed $100,000,000 and legal tender notes are presented for redemption in coin, the secretary shall redeem them in gold or standard silver dollars, in his discretion, when the gold is less than $100,000,000, the secretary is required to redeem them in standrrd silver coin. At the end of this section the announcement is made that it is the established policy of this government to maintain the two metals on a parity with each other upon the present legal ratio or on such ratio as may be provided by law.

The last section of the bill provides that all laws which provide for the issuance of bonds are repealed by the enactment of this bill into a law.

Slaughtered Christians.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—A dispatch received here gives long a account of the Kharput disorder. It says: There was a slight attack on Sunday, the 10th. On Monday the Kurds attacked Husenik and slaughtered many Christians. Soldiers from Kharpool went out to meet them and parleyed with the Kurds before the attack began. It was plain that everything was planned, for the soldiers only fired over the heads of the Kurds. The Christians were shot down everywhere. The American missionaries have written to their friends in Constantinople that Dr. Barnum applied to the military comander for protection. Some soldiers were sent, but they left directly except two, who demanded baaksheesh for remaing.

"We all entered the school building," says the message from the American missionary, "and the Turkish officer summoned us out. We declined to come and told them that we had no more confidence in them; that they could protect us there if their professions were sincere; otherwise we would die there. At last a Circassian named Mehamet recalled the soldiers and helped us to quench the fire. We were stripped of everything except the clothes we wore. On Tuesday Mehamet told us that he could no longer protect us in the college building, but Dr. Barnum still declined to leave. The attack was renewed, but in a milder form, and an order came from the government to stop the attack.

"All the Christian villages in the Kharput district have been burned except Garmnii, and 400 persons are still in refuge with the American missionaries."

Maher and Fitz.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—John J. Quinn manager of Peter Maher, met Dan Stuart this morning and agreed to a fight between Maher and Fritsimsons.

Quinn heard Stuart's proposition, which was for a fight with Fitzsimmonr for a $10,000 purse and the championship belt, to be held near El Paso, Tex. Quinn assented to it, and called for articles of agreement. Stuart suggested that they be better signed outside the state, and Quinn agreed. The date selected was either Feb. 13 or 15. A telegram was sent to Fitzsimmons asking if this was satisfactory. Fitzsimmons has not been heard from.

The fight will be for a purse and the heavy weight championship. The amount of the bet will probably be $10,000, but it is understood that Quinn wishes to have it $15,000.

When the articles are signed the principals will put up $3500 each as a guarantee of good faith. It is proposed to pull the fight off in Mexico, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Texas.

It is proposed to erect there a tent capable of seating 30,000 people. It was agreed by Stuart and Quinn that the stakeholder must be a man who does not live in the state. The articles of agreement will be practically the same as those agreed to by Corbett and Fitzsimmons.

About Contests.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Although there was talk before congress that the southern Republicans might try to bring about congressional action on the state constitutions of South Carolina and Mississippi, which they claim are designed to disfranchise their party, there does not seem to be much likelihood that any effective step in that direction will be taken. Murray of South Carolina, who was the only colored member of the last congress, is back as a contestant of his old seat, the certificate to which is held by a Democrat. He claims to have been counted out and says he has not the slightest doubt he will be seated. The Republicans of the state, he says, are preparing to bring the question of the validity of the new constitution before a court in a form which they think will require a decision on the main issue at stake. The general opinion among house Republicans appears to be that this congress will be conservative in unseating the thirty-two members whose seats are contested.

Mr. Fortin Found.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 6.—On Wednesday morning, November 27, George E. Fortin, a well know real estate agent, left his office in the North Texas National bank building, and disappeared, and no traces of him were discovered until last night, when Charles Fisher, who lives at 207 North Lamar street, reported to Sheriff Cabell that he had discovered the body of a man in the river, about a quarter of a mile below the Commerce street bridge. Deputy Winfrey was dispatched to the scence. The body was dragged out and easily identified as Fortin. There were no marks or bruises apparent, and it was evident the body had been in the water for some time. Fortin was about 40 years old, and had been a resident of Dallas for many years. He had no family, his only relative in Dallas was his brother, Severe Fortin.

Poor Pool Sellers.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 6.—Last month all the pool sellers of Covington were indicted. This has been a frequent occurrence for years' but the indictments heretofore have been nollied. This time the men have been forced to trial. The first case, that of Col. Sharp, resulted in the circuit court yesterday in conviction. Sharp was fined $500 and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

Dynamite Battery Tried.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. Dec. 6.—The world's largest battery of dynamite guns was given its official test yesterday. The battery is in the Presidio reservation, on a high hill 200 yards from Fort Winfield Scott. The trial was satisfactory in all respects. Tests were made directly under the supervision of the government board of officers, who have the acceptance of the guns in their hands.

Armenians at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Many senators and members of the house were interviewed yesterday by a delegation of Armenian citizens from Worcester and Boston, Mass., who are urging congress to take every possible step to prevent the continuation of outrages on Armenians in Turkey. A large proportion of Armenian citizens in the United States live in the neighborhood of Worcester.

Republican Senators Caucus.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The Republican senatorial caucus was in session for about fifteen minutes yesterday. The only business done was the adoption of a resolution introduced by Senator Proctor authorizing Senator Sherman, as chairman of the caucus, to nominate the committee on committees, and providing that the list selected by him shall be submitted to the full caucus. The caucus adjourned subject to call of the chairman.

Francis Murphy Snubbed.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 5.—Francis Murphy came here Sunday night to begin a series of temperance meetings. No definite arrangements for a meeting place had been made. On Monday all his offers were refused by all the churches of the city. Tuesday night Rev. Frank L. Lovel and a number of other speakers denounced the action of the churches. Much bitter feeling has been engendered.

