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THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the West Gulf States: Fair weather, followed in the western portion by local rains, wind generally from east to south, warmer in northern portion, stationary temperature in southern portion, except in the Lower Mississippi Valley.

DOMESTIC.—There was decided dullness in

he wheat trade at Chicago last week-Interesting synopsis of Mr. Beecher's Christmas sermon, in which he defines his creed—Prof. Swift has succeeded in star-gazing several new neavenly bodies to his credit at Rochester— More indefinite sensational reports of Indian outrages in Arizona and New Mexico—Judge C. C. Wilcox died at Kankakee, III.— Congressman Crain is pressing the Galveston customhouse work on Secretary Manning — Chicago bobs up serenely with the announcement from Washington that she will ask exposition aid from Congress—Lynn, Mass., apprehends a general shoe strike if the wages of women peratives are not increased—The Buffalo Cremation Temple was dedicated yesterday by the successful burning of a body in the fiery furnace—

The "Big Owl" express train was wrecked near New Rochelle, N. Y.—An elaborate banquet is pending in New York in honor of Gov. Hill-A horrible wedding tragedy is reported from Kansas City—The reported Indian uprising n Washington Territory was a canard—Cin innati reports two men killed in a fight in an

THE STATE.—Merits of the Greenville route for the Santa Fe—Card from Dr. Wallace, of the North Texas Insane Asylum at Terrell— Letter showing the growth of Kaufmanails of the tragedy in the billiard room at Glen -Burials and marriages at Sherman-Latest phases of the crimes at the State capital
—Convicts at Huntsville penitentiary give a minstrel entertainment on Christmas Day.

FOREIGN.-A riot occurred at Limerick in which the participants used shot guns and cevolvers in the most expert and American —The Cork cattle controversy is still unsettled—An American forestry enthusiast and philanthropist has srived in Paris on an official mission—The Spanish Queen-Regent s prepared to take the constitutional oathterrible storm has been raging on the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia coasts RAILROADS.—The Houston and Texas Central

and its improvements—The way for Tyler to get a road—The Paris press and the Santa Fe -Personal. THE CITY.-Lucifer vs. Jehoviah: the free

thinkers take sides on the question—Dr. Hanks' sermon; "The Humanity of Christ." -A considerate expert—The colored Moses
-Churchgoers—The Frohsinnball—Hotel

THE "BIG OWL" WRECKED.

Miraculous Escape of Passengers from Being Dashed Down to Death.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Dec. 27.—The train eaving New Haven, bound west, at 3:18 a. m., known as the "Big Owl," met with a most singlar accident at Pelhamville Station this morning, which resulted in the death of one of the train hands, the serious injury of another and the general shaking up of the passengers. The train was etween New Rochelle and Mount Verbetween New Rochelle and Mount Vernon, and when opposite Pelhamville Station the train struck an obstruction on the track and went over an embankment nearly sixty feet high. The tender and mail car followed. The other cars composing the train did not leave the track, although two sleepers were thrown on their sides. The mail car fell nearly on end at the bottom of the bank. The fall broke the coupling of the air brake pipes, which caused the brakes to be applied and the six passenger cars behind the mail car were stopped almost instantly.

The obstruction on the track which caused the accident was the platform of the rail-

The obstruction on the track which caused the accident was the platform of the railway station which had been torn from its foundation and thrown across the track by the heavy wind which prevailed during last night. The total loss to the railway company is about \$10,000. The following are the

CAUSUALTIES: CAUSUALTIES:

EUGENE BLAKE, fireman, of this city, married a few months. Killed.
C. P. TURNER, of Boston, mail clerk, severely hurt about the breast and back. He was taken to the Grand Union Hotel, New York. The three other mail clerks on the train were all more or less bruised.

RALPH PHILLIPS, the engineer, was badly burf in the back.

badly hurt in the back.
WILLIAM GAMBLE, of Springfield,
Massachusetts, baggage-master, was injured about the back and had his shoulders

The passengers, of whom there were comparatively few on the train, beyond a shaking up, were uninjured.

A BOOT AND SHOE HOUSE BREAKS. R. P. Sturgis & Co. Attached at Waco-Heavy Liabilities Rumored.

Special to The News. WACO, Dec. 27 .- Five attachments were run to-day on the stock of R. P. Sturgis & Co., boot and shoe dealers. The levies

were made at the instance of H. D. Tingle, of Baltimore, for.....\$2330 80 aco National Bank..... P. Lisman, Waco..... I. A. Sturgis, Waco.....

The news of the levy was a great surprise the community. The stock will invoice 315,000, exclusive of goods in transit. The

liabilities of the firm have not been fully ascertained, and are variously estimated, in the absence of an authorized statement, all the way from \$30,000 to \$55,000.

IN HONOR OF GOV. HILL.

Banquet Arranged for the Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The arrangements for the banquet in honor of Gov. Hill by the representatives of the New York business exchanges are about complete. It will take place at Delmonico's on Jan. 8, the anni versary of the battle of New Or-Among the subscribers to the dinner, at which covers for 150 will dinner, at which covers for 150 will be laid, are Eugene Kelly, A. J. Vanderpool, president of the Manhattan Club; ex-Mayors Edson and Cooper; Mr. Greener, president of the Cotton Exchange; Chas. M. Vail, president of the Produce Exchange; J. Edward Simmons, president of the Stock Exchange; Chas. H. Wilson, president of the Petroleum Exchange; Jos. J. O'Donahue, of the Coffee Exchange, and Mr. Folsom of the Mercantile Exchange. Mr. Folsom, of the Mercantile Exchange.

CRAPS AND COLD LEAD. A Sunday Shooting Scrape Among the Africans of Arlington.

Special to The News. ARLINGTON, Dec. 27.—This evening about o'clock, Jim Crowchilds, a negro, shot another negro named George Maxwell, through the thigh, the ball lodging in the hip. Crow-childs escaped. The affair is supposed to have grown out of a dispute over a game of ciation. A short time since they made a

BROTHER BEECHER'S BELIEF.

HE STATES IT IN TWO SHORT VERSES.

God's Garden and His Husbandry Illustrated. "Away With All Your Hidebound Creeds and Your Ordinances and Your Governments."

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher preached this morning from the ninth verse of the third chapter, First Corinthians: "For we are laborers together with God. Ye are God's husbandry; ye are God's building."

GOD'S PERSONALITY. He said: "We must think of God as a person, although the limitation of human ersonality is such as by no means to cover he whole extent of what would be divine personality, but our personality represents more learnedly perfect conception of the divine existence than any other point in human experience. Personality may not express him fully, yet it is necessary to us. Nor is that necessity in any degree distinguished by saying our conceptions of God must be in their very nature limited. As far as they are to be had at all they must be had with the limitations that belong to human conditions. Any other method of thinking of God evaporates the Divine Being. That he is a tendency to righteousness, is all very well in an essay, or a poem; but as an object of thought, influence or communion, it really takes away all thought of God. No man wants to throw his arm around the neck of a 'tendency.' If we are to worship God and to love God and to obey God, there must be something that shall answer to the training that we have had in human life, and along with which training our affection, our obediences and our reverence have had their outflow. 'We are fellow-workers with God.' Physical nature has but a very limited constitution in itself. Physical things have in themselves, when let alone, a very limited movement, very limited power of outplay, and an immense power of being played out—provided you can get some energy to do it. The infusion of human thought and human will has recreated this world and all the elements which we call matter, and all the laws of force and the whole evolution of time in regard to the development of life, all of it is the result of Him—of the operation of human thought, human skill, human will upon otherwise limited or even dead matter. And as the whole universe is the outplay of God's thought and will, so in our limited section we find that the created universe as it exists in civilization is the result of the outplay of our thought and our will upon the materials that he back, comparatively speaking. Inert nature gives the material, but it is human intellect and mind that gives those materials any power to be other than dead or to orawl in the very narrowest circle of existence. distinguished by saying our conceptions of God must be in their very nature

ead or to crawl in the very narrowest circle ANALOGY AND APPLICATION. "But then there is a distinct application of up of the passengers. The train was it to it—'we are God's husbandry;' 'we speeding rapidly over the down grade are God's building.' If I were to take the latter I should steer off in the direction of art and mechanics. I prefer to take the other: 'ye are God's husbandry.' We bear some such relation to creation as God himself does. It is as if God created raw material and set us as apprentices and journeymen to work it up, and in the moral sphere the analogy holds perfectly. The rudimentary and primitive elements of beautification of all moral elements is of man, and hence we are declared in that passage of profound philosophy where we are taught to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling that 'we are God's husbandry.' And may it not be just as well for us to spend a few moments—not a great many—in a consideration of what our spiritual husbandry has done for us; our will, our wisdom, our consecrated purpose, what have they done with the materials that God has planted within us and around us? Who has brought in any cultivated land this year? Who has redeemed anything within himself? Then what have you planted? You know this brings us to the very pivotal point of my ministry, and that is the figure in fifth Galatians, 'The fruit of the Spirit.' Did you ever think of the words, 'fruit of the spirit of God!' That is, beautification of all moral elements is of

GOD IS A GARDENER. and is raising fruit. You are, all of you, part of God's garden (I pity the gardener, often). But the fruit of the spirit. Let me name them—a few of them—and ask you how the year has been in your husbandry. The fruit of the spirit is love. Has yours been deepened? Has it been purified? Has it had wings that bore it toward heaven? Has it brooded and brought forth ten thousand inflictions of love? That is one fruit that hangs from the boughs of regenerated love, and with the spirit of God, like the sun shining down upon it, the fruit of the spirit is love—joy. Has the garden of the Lord in your possession been fruitful of joy within you? How has it been with you? And so I might go through the whole catalogue: Love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. Do you know that that is God Almighty's creed? These are the articles of the creed of Christ. Away with all your hide-bound creeds and your ordinances and your governments. They are all very well; but a government is not fit to eat any more than a rail fence is. It is something that protects your field, so that when you raise harvests inside they shall be good for something. But here is the husbandry. The other is an exterior-surrounding influence, and the basic foundations, but this is the harvest. If a man asks me, 'what do you believe?' I tell him the whole of the twenty-second and twenty-third verses of the fifth chapter of Galatians. That is what I believe in. Has it brooded and brought forth ten thous-

THAT IS MY CREED.

It is the work of Christ in the human soul, when the soul is willing. That is my farm; that is my garden, and that is my hus bandry. And if anybody says: Are you lax? No. I am not lax. In theology I am stringent; I am radical. But I insist upon it that it shall be theology of the heart and of life, and not merely logic and philosophy, of life, and not merely logic and philosophy, and this is the inside of the scriptural celebration of Christmas time—the examination of what estate you are in, what the year has done, what your soul is as a garden. And I beseech of you, dear brethren, because the sermon is fancy-winged, do not think of it as a poem or a song; for under the forms of fancy it is full of the solidest practical fruit that concerns you, that concerns me, and that concerns God."

LABOR MATTERS.

THERE MAY BE A GENERAL STRIKE. LYNN, Mass., Dec. 27.—There are 3000 female shoe stitchers in this city. Most of them are members of the Lady Stitch Assodemand for an increase of wages. The troublesome whites.

matter was referred to the Knights of Labor, who decided upon a schedule of new prices, averaging a 20 per cent advance for the ladies, which is considerable less than they asked for. The remaining prices are to be adjusted in a few days. It is thought all the manufacturers will accept the new schedule, but if one objects there will be a general strike.

GENERAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE. NEW BRUNSWICK.

A TERRIBLE TIME AT SEA.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 27.—The heaviest storm of the season began on Saturday afternoon and raged with fearful violence until after midnight. The wind at times attained a velocity of sixty miles an hour. About six inches of snow fell, which has been piled into drifts five and six feet high around the city, and the seas were running mountains high. The storm was very severe on the Nova Scotia Coast, and it is feared serious disasters to shipping have occurred. The steamer Secret, which left this port on Saturday morning for Digby, experienced the full force of the gale. She had scarcely reached Mid Bay when the storm struck her. The captain kept on, expecting to reach Digby before the storm assumed serious proportions. In this he was unsuccessful, as every minute the wind increased in velocity and the snow descended in such blinding squalls as to make it impossible for the shore lights to be seen. As the wind increased the sea rose and swept clean over the steamer. After beating around for several hours without making land the ship refused to obey the rudder, ship refused to obey the rudder, and the Captain was obliged to put about. In doing so the steamer got into the trough of the sea and began drifting toward the land. She drifted so close that the light on Point Prince could be seen. Every one on board expected that the steamer would be dashed on the rocks, but happily this disaster was averted. After steaming for over an hour she got headway, and the Captain immediately ran for St. John, reaching this port at midnight. The steamer was one mass of ice. Several passengers who had outside staterooms were imprisoned in them for over sixteen hours, the heavy seas which swept over the vessel making it impossible for them to communicate with other persons on board. Their experience was something frightful, as every moment they expected the steamer moment they expected the steamer

IRELAND.

RIOT OF THE AMERICAN FACTION. DUBLIN, Dec. 27.—A serious fight between ocal factions occured yesterday at Limerick. A mob attacked the house of an obnoxious landlord named Blake, in Creagh Lane. Blake and a party of his friends were in the house. They barricaded the doors and windows and withstood a vigorous siege, which was maintained two hours. Missiles of all sorts were hurled against the house breaking several windows and wounding some of the inmates. The besieged party replied to the attack with pistols and shotguns. Twenty men and women were dangerously wounded during the fight. The police finally quelled the riot after arresting about a dozen of the ringleaders.

THE CATTLE SHIPPING DIFFERENCES. CORK, Dec. 27.—A meeting of cattle traders and other tradesmen was held here to-day to take action upon the Cork Steam Packet Company's withdrawal of its proposed compromise with the cattle shippers. The speakers denounced the alleged bad faith of the packet company, and urged that the boycotting of its steamers should be re-newed with greater vigor than before. It was resolved to send a formal protest to the company and to issue a prospectus and invite subscriptions for an opposition company, which will not transfer boycotted cattle or goods

FRANCE.

A STUDENT OF FORESTRY.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Senator J. Hampdon Robb, of New York City, a member of the Niagara Park Commission, has arrived in Paris. The French government has granted him every facility for the study of the practical operation of the laws affecting forestry in France.

SPAIN.

THE QUEEN READY TO SWEAR. London, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Madrid o the Morning Post states that Queen Christina is willing to take the oath of office as regent of Spain, before the Cortes, on Thursday next, Dec. 31.

A WOEFUL WEDDING.

Frank B. Vaughn Killed by Abraham Nave at Kansas City-Nave Suicides.

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—A sensation was caused here to-day by the killing of Frank B. Vaughn and the suicide of his slaver. Abraham Nave. Christmas eve Vaughn and Miss Elizabeth Strover were married, and shortly after the ceremony a ball whistled through the room. The bride then told her husband her cousin Nave had proposed marriage, was rejected, and threatened to marriage, was rejected, and threatened to kill her and himself. The wedded couple were spending the honeymoon visiting and driving with relatives. This afternoon Nave rode up and shot Vaughn dead, galloping away to his home. Nave no sooner reached home than he shot himself through the head, dying instantly. His mother fell in spasms and is not expected to live.

TWO MEN KILLED IN OHIO.

A Fight in Regular Old Frontier Fashion in Civilized Buckeyedom.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27 .- A shooting affray occurred last Saturday night at New Baltimore, O., a small village in this county, in which Philip Lewis was killed and Chris Feisher fatally wounded. It appears the party had been drinking at Quinn's saloon during all the evening and about 11 o'clock four brothers, by the name of Steig, visited the place and immediately entered into a heated discussion over some trifle, which ended in the above result. The parties are all under arrest.

Wronged by Wicked Whites.

PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Port Townsend, Washington Territory, says that the revenue cutter which was sent to Quilleyute to quell a reported Indian outbreak, has returned, and states that no insurrection occurred. A few settlers tried to drive the Indians off the land on which the latter lived and were resisted. The officers report that the Indians are badly imposed upon, and that a reservation should be set apart for them where they would be protected from the troublesome whites

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GALVESTON TEXAS. COCHRAN'S CRIMSON CRIME.

KILLING OF M'LELLEN AT GLEN ROSE

A Cruel Shooting and Instant Death in a Billiard Room-Intense Indignation. Burial at Walnut Springs.

Special to The News.

GLEN ROSE, Dec. 27.—The following are the latest developments brought out by favestigations and preliminary hearing in the tragedy of Friday afternoon:
The evidence showed that John McClellen

and a man named Bud Stroop were

PLAYING BILLIARDS in L. B. McClanahan's saloon. Thomas Cochran entered and threw his hat upon the billiard table, thereby disturbing the post tion of the balls. To this act McCleller made some remark, but not offensive whereupon Cochran asked him his name Said McClellen rather carelessly, "My name is Jones," and continued playing billiards. He also said to Cochran, "The game is tight enough without being interfered with." Cochran immediately became enraged, and walked around the table to where McClelen was, talking very insultingly to Mc-Clellen. The latter laid his hand on Cochran's, saying, "My name is McClellen. I

SWORE HE'D KELL. Cochran said: "Take your hands off me,

am no fighting man, but I am not afraid of

your sort."

- you, or will kill kill you." The hand was withdrawn instantly, but Cochran shot three times. Two balls took effect, one in the center of the chest, the other above the right knee. McClellen died almost instantly. He was a stranger here. His mother and his stepfather (a Mr. Baily) live near Walnut Springs. Cochran is in

THE INQUEST. The verdict of the jury of inquest was that deceased came to his death by wounds from pistol shots, fired from a weapon in the hands of Thomas Cochran. INTENSE INDIGNATION.

The dead man's stepfather, Baily, came for the remains on Friday evening and removed them to Walnut Springs for interment. Public indignation against Cochran is intense and threats have been made of summary retribution, but nothing serious is now apprehended. The jail is heavily guarded and everything is quiet.

AT WALNUT SPRINGS. WALNUT SPRINGS, Dec. 27.—The killing of young John McClellen at Glen Rose on Friday east a gloom over this community. His body lay at the residence of his parents, who live here, all day Saturday and were viewed by many friends and acquaintances. He was well liked at Walnut Springs and his funeral to-day was largely attended.

GALVESTON'S NEW FEDERAL BUILDING.

Mr. Crain's Efforts-Printer Rounds to Serve His Term-What Chicago Wants. Special to The News.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 .- Yesterday Mr. Crain called on Secretary Manning in relation to the Galveston customhouse and presented reasons why, in his opinion, the work on the building should be commenced at once. He told Mr. Manning that he had prepared a bill to increase the limit of the appropriation of \$235,000 in order to meet the suggestions of the supervising architect, but that after an investigation of the matter he believed that a building could be constructed with the available fund, \$95,000, which would be adequate for the purposes for which it was designed and would be in compliance with the requirements of the law. Mr. Crain cited the report of the supervising architect for October, 1884, in which he stated that he would begin the work at an early date, and also to the fact that the law only provides for fire proof vaults and not for a fire proof building, but that believing a fire proof building to be a necessity, he had requested a written opinion from an eminent architect in this city, now employed in the Interior Department, as to the character of building which could be constructed for \$95,000, and that his reply was that he could construct a brick building at Galveston, 56x140 feet, outside dimensions, and 40 feet in height, allowing the amount of space now occupied by the collector of customs, viz: 10,320 square feet and furnishing 4280 square feet in addition for internal revenue offices and for the signal service station. Mr. Crain further suggested that owing to the close of the cotton season and the recent conflagration at Galveston, labor was doubtless more plentiful, and consequently cheaper, than it would be a year hence, even though he were able to succeed in getting an extra appropriation in one session instead of being delayed, as is usual, five or six years.

Secretary Manning informed Mr. Crain that he was inclined to coincide with his view of the matter and to direct the architect to commence the building immediately, but that he would consult with the latter in reference to the subject and advise Mr. Crain in the course of a week what he concludes to do.

ROUNDS TO FILL OUT HIS TERM. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Public Printer Rounds says that he has decided to engage in private business when his term of office expires in April next. There is an understanding between the President and Mr. Rounds that the latter shall complete his term of office.

ANOTHER EXPOSITION BILL. A bill is to be introduced in Congress this winter to aid the International Exposition which is to be held in Chicago in 1892, to celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America. The exposition will probably be planned after the Centennial at Philadelphia, and legislation will likely be asked of Congress similar to that in aid of the Centennial.

A Calamity on the Coast.

EASTPORT, Me., Dec. 27.—During the heavy gale last night the schooners Sailera Killam of Pubnico, Nova Scotia, Adelia Hardwell of Gloucester and the Gazelle of Grand Manan, went ashore on the North Head of Grand Manan and will probably be a total loss. The captain of the Killam was frozen to death.

IT IS PRINCIPALLY PERSONAL

SOCIETY AND SOCIETY EVENTS IN TEXAS.

Garnered Grains from Many Fields Dropped Into the News Society Basket by Correspondents Throughout the State.

[Correspondents will please send society news on sheets of paper separate from other reports. Arrange to have society news reach THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS in time to be inserted in Monday's issue.]

The holidays have everywhere been en joyed with more than usual gayety and pleasantness, judging from the reports of correspondents throughout the State. The weather was almost unprecedently mild and balmy, and if it might be regarded as a proper thing to say, May seemed nestling in old winter's lap. Rather a poetic idea, lacking somewhat in rythmic cadence, but substantially true. To most people, Christmas without some snow and ice, or without great blazing fires and cheerful hearthstones at least, does not seem like Christ mas. It is not given to many to enjoy such a Christmas as that through which the people of Texas have just passed-blue skies, gorgeous sunlight and a warmth of spring-

And a merry Christmas it has been with the universal custom of gift making, of filling stockings full of delightful presents for the little ones, of planting green cedars in the church house, in halls and drawingrooms, wherever taste or desire suggests, and loading them down with jumping jacks and doll babies and tin horns and ever so many pretty things, not to mention the fruits and confections which always form a necessary part of the Christmas tree. Happy childhood that can reap such pleasure from the Christmas time! Happy manhood and womanhood privileged to con tribute to and witness such refreshing exhibitions of supreme happiness!

There have been numerous social happen ings during the week just passed, but they have been almost exclusively of a Christmas character, comprised in the Christmas trees and Sunday-school celebrations. Several weddings have taken place in the city, but they were unattended by any display at the church or brilliant reception at home. Everybody enjoyed a Christmas dinner, of course, and there were some very pleasant but very quiet "teas" and "breakfasts," in which select parties passed an hour or two very pleasantly.

A breakfast ordered by a well known connoisseur and served for a party of half a dozen consisted mainly of fruit, native wine, a dry Sauterne, toasted birds and anti-dyspeptic dishes, served in half a dozen courses. Pleasant wit and entertainment consumed not more than two of the morning hours in the discussion of this breakfast, and it is doubtful if any of those who were present enjoyed any part of the holiday season more than this.

Among the society events of the week

was the marriage of Marion F. Fanning and Miss May Bradley, at the residence of the bride's father, Capt. J. D. Bradley, on Christmas eve, Rev. R. T. Hanks officiating. The young lady is one of East Dallas' fair The young lady is one of East Dahas lairest daughters, and the groom is a highly respected citizen and a member of the "Silver Star Band." Immediately after the ceremony the band, which was in attendance, struck up a lively waltz, and the bride and groom stepped out on the front gallery and kept time to the bewitching strains, by the light of the moon, to the great delight of the many friends and relatives assembled at the wedding feast. many friends the wedding feast.

The event of the present week will be the grand ball of the Idlewild Club, which is to take place in the hall of the Merchants' Exchange on the evening of the 29th. It is expect to attend are making preparations for it.

It is not known whether many ladies will keep open house on New Year's day or not. Some of those who are wont to entertain cannot receive at their own homes the coming New Year for obvious reasons and ing New Year for obvious reasons and vised the society editor of their intention to receive and of their desire to have all their gentlemen friends call. In order that all may know who are keeping open house on New Year's day The News will publish the names of the ladies receiving, if sent in by Thursday evening. Such publication is made in all the large cities, and as Dallas is cosmopolitan, why not here?

GILMER. Quite a number of young people enjoyed a splendid Christmas tree at the residence of Mr. J. L. Barr Christmas eve. The presents were many and very pretty and were received with delight by all.

Mr. A. D. Floyd is suffering severe pain on account of a terrible carbuncle on his

Mr. Frank Buie is visiting relatives and friends at Longview this week.

There was a splendid social at the residence of Mr. P. H. Daniels Christmas night.
It was well attended and the young beaux t was well attended and the young beaux ind belies of Gilmer vied with each other in

enfoyment of the occasion.

From reports several young men and ladies traded hearts there, and are well pleased with the exchange.

Messrs. Cargile and Martin are in the city

and have a drove of fine mules and horses on nand.

Messrs. M. C. Roberts and Berry T. Roberts, of San Augustine, Tex., are at the Ragland House.

Messrs. William Shields, R. A. Phelps and

Messrs. Within Shields, t. A. Frielps and William Lynch are at the Tillman House.

Messrs. J. W. Bussey and A. P. Gillespie, of Dawson, are visiting their parents and friends in this city.

There was a social party at Judge W. L. Martin's, Christmas night, given in honor of Misses May Ewing and Mollie Martin, of Martin's, Christmas night, given in honor of Misses May Ewing and Mollie Martin, of

J. G. Felts, Esq., at Glenwood, this county, gave a social last night.

There was a screnade Christmas eve night, and some splendid music was played in the open air.

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Oniega, this county, Christmas eve night.

The West Mountain people gave the young people there a Christmas tree Christmas night.

Miss May Ewing and Miss Mollie Martin,

of Sulphur Springs, are spending the holi-days with Judge W. L. Martin's family. Mrs. Henry Hales is recovering from her

Mrs. Henry hates is recovering from her late attack of pneumonia.

Mr. E. C. Lile is in the city and, with his amiable lady, will go to Nashville, Tenn., early in January next.

Mesdames Jennie Martin and Jennie Saunders, of Dallas, are visiting relatives here.

here. Mr. G. W. Alcorn and wife left on yester-

Mr. G. W. Alcorn and wire left on yester-day's train for Lewisville.

Prof. William Greer, of Goshen, Tex., is in the city visiting his friends and relatives.

Capt. J. P. Ford went to Tyler yesterday and returned to day. Mr. L. B. Hart returned from Tyler yes-

terday.

Mr. John Epperson and wife are visiting the family of J. L. Barr.

The "Gum-Drops" had a Christmas tree last night at J. L. Barr's residence. If

ter and his friends here are delighted to

ter and his friends here are delighted to note the improvement.

The "Gum-Drops" had a pleasant entertainment at the residence of Mrs. S. M. Smith Wednesday night, given in honor of Sammie Camp's return to his old home.

Miss Eugenia Lowe passed through the city on the 5 p. m. train en route for Texarkana. Miss Genie was raised here and has many warm friends and ardent admirers here. She was educated at Staunton, Va., and has ever been the pride and delight of her many friends.

Mr. Hiram Glass and Miss Hennie Dodson were married last Wednesday near Gray

were married last Wednesday near Gray Rock, and Mr. W. H. Davenport and Miss Jennie Cochran Thursday night. M'KINNEY.

Christmas festivities were opened by the 'Mikado" at the Shain Opera-house Monday night before one of the largest houses that has greeted a theatrical company this season.

Tuesday evening the kindergarten class of Mrs. Richarde gave an entertainment, all of their own, and which evinced a bond of union and sympathy between instructress and children truly admirable. Looking upon the opening scene a gentleman, who is a better judge of beauty than of religion, remarked: "That's the way I think heaven ought to look."

Wednesday evening an entertainment was given by the pupils of the music class of Madame Richarde and of the high school, under the direction of Prof. Allen.

"Prophete" was rendered charmingly by Messrs. Sargent and De Armond, and was a present prophecy of two fine musicians.

The "Broadway Belle," by little Misses Nenney and Oates, fairly captured the audience. The pert little misses seemed to take as naturally to their parts as a duck does to

water.

"Music Entrancing," by Messrs. Stone and Sargent, was emblematical of the beautiful vocalists' entrancing. An instrumental duet by two lovely sisters, Lula and Annie Fields, was excellently rendered. "Do and Didn't," by Misses Moore, Bass, and Mr. Richarde, exhibited an aptitude in the various parts highly creditable to the

performers.
"Two Cousins," a confession of love, sung by Misses Short and Sargent, was much admired. Polka, by Miss Sallie Bingham, was charmingly rendered and indicated a fine

An instrumental duet by Messrs. Cam-An instrumental duet by Messrs. Cameron and Moore, and one also by Misses Nannie and Maggie Taylor, the lovely daughters of Capt. W. H. Taylor, was much admired, and skilled musicians specially complimented what they called the "fingering" of these, as they did also that of Miss Mary de Armond.

ing" of these, as the, Mary de Armond.
"Tam O'Shanter," by Miss Josie Largent, brought vividly back the weird creation of brought Scotsman.

A Hallie Board

the poetic Scotsman.
Misses Bessie Ardinger and Hallie Board misses bessie Ardinger and Hame Board gave an excellent instrumental duet, and in the "Land of Swallows," their sweet voices added much to the harmony. "Go Ask Mother" was sweetly sung by Miss Helen Raymond and Master Henry

Richard.

Space forbids special mention of other creditable performances. A large audience of loving friends greeted the young people, and the concert was "a thing of beauty and

Lovers of fine music may expect a rare treat this week. Measures are being taken tooking toward a concert to be given by the best talent of the city under direction of

Ars. Abbott and Mme. Richarde, probably Vednesday night.

Our city has so far enjoyed a quiet but

The tree at the Baptist Church was also a ice affair and highly creditable to the nanagers. On Thursday night at Shain's Opera-house

On Thursday night at Shain's Opera-house there was a grand Christmas Eve ball, given by the young men of the city. As a "success" it was a surpassing affair. The floor of the large hall was cleared for the occasion, and, at the sound of the music, was filled with "fair women and bravemen," who kept step with strains of superb music. Many of the fair daughters of the city were present in their gayest attire. The ladies were arrayed in the most fascinating toilets and danced more beautifully than Herodias' wife's daughter. The young men made a brilliant success of their part of the affair. If will be an occassion long to be remembered by those who enjoyed its pleasures.

pleasures.

The social at Mr. John Davis' was also much enjoyed by the young people who

On Friday night there was a large gather-ing at Mr. Dolph Parker's, where social greetings, music and dancing were the order of the evening.

The City Hotel threw its rooms open on Saturday night to a large gathering of youngsters, who "tipped the light fantastic toe" to seductive strains of music.

GAINESVILLE. This being holiday week, Gainesville has been quite lively, socially. But little business has been done outside the Christmas shopping, and the people have been getting the most enjoyment possible out of the holidays. There have been a great number of euchre parties, dinners and receptions. The public school closed Thursday with a very pleasant entertainment. All the business houses closed at noon, and the whole popuation of the city turned out to have a good

time.

The most important social event of the week was the ball given at the Lindsay House Wednesday night, in honor of J. R. Cravens and bride, nee Miss Agnes Wright, Cravens and bride, nee Miss Agnes Wright, of Dallas. This was intended to be the greatest social event of the season, and all were pleased with the success of the affair. Mrs. Cravens, though a stranger, was made to feei that she was among friends, and the introduction to her new home was indeed gratifying to her. Among the ladies present were Miss Mamie Jones, of Dallas; Miss Mona Dills, of Sherman; Misses Cora Davis, Ida Cleaves, Josie Gardner, May Cunningham, Ollie Hudson, Bonnie Hill, Helen Kennerly, Jessie McMurray, Carrie Dent and Sena Morris, Mrs. F. A. Tyler, J. P. Hird, J. G. Leeper, A. A. Green, J. R. Harmon, W. L. Blanton, H. O. Cravens, A. H. Couson, Russell, Biser and Merzbacher. A handsome silver pitcher was presented by the Gainesville Riffes, of which company Mr. Cravens is a Lieutenant.

Several Gainesville people spent Christmas elsewhere. Miss Cord is at Austin, Miss Lula Marrs at Trenton, L. B. Edwards at Nashville, Tenn., A. Eddleman and family at Honey Grove.

Another wedding was booked for last Wednesday, but for some cause the parties did not come to time, though, it is said, we will not have to wait long for it.

On Monday morning W. M. Woodall, editor of the Pecos Valley, will be married to Miss Sallie Halsell, and will start at once for Pecos City.

The following is the list of marriage

to Miss Saine Haisell, and will start at once for Pecos City.

The following is the list of marriage licenses issued during the week: Zach. Taylor and Miss Bettie Marr, P. J. Holmm and Miss Annie Hugon, Joe Mills and Miss Eva Pullium, J. T. Lee and Miss Frances J. Houser, Thomas West and Miss Delia Holeman, J. W. Parker and Miss Valmie Anderson, Mays Williams and Miss Sallie Starkey, John Gist and Miss Blanche Renfro, J. H. Long and Miss L. J. Cole, W. Hosteller and Miss S. E. Ridenour, Charles Denmark and Miss Mary Bohanon, John Heidrick and Miss Rachel R. Owen, William Walling and Miss Clara Partin, W. L. Reasor and Miss Jessie Headington, W. O. Kinnie and Miss Laura Patrick.

Father Levy, who has been quite sick with yphoid pneumonia, is able to be typhoid pneumonia, is able to be out again.
Judge Duncan and wife, of Tyler, are
spending the holidays here.
Ed. R. Davis will go to Tyler Monday to

Ed. R. Davis ... spend a month.

All of the Sabbath schools gave entertain-All of the Sabbath schools gave entertainpassed off very pleasantly.

Hon. J. L. Camp, Sr., arrived from Jefferson this week. His health is much bethighly appreciated by both old and young.

Who has won a host of friends during ins
short residence here. The happy couple
highly appreciated by both old and young.

The small boys have had a glorious time of it. No mishaps so far.

One of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season was given at the residence of of the season was given at the residence of Mr. J. W. Blake. The house presented a fairy picture, brilliantly lighted, and the gallery and windows were made picturesque with Japanese lanterns. Among the ladies present were Misses Nannie Mosely, Lillian Moss, Ida McKenzie, May Prendergast, Ruby Yelverton and Mattie Blake. The gentlemen: Messers. J. R. Corley, Alexander Mosely, John Prendergast, Howard and Phocion Parks, Dr. R. E. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Munger, formerly of this place, but late of Dallas. At 9 o'clock the diningroom doors were thrown open and Mrs. Blake announced tea. On entering the dining hall, which was elegantly fitted up, three tables were loaded down with the sweet things of Christmas times. After partaking bountifully of the good things bestowed, the guests were entertained with delightful music and songs by Misses Blake, Yelverton and Prendergast.

The display of fireworks Christmas night was unusually large, the whole town being kept ablaze with rockets and Roman candles for several hours.

Christmas trees were given by the Methodist and Cumberland Presbyterian Sabbath Schools at the Methodist Church, and by the Baptist Sabbath School at the Baptist Church. All were well attended, and seemed to be greatly enjoyed by old and young.

Travis Lodge No. 20, K. of P., elected the Mr. J. W. Blake. The house presented a

Travis Lodge No. 20, K. of P., elected the Travis Lodge No. 20, K. of P., elected the following officers for the ensuing year: A. Eisenberg, C. C.; J. S. Roberts, V. C.; T. Hays, P.; S. Katten, K. of R. and S.; J. A. Gardiner, M. of E.; M. Mindek, M. of F.; H. Sorensen, M. A.; G. M. Read, P. C.; J. A. Gardiner, representative to Grand Lodge.

A lodge of Knights and Ladies' United Brotherhood has been organized at this place with a membership of thirty-two to start with. The order is run upon a plan similar to the Knights of Honor, and promises to prove a very popular insurance organization.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Munger, of Dallas, formerly of this place, are spending Christmas with relatives and friends here.

Major P. W. Walton, of Grimes County, is in the city visiting his relatives.

Mr. L. P. Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Towers, of Thornton, are among the visitors in town.

Mr. J. J. Beckham, a former citizen of this place, now of Greenville, was down this week on a short visit to relatives and looking after business interests here.

WILLS POINT.

WILLS POINT. Christmas in Wills Point in the year 1885 has been very quiet, but withal a very pleasant one.

The Christmas tree at the Opera Hall on the evening of the 24th was fairly loaded down with handsome and valuable presents. The Opera Hall, which is one of the largest in this portion of the State, was literally packed with people.

Before the distribution of the presents Judge John S. Spinks, of Canton, in response to the solicitations of the audience, delivered a most appropriate and entertaining address.
Miss Nora Kearby favored the audience
with a beautiful recitation suitable to the

with a beautiful recitation suitable to the occasion.

After the presents were distributed a large space near the center of the hall was cleared for the use of those who desired to "trip the light fantastic toe," and the sound of music and dancing was heard until long after the hour when grayes are said to yawn and their occupants emerge for their terrestial perambulations. It was an occasion which will not soon be forgotten.

A social gathering at the residence of Mr. J. F. Mantfort on Friday evening was another occasion which will long be remembered by those who were so fortunate as to be present.

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An entertainment at the Harris on the evening of the 26th may also be remembered among those occasions which will ever be recalled with feelings of pleasure by all who were present.

Quite a number of visitors are spending Christmas in Wills Point.

A mong the visiting young ladies are Miss

Christmas in Wills Point.

Among the visiting young ladies are Miss Connie Garrett, of Cedar Grove, who is the guest of Miss Mary Parish; Miss Abels, of Terrell, also the guest of Miss Parish, and Miss Lucy Cole, of Jacksonville.

Among the visiting young gentlemen are Messrs. Frank White and Henry Neil, of Dallas; James Ross and Harry Childress, of Greenville.

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Judge Spinks, of Canton, has also been spending Christmas at Wills Point.

Mr. Sam Torbett, who has been at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Byran for some time, is spending a few slow with friends and relatives have days with friends and relatives here.

Christmas holidays epitomized: The town was gloriously painted red. The dancing school has been the most popular resort during Christmas.

BONHAM.

A phantom party was given by the young ladies at the residence of Mr. L. C. Wilson, Wednesday evening, the first of the season and was highly enjoyed by all.

The Christmas tree at the Methodist Church, Thursday evening, was a great success. Many fine presents were given to the

cess. Many fine presents were given to the children. The recitation by Miss Lela Hensley, of M. F. Institute, deserves special mention. The singing by the choir was very good and was loudly applauded.

Mrs. Capt. E. H. Lyday entertained a few friends on Wednesday evening last. All had a very pleasant time.

Mrs. Thos. Pace gave a very pleasant entertainment Christmas evening, complimentary to Miss Jessie Cook, of Paris.

Quite a number of the young ladies of the Masonic Female Institute are visiting parents and friends this week.

The young ladies and gentlemen spent a very pleasant evening at the residence of J. M. Bennett. Refreshments were under the direction and management of Mrs. Bennett, and did great credit to her.

Friday night, Prof. Landrum gave the

and did great credit to her:
Friday night, Prof. Landrum gave the class their weekly hop. Quite a number of society people were present and took part.
A grand hop is to be given at Hotel Perkins Tuesday night, and a good time is expected. Music will be furnished by Prof. Hawkins.
Welter Pelamen of Little Pools in it.

Hawkins.
Walter Paleman, of Little Rock, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Soady, and will remain during the holidays.
J. W. Soady gives a party Saturday night, complimentary to Miss E. Paleman, who is a

ALBANY. One hundred trees of different descriptions have been ordered from a nursery to be planted in the courthouse yard. They are to be delivered Feb. 1, 1886. They will add to the beauty of the courthouse and surroundings.

Mr. S. K. Radford, a citizen of this county, and Miss Nellie Armstrong, of Abilene, were united in matrimony at Abilene on Dec. 17. On Dec. 22 Mr. A. E. Dyer, of Jones

County, was united in matrimeny to Miss Lizzie Thompson, of Albany, the Rev. John A. Wallace officiating. The bride received a large number of beautiful and handsome The eards are in circulation that Mr. E. Frankel, a merchant of Fort Griffin, in this county, will be united in matrimony on Jan. 6, 1886, to Miss Lillie Bernstein, of Shreveport, La., the ceremony to take place at Shreveport.

On Christmas eye, the Sunday schools of

On Christmas eve the Sunday schools of the different churches had their Christmas trees, which were laden with presents, and all appeared happy and contented. HEARNE.

The society event of the season was the marriage, Christmas eve, of Mr. J. D. Jenkins and Miss Emma Guenzell, both of this city. The bride is one of Hearne's most charming young ladies, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Guenzell. The groom s a popular young business man of Hearne, who has won a host of friends during his

valuable presents from their numerous Christmas passed off unusually quiet.

Christmas passed off unusually quiet. Nothing occurred to mar the pleasures that were indulged in by all.

A delightful surprise was given by a delegation of young people last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Westbrooks, in the Brazos bottom, about four miles from town. The host and hostess were evidently aware of what was coming, for they had made ample preparations, and a sumptuous repast fit for the gods was spread in the yard under the large trees, which were brilliantly illuminated, adding much to the beautiful surroundings. The young people owe much to Mr. and Mrs. Westbrooks and the charming young ladies of the houseowe much to Mr. and Mrs. Westbrooks and the charming young ladies of the household, Miss Randall and Miss Miller, for their hospitality bestowed upon the many guests present. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour, when the party dispersed, all feeling happy and cheerful after spending such a pleasant evening. It was an event long to be remembered.

FORT WORTH. James A. Gillespie, David Cosler and Miss Mattie Cosler, of Dayton, Ohio, are visiting the family of G. W. Gillespie. Mr. and Mrs. J. Laing, of Weatherford,

spent Christmas in the Fort. Miss Barnhardt, of Austin, is visiting Mrs. M. B. Lovd. Miss Lillie Burney, of Greenville, is visit-

ng the family of J. M. Williams.
Dr. J. L. Cooper has gone to his old home tt Crockett for the holidays.
G. B. Joy and Miss Mollie Wall were married at the residence of the bride's parents on Wednesday evening, the Rev. A. A. John

on officiating.

Capt. M. B. Loyd and S. B. Burnett, his son-in-law, left Tuesday evening for St. Louis in response to a telegram from Miss Burnett, who is there undergoing medical

J. H. Brynart, of Big Springs, and Miss A. A. Hoefie, of Fort Worth, were married at the South Side Presbyterian Church on John R. Hedges left on Thursday morning for Mansfield, Ohio, where he will be married on Wednesday next to a young

ing for Mansheld. Onlo, where he will be married on Wednesday next to a young lady of that city.

A very enjoyable progressive euchre party was held at the residence of Frank Ball, Esq., on Tuesday night.

The Cupid Club, a juvenile organization, gave an entertainment at the residence of W. A. Huffman on Christmas eve.

A large number of society people will receive on New Year's day.

PLANO. J. M. Gee was visiting friends at Bonham last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Huffman and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Sheppard left for Oak Ridge, La. to spend the holidays last Tuesday. Mrs. Kate Moreman, Mrs. Josie Overaker, Mrs. H. M. Beaty, Misses Willie Coffer and

May Reese were doing Dallas one day last

week.
All the girls and boys in Plano between the ages of 12 and 15 were given a reception Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. Dyson, which was handsomely decorated with evergreens, but in all its artistic arrangement it did not equal in beauty the bright and happy children who participated in the gaieties of the evening. The table was a beauty with its sparkling glass and silver, and inviting delicacies all combining to add brightness and brilliancy to the most recherche children's party ever given in Plano. Misses Pearl Gee and Willie Coffer each

gave their friends a complimentary party Friday evening. John Rainwater, of Fort Worth, is here

visiting friends.

The students of the Plano Institute presented Prof. W. F. Mister with a fine writing desk, and Prof. T. G. Harris with an elegant rocking chair for a Christmas present.

The chorus composed of small girls, under
the supervision of Miss Julia Mister, ren-dered some excellent music at the Christ-

WALNUT SPRINGS. The Christmas festivities here have so far been of the most harmless and enjoyable

On Christmas Eve, Central College Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, to reap the fruits of the Christmas tree. A very amusing incident occurred as the exercises were about to open. The Santa Claus of the occasion was, of course, dressed after a grotesque fashion, part of which consisted of tags of loose cotton all over his clothes. Coming too near a lighted candle this cotton took fire. As soon as Santa-realized the situation, he set in to bucking in genuine Texas mustang style—down the aisle, over the stove, out of the door, on to the common, all in a blaze, with three or four solicitous friends after him, raking off the blazing cotton as he went. He was finally captured and stripped, and found to be uninjured. Then the general mirth was great. Santa reappeared on the stage, stripped of his robes of office, however, and opened the exercises, which passed off in the most pleasant manner. amusing incident occurred as the exercises

exercises, which passed off in the most pleasant manner. Last night the Sunday Schools united in a Christmas exercise at the Baptist Church. After a cantata, in which Mr. J. W. Baskin appeared as Kris Kringle, greatly to the amusement of the children, presents were distributed from two heavily loaded trees.

It was a very enjoyable occasion to all, and especially those who received presents, some of which were very costly.

Everything is very quiet. No drunkenness in the town, as a matter of course, for Largester, head of the received and the course, for Largester, head of the received and the course, for Largester, head of the received and the course, for Largester, head of the received and the re Lancaster has long been a local option Dr. G. R. Clayton, the Sherman oculist, a

former resident of Lancaster, is here to spend the holidays.

Mr. R. M. Clark and family, from Waxa-hachie, and Mr. Nat Turney, from Dallas, are also spending the holidays in Lancas-The school at the Lancaster Masonic In

stitute closed Wednesday the 23d for the holidays, to begin again Jan. 4, 1886. The small boys are reveling in the noisy pastime of firing crackers and anvils. CLEBURNE. This week will be one of continual enjoy-

ment for the young people. A number of entertainments are on the programme.
Mr. and Mrs. Blalock, of Kosse, are in the

city visiting the family of Mr. B. W. Brown, D. W. O'Dell, agent of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Road at Somerville, and son of Mayor O'Dell, was with his father and amily Christmas day.
A. W. Dawson, of Fort Worth, is in the

city.

Miss Ellen Smith, daughter of Capt. Tilman Smith, who is a student of a Dallas female college, is spending the holidays at her Miss Rowena Hill, of LaGrange, who on a previous visit here made a host of friends, arrived to-night and will be the guest of Mr.

MORGAN. The concert given by the school children came off as announced, and was a very in-

teresting affair. The Christmas tree was enjoyed by nearly all of the town popula-tion, but it is hard to tell whether it was dedicated to the children or adults, for it dedicated to the children or adults, for it

A number of couples attended the grand ball at Clifton last night. A pleasant social was given by Miss Annie Hawkins on Christmas night. The M. M. C. hop comes off on Wednesday night next.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Spence will give a reception on Tuesday, the 20th.

ATLANTA. The young folks had a dance at Morris' Opera-house last night, and all went merry as a wedding bell." Misses Lizzie Gall and Rosa Morris, of

Shreveport, are visiting Mrs. M. Jacobs. Miss Annie Northem, Della Pearl and Anna Lockett, who have been visiting friends here, left for home yesterday. The Christmas tree at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Thursday night, under the management of the ladies of the Methodist and Baptist Sunday Schools, was a grand success. Judge Hop Henderson was called on and made some happy and appropriate

on and made some happy and appropriate remarks.

Miss Simmonds, of Texarkana, is visiting Benj. Crawford's family.

H. E. Henderson, Esq., and ladies of Daingerfield, are spending Christmas with his father, Col. W. W. Henderson. Miss Bessie Bradfield, of Daingerfield, is also visiting at Col. Henderson's.

Miss Bettie Scott, of Tyler, is the guest of Mrs. W. S. Lee.

Miss May James, of Marshall, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. B. James.

Miss Emma Adams, of Texarkana, who has been enjoying a stay with relatives in the city, left for home Friday night, accompanied by J. M. Adams and wife and Misses Mittle McReynolds, Georgie and Tabbie panied by J. M. Adams and wife and Tabbie Mittie McReynolds, Georgie and Tabbie

Mr. and Mrs. David Bryant, of Dallas, spent Christmas day with Major and Miss A. Hinchman.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Berry are spending the

holidays with Mr. Berry's parents at Marshall. Misses Bettie Dunnica and Jessie Booth, of Bryan, are guests of Capt. and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones, residing in the ower portion of the county, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Chestnut. Miss Kate Cabell, of Dallas, has been the

Thomas Dugelby.

guest of Capt. and Mrs. T. A. Blair. Her visit was a gratifying episode in Waco sotiety circles.
At their residence, corner of Sixth and

Washington streets, on Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Shepherd celebrated their crystal (fifteenth anniversary) wedding. A number of friends were pres

ent.
Miss Lizzie Canntreson is on a month's visit to her sister, Mrs. F. W. Knight, in Greenville, Hunt County.
A pleasant gathering, in the nature of an entertainment tendered by the pupils of Mary Davis' select school to their parents the strengt friends took place at the syneroment. and friends, took place at the synagogue. It

as a treat.
Mr. and Mrs. James R. Kellum continue to receive the congratulations of friends and acquaintances from abroad. The mar-riage was celebrated by Rev. Horace Bishop on Wednesday last. The bride, nee Miss Sallie G. Rowan, is a favorite in society

The Gleaners entertainment in the lecture The Gleaners entertainment in the lecture room of the Austin Street Presbyterian Church was a very enjoyable affair. The programme included a Christmas tree.

There were beautiful and heavily laden Christmas trees at the Fourth street Baptist, at the Fifth street Christian and at the German Methodist Churches.

The Women's Mutual Aid Society had their Christmas tree Saturday night, when several hundred children and grown folks were made happy.

The prisoners in the jail were sent a fine dinner by the ladies of the Fifth Street Methodist Church, which was heralded by a liberal supply of eggnogg sent them by the

liberal supply of eggnogg sent them by the kind hearted wife of Sheriff W. T. Harris.

John W. Baker, the matrimonial Santa Claus, of McLennan County, filled sixty-eight pairs of hose and half-hose with marrish the same of lage licenses during the week.
Christmas comes again there will be music

CORSICANA. Last Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, the marriage of Miss Lila Kerr to Mr. J. J. Mc-Clellan, both of this city, was celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents, Dr. E. B. Crisman officiating. After the marriage ceremony was over all present were invited to the dining room, where they were treated to a magnificent supper. The morning after the ceremony the couple left for Tennessee, by way of New Orleans, and will be absent

by way of New Orleans, and will be absent several weeks.

The groom is County Attorney of this county, a popular and rising young lawyer, and is destined to reach an exalted position in his profesion. The bride is one of the most popular members of Corsicana society. Beautiful, gentle and refined, she won the hearts of all who knew her, and the best wishes of a host of friends go with her to her new station in life. The presents received were valuable and numerous.

Hon. B. F. Davis, who has been in Collin County on business, has returned to spend the holidays with his family.

Mr. Frank Vanhorn and family left last week for Fayetteville, Ark., which they will make their future home.

Miss Etta Means, of Cotton Gin, is visiting friends in the city.

ool Superintendent's meeting at Fort

Miss Nellie Story, of LaGrange, Ga., is visiting her coustn, Mrs. John B. Willis, of this city.

To-night at 8 o'clock, Jeff Barnaby will be united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Miss Barbara Rich, at the residence of the bride's father, three miles north of town; Judge R. W. Walton officiating.

MARSHALL. Miss Fannie Bridges, of Fort Worth, is visiting Miss Mary Austin. Mr. Will Heard, of Palestine, is spending

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Miller, late of St. Louis,

Christmas with his parents. Miss Kate Gracey, of Summit, Miss., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Joe Brown.

are in this city. Mr. Miller is in the employ of the Texas and Pacific Railway. Dr. John H. Pope and wife are on a trip to Florida, with hopes of improving his Hon. Robert Howard, Assistant Attorney

Hon. Robert Howard, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, spent several hours here yesterday on his way to Shreveport on legal business of the government. He will return next Tuesday.

Mr. E. W. Thompson and Miss E. J. Hall were married at Grove Chapel, this county, on the 23d, Rev. W. C. Holloway officiating.

By County Judge Keller, in his office, on the 23d, Mr. W. L. Fisher and Miss Anna Austin.

Austin.
Mr. Malcom Hightower and Miss Fannie
Fortson were married Friday at Bethany, this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. P. Stoneman, of this city, celebrated the fortieth anniversary of their wedding on the 10th. Judge Maltbie, wife and child, spent

Christmas day in Denison. The young gentlemen of Denison gave Miss Helen Williams, of Bonham, a com-plimentary hop at the Colonade Hotel

Miss Compie Redwood, a teacher in the public school, was presented by the children of her class with a handsome pair of vases to Christian a contract. of her class with a handsome pair of vases as a Christmas present.

A private wedding took place Christmas eve at the Methodist parsonage. The contracting parties were Mr. Henry Clark and Miss Ella Hanson, both of this city, Rev. Folkenberg, pastor, officiating.

A double wedding anniversary was held Christmas night by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. George Fielder in honor of their wedding. A number of invited guests were present.

Mr. Clarence Wolfington, of Sherman, and Miss Laurel Woefington, of this city, were married last night by Judge Adams at his office. The bride and groom are cousins.

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WHITESBORO. The Methodist Church was filled to overflowing Thursday night, the occasion being an elegant Christmas tree, from which many beautiful and valuable presents were distributed. The church was tastily decorated and the superb music rendered by the choir made the scene enchanting.

At the Presbyterian Church the usual exercises were varied by a well, from which the presents were taken by Santa Claus. The distribution of presents was preceded by an excellent literary entertainment. Christmas was a beautiful day and the treets were quiet.
The ladies of the Woman's Christian

some of which carry us back to the colonial adys. Ten cents admission was charged and the ladies netted a handsome sum.

Miss Mary Drake went to Sherman Friday to spend Christmas with her parents.

A ball was given at the residedce of Mrs.

S. A. Crenshaw Friday night to the cowboys only. It was a novel affair, and altogether very pleasant.

very pleasant.

A very enjoyable party was given to the young folks by Mrs. M. W. Witt Friday

night.

Miss Belle Anderson, of Bloomfield, I. T., is visiting relatives in this city.

Prof. John Parker, superintendent of the Montague public school, is visiting in Whitesboro.

Mr. Charles Priddy, of Gainesville, was visiting friends in our town Saturday.

Mrs. D. J. Moffitt, of Pilot Point, is visiting Mrs. E. B. Hardie.

WICHITA FALLS. On Christmas eve there were two Christmas trees, one at the courthouse for people generally, and one at the Presbyterian

The Pioneer Lodge, No. 49, of the Knights of Pythias, gave a grand ball and supper at the courthouse on the evening of Dec. 23. The supper was most elegant, and was duly appreciated by the noble Knights and their appreciated by the holle Khighs and their fair friends. The various committees were as follows: A. S. Stinnell, A. T. Matheny, W. M. Keller, committee of arrangements; J. P. Boyd, C. H. Bowers, T. Keller, reception committee; J. A. Kemp, J. C. Ward, Jas. Barker, F. M. Mullens, floor managers; C. E. Reed, W. M. Keller, A. L. Stinnell, invitation committee; G. W. Caldwell, M. M. Templeton, L. B. Null, L. L. Wittich, committee on supper; I. J. Williams, doorkeeper.

keeper. Mr. Asby James and Miss Mattie Dun-nington were married on the 24th, at the Episcopal Church, by the Rev. Mr. Shaw, and left the same day to spend the honey-moon at New Orleans and Galveston. Their many friends wish them health, wealth and happiness. happiness.

SHERMAN.

The rites of matrimony were celebrated between Charles B. Banks, of Honey Grove, and Miss Sallie E. Caywood at the residence of M. W. Bowles, 625 Maxey street, this morning. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. F. Clarke, of Trinity M. E. Church, Dallas. The young bride and groom were presented with quite a number of handsome and appropriate presents by friends in Dallas, Paris, Honey Grove and Sherman. After the conclusion of the ceremony the couple repaired to the Union passenger depot, where they took the train for Honey Grove, which will be their future home. The bride is one of the most estimable young ladies in this county, while the groom is one of the most highly respected citizens of Honey Grove.

Some one is supposed to have stolen a horse from the premises of Chas. Wells, on North Broughton street, last night, as the horse was missing this morning and all of the gates were securely fastened. The fence is rather high, and it is not probable that the animal could have jumped over it. presented with quite a number of handsome

PALESTINE. The opera-house was packed last night by the cream of the city, eager to witness the initial performance of Palestine's Home Social Dramatic Club, composed entirely of ladies and gentlemen of this city, in Wybert Reeves' four act comedy drama entitled "Parted." The following ladies and gentlemen compose the club: Mr. Sim and gentiemen compose the club: Mr. Sim
Gernsbacher, Alex Kaiser, Myer Crown, A.
G. Greenwood, Max Nicholson, Mrs. A.
Kaiser, Miss Odalie Vienne, Mrs. A. Teah.
The club was assisted in vocal music by
Mrs. C. Kaiser, of Brenham, and
Miss Sophie Cohn, of this city,
and by Miss Kate Hunter and
Messrs. B. Landon and Charles Dilker. The
parts were admirably sustained and an messrs. B. Landon and Charles Dilker. The parts were admirably sustained and an agreeable surprise to all as an amateur performance. The proceeds will be donated to the various Sunday schools of the city. Palestine is justly proud of her enterprising amateurs and expects great achievements in the future.

ARLINGTON.

One of the most brilliant social events of the season occurred at Johnson Station last Wednesday night, in the wedding of Mr. J. D. McKnight and Miss Laura Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis M. Timmerman left this morning for Laurence, at which place they will spend a few days with relatives and friends. Miss Mattie Taylor is visiting Fort Worth. Mr. W. D. Sampson, of Gladewater, is spending a few days with friends at Arling-

churches in the city last Thursday night, and Santa Claus seemed to have been overstocked when he passed this way, hence they were very heavily laden.

Major L. D. Wyatt, of Kaufman, and Rev.

J. R. Scoggins, of Pecos, are viewing the sights in the city. Dr. and Mrs. Charles Shultz, of Alverado, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Spruance.

PILOT POINT. Mr. Euler B. Smith, of Whitesboro, and Miss Mary B. Drake were united in marriage, on Sunday, at the residence of the bride's father, Dr. E. L. Drake, in Sherman. Christmas has passed quietly and pleasantly. The Christmas tree at the Cumberand Church was largely attended and many valuable presents distributed.

The pound supper given by the Presby-terians was greatly enjoyed by the old as

well as the young people.

Miss Felicia Miller left Wednesday evening for Dallas to spend the holidays.

Miss Mattie and Ollie Easly, of Fort Worth, who are attending school here, went home to spend Christmas.

HILLSBORO.

Dr. T. T. Tarlton and his wife, who has

been visiting relatives here for a week past, returned to his home in Louisiana to-day. Mr. J. L. Cleveland and wife, of Cleburne, are visiting friends and relatives here. Our people have had almost a surfeit of theatricals this week, one company playing a three night's engagement and another one night. The last were the Full Moon Minstrels, of Waco, who played here last night. One hundred and four Wacoites came up to see the performance.

o see the performance Several small raffles have taken place here, but the big raffle came off Friday night, consisting of twenty different articles, such as gentlemen's and ladies' dressing cases, etc., the whole valued at \$100. John Guye, throwing the highest, got the first prize, a ladies' dressing case, valued at \$18, and Price Pultey, the lowest, got the second prize, a dressing case, worth \$18. Thos, Wise won the third, and J. H.

RICHLAND. Christmas passed very quietly; everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The polite and affable Houston and Texas Central ticket agent of Corsicana, Mr. Charles Bullock and wife, who were married yesterday, were in town to-day, the guests of Thos. Jones, but returned home this afternoon. May their life be long and happy.

GLEN ROSE. The 24th, a bright, beautiful day, opened the Christmas holiday with more than usual success. The Christmas tree bore a present for everybody in the Glen. The ladies' supper for the M. E. Church at the Courthouse was a victory over hard times. Everything as happy as a marriage bell.

RICE. Quite a crowd left on the south bound train this morning to witness the marriage of J. W. Neal, of this place, to Miss Jennie Scott, of Mexia. Mr. Neal is well and favorably known in this section. A reception will be given the young couple by Col. Wm. Haynie and his wife.

KINGSBURY. Temperance Union, of this place, have kept open a bazar of curiosities for the past four days. Many interesting and instructive Mr. A. J. Cook, formerly of this place, was united in marriage with Miss Nettie Hubbard, one of the belles of this city on relics and souvenirs have been collected,

STATE SPECIAL SELECTIONS.

DRIFT CAUGHT IN THE NEWS DRAG NET.

All Sorts of Items of the Day Culled and Condensed from Every Point of the Compass in Texas.

Specials to The News.

Longview.

LONGVIEW, Dec. 27.—Rev. Mr. Lee Clere, the Methodist minister, sent by the conference to this station, preached his first sermon here this morning to a large con-

A housefull of children gathered at the Methodist Church last night and enjoyed themselves a number of hours in receiving one of Dr. Lawrence's fine dwellings caught fire yesterday, but the roof was covered so quickly by nimble firemen that it was smothered in its incipiency with a loss of hardly \$25.

Hon. Sam Cundiffleft to-day on a business trip over the St. Louis and Texas.

Sulphur Springs.

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Dec. 27.—The parties arrested by Deputy Marshal Robertson have had their examining trial, and were each held to answer at the February term of the Federal Court at Jefferson in a \$1000

bond, which they have not given yet.

The Sulphur Springs market has received about 10,000 bales of cotton. Buyers expect the receipt of 500 bales more.

Immigration to this county is greater this winter than for years. The immigrants are of a good class of farmers, able to locate themselves comfortably.

Alvarado.

ALVARADO, Dec. 27 .- Christmas, so far, has passed off quietly.

Last night, while R.H. Coleman and Frank Johnson were in the act of firing off some anvils they dropped a lighted cigar in two pounds of powder. Both were severely burned and it is not certain but Mr. Cole-man may lose his sight entirely. A grand military ball will be given at the opera-house on the 29th, when a flag will be presented to the Alvarado Guards by the young ladies of the city.

by the young ladies of the city.

TEMPLE, Dec. 27.—General Manager Snyder, of the Santa Fe, passed through here last night in his private car, going to Brown-

A man giving his name as Cook, alias Altman, was arrested here by City Marshal Baker and taken to Orange on a charge of swindling.
Deputy Sheriff Tucker, of Falls County, arrested a man, name not ascertained, who was riding a horse belonging to a Mr. Wynne, of McGregor.

Atlanta.

ATLANTA, Dec. 27.-W. A. Miles has sold his livery stable to parties who will remove the stable to another block and build a three-story hotel where it now stands.

Work is to commence as soon as the brick for the building are burned.

Charlie Terry, colored, charged with stealing \$9 05 from another negro, was tried in Justice Allbright's Court yesterday and bound over to appear before the District Court in the sum of \$250.

Denison.

DENISON, Dec. 27 .- At a raffle for ladies' gold watch last night Charley Anderson won the same, throwing forty-five. At the same place two handsome music boxes were raffled, the highest number thrown having first choice and the lowest the other. Mr. Sam Waller, throwing forty-two and Phil. Smith eighteen, were the two successful par-

McKinney.

McKinney, Dec. 27.—Services were held to-day at the Old School Presbyterian and at the Christian Church. Rev. John R. of the Methodist Church, was absent At the Old School Rev. H. R. Raymond delivered an address—a sort of resume of the year—presenting the many blessing God had conferred, and saking each to think for himself what he had done in return.

Jacksonville.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 27.—Two cars of cotton caught fire in the yard of the Kansas and Gulf Short Line to-day. Fifty-five bales of cotton were destroyed and both of the cars badly burned. has shipped about seven

COMETS AND A STAR DISCOVERED.

Prof. Swift Gets His Eye on Heavenly Tail-Toters and a Twinkler.

ROCHESTER, Dec. 27.—Prof. Swift, of Warner Observatory, last evening received a telegram from Prof. Brooks, of Phelps, announcing the discovery of another comet. It is in the constellation of Aquilla, which in the early evening is low in the southwest. It is situated about six degrees south of Alpha and is described as "brightest" and having a slow easterly motion. This secures to Mr. Brooks the second Warner prize of \$2000 of 1885. Prof. Swift last evening observed Barnard's and the Paris comets. He also found a star of the sixth of the comet. The Paris comet is brighten

THE FIRE RECORD.

AT ATLANTA, TEXAS. ATLANTA, Dec. 27.—News reached town to-day that the residence of Mr. W. A. Whatley, one of Cass County's most successful farmers, was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. Loss about \$3000. The fire was under full headway before the fam-

ily was awakened. