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Worth Live Stock Market.

216-Pound Hogs $6.50 Today.

THE MARKET

and for Hogs Un- by Receipts.

LASS CATTLE

Canners, which Fair Prices.

'S RECEIPTS

	534
	313
	$6.50
	3.40
	3.00

OG MARKET

up to 3 p. m. daily.)

opened with 3 cars, 221 ens. The first sale was ed well, and brought and at opening were in Demand stronger than ts indicated would be

demand far beyond the e market closed strong r 1500 unsatisfied. The month were sold today. nch of 39 head that av- nds and sold for $6.50. th, well fed and fat, and ket for some months.

ere representative sales

Average.	Price.
360	4 00
360	4 00
150	5 00
122	6 00
105	6 00
176	6 40
225	6 25
280	6 30
160	6 30
140	6 35
193	6 40
340	6 40
216	6 50

TTLE MARKET

up to 3 p. m. daily.)

, 573 head, was the sup- the market opened with The market was steady r. All the supply was of ff, except a batch of 75 teers.

closed steady with $3.40 Strong on canners and which made an excep- today, there being de- this class that showed averaging 985 sold for fair only in fat, but had One bunch sold for $2 60 sold for $2.40, which , as there was room for and finish for them. feeder steers were in

sales:

STEERS.

890	3 40
913	3 40
880	2 85
830	2 85
802	2 75
880	2 75
660	2 60
1020	2 60
778	2 60
709	2 40
700	2 35
670	2 25
720	2 25
725	2 25
600	2 10
600	1 85
560	1 50

COWS.

990	3 00
985	3 00
876	2 60
960	2 60
790	2 40
823	2 40
850	2 35
716	2 35
750	2 25
780	2 25
780	2 25
960	2 25
760	2 20
846	2 10
662	2 10
646	2 10
1	830	2 10
19	--	2 05
30	720	2 05
3	660	1 75
1	720	1 75
1	850	—

HEIFERS.

7	650	2 25
14		2 00
1	450	2 05
1	4 00	—
24	637	2 00

CALVES.

2	210	3 00
3	225	3 00
2	110	3 00
3	370	2 80

BULLS.

14	1420	2 40
2	1175	2 25
2	1150	2 20
4	1002	2 20
7	860	2 20

SHEEP SALES.

20	79	4 00

Market Quotations Today.

CATTLE.

Steers--Choice fed	$3 50@3 75
Medium fed	3 00@3 40
Good grass	2 75@3 25
Light thin	2 25@2 75
Cows—Choice heavy fed	2 60@3 25
Medium butcher	2 25@2 60
Light thin	1 60@2 25
Canners	1 40@2 10
Bulls, stags and oxen	2 00@3 25
Veals and calves	2 00@3 50

HOGS.

Choice, 200 lbs. and up	6 40@6 50
Fat smooth medium	6 20@6 35
Light	5 75@6 00
Southwestern pigs	4 50@5 00
Stockers	4 50@5 00

SHEEP.

Lambs and yearlings	3 50@4 00
Muttons and mixed	3 25@3 75
Bucks and culls	1 50@2 50

RECEIPTS AT OTHER MARKETS.

CATTLE.

Chicago	22,000
Kansas City	6,300
St. Louis	3,500

HOGS.

Chicago	45,000
Kansas City	2,600
St. Louis	5,500

SHEEP.

Chicago	2,000
Kansas City	3,200
St. Louis	1,000

STOCK YARDS NOTES.

David Wilson of Bexar county was a visitor at the stock yards today.

Winfield Scott was on the market today. He expects several head of cattle here next week.

J. M. Daggett had a bunch of driven-ins on the yards. They were heifers and in very good shape.

John Joyce of Joyce & Smith, Mt. Vernon, a regular shipper on this market, was in with a car of hogs.

C. D. Stewart from the Nation took in the sights at the stock yards today and was highly entertained by what he saw.

Gabriel French of Kansas City was viewing the stock yards this morning and opening his eyes at the big plants.

Lamar county was represented on the market with three cars of steers and cows. The steers averaged 778 and sold at $2.60.

Mr. Mollier of Oklahoma has been appointed as tagger for the government at the stock yards, and has commenced his duties.

Anyone thinking the stock yards and packing plants are not busy places should go out any day at noon and see the army of people that are employed.

W. B. Roberts of Winsboro sold 29 head of steers on the early market. They were a very good bunch of steers, averaged 800 pounds and sold for $2.75.

J. M. Barclay, of Chickasha, who represents the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, was circulating at the yards yesterday and will remain in town a few days.

W. C. Kaufman, of Weatherford, a patron of the Fort Worth stock yards, was a visitor this week. He ships to this market frequently, and is well pleased with the sales.

John Starks and G. W. Thompson, stockmen of Illinois, this morning went down to see how the Fort Worth stock yards compare with Kansas City, St. Joseph and other places.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Swift, Sr., and grandson arrived here yesterday, and are spending a few days in the city, en route home from San Antonio. T. A. Vant, assistant treasurer, accompanied them.

The shovel work at the yards was progressing all right today. The late damp weather did not moisten the ground enough to interfere with the work, and a large number of shovels are at work in cutting down and filling up.

Mr. Williams, yardmaster, of the cattle yards, had a hard time the past week. The night man was sick and Mr. Williams worked day and night, and four nights he did not take his clothing off, being so busy attending to unloading and penning cattle.

Messrs. Roberts & Carter were on the market this week. They are from Paris, Lamar county, and report that their country is well stocked with cattle, especially steers of very good quality. The stockmen are holding their cattle until later, but small feeders are sending their stuff to market.

Jas. W. Bates of Gilmer had in four car loads of cattle. They were made up of steers, cows and a few bulls. The steers averaged 709 pounds and sold for $2.40 and the cows were very good ones also. Mr. Bates was feeling pleased over the way stock is handled at the Fort Worth yards.

James Higby, a stockman from Missouri, came to town Saturday night and went down to the stock yards this morning, where he found everything far superior to what he expected to behold. "The big packing plants and stock yards," he said, "would be a credit to a city many times larger than Fort Worth." It increased his idea greatly about the live stock resources of Texas.

L. Hunter had in a drove of 56 head of three-year-old steers from his lots near Fort Worth. They have been fed several months on light feed, not being in a feed lot. They averaged 913 pounds and sold for $3.40. Sansom Bros. purchased the lot and will put them on heavy feed.

J. D. Dearing of Electra, Tex., came in last Friday and secured barns and lots for the sale of thoroughbred horses, which will take place next month. See his announcement in this paper.

Jno. T. Bartlett sold a car of 16 head of bulls to Kay Bros. They were fed for one hundred days, and were in fair shape. They averaged 1420 pounds, bringing from $2.20 to $2.25.

Yardmaster Williams is now snugly housed in his new office at the stock yards. The office is located near the viaduct, just south of the cattle pens.

E. G. Leibold of San Antonio had 64 head of cows on the market and sold at $2.10. His cows averaged 646 pounds.

ON THE MARKET.

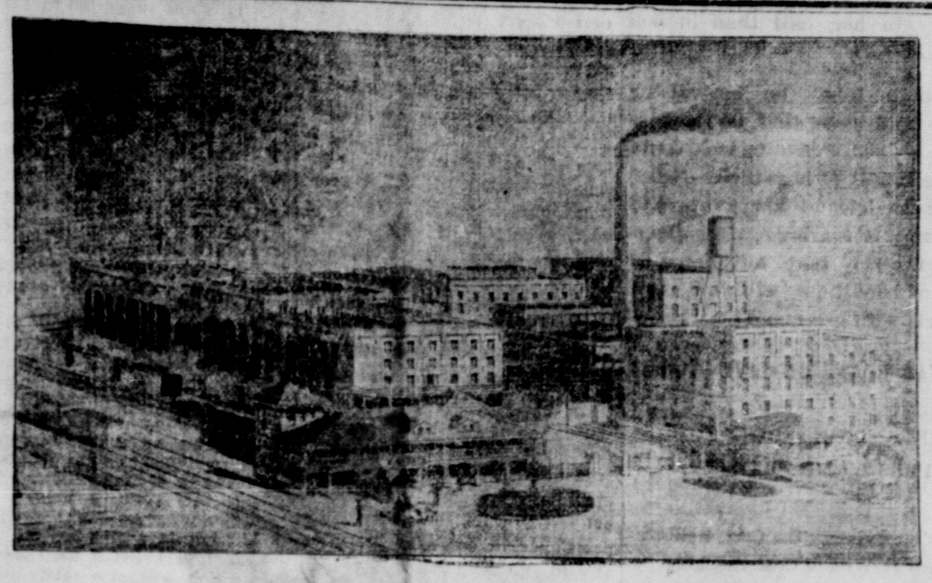
Shippers and the Stock They Brought In Today.

CATTLE.

J. W. Bates, Winsboro, 123.
Liebold & Hatch, Kerrville, 32.
C. Eckhardt, Yorktown, 32.
A. A. Cox, Van Horn, 30.
A. A. Haws, Dallas, 30.
S. W. Jackson, Bartlett, 38.
Jno. T. Bartlett, Bartlett, 175.
W. J. Cater, Paris, Texas, 28.
J. W. Roberts Paris, Texas, 55.

HOGS.

Joyce & Smith, Naples, 87.
Jno. T. Bartlett, Bartlett, 46.
A. G. Parnell, Minco, I. T., 88.



THE ARMOUR PACKING PLANT.

We show the latest illustration of the new plant of Armour & Company, as it will appear when completed. This will give one a much better idea of the scheme of the Armours than the pictures heretofore printed, which were made from the architect's plans. Most of the buildings are now completed or under way, and The Reporter expects soon to be able to announce a date for the opening of the great plant for general business.

AT OKLAHOMA CITY.

Program of the Live Stock Convention.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th.

9:30 a. m.

Music by military band.

10:00 a. m.

Convention called to order.

Address of welcome, Hon. C. G. Jones, mayor, and Hon. S. C. Hayman, president Chamber of Commerce, Oklahoma City.

Response by the president of the Association, Abner T. Wilson, Kiowa, Kan.

Business session.

Appointment of the following: Quarantine and Legislative committees.

Resolutions.

Constitution and by-laws.

Membership.

Reports of officers.

Election of officers.

Adjournment.

No afternoon session; attend special live stock sales; visit the city and get acquainted.

7:30 p. m.

Music by cornet band at Convention hall.

8:00 p. m.

Prayer.

Vocal music.

The Live Stock Census, Hon. Le Grande Powers, Chief Statistician, Washington, D. C.

Reading, Miss Estelle G. Burke, Wichita, Kan.

Music by cornet band.

"Oklahoma Cattle Raisers," Hon. Thomas B. Ferguson, Governor of Oklahoma.

Vocal Music.

"The Live Stock Industry of Oklahoma, Past and Present," W. E Campbell, Winchester, Okla.

Music by cornet band.

"The Stockman and the State of Oklahoma," Col. J. W. Johnson, Oklahoma City.

Reading. "The Spanish Pony," Miss Estelle Burke (by special request).

"America" by the the audience, led by cornet bands.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11th.

8:30 a. m.

Music by cornet band.

9:00 a. m.

"The Tick and How the Small Stockmen May be Rid of Them," Secretary Z. E. Beemblossom of the Live Stock Sanitary Board of Oklahoma.

"Splenetic or Tick Fever and the Federal Quarantine Line in Oklahoma," Col. A. R. Dean, agent Bureau of Animal Industry in the United States.

Five minute discussion and questions by members of the Association.

"Dipping and its Results," Prof. G. M. Moore, Kansas City, Mo.

Adjournment.

No afternoon session. Special sales of fine cattle. Trading and leasing. Bronk riding at park.

EVENING.

All members of the Association will be the guests of Oklahoma City Opera House. Tickets free to members, admission to others at usual prices.

THURSDAY, FEB. 12th.

8:30 a. m.

Music by cornet bands.

9:00 a. m.

"Board of Agriculture and Its Relation to Live Stock," Hon. Ewers White, Shawnee, Oklahoma

"Reminiscences of a Cow Puncher," B. S. McClure, Congressman-elect from Oklahoma.

"What's What, Among Cattlemen," Col. L. A. Allen, Kansas City, Mo.

"What Caused the Increase at St. Joseph," M. B. Irwin, Traffic Manager St. Joe Stock Yards Co.

"Cattle Raising and Feeding in the Osage and Indian Reservations," S. D. Soldani, Ponca City.

"The Commission Man and Shipper," G. M. Walden, President Live Stock Exchange, Kansas City, Mo.

"Below Quarantine," O. W. Matthews, Secretary and Treasurer Fort Worth Stock Yards Company.

"Near-by Markets" Col. W. R. Dulaney, Manager Union Stock Yards Co., Wichita, Kansas.

Reports of committees, and adoption of same.

Appointment and confirmation of executive committee for the ensuing year.

Selection of place for holding next annual convention, by vote of members only.

Final adjournment of convention for 1903.

Music by cornet bands.

No afternoon session. Special sales of registered cattle. Great roping contest at park.

8:30 p. m.

Annual cattlemen's ball.

Adios.

SUIT AGAINST SETTLERS.

Nelson Morris Will Enjoin Them from Trespass on Leased Lands.

The rights of lesses of state lands, as against intruding settlers, is to be tested in the courts. We find the following report in the Dallas News of Sunday:

Deputy United States Marshal John H. Girand of Abilene was in the city yesterday, leaving last night for Abilene Mr. Girand has just returned from the prairies of Midland, Andrews and Ector counties, where he has been serving papers on some twenty-four settlers on lands claimed under lease by Nelson Morris. Of the twenty-four, who are to be defendants in an injunction suit brought by Nelson Morris and to be heard February 5, Girand has served nineteen.

"The trouble seems to be," he said, "that while a number of the settlers have filed on the lands, four sections each, and have turned their cattle in to graze, Morris claims that his lease has another year to run and objects to the cattle mixing with his fine stock. He has there between 12,000 and 15,000 hornless black-polled cattle, the finest you ever saw. These people in the aggregate claim 61,440 acres. The cattle there are as fat as could be and the grass looks fine."

This suit comes up in the Federal court February 5 on application by Nelson Morris for a writ of injunction.

Rates to Fat Stock Show.

A meeting of passenger agents of several of the Fort Worth railroads was held last Saturday, at which it was decided to recommend to their roads the granting of special rates to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show. It is expected that this show, which is an important event for the state, will be put on a convention basis in the matter of rates.

J. B. Artgeld, a stockman from Kansas, says that he has made several visits to the Fort Worth stock yards and that it is almost invariably the case that strangers who visit the yards go away highly pleased with the outlook down there. "While every one who comes here for the first time naturally expects to see extensive buildings and yards," Mr. Artgeld remarked, "the real thing is much beyond what they expected. If Texas had some of the big corn crops we raised in Kansas last year and we had some of their cattle, it would be greatly to the advantage of both states."

AT OTHER MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Special to the Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Feb. 2.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 22,000. Market strong to 10c higher. Top $6 00.

HOGS — Receipts 45,000. Market 5c lower. Best $6 95.

SHEEP—Receipts 2000. Market weak. Top lambs $6 35.

KANSAS CITY.

Special to the Reporter.

Kansas City Stock Yards, Feb. 2.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 6300; Market steady to 10c higher. Top $5.20. Cows and stockers strong. Texas steady.

HOGS—Receipts 2600. Market steady to 5c lower. Top $6.90; bulk $6.65@$6.80.

SHEEP—Receipts 3200. Market active and strong,

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

Special to the Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Feb. 2.—Receipts and quotations of the market, as reported by the National Live Stock Reporter:

CATTLE — Receipts 3500, of which 2000 were Texas. Steady. Top Texas, $3.90. Natives steady, tops $4.70.

HOGS — Receipts 5500. Market 5c lower. Tops $6.90; bulk $6.60@$6.80.

SHEEP — Receipts 1000. Market steady.

Texas Advantages for Hogs.

W. J. Duffel of West, Texas, is another farmer who sees salvation in hogs. Mr. Duffel writes to the Dallas News:

The writer has made the keeping and management of swine a part of his farming so long he would not think a farm was complete without some fine hogs on it. The better the breed the better they pay, and he that gives them the best care gets the most money out of them. I never want the writers of the Forum to refer to the Texas scrub hog any more. I find other states with ten scrub hogs in them to one in Texas. We have many advantages over many of the other states. It is true we have had two very dry years, with grain crops short, but this will not last. We must prepare to meet the big demand for good packing-house hogs. They can be raised cheaply with a small amount of grain and green feed. I must again put in a good word for the dwarf Essex rape. This plant has made England one of the great meat-producing countries. In bulletin No. 11 we find on page 4 where rape has made as much as twenty tons of green fodder per acre. It will fatten faster than any clover. There are several kinds of rape seed in the market. It is not fair to give it up until we have more and better proof it is not worth anything. Vetch makes a fine winter pasture and will grow nearly anywhere. Perennial rye grass is making a first-class pasture for me this winter. I am much pleased with it. Shall put several acres in it next year. From the way stock love it it will pay well. There are so many things we can have in Texas if we would only try.

Humerous incidents occur frequently at the stock yards, and often at someone's expense. John Freeman came down from Jones county a few days since and brought with him a large ulster overcoat. He carried it around one warm day last week until it became a burden to him and finally hung it up in a wash room and was gone fifteen minutes. When he returned the coat had vanished. "It's an ill wind," said he, "that does not blow good to somebody. That coat was too heavy entirely for this climate, and it may be that my good angel put some needy individual up to stealing it who was about starting north for his health."

Live Stock Commission Houses.

Following are the members of the Live Stock Exchange now doing business at the Fort Worth Stock Yards:

CAMPBELL & ROSSON L. S. COM. CO.
FORT WORTH LIVE STOCK COM. CO.
LONG HORN LIVE STOCK COM. CO.
NATIONAL LIVE STOCK COM. CO.
NORTH TEXAS LIVE STOCK COM. CO.
GEO. W. SAUNDERS COM. CO.
SOUTHWESTERN LIVE STOCK COM. CO.

FOR SALE.

NOTICE TO CATTLE FEEDERS—We are completing several desirable feed lots on property adjoining the Fort Worth Stock Yards, to which all railroads have access, and which is also adjacent to the Fort Worth Cotton Oil company. These lots are clean and well drained, have natural shelter, new substantial feed troughs and plenty of pure artesian water. For particulars, call on or address Glen Walker & Co., Fort Worth, Tex.

FOR SALE—865 head of 3, 4 and 5-year-old native raised Llano county Steers, 500 of them are being full wintered in Osage country, Indian Territory, and 365 are on the best pasture in Llano county. Cattle will be fed and pastured until 10th to 15th of April next. Address R. E. Caperton, Lock Box 438, Austin, Tex.

FOR SALE—BULLS—500 to 600 choice fat fed bulls, ready for shipment. Apply to C. Eckhardt & Sons, Yorkton, Tex.

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MONDAY, FEB. 2, 1903.

WHAT FARMERS ARE LOSING.

Total receipts of hogs at the Fort Worth yards last week were 2489 head. The daily average was 415 head. This market could now easily care for 1500 hogs a day, a total of 9000 a week. The average weight of the hogs sold was about 175 pounds, and the average price about $6.25, or about $11 a head. The 2489 sold brought their owners $27,000 or $28,000. If the full market demand had been on hand, and the sales had been 9000 or 10,000, instead of 2489, their owners would have got $100,000 or more, instead of $27,000.

By not having these hogs, the farmers and stock-raisers of Texas lost $70,000 or more last week. Or, to put it differently, they would now have $70,000 more if they had been able to supply the demands of this market for hogs.

This demand is still going on, and is still unsupplied. Texas farmers are suffering this loss day by day, week by week. Soon the packing houses here will be calling for 5000 hogs instead of 1500 a day. As long as our farmers send in 500 hogs a day to meet a demand for 5000, they are losing the profits on the lacking 4500, at a time when hogs are worth more than for many years.

If any man who has the means for raising hogs will take his pencil stub in hand and figure out what the loss is by selling 500 hogs a day instead of 5000, at present prices, he will make up his mind mighty quick to contribute his effort to meeting the deficit. His figuring will be something like this:

5000 hogs a day for 313 days in the year, 1,565,000 hogs. At $11 apiece, they have a cash value of $16,215,000.

500 hogs a day, the amount actually shipped, for 313 days in the year, 156,500 hogs. At $11 apiece, $1,621,500.

Loss to farmers by not raising these hogs, $14,693,500.

This figuring is based on 175-pound hogs at $6.25. It would be as easy to raise 225-pound hogs that would bring $15, and the net results would be still greater in favor of the farmer.

NINE-MONTHS PIGS WEIGH 269.

We clip from the Omaha Drovers' Journal:

"The top price paid for a full load of hogs today was received by Chas. Broehel of Bradshaw. The consignment was a bunch of spring shoats of the Duroc Jersey breed. They were nine months old and smoothly finished at 269 pounds weight. Mr. Broehel run them in an alfalfa field during the summer and put on the finishing touches with good sound corn. They were easily disposed of at $6.82½, top price of the day."

Nine-months pigs weighing 269 pounds and selling at $6.82½! The gross price for these pigs was $18.35. It doesn't cost much to bring up a nine-months pig, if he comes in the spring and is carried through the summer on cheap forage.

Texas can raise as good hogs as Nebraska, and cheaper, for we have cheaper land, and it is more productive.

Farmers and stockmen in West Texas are combining in a war of extermination of the prairie-dog. Will they find, after the prairie-dog is wiped off the face of the earth, that he was a blessing in disguise because he fed upon some noxious something that does more harm than he ever did?

Reports from the Grand Prairie neighborhood are that farmers are prepairing to put in large crops of corn and oats. The Grand Prairie farmers see that there is more money in hog feed than in boll weevil feed.

Reports from the hog-raising states go to show that no increase of consequence is to be looked for in the supply of hogs there. Meanwhile the demand keeps up, and the price is soaring again. Texas farmers who take advantage of present conditions will line their pockets with greenbacks.

TEXAS RATES ON LIVE STOCK.

FIGURES OF INTEREST TO SHIPPERS TO THIS MARKET.

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

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

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

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

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

Importation of Fine Cattle.

The Kansas City Drovers' Telegram reports:

A wire received this morning from Mr. E. C. Hersh of the Armour Packing company, and who is now in Baltimore, states that Mr. Charles W. Armour's importation of Hereford cattle has just landed at quarantine, having come over from England on board the steamer Templemore of the Johnson line. Mr. Hersh has been in the East for some time making preparations for receiving this lot of blooded cattle, which is made up of something over one hundred head of cows and heifers with calves at foot, or to calve while still at quarantine, and two bulls.

This is the 6th importation of Hereford cattle that the Armours have made, and while it is not the largest it is said by those who have seen the cattle to be the best lot of cattle ever shipped out of England, as it was Mr. Armour's instructions to his agent there to buy nothing but what was worthy of admiration, and there was never a bunch of cattle so closely picked as the one which landed at Baltimore today. It is gratifying to Hereford breeders to learn that out of 105 animals submitted to the tuberculosis test by W. E. Britten, secretary of the English Hereford herd book, there were only two rejected. Dr. Geddes, the veterinary expert from Washington, remarked that this was a record of which any breed might be proud.

The cattle were selected from the best herds in England, not omitting the royal herd at Windsor, from which two heifers were selected, one being the last calf born on the farm before the death of her majesty, and the other the first born after his royal highness passed into control of the royal farm, the king being present at the christening and selecting the name of the newcomer.

British Landowners.

The thirty-four biggest landowners in Britain possess, on an average, 188,000 acres each.

Bird Without Wings.

The New Zealand apteryx is the only existing bird which is without wings.

"The Denison."

Denison, Texas.—The finest and best hotel in the Southwest now open. Twenty-five rooms with private bath. Under the management of the "Katy."

DETAILS OF REJECTION.

They Cause Considerable Concern and Surprise in Paris.

Paris, Jan. 31.—The foreign office has received a lengthy official advice giving details of the rejection by the allies of the proposal that France and other countries receive equal treatment in the Venezuelan settlement.

Frnch officials had not doubted that equal treatment would be recognized, and this unexpected turn of events has caused much surprise and concern.

After conferring with those in chief authority an official said that the French position is based on two essential principles. The first is that in a pacific settlement between two sovereign nations each is entitled to at least equal treatment. If not, a precedent would be established, officials say, which would be incentive to war, as ccuntries first adopting force in collection of claims would have superior rights to those observing usual pacific means of settlement. The view is strongly held here that the United States, France and Belgium are in effect pacific allies, as they did not resort to force against Venezuela.

It is insisted that the present attitude with the allies tends not only to prejudice the rights of pacific allies, but also establishes the dangerous principle that resort to war is preferable to efforts to maintain peace.

The second principle of the French position is that the France-Venezuelan settlement is in the form of a treaty, which entitles it to international recognition. This was formally executed prior to the adoption of force by the allies, and while Venezuela retained full independence in the exercise of her soverign right to make a treaty. Therefore, it is maintained, this antedates rights arising from resort to force. It is not insisted, however, that this prior treaty settlement entitles France to priority in the division of customs revenues, as officials hold all powers having claims should receive equal treatment. It was at first supposed Great Britain, Germany and Italy favored this view and that the opposition came from the personal attitude of their representatives, but latest advices indicate a sympathetic attitude of the British ambassador at Washington, Sir Michael Herbert, German charge d'affaires, Count von Quadt, and Italian ambassador, Signor Mayer Des Planches, who are restricted in their instructions. Full recognition is given of evident fairness of Minister Bowen.

CANNOT BE PUBLISHED.

In Event of Refusal Minister Bowen Will Confer With Other Powers.

Washington, Jan. 30.—No answer yet has come from the allied powers to Mr. Bowen's last proposition.

The British ambassador sent a long cablegram to Lord Lansdowne Thursday afternoon, stating what might be expected in case Great Britain and her two allies insisted on preferential treatment for blockading powers. The text of the cablegram cannot be published, but it is inferred by the foreign office that Minister Bowen, in the event of the refusal of his proposition, would call upon representatives of other claimant powers in Washington and state to them that Venezuela was being forced by the triple alliance to yield to a plan which would affect seriously the interests of France, Belgium, Norway Sweden, Spain, Denmark, Holland and the United States.

NO OSCULATION.

Those Having Contagious Diseases Must "Kiss Yourself Goodbye."

Chicago, Jan. 31.—A bill has been introduced in the Minnesota legislature declaring that it shall be unlawful for one person to kiss another unless he can prove he is free from contagious or infectious diseases, says a dispatch to the Tribune from St. Paul. The bill declares the certificate of a physician declaring a person to have a weak heart shall constitute a bar to the indulgence of kissing, and violation of the bill is accounted a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of from $1 to $5 for each offense.

QUITE A DROP

Thermometer Went Down Thirty-Seven Degrees in Twelve Hours.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 31.—The weather burear thermometer here recorded a drop of thirty-seven degrees during twelve hours, marking twenty-three above. With the cold wave came a fierce wind blowing fifty-five miles per hour. It came from the northwest and was accompanied by heavy snow squalls

Fourteen Degrees Below.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 31.—The coldest weather of the season is prevailing, unofficial thermometers registering fourteen degrees below zero.

Volcano Increases in Activity.

San Francisco, Jan. 31.—Volcano of Isalco, in the Central American republic of Salvador, has increased in activity and there is fear of an eruption. Officers of the steamer City of Panama report the volcano belches smoke and fire at intervals of about fifteen minutes.

Slain at His Home.

Puntagorda, Fla., Jan. 31.—City Marshal Bowman while sitting in a front room at his home was shot by an unknown party from the street. Nine buckshot entered his heart. He died instantly. He leaves a widow and three children.

Dalzell Presided.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The house was presided over by Mr. Dalzell, Speaker Henderson being absent. Several private claim bills were considered.

LONE STAR BUILDING.

It Will Be a Unique Structure and Command Favorable Attention.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 2.—The building that the Texas World's Fair commission intends erecting at St. Louis will be in the shape of a five-pointed star and the stellar effect has been so dextrously worked out in every detail that the whole might be called a constellation of smaller stars clustering around the Lone Star of Texas. The idea was suggested by Louis J. Wortham, general manager of the commission.

The model itself is a wonderful example of construtive ingenuity. It is from the ground to the tip of the star held above the dome three feet nine inches, and from opposite points tween the extreme points of star it plete, even to the most minute detail of construction, so that the idea to be got of the finished building is not only a comprehensive one, but a perfect one.

What one might call the stellar motif has not been departed from in a single instance. Approaching the building one is confronted by an immense five-pointed star, surmounted by a dome whose highest point will be 120 feet above the ground line. Between the extreme points of sugar it will be of staff, and the building will be two stories in height. Running up in a graceful curve from the second story will be a hipped or convexed roof, gathered at the base of the dome which will rise thirty-five feet from the topmost point of the roof. The whole structure will be a massive one indicative of the immensity of Texas.

POLL TAX.

In Some of the Counties a Great Many Were Secured.

Austin, Feb. 2.—Returns in regard to poll tax receipts come in slowly. Johnson county shows an excess over the vote for Governor Lanham. In Dallas county there were about 13,000 receipts received. In the western and southwestern counties there appears to have been little interest. Rusk and Bexar counties report much interest and many receipts.

Rockport, Tex., Feb. 2.—In a restaurant here Francisco Rodrigues was shot and killed. Daniel Marchan gave himself up.

Odd Fellows Encampment.

Dallas, Feb. 2.—Over 200 delegates to the Odd Fellows' grand encampment have arrived in the city. Grand Patriarch Elder of Greenville and wife arrived Sunday night.

Minor Business Transacted.

Austin, Feb. 2.—The house on Saturday did not transact much business. Bills for the benefit of certain counties were passed and adjourment taken owing to lack of a quorum.

Routed Pretender's Forces.

Tangier, Feb. 2.—The sultan's troops have utterly routed the forces of the Moorish pretender and captured Hamara himself. A special courier made a record journey from Fez, brought this news. He reports that at daybreak last Thursday the army of the sultan commanded by the war minister El Menebih, attacked the pretender's position and inflicted a complete defeat of his following, at the same time capturing Bu Hamar.

Troops Called Out.

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 2.—Eight camps of the First regiment, Connecticut National Guard, and five companies of the Second regiment, with two Gatling guns, were called to Waterbury at the command of Governor Chamberlain because of "the imperative need" occasioned by the trolley strike situation.

First Baby Born in Hotel.

New York, Feb. 2.—Colonel William C. Green, a wealthy resident of Bisbee, Ariz., is the father of the first baby born at the Waldorf-Astoria. Many gifts for the young son of Colonel Green among them a mountain lion's skin and some gold nuggets, have arrived at the hotel.

Bank Robbed.

Dexter, Kan., Feb. 2.—Three cracksmen wrecked the safe of the State Bank of Dexter early Sunday and secured $1500, escaping on a hand car without having aroused the citizens. Officers from Arkansas City followed the robbers trail for several miles but without success.

Block Destroyed.

Enid, Okla., Feb. 2.—Fire at Waukomis, a small town on the Rock Island railroad ten miles south of Enid, destroyed an entire block of buildings, causing a total loss estimated at $75,000. The fire started in Lithberg's saloon.

Three Thousand Have Left.

Cuaymas, Mex., Feb. 2.—According to the best information obtainable, at least 3000 persons have left Mazatalan since the appearance of the plague there. This number represents about one-sixth of the population of the city.

Commissioned to Place a Loan.

Odessa, Feb. 2.—It is anounced that the Russo-Chinese bank has been commissioned to place a loan of $8,000,000 in Paris for an extension of the Chinese railways.

Sir George Gabriel Stokes Dead.

London, Feb. 2.—Sir George Gabriel Stokes, master of Pembroke college, Cambridge, formerly president of the Royal society and of the British association, is dead.

Infend Coming to United States.

Paris, Feb. 2.—A dispatch to the Matin from Mentone states the crown princess of Saxony and M. Giron intend going to the United States.

Fort Worth Fat Stock

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan.

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Parties preparing steers for the Fort Worth Show, will remember that the Union Stock Yards company of Chicago will pay a special premium on the best or Grand Champion car load, and $50 on the Champion steer of the show. Yours truly,

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Fond of Her Pen.

Queen Alexandra is an indefatigable letter writer. Thirty or forty letters from her own pen are no unusual daily occurrence, and she often sends off a number of telegrams, too, while Miss Knollys, who is her favorite attendant, has often written over a hundred letters a day, all of which are under a special personal supervision.

Remarkable Case of Sentiment.

A grove of handsome pine trees borders the highway near the town of Eustis, Me., forming one of the natural beauties of the place. It seems that a practical lumberman wanted the trees and offered the town authorities $3,000 for them, enough to pay the entire municipal debt, but the town preferred keeping the trees.

Unsportsmanlike.

The father of a youth who was killed in a football game is prowling the country with a shotgun looking for members of the opposing team. If this sort of crankism is to be tolerated there is great danger that a noble pastime may fall into disuse.

Putting "a Stick" in It.

Over the soda fountain in a Denver drug store is a sign which conveys a hint readily understood by thirsty people who like a stimulant in their soda. The sign contains these words: "Just Wink at Billy. Billy Knows."

"Baby" of Family Reunion.

There was a notable family reunion at Welland, Ont., recently at which the six children of the late Jacob Pound assembled to celebrate the birthday of "the baby of the family," who has attained the age of 80 years.

Murder Statistics.

There are 2,470 murders yearly in Italy; Russia 2,400, and Spain 1,600.

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Commencing Sunday, ... the change of time via the ... Ry. in Texas has given ... quickest time between Texas ... phis via South McAlester. ... The time of the morning ... Texas, known as train ... considerably shortened, ... connection with the ... Choctaw, Oklahoma and ... South McAlester, which ... phis 7:30 a. m. and has ... the time between Texas ... one hour.

THE HAGUE COURT

Bowen May Have to Refer the Matter There.

ATTITUDE OF FRANCE.

Thought That Government Has Secretly Sounded United States to Learn How Much There Is in Common.

Washington, Jan. 31.—If Mr. Bowen fails to adjust Venezuela's claims with the purpose to have The Hague arbitration tribunal pass on them. But just how the Venezuelan case is to get before The Hague tribunal in event of Bowen's failure to settle the differences is not quite clear. It is inconceivable to the administration that there should be a resumption of hostilities on the Venezuelan coast and more "putting on screws," no matter how Mr. Bowen's work shall end. As to, The Hague tribunal comes in sight as a port of safety. If they place a case before the tribunal involving the laying down of certain propositions of matters to be arranged and agreement on the limitations to be placed on the arbitration, it is difficult to conjecture how these can be brought together on complex and difficult propositions involved, in an arbitration protocol.

For instance, one point which undoubtedly would be very difficult to settle would be the results of the present blockade and whether or not Venezuela might properly regard the losses inflicted on her as offsets to the claims of the powers. Mr. Bowen, clearly looking ahead, has prepared a long list of such injuries inflicted on Venezuela, and this list grows with every day's continuance of the blockade, but from the tone of the representatives of the allies it is quite certain they would resist to the utmost the presentations of any such claims.

When this step is taken it is expected that France will make representations at once to London, Berlin and Rome protesting against any interference with previous arrangements she has made with Venezuela for the settlement of claims. France may be joined in this protest by the other creditor nations.

There is reason to believe that the French government already has sounded the United States government to learn how much in common there may be between their interests in Venezuela. It is said that there is a strong resemblance between the claims of the two nations; perhaps enough to link them together in resistence to any policy on the part of the allies which would tend to destroy or impair those interests.

For instance, the United States through a regular tribunal, and Venezuelan claim commission, has secured judgment against Venezuela for a considerable sum of money which Venezuela has been paying in installments. Recently these payments have been delayed, and as the money comes in large part from the Venezuelan customs, the United States may have very good legal right to protest against any conduct on the part of the allies which would prevent its lebtor from meeting its obligations to the United States. Finance by treaty and negotiations has secured what amounts to a judgment against Venezuela and she claims that her debtor must not be destroyed or Venezuela's means of meeting her payments to France impaired, as will be the case by the adoption of the preferential treatment demanded by the allies.

AS A RIDER.

Majority of Committee Favor This Step for Statehood Bill.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The committee on organization of the executive department, of which Senator Quay is chairman, has ordered a favorable report upon the statehood bill offered by the senator as an amendment to appropriation bills. The committee was not formally called together, but Senator Quay saw the other members on it, formally called together, but Senator Beveridge, who gave his assent to the favorable reporting of the bill as a rider to the supply bill. All the members of the committee who are in this city gave their assent except Senator Beveridge, who as leader of the opposition to the bill, of course, objected. Senator Wetmore, who is a member of the committee, is opposed to the bill, but he is absent from the city and could not be consulted on the matter.

New German Minister Arrives.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Baron Speck von Sternberg, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the United States from Germany, arrived in Washington Friday night.

Implicate Themselves and Others.

Liverpool, Jan. 31.—The four seamen of the British bark Veronica brought here by the British steamer Brunswick, were remanded today on the charge of murdering Captain Shaw, two of his officers and four seamen of the Veronica. Two of the prisoners have made a statement implicating themselves and others. Another of the accused men, William Smith, an American who shipped at a Mississippi port, declares the statement to be untrue.

Remarkable Reception.

Kimberly, Cape Colony, Jan. 31.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain arrived here Friday and were accorded a remarkable reception. The town was lavishly decorated and Mrs. Chamberlain was presented with a casket of diamonds by the ladies of Kimberly.

FORTY-FIVE BILLS.

That Number Favorably Acted Upon in the House of Representatives.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Friday was the last private claims day in the house and members with bills on the calendar carried everything with them in committee of the whole. Forty-five bills were acted on favorably despite the efforts of Mr. Payne, the Republican floor leader, assisted by Mr. Cannon and others, to defeat some of them. Many of the claims were old, dating back to the civil war and a few originated prior to that time. The latter were balances due for carrying mails to the south when the war broke out. Mr. Payne was particularly insistent in his opposition to these bills, calling attention to the exposure of the fraudulent character of many similar claims in the Forty-fifth congress. He expressed the opinion that all of these claims had been paid before. The members interested stood together, however, and voted him down every time he demanded a division. There were several bills to reimburse postmasters and internal revenue collectors for stamps lost or stolen. One was to pay the balance on a contract for ice furnished the army hospitals in the Mississippi valley during the war. The amount claimed is $80,000, and is for ice at the rate of 90 cents per 100 pounds.

WOULD NOT ACCEPT.

Members of German Colony Refuse to Participate in Celebration.

Caracas, Jan. 31.—The captain of the German cruiser Gazelle, which is anchored at Puerto Cabello, on the occasion of the emperor's birthday sent an invitation to the members of the Germany colony to celebrate the day on board the cruiser. All refused; one of the chief German firms at Puerto Cablio, answering, "tell the captain that his invitation surprises me under the conditions, when Venezuela is suffering from an unjustifiable aggression on the part of Germany. I will not attend or allow any of the young German clerks employed by my firm to attend the celebration."

TRAINS COLLIDE.

An Engineer and Fireman Killed and Others Badly Injured.

Hazleton, Pa., Jan. 31.—A fast passenger train south bound on the Schuylkill Valley division of the Pennsylvina railroad collided head on with a freight train near Lofty. Robert Meyer engineer and Fred Gearhardt of the freight, fireman, were killed. Engineer Corey and Fireman John Smith and a colered porter of the passenger train were severely hurt and several passengers were slightly injured. The collision resulted from a misunderstanding of the orders.

The locomotives came together with full speed. A relief train was sent out from Hasleton with a number of physicians on board. The injured were sent to the Hazleton hospital.

Nearly Five Hundred Heard.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 31.—With the exception of the presentation of statistics the coal operators closed their case before the coal strike commission Friday. It is expected the striking miners will begin to call witnesses in rebuttal Monday. No session will be held Saturday. The miners will take up three or four days in rebuttal, after which the commission will adjourn to the following Monday. The arguments will consume the greater part of the week begining Feb. 9. Up to date the commission has heard 490 witnesses.

Drowned Herself in a Well.

Dickenson, Tex., Jan. 31.—The body of Mrs. Mary Felske was found in a well on the Riney place near Hulen Park. The deceased left home Tuesday a week ago. She was unsound mentally and had attempted to kill herself several times.

Old Fort Gibson to Be Sold.

Muskogee, I. T., Jan. 31.—J. Blair Shoenfelt, Indian agent at this place, has announced that some time between now and the first of March there will be sold at auction the old military buildings on Garrison Hill, at Fort Gibson, seven miles from the place.

Mother Kills Her Babe.

Muskogee, I. T., Jan. 31.—Mrs. Hattie Payne of Checotah became violently insane and was placed in jail. She took the body of her child by the heels and brained the little one by striking its head against the cell, and threw the body in the jail yard.

Overman Formally Elected.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 31.—The general assembly of North Carolina formelly elected Lee S. Overman the nominee of the Democratic caucus as United States senator to succeed Senator Pritchard. The joint vote was 138 for Overman and 21 for Pritchard.

Pleaded Not Guilty.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 31.—Frank Cecil, of Bell county under indictment for being an accessory before the fact to the murder of Milliam Goebel surrendered. He was immediately presented in court, pleaded not guilty and by agreement of the commonwealth was released on bond of $3000.

Cotton and Wheat Statistics

Washington, Jan. 31.—Representative Burleson of Texas introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of agriculture to gather statistics relating to the production of cotton and wheat.

Macedonians Defeated.

Constantinople, Jan. 31.—A detachment of Turkish troops has defeated a strong band of Macedonians near Lake Okhrida, Albania.

Chief of Constabulary.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Captain Henry T. Allen, Sixth cavalry, was nominated as chief Philippine constubulary with the rank of brigadier general.

BALKAN QUESTION UP

Present Phase of the Matter Is Regarded as Acute.

MUNITIONS OF WAR.

It Is Reported That There Have Been Several Heavy Purchases Lately Made by Roumania, Balkan States and Turkey.

London, Jan. 31.—The publication of the French yellow book detailing efforts made by France and Russia during the past year to induce Turkey to institute reforms in Macedonia which resulted in a tour through the Balkans of Count Lamsdorff and in an Austro-Russian agrement regarding press reforms in Turkey point to the fact that an acute phase of Balkan question has arisen.

Rumors of Austria preparing a squadron at her naval port, of Pola for passage of Russian torpedo boats brought through the Dardanelles into the Black sea and other incidents are being recalled, rumors issued by Austrian government are received with some skepticism.

There have been recently several reports of hasty purchases of war material by Roumania, Balkan states and Turkey.

The yellow book confirms the statement that France approves of Count Lamsdorff's proposal to institute radical reforms in Macedonia, and gives a gloomy account of the deplorable conditions prevailing in Macedonian provinces. Reports are current in Odessa that Austria and Russia have agreed upon a joint naval coercion of Turkey in the approaching spring to enforce reforms in Macedonia.

According to Professor Bambury, who is supposed to be well informed as to the views entertained at Yildiz Kiosk the sultan, believing the intention is to wrest Macedonia from the Turkish empire, would prefer risks in war to acquiescence in European demands. The drift of European comment is that although there is no immediate danger, the situation is causing diplomatists the keenest anxiety.

Increase in Wages.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—General Manager Feltz of the Santa Fe lines west of Albuquerque has announced that the firemen on all the west lines of that company will be granted an increase in wages equal to 5 or 6 per cent. The firemen requested an increase of from 10 to 15 per cent.

District Attorney Dead.

Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 31.—John Eagan United States district attorney for the Northern district of Florida, died at his home here of pneumonia, contracted in Washington ten days ago.

In Memory of McMillan.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The senate paid tribute to the memory of the late Senator McMillan of Michigan.

Well Known Sport Dead.

New York, Jan. 31.—James E. Kelly, the well known sporting man, died at Paris, it is stated.

Prinetti Better.

Rome, Jan. 31.—Signor Prinetti, foreign minister, stricken with paralysis Thursday, is some better.

Evidence Being Heard.

Tyler, Tex., Jan. 31.—Hearing of evidence in the Tyler bank cases has begun.

Took Morphine.

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 31.—Ben Atkinson of Malvern, Ark., committed suicide by taking morphine.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

An electric line is to be built from Beaumont to Sour Lake.

H. A. Leonard was crushed to death in a car near Lake Charles, La.

San Angelo, Tex., expects to ship this spring 2000 cars of cattle.

Post office at Stephenville, Tex., was robbed of $100 and $220 in stamps.

Ray Erwin, seven years old, was killed by a train at Garland, Tex.

An unknown man was killed by a train between Pecan Gap and Wolfe City, Tex.

Miss Lena Pelt was seriously burned at Tolar, Tex., by the explosion of a powder horn.

Matt Brodish, deaf and dumb, was struck by a train near Crowley, Tex., and his skull fractured.

All the guests of a hotel at Winsboro, Tex., were poisoned by eating hog souse. Some were seriously sick.

A steam thresher crossing a bridge near Brownwood, Tex., broke through. Engineer Schultz was probably fatally hurt.

Contracts for right of way of Trinity and Brazos Valley railroad between Hillsboro and Hubbard City, Tex., have been let.

Governor Lanham has appointed Hon. W. T. Beverly of McKinney judge of the new judicial district composed of Collin and Grayson counties.

The old lobo wolf that has done about $2000 worth of damage in Hall county, has been killed. He weighed eighty-seven pounds. There was a reward of $100 for him.

A seventy-five gallon still, worm and outfit near Union Grove, Ala., were seized.

A mule belonging to W. V. Hubbard of Hill county, Texas, died of hydrophobia.

North Carolina and Delaware both have senatorial deadlocks in their legislatures.

STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Card System of Admission to the House Kept Visitors Away.

Austin, Jan. 31.—The card system of admission was strictly enforced in the house Friday and the number of visitors was much smaller than usual.

Bill fixing manner of advertising rate of real estate under execution passed.

House bill by Mr. Robertson of Williamson, to prescribe time within which statements of facts may be filed in district and county courts was passed finally.

House bill by Mr. Alderdice, making the scholastic age between seven and seventeen years, was passed finally.

Lieutenant Governor Neal announced additions to the senate standing committees as follows: Judiciary No. 1, Perkins; internal improvements, Savage, Faubion; finance, Decker, Henderson; agricultural affairs, Perkins.

On motion of Senator Perkins, there was fixed as a special order for next Tuesday morning for his bill appropriating $75,000 for the enlargement of the iron industry at Rusk. As a second special order for the same day, Senator Hale had set his bill providing that the state shall pay cost of maintaining quarantine in counties and cities.

Senator Hicks secured a suspension of the rules and final passage of his bill providing for the cancellation of judgments and all liens on real estate and the assignment thereof by entering satisfaction on the record.

Senator Hill secured a suspension of the rules and final passage of his bill for the relief of railway corporations and belt line and suburban railway companies having charters granted or amended since the first day of January, 1887, and which have failed or are about to fail, to construct their roads and branches, or any part thereof, within the time prescribed by law.

Adjourned until Tuesday.

To Fight Boll Weevil.

Austin, Jan. 31.—The governor gave an audience of an hour to Ingomar F. Orton of Galveston to explain his plan of killing the boll weevil. Mr. Orton claims he has discovered a chemical compound, which the weevil will inhale. He made a scientific demonstration for the governor, explaining the anatomy of the weevil, its habits, etc. He also killed a number of weevils. He also went before the agricultural committee. Governor Lanham gave Mr. Orton a letter of introduction to Congressman Burleson.

Method to Exterminate Pest.

Austin, Jan. 31.—House committee on agricultural affairs favorably reported bill appropriating $10,000 for boll weevil experiments and another appropriating $50,000 as a reward for practical and economical method of exterminating same.

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IN BAD CONDITION.

Barkentine Nineveh Sighted in Atlantic Ocean With No Sign of Life.

Port Arthur, Tex., Jan. 31.—Capt. Thomas Renlon of the steamer Maverick, which arrived from Philadelphia, reports than on Jan. 21 he sighted the barkentine Nineveh, 421 net tons, of New York, in the Atlantic ocean loaded with buckwheat and coal. The vessel showed no signs of life and was under fore lower topsails and reefed spanker. A boat was lowered and Mr. Bunting, chief officer of the Maverick, boarded the barkentine finding her wtih 10 feet of water in her hold and with no visible trace of her crew. within ten hours after the Nineveh sunk, going down by the head, in latitude 32.5, north and longitude 78.29 west.

CHILDREN CREMATED

Two Little Ones Meet an Awful Fate in a Burning House.

Snyder, Tex., Jan. 31.—News was brought here by the mail driver from Pyron, this county, of a terrible accident which occurred near that place. Mrs. Gilmore, a widow, who lived with her five children, shut up the two younger ones in the houses, they being about one and three years of age, respectively.

She went about 300 yards from the house to wash. Shortly afterward, looking in the direction of the house, she saw the building crumbling from fire. She rushed to the scene, but too late to save her children—they were already a mass of charred bones. The elder children were at school. Mrs. Gilmore has been a widow only about a year.

KILLED FAMILY AND SELF.

Split the Heads of His Wife and Three Children With an Ax.

Tenaha, Tex., Jan. 31.—News reached here by telephone from Woods, in Panola county, five miles distant, of the killing of a whole family.

Charley Rowe, who has been considered crazy for several months, killed his three children and wife with an ax by splitting their heads open, and then went to the back side of his field and cut his own throat and died in the woods with no one to tell the particulars.

James Barker Dead.

San Antonio, Jan. 31.—James Barker, general passenger agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, who has been at Hot Springs wells in this city since November last for his health, died of Bright's disease Friday night. The remains will be shipped to Nantucket, Mass., for burial.

Dallas Drummer Found Dead.

Memphis, Jan. 31.—A special to the Commercial Appeal from Texarkana says: George Lilly, a drummer representing a Chicago company, and whose home is in Dallas was found dead in bed at his hotel. It is said death was due to heart trouble. The body was shipped to Dallas.

TWO HARD FIGHTS.

Americans Won at Ormoc by Making a Most Daring Charge.

Manila, Jan. 31.—Eight Ladrones and one constable were killed in an encounter at Ormoc, West Leyte province, on Tuesday. The fight was a hard one, but the constabulary ultimately won by a daring charge. One hundred and fifty Ladrones surrendered at Ormoc the following day. The district had been disorderly, and it is believed the surrender of these men will lead to its pacification.

The bodies of three American volunteers, including Mr. Osborne, a teacher, who were killed at Bolnac, province of Zambales, recently in a fight with Ladrones, have been recovered. Malanga, a noted bandit, who is among the enemies dead, directed the fight. The Americans charged and killed him before they were surrounded and killed.

GALVESTON GRADE.

Bill for the Relief of That City Finally Passed the Senate.

Austin, Jan. 31.—The Galveston grade bill, exempting that city from taxation for fifteen years, was passed by the senate. It had already passed the house.

House passed Standifer's bill authorizing interurban railroads to issue bonds without consent of railroad commission, also bill granting Jefferson county a new district court. Bill granting relief to citizens of Brazoria county on account of Galveston storm was also passed.

Bill was passed canceling permits of non-resident corporations to transfer pending cases from state to United States courts.

A concurrent resolution was introduced in the senate looking to provision being made for blind adults.

In the house a bill was introduced requiring railroads to maintain switchlights all night, and another to prohibit the killing of female deer.

NIAGARA FALLS EXPLOSION

Great Damage Done and Numerous Factories Have Been Crippled.

Niagara Falls, Jan. 31.—Fire, which was started by an explosion in one of the big transformers in the power house of the Niagara Falls Power Conduit company Thursday night, destroyed thousands of dollars worth of valuable property. It will doubtless mean great loss to most of the large factories here, some of which will be idle for weeks. The officers are not prepared to estimate the loss, but admit the situation is serious and badly cripples many plants dependent upon Niagara for power, not only in this city, but in Buffalo, Lockport and Tonawanda.

Hurt Trolley Lines.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 31.—Trolley lines here are badly crippled owing to the explosion at Niagara Falls.

Steamship Ashore.

Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—The Clyde line steamship Gulf Stream, from New York for Philadelphia with general cargo, is ashore eleven miles north o Cape May. She is expected to be a total loss. The Gulf Stream left New York Thursday, and it is presumed she was stranded during Thursday night.

Excluded from All Rights.

Dresden, Saxony, Jan. 31.—A royal decree has been gazetted announcing that Crown Princess Louise is henceforth excluded from all rights, titles and dignities as a member of the Saxony royal house as the result of her elopement with Professor Giren. The princess voluntarily resigned the rights Jan. 9.

Choked to Death.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—James Tulloch, a soap manufacturer, choked to death Thursday night while eating supper at a downtown restaurant. A large piece of meat lodged in his windpipe, and he died before a doctor could dislodge it. Mr. Tullock was thirty-eight years old and was at the head of the firm of James Tulloch & Co.

Complication of Diseases.

Boston, Jan. 31.—Former Governor Long, who is under treatment at a hospital for catarrh of the bladder, has been ill two weeks, but his condition did not become serious until Tuesday. At that time grip symptoms set in. On Wednesday kidney complications set in. Physicians now fear uraemic poisoning.

Favorable Reports.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Foreign relations committee of the senate authorized favorable reports on Alaskan boundary treaty and protocol for extension of time for ratification of the Cuban treaty.

Fell Off a Boxcar.

Austin, Jan. 31.—Emil Lind, a Houston and Texas Central railway brakeman, was probably fatally injured by falling from a box car here.

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THREE ADDRESSES.

General Booth Speaks to Immense Audiences at Dallas.

Dallas, Feb. 2.—General Booth, head of the Salvation Army, spoke three times Sunday at the opera house, each time to an immense audience. In the morning he spoke on "Serve the Lord with gladness. His afternoon address was "The Lessons of My Life."

General Booth took his text Sunday night from the seventeenth chapter of Luke, the thirty-second verse, telling of the warning of Lot and his family to leave the city of Sodom that was to be destroyed on the morrow. The general said in the couse of his sermon that his coming to Dallas was like the mission of Lot to warn and try to persuade his sons-in-law to flee from the city in that he came to warn the people to flee from sin.

When the old leader first made his appearance on the stage he was greet-

GENERAL WILLIAM BOOTH.

ed with vigorous cheering. He said that he always felt when about to preach a sermon that maybe it would be his last chance to speak a word for his Master.

After the sermon Mr. Booth called upon penitents to come up and kneel down, ending his plea in this manner: "I came to Dallas expecting to reap a rich harvest. I hope I won't go away disappointed, broken-hearted. Come up, come up now. As was the message to Lot to leave Sodom and leave it now, so is the message to you to leave your sins and leave them now, leave behind your vanities, your selfishness and come to Christ."

While hymns were sung, six came up and knelt down at the penitents' bench, the way being led by a woman.

FOUR SHOCKS.

Earthquake Rumblings Were Followed by Loud Explosions.

Chihuahua, Mex., Feb. 2.—Private reports from authentic sources at Urique regarding the earthquakes in that district state that there were four severe shocks throughout that section, one occurring on the 22d, one on the 25th, one on the 26th, and one on the 27th ult. All were followed by loud explosions, but only slight damage resulted although the population was panic stricken for a time.

It is reported that eighteen houses were destroyed at Cuazapares, state of Chihuahua. The people are reported to be panic stricken.

If Distasteful Will Not Speak.

Gainesville, Fla., Feb. 2.—Mayor Thomas got a telegram Sunday morning from Booker T. Washington which stated that if the announcement that he would deliver an address during the session of the joint convention of county superintendents of public instruction for the state and the general educational board, had created dissatisfaction among the white people of Gainesville, he would cancel his engagement. He asked the mayor to inform him as to the real sentiment of the white people. In reply Mayor Thomas wired that he had not sufficiently familiarized himself to the sentiment to express an opinion.

Attempt to Burn a School.

Ogden, Utah, Feb. 2.—An attempt was made Sunday to burn state reform school which contains about 150 inmates. Shortly after 8 o'clock fire was discovered in both boys' and girls' dormatories, and for some time the flames threatened to envelop the entire building. The fire was gotten under control, however, before serious damage was done. It is claimed that there was collusion between the boys and girls to destroy the institution.

Stabbed to Death.

Maysville, Ky., Feb. 2.—Chas. Duncan was stabbed to death here. Henry Lightfoot is charged with the crime. A crowd of colored men entered Burk's saloon late in the night, among them Duncan and Lightfoot. Later Duncan fell to the floor. He had been stabbed three times. No one saw the deed done. As Lightfoot's cap was found in the place and as he cannot be located the officers think he did it.

Hill of Tara to Be Sold.

London, Feb. 2.—The hill of Tara, so rich in historic memories, will shortly be sold at auction in Dublin. Until the Sixth century Tara was the chief seat of the Irish kings. The last important gathering on the hill of Tada was in 1846, when a gigantic meeting was held under the auspices of Daniel O'Connell, who urged the repeal of the union.

In Memory of McMillan.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The house met at noon Sunday for the purpose of pronouncing eulogies in memory of the late Senator McMillan of Michigan. The speakers were Messrs. Corliss, W. A. Smith, Babcock of Wisconsin and Burton of Ohio. At 1:35 o'clock, as a further mark of respect, the house adjourned.

JEFFERSON'S MEMORY

The Sage of Monticello to Be Remembered at Capital.

AN APPEAL TO NATION

The Association, Through Its President, Admiral Dewey, Requests That All Citizens Contribute to the Cause.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Thomas Jefferson Memorial association, organized for the purpose of erecting at the national capital an appropriate and truly national memorial to the "author of the Declaration of Independence," through its president, Admiral George Dewey, has issued an appeal to the American people for funds to carry out the object of the association. The text of the appeal is as follows:

"Headquarters the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association has been organized to take the long neglected duty of erecting a fitting memorial to the memory of the man who wrote the Declaration of Independence.

"We have here beautiful and costly tributes to the memory of American soldiers, sailors, statesmen, physicians, inventors and philanthropists; and the soldiers and sailors of France are honored, but there is not one tablet to the memory of that great American, Thomas Jefferson.

"We ask the people to contribute according to their ability to this memorial.

"The character and cost of the proposed memorial cannot now be stated. Rigid economy will be observed in the expenses of carrying on the work.

"Every contributor will receive a certificate acknowledging his subscription and carrying with it membership in the association. In time to come these will be "badges of honor."

"Contributions, checks, money orders or drafts should be made payable to the order of the treasurer of the association, Mr. Jesse B. Wilson, president of the Lincoln National bank. Communications addressed to the secretary, W. S. McKean, will receive prompt and respectful attention.

"GEORGE DEWEY,
"Admiral of the Navy, President."

The association is now complete in its list of officers, every state being represented by a vice president and in some cases by a representative on the board of governors, these controlling the body. No great movement of a similar character in this country, it is claimed, has as its officers more men of national character and influence than this organization. The association, it is stated, is thoroughly non-partisan, the design being merely to raise a memorial to Mr. Jefferson as writer of the Declaration of Independence.

NEW LINES.

A Couple of Them Have Been Opened Up for Business.

Kansas City, Feb. 2.—The St. Louis and San Francisco road has opened two new lines to traffic, one between O'Keene, Oklahoma and Vernon, Tex., and the other between Lawton and Snyder, Okla., the latter terminus having been named after Bryan Snyder, passenger traffic manager of the road. This latter line is to be further extended to Quanah, Tex., on the Fort Worth and Denver City railroad, although passenger service from Kansas City will be started at once over both lines. The road which has been extended to Vernon connects with the Kansas line of the Frisco system 150 miles west of the Missouri state line and was known before its acquisition as the Blackwell, Enid and Southwestern railroad.

EQUAL TREATMENT.

This Is What President Castro Says His Government Wishes.

Caracas, Feb. 2.—In reply to Minister Bowen's inquiry as to what Venezuela intends to do regarding the demand for preferential treatment made by the allies, President Castro has telegraphed:

"The Venezuelan government desires equal treatment for all creditor nations in Europe and America, keeping in mind, in addition, its diplomatic conventions and anterior stipulations."

Steamer Goes Ashore.

London, Feb. 2.—The Danish steamer Xenia, Captain Kruz, Stettin, Dec. 3 for Boston, Mass., has gone ashore at Cruden, twenty-six miles from Aberdeen, and is completely submerged. Two of the crew are drowned while the captain and the remainder of the crew were saved. Rough weather prevails around the British coasts. A life boat crossing Swansea bay to aid a vessel in distress was caught in a squall and capsized. Six of the life boat men perished.

January Death List.

Mazatlan, Mex., Feb. 2.—There were two deaths from the plague Sunday. The people in the refuge shed number 190. There were 165 deaths in January from the plague. A number of the sanitary police took a guitar from the house of a plague patient and is now gravely ill of the same disease.

Miles Dined With the King.

London, Feb. 2.—General Miles was the guest of the king and queen at dinner at Windsor castle Sunday night. The Prince and Princess of Wales and others were among the party.

FOUND GUILTY.

Charges of Conduct Unbecoming an Officer and Gentleman Sustained.

San Francisco, Feb. 2.—The Chronicle says Captain W. H. Gushing of the revenue cutter service was found guilty of charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman by the court-martial convened here early in January. The findings have been approved by Captain C. F. Shoemaker, chief of service, and by Assistant Secretary Spalding, as has the sentence which the court-marial passed.

BOOTH AT DALLAS.

The Venerable Founder of the Salvation Army Visits That City.

Dallas, Feb. 2.—General William Booth, the founder and head of the Salvation Army, accompanied by Commander Booth-Tucker, Colonel Lawley, Colonel E. Higgins, Major E. Cox, Staff Captain H. Wright and Captain Dennis, Consul Emma Booth-Tucker's private secretary, arrived in the city Saturday morning.

The party travels in a private car, which is being transported over the railroads the country free of charge.

The venerable Englishman and his party were received by the following delegation: Brigadier General J. C. Addie and Major W. S. Potter of Kansas City; Colonel Holtz and staff, Cincinnati; Brigadier Chandler, New York; Staff Captain Dale, Oklahoma City; Adjutant Cowan, Dallas; Staff Captain Andrews, Adjutant Yeager, Ensign and Mrs. Howard, Topeka, Kan., and ninety field officers from the Texas division, with some 400 visiting soldiers or members of the army from the many posts in Texas.

General Booth came to deliver three addresses in this city. Many members of the Salvation Army and citizens generally called on the venerable gentleman at the Oriental hotel, where the party stopped.

GREAT FIRE LOSS.

Department Store Burns and a Fireman Killed by a Falling Wall.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 2.—The great department store of Weinstock, Libben & Co. was destroyed by fire. Frank Kahbolt, a fireman, was killed by a falling wall. Al Pritchard had his back broken and will die. Several others were badly injured. The loss may reach $1,000,000. The property was heavily insured.

In Readiness.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—Cavalry and marines from various stations have been brought here to reinforce the local garrison in view of strike eventualities, and the Dutch ironclad Evertsen is held in readiness at Nieuwe Dieppe to come here if required. Postal service to Harlem and Utrecht is carried on by motor cars.

Arms and Ammunition Captured.

Canton, Feb. 2.—The Chinese authorities captured arms, ammunition and commissary stores collected for "reformers." Foreign marines are patroling Shanien, a suburb of Canton, and gunboats are held in readiness at Hongkong to sail for here if required.

Are Rejected.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The allies have rejected Minister Bowen's last proposal that all nations having claims against Venezuela be given the same treatment as the blockading powers.

Death of Cotton Statistician.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 2.—An advertiser special from Florence, Ala., says Colonel Samuel Kirkman is dead. He was seventy years old and well known as a cotton crop statistician.

Guests of King Edward.

London, Feb. 2.—Henry White, United States charge d'affairs, and Mrs. White are spending a week at Windsor with King Edward.

Eight Years Auditor.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—C. P. Swigert, eight years auditor of Illinois, is dead.

Congressman No More.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—J. N. W. Rumple of the Second congressional district of Iowa, died at St. Luke's hospital.

Embodies Statehood Bill.

Washington, Feb. 2.—In the senate Mr. Quay favorably reported his amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill embodying the statehood bill.

Called on President.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Baron Speck Sternberg made a formal call, accompanied by Secretary Hay, on the president.

Sultan of Maclu Dead.

Manila, Feb. 2.—The sultan of Maciu is dead from cholera. He resisted the entry of American troops into Lanao and was defeated at Maclu.

Fatal Fall Down Stairs.

Rome, Feb. 2.—Monsignor Daeeckere, secretary of St. Peter's, fell down the stairs of his residence, fracturing his skull, and died instantly.

Snow Melting Causes Flood.

London, Feb. 2.—The melting of snow has caused extensive floods and serious damage in Scotland.

Eight Died Saturday.

Mazatlan, Mex., Feb. 2.—There was eight deaths from plague Saturday.

A mule belonging to W. V. Hubbard of Hill county, Texas, died of hydrophobia.

North Carolina and Delaware both have senatorial deadlocks in their legislatures.

SHOT DOWN AT HOME

Citizen of a Suburb of Pittsburg Is Seriously Wounded.

LURED TO HIS DOOR.

The Supposition Is the Unknown Assailant Thought the Injured Man the Secretary of the Anti-Saloon League.

Pittsburg, Feb. 2.—C. D. Allison, a well known real estate broker of this city, was called to the front door of his home in Sheraden, a suburb, and shot down by an unknown person. The bullet entered Mr. Allison's side near the heart. It is feared the wound will prove fatal. It happened at 1:45 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. Allison awakened shortly before 2 o'clock by a loud ringing at the front door. Securing a revolver he descended and opened the door. No one was there, and he stepped onto the porch and was peering into the darkness, when a shot was fired from the side of the house. Mr. Allison was shot through the side. He quickly steadied himself by holding on the porch railing, however, and fired three shots after the assassin. Mrs. Allison rushed down and found her husband half kneeling and half hanging on the porch. She dragged him inside and a physician was quickly summoned, but on account of Mr. Allison's condition no attempt was made to extract the bullet. No reason is known for the attempt on Mr. Allison's life, and the identity of the man who fired the shot is a mystery.

An infernal machine was sent Mr. Allison last Thursday, but it failed to work when the box was opened. It is said the shooting was the result of a political trouble which Allison has had in the borough. Another reason given for the shooting by some is it was thought Allison was connected with the Anti-Saloon league, as the box containing the machine was directed to C. D. Allison, secretary of Anti-Saloon league, Sheraden.

It was denied that Mr. Allison is in any way connected with the league.

GENERAL NEWS.

Holland railroad strike is over.

United Brewing Workers are in session at Cincinnati.

Frisco tracklayers are within twelve miles of Brady, Tex.

Last week Alvin, Tex., shipped over 100 crates of strawberries.

Fire did several thousand dollars damage at Comanche, I. T.

A devil fish was received in a shipment of shrimp at Temple, Tex.

Captain R. P. Hobson has tendered his resignation as a constructor in the navy.

M. A. Dillard of Midlothian, Tex., has shipped ten carloads of cattle to St. Louis.

Colonel A. D. Barrow, a prominent ex-Confederate, departed this life at Baton Rouge, La.

Mrs. Johanna Talkington hanged herself in her smokehouse near Clarksburg, W. Va.

A little negro boy named Jones was accidentally stabbed in the heart at Big Sandy, Tex., by a companion.

The Rock Island railway agent at Marlow, I. T., was held up and $300 taken from the safe.

A lively debate was precipitated in the Oklahoma legislature over the cattle quarantine measure.

Work of constructing $100,000 Santa Fe railway passenger depot at Oklahoma City begins the 16th.

A boy named Maximo, residing at San Antonio, fell from a freight train near Reata, Mex., and was killed.

General Gordon has issued orders fixing Confederate reunion dates at New Orleans for May 19, 20, 21 and 22.

Dr. B. F. Earls, chief surgeon of the entire Texas and Pacific railway system, died at Marshall, Tex.

The little son of Mr. Munday of Madill, I. T., had an eye knocked completely out by a ball thrown by a playmate.

In attempting to board a log train at Jefferson, Tex., Mr. Peek, proprietor of a shingle mill in Cass county, fell under a car and was killed.

During a street car strike at Waterbury, Conn., a mob of 300 prevented cars from running. Many persons were hit by flying missiles.

Walter Ramsey of Harrison, N. J., was killed in the apartments of Mrs. George McDowell. The latter's husband is alleged to have done the deed.

In a sermon at Baltimore Cardinal Gibbons declared the "divorce mills are slowly but surely grinding the domestic altars of the nation."

A car attached to a Queen and Crescent railroad train broke loose at Vicksburg, Miss., and plunged into the Mississippi river. An entire family of six persons drowned.

Cherokee National bank of Enid, Okla., capital stock $100,000, and First National bank of Pond Creek, capital stock $25,000, have been authorized to do business.

Representative Randell of Texas introduced in the house a bill rendering certain corporations operating in the Indian Territory liable for damages sustained by employes as a result of negligence on the part of corporations.

Largest Dome.

St. Louis, Feb. 2.—The plans for the festival hall of the Louisiana Purchase exposition have been submitted, showing the dome will be the largest in the world, excelling in size those of St. Peter's cathedral and the Pantheon at Rome.

KUKLUX AT WORK.

Said to Have Terrorized the Negroes in Nacogdoches County.

Nacogdoches, Tex., Feb. 2.—Constable Watson and Deputy Morris went to Liberty, in the eastern part of this county, where the negro population are being terrorized by what is regarded by some as an organized band of Kuklux. Negroes have been forced to leave their homes since Christmas. Jess Robertson was taken from home and his horse whipped to death a few nights ago, and Wednesday night the band went to the home of Jim Morris, a negro schoolteacher, fired into the house, ran his family from home and carried him away. Morris has not been found yet, and the supposition is that he was murdered and his body burned in his barn. His clothes were found in the woods some distance from the house. Great excitement prevails.

ACTION SOUGHT.

Bill in Equity Filed Against Several Railroad Companies.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—A bill in equity was fileed here in the state circuit court by C. H. Venner & Co. of Boston through their counsel, James Homilton Lewis, against the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad company of Iowa, Rock Island company of New Jersey, Central Trust company of New York, and officers, directors and prominent stockholders, attacking the validity of the late reorganization of the Rock Island system and legitimacy of the issue of $75,000,000 of new stock and demanding that the Iowa and New Jersey companies be declared frands as created in violation of the Illinois constitution, and that the Illinois Trust company, holders of stocks and bonds of the consolidated roads, be enjoined from voting stock or acting as trustees in Illinois. Also that the officers be declared guilty of fraud on the minority of stockholders and a receiver be appointed for the stock of properties. About $300,000 is represented.

Colonel Jones Gone.

Pittsburg, Feb. 2.—Colonel David Phillip Jones, chief engineer United States navy (retired) died here. Colonel Jones was prominently known throughout the United States as the father of modern engineering in the navy, which distinction he earned by his establishment of the engineering department at the naval academy. After the course was opened he became one of the professors and was one of the most successful and popular.

Thinks All Should Pay.

New York, Feb. 2.—Among the visitors to the tax office was J. P. Morgan, who is on the books for a personal assessment of $600,000. Mr. Morgan said that though he is not liable for any personal assessment, he believed it to be the duty of every citizen to contribute to the support of the city, and is willing to pay an assessment of $400,000, as he did last year.

Largest Merchant Vessel.

Belfast, Ireland, Feb. 2.—The White Star liner Cedric, the largest merchant vessel in the world, left here for Liverpool on a trial trip. Mr. Arnold, former parliamentary secretary to the British admiralty, will be among the passengers of the Cedric when she sails on her maiden trip to New York, Feb. 11.

Organization Perfected.

St. Louis, Feb. 2.—With the election of officers the organization of the International Order of Interior Freight Handlers and Warehousemen with jurisdiction over all locals in the United States, Mexico and Canada and a membership of 15,000 is practically assurred. D. Curran, Chicago, was elected president and M. J. Donnelly of the same city secretary and treasurer.

Thirteen Thought Drowned.

Corfu, Island of Corfu, Feb. 2.—The British cruiser Pioneer ran into a torpedo boat destroyer near the channel of Corfu and thirteen persons are believed to have been drowned. Two bodies thus far have been picked up.

More Hopeful.

Paris, Feb. 2.—The official sentiment here is more hopeful of adjustment of the Venezuelan question owing to receipt of advices to the effect that representatives of the allies have requested their respective governments to send further instructions.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

An electric line is to be built from Beaumont to Sour Lake.

H. A. Leonard was crushed to death in a car near Lake Charles, La.

San Angelo, Tex., expects to ship this spring 2000 cars of cattle.

Post office at Stephenville, Tex., was robbed of $100 and $220 in stamps.

Ray Erwin, seven years old, was killed by a train at Garland, Tex.

An unknown man was killed by a train between Pecan Gap and Wolfe City, Tex.

Miss Lena Pelt was seriously burned at Tolar, Tex., by the explosion of a powder horn.

Matt Brodish, deaf and dumb, was struck by a train near Crowley, Tex., and his skull fractured.

All the guests of a hotel at Winsboro, Tex., were poisoned by eating hog souse. Some were seriously sick.

A steam thresher crossing a bridge near Brownwood, Tex., broke through. Engineer Schultz was probably fatally hurt.

Contracts for right of way of Trinity and Brazos Valley railroad between Hillsboro and Hubbard City, Tex., have been let.

Governor Lanham has appointed Hon. W. T. Beverly of McKinney judge of the new judicial district composed of Collin and Grayson counties.

The old lobo wolf that has done about $2000 worth of damage in Hall county, has been killed. He weighed eighty-seven pounds. There was a reward of $100 for him.

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Consisting of Brood Mares, Yearlings, 2 and 3-year-olds. is from the celebrated Waggoner farm.

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Large Profits in Swine.

"While a good many farmers may be slow in raising hogs to convert corn into profitable pork when the grain is as high as at present, it is nevertheless true that more money can be made in the aggregate in feeding the corn to hogs than in selling it in the market. There is no surer way of making money on the farm than to raise swine in season, sticking to the business year after year, and profiting by the improvements which come through continuous effort directed toward one purpose," writes S. T. Lanneman. "In fact, large fortunes have actually been made in swine breeding and feeding on a large scale, where the clover and corn were raised for no other purpose than to feed the animals at home. With the full crop raised to feed the hogs one will be sure to find a fair market for it each year. There, of course, is an occasional overproduction of hogs when prices drop, but the business must be considered in the aggregate of years, and not by a single year.

"There will be no other live stock that can be made to turn out the same amount of live weight within a given time as young pigs which are fed liberally from the day of their birth until ready for market. It is possible to raise them so that the farming of the fields will improve year by year under the process. Every ton of corn taken from the farm and sold in the market takes about $6 worth of fertility from the fields. Now the question is how to save this fertility by retaining all of it in the soil. By a system of clover and corn raising for feeding swine we can, in fact, return at least three-fourths of this fertility to the land. In this way we do not rob the soil to make money today which tomorrow we must spend to purchase more fertility. The farmer who raises his clover and corn for the swine is in a fair way to improve his land indefinitely, and at the same time to make a good profit."

Texas Polo Ponies Wanted.

The Reporter recently noted the sale in this city of a number of polo ponies for shipment East. Fort Worth is not the only Texas market for such ponies. We quote from the San Antonio Express:

George J. Gould, the millionaire railway president, Wall street operator and sportsman, has again come to San Antonio for polo ponies. The ponies were all purchased from Henry Tappan, the owner of the famous polo ranch near West End. Mr. Gould purchased a lot of eight ponies, and they were shipped to him Thursday evening in a special car. The car is accompanied by H. C. Singer, one of Mr. Tappan's cowboys. The car goes direct through to Lakewood, N. Y., where Mr. Gould's famous estate is located. Mr. Tappan refused to disclose the price paid for the ponies, though said he supposed he "came out about even."

Last year Mr. Gould purchased a lot of ponies from Mr. Tappan, and they were said to have been the finest ever received in the North. At that time, it it was said, the prices of the ponies ranged from $600 to $1200 each. It is presumed Mr. Gould paid as much this time. The ponies from here have given great satisfaction where used, and all are thoroughly trained at the Tappan ranch. The ponies for Mr. Gould have been in training the last three months, and so thoroughly have they been trained that it is said they are able to spin around on a half dollar.

This is the first shipment Mr. Tappan has made the present season. He will continue to ship ponies North until the middle of April. There is a large number of fine ponies at his ranch and they have been greatly admired in the last few months by the many visitors to that interesting place.

Four large corporations with an aggregate capital stock of $1,350,000 in which the ranch interests of Mrs. Henrietta M. King, Robert J. Kleberg, John B. Armstrong, Robert Driscoll, John G. Kennedy and others are embraced, was recently chartered. This means a great deal for the development of southwest Texas. It is learned that these companies propose, among other things, to put about 100,000 acres under irrigation.

Miami Chief: J. E. Stanley came in from his Wheeler county ranch on Christmas day to see his family here, and remain some time. Mr. Stanley has just returned from below the quarantine, near Baird, Texas, with a herd of sixteen hundred head of steer yearlings which he says are extra good, better than any natives he has seen, and this is saying a good deal, for the Panhandle country is hard to beat on cattle.

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Depart
a 9 45 am Denver, Colorado Spring and Pueblo Mail and Ex
a11 10 pm ..... Colorado Express
a 6 00 pm ..... Accommodation

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Depart North
a 7 05 am Kan.C.& Chicago Ex & Mail
a 8 20 pm Kan. C. & Chicago Fast Ex
Depart South
a 7 55 am Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex
a 9 10 pm Houston & San Antonio & Galveston Mail & Express

HOUSTON & TEXAS CENTRAL

Depart
a 9 20 am Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex
a 6 50 pm Houston & Gal Mail & Ex
a1 30 pm ..... Corsicana Mixed

*MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS

Depart North
a 8 30 am ..... "Katy Flyer"
a11 45 pm Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago Mail & Ex
a11 20 pm Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago, Fast Express
Depart South
a 8 15 pm Houston and Gal. and San Antonio, "Katy Flyer"
a 7 30 am ..... Houston Mail & Ex
a 6 00 pm ..... Houston Mail & Ex

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Depart
a 8 20 am Memp. & St. L. Mail & Ex
a10 15 pm Memp. & St. L. Mail & Ex

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Depart East Main Line via Marshall.
a 7 45 am ..... St. Louis Cannon Ball
a 8 10 am ..... Ft. Louis Mail & Ex
a 5 30 pm St. Louis & Memp. Fast Ex
..... Dallas News Train
a10 30 am Dallas & Weath'ford Local
a12 55 pm ..... Dallas Local
a 3 10 pm Dallas & Wills Point Local
a 7 55 pm ..... Dallas Local
Depart Main Line West.
West
a 8 40 am ... Abilene Mail & Express
a 3 00 pm ..... Weatherford Local
a 9 20 pm El Paso & California Mail & Express

Transcontinental Division via Sherman

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Who can direct, when all pret know?" —Goldsm

Many are satisfied to live in N west Texas, having proved the va the land in this region as a good Raiser Not only Cattle, but W Cotton, Corn, Feed-Stuffs, Cantal Garden Truck and Good Health ish here—in a district where Mala impossible and very little doing for and Hospitals.

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One Day to Birmingham and Atla

The Missouri, Kansas and T Railway inaugurated in Septemb new train to run between Dallas Shreveport. The service was so pop that connections have placed in se additional trains, whereby passe can use the new "Katy" train, make sure connections for Meri Birmingham and intermediate point

By this means passengers will be to start from Dallas, Texas at 9 p. Greenville 11 p. m., arrive at Shreve 6 a. m., Meridian at 6:10 p. m., B ingham 11:15 p. m., arriving at Atla at 6:30 a. m.

Corresponding close connections be made returning. Pullman slee and chair cars Dallas to Shreveport Birmingham to Atlanta.