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Fort Worth Market.

Receipts of Cattle, Estimated 1,000—Hogs 675.

CATTLE MARKET SLOW

Nothing Choice, and Supply Generally Light.

HOGS 10 TO 15 LOWER

Market Opened Steady, but Affected by Northern Decline.

Tally's Receipts.

Cattle	1,000
Hogs	675
Sheep	140

Official Receipts Yesterday.

Cattle	2,010
Hogs	1,188
Sheep	758
Horses	24

Tone of the Market.

CATTLE—Steers, top $3, top cows $1.80@2.15. Calves, top $4, stockers $3.00@3.75.

HOGS—Top $4.70.

THE CATTLE TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Steers—Choice fed	$3 50@3 75
Medium fed	3 00@3 50
Stockers and feeders	2 00@3 00
Yearlings	1 25@2 00
Cows—Choice heavy fed	2 15@2 50
Medium butcher	1 90@2 15
Light thin	1 75@1 90
Canners	1 00@1 75
Bulls, stags and oxen	1 50@3 00
Calves—Good to fancy veals	3 00@4 25
Common to fair	1 50@3 00

Receipts of cattle today were moderate, fifteen cars arriving in time for the morning market, with four reported, and total receipts for the day, including fire-ins, were estimated at 1,000, against 966 for last Friday, and 1,792 for the corresponding day last month.

BEEF STEERS.

Not much was offered in the steer line today. Several loads of medium cattle arrived with a light sprinkling of feeders. There seemed to be no great demand, and the general market was slow with sales on a steady basis with yesterday.

Choice fed steers are quoted from $3.50@3.75, with medium fed $3.00@3.50, stockers and feeders $2.00@3.00, and yearlings $1.25@2.00.

Representative sales:

	Ave.	Price.
20	1022	3 00
15	890	2 75
14	1010	2 65
1	990	2 50
1	920	2 35
7	760	2 05
1	730	2 00

BUTCHER STOCK.

While the supply today was light, enough to fill all requirements of the trade, the general market was slow and weak throughout the day, with values generally steady.

The quality of offerings was common to fair. Nothing choice arrived, and though a few good cows sold at $2.15, the bulk landed at a range of from $1.75@2.00.

There was no change on bulls. The supply was small and sales were at a range of from $1.75@2.00.

Choice heavy fed cows are quoted from $2@2.10, with medium fed from $1.90@2.05, light thin $1.75@1.90, and canners at $1@1.75.

Bulls, stags and oxen are quoted from $1.50@3.00.

Cows.

1	882	2 25
1	806	2 15
7	741	2 05
1	852	2 05
1	850	2 05
1	950	2 00
1	815	2 00
3	738	2 00
1	836	2 00
1	794	1 95
1	775	1 85
1	540	1 80
1	700	1 80
1	713	1 80
1	696	1 80
1	748	1 80
1	744	1 80
1	716	1 80
1	846	1 80
1	814	1 80
1	846	1 80
1	692	1 80
1	757	1 80
1	934	1 70
1	737	1 50
1	880	1 50
1	860	1 50

CALVES.

Several loads of medium calves arrived, and though sales were generally steady there seemed to be little demand and trading was slow.

Good to choice vealers are quoted from $3.00@4.25, with common to fair kind from $2.00@3.00.

6	111	4 00
42	193	3 75
75	216	3 00
102	240	2 75
1	110	3 00
20	273	2 50
2	245	2 00
6	306	2 00

THE HOG TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Choice sorted	$4 35@4 60
Mixed Packers	4 25@4 45
Light	4 25@4 40
Choice pigs	4 50@5 00
Stags and roughs	3 00@4 00

Receipts of hogs today were liberal for Friday. Eight cars were shipped in, 655 head, which with a few wagon hogs made total receipts for the day figure about 675, against 604 for last Friday, and 496 for the corresponding day last month.

The quality today was fairly good, and salesmen started in pricing hogs steady with yesterday. There was some demand from the outside and a few sold early on this basis. Local packers had reports of lower markets at other points and stood firm on a 10 to 15c lower basis compared with yesterday.

The market was dull and draggy until late in the day, when salesmen cut loose and the trade was weighed up with quotations showing a 10 to 15c decline.

One lot sold early at $4.70, but the bulk landed at a range of $4.55@4.60.

Choice sorted are quoted from $4.35@4.60, mixed packers $4.25@4.45, light grades $4.25 @ 4.40, choice pigs $4.50@5.00, and boars, stags and roughs $3.00@4.00.

Representative sales:

Territory Hogs.

No.	Shrink.	Average.	Price.
1		275	3 75
1		250	4 15
79		220	4 52½
80		220	4 55
70		212	4 55
70		194	4 55
75		332	4 60
73		207	4 65
80		196	4 65
70		240	4 67½
70		207	4 70
73		238	4 70
38		93	4 70

Wagon Hogs.

7		168	4 60
3		143	4 60

RECEIPTS AT THE YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.

M. Bros., Kaufman	34
Smith & Bobb, Colorado	60
E. F. Wicker, Colorado	26
A. G. McClure, Chico	28
G. S. Hall, Caldwell	57
M. McKinney, Talpa	27
R. B. Whisenant, Plano	24
Garrett & Voliva, Midland	28
J. T. Motton, Odessa	181
H. Maddox, Nocona	55
A. Black, Nocona	30
W. L. Clark, Gainesville	29
... Specht, Iowa Park	3
C. B. Woodman, Pearsall	60
C. E. Taylor, Brownwood	29

Hogs.

Jordon & Hassdek, Custer City	109
McNight & Detor, Thomas	79
McDonald & Petree, Mineral Wells	71
———, Stillwater	77
C. C. Wilson, Pawnee	80
Dunham & Woolsey, Mulhall	75
D. B. Jones, Perry	164

Sheep.

Armour & Co., Kansas City	132

BUYERS ON YESTERDAY'S MARKET

Cattle.

Armour & Co.	616
Swift & Co.	485
Saunders	58
East	34
Hill & Son	14
Simpson	29
Logan & Greer	100
Williams	14
All others	21

Calves.

Swift & Co	258
Armour & Co.	46

Hogs.

Armour & Co.	459
Swift & Co.	200
Houston Pkg. Co.	155
Satchell & Co.	94
Duncan	14
Jno. English	2
Hoskins	9
Burns	6

ALEDO.

Dec. 17.—Mrs. J. S. Huckabee was called to Louisiana Saturday to see her mother, who is quite sick.

Mesdames Roner, Lasseter, Sears and Overmier, were shopping in Fort Worth recently.

A. H. Davis has a crew of men at work on the Bear Creek road. This road will soon be in fine shape and not impassable this winter, as it was last winter.

Mr. and Mrs. White have gone to San Antonio to make their home.

The foundation of the Christian church is about completed.

J. J. Sears is storing a car of lumber that came in today.

The Methodists of Mary's Creek have [illegible] to build a church and are solicit[illegible]

[illegible] of Mary's

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	4,000	38,000	8,000
Kansas City	3,000	11,000	4,000
St. Louis	2,500	4,000	1,200
St. Joseph	800	5,800	1,200
	10,300	58,800	14,400

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 18.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 4,000. Market steady to 10 higher.

HOGS — Receipts 38,000. Mostly 10 lower. Top $4.55; bulk $4.30@4.45.

SHEEP—Receipts 8,000. Generally steady.

Kansas City.

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 3,000. Market steady. Top $4.25. Cows strong. Stockers and Texas steady.

HOGS — Receipts 11,000. Market 10 lower. Top $4.40; bulk $4.25@4.35.

SHEEP—Receipts 4,000. Steady to weak.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 18.—The National Live Stock Reporter says:

CATTLE — Receipts 2,500, Texas 700. Quiet. Natives steady; none choice.

HOGS — Receipts 4,000. Weak to 5 lower. Top $4.75; bulk $4.45@4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,200. Steady.

St. Joseph.

Special to The Reporter.

South St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 18.—The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 800. Market steady.

HOGS — Receipts 5,800. Market 7½ to 10 lower. Top $4.35; bulk $4.30.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,200. Steady.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS.

C. B. Woodward sent in from Pearsall 69 head of cows, of 815 pounds average, that sold at $2.

Babcock Bros. & Cheatham off Stillwater, O. T., sold 77 hogs on this market, of 212 pounds, at $4.55.

A. Black of Nocona sold 30 cows of 806 pounds average at $2.15.

H. Maddox from Nocona was on the market with 29 cows of 848 pounds that sold at $1.80.

W. A. Briggs, the Waxahachie feeder, sold 26 steers of 1022 pounds at $3, and 25 of 890 pounds at $2.75.

SHADY GROVE.

Dec. 15.—The farmers are all about done gathering their crops around here.

Mr. J. A. Garrett and Mrs. R. E. Autrey are going to start to Arkansas on the 19th, where they will be gone several days.

Mr. Harve Shaw and Miss Cora Autrey were married Wednesday, the 16th.

Misses Rosa Hukill and Bessie Autrey returned Wednesday from Whitesboro, and report a nice time.

Mr. Sol Knykendall and family came in this week from the Indian Territory.

The sick list is growing rapidly in this neighborhood. Mrs. Mary Martin is very sick, also Mrs. M. D. Autrey.

The Whites-Chapel class are coming to Shady Grove Sunday evening to sing. Every one is invited to attend. There will be prayer meeting Sunday night.

Bro. Maxwell will preach the 4th Sunday evening. Bro. Scott the 1st Sunday morning and at night.

Miss Fannye Cantrell visited friends at Roanoke Friday and Saturday.

Miss Mollie Garrett visited Miss Eva Runaway Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Myrtle James spent Tuesday with Miss Flora Pemberton.

Emmett James has gone to Sulphur Springs to see his parents.

ROVER.

KELLER.

Dec. 16.—Well, as The Citizen man has been in our community and writen up the items, we will continue to give the news, thanking him very much for his kindness.

People are very busy getting ready for Christmas. There will be a Xmas tree on Christmas eve night, Dec. 24, at Union church. All are expecting a jolly time.

Mrs. Link, Messrs. Jim Wade, Tom Denis and Sid Chaney are all on the sick list, but are improving.

Mrs. Dr. Guise of Mississippi has been visiting her uncle, Mr. L. C. Gregory, and wife.

Miss McCulloch from Denton visited her parents Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. Wallace returned from Fort Worth, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Hovenkamp.

Miss Alsup made a flying trip to Denton Sunday.

A crowd of young folks attended the literary at Mt. Gilead, Sunday night. All report a good time.

Mr. Beggs from Fort Worth visited his ranch this week, which Mr. J. O. Meacham has in charge.

Mrs. Frank Prosser from Fort Worth visited her mother, Mrs. L. C. Gregory, last week.

Mr. Charley Crews and family from Grapevine visited his uncle, Mr. Rufus Whitley, Sunday.

Mr. Lee McSpadden visited friends in the town Sunday.

Mr. Oscar Browning made a flying trip to Arlington Saturday.

Mr. Eugene Smith left last Sunday for Arkansas.

Mr. Ben Browning made a flying trip to Fossil last Monday evening.

Mrs. J. A. Hovenkamp and Mrs. J. O. Meacham made a flying trip to Fort Worth last Thursday.

Mr. J. A. Hovenkamp is riding for the grand jury this week.

[illegible] Brownwood, Tex.

IN THE COURTS.

Friday, Dec. 11.

In the Seventeenth district court in the case of Jennie Wise vs. C. F. Wise, the divorce asked for was granted, and the plaintiff's name restored as prayed for in the petition.

The following new suits were filed in the district clerk's office: Mary Whitesides vs. Abe Whitesides, divorce; Henry Stegall vs. Mollie Stegall, divorce; Mabel Williams vs. R. L. Williams, divorce.

Saturday, Dec. 12.

In the Forty-eighth district court the motion for a new trial in the damage suit of B. M. Cotton vs. the Northern Texas Traction company, was overruled. Motion for a new trial in the damage suit of Nannie J. Sauls vs. Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway company overruled.

The following motions came up in the Seventeenth district court: State vs. E. R. Coulter, amended motion for a new trial. Granted. W. C. Weeks vs. E. F. Townes et al., receiver's application to collect mortgages and execute releases, granted; Stanley Kay et al. vs. Sam Rosen, motion to dissolve injunction, motion sustained; State of Texas vs. Emory Watts, motion for a new trial. Granted.

The following proceedings were also had in this court:

Mary Ward vs. Ira Ward, divorce. Granted.

Lula Crawley vs. E. D. Crawley, divorce; granted and the custody of the child awarded to the plaintiff, subject to further orders of the court. The defendant is permitted to visit the child once a week, on Sundays.

E. J. Palmer vs. Mary Palmer, divorce; granted.

New suits filed.—Ex parte Minnie M. Mehaffie, removal of minority; T. M. Reap vs. Northern Texas Traction Co., damages; Vesta Powell vs. Ed. Powell, divorce; J. L. Cromartie vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., damages in the sum of $2,000 for personal injuries; Jeff Parks vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. et al., damages in the sum of $10,000 for personal injuries; Bertha A. Lewis vs. Henry A. Lewis, divorce.

Tuesday, Dec. 15.

In the Forty-eighth district court in the case of Ella Bounds et al. vs. C. C. Carson et al., a judgment was rendered by Judge Dunklin canceling the notes sued on by plaintiff and decreeing title in plaintiff to the property on which foreclosure was sought in accordance with the tenor of the deed made by the defendant.

In the county court pleas of guilty were had as follows: Ed Tritt, betting, fined $10; Pete Newman, betting, fined $10; Ernest Barnes, [illegible] Lee Taylor, betting, fined $10. In this court a verdict for $45 was returned in the case of N. M. Rusk vs. the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway company.

In the United States circuit court the damage case of J. G. Hughes vs. the Northern Texas Traction company et al. was continued. In the case of the Interstate National Bank of Kansas City vs. John Ledbetter a verdict for $4,721.44 was returned for the plaintiff on instruction from the court.

New Suits—District court, Mrs. Emma F. Redmon vs. L. B. Redmon, divorce; Mrs. Hough vs. Leonard Hough, divorce; Mrs. Elizabeth Wells et al. vs. the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railway company et al., damages; Mrs. Victoria R. Gipson vs. R. J. Gipson, divorce.

Wednesday, Dec. 16.

In the Forty-eighth district court a judgment was rendered for the defendant in the case of G. W. Armstrong vs. Silas King. The demurrers in the "liquor bond cases" were to have been taken up but Attorney Lattimore was unable to be present.

The following proceedings were had in the county court: J. H. Luckett & Co. vs. McCord-Collins Co., verdict for defendant. R. W. Priest vs. Effie M. Smith, verdict for the defendant.

The following new suits were filed in the district clerk's office: W. S. Putman vs. Mrs. Polly Putman, divorce. Ordelia Ferrell vs. Ben. Ferrell, divorce. Will Wood vs. Ida Wood, divorce.

Thursday, Dec. 17.

Nothing was done in the Forty-eighth district court.

In the Seventeenth district court: Jury in the case of C. W. James vs. the Rock Island, in which the plaintiff asked for damages for personal injuries, found in favor of the plaintiff, giving him $1,250 damages.

In the county court: The last will and testament of J. [illegible] Frisbie, who died December 13, was filed for probate. Mary E. Frisbie, wife of the deceased, is the sole executrix.

The will of Joseph Nugent of Mansfield, who died November 29, was filed for probate. The estate consists of real and personal property to the value of about $30,000. Outside of a bequest of $1,000 to his sister, Matilda Harris, and $1,000 to his brother, Robert Nugent, the entire estate goes to the wife of the deceased, Mrs. Christina E. Nugent. T. G. Davis was appoined executor.

The following new suits were filed: G. E. Janes vs. Fort Worth & Denver City Railway company, damages. The plaintiff sues for damages in the sum of $5,150, for personal injuries received.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

George Perrett and Miss Lou Robertson.

C. V. Tunnell and Miss Lola Edwards.

M. C. Worthy and Miss Trisie Penick.

N. A. Hammach and Miss Louella Madry.

J. M. Moon and Miss May Bingham.

J. S. Easterwood and Miss Bennie Seay.

Mach Frazier and Ida Davis, colored.

Harris Bristow and Miss Minnie Stubbs.

W. P. White and Miss Bessie Reves.

H. N. Fuller and Miss May Kedy.

Henry Brown and Mary Tilley, colored.

Henry Stegall and Miss Katie Lynch.

J. H. Whitner and Miss Lula Himes.

G. M. Bigham and Miss Minnie Frazier.

I. Adeberg and Miss Ida Laskey.

Wm. O'Brien and Mrs. Blanch Dalton.

Charles E. Farris and Miss Eliza Y. Cheatham.

Henry G. Stevens and Miss Florence O. Robinson.

Harvey L. Shaw and Miss Corn Autrey.

[illegible] M. Scott, Jr., and Miss Jessie [illegible]

J. C. W. Jeffries and Miss Blanche A. Haley.

J. W. Trammell and Miss Eva Kimbrough.

M. W. Cox and Miss Frankie K. Kebort.

W. L. Burton and Eulah Nobles.

BIRTHS.

The following births and deaths have been reported to the county clerk:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Noel, city, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Ward, Mansfield, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crawford, near Azle, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grider, city, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Bradley, city, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Varian, Azle, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Fowler, Azle, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Houston, city, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, city, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lutt, city, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Keeler, city, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Parker, near Birdville, boy.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Nancy Kelley, age 42 years, city, Dec. 10.

zMike Johnson, age 78 years, near Fort Worth, Dec. 10.

Robert Trimble, age 50 years, December 15.

Thomas St. John, age 50 years, December 12.

N. B. Perry, aged 83 years, near Mansfield, Dec. 11.

Wilson P. Watt, aged 55 years, city, Dec. 13.

Arthur Hardy, aged 30 years, city Dec. 8.

E. L. Stagner, age 11 months, city, December 14.

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hard, age 71 years, city, December 15.

Mrs. A. M. Culbert, age 24 years, city, December 13.

George R. White, age 49 years, city, Dec. 6.

Tom Woods, age 52 years, city, Dec. 6.

CITY AND COUNTY.

J. H. Hicks drove in a bunch of lambs from his farm near Fort Worth that averaged 75 pounds and sold at $4.50.

A party of officials of the M. K. & T. railroad who are touring Texas were in Fort Worth last Sunday for a short time.

The stock law, which was voted on and adopted Nov. 7, went into effect on Tuesday. It is now against the law to allow live stock to run out in any part of Tarrant county.

At a meeting of the county commissioners on Wednesday contracts were let for four bridges, two in precinct 3 and two in precinct 4. They are to cost $2,000.

Mrs. Elizabeth Phoebe Hurd, aged 71 years, mother of Mrs. C. W. Milliken, residing at No. 610 East Tucker street, Fort Worth, was found dead in bed Tuesday morning. Deceased was born in Tennessee.

Stuart Harrison of Fort Worth drove in Wednesday 23 steers of 1180 lbs. that sold at $3.80. These were top steers today. They were meal and hull fed at the Fort Worth oil mills. These were well graded Shorthorn animals.

Lambs on this market sold at $4.50 yesterday. In such sheep there is money. Any farmer can raise a dozen such lambs with practically no cost, and a dozen lambs at such a price means good Christmas money.

The will of the late Hyde Jennings was filed in the probate court at Fort Worth on Friday, but was taken, under order of the court, to the attorneys filing it. It is understood that the estate will amount to something like $500,000.

The magnitude of the Texas turkey trade is shown by the business of one firm in Fort Worth. This week Crowdus Bros. have received over 3,000 turkeys. These have been killed, dressed, and most of them shipped to California. The express charges on these turkeys are said to have amounted to about $750.

A report comes from New York that Gen. Viljoen, a Boer leader in the late war with Great Britain, has arrived at that place from Africa, and that he is on his way to settle a colony of Boers near Fort Worth. There is no knowledge in this part of the state of land having been bought for Boers near Fort Worth.

Sam Moodie, who is well known as an old-time resident of Fort Worth, is now in Fort Worth, his business being to buy a large lot of bois d' arc posts for a cattle company that is fencing a tract of land in Chihuahua, Mex. He has bought about 15,000 posts, most of which were obtained in Fannin and Collin counties. Mr. Moodie now lives at El Paso.

Sunday morning fire was discovered in the house occupied by Brown Harwood, of the firm of Gilliland & Harwood, in Fort Worth. Mr. Harwood and his wife extinguished the fire, and then they found the dead body of W. P. Walt, the father of Mrs. Harwood, on the floor. He was badly burned. Mr. Walt was 55 years old. He was an invalid, and had been confined to his bed for several months.

A party of emigrants from Oklahoma passed through Fort Worth Sunday on their way to Mexico. They are mostly from Mangum. There were about 150 people in the party, and with their personal belongings they occupied an entire train of cars. They are going to join a colony that went from Mangum last spring and settled on a tract of 193,000 acres of land at Escadon, near Monterey.

Justice comes high, but we must have it. A case occurred in Fort Worth this week where it cost between $20 and $30 to collect 1 cent. A man named Ray was arrested on a charge of stealing a hat, and as there were extenuating circumstances he was fined 1 cent and sentenced to 1 minute in jail. When he went to settle up he found [illegible] in addition to the 1 cent the [illegible] costs of [illegible]

held Friday, at which it was shown that unless something was done to get the people to pay their poll taxes, half or more of the voters would be disfranchised. A committee was appointed to bring the matter before the citizens and urge them to pay up. This committee is composed of Paul Waples, J. H. Armstrong, Stuart Harrison, J. L. Cooper, Joe Vera, L. P. Robertson, W. S. Essex, A. S. Goetz, J. E. Westland, H. W. Sellars, L. Gernsbacher, L. L. Hawes, W. McVeigh, E. G. Ball, J. W. Spencer.

The committee of the Fort Worth bar charged to inquire into the conduct of certain lawyers alleged to be guilty of barratry, made its report to Judge Meek, recommending that no prosecutions be instituted. The practice had become so common—such is the purport of their argument—that nobody paid any attention to the law, and it would be best to drop the matter as to past offenses, as the present scare will prevent lawyers from doing the same thing again.

At a meeting of the Fort Worth board of trade Tuesday night the subject of providing for the expenses of the cattlemen's convention in March was discussed. In September the first step was taken at a meeting by the appointment of two committees, one for Fort Worth and the other for North Fort Worth, to raise money for the convention. At the meeting last night, Marion Sansom, chairman of the North Fort Worth committee, reported that about $1,400 had been raised on this side of the river, which would probably be increased to $1,500. The Fort Worth committee made no report. It is less than three months to the holding of the convention.

Mayor Powell of Fort Worth writes to the director of the census at Washington that the present population of Fort Worth is 41,500. He reaches this conclusion by means of the scholastic census. In 1900 the United States census gave Fort Worth a population of 26,688, and there were 3,725 school children enumerated, showing the total population to be 7 times the school population. The present scholastic population is 5,900, and if the proportion of 1 to 7 holds good, Fort Worth has 41,300 people.

Fort Worth is going on the war-path after the spitters. The council of that city a year or so ago passed an ordinance prohibiting spitting in street cars, in public buildings and on the sidewalks, but no attempt has ever been made to enforce it. Now there is a revival of the anti-spitting crusade, and instructions have been issued to the police to take notice of the law. Placards have been printed to be displayed in street-cars, calling the attention of tobacco-chewers to the fact that they are breaking the law when they spit on the car floors, and conductors are instructed to call a policeman and have such persons arrested. Mr. Greenwall, manager of the Fort Worth opera house, has given notice of his intention to enforce the law against spitters in that building.

A Dallas hog buyer who had to come to the Fort Worth market to get his supplies is reported by one of the newspapers as saying he carried his hogs at Fort Worth 10 cents cheaper than at Dallas. This is "important, if true"—but, like many other things we hear of, it won't stand the strain of an investigation. The Dallas News quotes the market in that city yesterday as follows: "Finished hogs, 200 to 250 pounds, $4.70@4.80; mixed packers, $4.45@4.50; rough heavy, $4.30@4.40." Actual sales on the Fort Worth market were at $4.70 to $4.90. Nothing sold lower than $4.67½. Unless the Dallas News is libeling its local market by underquoting it, the gentleman made a mistake when he reported hogs lower at Fort Worth than at Dallas.

Judge Smith of the Seventeenth district court yesterday rendered a decision in the case of the county against W. E. Butler, former district clerk, sustaining Butler's contention. This decision is against the county. Butler, as county clerk, collected and retained fees which were held by a decision of the supreme court to have been in excess of what was allowed by law. The county attorney contends that this excess amounts to $10,000, and that there is $8,000 due for amounts paid for transcribing old records. Judge Smith upholds Butler's counsel in their contention that the fee bill as passed by the 25th legislature is unconstitutional, and further that the settlement made by the county commissioners made with Butler, accepting about $4,200 from him, released him from further liability. County Attorney Lattimore will at once appeal from this decision.

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WATAUGA.

Dec. 15.—Bro. Baker filled his regular appointment Sunday and Sunday night. People from Fort Worth, Fossil, Wayside, Roanoke, Smithfield and Birdville were among the congregation.

All that attended the party at Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hedges' reported a good time.

Mr. Rayford Fantner called at Mr. Potts' Sunday evening.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Holt is improving.

Mr. John Baker and family, Miss Maggie Willis and Bro. U. B. Baker took dinner with Mr. Irwin Sunday.

Mrs. Rogers spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Penney.

Mr. Sam Wolfe went [illegible] with his best girl Sunday evening.

Miss Cyrena Potts is teaching a class in music.

Mrs. Turner is on the sick list at this writing.

The school has organized a literary society. The president is Miss Ella Mangum, and the editor is Mr. Ross Irwin.

Miss Jennie Hedges spent a few days last week with her uncle, Rube Hedges, near Smithfield.

Miss Lee's sister is visiting her [illegible]

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Christmas Gloves.

Splendid holiday stock of Gloves for ladies and children. Gloves to give; gloves for your immediate personal needs. Our glove store is especially stocked for this holiday season. To illustrate—

Kid Gloves, in castor, tan, gray, black, white, red, and oxblood, 75c, $1.00 and $1 25

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Santa Claus' Big Toy Store

A LETTER TO THE CHILDREN

Where Does Santa Claus Live? Santa Claus used to have no home, but carried his stock of Christmas goods in a sack on his back, so he could not bring everybody presents, and as he grew older he was unable to walk and carry his great load. He got a team of reindeers and a sleigh, so he could gladden the hearts of a great number of children in the old way. But Santa is now too old to ride in all kinds of weather, so has brought all his Christmas gifts and makes his headquarters at "THE FAIR" and has presents now for old and young Below he gives you just a hint of his enormous stock.

Writing Desks—Just like the "grown ups" use, roll top, drawers, pigeon holes, locks, everything complete in oak and white enamel, $1 to $4 98

Elevated Trains with circular track, 69c to.. $2 50

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Hobby Horses, handsome ones, natural horsehide, $2 00 to..... $12 50

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"The Empire Express," a mammoth engine, cab large enough for a "big boy" rubber tires, foot power $15 00

Drums—A big lot and "noisy" ones, 25c to... $1 25

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Doll Buggies of wire or wood, all sizes and prices, "Go-Carts" of every descript'n and plenty of them, 25c to. $2 98

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Express Wagons of every size from the little ones up to the big self propellers, at 79c to..... $3 69

P. S.—This list gives a few of the "big toys" and you must remember that if we used this whole page we could not begin to tell you of the countless new Toys Santa Claus has left here for you. But you must come and see; then you will know.

MATCHLESS DOLLS.

Now the Dolls are in the thick of the Xmas flurry, and if you wait you won't have a chance to pick out the right ones for the children There will be no better selection later, for our full stock is in now, except, perhaps, duplicates; and in the case of undressed dolls you have much more time now to dress them.

"The Cinderella," $1 65 to.....	$8.50	Dressed Dolls 15c to.....	$4.50
Kid Body Dolls, 25c to.....	$3.50	Rag Dolls, 25c and.....	50c
Large Bisque Jointed Dolls, 25c to	$4 45	Rubber Dolls, 10c to.....	50c
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More Books and better one than ever before shown in Fort Worth. Space will not allow us to give many details, but we mention a few to show you that you can buy books at home satisfactorily and at a saving.

The New Gibson Book	$4 20
"The new Christy Book"	$2 75
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All the new $1.50 Fiction is on our counters for.	$1.20
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BOYS' and GIRLS' BOOKS without end. All the best authors are represented in this collection—Miss Alcott, Mrs. Richards, Henty, Seton Thompson, Alger, Bonehill, etc., etc., etc. 25c up.

Children's Books, in a large assortment, untearable linen paper, board back, and handsome illustrated books—the biggest and best line we ever had; all prices from 5c to..... $3 00

Calendars, Xmas Cards, Booklets and Post Cards, Raphael Tuck, and International Art Co.'s complete lines, water colors, calendars, booklets, etc., 1c up to..... $2 00

Two Coat Bargains.

Nobby Short Coats of Zibeline, in blues, browns, blacks, collarless, fancy button trimmed, band of the material piped in silk around the neck, with frog fastening, double-breasted, full gathered sleeve and turn-back cuff, silk piped. This is a six ninety-five value; special at..... $5 00

Handsome Coat of kersey cloth, in red, black and tan, straight back, deep cape over shoulders, trimmed with straps and buttons, with stitched band of the material around the neck and down each side of front, trimmed in back with stitched bands of the material; coat sleeve with stitched turn-back cuff, lined throughout with satin—a splendid value at the regular price of $18.50, special [illegible]..... $15 00

Suits at Saving Prices.

Only Ten of These—Ladies' Tailored Suits in grays and mixtures, Norfolk Jackets, Blouses and mannish Coats are the styles, new and up-to-date as to style and make, worth regularly $24 50 to $29 50 special price..... $15 00

We have just received eighteen New Suits, in brown and blue cheviots only, long skirted jackets, collarless, with a stitched band of velvet around the neck, trimmed in silk braid, two capes over shoulders, finished stole effects in front and back, two rows of buttons down the front, full fancy sleeve, with a turn-back cuff of stitched braid, trimmed velvet jacket, lined throughout with silk, skirt seven-gored flare. These are our regular $32.00 val., special price.. $26 50

Furs for Xmas.

There is no more sensible Xmas present for mother, sister, wife or sweetheart than a pretty Fur. We offer you a special Xmas line of Furs in boas, stoles and scarfs, made of choice full skin, trimmed with tails and silk cord fastenings and ornaments, at a liberal range of price, from $3.98 to. $65 00

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The best line of Handkerchiefs ever shown in Fort Worth, All kinds of men's, women's and children's silk and linen, plain and fancy and at every price, from the children's Handkerchiefs at only 5c up to drawn work Handkerchiefs, at..... $4 95

Holiday Novelties.

French Gray Enamel Ware, over a quadruple silver plate—never change color or tarnish, beautiful in design: Trays, Jewel Cases, Pin Boxes, Candelabra, Clocks, etc., 50c to..... $4 50

Boxes, Trinket Boxes, etc., etc., from 25c up.

Burnt Wood Novelties, in Match Boxes, Picture Frames, Book Racks, Steins, etc., etc , 25c to..... $3 95

Ink Stands, Pipes, Canoe Paddles, Burnt Leather Cigar cases, Shaving Paper Cases, Card Holders, Whisk Broom Holders, etc., etc., 25c to $1 25

Onyx Paper Weights, mounted with jockeys, stags, thermometers, etc., etc., 15c, 39c, and 50c

Statuettes of "Happy Hooligan," "Gloomy Gus," etc..... 65c

Gibson Head Box Stationery, fancy Xmas Boxes, also for Children, 25c to.... 50c

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Colgate's Perfumes, all odors, oz.....	25c
Hudnut's Perfumes, all odors, oz.....	50c
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Hudnut's Perfumes in Xmas packages, 50c, $1.00 and.....	$1.85
Hudnut's Sachets: Velvet, Orris and Heliotrope.....	25c

Colgate's Perfumes in Xmas Packages.

Umbrellas for Xmas Gifts.

What can you give as a gift for Christmas that would be more acceptable than a handsome umbrella? Our showing of holiday Umbrellas was never more varied than it is this season, and the prices were never so low.

Fine Silk Umbrellas for men and women, novelty gun metal handles, long ivory and pearl handles, heavily trimmed with gold and silver, $1.65 up to..... $10 50

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Pretty Medallions and Water Color reproductions as low as 25c and up to..... $3 50

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Five More Days Before Christmas

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Special Sale of Furs.

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Ladies' and Children's Kid Gloves

Christmas Shopping Has Begun
IN REAL EARNEST.

Streets and stores are crowded with throngs of anxious buyers. We urge our patrons to come as early as possible, and mornings are much more satisfactory, as the rush is not so great.

Special Sale Women's Jackets

We are prepared to give to the ladies who come during the next few days some real swell Military Coats that are right up to the hour. They are models that have that military dash, full of style and very moderate in price.

Long Coats (40 inches) of real melton cloth, with cape, full gathered sleeve, large round gilt buttons; colors, castor and navy—a notable example of economy; our price..... **$11 00**

Black Zibeline coat, cut three quarters full back, extra touch sleeve, trimmed cape and silk decorations, full silk lining, in black only—a most extraordinary value, at..... **$12 00**

Castor, light, tan and royal Military coat, three quarters style, big full gathered sleeve, elaborately trimmed in military fashion—a sightly, up-to-date garment..... **$10 00**

A marked reduction in force on all garments above $20.00.

Special Tailor-Made Suits

There's yet an opportunity open for women who have not yet made purchase of their suits, a chance to save $2.00, $3.00 and $5.00 on the transaction. They are just as good as they've ever been. It's an assembling of one to three of a kind, and a price lowering that gives you a chance that you will be unusually fortunate if you avail yourself of. Suits worth up to $16.50 reduced to..... **$10 00**

New arrivals in navy, blue and brown cheviot suits, that are the most striking ones we have seen this season—models right out from New York manufacturers; cut long skirted coats, collarless, full gathered sleeve, trimmed in silk braids—the appearance of $25 to $30 models, at $22.50 & **$19 50**

One special lot of Women's Tailored Suits, in blacks and a few fancy weaves—suits worth up to $12.50, reduced to..... **$5 00**

Children's Long Coats

A purchase of fifty Long Coats for children has just been received by express, colors, red, blue and green, made long, full back, cape trimmed in brass buttons and braid; have been selling all season at $5.00—we can offer you these for $1.75 less—ages 6 to 14. Special price..... **$3 25**

Gifts for Women.

Fur neck pieces, $1.98 to.....$20.00
Fur Sets, $5.00 to..$15.00
Silk Shawls at 75c to $3.98
Dressing Sacques, 98c to.....$2.50
Kimonos, long, $1.50 to.....$7.50
Stylish Jackets, $5.00 to.....$35.00
Silk Petticoats, $5.00 to.....$10.00
Silk and Fancy Hosiery, 50c to.....$1.50
Kid Gloves, pair 75c to.....$2.00
Handkerchiefs, 5c to.....$5.00
Carriage, Auto and Wrist Bags, 50c to..$8.50
Perfumes, at ounce.....50c
Perfumes, fancy bottles, 35c to.....$2.50
Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, $1.50 to $6.50
Embroidered Stocks, 25c to.....$1.00
Waist Patterns, $1.00 to.....$4.50
Table Linens, pattern lengths, $1.00 to..$5.00
Napkins, dozen, $1.00 to.....$5.00
Belts, 25c to.....$1.50
Hose Supporters, 25c to.....75c
Lace Stole Collars, $1.50 to.....$6.50
Military Brushes, $1.50 to.....$4.50
Table Scarfs, white, 50c to.....$1.50
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Glove Boxes, $1.00 to.....$3.50
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Manicure Implements, sterling, 25c to.....50c
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Veils, 50c to.....$1.50
Dress Hats, $2.50 to $14.00
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Walking Skirts, black and colors, $3.00 to..$8.00
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Flannelette Night Gowns 50c to.....$1.50
Underwear 25c to...$2.00
Black Dress Silks, yard, 75c to.....$1.50
Fancy Silk for Waists and Suits, yard 75c & $1.00
White Aprons 25c to..75c
Crocheted Slippers per pair.....98c
Sterling Silver Thimbles.....25c
Sachet Powders bottle 10c and.....25c
Fancy Ribbon Bows 25c and.....50c
Fancy Back Combs 25c to.....$1.00

Gifts for Children.

Long Coats $2.50 to $10.00
Camels Hair Tams 50c to.....$1.00
Hats $1.00 to.....$5.00
Hose 15c to.....50c
Underwear 25c to...$1.00
Flannelette Night Gowns 50c to.....79c
Sweaters $1.25 to...$2.50
Golf Gloves 25c to....50c
Kid Gloves.....$1.00
Dolls Kid body 25c to $4.50
Dolls, bisque, 25c to...50c
Dolls, china, 25c to...50c
Infants' Silk Cape 30c to.....$1.50
Infants' Flanelette Sacques 15c to.....29c
Infants' Long Kimonos —Flannelette.....50c
Infants' Bootees 15c to 50c
Infants Stockinet Caps 50c

Gifts for Men.

Hosiery—pair, 10c to..50c
Night Shirts, Outing Flannel, $1.00 to....$1.50
Handkerchiefs, Linen Cambric, Silk, plain hem and initials. 15c to.....$1.00
Military Brushes $1.50 to.....$4.50
Comb, Brush and Mirror, $1.50 to...$4.50

Only Five More Business Days
BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

During these days a great volume of business will be done. We have arranged things as convenient as possible. Every available space is occupied with tables displaying Christmas novelties. Extra salespeople to serve, that all may have attention.

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A group of the best Christmas presents that can be thought of—acceptable to every one.

Women's fine soft pure linen white embroidered initial handkerchiefs, 1-4 inch hem, each **10c**

Women's all pure sheer linen handkerchiefs, 1-2 inch hem, hand embroidered initial, box of six, $1.50; each..... **25c**

Men's all linen handkerchiefs, 3-4 inch hem, large embroidered initial, box of 6, $1.50; each **25c**

Women's sheer Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, scalloped and hemmed edges, in a multitude of patterns, at all the different prices, and all extra good values, $1, 75c, 50c, 35c, 25c, 20c, 15c and **10c**

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One table of Children's Felt Shapes, in most every color; Roll Brim Hats and more fancy styles —a reduction of one-half, each..... **$1 00**

One table Women's Scratch Felt Flare Shapes, in brown, oxford, blue and black—values $1.50, $2.00; choice, each..... **98c**

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Linen hemstitched Lunch Cloths, in damask patterns and plain weaves, sizes 4-4 and 5-4, at $2.00 down to..... **75c**

Hemstitched Damask Cloths, plain white and white with red, blue and yellow borders, 8-8, 8-10; prices $1.39 and..... **$1 98**

Fine satin finished Damasks in snow-drop fleur de lis and other choice designs, fancy borders and hemstitched; several patterns can be matched with napkins. Price range on better grade full silver bleach, yard $1.50, $1.25, $1, 75c and..... **50c**

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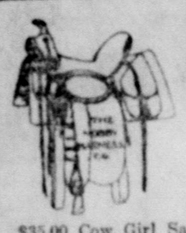

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The first act opens at Col. Gould's home, with a pretty home-like cottage, beautiful flowers and shade trees, and the air of perfect happy contentment. One commences to feel its sunshine and warmth from the very beginning, and the interest never flags from the first to the fifth and final act. You are carried from one scene to another with keen excitement, and a great hope and desire that right shall succeed and wrong shall reap its just reward. A wonderful bond of sympathy spreads itself through the audience for the sweet innocent child of the convict and her down-trodden father. There is but one way to appreciate this truly great play—come and see it and be convinced that "The Convict's Daughter" will always be remembered with pleasure.

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"The Smart Set," the most important colored theatrical organization in the world, is underlined for an appearance at Greenwall's opera house Saturday, matinee and night, Dec. 19. The company numbers 50 people, and it is said that this season's edition has been mounted in a very elaborate manner.

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STREETS BADLY OBSTRUCTED.

Almost Closed to Travel by Action of Rival Street Car Companies.

Main street in North Fort Worth, between Exchange avenue and Twenty-third street, is practically closed to travel, as a result of the contest of rival street-car companies to control it. A few weeks ago the council of North Fort Worth granted to Sam Rosen a franchise to put down tracks from Twenty-fifth street along Main street to Exchange avenue. Soon afterward a property owner on Main street had Rosen enjoined from putting down tracks. While he was tied up, pending the decision of his case, the Northern Texas Traction company laid a switch at the intersection of Main street and Twenty-fifth street, covering the street and shutting out any other track. Thursday night Rosen had a track laid along Main from Twenty-fifth to Twenty-third street, alongside the Traction Company's track. The street is very narrow here, with a bluff on one side and a gully on the other, and the two tracks take it up so completely that wagons can get through only by driving over the car tracks. While the fight is going on for possession of the street by the two car companies, the public, which owns the street, is getting the worst of it.

GRANT GILLETT'S AFFAIRS.

Report that He Has Made a Proposition to Settle Debts.

The sensational episode of Grant Gillett's plunging, his failure, and his flight to Mexico, is well remembered. A report comes out of Kansas City that he had wired from Fostoria, Ohio, as follows:

"I have offered my Kansas City representative, who is one of my largest creditors, security which he or a committee of my creditors is to hold until my affairs are settled up. If I am not in any way molested or harassed, my creditors will receive what is due them at an early date."

WOMEN SHUCKING CORN.

Owing to the Lack of Farm Hands They are Helping Out.

St. Joseph Daily Journal: "I tell you it looks queer to see the wives and daughters of farmers out in the corn fields shucking corn and driving wagons of corn to cribs and shoveling it into the cribs, but that is what is occurring in my part of the state," said L. R. Mann, the progressive young stock dealer at Humboldt, Neb., who brought in a load of cattle. "This was brought about by the utter inability to secure farm hands, although some fine offers have been made by farmers. As a last resort they had to ask the aid of the women of the house, and the women gladly responded and are out in the fields working as hard as bees to get the corn laid in before bad weather sets in. As a rule there are two women to the wagon, but occasionally one sees just one woman and two or more small children helping. Many of these women are of the best families in the country, and they take great pride in helping their husbands or fathers, whichever it may be."

LEASING OF INDIAN LANDS.

Methods Now in Use Will be Adhered to in Future.

The Secretary of Agriculture says, in that part of his report relating to leasing Indian lands:

"The method adopted three years ago (January, 1901) for the leasing of Osage Indian tribal lands for grazing purposes upon competitive bids after public advertisements inviting sealed proposals, was attended with gratifying results; two years ago (January, 1902) it was extended to the agricultural and grazing lands of the Apache, Kiowa, and Comanche Indians, with equally if not more satisfying results, and has since been applied in the cases of other indians' tribal lands; in every case the revenue was greatly increased over that obtained under the old method of indiscriminate leasing by informal or non-competitive bids. This method will be continued in the future in similar cases, and has been most satisfactorily enforced in the Indian Territory.

"The rules and regulations made under the provisions of the act of May 27, 1902, to govern sales of allotments of deceased Indians, known as 'inherited' lands, which have brought about very satisfactory results, both to the department and the heirs, have been extended to the cases of certain living Indians whose lands, by special legislative enactment, may be sold for their benefit. It is expected that greatly increased prices will be obtained in these latter cases over those formerly realized."

The Religious Column

By Rev. J. B. Goode.

Sometime, when all life's lessons have been learned,
And sun and stars forevermore have set,
The things which our weak judgment here have spurned,
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet,
Shall flash on us and light dark night,
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue,
And we shall see how all God's plans were right,
And what we deemed reproof was love most true.

There is a legend in England about the sunken city of Is. Two or three places are pointed out as the spot where the city disappeared. An earthquake sank out of sight, [illegible] that during a storm the [illegible] can be seen ringing out, and they ring the appropriate song or tune for each day. The sunken city still makes music. Has your wealth sunk out of sight? Have things that you prized gone out of view? If you have the spirit that God would have you possess there still comes music from the sunken city of loss, and every steeple that has gone beneath the waves sends out harmonies of hope, of joy, and of peace.

Dr. R. A. Torrey of Chicago, superintendent of the Moody Bible institute, recently held a great meeting in Liverpool, Eng. There were about 4,000 professions. On one day there were 660. It was almost equal to the day of Pentecost.

The Baptists of Georgia in their recent convention at Athens decided not to receive aid from the state in support of their denominational schools.

A news item from Henderson, Tenn., says, "The organ and anti-organ wings of the Christian church are having a hot time here this week. Rev. Stark of Indiana for the organ wing, and Rev. Warlick of Texas for the antis, are giving each other 'what Paddy gave the drum.'" Which makes one feel like perpetrating the following: "Alas for the rarity of Christian charity," or something worse.

The Arabs have a saying that all sunshine makes the desert. Men often sigh for entire exemption from care and sorrow. If this prayer were answered they would not be the men they are. In silent, dark hours character of a certain sweet tender type is matured. Other kinds of character are brought out by the sunshine. God sends all kinds of weather to the soul which He would develop in His likeness.

Among the Cherokee Indians the Baptists have nineteen ordained and fifty licensed preachers—all fullbloods. Only seven of these can read English, and only the New Testament has been printed in their own language.

Rev. J. M. Blackman of Peaster has arranged to hold a debate at Buckner with Shaw, the champion of infidelity at Waco.

A Sunday school institute was held at Rehoboth last Tuesday.

The Baptist state convention board has laid out its state mission this year on the basis of $100,000.

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AZLE.

Dec. 16.—The box supper given by the Ladies' Aid society, last Friday night, was quite a success.

Grandma Godwin is very low at this writing, and many are afraid her illness will prove fatal.

The citizens of Azle are improving their residences. Messrs. Nations and McDonald have built new rooms, and Mr. Huster is having his house repainted.

Mr. Earnest Walker, who has been attending school in Mansfield, has returned to his home on account of sickness.

Rev. A. P. Collins filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Rev. B. F. Hall will preach at the Christian church next Sunday.

Mr. Bone Reynolds and family, who have recently resided on Mrs. Jim Young's place, have moved near Azle.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Grigsby will start to Kentucky next Friday to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. T. A. Keith, Misses Annie Rice and Ara Gidden, made a flying trip to Fort Worth Saturday.

There will be a Christmas tree at the school house on Xmas eve. Santa Claus will sure be here. All come and bring the children. W. B.

GLENWOOD.

Dec. 16.—Warren Woodson has accepted a position with the Glenwood Pharmacy.

Rev. Mr. Williams, located at Strawn, Tex., visited friends in Glenwood, Monday.

We are requested by Capt. Cumble of the Salvation Army to have solicitors for the Christmas dinner fund show credentials signed by himself before donating any aid; and also to state that no one will solicit aid of any description unless being dressed in regulation uniform

Preparations for at least two Christmas trees are under fair way; and any persons desirous of donating to such can confer with Sabbath school superintendents or at the parsonage of either church.

The habit of driving up and down the streets, throwing lighted fireworks into peoples' premises, especially on the Sabbath day, illustrates very bad breeding, to say the least.

Mr. Thos. Eidelman is making considerable improvements to his residence on East Bessie street, and when finished it will compare favorably with any home in this vicinity. KENNEBEC.

For the next 30 days I will sell anything in my stock—harness, bridles, saddles, etc., at 15 per cent discount.

A. ZABEL.

314 Houston street.

MARINE.

North Fort Worth and the City of Fort Worth are the subjects of our week's hustling. To say the least of it we saw so many people we hardly know right side up. We would run on to the same fellows more than once. "Hello, pard," says they, "I saw you just a few minutes ago. "Pardon me," says I, "So many of you fellows look so much alike, I don't know which from tother." We even met some from Oklahoma, New York, and we don't know where else. We did not have the proper credentials for them, so we let them go. We soon found out that the best places to "hang out" to see the boys from the country were Sam Brewer's, Geo. P. Williams, and W. C. Stripling's.

The city of Fort Worth is beginning to put on some fixings that are in keeping with a city of her magnitude. If the merchants of this place would buy the farmers' cotton and pay the price that the inland town merchants pay for cotton, they would get thousands of dollars they don't get.

North Fort Worth is rapidly coming to the front. They claim five or six thousand, and the ball keeps rolling. You can see the gentry around there wearing blue coats and brass buttons.

The packing houses are solid fixtures. The stock yards is an up-to-date and an immense enterprise for Texas and the Southwest.

The Stock Yards company is building a sub-station for postoffice and U. S. mail service, which is known as "Stock [illegible]

and Marine postoffice will be discontinued.

There are already three up-to-date church buildings in North Fort Worth, Methodist, Baptist and Christian. The Presbyterians and Catholics will soon build theirs also.

North Fort Worth keeps coming our way, and after a bit we won't have any Fossil.

Louis Brown is putting up a nice residence. Of course this means something. We guess he's going to catch him a bird to go in it. Too many residences going up for us to try to mention them.

JAP ON THE RUN.

THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Not Much of an Attendance, but Some Instructive Addresses Made.

The turn-out of farmers to attend the Farmers' Institute in this city on Tuesday and Wednesday was not enough to encourage the men who are trying to make that movement of service to the agricultural interest. There should have been five time as many present.

Prof. Bennett of the A. & M. College at Bryan called the meeting to order and gave an outline of the purposes and usefulness of farmers' institutes.

H. E. Singleton of Collin county talked on profitable hog raising. There were three essentials—good stock, great variety of good feed, and brains. He told of two Collin county farmers, one who raised pork at 35c per pound and the other at a cost of 1¾c a pound. He laid especial stress on the importance of good food in great variety, green food in abundance, until you finish off on grain. Fresh water and shelter from heat and cold were all essentials. Alfalfa was excellent feed for hogs, as were cow peas. He believed in forcing the pigs from the beginning by giving food plentifully, but not wastefully. He said no animal suffered more from heat of summer or cold of winter than the hog. They could not take on flesh if they had no protection from winter blasts except a barb wire fence. Texas hog faisers are specially favored, for they had as good pasture all the year as the Iowa farmer had in the summer. Then they were free from disease and the vermin on the hog could be killed effectually by the use of Texas oil.

Mr. Kerr of Sherman talked about orchards and fruits. He found that blackberries paid $200 on acre, and cotton at its best did not pay a third of that. Peaches, while not so sure a crop, paid about as well. Apples were almost sure and paid about $100 per acre. Irish potatoes paid well also. He advocated the growth of cow peas following a crop of potatoes, or with corn or after wheat. The pea hay was one of the best stock fatteners, but should be protected from the weather in a barn. But its greatest value was in the enrichment of the soil by absorbing, as it did, the nitrogen from the air and leaving it in the ground for the growth of other plants.

R. E. Smith of Grayson county, who has 1,000 acres in alfalfa, told of cutting 4 to 5 tons a year.

Mr. Smith said, in regard to his alfalfa operations: "I have a thousand acres of alfalfa, and after cutting it four times last season, commencing in April and cutting the last time on the 4th of December, each cutting averaging a ton to the acre, for which I received never less than $15 per ton f. o. b. the cars right at my farm. I got $22 per acre for the seed of the entire crop. I am in correspondence with a firm in Costa Rica to furnish alfalfa there, and I am corresponding with a man in South Africa now with a view of letting him have my entire crop. I do not think that we will ever raise too much alfalfa." Mr. Smith then spoke of the best way to handle the crop and to avoid losing it. He said that the plant had been known to root as deep as 129 feet. "It is a perennial plant, and if once established on a good standing it will be a heritage for your children. It is a fine fertilizer, and instead of eating up the substance of the ground it builds it up, putting in it all the nutrition it needs to make and keep it a strong and rich soil."

After the two-days' session at Fort Worth, the meeting adjourned to Arlington on Thursday. The farmers came out in larger numbers, the attendance being very encouraging.

Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick addressed the meeting, saying: "You ought to get together in this place and put in 15,000 acres in fruits and vegetables and make this land pay more. California ships 70,000 cars of truck to market every year, with an average value of $1,500, and Texas ships only about a thousand. One little town in California ships out more than all of Texas. We ought to have horticulture, agriculture and other like interests taught in the public schools. Show me a people who are taught home-loving and home-living, and I will show you the very acme of civilization. Those who only love the selfishness of sensual pleasure are rapidly tending to barbarism."

After interesting talks from others, an organization was made of a farmers' institute, with W. T. Walton, president; Frank McKnight, F. R. Wallace and John Hurley, vice-presidents, and M. F. Turner, secretary.

The people of Arlington and the surrounding country are in hearty accord with the work now doing by the management of the Interurban railroad, in encouraging trucking and fruit growing in the country along that line. Mr. Forbess, general passenger agent of the Interurban, has given much of his time and thought to this work, and now he is beginning to see results.

AN INVITATION

To take advantage of the very low rate made by the M., K. & T. Railway to the North and Southeast for the Holidays.

Tickets will be sold on December 19, 20, 21 and 26, at rate of one fare plus two dollars for the round trip.

If you are contemplating making a holiday trip you should see one of "Katy's" agents, or write a letter to "Katy," Dallas, Texas, and learn of the many inducements offered the holiday traveler.

NATIONAL LIVE STOCK ASS'N.

At Portland, Oregon, January 12th to 15th, 1904.

Agents are authorize to sell round trip tickets to Portland, Ore., as follows:

Rate: One lowest normal first-class one way fare.

Routes—The above rate applies for tickets going via Huntington or Billings, returning same route, or going via Huntington, returning via Billings, or vice versa.

Going via Huntington or Billings, returning via Shasta route or O. R. & N. company steamers to San Francisco and direct routes from there at rate of $13.50 higher. Final limit January 31, 1904. Transit limit—Going transit limit January 12, 1904, going passage to begin on date of sale. Returning transit to begin [illegible]

ing validation certificate thereto. Stopovers will be allowed within final limit at and west of Colorado common points, by depositing tickets with ticket agent at stop-over point.

Form of tickets: Regular iron-clad coupon form of ticket will be required, and contract must be endorsed "N. L. S. A."

Tickets must not be sold through California on the going journey.

Destination—Tickets must be sold only to Portland, and will be executed only at destination.

Joint Agent—Tickets must be executed for return passage at Portland by joint agency to be conducted in the name of James Charlton, and contract of [illegible] must be endorsed. "Tee of 50c to be paid for execution at Portland."

Baggage—Baggage must be checked Portland [illegible]

MONNIG'S X-MAS NEWS

Your Christmas Wants

CAN BEST BE FILLED AND FOR THE LEAST MONEY AT

MONNIG'S

You will find many decidely new and useful presents.

"Toyland"

Presents everything to gladden the hearts of the little ones. Our toys are sold upon a small margin of profit.

"Dollville"

Is inhabited by many beautiful specimens. You'll be surprised how cheap you can buy good Dolls. Impress these prices upon your mind before buying—

9 inch China Doll, cloth body, special, each 5c
13 inch China Doll, cloth body, special, each 10c
14 inch kid body Doll, bisque head, jointed knees, shoes and hose 19c
12 inch kid body Doll, jointed, moveable head, curly hair 19c
16 inch cloth body Doll, bisque head, hair stuffed 20c
16 inch kid body Doll, bisque head, sleeper, shoes and hose 25c
17 inch kid body Doll, bisque head, sleeper, shoes and hose 48c
21 inch kid body Doll, bisque head, sleeper, shoes and hose, fine hair 75c
22 inch kid body Doll, bisque head, sleeper, jointed, shoes and hose 98c
NEGRO DOLLS, each 10c and 15c
Imported dressed Rubber Dolls, each 25c, 39c and 50c
DRESSED DOLLS—Special values in this line:
10 inch dressed Doll, with hat, each 20c
15 inch dressed Doll, with hat, each 25c
19 inch dressed Doll, colored satin dress, with hat 69c
Many others in attractive costumes.
In Toyland you will find special values in Toys at 5c, 10c and 15c
At 5c we have Birds, Animals, Horse and Wagon, Tops, Horns, OO OO Balls, Rattles, Tom-Tom Drums, Happy Hooligan Boxes, Call Bells, Picture Frames, tree decoration Cards, and many other items at, each 5c

Popular Toys.

Tin Stove, Iron Ranges; Musical Tops, Ticking Watches, Racing Sulkeys, Sheep, Rabbits, Donkeys, Plush Horses, Horns, all kinds, Tool Chests, Doll Trunks, Pianos, Crazy Ball with marbles, Safety Guns, Baby Buggies, Money Banks, Whips, Building and Spelling Blocks, Happy Hooligan, Cannon and Fort, Snakes, Xilophone, Harmonicas, Doll Swings, Crochet, Rattles, Musical Dolls, Magic Lanterns.

Mechanical Toys.

Locomotives, Automobiles, Steam Trains with track and switch boards, Sailboats, Man-of-War Vessel, Turtles, Alligators, Walking Man with wheelbarrow, and other new items.

Choice Gifts.

We display an elegant line in Toilet Cases, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Jewel Boxes, Collar Boxes, musical Albums, from 50c upward.

Handsome Silverware.

Rich designs in Tea Pots, Sugar Bowls, Cracker Jars, Spoon Holders, Cake Stands, Butter Dishes, etc., at a saving of fully 30 per cent to you in price.

Glassware.

Berry Bowl and Saucers, Water Sets, Vases, Sugar Bowls, Cream Pitcher and Spoon Holder Sets.

Chinaware.

This line is very extensive with novelties in its various lines—Cups and Saucers, Fancy Plates, Pin Trays, Tea Pots, Pitchers, Egg Stands. Among this lot will be found a very choice line of Japanese ware. These goods all sold much under value.
Our lines of Children's Tea Sets are decidedly choice and sell from 20c to $3.00 a set.
Individual China Sets in boxes, are a good gift, and very pretty, at, set $1 25
Beautiful Souvenirs in many items, among our China display. Our prices are the lowest.

Christmas Furs.

A big showing, many beautiful Furs received this week. These goods must be sold by Christmas, hence a big saving to you in their prices, $15.00 to, each 98c

Coats and Jackets.

Ladies' Jackets, new ideas in the very latest military effects, $6.50 to $18 00
Handsome showing in Ladies' Silk Coats, 33 per cent cut on them.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits.

This line will present you a great opportunity for a bargain. Call and post yourselves on the prices.
Children's and Misses Fur Sets, $1.00 to $8 50
Ladies' Changeable Taffeta Underskirts, $10 00 to $5 00
We show the handsomest and largest variety of Ladies' Walking and Dress Skirts in the market. We guarantee our prices. Examine our values shown Monday at $5 00
A special value in a $2.50 mixed Skirt, Monday, each $1 69

Christmas Kid Gloves.

There is not a more acceptable gift than a Kid Glove. We sell a good wearing Kid Glove a pair 75c
A real French Kid Glove, a pair $1 50
Ladies' Golf Gloves, all wool, solid and fancy, a pair, 25c to 50c

Christmas Handkerchiefs.

We are showing from the daintiest to the cheapest Handkerchiefs. A good line of Silk Handkerchief, 25c to 98c
A large white Silk Muffler, each 98c

Leather Goods.

This department is complete with its Christmas items—Auto Bags, fine grain Leather Bags fitted with mirror, smelling bottle and change purse, 69c to $2 98
Good walrus Leather Bags, etc.
A large line of ladies' Brooches, Belts and new Puff Combs, Stock and Ribbon Pins.
LADIES' HOSIERY — Fine line of Fancy Hosiery, in open work or novelty striped or figured, $1.50 to, pair 25c

Shoe Department.

Men' Velvet or Alligator house slippers, black or tan, pair 49c
Men's Undressed Kid House Slippers, gray, per pair $2 00
Ladies' Felt Slippers, blue and black, fur top, per pair $1 25
Ladies' fur top Juliets, green and blue, per pair $1 35
Infants' Christmas Shoes and Moccasins, 50c to 98c
Monnig's Duchess, the best $3.00 Ladies' Shoe.
Big bargains in our Silk and Dress Goods from now until Christmas

HORSES COLLIDED.

r of One Was Killed and the Other Badly Injured.

orgetown, Tex., Dec. 17.—During progress of the fair at Florence m of horses driven by Miss Rad- and Miss Jones ran away. E. E. den and Will Trompson, who were horseback, started on a gallop to the team by heading them off e going at full speed they collid- with such force that Hayden was and Thompson dangerously in- The young ladies escaped with- injury.

MORE DYNAMITING.

ls of Car Shattered and Latter Raised About Three Feet.

Antonio, Dec. 17.—A street car g many passengers on board wrecked by dynamite Wednesday Nobody was hurt. It happened blocks from Alamo plaza. force of the explosion lifted the fully three feet off the track. ered the wheels and tore up the There were a number of ladies e car, some of whom went into rics.

Flag to Be Tagged.

Marcos, Tex., Dec. 17.—Terry's ers transacted much business. A n was carried to appoint a com- to designate and tag the veter- g and report at the next annual ing.

Fourth Call Issued.

in, Dec. 17.—State Treasurer ns issued his fourth call to pay ered warrants up to and includ- warrant No. 2592, amounting to 9.96, out of the general revenue

Has Been Defrauded.

do, Tex., Dec. 17.—The Electric Company in Monterey claims it iscovered that it has been de- d out of $1000 a month by its being tapped for light and other es.

BOURKE COCKRAN.

any Hall Will Nominate Him to Succeed McClellan.

York, Dec. 17.—W. Bourke n will be nominated by Tam- to succeed Mayor-Elect George llan as the representative from welfth congressional district as

W. BOURKE COCKRAN.

s McClellan resigns his seat to ake his duties as the municipal ive. That was determined at ockran's office, where he met s Murphy and gave the Tam- leader his consent to run.

ROASTED ALIVE.

e Scene Witnessed by a Train Crew Near Fort Scott.

Scott, Kan., Dec. 17.—One man s life, one was fatally hurt and others were more or less se- injured in a collision of two s of a freight train on a long on the Frisco system, fifteen m here. P. M. Hermitage of e, Mo., a brakeman, who was on the engine of the rear train, asted alive in view of the other rs of the crew, who were unable him. He begged to be killed ed out of his misery. W. E. d and H. J. James, a brake- are believed to be fatally hurt. ridge burned under the wreck. e engine and several cars went

LEA OF FIVE NATIONS.

None of the Indian Territory Added to Oklahoma.

re, I. T., Dec. 17.—The govern- all the five nations of the In- territory have joined in a memo- congress, which has just been ed to the house and senate by y Hitchcock, asking congress in from adding any portion of dian Territory to Oklahoma e latter is admitted as a state, permit at the present time the of a state out of the Indian y.

First Indian Allotment.

le, Okla., Dec. 17.—During the k the first Indian allotment d in Day county by Mrs. E. H. r her minor child, Nellie Dag- half Indian. Mrs. Doyle's first was an Indian of a New York

nfesses He Is a Defaulter.

y, Cal., Dec. 17.—W. F. Mc- secretary of the board of re- the state university, confessed amin I. Wheeler that he was a r to the amount of $20,000, and mare. Most of the money at the race track.

greement on Friar Lands.

., Dec. 17.—An agreement has ached between Governor Taft friars by which the United will acquire the friar lands for of $7,000,000, $210,000 of it in Pope approves it. There are ntes.

Work for Polish Women.

women are engaged at work on the dams now being con- near Bredstedt, Schleswig.

Negro Brain Is Light.

erage weight of the negro four ounces less than the

Suicide of Miners.

mines are

Holiday Goods Stored

WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE

Goods delivered Christmas morning

Buy Your Holiday Gifts Now

And get a splendid choice from our large stock; we will store them and deliver them whenever you desire.

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Armour's Beef Extract

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Handsome, Striking, Up-to-date Illustrations.

Ask the lady in charge of

ARMOUR'S Beef Extract Demonstration

How to get one, and while there try, with our compliments, some of the dainty dishes that she is serving.

OUR CHRISTMAS STORE LIKE A RADIANT STAR

Bright and Sparkling with Christmas Gifts. The time to buy is NOW. Don't wait until the last moment to make your purchases, for the stocks will be broken; you'll not have near as complete a line to select from: and then again, you'll avoid the Great Crush that is always in evidence the day before the Great Day of All. Our stocks, generally, are more complete and better selected than ever before. Don't Fail to visit the Departments that are Stocked with appropriate and useful Holiday Gifts.

Women's and Children's Coats

This popular department will offer to the next week buyers a fine opportunity to purchase a stylish Coat or Suit at a big saving. We have made a price on these garments which makes it possible for any woman or child to be stylishly dressed this winter for a very small sum. Come early Monday morning and get first choice.

Women's Military Coats.

The finest and most stylish Coats worn this season made of the best quality Covert Cloth with Military cape and new sleeves; handsome collar of green and white broadcloth; piped with gold; also the collarless Coats; our regular $27.50 and $45.00 garments; reduced to..... $25 00

Stylish Corset Coats

This coat is correct style; handsomely tailored in the finest of covert cloth; specially designed for women of fine taste and good figure. We will offer all the $25.00 and $27.50 garments at..... $19 50

Children's Coats.

Our beautiful line of Children's Coats have been reduced on account of having no room to display them; the large Biblical Tableau on second floor makes the closing out of these garments necessary. They are made of all wool cloakings and French Flannels in Emblem styles and other late effects. We will sell the $2.50 and $3.00 values at $1.95; the $3.50 and $4.00 values at..... $2 75

Christmas Furs

We have made extra preparations for Christmas buyers of Furs and are showing the most attractive fur scarfs and sets for women; also a handsome line of fur sets for children. We invite your inspection of this rich display.

Fur Scarfs and Sets

You can purchase an elegant Scarf from us of Marten and Sable, Fox, trimmed in cluster of tails at $10.00; $12 50 and $15 00

The most exquisite are the Fur Sets of Sable, Lynx, Squirrel and Fox at $75.00 $100 and..... $125 00

Children's Fur Sets

Beautiful Fur Sets of Angora, Chinchilla, Squirrel and Ermine, Scarf and Muff, at $2.25 up to..... $9 75

Stylish Millinery

Next week will be of Great Interest in this Department. We have made reductions of such magnitude that it will make other sales pale into insignificance and those wishing so otbain a choice selection will do well to come early.

Women's very stylish Velvet and Felt Hats and Street Wear trimmed in ornaments, birds and feathers. Our regular $4, $4.50 and $5 values at.. $2 00

A choice bargain will be the sale of a number of late style Street Hats, made of plain and scratch felt, regular $1.75 $2 00, and $2.25 values at $1 00

Toy City in Full Blast.

Bring the children and come to this miniature city. Everything is here on a larger scale than ever before. Santa Claus is here and has brought hundreds of interesting presents for the little folks. There are Automobiles that run by themselves, Trains, Fire Engines, Flying Machines, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, the Balking Mule, Shoo Fly Horses, Tea Sets, Kitchen Sets, Games of every description, Building Blocks, Soldier Sets and hundreds of other amusing Toys.

STEAM ENGINES—The joy and delight of every boy. One of the most educating toys in this department. All styles and sizes. Prices range from $1 00 up to..... $3 00

THE BALKY MULE—A wonder of mechanism: most amusing toy made. Come in and see him buck. Price 50c

MAGIC LANTERNS—Entertain at home with this most interesting article. A variety of styles. Prices range from 50c to..... $3 50

Comforts and Blankets.

On the third floor of our building we will offer some extra special inducements for Christmas buyers.

Extra heavy comforts of good size and large line to choose from. Each..... 75c

Full Size Silkoline Comforts figured on both sides, each..... 98c

Extra Large Silkoline Comforts, pure white cotton filled: quilted or knotted. Price each..... $1 98

10-4 Gray Cotton Blankets with fancy borders; regular 75c values; at a pair..... 59c

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The Daintiest Point Lace Handkerchiefs from France and Belgium. Prices range from $2 98 up to..... $15 00

HANDKERCHIEF SETS—Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs; six in box for..... $1 50

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Women's Gloves.

The De Lorme in the dainty Persian shades of Canary, Violet, Helio and Champagne; also black and white. Pair..... $2 50

The Vallier, a very serviceable glove shades. Pair..... $1 50

The P. and L.; a popular glove for street wear, in the newest shades. Pair..... $1 00

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Every child can afford to have one of these dolls as the price is 5c, 10c, 15c and on up as high as $7 50

Our showing of dolls is the largest and most attractive in the city. We have them from all over the world. You will find here the cork filled kid dolls; kid dolls with jointed arms and limbs; kid dolls with natural hair; beautiful dolls with natural eye lashes; bisque; French and Paritan dolls; baby dolls; boy and girl dolls; indestructible dolls and in fact the whole human race is here reproduced in the form of dolls at proces that are attractive.

Piano Buyers, Attention!

Here's the greatest bargain list ever offered to the public. Every instrument in the list is in perfect condition and offered at prices never before equalled—all uprights.

One Schaffer, like new, was $400 ..... $140

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Whether you are going into Fort Worth or coming out of Fort Worth, if you live in the north part of the county and travel the best road and trade at the best store,

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The good roads take you to this store, and the easy low prices take you home with a smile.

We carry a complete line of Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Gloves, Jumpers and Overalls, Suspenders, Grips, Trunks and Telescopes — anything you want in the dry goods line, and at prices and quality that meet all competition.

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NORTH FT. WORTH

What It Was.

They were sitting on the beach. "Let us make love," he whispered, "so that we may have something by which to remember the seashore when we are far away." "Ah," she said softly, "I suppose you'd call this a souvenir spoon."—Philadelphia Record.

BUYING AND GIVING PRESENTS.

Hardly any one allows Christmas to come and pass without giving a present to some one. Some have suitable presents that do not have to be bought, but the great majority are not so fortunate, and have to select and buy the gifts that they will make. To the latter class no place offers so great an assortment and variety in prices and usefulness as a well stocked jewelery store. Such a place in Fort Worth is the F. C. Boerner jewelry store. In fact it is conceded to be the jewelry store with the largest list of customers in Texas, and the stock carried there indicates that they supply all classes of trade. Whether the want is a silver thimble, or the most expensive diamond, or the thousands of items between, they have it. A novel department from the usual by this firm, is that they will send to any responsible person an assortment of jewely or other Christmas things, to their homes, selecting such as wanted, thereby giving the customer who cannot come to town the same advantage as those who do. They also pay the express charges both ways, whether a purchase is made or not.

Instruction for Farmers.

Notwithstanding the barren condition of soil and climate the board of provincial deputies (disputacion provincial, of the Basque provinces, of Spain) is now making efforts to instruct farmers how to cultivate their fields in a modern and more profitable manner and to that effect has established model farms (granjas) in every province, under the inspection and management of an expert engineer.

Disasters on Russian Railways.

Russian railways are the most dangerous in the world. Thirty persons in every million passengers are either killed or hurt.

Value of Cow's Hide.

The hide of a cow produces about 35 pounds of leather; that of a horse about 18 pounds.

Largest Produce of Silver.

Mexico produces more silver than any other country.

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Get her either Maillard's, Allegrettis' or Wiley's Candy; nothing else good enough for her. We have many other things that would be suitable, and

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We are showing a pretty line of novelties for the Holidays—Useful things for Xmas presents.

Sofa Pillows, 10c and	25c
Ladies' Kid Gloves, 75c and	$1.00
Ladies' Wrist Bags, 25c, 39c and	75c
Ladies' and Children's Golf Gloves 25c and	50c
Pretty line Fascinators, 15c up to	$1.50
Ladies' Silk Handkerchiefs, 10c 15c and	25c
Ladies' New Belts, 25c, 39c and	50c
Ladies' Back Combs, 5c, 10c, 15c and	25c

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Land Ships.

Imitating the land ships now employed in sailing on the sands of the California and New Mexico deserts and successfully used for pleasure on the southern beaches and in many other parts of the United States, a London builder has made "sailing carriages" for use in the Egyptian deserts.

Most Active Volcano.

Mount Sangay is the most active volcano in the world. It is situated in Ecuador, is 17,120 feet in height, and has been in constant activity since 1728. The sounds of its eruptions are sometimes heard in Quito, 150 miles distant, and once 267 reports were counted in one hour.

Holiday Rates of the Rock Island System

The Rock Island System announces that it will sell holiday tickets to points in the Southeast and also to Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado at rate of one fare plus two dollars for the round trip on December 19, 20, 21 and 26, limited 30 days. This rate is an extremely low one and gives opportunity for all to spend Christmas and New Years at the old home. The 26th was made a date of sale to accommodate those who will be compelled to remain at their work until the Christmas rush is over.

The Rock Island has one route to Memphis via the Katy to South McAlester, one each via Paris and Denison in connection with the Frisco, one via Ardmore via the Santa Fe and Choctaw and one via El Reno and the Choctaw.

To the north it has its own rails to all the states mentioned, and runs through sleepers and chair cars to Kansas City and Chicago daily, connecting at gateways with diverging lines.

Local holiday tickets will be sold December 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, and January 1, limit January4, at rate of one and one-third fare for distances of one hundred miles, and a fare plus ten per cent beyond.

Full information regarding rates, routes, schedules, etc., can be secured by writing Mr. W. H. Firth, G. P. A., Fort Worth, Tex.

ALFALFA RAISING IN TEXAS.

Report Says 130,000 Acres Were Planted in Texas This Year.

Dallas has a Commercial Club that has a committee on agriculture. In a recent report made to the club on agricultural conditions in Texas the committee says some things that are a little too steep—as that alfalfa hogs are superior to corn-fed—but generally it is a fair statement:

Alfalfa was planted very extensively this year and has proven a success beyond our expectations. Many farmers have cut the crop six times this year. One party in Dallas county has a field of alfalfa which netted him $150 an acre for hay sold on the Dallas market. From the best information we have obtained there has been about 130,000 acres of alfalfa planted this year, and from present prospects, spring planting will be very much heavier. This is not only a valuable food used dry for horses and cattle, but is considered most profitable in the green state for fattening hogs for the large packeries. Alfalfa fed hogs command a better price and the meat is said to be superior to corn fed. It is also claimed that hogs are immune from cholera when fed on clover during the hot weather. This crop is a very valuable addition to Texas, and helps to keep thousands of dollars within the state that would otherwise go out for feed. It is only a few years since this clover was planted to any extent, and it is now or will be in a very short time, one of the most valuable crops we have. No boll weevil or bugs of any kind seem to touch it in any stage. It will be only a few years when the seed from this clover can be cured successfully right here, while at present the bulk of the seed come from Utah, Colorado and Kansas. About two thousand bushels were raised in Texas this year.

Natural Rights of Parents.

The natural right of parental dominion is held, in State vs. Jackson (N. H.) 60 L. R. A. 739, not to render unconstitutional a statute requiring children to be sent to school.

A Record-Breaker.

Proantitranssubstantiationistically is supposed to be one of the longest words in the English language. It is quite a mouthful, if one happens to be in a hurry.

TEST OF A NEW TICK DIP.

Hagler's Ranch the Scene of a Dipping of Cattle Today.

A test or demonstration was made yesterday at John S. Hagler's ranch, about 7 miles from North Fort Worth, of the National Cattle dip. Dr. Klein is representing the federal government at the test, which is made to demonstrate the efficacy of that dip in killing ticks. It is claimed that this dip will entirely destroy all ticks on cattle in a few minutes after the cattle have emerged from the dipping vat, and it is for the purpose of testing this claim that the demonstration is made today. The Reporter will later report the result of the experiment.

Another test was made today, rather a novelty in its line. Hypodermic injections of the tick-destroying fluid were made upon a number of cows, the claim being made that the presence of this quality in the blood would cause the death of ticks upon the animals so treated. If these claims are sustained by the test, hypodermic injection will take the place of dipping, as it will probably be cheaper and better for cattle, especially in cold weather, when dipping chills them.

TO SAVE MONEY.

Get a Mandolin or Guitar at the special sale now going on at Cummings, Shepherd & Co., 700 Houston St.

New Process Armor Plate.

The Illustrated Zeitung says that Krupp has outdone Harvey in armor plate with a new process that secures even greater results. The new process enables armor plate to be made much thinner than formerly.

Octoroon Waitresses.

A London eating house is to be opened near the bank, at which the waitresses will be octoroons of the genuine chocolate-cream tint, specially imported from the Southern states.

Bird's Nest Soup.

The birds' nests used for soups are little gelatinous things made up principally from the saliva of tiny birds of China.

Too Late to Act.

Whilst we are considering where we are to begin, it is often too late to act. —Quintillian.

Steam Wagons.

A number of steam wagons are in use in London for heavy hauling.

AN OPPORTUNITY.

Account of the holidays, the M., K. & T. of Texas will sell round trip tickets at very low rates, between all points within the state of Texas, and from all points in Texas to all points in Louisiana and the Indian and Oklahoma Territories, within a distance of two hundred miles from selling station.

Tickets on sale Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1903, and Jan. 1, 1904. Limit to return January 4, 1904.

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Dirigible Balloons.

Count Zappelin having again acquired the necessary funds, will renew the experiments with dirigible balloons on Lake Constance, which he discontinued a year ago.

Modern Horticulture.

"It do beat all how many people air goin' in fer hortyculter," remarked Farmer Sorghum. "I don's see nothin' in the papers no more 'cept somethin' 'bout graftin'."

Japanese Petroleum.

The Japanese petroleum appears in gas wells, asphalt springs and mud volcanoes. The importance of the deposits was only recently recognized.

DO YOU

Expect to spend the Christmas Holidays cellent service via Cotton Belt Route offer you an opportunity you may never at the Old Home? The low rates and exhave again, and which you cannot afford to overlook.

On December 19-20-21 and 26, 1903, you can procure round trip tickets to Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, the Old Stases; also to to points in Arkansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois and other states at One Fare plus $2.00. These tickets will be good for return within thirty days from date of sale, giving ample time for a leisurely and delightful visit to scenes of other days.

If you contemplate going, don't wait until the last minute, but write me tell us your destination. We will pleasure in advising you fully of the act cost of the trip, our through service, the schedule, both going and ing. Then when you buy your provided it reads via Cotton Belt you will know when you board the just what hour you should reach destination, and what time you will home, returning. Let us hear from Address A. S. Wagner, T. P. A., D. M. Morgan, T. P. A. Fort Worth John F. Lehane, G. F. & P. A., Tyler

Chamber of Commerce Districts

The German Empire is divided 145 chamber of commerce districts Each chamber of commerce has trol of its own finances and is pelled by law to appoint an able experienced man as secretary.

The Secret of Colds.

Habitual colds are due to kept skin on the outside and dry mucous membranes on the inside result of indigestion, coupled carelessness, according to an ity.

Low Rates for Christmas Holidays

The Texas & Pacific Railway as heretofore, affords the people of and Louisiana an opportunity the old home during the Christmas days at cheap rates. For full information, ask tny ticket agent or write Turner, General Passenger Agent,

CHRISTMAS NEAR

AND IT IS A SEASON OF GIFTS

A season when joy and happiness are made to sparkle by the gifts from one friend to another. It has been the custom on Christmas for many years for every one to make a sacrifice. Buying Christmas Gifts requires careful thought; being sure of having the right things for the right persons is the problem. Being sure that you get the right things for the right persons is a source of great satisfaction, for every prospective buyer to know where to get the correct things at right prices. There is no speculation about buying from

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FORT WORTH BEER

PASSED CUBAN BILL.

Went Through the Senate With but Eighteen Negative Votes.

FIFTY-SEVEN FOR IT.

Measure as Adopted by the Upper House Causes a Twenty Per Cent Reduction From Dingley Tariff Law.

Washington, Dec. 17.—By the decisive vote of 57 to 18 the senate passed the bill carrying into effect the reciprocity treaty with Cuba. The final vote came at the close of the day, which was marked by a debate which, while at all times animated, was never acrimonious. The principal speeches were made by Mr. Spooner for the bill and by Mr. Bailey against it. Both senators were subjected to frequent interruptions. In his remarks, Mr. Bailey referred to the recent agreement of the Democratic caucus to stand solidly on party questions, and notified the Republicans that in the future they could not depend on straggling Democratic votes in support of Republican measures, regardless of whether they were or were not in accord with Democratic doctrine.

The bill passed carries into execution the treaty between the United States and Cuba which was ratified last March. The treaty provides for a reduction of 20 per cent from the rates of duty under the Dingley law on all Cuban articles imported into the United States and varying reduction of 20 to 40 per cent from the established Cuban duty on articles brought into Cuba from the United Staes. The vote in detail was as follows:

Yeas—Aldrich, Alger, Allee, Allison, Ankeny, Bacon, Ball, Beveridge, Blackburn, Burnhem, Burrows, Burton, Clapp, Clark, (Wyo.,) Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Depew, Dillingham, Dolliver, Dryden, Elkins, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster, (Wash.,) Frye, Fulton, Gallinger, Gorman, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Heyburn, Hoar, Hopkins, Kean, Lodge, Long, McComas, McCreary, McCumber, Mitchell, Nelson, Overman, Penrose, Perkins, Platt, (Conn.,) Platt, (N. Y.,) Proctor, Quarles, Scott, Simmons, Smoot, Spooner, Stewart, Stone, Wetmore—57.

Nays—Bailey, Bard, Bate, Berry, Carmack, Culberson, Daniel, Dubois, Foster, (La.,) McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Martin, Newlands, Pettus, Taliaferro, Teller, Tillman—18.

Pairs were announced as follows: Hawley with Clark, (Mont.,) Millard with Clark, (Ark.,) Kerens with Gibson, Warren, with Money, Quay with Morgan and Kittridge with Patterson.

After the passage of the Cuban treaty the senate agreed to the house resolution providing for a holiday recess from Dec. 19 to Jan. 4.

Mr. Bailey took exception to the statement made by Mr. Spooner to the effect that he (Bailey) had been influenced towards protection because of his interest in the cattle business of his estate: "I disclaim any sympathy with any bill disavowing any opposition to any bill affecting any interest of my own state because of sentiment in that state favorable to protection," he said. He explained that his position on all matters relating the tariff was that of favoring a tariff for revenue only.

Mr. Spooner disavowed any intention of impugning the motives of Mr. Bailey.

Mr. Bailey then discussed the constitutional questions involved in the bill, maintaining that the house had the exclusive right to originate revenue legislation, and had no power over treaties.

Central American Affairs.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Central American affairs were discussed in the house Wednesday and also pensions, industrial and agricultural conditions and labor. The session lasted more than four hours, the house being in committee almost the entire time on the pension appropriation bill on which no conclusion was reached.

WARSHIP FOR DAVIS.

Consul May Return to Alexandretta at His Pleasure.

Washington, Dec. 17.—As a result of Minister Leishman's advices respecting the Alexandretta affair the state department has requested the navy department to place a warship at the disposal of Consul Davis, now at Beirut, upon which he might return to Alexandretta at his pleasure. The navy department accordingly cabled instructions to Admiral Cotton on board the flagship Brooklyn at Alexandria, Egypt, to place a vessel at the disposal of Mr. Davis. It is believed the Brooklyn will be selected. It is left to the consul to arrange the terms of his reception.

PROMPT REPARATION.

State Department Notifies Leishman to Notify Turkish Government.

Washington, Dec. 17.—State department has cabled Minister Leishman to notify the Turkish government that the officials who offended and attacked Attanan and Consul Davis must be punished and former compensated for the losses and injuries he has sustained.

Will Send Warship.

Washington, Dec. 17.—At the request of Minister Allen, at Seoul, who reports considerable uneasiness and rioting at Korea, the state department has suggested to the navy department that a warship be sent to Korean waters.

Defended General Wood.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Root, in his testimony before the senate committee on military affairs, defended General Wood. He read extracts from official correspondence.

Corn Belt.

The corn belt includes a little of northwestern Ohio, a considerable strip across north central Indiana, all of northern and central Illinois, the whole state of Iowa, northwestern Missouri, northeastern Kansas and southeastern Nebraska. On the map it roughly resembles an elongated kite with the little end in northwestern Ohio and the fidest part on the Missouri river.

EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH.

Refers to Several Happenings of the Past and Also the Present.

Vienna, Dec. 16.—Emperer Francis

Vienna, Dec. 17.—Emperor Francis delegations Wednesday. The speech from the throne was chiefly notable for its strong affirmation of the emperor's determination to maintain the dreibund. "By renewal of the triple alliance," he said, "this well proved basis of our policy which we are determined to maintain henceforth has been consolidated for the future."

The speech referred to the death of Pope Leo, to gratifying foreign relations of dual monarchy, and to close harmony between Austria and Russia in regard to the Balkans, with the object of "maintaining peace and statu quo in those regions, in which we are receiving the energetic support of the other great powers."

The emperor also said that Austria and Russia had no selfish aims in the Balkans and only have in view the establishment of peace in the interest of the whole of Europe, to which end Austria-Hungary is endeavoring to

EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH.

induce Turkey to improve her position toward Christions and restrain Bulgaria from encouraging revolt.

After mentioning the visits of "my dear ally, the German emperor," the czar of Russia and king of England, which gave the desired opportunity for personal exchange of views in regard to the Balkans and all other questions at present engaging attention, the speech continued:

"In Servia a change of dynasty has been brought about by a crime which must fill every civilized being with horror. It is hoped this country under new rules may be directed toward moral regeneration and a prosperous future."

The speech concludes with saying the war office appropriation will be the same as last year, and it only asks for money to manufacture new quick firing guns, the work to be commenced in 1904.

PORTE COMPLAINS.

Claims That American Consulate Prevents Attarian Departing.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—The porte has complained to the United States acting officials that the American consulate at Alexandretta is preventing embarkation of Attarian, the naturalized American, whose recent arrest caused Consul Davis to leave Alexandretta, and for whom the porte instructed local authorities to obtain passage on an Italian steamer at a cost of Turkish government. It is the opinion of the porte that the embarkation of Attarian would remove the principal cause for reparation.

The United States flagship Brookly left Beirut Dec. 14. It is said she is going to Egyptian waters for gun practice.

INCREASED TENFOLD.

Damages Raised to Five Thousand Dollars by Supreme Court.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—The Louisiana supreme court has given damages in the sum of $5000 each to Peter Warner, Reuben Brown and Edward Warner against thirty citizens of Dodson, Winn parish, who are alleged to have whitecapped them in an effort to secure information as to the author of several incendiary fires recently. A jury in the district court gave each of the victims $500. This is increased tenfold by the supreme court, which declared the alleged action of parties in refusing to await a hearing in the fire cases by the grand jury reduced the community of which they professed to be representatives to the level of a lawless and ignorant horde of savages.

French Cruiser Arrives.

New Orleans, Dec. 17.—The French cruiser Jurien de la Gravfere, which comes to represent the French government in celebration off the centennial anniversary of the transfer of Louisiana to the United States, arrived before the city Wednesday morning. The vessel comes here from the West Indies. The United States cruisers Minneapolis, Yankee and Topeka entered the river at the passes early Wednesday.

RAVAGES OF CHOLERA.

One Hundred and Seventy-Six Deaths In Three Days.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—An epidemic of cholera is raging at Kerbela, South Bagdad. From Dec. 9 to Dec. 12 176 deaths from the disease were recorded.

Shortage Increases.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 17.—Additional shortage of $2000, making a total thus far known of $17,000, has been discovered in the accounts of Asa C. Bushnell, cashier of the Yale National bank, who committed suicide Tuesday.

Secretary Root Testifies.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Root testified before the senate committee on military affairs in the Wood investigation.

Student Succumbs.

Ottawa, Ont. Dec. 17—Father McGuerth, a victim of the Ottawa university fire, is dead from his injuries.

Jews In Russia.

The 4,000,000 or 5,000,000 Hebrews living within the "pale" in Russia constitute about half the entire Jewish race. This space to which the Jews are limited is about the size of the German empire. It is a territory reaching 500 miles eastward from the German frontier to a line 1,000 miles long drawn from the Baltic to the Crimea, and would be ample room if Hebrews were permitted to cultivate the soil.

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