The protective committee of the American Bankers' association has issued a warning to bankers that letter boxes in various cities are being robbed and the checks abstracted from letters found therein are altered as to names and in some instances as to amounts. The work is done by a skillful gang of forgers, some members of which are well known.

William Stone, formerly a member of the Dalton gang, under sentence of ten years, at Fort Wayne, Ind., for shooting Deputy Sheriff Harrold, has confessed to committing murders in Cleveland, Kansas City, St. Louis, Buffalo, Dunkirk, N. Y., Union City, Pa., and Youngstown, O. His story is one of a life of murder, burglary and stage and train robbing.

QUITE CONSERVATIVE

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE SEEM TO BE CAUTIOUS.

Several Bills of Importance Introduced, Void of the Accustomed Extravagance of the Past—The Silver Men Apparently are Against Catchings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The new congress up to this time has been an unusually conservative one in the matter of proposing new legislation. Fewer bills than usual have been introduced and most of these are for projects which failed to pass the last congress.

Mr. Washington of Tennessee yesterday reintroduced the bill for an appropriation of $100,000 for a government exhibit at the Tennessee Centennial exposition, to be held in Nashville in 1896.

Plans for the admission of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico to statehood again made their appearance, the first being presented by Gen. Wheeler, who was chairman of the committee on territories in the last congress, and the other two by the two new delegates of their respective territories—Messrs. Murphy and Calron.

The first bill introduced by Mr. McClellan of New York, who is one of the young Democrats and a son of Gen. McClellan, was one to authorize the senate to confirm the military nominations made by President Lincoln, which have never been acted upon, and the issue of commissions to the nominees, stating that they were nominated to the rank conferred by Lincoln.

Gen. Grosvenor of Ohio offered a bill to make the new Chattanooga and Chickamauga battlefield park in Tennessee a national field for military manouvers by troops of the United States army and the militia. The bill authorizes the secretary of war to assemble troops there every year and to proscribe the rules under which the park may be used.

By Mr. Street of Indiana, to authorize the suspension of pensions obtained by fraud.

By Mr. Meiklejohn of Nebraska, to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks to Indians, framed to meet the decision of Judge Bellinger of Oregon as to the sale of liquor to Indians who have become citizens of the United States.

By Mr. Wheeler of Alabama, to increase the pensions of soldiers of the Florida war; also providing an additional United States district judge in Alabama.

By Mr. Harris of Ohio, levying a duty on wool as follows: Wool and hair of a first-class 11 cents per pound, second-class 12 cents per pound, third class and on camel's hair of the third-class the value whereof shall be 13 cents or less per pound, including charges, the duty is to be 32 per cent ad valorem. On wool of the third-class and on camel's hair of the third-class the value of which exceeds 13 cents per pound the duty is to be 5 per cent ad valorem. Wool on the skin is to pay the same rate as other wool.

By Mr. Barham of California, to amend the act incorporating the Maritime Canal company of Nicaragua. One feature of the bill authorizes the issuance of bonds not exceeding $150,000,000 with interest at 3 per cent to secure the means to construct and complte the canal. All sums expended for materials and supplies necessary to the construction are to be purchased in the United States except as may be grown or produced in Nicaragua or Costa Rica and no Asiatic labor is to be employed.

By Mr. Flynn of Oklahoma, providing for free homesteads on the public lands in Oklahoma; also for the opening of Indian Territory under the homestead laws.

A New Volcano.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 7.—A special from Santa Fe, N. M., says: It is reported from Las Cruces that San Augustine peak, forty miles east of that town, is in a state of eruption. A week ago last Tuesday Dave King and Lige Davis, who went out upon the mountains, heard a distant explosion and saw a large bowlder being thrown a considerable height, followed by a puff of steam and ashes. The family of Mr. Hufford also saw the eruption. The next day where the explosion occurred a depression was found partly filled with debris and ashes. Steam was issuing from the ground, which was so hot as to prevent an extended investigation.

It is reported that the British minister will retire from Brazil.

Nicaragua Canal Convention.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 7.—Ex-Gov. F. H. Fleming, president of the Nicaragua canal convention, has issued a call for a meeting of the convention in this city on the 18th instant. In view of the immense amount of good that would accrue to Florida and the gulf states in the completion of the project strenuous efforts will be made to induce congress to lend the canal its support. The last meeting of the convention was held in 1893.

Don't Want Catching.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The silver men have not yet received any assurances from Speaker Reed that they shall have their desire that Catchings shall not be placed on the committee on rules. The subject is, however, about the only one that is discussed in congressional circles. That there is a big strength behind Mr. Bailey, who is leading in the fight against Catchings, is apparent to all. But the trouble with this strength is that it is not open. Those who compose it say they are doing nothing but they are opposed to Catchings. The truth is that Bailey is about the only one of them that has the bravery to go forward and made the fight in the open. He states that he is in the fight to stay, and that he has the strength behind him to win. But this is doubtful. There are many silver men who do not approve of the fight made against Catchings and say it will make the feeling between the silver and the anti-silver men of the party throughout the country intense against each other, and this is a thing that ought to be avoided at this time.

Counterfeiters Convicted.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 7.—"The Yehuda Brotherhood" was convicted in two minutes yesterday of counterfeiting. The finding of the United States grand jury breaks up one of the most daring gangs of counterfeiters known to the secret service bureau for years. The men found guilty are Moses Rosengarten, Max Frank, Jack Fineburg and Henry Greenburg, Roumanian Jews. There was a sensational scene in the court when the jury returned the verdict. Relatives and sympathisers of the accused men were there to the number of 500 or 600. When the verdict was announced they set up a howl and rushed for the informers, Fierst and Resslien. There was almost a riot. The two men had to be locked up to avoid injury by the mob. While this was going on Fannie Fineburg, daughter of one of the convicted men, tore hair and shrieked; "Our only home is the river now." Sentence will be imposed Monday.

Said Pasha Seeks a Refuge.

ROME, Dec. 6.—A dispatch from Constantinople says that Said Pasha, the president of the Turkish council of state and formerly grand vizier, has taken refuge in the British embassy at Constantinople, believing himself not only to be in danger of arrest, but fearing for his life. Only recently Said Pasha was mentioned as likely to be reappointed grand vizier, and when matters reached a crisis last week he was called upon to use his influence with the British ambassador at Constantinople, Sir Philip Currie, to have the British gunboat Dryad ordered from the Dardanelles. Although not immediately successful, Said Pasha succeeded in getting Sir Phillip to once more refer the matter to his government, although he had full power to act, with the eventful result that the Dryad was sent back to Salonica bay.

Apaches in War Paint.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 7.—The latest reports from the vicinity of the San Carlos agency, Arizona, indicate that the outbreak of Apaches is of more importance than was at first supposed. The bodies of four white men were found Thursday in the lower Gila valley near the reservation line, close to Fort Thomas, which was recently abandoned by the United States troops. This is forty-five miles from Ash Springs, where the Merrills were killed. It must have been done by a different party of Indians and undoubtedly by a larger band. Settlers in that section are under arms and the troops from Forts Bayard, Grand and Huachuca are scouring the country. The Ash Springs murderers have been trailed to the Sterns peak range, a favorite locality for Apaches when they have been doing mischief.

Quite a Sensation.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—A decided sensation was created in the chamber of deputies yesterday. At the conclusion of the debate on the budget of the ministry of justice a stranger in the gallery fired two shots from a revolver. Thereupon the electric bells, which were placed all over the building after the bomb outrage committed by Vailliant, the anarchist, were rung and the doors instantly closed and guarded. The stranger was arrested. Nobody was hurt. The man who fired the revolver said his name was Gilbert Lenoir. His pistol still contained four cartridges when it was taken from him.

Suicide in the Palace.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A special from Callao, Peru, says: Herman Jansen, a German, committed suicide in the lobby of the president's palace. He called to see the president and was refused admission. Jansen is said to have lost his fortune by supporting Pierola's cause and it is supposed his call was in reference to his misfortune.

Theodore Durrant, the California murderer, has been refused a new trial, and will appeal.

STATE CONDENSATIONS.

A Breviary of Daily Happenings from Various Sources.

The International and Great Northern and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas litigation case is now a thing of the past. The railroad commission has approved the agreement, as predicted. Under the agreement the $1,000,000 stock of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson railroad is divided equally between the International and Great Northern and the Katy. Both roads will be equally entitled to the use of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson from Houston to Galveston. Both are to share an equal expense for the use and maintenance of the road and each pays an equal amount of interest on the $2,000,000 bonds. While the agreement seems perfectly satisfactory to both sides the international people evidently feel that they have gained a victory, as that roads comes into possession of Galveston, Houston and Henderson stock to the amount of $500,000, wherein the stock was formerly all owned by the Katy.

For many years Galvestonians have felt the need of a new union depot as the ancient and unsightly structure which has so long been dignified with the name of union depot has been an eyesore to them. There is a rumor that a new depot will be one of the early results of the arrangement by which the Katy is to be extended to that port, all the railroads centering here joining in the effort for a grand union depot. The location will probably be two or three blocks west of the present location.

Messrs. Ed. C. and Jack Winston have just returned to Alvin, Brazoria county, from a trip to the Tuxpan valley in Mexico, where they purchased about 1,400 acres of land and where they will locate with their families and another brother. They brought back with them a branch of a coffee tree showing the ripe berries, and other products of the country, and they are enthusiastic over Mexico as a place to make money.

The sloop Wilhelmena, which was cast adrift from the schooner Willie Ann several days ago off the mouth of the San Bernard, put into Indianola on the 2nd instant. Her master, Captain Peterson, arrived in safety at Galveston, his home, and received a warm welcome from his wife and family. Captain Peterson relates a harrowing tale of the hardships experienced by the crew and their miraculous escape from drowning.

The Texas and Pacific extension will soon be completed into Denison. A day and night force is at work at the cut under the Katy, and that finished the rest of the work will make smooth progress. It is altogether probable that christmastide will find the Texas and Pacific whistle joining in the general chorus of rejoicing.

The schooner Annie Root arrived at Orange a few days ago, from Lake Charles, La., with a cargo of log cars consigned to the Gulf, Sabine and Red River railroad. She was taken in tow there by the steamer Fannie and carried to Niblett's Bluff, the terminus of the road, where she will discharge her cargo.

Kid Monford, a resident of Claude, while holding a bunch of cattle the other morning near Goodnight switch, in Armstrong county, for Walter Dyer, his horse slipped and fell on the frozen ground, breaking his left leg in two places below the knee.

The grand lodge of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Texas has just closed at Houston. The attendance was large, and much of interest to the fraternity in the state was accomplished.

At Galveston a few days since Mike Shea and a negro became involved in a difficulty. Shea, who is a cotton screwman, received a dangerous knife wound in the right groin.

Columbia, Brazoria county, has had a terrible fire. It destroyed eighteen storehouses and most of the merchandise in them. Total loss $27,050; total insurance $1000.

The government November crop report on sweet potatoes places the average yield in Texas, per acre, at 79 per cent and the quality 88 per cent.

The attorney general has approved an $82,000 issue of Bexar county court house bonds and a $7000 issue of Reeves county refunding bonds.

Sixty persons united with the Christian church at Lockhart during a recent revival under the direction of Elder J. B. Boen.

James T. Donahoo, of Antelope Gap, Mills county, has a prayer-book that was used by the famous John Wesley.

A wreck of two cars of merchandise near Quinlan, on the Texas Midland road, occurred recently. No one hurt.

It is rumored that the Fort Worth and Denver and the Rock Island roads will build to Dallas in the near future.

Brownwood has gone "wet" by a majority of 29 votes.

San Antonio's late poultry show was a marked success.

The Results of Bilious Fever.

DERANGEMENT OF THE STOMACH AND A SHATTERED NERVOUS SYSTEM.

Deathly, Sallow Color of the Patient, Who Was Also at Times Subject to Fits.

(From the Herald, Hamilton, Texas.)

CARLTON, TEXAS, June 8, 1895.

With an earnest desire for the relief of suffering I make the following statement: I live near the head of Honey Creek in Hamilton County, Texas, where I have been for the last twelve years or more, about seven miles west of the town of Hico. My son George was a stout, healthy child, now a young man of sixteen years of age. In 1882, when about three years of age, he had a severe spell of bilious fever by which he was confined to his bed two or three months. The abatement of the fever left his stomach and bowels in bad condition and his nervous system very much deranged. I consulted several physicians, but none of them could benefit him any to speak of. He had a good appetite and would eat heartily, but would take a sudden sickness at the stomach while eating and throw up the contents of his stomach, then would eat again vigorously as before. He was not confined to his bed, but grew thin and was nervous and excitable, with occasional looseness of the bowels. He was hardly able to go about for several years, but by degrees grew a little stronger, but with his increase of strength came increased nervousness with a deathly, sallow color, all of which finally culminated in spasms, or, as they are usually designated, "fits." These came on after a spell of over exertion or excessive eating, which were frequent, as he had a ravenous appetite. After these spells he would be ill-natured and disagreeable for several days. This state of things continued till about two years ago, causing me and my family great uneasiness. At this time I happened to see the advertisement of Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and determined to try them on my son. The effect was at once apparent in various ways. As long as he would take the remedies according to directions his bowels would be regular in their action, and what was still better, from the time he took the first dose he has never had a spasm.

They have ceased entirely, and there has not been a recurrence of them in the two years that he has been taking the Pink Pills. Notwithstanding this great benefit, he is not yet, and may never be, entirely well, though this, I take it, is not the fault of the medicine. He is a boy of bright mind and active temperament, but headstrong and self-willed about taking the pills and regulating his diet as directed.

Sometimes he goes for a number of days without taking the remedy and indulges in too violent exercise and eats to excess, which the directions forbid, and thus partially relapses into his [illegible] soon, however, as he [illegible] Pills as directed [illegible]

anxious that its sub- have the advantage of going. With this have arranged with n Publishing Co. for a supply of year- to their two great RM NEWS," and which will be pre- VERY PAID IN AD- to the NEWS.

And on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50 (they are never sold in bulk, or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Clever People.

"When I open the front door upon my arrival at home at night," said Mr. Flatby, "I inhale the fragrant odor of a delightful soup. Passing in a leisurely manner up the first flight of stairs, I finish the soup at the second floor, and then I find that the fish has been served. I take fish as I proceed along the hall and up the second flight of stairs. On the third floor I find the roast, and on the fourth a dainty desert. When I reach my own floor, all I really want is a cup of coffee and a cigar." New Yorkers are clever people when they can rent a furnished flat and live on the smell of their neighbors.

A Great Big One.

The emperor of China has issued an official bulletin on the war in Formosa for the information of his subjects, telling them that the Japanese army and navy has been totally annihilated, together with some seventy battleships and 80,000 men that foreign nations had sent to the assistance of Japan.

It Pays, However.

The Philadelphia mint is making and issuing one-cent coins at the rate of $150,000 a day. It is a small business, but it pays the government a profit of $1200 a day. These cents are going to Chicago and St. Louis to buy the one-cent papers with.

Need the Men.

Mrs. Charles Henrotten, of Chicago, has been telling a woman's club there that after all women can hardly get along without men, and that it would not be good for the women to try it.

Correct.

Philadelphia gets a revenue of $1,000,000 a year from the street car, gas, water, telephone and other franchises. It is time that the value of such things were distinctly understood and that the lion's share of the profits should go to the public, which rightfully owns them.

A Girl Preacher.

A 10-year-old negro girl—Clarette Avery—is holding a revival in a New York church, and creating immense excitement.

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Many nations are in sympathy with the Armenians, but the Turks continue their blood-curdling tragedies.

The fight still goes on in Cuba, and if thev don't quit it somebody will get hurt. We do wish they would make peace.

Teacher—If it takes one boy one hour to run two errands, how long will it take two boys to run one errand? Ans.—Half a day.

No speaker of the house has ever been elected president, but Reed changes the regular order of things sometimes and he may beat the record.

We do not believe in war but if the Turks do not stop their inhumane masacre of the Armenians they ought to be forced to desis their depridations.

A great many think that war beween the United States and England over the Venezuela controversy is almost unavoidable. It does seem that two nations so well enlighted may settle the difficulty without bloodshed.

If you have anything you can not sell, nor give away and you do not want it, give it to your poor editor and if he does not want it, take it to the poor preacher. he is the next man.

Far absent minded
Of your physical health: your system, tone your stomach, in your appetite, enrich your blood prevent sickness by taking

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The Breezy, Blooming Bloomers.

When the breezy, blooming bloomers are universally the go, how will tailors press the crease in them, I would like to know? When the baby's head is nodding and it wants to take a nap, how can mama lull her darlinv in a bicurated lap? How can Bridget shoo the chickens with no skirt to flop and fling, when the creatures go a grubbing in the garden in the spring? But the question most annoying that our speculations catch. Can she vie with men in action when she goes to strike a match? -Shreveport Caucasian.

Mr. Editor:

Please say in your "News" that the Scurry county Institute will meet in Snyder, 20 and 21 inst., and all the teachers in the county are earnestly requested to give us the benefit of your company and aid.

R. J. STAYHORN,
County Juege.

The following is an extract from a letter to the Tax Collector of this county from R. W. Finley, Comptroller.

"If any person shall fail or refuse to pay the taxes imposed upon him or his property by law until the 1st day of January next succeeding the return of the assessment roll of the county to the comptroller, the collector of taxes shall, by virtue of his tax roll, seize and levy upon and sell so much personal property belonging to such person as may be sufficient to pay his taxes, together with all cost accrueing thereon."

TAX NOTICE.

ALL parties are requested to come forward and settle their taxes on or before the first of January, 1896.

H. P. WELLBORN,
Tax Collector.

Our School Column.

The brain is the organ of the mind. It is the seat of consciousness, the intellect, the memory, the will, the effection and the emotions. It is situated in the upper and back part of the skull and is compostd of a number of seperate masses of nerve matter and is richly supplied with blood vessel. Each mass becomes the work shop for some part of the body. The average weight of the human brain is about fifty ounces. There are three principal masses of the brain viz: 1, the cerebrum or brain proper; 2, the cerebellum or lesser brain; 3, the medulla-oblongata. The cerebrum is located in the upper part of the skull and is nearly seven-eights of the entire mass. The interior part of the brain is of a witish color, while the outer part, or layer, consist of a gray color, and is supposed to be the seat of the active powers of the mind. The cerebellum lies beneath the cerebrum and is separated by a fold of dura matter. The functions of this organ are not definitely known, but it is supposed to exercise influence over the muscels of the body. The medulla oblongata is the thick upper part of the spinal cord. It lies just under the cerebellum and is the connecting link between the brain and the spinal cord. It is a small affair about one and one half inches in length, and is very important for, from it arrises the nerves, which regulate our breathing, swallowing and the hearts actions.

The brain has done much for us, in past ages. It has given us inventions of all kinds, some of which are the telegraph by which we can send messages over almost any part of the civilized world, in a very short space of time. The steam ship which plows the mighty deep and fyrms the connecting link between the continants. The camera which almost instantly stamps our very likeness which will last throughout eternity. Our schools and colleges in which we are reared and trained for the the every day dares, duties and avocations of life.

Then let us as enligtened beings grasp the opportunities that present themselves every of our lives to do something and to be something. Then schoolmates one and all let us study hard and avail ourselves of every moments time to learn more of the wisdom of man and give the praise wholy to our Father in heaven who ruleth over us.

TWO SCHOLARS.

Programme of the 5th Sunday Meeting of North Colorado Association to convene with the church at Snyder, Dec. 28 1895.

Introductory sermon on Friday before by J. W Garrard, J. A. Petty alternate.

SATURDAY.

Devotional services 9 a. m. lead by S. R. Fickas.

ORGANIZATION.

QUESTION—Are the churches of to day less responsible for their faith and order than were the churches of the same faith and order in apostolic times?—C H Kelly, L. E. Skinner, J. W. Barnett and R. O. Witt.

What is heresy, and how should it be treated?—J. A Petty, J W Garrard, S V Sumruld and Frank Aucutt.

Devotional services 2, p. m. lead by A L Sloan.

Baptists are neither Catholic nor Protestant. Explanation by C E Leslie, J H Nix, and Albert Haggerton.

Shall we employ a missionary, and where shall he labor?—Dol Autry, G H Eastman, E B Reneau, C D C Eiland, J V Biley, A Paker, C L Wasson.

Devotional services Sunday 9:30 a. m. lead by J W Shaw.

Announcements for preaching for Sunday will be made before ajournment Saturday evening.

All people of every faith are invited and urged to attend and hear a fair discussion of the above questions.

Uniform Text Books.

A paper read by Miss Mattie Patterson before the Teachers Institute of Mitchell and Scurry counties.

Should there be a uniform course of study in our Public Schools?

I answer yes. Why?

The object of the Free School System of Texas, is first, to furnish to children between certain ages a good common school education; second to accomplish this on an economic, or with the least expense commensurate with the attainment of that object.

An incidental point which the State desires to reach, and which her people have a right to expect, is that children of poor parents may secure the benefit of good common schooling with little cost other than the cost of books. It will be readily conceded that school-books are high-priced, which fact the patrons of school have not hitherto been able to control. The want of a uniform series of text-books results in frequent changes of such books —more or less change with each school term— and this in turn causing an oft recurring expense to parents, which taxes them to a burdensome degree. Will not the majority of teachers present attest the fact, that the absence of repeated change of text-books, in other words, with a uniform series of books in use, the pupils will advance more rapidly and their progress be more satisfactory. Will not the teachers who have tried this plan place upon it the stamp of their approval? I think so.

A new student has become accustomed to a certain book, and moreover to the authors particular method. A new teacher or a new school uses another and different book, and in many cases the student must rehearse the ground already traversed, and that to, according to a different method. Be the new author's method ever so good and approved, the very fact of a change is a disadvantage to the new student; the once steady flow of interest in that study is very apt to be interrupted and lessened. We are in a habit of denominating the present plan of public schools "The Free School Systems," with the existing diversity of text-books, which now prevail in the public schools of Texas, the so-called "System" lacks, in my opinion, one of the all-important and essential elements of a system, when it fails, as it does, to provide uniform text books for all these schools. And under the present condition of such a variety of books in use, with burdensome cost attendant upon the frequent change from one author to another, the State's object of in education is to an extent frutrated; and practically, the title of "Free" is a relative and comparative one after all, as applied to the public schools, and the thousands of patrons, including those scarcely able to buy books at any price, have reason to feel the irony conveyed in the term "free", and to regard it as a misnomer.

But I am confronted by the plea, urged by some, that the teacher should be left unrestricted as regards choice of text-books because to restrict him to one of each class, would force him to too narrow a groove, so-to-speak, and preclude a broadening of ideas et cætera. In my opinion the theory is not supported by sound reason: for what is to hinder teacher from deriving all the advantage there is in consulting various authors, by so doing in his private study and preparation for school work? And again, can he not, nay, should he not, apply the most approved and proggressive methods of teaching to any good text-book? These questions, it seems to me, answer themselves. But further; recall any branch of public school studies you please, and among the several approved authors of text-books in each, will any experienced practical educator gainsay the assertion, that one such appaoved or standard author is as good as another? The use by different teachers of different books on the same subject, when anlized will be found to be simply a mere difference of taste. And for the exercise of this difference of taste the parents and patrons pay, and pay dearly. What remedy do I suggest? Simply that a carfully prepared law be placed provided in substance, that a commission of the most competent practical educators of Texas, to be headed by the Supt. of Public Instruction select a series of text-books for use in our public schools. This is practicable and no fears need be entertained for a wise selection. Let this law further provide that such series of books be printed by the state if cheaper to do so; but if not, then provide that the State board of education let the contract for such printing to the lowest bidder in or out of the State. The plan suggested would if carried out bring forth uniformity and system to take the place of diversity, want of system, and confusion now prevailing; and while accomplishing this desideratum, would accomplish an even greater, in the reduced cost of school books to the thousands of patrons who in realizing the hoped for reform, would not fail to rise up and call the authors and promoters blessed.

Teachers, this is a live, practical question. I earnestly commend it as one deserving our most careful consideration. Let teh question be actively discussed in our educational journals and if as a result the views herein advanced be found tenable, practical and in the interest of the public weal let there be no respite to the teachers of Texas, until such views assume the form of legislation. If my views be not supported by sound reason and necessity, let them fall as they would then deserve.

Program for the Scurry County Institute to meet at Snyder the 20 and 21 Inst.

Friday 7:30 p. m. Prayer by R. J. McNeil.
Address, Judge Straynorn.

MUSIC.

Recitation—Miss Nora McNeil.
Short talks by all teachers present. Lessons not taught in books
Recitation—Miss Ruby Clark.

MUSIC.

Address—B. J. Word.
Recitation—Ida Gyayum.

MUSIC.

Benediction—W. H. Harris.

SATURDAY, 10 A. M.

R. J. McNeil—Common Errors of Speech.
Miss Ruby Clark—Teacher a Student.

NOON.

Mrs. Kate Nelson—Best Methods of Teaching Children to Accumulate Descriptive Terms
W. H. Wilson—Best Method for Improving the Memory.
W. T. Morris—Best Method of Training the Reasoning Powers.

MISS JANIE SCARBOROUGH,
MISS MAUD HANA,
E. C. DODSON.
Committee.

BOOKOUT SAYINGS.

Whoop a la! Everybody here feeling jolly over the present and future prospects.

We are going to have a fine Christmas tree, for big, little, old and young, all that will come.

Tillie and Tommie, thats my wife and son, have had a good laugh at my "expense." We have a cow that is something of a pet with the family though she is pretty active with her hind feet. Tillie says to me, "you must milk" and Tommie he took the cow be the narative to keep the flies brushed off while I got along nicely extracting the delicious beverage. Presently she parried with her left and struck out Sullivan like with her right, landed any where from the end of my nose to the tip of my left ear. I lust rolled over and over, like one of those fellows I have seen turnining flip-flops in a circus. Had it been H. P. Wellborn or Bill Manry, I to could have laughed with some pleasure. You may say to those dear merchants that we know its the first of the month but our pocket book was in the whirl too, and its looking rather slim, but we will come when our face grows out.

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F. Crist is the Leading Grocerman of Snyder.

Mr. J. M. Chappell, of Roscoe, was here this week the guest of the junior editor.

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Rogers Forks $1.75 per set at Dan. S. Parks.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Werner who has been ill for some days is improving.

Thanksgiving day has passed, those who buy Groceries and Hardware of Wasson, Smith & Co., are thankful the year round.

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Snyder is booming, everything moving as smoothly, quietly and steadily as the lingering stream of Deep Creek (upon which it stands) gently ripples beneath its mossy banks and o'er its pebbled bed.

Save Money and buy Goods of Dan. S. Parks, Colorado, Texas.

We once thought of trying to induce capitalists into this county, but upon reconsidering, we changed our mind, for if once a capatalist saw this country he would just gobble the whole thing up and leave the poor man in a pretty fix.

Rev R. J. McNeil opened school last Monday at Centerview south Scurry. He will be missed for a time by the people of Snyder. His family remains here where Mrs. McNeil is teaching a private school for little girls. It is unnecessary for us to say that Bro. McNeil has few equals as an instructor.

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Camp-Springs 3rd. Sun.		11 A.M.
Browning, 4th Sun.		3.30. P.M.

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Hence Business Is Falling Off—Almost All Other Governments Recompense the Sender Up to a Limited Amount—Postal Union Regulations.

ONE hundred and five registered letters were destroyed by the burning of a mail car at Newport, Tenn., the other day. Undoubtedly nearly all of them contained sums of money. To insure their safety the sender paid to the government eight cents on each letter, besides the postage. Nevertheless they will get not one cent of compensation for their loss.

No wonder that the registry business of the postoffice department is steadily diminishing. The people are losing confidence in the system as a means of insurance. Though the fee has been reduced from ten to eight cents, the number of letters and parcels registered during the last fiscal year was less than 11,000,000. Four years ago the number exceeded 15,000,000 annually. What is wanted is safety, and the system does not give it, says New York World.

When a mail car or a postoffice is robbed, it is always the registered matter, advertised on its face as valuable, that is taken. In 1860 the Postmaster-General of the United States advocated the abandonment of registration on the ground that it was "fruitful only of danger to what it was designed to protect."

The remedy is very simple. The government ought to grant compensation for registered letters lost or destroyed. Nearly all foreign countries give such insurance. In Great Britain, for example, the registration fee is only 4 cents, and if the letter is not safely delivered to the addressee an indemnity of $10 is paid to the loser. A graduated series of fees is so arranged that the sender of a parcel can insure it up to $250, this maximum guarantee requiring the payment of 22 cents. The parcel must be marked with its value.

It is stated in the postal regulations of the United Kingdom, rather quaintly, that payment of such insurance will be made by the Postmaster-General, "not in consequence of legal reliability, but voluntarily and as an act of grace." Registration of money or jewelry is compulsory; such articles are not permitted to be sent in the ordinary mails. At the same time, parcels addressed to foreign parts cannot be registered, though for India they may be insured. The British government pays up to $10 for the value of any ordinary unregistered package that is lost in its mail service. This applies only in the United Kingdom, and it does not govern at all if the parcel is improperly wrapped or contains eggs, liquids or very fragile articles.

Nearly all foreign countries insure letters and packages up to $10 in their domestic service without extra fee. On the other hand, no indemnity is paid even for registered mail matter by the United States, Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Chili, British India, Japan and Congo. These are the only exceptions to the general rule. The Third Assistant Postmaster-General of the United States in his last two annual reports has recommended to Congress the granting of an indemnity on registered letters and packages not to exceed $10. This is sure to be done sooner or later.

Turning to the regulations of the International Postal Union, one finds that the sender of a registered package to a foreign country is entitled to $10 in case of loss, unless the latter has been occasioned by "force majeure"—meaning war. This indemnity must be paid by the government that dispatches the package. However, that government may recover the amount from the government in whose territory the loss was incurred.

The adoption by Uncle Sam of an indemnity limited to $10 would increase the confidence of the public at very little cost. During the last fiscal year 654 pieces of registered matter were lost. Supposing the maximum payment to be granted in each instance, the entire expense of such insurance would be $6,540 for the twelvemonth. This is a trifle compared with the money gained that would accrue to the government from the increase in the registry business that would follow the acceptance of the indemnity plan. The latter would take from the ordinary mails a vast number of money letters and would make the transmission of such letters much more safe.

Madame Must Be Consulted.

"Is Mrs. Harkins at home?" asked the caller.

"Physically, madame," returned the educated butler, "she is. As an abstract question the fact cannot be denied; but in relation to your desire to see her, I cannot say definitely until I have ascertained Mrs. Harkins' wishes in the matter. Pray be seated until I have received advices from above."

The Paris Exposition Lottery.

Subscriptions will shortly be invited by a number of Paris banks for 3,250,000 exhibition lottery bonds of 20 francs each, designed to form the guarantee fund of 60,000,000 francs for the expenses of the exhibition to be held the year 1900. Among the prizes will be five of 500,000 francs each and twenty-four of 100,000 francs each.

A medical writer has lately asserted that "physic is the art of amusing the patient, while nature cures the disease."

IMPORTANT WILL CASE.

Disposal of a Trust Estate Amounting to More Than $1,000,000 to Be at Issue.

The will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth T. Eldredge, of West Newton, Mass., was allowed in the Probate court at East Cambridge without opposition, although it had been announced that there would be a contest. The will disposes of property estimated to be worth over $1,000,000, and a codicil makes a further disposition of the additional sum of about $400,000. It is over the codicil that the contest comes, although the allowance of the will and codicil does not settle the controversy.

It appears that about thirty years ago Mrs. Eldredge's father, T. W. Trull, died, leaving an estate valued at about $800,000, which he put in the hands of trustees who were to pay the income to Mrs. Eldredge for life. The will, after making this disposition of the testator's estate, contained the following, which is the basis of the coming contest: "At and after the decease of my said daughter (Mrs. Eldredge) I give the said premises to her issue to be equally divided between and among them, if more than one, in fee simple, the child of any deceased child of my said daughter to take parent's share by representation. If any daughter shall leave no issue surviving her the trust premises shall at her decease be divided into two equal parts or portions, one of which shall go to and be held by the said John T. Heard (one of the trustees under the will) and his heirs in fee forever, and the other part shall be divided among my heirs at law as though I had died intestate." It is under the concluding words of the quoted paragraph that the decidedly interesting question of law has arisen, and in consequence the will of Mr. Trull is to be brought before the full bench of the Supreme judicial court for construction. The question for the court is whether Mr. Trull meant by "my heirs at law" his daughter or the descendants of his brothers and sisters. If the former construction prevails, Mrs. Eldredge has a right to dispose of one-half the trust estate, which amounts to $300,000. If he did not mean his daughter, then the codicil bequeaths nothing, and not only will the three nieces of Mrs. Eldredge, who are given large bequests under it, get nothing under a division of the true estate, but some $70,000 in charitable bequests will fail. If Mrs. Eldredge had no power to dispose of the trust estate, the half will go to be divided among a great many of the descendants of Mr. Trull's brothers and sisters, who live principally in Essex county.

MIGRATION OF BIRDS.

They Fly at Great Altitudes and Attain Speed Well Nigh Incredible.

Boston Herald: The investigations of the celebrated artist and savant, Heinrich Gootke, have thrown an interesting light on many facts hitherto unknown concerning the migration of birds. It has been noticed that when the time of departure comes the birds vanish as if by magic. This is explained in various ways. The migration flight is always at an extremely lofty altitude, and it also takes place generally at night. The structure of birds renders them capable of existing at an incredible height. They can ascend to an elevation of from 35,000 to 40,000 feet, and at such heights sustain great muscular efforts for considerable lengths of time. At this altitude birds attain to astounding speed, a speed which seems to come to them simply for the purpose of migration. While the swallow is supposed to fly with the speed of the fastest train, the northern blue-throat, a bird which under normal conditions only hops, makes the journey from Central Africa to Heligoland in a spring night of scarcely nine hours. Its average rate is therefore 180 geographical miles an hour. The Virginia plover, according to Mr. Gootke, travels at the rate of four miles a minute, that is, 240 miles an hour. This incredible speed is of course only attained at great altitudes, where the extreme rarity of the air causes less loss of muscular power in overcoming friction and there is no wind to act as an impediment to progress. What guides birds in their migration? After fifty years of study Mr. Gootke refuses even to attempt to answer of this question from a scientific point of view. What adds to the mystery is that young birds of the year—their age not exceeding six or eight weeks—perform this first journey of their lives with the same unerring certainty as the old individuals which follow a month or so later.

REST FOR W. C. T. U. WOMEN.

Miss Willard's Old Home to Be a Temperance Sanitarium.

The veteran workers in the temperance cause, when they are weary in well-doing, have a home to which they may retire. It is the Forest home, near Janesville, Wis., and it is dear to all the white-ribbon band as the early home of Miss Frances Willard, says the New York World. The farm of the Forest home comprises 239 acres of land, fifty of which will always be reserved as grounds for the home, while the rest is divided into residence lots, 50x150 feet, with 60-foot streets and 16-foot alleys. These lots are to be deeded under a strictly prohibition agreement and covenant, and are placed at what is believed to be a reasonable market value aside from the W. C. T. U. institution. The lots will be disposed of to individual purchasers. The contract and covenant provides that whenever 200 lots are deeded to bona-fide purchasers, then the fifty acres shall be duly transferred to the National Women's Christian Temperance Union. Thus the purchasers of the number of lots indicated shall become the donors of the fifty acres to the W. C. T. U. The house itself is a large, modern brick dwelling of over a dozen rooms. The lawn is fine, the shrubs and shade trees are ornamental, and a large kitchen garden is well stocked with the needful plain and substantial vegetables and fruit trees. The place is to be used as a "rest home" for wornout workers in the W. C. T. U.

A Question of Clothes.

President Faure, of France, is a very carefully dressed man, and, it is said, spends a large sum annually at his tailor's. He is somewhat fussy about his clothes; but there are those of the ancient regime who assert that he does not know how to dress becomingly. The ancient regime people are generally wearing their old clothes and looking ancient. There are numerous factories where unique furniture is being made; but it is difficult to find tailors who can make old clothes. The recent president of France, who was killed, wore plain clothes that did not please the people. He might just as well have worn gold lace and looked like a footman.

A Brave Woman.

Isabella Bird Bishop is regarded as one of the most valuable members of Royal Geographical society. Being skilled both as a photographer and a descriptive writer, she has sent home to England from the orient much novel an interesting material from remote regions of China, Thibet and Persia. She was one of the first women to see the Coreans face to face, and several times she narrowly escaped death among savage Asian tribes; but as she is a physician, with some knowledge of the occult and an understanding of how to deal with the superstitious, she has always avoided serious disaster.

A Singular Form of Monomania.

There is a class of people, rational enough in other respects, who are certainly monomaniacs in dosing themselves. They are constantly trying experiments upon their stomachs, their bowels, their livers and their kidneys with trashy nostrums. When these organs are really out of order, if they would only use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, they would, if not hopelessly insane, perceive its superiority.

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The home rule question has wrecked the happiness of many a family.

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It Might Have Been.

A Pennsylvania prevaricator tells of how two girls became infatuated with the idea of having their pictures taken with their heads coquettishly stuck through a torn newspaper, and visited a photograph gallery for that purpose. When the pictures were finished they were horrified to see they had failed to notice, that in the newspaper they had stuck their heads through, just beneath their laughing faces, was a clothing firm's advertisement headed: "Our pants are lined in the seat." The Harrisburg girls were too much mortified to want to give the photographer another sitting. They will wait until they visit Philadelphia, where no such mistake could be made, before they sit again.

Can't Say It in Time.

A stammering man carries a card to show to elevator boys. They usually take him to the fifth floor before he can say "second floor."

Poor Flies.

Sanitary paper that can be washed is now used on the walls of kitchens and bathrooms. It is taking snap judgment on the flies.

Of Little Use.

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In making our good resolutions we are apt to forget how long the year is.

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PROTECTS USERS OF "ROYAL."

Baking Powder Company Wins Its Case in United States Court.

The decision of Judge Showalter in a recent case that came up before him sustains the claims of the Royal company to the exclusive use of the name "Royal" as a trademark for its baking powder. The special importance of this decision consists in the protection which it assures to the millions of consumers of Royal baking powder against inferior and unwholesome compounds. The excellence of this article has caused it to be highly esteemed and largely used almost the world over. Its high standard of quality having been always maintained, consumers have come to rely implicitly upon the "Royal" brand as the most wholesome and efficient of any in the market. The cupidity of other manufacturers is excited by this high reputation and large demand. Very few of the hundreds of baking powders on the market are safe to use. If their makers could sell them under the name of a well known, reputable brand incalculable damage would be done to the public health by the deception. The determination of the Royal Baking Powder Company to protect the users of the Royal baking powder against imitators by a rigid prosecution of them makes such imitations of its brand extremely rare.

The prime minister of Madagascar had his three secretaries beheaded because they talked French.

Several free hospitals for patients afflicted with lung diseases are to be established in Berlin. It will be a place for Wun Lung to go for starting a laundry.

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