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We will not change our old  
motto, "Quantity and Quality"  
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modernized method of "baiting  
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all right to take the "bait," so  
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eral baits to make a catch; and  
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## A Farce Comedy In One Act

Court Convened and Suit for  
Damages Tried Resulting in  
Disaster to Plaintiff.

'Mid the gentle rustle of au-  
tumnal leaves in the halcyon  
stillness of the starry even, "the  
boys" assembled pursuant to a  
premeditated plan, in the court  
house, last Friday night to wit-  
ness a very important event to  
wit: The trial of the suit for  
damages by Obits vs. the High  
Sheriff, in which the plaintiff al-  
leged that on an occasion a few  
nights previous said plaintiff  
was unceremoniously arrested by  
the said High Sheriff for alleged  
misconduct while in the boozing  
bliss of a too frequent indul-  
gence in a mixture of bug-juice,  
battle-axe and bad medicine,  
handled by the cold storage and  
warranted not to make a fellow  
drunk if he obeys the scriptural  
injunction of "Touch not, taste  
not, handle not;" the said plain-  
tiff claimed that his reputation  
and character had been dan-  
aged to the amount of at least  
\$5000, and demanded the where-  
with without any quibbling or  
whipping the devil around the  
stump.

Accordingly, Judge Akin  
empannelled a jury, most of  
whom were important witnesses  
in the suit, who swore with up-  
lifted hands that they knew  
nothing of the case and would to  
the best of their knowledge and  
belief give both the plaintiff and  
defendant the full measure of  
justice if they possibly could.

A great many witnesses were  
placed on the stand who swore  
various and divers ways.

Plaintiff swore that he had  
been "treated like a dog!" that  
he had never been arrested be-  
fore in his life (within his dis-  
tinct recollection); that his  
character and reputation were ir-  
reproachable, unspotted and free  
from taint or tarnish in any and  
every way whatsoever; and that  
he had been dragged to prison  
by defendant in a manner wholly  
unwarranted and very damag-  
ing to his character and his  
wearing apparel, and that while  
in the custody of defendant, one  
Broiles did without warning or  
words of sympathy of any kind  
walk deliberately up to his rear  
and elevate his, the said Broiles,  
No. 10 brogan to the seat of  
plaintiff's trousers in a manner  
that would tend to increase his,  
the plaintiff's, velocity to a de-  
gree of swiftness calculated to  
cause the plaintiff to break his  
neck or suffer an incalculable  
length of time from soreness at  
or about where the said Broiles'  
foot was aimed.

Ted Johnson was put on the  
stand and testified that he saw  
one Mr. Broiles operate one of  
his propellers in the way and  
manner aforesaid, but that the  
plaintiff erred in some of his al-  
legations, for to his certain  
knowledge, he being an eye wit-  
ness, the foot of the said Broiles  
came in contact with nothing  
but the plaintiff's coat tail, and  
that he believed to the best of  
his knowledge and recollection  
that there was nothing there to  
kick except the said coat tail.

W. L. Lawler testified that he  
considered the plaintiff's repu-  
tation and character worth at  
least \$25,000 before he got into  
this trouble, but that it would  
take a great deal of patching up  
now to make it worth anything.  
At the conclusion of Mr. Law-  
ler's testimony there was great  
excitement in the court room,  
and acting Sheriff W. J. True  
could hardly keep any order,  
and the judge had to fine a doz-  
en or more, including jurors,  
witnesses and spectators, for not  
keeping their hats off.

John C. Kay, attorney for  
defendant, arose amid the din  
and confusion of the riotous

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scenes and offered to compro-  
mise and pay the plaintiff \$1000,  
whereupon the plaintiff became  
greatly excited and vociferous,  
insisting on his attorneys to hit  
'em for \$10,000.

In the judge's charge to the  
jury Mr. Lawler's evidence was  
ruled out, the statement being  
made that the testimony of said  
witness was illegal and could not  
be recognized by the court from  
the fact that Mr. Lawler had  
once been a resident of Jack  
county.

Many other witnesses testified,  
but lack of space forbids details.

After eloquent addresses by  
Attorneys P. A. Martin and Eu-  
gene Thompson for plaintiff, and  
John C. Kay for defendant, the  
jury in a few minutes assessed  
the plaintiff's punishment at \$10  
fine and all costs. Notice of ap-  
peal was given by attorneys for  
plaintiff, and the great farcical  
contest ended in a tumultuous  
uproar.

Call at Chism's Gallery and see  
the best platinio work ever done  
in Graham.

Men often say things they will  
not swear to.

Don't forget the entertainment  
tonight.

## Santa Claus, Take Notice.

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tal-gold trimmed glassware;—  
flat and hollow silverware; Fine  
parlor stand and swinging  
lamps, Easels, Blacking-cases,  
Music Racks, Comb and Brush  
Cases, genuine Pastels and hand  
colored Photographures,—Fancy  
Rockers, Toy Furniture, Rugs,  
Hassocks, etc.—In fact many  
useful and ornamental articles  
suitable for presents

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## Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Charles  
Davis of Bowerston, U., lately had from a  
frightful death. For two years a severe  
lung trouble constantly grew worse until it  
seemed he must die of consumption. Then  
he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery  
and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief  
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its power to cure all throat, chest and lung  
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A feather in the hat is worth a  
dozen in a buzzard's tail that  
flies so high you can't shoot him  
"on the wing."

Newspapers are not run for  
glory only, but it's hard to con-  
vince some people of the fact:



"Custom Made" War Relics.

A story going the rounds tells of a relic factory hidden away in a clump of trees near Gettesburg. The value of this year's production will be about \$20,000, and it consists of old bullets, old cannon balls, soldier buttons, buckles, swords, pieces of bone and sabretasches, all, of course, of a very ancient and worn appearance. These are the cheaper product. There are, besides, in the finer and more costly lines, Testaments bored through by bullets, love letters burned by powder and stained dark with blood, skulls with big leaden balls locked neatly in the eye sockets or the jaw, and the full uniforms, properly punctured and bloodstained, of all the officers slain upon the battlefield. The factory makes nothing in advance, thus avoiding overstocking. It only runs on orders, and by night the customers call for their goods. They are the innkeepers, the grocers, the saloonkeepers, bankers and real estate men of the town, and whenever it is moonlight they may be seen distributing the rare relics cautiously and judiciously over the field.

He Knows His Customer.

"When de Heer Tosen takes Mrs. Tosen, young Master Tosen and Missie Tosen into the store at 'nachmaal' time, their predatory habits come into full swing," writes a Transvaal correspondent of a Chicago paper. "But long experience has given the storekeeper his cue. So when missie quietly annexes a silk handkerchief and 'young hopeful' conceals a sjambok under his coat the merchant—makes no comment, but merely adds the articles into his bill at about four times the ordinary price. 'What's this handkerchief you have put down at 7s. 6d.? I have had no handkerchief!' exclaims the Boer. 'Oh, missie has the handkerchief.' 'And this sjambok at a sovereign?' 'Oh, Master Tosen has that.' The bill is paid without demur. The storekeeper knows only too well that to hint at such a thing as shoplifting would cause him to be boycotted by the Boers around. The Boers and the Outlander storekeeper are, on the whole, pretty well matched, for, if the Boer annexes from the storekeeper, the latter often plays it pretty low down on the Boer."

Mildewey Was More Appropriate.

Father Mackin, who married Mrs. Hazen to Admiral Dewey at his rectory in Washington, tells a good story on himself, says the Buffalo Commercial. Some time ago, and it was not weeks, either, he wrote a little note to Mrs. Hazen when her quarterly pew rent was due. Father Mackin is a good deal of a wag, and his bon-mots are well known contributions to the ecclesiastical pleasantries. In his note he said that pew No. 16 in his church was getting moldy, and he feared that she might be going to some other church than his. On the wedding morning she reminded him of it and said: "Now, Father Mackin, could you not say my pew is 'Mildewey,' instead of that ugly word?" The father owned up that she had the best of him in the play of words, and there was a great laugh all around at the incident.

Jews in America.

The American Jewish year book, just issued, gives the Jewish population of the country as 1,043,800. It is stated that of these there are 400,000 in New York, 95,000 in Illinois, 95,000 in Pennsylvania, 50,000 in Ohio, 35,000 in California, 35,000 in Maryland, 35,000 in Missouri.

FLOWER OF ARMY.

The Household Cavalry, Composed of British Blue Blood,

GONE TO FIGHT THE BOERS.

Dukes, Earls, Barons and Princes Fought and Pulled Wires to be Selected to go With the Regiment.

London, Dec. 5.—In the dead of the night the flower of the British army rode through the streets of London and embarked for Africa, dozens of regiments had gone before, but still more men are required to overwhelm the stubborn fighting Boers. So the war office has sent out England's pride, what is known as the Household Cavalry.

These troops are only called out on what may be called emergency campaigns. Their foreign service includes Dittingen, the Spanish peninsula, Waterloo, Egypt in 1882, their last call abroad being for Telet-Kebir.

Every visitor to London has seen in busy Whitehall the two striking life guard sentry, clad in their glittering breastplates and helmets, sitting immovable on their coal black horses in front of the old government building, now used as a barracks. There they have stood for many years representing the military power of England. It is these men, the queen's lawn guards that left early Sunday morning to fight the Boers.

All could not go, so a special regiment of picked men from the first and second life guards and the royal horse guards was made up 700 strong, commanded by Col. Neeld. Dukes, earls, barons and even princes fought and pulled wires to be selected to go with the regiment.

It contains more blue blood than any other regiment that ever left England. In the ranks there was the same contest among privates for selection, but only the lightest weighted, hardest and youngest were taken.

Long after midnight the troopers trotted out of their respective barracks, each of the three squadrons headed by mounted bands whose music echoed through the deserted streets.

The men clad in khaki, were covered with the long blue winter coat which distinguishes the household cavalryman, the black horses, eager as the men, reared and plunged as they dashed away to Waterloo station, where a train was taken at Southampton. In the business part of town a few hundred people gathered to give a parting cheer to the dashing guardsmen.

If many of the officers of this regiment are picked off by Kruger's sharpshooters, half the noble families in England will be in mourning.

Sheriff Shrewsbury at Home.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 5.—Sheriff A. D. Shrewsbury has returned from Tennessee, where he has had quite an interesting time in the arrest of Marion Skurlock, under indictment here charged with the alleged removal of mortgaged property, and James Kirkendall, under indictment charged with theft of a bale of cotton, and for both of whom he held requisition papers issued by Gov. Sayers of Texas and recognized by Gov. McMillin of Tennessee.

Gov. McMillin refused to revoke the requisition, but put the hearing off until January 6, at which time the two prisoners whom Sheriff Shrewsbury had left in jail at Sparta, White county, Tenn., will appear in court to substantiate the claims set forth in their requests for writ of habeas corpus.

Congress Convenes.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The fifty-sixth congress convened yesterday at high noon. Tremendous crowds swarmed the house to witness the opening scenes. Henderson was elected speaker, after which the members were sworn in. When the name of Brigham H. Roberts was reached the Utah member proceeded alone to the area in front of the speaker's desk and awaited the administration of the oath. At the same time Representative Taylor of Ohio secured recognition amidst breathless interest and protested against the swearing in of Roberts on the ground of his being a polygamist and not a properly naturalized American citizen. Mr. Roberts stood gazing intently at him and moved not a muscle throughout the protest.

Representative McRae of Arkansas followed with a protest from the Democratic side, saying that this issue was one that involved the sacredness of the American home, a sentiment that brought an outburst of applause.

Speaker Henderson addressed Mr. Roberts as follows: "Will the gentleman please stand aside until the roll is complete?"

Mr. Roberts assented with the statement that if by so doing he waived none of his rights.

"I assure the gentlemen" answered the speaker, "that he waives none of his rights by this course."

Mr. Roberts then resumed his seat and roll call proceeded. It was agreed by unanimous consent that a consideration of the Roberts case be postponed until today. The remaining were then sworn in.

SENATE.

Promptly at 12 o'clock noon Mr. Frye of Maine, president pro tem, called the senate to order. The blind chaplain, Rev. Dr. Milburn, pronounced an invocation. Mr. Penrose of Pennsylvania presented the credentials of Mathew Stanley Quay, who was appointed senator by the Pennsylvania governor. On motion of Mr. Cockrell the credentials were referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Tuberculosis.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—The Tribune says: A new serum which, it is claimed, will show the presence of tuberculosis long before it would be possible by the microscope, the X-ray or other methods now in use, has been invented by Dr. A. R. Jenkins of this city. He does not claim to have discovered a new cure, but that the use of the serum enables competent physicians to detect the presence of the disease in its earliest stages and in time to effect a cure by good sanitation and plenty of outdoor exercise. It shows whether or not a case is true consumption, no matter how early or light the attack.

Walpole is Dying.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 5.—Sunday afternoon Dr. J. H. Florence, city health officer, reported Barney Walpole, the old man who was stabbed Friday afternoon, in a dying condition. This fact being reported to the sheriff's office, preparations were made to send out and take the old man's dying statement. Dr. Florence says it is a wonder the old man has lived so long, as he had seven severe stabs on his body from the hips to the lungs.

Case of Mr. Reese.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 5.—President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers' Union of America, says that habeas corpus proceedings had been instituted for the release of Mr. Reese, who is now in jail at Fort Scott, Kan., serving a sentence for alleged contempt of court, and he believed his freedom would be secured in a few days by this means.

British Loss Heavy.

London, Dec. 3.—As surmised, the British dead and wounded in the hard-fought battle of Modder river, number hundreds. Up to 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon only a bare total of 438, of which number 72 were killed, has been given out. So it is impossible to deduct from the "butcher's bill" such information regarding the nature of the fight as the details to the losses of different units generally indicate. From Gen. Forester Walker's dispatch it is proved that all reports of Gen. Methuen's advance after the battle of Modder river, were premature, though with the railroad working he should not be long in constructing a temporary bridge. His enforced delay will doubtless be of considerable service, giving the hard pushed column a needful rest and allowing the arrival of reinforcements which must be sorely needed after three such fights, placing the hors du combat upwards of a thousand men out, less seven thousand. Gen. Forester Walker's announcement that the Canadian marksmen and other reinforcements were being pushed forward to the neighborhood of Orange river to protect Gen. Methuen's line of communication, has relieved much anxiety here where it was fully expected that Boers would attempt to attack vulnerable points of the line of communication.

To Move Out.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3.—The Chronicle says:

Corporations with an aggregate capital of more than \$500,000,000 are preparing to move out of the state of Illinois and establish their headquarters in the east, mainly in New York city. The chief reason assigned for the radical change in base of operations is that the legislature and courts of Illinois have assumed so distinctly an anti-trust complexion in legislation and legal decisions that the corporations have decided to retaliate by withdrawing their interests to other fields.

The principal corporations that are getting ready to quit their headquarters in this city are the following: Federal Steel company, American Steel and Wire company, American Steel Hoop company, American Tin Plate company and Glucose Sugar Refining company.

A representative of the whisky trust said last night that the entire business would be taken from Illinois as soon as possible.

Capt. Bereton Dead.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 3.—Maj. John L. Bullis, chief paymaster of the department of Texas, received a cablegram yesterday morning from Gen. Otis, stating that Lieut. Col. John J. Bereton of the thirty-third infantry, his brother-in-law, was dead there. He gave no details. Bereton was captain in the regular army and was with the regiment when it organized here and was a fine officer and had a brilliant record.

A Young Stockholder.

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 3.—Among the last list of subscribers to the capital stock of the Corsicana cotton mill there appears the name of Murrell Lee Adair, who is only 3 years old and who is the son of Mr. W. A. Adair, editor of the Marshall Messenger. He stands for \$250 worth of stock, that amount having been subscribed for him by Col. John A. Gibson of this city.

To See the Boer War.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 3.—A dispatch to the Times from Washington says:

Assistant Secretary Webster Davis of the interior department will sail from New York next Tuesday for Cape Town, South Africa. He expects to be gone at least three months. It is his intention to see something of the Boer war. He will be the guest while in Cape Town of Col. J. G. Stowe of Kansas City, cadmus general at that port. Mr. Davis expects later to go into the Transvaal as the guest of President Kruger. There he will compile matter for a series of lectures on the different aspects of the war, and will try to reach the United States before the struggle is ended.

Capt. Warwick Killed.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 3.—The killing of Capt. O. B. Warwick of the eighteenth infantry at Passi, Holo, on Nov. 26, in a brush with the insurgents was a shock to the large military colony at Fort Sam Houston, where his two sisters and a niece are residing.

Capt. Warwick was a native of Alabama, where he was born 50 years ago. He entered West Point in 1868 and was commissioned in 1873, since when he has been with the eighteenth infantry. He was democratic in his dress and ways and was very popular with the civilians, as well as the military class.

Lankford Killing.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 3.—The remains of Dr. Geo. A. Lankford are to be shipped to Baltimore. Sheriff Anderson, in order to find out certainly how many times Dr. Lankford had been shot, secured the services of Dr. Williams and made an examination of the wounds. Dr. Williams found that he had been struck by only two bullets, both of which went entirely through the body. On account of the extremely critical condition of Mrs. Lankford she had to be taken from jail and placed in a comfortable room under guard.

Species of Lottery.

Cameron, Tex., Dec. 3.—County Attorney U. S. Hearrell is in receipt of a letter from the attorney general's department in answer to his inquiry whether or not "nickel in the slot" is a species of lottery, and a violation of the gaming laws. The reply is in the affirmative. Mr. Hearrell at once notified all parties who were operating machines of this character that such was an offense against the penal laws, and he was assured by them that the machines would not be further used.

Advancing into the Interior.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Gen. Otis' advices to the war department Friday show that the advance into the interior is being vigorously pushed and the American troops continue to drive back and disperse the scattered bands encountered. He states that Capt. Warwick of the eighteenth infantry was killed in an engagement at Passi, Holo province, on the 26th ultimo.

Fined the Complainant.

Brenham, Tex., Dec. 3.—John Wiley was arrested in Chappell Hill Wednesday night and brought to this city Thursday to answer a complaint filed against him by Chester Colbert for carrying a pistol. In the trial of the case it developed that Colbert, the complaining witness, was the guilty party and he was fined \$25 and the costs in the case.



## FIRE AT GARLAND.

Most Disastrous Fire in the History of the Town.

IT STARTS IN THE NEWS OFFICE.

Many of the Best Business Houses in the Thriving Little Town are Reduced to Ashes by the Fire.

Garland, Tex., Dec. 2.—The most disastrous fire that ever occurred in the history of this town occurred Thursday night at 7 o'clock. It started in the Garland News office and G. Green's barber shop and literally gutted the town, burning J. D. Curfman, dry goods and groceries; Beaver Bros., the Citizens' bank, Crocker's drug store, Sumner's drug store, Smallwood's store, the post-office, two barber shops, Hick's saddlery store, Redman's two-story building, unoccupied; Butler's confectionery, Hartsell's restaurant, a two-story building of D. B. Lillard, a vacant building of Allen Bros., a two-story building of D. B. Lillard and Rooker's confectionery.

The loss is total, with the insurance to the aggregate amount of perhaps one half.

### Texas Sheriff Arrested.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 2.—Sheriff A. D. Shrewsbury has been arrested by the Sheriff of Whitia county, Tennessee. He was here Thursday night on his own recognizance to secure the aid of Gov. McMillin in straightening out an interesting legal entanglement.

Sheriff Shrewsbury holds requisition papers for two men wanted in Texas for crimes alleged to have been committed several years ago, and has attempted to proceed under this authority and this has caused the trouble. He made his arrest in DeKalb county and started at once for Texas. At Sparta, where a stop was made over night the officer was awakened late in the night by a writ of habeas corpus issued by Judge Smith of White county, ordering the surrendering on the ground of illegal detention.

Shrewsbury at once proceeded to the jail, securing his prisoners, was stopped by the Tennessee sheriff, who arrested him, charging illegal attempt to remove prisoners.

### Legislature Convenes Jan. 20.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 2.—It is understood authoritatively that before leaving for Waco Thursday afternoon Gov. Sayers announced to one of his close friends that he had positively made up his mind to call the extra session to meet on Jan. 20. Besides considering the tax bill, land matters and the double-header question, the governor will likely submit other matters from time to time.

### Work of Thieves.

Rockwall, Tex., Dec. 2.—Monday night thieves entered the premises of Mrs. Eva Hartman while she was at her father-in-law's with the corpse of her husband, and stole her purse, containing several dollars. Wednesday night during her absence some miscreant entered the premises again and hauled off a quantity of corn.

### Building Rock Houses.

Iredell, Tex., Dec. 2.—The citizens of this town have organized a stock company with a capital stock of \$5000. The purpose is the building of a number of rock buildings in south Iredell, a distance of about 600 yards from the present site, but out of the river valley above the high water mark.

### Anti-Trust Meeting.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Members of the anti-Trust League will meet in Chicago on December 11 and fix a date for the anti-trust conference. Although the call has not been issued, the probability is that the conference will take place some time in January. This conference will be the outgrowth of the dissatisfaction among the anti-trust delegates to the civic federation conference held in this city last fall over the refusal to adopt resolutions or take formal action on the matter under discussion.

### Out for Blood.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 2.—Mamie DeLong shot and killed Lizzie Sessions and Calvin Andrew in a fit of jealousy at Land Pebble Phosphate camp near here Thursday afternoon. Andrew had been paying considerable attention to the DeLong woman, but had transferred his affections to Lizzie Sessions. Mamie DeLong went to the Sessions woman's house to horsewhip her, and the trouble resulted in the murder of the two.

### Will Probably Decline.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 2.—Concerning the reports which have been in circulation several weeks past to the effect that Senator Hanna would not succeed himself as chairman of the national Republican committee, it is stated on the authority of Mr. Hanna's most intimate friends that he has no desire to manage another campaign and unless a very strong pressure is brought to bear upon him, he in probability will decline to do so.

### For Mrs. Gridley.

Sedalia, Mo., Dec. 2.—Milton Barde, foreman of the upholstering department at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas shops is here, and to a local paper suggests that he would be one of one hundred thousand persons to contribute 25 cents each to the \$25,000 fund to be presented to the widow of Capt. Chas. V. Gridley, who commanded Dewey's flagship at the battle of Manila. Mr. Brade suggests that Miss Helen Gould be made treasurer of the fund.

### Mine Workers Determined.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 2.—National Organizer Christopher Evans of the United Mine Workers, and Editor W. C. Scott of the United Mine Workers' Journal, Thursday declared that everything within the power of the national order would be done to free John P. Reese, who is now undergoing a three months' jail sentence at Fort Scott, Kan. "We have over \$30,000 in our national treasury," said Mr. Evans, "and no stone will be left unturned to take care of Reese."

### Office: Wallace Killed.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 2.—United States Marshal Geo. L. Siebrecht was advised Thursday afternoon of the ambushing and murder of R. W. Wallace, a deputy custom collector, twenty miles north of Presidio early Thursday morning. Wallace was hurrying a prisoner to the town of Presidio, but was waylaid by a party of Mexicans who, after shooting the deputy, escaped with the prisoner into Mexico.

### Switchman Badly Hurt.

Texas, Tex., Dec. 2.—While William Felck, a switchman in the yards of the Texas & Pacific railroad at this place, was attending to his duties Thursday he was struck in the face with a protruding bar on a passing freight train and severely hurt. All of his front teeth were knocked out and his nose broken.

Dr. George A. Lankford was shot and killed near Harrisburg the other night.

## GOBEL CONFIDENT.

His Friends Believe the Election Board Will Give Him

A CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION.

Taylor is Preparing an Inaugural Address and Will Deliver It in the State House Yard December 12.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 1.—The Goebel leaders still profess confidence that he will be given a certificate of election by the state election board, but if they hold any cards up their sleeves, such as legal proceedings by which they expect to get around the face of the returns, they have not disclosed it.

Returns from two remaining counties, Johnson and Elliot, arrived Wednesday, making the returns on all the state offices complete, but secretary Finley refuses to give them out. The Republicans assert that the totals show a majority for Taylor, slightly increasing what has been claimed for him.

Prominent Republicans who have been Taylor's councils say the latter is preparing an inaugural address and will deliver it in the state house yard on Dec. 12, whether he is given the certificate of election or not.

### Labor Circles Excited.

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 1.—The excitement in union labor circles resulting from the action of Federal Judge Williams, sitting at Fort Scott, in sentencing John P. Reese, the Iowa member of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, to serve three months in the federal prison for alleged contempt, has culminated in an order of retaliation.

An order was issued by the executive board of district No. 14 for a general suspension of coal mining in the entire district on Monday next, if by that time Mr. Reese shall not have been released. It is ordered that the suspension shall remain in effect until Mr. Reese shall have been released in an honorable manner by the federal court. If it shall be strictly observed the order for suspension will affect thousands of miners in the southeastern Kansas district. All union miners working in the vicinity of Pittsburg have been called to meet in this city.

### The Cotton Mill Scheme.

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 1.—The cotton mill movement here is just in the upheaval stage. The subscriptions for stock in the concern have grown largely, several of \$1000 having been added, and there seems at this time to be no doubt that the company will be organized and the mill built in time to handle the cotton crop of 1900. Among the subscribers to the stock of the company are a number of ladies of means and a large number of farmers in different parts of the county. Several farmers have subscribed for the limit of stock for one party—\$1000. Quite a number of people who were not at the meeting Tuesday subscribed for stock Wednesday, swelling the total amount to near \$60,000.

### Call for Republican Caucus.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Representative Grosvenor of Ohio, chairman of the Republican caucus, has issued a call for a caucus of the Republican members of the house of representatives, to be held at the capitol next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The caucus will name candidates for speaker and other officers of the house and consider such other business as may come before it.

### Report Ready.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 1.—Gov. Sayers handed out the following statement for publication:

"After five full months of constant work of three hours each day, excepting Sundays, the tax commission have completed their bill and report. Wednesday it was placed in the hands of the printer. As soon as printed a copy of the bill and report will be sent to every senator and representative and also to every newspaper that is being published in the state. The commission will ask that their work be carefully, thoroughly and impartially examined to the end that as nearly perfect a tax measure may be put upon the statute books as is possible."

### Died from Loss of Blood.

Beaumont, Tex., Dec. 1.—Cornelius Server, a young white man employed on a rice farm about nine miles from the city, was here in a buggy Tuesday morning with his right arm to the elbow, having caught it in the cylinder of a thrashing machine, the man was taken to the hospital, but died before the operation could be performed. His death was due to the loss of blood, it being about four hours after the accident before he received medical attention. The remains were shipped to Crowley, La., his home, for burial.

### Party Found Dying.

Angleton, Tex., Dec. 1.—Tuesday Mr. J. W. Chatham, who has been in very poor health for about two or three years, was missed from home and a search was made for him and when found he was in a house on the west side of town, where he had formerly lived, lying on the floor in an unconscious condition and lying near a box containing a small quantity of morphia. He was immediately removed to his home and everything done to restore him, but all to no avail. He died about noon. He leaves a wife and one child.

### Horse and Mule Market.

Abilene, Tex., Dec. 1.—Parties who have kept themselves informed on such matters say that during the last three or four months \$200,000 has been paid out in Abilene and vicinity for horses and mules. This includes the mules sold to the English government and the mules and horses shipped to eastern Texas and other states. These animals were all surplus stock; in fact the shipments and traffic in horses and mules continue.

### Little Child Drowned.

Weatherford, Tex., Dec. 1.—Parties in from the Millsap neighborhood after a coin brought the news of the death of the 2-year-old child of Mr. Farris Laek, a farmer residing in the western portion of this county, late Tuesday evening. The little fellow was out playing near a tank of water in the yard and waded in too far and drowned before assistance could be given.

### More Election Frauds.

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.—More election frauds were unearthed in this city and three arrests made. Those arrested were Samuel L. Maraley, Frank Taylor and Joseph Hogan. They, with others who have not been apprehended, were charged with casting illegal votes, making false and fraudulent returns of the election and falsely personating election officers.

### Fell from His Car.

Gainesville, Tex., Dec. 1.—Fred Hess, a Santa Fe brakeman, fell from his car Wednesday morning at Davis, was caught under the wheels and one of his legs was so badly mutilated that amputation was necessary. He is now at his home here and is in a critical condition.

### Now is the Time

In the interest of your own welfare, now is the time to enlighten yourself as to the best place, and to begin providing for your next summer's comfort and pleasures. With this in view, consider the matchless climate, the grandeur of scenery and the numerous resorts of Colorado.

Drop a postal to W. F. Sterley, A. G. P. A. or A. A. Glisson, G. A. P. D. of "The Denver Road," at Fort Worth, Texas, and you will be provided with exhaustive and magnificently illustrated literature without expense.

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Dropsy treated free by Dr. H. H. Green's Sons, of Atlanta, Ga. The greatest dropsy specialists in the world. Read their advertisement in another column of this paper.

Evil men fear the law, good men respect it.

### Puerto Rico.

Three tours of the beautiful island of Puerto Rico are scheduled to leave Chicago December 27, January 28 and February 15. Special Pullman sleepers and dining cars will convey the party to New York, thence on board the splendid new steamships Ponce and San Juan, through and around the island by rail, automobile, carriage and boat. Tickets include all expenses everywhere. These select limited parties will be under the special escort of Mr. Walter Boyd Townsend, under the management of The American Tourist Association, Reau Campbell, general manager, 1423 Marquette building, Chicago. Itineraries, maps and tickets can be had on application to the agents of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.

Be charitable in deeds as well as words.

### STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY, Notary Public. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1890. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 7c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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OUR SMALL PROFIT SYSTEM HAS WORKED SPLENDIDLY  
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For the next 30 days we shall make a deep cut into the SMALL PROFIT and sell you goods at just a little above cost. A glimpse at the following prices will convince you that we are in earnest:

**CLOTHING! CLOTHING!**

It seems almost impossible that our low prices on clothing can be made any lower, but such will be the case for the next 30 days. We will sacrifice profits to clean out all ODDS and ENDS that have accumulated after a season's fast selling in this line.

All wool Black Clay Worsted suits, absolutely fast color, lined with mercerized silk at \$6.50 worth 10.00  
All wool grey and brown Cassimere suits at \$4.50 " 8.00  
Our \$15 line of suits will go at \$10.00  
Our \$12.50 line of suits will go at 8.50

We have others as low as

Brays Brand Doeskin Jeans pants at	75c worth 1.25	2.75
All wool Cassimere pants in neat colors at	.75	.75
Boys all wool Jersey suits at	1.25 worth 2.00	2.00
Boys vestee suits at	1.75 worth 2.50	2.50

**DRUMMER'S SAMPLES.**

Comprising ladies' silk, corduroy and satin waists, suits, wrappers, petticoats, skirts, ties, stockinet collars and fancy fronts. We have just purchased the entire sample line of a reputable manufacturer at a big discount and will put them on sale as long as they last at WHOLESALE PRICES. We have

only a limited amount and would suggest an early call to secure the pick.

**SHOES! SHOES!**

We need no introduction on this particular line. Suffice it to say that we guarantee all our shoes to the wearer. We still have a complete line of the "Rough on Rocks" shoes for ladies and misses; "Good as Gold" for men and boys; our popular "Tribby" shoes for women for fine wear will be on sale for the next 30 days at \$1.75, positively as good as any \$3.00 shoe on the market.

**THE BEE HIVE, The New Store,      Graham, Texas.**

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Entered at the postoffice at Graham, Texas, as second class mail matter.

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**The Graham High School.**

Last week we took a few hours off and called on Prof. Johnston and his coterie of able assistants while they were engaged in their daily labor of shaping the minds of the coming men and women of Graham and surrounding country for the battle of life before them.

On our arrival we found every one busy as bees; it being the opening of the public school necessarily made it a busy time, especially for Superintendent Johnston, who was performing his duties of visiting each room and assisting in getting classes arranged, etc., etc.

We were invited into Mrs. J. E. Dowdle's room where we were introduced to Miss Butler, who on account of the illness of Mrs. Dowdle, was performing the arduous task of trying to get the little fellows to get their lessons. She was performing her duty admirably and soon got them in working order. The spelling class, which was heard while we were present, seemed to be on to their job, some of them being excellent in the art of orthography; two or three little fellows turned down half the class the first round. Of course this should be no discouragement to those who didn't happen to spell it right, but should spur them on to greater efforts with a determination not to miss next time.

In Prof. Johnston's room we found his brother, A. S. Johnston, in charge while the Professor was busy in the other departments. Albert was performing his duties like an old hand. There are two supernumeraries in the school, A. S. Johnson being one and Walter J. True the other.

We found Prof. E. O. McNew busy hearing a history class, and all seemed to be deeply interested. Prof. McNew has been here since the beginning of the private school and needs no introduction at this time for he has already gained many friends who admire him as an amiable and scholarly gentleman.

Miss Etna Wilkinson and her classes were all deeply absorbed in their work. Miss Wilkinson understands her business not only as a teacher but as a disciplinarian, and we'd venture to

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say that there is no lack for order in her department.

Prof. T. A. Keith is one of the new additions to the faculty and was organizing his classes and getting everything in working order. We have great confidence in his ability to manage his classes in a manner that will push them along rapidly in their studies, for we are sure his pupils will all love him (and perhaps some of the grown ones in the other departments) for his quiet and amiable disposition. When a teacher gains the confidence and respect of his pupils the battle is more than half won. We feel assured that Prof. Keith will give entire satisfaction in all respects.

Miss Norma Skinner is also a recent addition to the faculty, and her pleasant way of managing her pupils will beget their confidence and esteem, which coupled with her experience and ability as a teacher will cause the rapid promotion of her classes.

We did not visit the elocution and music departments, they having been moved to the Drig-

gers residence in order to give room for the increased attendance to the free school. Miss Ludy P. Hill is teaching the elocution class and Miss Mattie Souther the music class.

Not one of the faculty or supernumeraries hold less than a first-grade certificate, which is itself a splendid recommendation for the school as a first-class institution of learning.

The following is an extract from a paper read before the Northwest Texas Press Association entitled "Duty of Business Men and County Officials to Local Papers," by Milton H. McConnell, editor of the Vernon Call: Speaking of county officials, he says—

"An ungrateful county official is the meanest man on earth, and if St. Peter don't make him save the cold sweats I will miss my guess."

Then he ends up in a more hopeful strain as follows:

"A funny mortal is the country editor, Invariably busted and broke, But always full of joy and hope, And manages to get the county printing In time to save his watch from soak."

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A Few of Our Prices:—

We offer you any Suit of Clothes in the House worth \$12 to \$18 at only	<b>\$10.00</b>
Some extra fine Suits, worth \$19.50, go in at	<b>10.00</b>
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We will guarantee to save you 30 to 40 per cent on anything in the clothing line. We are not compelled to give premiums to make our goods go. Our prices are doing the work. We have a few dozen pairs Men's Wool Pants at 95c while they last. Some better ones for \$1.25, worth double. We are showing some wonderful bargains in Children and Youth's Clothing, Overcoats, Etc.

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#### LOCAL NEWS.

Capt. J. W. Graves left last Saturday for a week's visit to Cleburne.

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Miss Oms Stark visited her sister, Mrs. Denman, last Friday and Saturday.

Scarlet Ice Wool at Mms. Chism & Eddleman's.

Mrs. G. G. Matkin and Miss Cornelia Jewell were down from Farmer last week.

V. F. Gorrissen's goods drum themselves.

Mrs. Ella Shumaker and children visited in Farmer last week.

Fresh lard at Jones & Son's meat market.

E. H. Wade was over from Jaxboro Saturday and Sunday to visit his family.

V. F. Gorrissen has the finest line of Pocket Books in the City.

J. E. Dowdle has sold out his livery stable to Clay Anderson.

Santa Clause is at V. F. Gorrissen's.

We are informed that Ap. Looney, of Lacy, is quite sick.

Silverware! Silverware! at V. F. Gorrissen's.

Miss Neele Holt, teacher of the Tonk Valley school, came in last Saturday.

Toys of all kinds at V. F. Gorrissen's.

Prof. J. R. Moreland, of Eliasville, was among his friends in town Saturday.

Neely Butler has moved into town and occupies the Alexander house.

**Wanted**—A man to herd and feed sheep. Apply to T. F. Kindley, Graham, Texas.

Miss Maude Rich returned to her home at Jaxboro Monday after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Geo. L. Rhea.

Do you want bargains in fine Chinaware? then go to Gorrissen's store.

Tom Black has opened up a jewelry and repair shop in the building vacated by E. Shock.

V. F. Gorrissen has the finest lot of games that ever came to the city "at prices that talk."

Miss Victoria Keetar visited her parents at South Bend last Friday, for the first time since she entered our school.

A system regulator is a medicine that strengthens and stimulates the liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. Prickly Ash Bitters is a superior system regulator. It drives out all unhealthy conditions, promotes activity of body and brain, restores good appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits. Sold by C. G. King.

Prof. J. A. Fairly, of the Rocky Mound school, was interviewing the County Judge Saturday.

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Prof. W. T. Blakely came in from Boggy Valley Saturday to see the homefolks and the County Judge.

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Miss Hattie Underwood, teacher of the school at Hawkin's Chapel, was in town last Saturday.

Backache, sprains, bruises, cuts, rheumatism speedily cured by using Hunt's Lightning Oil, failing, money refunded. Akin & Matthews.

E. Shock, the jeweler, left one day this week, having closed up his shop with the intention of making his abiding place elsewhere.

Special attention is called to the ad. of the Aynes Dry Goods Co., of Jacksboro, in which they offer choice of any suit in their house for only \$9.95.

Misses Bobbie and Bessie Wallace visited the Misses McCommas of Indian Mound last Saturday and Sunday. While there Miss Bessie fell from a horse and sprained her left wrist. The hurt has been painful, but she has attended school all the week.

**A Woman Hung**  
Around her husband's neck begging him to buy her a Charter Oak cook stove, sold by Hollingsworth & Dowdle.

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Miss May Payne, who is successfully teaching the Upper Tonk school, was in town last Saturday.

Does it pay? Yes, because in case Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to cure or give satisfaction the purchase money is refunded. Try a bottle. Akin & Matthews.

W. H. Daniel, of Lacy, was selling produce and buying goods in town last Wednesday.

Constipation leads to liver trouble, and torpid liver to Bright's disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a certain cure at any stage of the disorder. Try it. Sold by C. G. King.

J. N. Hale, of Scurry county, a brother of our townsman, V. M. Hale, was visiting here this week.

50 doses for 50 cents. Is the same size of other \$1 bottles, and money refunded if Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to give entire satisfaction. Try it; costs nothing if not satisfied. Akin & Matthews.

Will Richardson and wife, of Hawkins' Chapel community, were in Graham Wednesday.

Fresh meats and free delivery to any part of town by Jones & Son.

Judge N. J. Timmons visited the schools at Victory, Center Ridge and Oakland this week, and found in each case a full attendance and prosperous outlook.

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Just received, Stamped Linens, Embroidery Hoops and Embroidery Silks at Mms. Chism & Eddleman's.

Miss Claudie Carson, who is teaching school at the Lamar school house, came in Saturday to see homefolks, returning to her school Sunday.

One cent a dose is all we ask for Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup, and we are pledged to refund the cost price per bottle if it fails to do all that is claimed for it. You get immediate relief. Akin & Matthews.

D. R. Akin has sold his interest in the drug store to M. S. Handy and has moved to his farm 4 miles east of town. The firm name hereafter will be Handy & Matthews.

A chronic kicker is bad enough, but a continual scratcher is worse. Better imitate a mule than a hen. Hunt's Cure will do up the worst case of Itch, Tetter, and ringworms, itching piles, Kezema known. Price 60c. Akin & Matthews.

Bad Looney, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Looney, died last Sunday night at the home of Ira Hunt in the Lacy community. He was fifty-three years old and unmarried. He was buried at Farmer on Monday with Masonic honors.

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Almonds,  
Grape nut,  
New Crop Syrup,  
Keg Pickles,  
Kraut,  
And all kinds of Dried Fruit.

In fact everything ordinarily kept in a first-class Grocery.

Squire J. S. Starrett says the notice he put in the Leader week before last wanting information of his mare that disappeared about Nov. 1st, had the desired effect and his mare was brought in to him in a few days after the notice appeared, she having gotten into a pasture. And yet some people say advertising doesn't pay.

**Do Babies Cry For It?**  
No! They more often die for the want of it. Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup is guaranteed to cure croup, whooping cough, colds, coughs and bronchial affections of the throat, chest and lungs, and failing, the purchase money is refunded. Sample bottle free. 50 doses for 50 cents. Akin & Matthews.

**Notice to Woodmen.**  
All members of the W. O. W. are asked to be out on Saturday night the 9th on account of election of officers.  
C. G. KING, Con. Com.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day**  
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every every box, 25c.

Last Tuesday night at a regular conference of the Baptist church, the following officers of the Sunday school were elected: D. A. Ford, Supt; Homer Mayes, Assistant Superintendent; Miss Mary Short, Secretary; James M. Wood, Treasurer.

**A Guaranteed Cure for Piles.**  
All druggists are authorized by the manufacturers of PAZO OINTMENT to refund the money where it fails to cure any case of piles no matter of how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in six days, the worst cases in fourteen days. One application gives ease and rest. Relieves itching instantly. If your druggist don't keep it in stock send us 60 cents in postage stamps and we will forward same by mail. Manufactured by Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo.

You'll be surprised at the low prices on clothing, Shoes etc, at the Bee Hive. Go there and save money if you need anything in their line.

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While sitting around one of those Airtight Heaters bought of Hollingsworth & Dowdle.

If you appreciate values and low prices we can sell you your dry goods.

S. B. STREET & CO.,  
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### "Why We Never Married," and "Parson Poor's Donation Party."

The above plays will be given on Friday night, Dec. 8th, in the hall above Matthews, Tidwell & Norman's grocery for the benefit of the Methodist church. All are earnestly requested to attend. General admission, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents.

**A Keen Clear Brain.**  
Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your stomach and liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

Best brands of shoes in the world—Hamilton-Brown and Selz, Schwab & Co. We have full stock of each. Get our prices.  
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W. R. Bauchman and wife, of Williamson county, are visiting their son, R. L. Bauchman and other relatives here. Mrs. Bauchman is a sister to our townsman, G. L. Aynesworth. She has had the misfortune to lose her eyesight, and altho she is visiting son and brother, she is deprived of the pleasure of looking on their faces.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine Quickens the Appetite, Aids Digestion, gives Tone and Vigor to all the functions, and fortifies system against Epidemic Influences. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

Any newspaper or magazine can be obtained from James M. Wood at a saving to the subscriber. Call on him at McCain's store.

Mrs. John Holtzclaw, Atlanta, Ga., writes: Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine cured me of constipation and Dyspepsia. I think it superior to Zalin's and Black Draught. Its action being stronger, yet milder. In fact I cannot say enough in its favor. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

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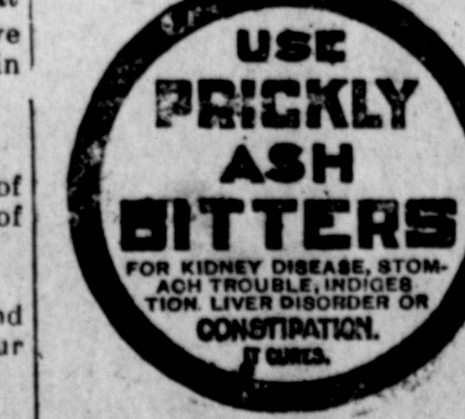
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More Goods for the money than any house in town, and

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# TAXABLE VALUES.

How They Have Increased in the Past Four Years.

## SOME INTERESTING FIGURES.

A Most Gratifying Growth in the Onward March of the Lone Star State Toward Wealth.

The following figures are given to show how Texas has grown within the last ten years in taxable values:

Total values in 1889, \$729,175,564.  
 Total values in 1890, \$782,111,883; increase, \$52,936,319.  
 Total values in 1891, \$856,200,283; increase, \$74,088,400.  
 Total values in 1892, \$856,526,600; increase, \$326,317.  
 Total values in 1893, \$886,175,395; increase, \$29,648,795.  
 Total values in 1894, \$865,120,989; decrease, \$21,054,405.  
 Total values in 1895, \$860,910,567; decrease, \$4,210,422.  
 Total values in 1896, \$850,309,246; decrease, \$10,601,321.  
 Total values in 1897, \$851,894,775; increase, \$4,585,529.  
 Total values in 1898, \$854,619,865; decrease, \$275,410.  
 Total values in 1899, \$887,847,100; increase, \$33,227,735.

From the above it will be seen that Texas is assessed higher this year than ever before, and that 1893 was the year in which values were nearest the mark of to-day. An analysis of the above statement will also show that Texas was growing steady up to 1894, when a series of decreases or reverses set in, which were checked in 1897, and although a small decrease resulted in 1898, this year makes up for it and forges ahead.

The large increase is remarkable, and although the tax rolls are inaccessible as yet, it is the general belief that the increase is due to two things, viz., the big advance in the price of cattle, and, most important, the almost universal raise in values of railroad property throughout the state. This last is the result of the injunction suit by the railroads against the railroad commission, wherein it was set forth by the representatives of the roads that the property is worth from \$50,000 to \$60,000 per mile, and this same property is rendered for taxation at only about \$7500 per mile, and there has been a healthy raise from this figure over the entire state, and which, as stated before, contributed to the increase.

An innovation in county values is the assessment of franchises of corporations. This was done in four counties. The values shown in these four counties does not include the franchise assessments, as follows: In Dallas county the franchises of corporations were valued at \$25,273,100 this year and \$39,582,420 for 1897 and 1898, a total of \$64,855,520. In Tarrant county franchises this year were assessed at \$9,903,388 and for 1897 and 1898 \$11,539,236, a total of \$21,442,624. Victoria county assessed approximately \$1,225,230 of franchises this year and \$2,450,460 for back tax for 1897 and 1898, making a total of \$3,675,690. Travis county was the fourth to assess franchises, and in this county this year's were valued approximately at \$1,415,510, while \$2,831,020 was fixed as covering 1897 and 1898. The tax on franchises will not be paid by the corporations assessed until the constitutionality of the ques-

tion has been finally determined by the courts, action looking thereto having been commenced at Fort Worth several days ago. As before stated, if these values were placed in the total it would be considerably augmented. This year's assessments alone totaled \$37,817,228, which is more than the legitimate increase. While the assessments for 1897-98 cannot be included as values because of repetition, taxes will be compelled to be forthcoming on same in the event the courts should declare the law constitutional and the values not too high. This latter point will also be raised—that the values placed on the franchises are exorbitant.

### Anxious to Fight.

Some weeks ago Brant H. Kirk of Waco, lieutenant general of the Trans-Mississippi department of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, concluded to apply to the government for permission to enlist young Texans who desire to enter the service of the United States as volunteers to take part in quelling the insurrection on the island of Luzon and to act as garrisons in the new possessions ceded to this country by Spain.

Mr. Kirk was besieged with letters from all parts of the state asking that he get permission to organize a regiment to be composed of Texans exclusively, to go to the war mounted and to serve as rangers. Accordingly he addressed a letter to President McKinley and received a prompt response. The president expressed gratification that the Texas boys feel well disposed toward military service, and said the government would be pleased to avail itself of their courage and patriotism in case there was need of more soldiers. The letter Mr. Kirk wrote to President McKinley was referred to the war department, and he has received a chapter from the adjutant general saying that all the troops authorized have been recruited and that for the present volunteers cannot be accepted.

The adjutant general also congratulated Mr. Kirk upon the patriotism of young Texans. Mr. Kirk says the military fever is very high in the state and that 10,000 young men are ready to go to the front to battle for their native land. The boys are so eager, he says, to get a taste of war that they are forming companies in all parts of the state and are putting in their leisure time drilling and making ready.

There is an impression abroad in the state, Mr. Kirk says, that the operations of the Boers in South Africa will cause a disturbance in Europe, and that next year soldiers will be needed more than ever. He says whenever Uncle Sam wants good, available cavalrymen he can send many sons of the Confederate veterans, who are eager to follow the star-spangled banner to distant lands.

### Letter to Sheriffs.

The adjutant general's department sent a circular letter to the sheriffs of the several counties of the state several weeks ago requesting that the latter furnish that department with a complete list of the fugitives from justice from their respective counties, together with a description and other information concerning the criminals. This list was wanted in order that the state rangers might have it for their use in performing their services in different parts of the state. Many of the sheriffs complied with the request but a large number did not do so, and a second circular letter was sent to these delinquents asking that the desired information be furnished the department.

### Slaughter of Fowl.

Complaints are reaching Waco from the counties bordering on the Gulf of Mexico of wanton slaughter of water fowl to an extent surpassing all former years and in defiance of a rather strict game law, which prohibits the practices of the shooters and forbids the shipping of game out of the state. Col. Walter V. Fort and several other members of the Game Protective association have been notified that wild geese and ducks are being shot in total disregard of the law, in carload lots, and sent out of the state to be consumed in the hotels and restaurants.

One of the writers says that the water fowl appear to have an instinct that gunners are watching along the entire Texas coast and that instead of making toward their former feeding grounds they are crossing the Rio Grande and going toward the Mexican coast, where they enjoy some immunity from the relentless guns of their enemies who seek to exterminate them. The gunners engaged in the work are not only Texans, but men from New Orleans, Mobile, St. Louis, New York and Chicago. They not only shoot wild ducks and geese, but they kill anything they see that gets within range, provided it has feathers.

Of all the harmless things in the world the crane is the most absolutely free fowl from anything that tends toward making mischief for human beings. Their flesh is wholly unfit for food and the larger varieties are without attractive plumage. Nevertheless the cranes are shot down on sight, whether flying in the air or feeding in the shallows, and shot without any purpose except from the nervous thirst for destroying feathered life.

The club at Waco will send out protests, but does not hope to affect anything much, for every train that is arriving brings reinforcements to the army of water fowl slaughterers, and after a slight covering a period of ten years the club declares that the evil is growing instead of lessening, and that there is no remedy at all, as the law is not enforced.

### Texas Copper Mines.

Mayor Ed B. Carver of Henrietta is in receipt of a letter from General Manager F. M. Spaulding of the Boston and Texas Copper company, whose copper mines are located near Henrietta. Among other things Mr. Spaulding said:

"We have voted to make a contract with a company who agree to place a plant upon the property to separate the copper from the clay and have it in running order before Feb. 1, 1900. A test of the clay—500 pounds—produced an ingot of solid copper weighing fourteen and a half pounds. That is nearly 3 per cent, and the man I have sent down to the property is an honorable engineer and reports the clay is running from 3 to 8 per cent in copper, regular formation. This is entirely outside of the nuggets and the black oxide, which is so rich in the Isbel mine.

"We have also voted to withdraw all our treasury stock from the market, and are about to make the last payment of \$10,000 on the property, and will retire all other indebtedness by another method, rather than by forcing the sale of our stock on the market at less than \$5 per share.

"We all agree that if the milling plant, which we are about to erect, will produce three tons of copper per day from 100 tons of clay at a very small cost, the party having agreed to put up the plant

free of cost to use and charge us so much per ton of clay for producing the copper in ingots, this result fully attained will make our stock worth par without a doubt by March 1. The prospect for the future of our company never was brighter than now."

### New Building.

The building committee of the Y. M. C. A. at Corsicana has concluded the negotiations for a building for the association in that city and the transaction removes a cloud that has for several months hovered over the association. For some time the committee has held an option on what is known as the City National bank building, on West Collip street, and adjoining the Loan agency building, the second story of which is owned by the Y. M. C. A. The option has been taken up by the committee, the price, \$3000, to be paid on January 1, 1900.

The property purchased is a two-story brick, fronting twenty-five feet on Collin and running back a hundred feet, there being a twenty-five feet space in the rear on which there is no building. The purchase gives the association fifty feet upstairs by 125, which will be ample room; but in addition, on the vacant space in the rear, there will be built a natatorium. The price paid for the purchase was reasonably low for such property.

### Went to Farming.

M. P. Crowder, formerly deputy county clerk of Denton county, long since quit office work and went to farming instead. One instance of his success this year was when he planted seven acres of sweet potatoes. The drought and the hot weather all conspired to injure the crop, but despite all that, when he garnered his yield he found that he had made an average of something more than 113 bushels to the acre, the total from the seven acres being 800 bushels. The product he has sold at \$1 per bushel, realizing \$800 off seven acres. Eight acres of cotton, he says, the way it was this year, was good for one, and, in some instances, two bales, but even with two bales would give a profit of something like \$75 or \$80, or less than one-tenth of what Mr. Crowder made, and that, too, with less work than raising a cotton crop would have required. And the same acreage of wheat as good a crop as that is, allowing as high as twenty-five bushels to the acre, would bring in something like \$135.

### Enjoying Two Holidays.

The pupils of the Gainesville high school played a joke on their superintendent and as a result they enjoyed Friday for a holiday as well as Thursday. The joke consisted of getting up a petition asking the board to give them Friday as a holiday and presenting it to them after it had been signed by all the pupils of the school. The board yielded their consent and then referred them to the superintendent. He was surprised when confronted by them and presented with the paper, but after a little pleasantries he, too, gracefully yielded.

### Lady Killed.

Mrs. James McKinney, whose home had been in the lower part of the fifth ward, Houston, was accidentally shot and killed by some one in the house. It was suspected that a burglar was in the house, and with a gun he was being hunted for, when Mrs. McKinney was shot and killed.

She was formerly Miss Snowball, daughter of Mr. James Snowball, and had been only a year or two married.

### For 47 Years a Railroad Conductor.

Early this fall the management of the B. & O. R. R. decided that the uniformed force should be provided with service stripes, and on the winter uniforms each man has one or more gold stripes on his right sleeve if he has been in the service for five or more years. The gold stripe stands for five years continuous employment by the company and a glance over the list develops an interesting and instructive condition of affairs.

The ordinary man, in a peaceful and uneventful vocation, is seldom in continuous service for forty years, yet on the B. & O. R. R. there is a hale and



W. H. GREEN.

He has been employed in the B. & O. for 50 years.

hearty old man, with keen, undimmed eyes, and a spry step that has been in the continuous employ of the company for 50 years and is still better than many men half his age.

W. H. Green is his name, but everybody on the line calls him "Captain Harry" and he has a record that any man, in any station in life, would be more than proud of.

Captain Green is probably the oldest passenger conductor in the world. If he is not he has the best record, for not once has he been suspended from duty for any cause whatever. And then, too, he has never been injured. Green was born on September 12, 1827, in Cockeysville, Baltimore county, Md., and entered the B. & O. service March 2, 1850, as a freight brakeman. He was promoted in two years to freight conductor and in 1857 was given a passenger train and has served in that capacity ever since. He is now running through trains between Baltimore and Cumberland, Md., and wears ten service stripes on his right arm.

For many years B. & O. train employees have had an enviable reputation for politeness to passengers and attention to duty, and the adoption of the service stripe system will give the traveling public an opportunity to recognize long and faithful service.

### They Didn't Recognize Mrs. Catt.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, general organizer of the Woman's Suffrage party in this country, is a young and strikingly handsome woman. She is a brilliant talker, amiable in manners, and is always stylishly dressed. A year or two ago she was on her way to address a state convention in Topeka, Kan., when she got into conversation with two gentlemen on the cars. One of them was a county judge and the other a newspaper editor of the same town. A few seats in front of them sat a spectacled, angular woman, sallow as to complexion and drab as to dress. Her clothes were cut in a fashion severely plain. The talk had turned upon the rights of women.

"See that woman yonder," said the judge. "I'll bet she's a delegate to that woman's right convention up at Topeka."

"Sure," chimed in the editor. "Funny, ain't it? There's a woman that has no husband, never could get set one, has all the rights she needs, and she gallivants around the country asking for more. Funny, ain't it? I'll bet she's Mrs. Catt. Well named, ain't she?"

Mrs. Catt smiled and changed the subject. When they reached Topeka she said to the judge:

"I am very glad to have met you, I am Mrs. Catt. The lady in front is the wife of a banker in Chicago. She is going out to visit her married daughter. I know her very well. She is opposed to women's suffrage. Good-by."

### No Demand for Digestible Pie.

A shepherd of the people, who is called the Pie King of New England, has founded a sanitary pie, "made under perfect hygienic conditions" and warranted to be "perfectly digestible." Such a pie may win the favor of weaklings and valetudinarians, but the born eater of pie, the allotted bondsman of pie, will scarcely condescend to the level of perfectly digestible pie. The little touch of doubt and danger is the romantic charm of pie. The timid soul may weigh out his diet and feel his pulse when he consumes a cracker. The nature worthy of great pie is above such scruples. A pie of genius is worth a twinge or two. From the pie founder the brave expect not safety, but skill.

"Unloaded" guns have a strange method of being discharged and creating many corpses at times.

New Bombero Combination Reversible Parlor Game Board. 28 games, biggest hit in years. Agents wanted. W. D. Caldwell & Co., 121 Superior-st., Chicago.

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 Best Cough Syrup, Tastes Good. Use  
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Remember a man is a man despite his poverty.

In memory's garden bloom many tender thoughts.

#### Non-Sinkable B-2s.

The latest invention for saving life is a non-sinkable boat. If people would pay as much attention to the preservation of life in other ways there would be a great improvement. Hostette's Stomach Bitters is a life preserver. It cures dyspepsia, indigestion and all forms of stomach trouble. It is an excellent tonic.

A worthy husband will always find his wife his best friend.

Lost Sight restored and the eyes cured by using FINDLEY'S EYE SALVE. No pain, sure cure or money back. 25c. box. All druggists, or by mail. J. P. HAYTER, Decatur, Texas.

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## Used Twenty Years

We do not know of any other hair preparation that has been used in one family for twenty years, do you?

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By the will of Seth Raynor, his widow, Charlotte E. Raynor, of Manorsville, N. Y., gets \$100 in cash, \$100 of his life insurance, the interest on \$1000, and the use of part of a dwelling house as long as she remains a widow. She is also to receive the milk from one cow, ten bushels of potatoes, ten bushels of wheat, ten bushels of corn, and wood enough for one fire, all of which are to be delivered at her door every year by her grandson, Frank A. Moger. She also gets a plot of ground for a vegetable garden. If the grandson carries out the provisions of the will for five years and pays all the debts and funeral expenses he is to have a bed and bedding, household goods, \$100 insurance money, ten acres of land, and the residue of the testator's real and personal property. The estate is valued at about \$7000. The will was written by Raynor himself, who was station agent on the Long Island railway at Manorsville for more than forty years.

#### Sankey Improvised the Music.

Ira D. Sankey, the singing evangelist who was Moody's co-worker during the latter's previous visit to Kansas City, said the other day that he first sang "the Ninety and Nine" in Edinburgh twenty-six years ago. The verses he had seen in a newspaper, and never had time to put to music. It was a case of emergency; he didn't know what to sing, but seemed inspired to attempt "The Ninety and Nine" without music. He started to play, then to sing, each note coming to him until the song was finished. The music, he added, has not been altered to this day.

#### An Annoying Resemblance.

Charles T. Rowe, a Boston man of means bears a striking resemblance to Admiral Dewey and just at present is not particularly grateful therefor. To make matters worse, Mrs. Rowe is not unlike the admiral's wife. The Boston couple were in New York the other day and were much embarrassed by the enthusiastic cheers which greeted them while walking on Broadway. In vain Mr. Rowe screamed that he was not the admiral, and as the only means of evading further annoyance he and his spouse left town hurriedly.

#### Orders Nearly a Year Ahead.

The steel rail factories of the United States have sold enough rails for next year's delivery to keep them running full time for about nine months. There are large advance orders in most other branches of the iron and steel industry, and prices instead of showing any tendency to react are still advancing.

#### Several Military Pages.

John H. Page, Jr., who was recently commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Third infantry, is the third of the name to serve in the army of the United States. His father, John H. Page, is colonel of the Third infantry. His grandfather, John H. Page, was killed at the battle of Palo Alto during the Mexican war.

#### Ex-Senator Dawes Birthday.

Ex-Senator Henry P. Dawes of Massachusetts, celebrated his 83rd birthday last week by entertaining the Monday Evening club, a literary society, at his home in Pittsfield. Mr. Dawes read a paper on "The Duties and Functions of the United States Senate."

Half rates to the Old States. Tickets will be on sale via the Cotton Belt Route Dec. 20, 21 and 22, good to return any time within 30 days. If you want to visit your old home at half the usual cost this is your opportunity. Write and tell us where you want to go, and we will tell you what your ticket will cost, what train to take to make the best time and connections, and anything else we can to make your trip pleasant. Cotton Belt trains will carry through coaches and free reclining chair cars, in addition to the splendid regular service of Parlor Cafe Cars (meals a la carte) and Pullman Sleepers. Passengers on the Cotton Belt avoid ferry transfers and disagreeable lay-overs both going and returning. The old folks at home will appreciate a visit from you during the holidays. Why not go when you can make the trip for half price? The Cotton Belt Route, as usual, on Dec. 20, 21 and 22 will sell tickets to all points in the Old States at one fare for the round trip, good thirty days for return. Any information given with pleasure by A. S. Wagner, C. P. and T. A., 237 Main St., Dallas, Texas.

A true man always thinks he has the best better half.

Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival, Houston, Dec. 11 to 16, 1899.

For the above occasion tickets will be on sale from North Texas stations at the following rates:

Dec. 10 to 14, inclusive, limited to leave Houston not later than 10 p. m. Dec. 16, 1899. Rate will be one fare for the round trip.

A maximum rate of \$5 for the round trip will apply on the following dates: Tickets on sale Dec. 10, limited to Dec. 13. Tickets on sale Dec. 13, limited Dec. 15.

Call on ticket agents for further information. M. L. ROBBINS, G. P. and T. A. S. F. B. MORSE, P. T. M.

Trees are ever polite—they bough and leave.

#### Christmas Presents.

It is often difficult to select an article for a Christmas present that will be acceptable and inexpensive. The John M. Smyth Co. have solved the problem by offering for sale 5,000 guitars at \$2.65 each, thus bringing them within the reach of everyone. The firm is thoroughly reliable. See "ad" in another part of this paper. Get their mammoth catalogue.

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**Salem Siftings.**  
Health of the community is fairly good.  
Thanksgiving was observed by the school.

Miss Donna Brooks visited her sister, Mrs. Dan Foster of Henrys Chapel, Thanksgiving.

Mr. Hudleberg, of Graham, was in the community Sunday evening. He was the guest of Mr. Craig.

Bob McLaren of Goose Neck Bend was in the community one day last week.

Mrs. G. B. Jewell and her two daughters, Misses Georgia and Mildred, of Graham, visited Mrs. W. I. Gilmore and Mrs. T. K. Criswell Thanksgiving.

Miss Linnie Heron of Graham was the guest of Miss May Gilmore Saturday and Sunday. Miss Linnie had the misfortune of getting her pony's shoulder cut on the wire.

Messrs Jeff Burk and Martin, of Rock Creek are in our midst deer hunting. We understand that they killed one last week.

Rev. Baker of the Presbyterian church of Graham preached Sunday evening. This is the

second time that Bro. Baker has preached for us. We hope that he will come again, for we all appreciate his sermons.

Mr. Jno E. Morrison came out with Bro. Baker.

Rev. A. E. Foster made a business trip to Mineral Wells last week.

Sunday school has again revived. Attendance Sunday was fairly good.

There is nothing nicer in a community than a flourishing Sunday school.

It is good for the old as well as for the young, so let's all come out and join.

Christmas! Christmas! Salem has decided to have a Christmas tree and box supper on Saturday night before Christmas eve.

Parents, if you want to make your children happy, see their eyes sparkle with joy and pleasure, hear their merry laughter, and make you think of the time when you beheld your first Christmas tree, come along with your children and let's all blow the tin horn and eat the red apple.

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The executive board of Macedonia Baptist Association met here on the 24th ult. and elected Elder Z. H. Resgan, of 101 county, missionary for the remainder of this associational year. There were more than half a dozen applicants, but Bro. Resgan was recommended by some of the strongest and best men in the state. A letter from him to the secretary of the board states that he will be on the field by the 20th inst. Bro. Resgan is not entirely unknown to our people, being a brother-in-law to Eld. G. W. Black, and having once lived in Young county.

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**Pain Dear Forth's Leg.**  
B. D. Blanton of Throckmorton, Tex., in two years paid over \$200.00 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg. When they wanted to cut it off but he cured it with one box of Luckin's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for piles. 25c a box. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

Ben Crist, who was jailed here week before last on a charge of horse stealing, gave bond this week and was released. W. Brown, a kinsman of Crist's, and a deputy marshal of Ryan, I. T. was the surety.

Christmas tree soliciting committees have been "dog" the town this week. Let everybody donate something to the young ladies and girls so that the little folks may have a happy time when old Santa comes.

E. M. Feeby and family, of Goose Neck Bend, returned Saturday night from a five weeks visit to their old home in Lee county.

Uncle Clint Rutherford who lives a few miles north of town, went into his pasture last Tuesday to feed some horses. On returning, his eyesight being bad, he missed his way and became lost. He remained out all night, and was not found until sometime Wednesday. Altho diligent search was made, the old gentleman says he suffered no unbusiness and but little from cold.

D. Bullard who has been living on the Plains for a year or more, came in a few days ago. He started back yesterday taking his mother who decided to move to her son's new home.

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<p><b>No. 57. A Pair of Scissors.</b> Made by the best American manufacturers and well finished. 8 1/2 inches long. Sent postpaid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 15 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.</p>	<p><b>No. 60. Lady's Belt.</b> Latest style, grain leather tan color 1 1/2 in. wide, nickel plated buckle. Buckle are following sizes only, give size in inches when ordering, from 22 to 26 in., from 27 to 32 in., from 33 to 36 in. Sent postpaid on receipt of a 2 cent postage stamp and 20 signatures cut from the wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.</p>	<p><b>No. 61. Man's Belt.</b> Grain leather, one inch wide, nickel plated buckle and tips. When ordering give size of waist in inches. Buckle runs from 34 to 42 inches in length. Sent postpaid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 20 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.</p>	<p><b>No. 62. A Carving Knife and Fork.</b> A first-class set, mounted with genuine buck-horn handles. Knife blade 4 inches long. Sent by express, charges prepaid, on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 90 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee. When ordering name your nearest Express Office as well as your Post Office.</p>
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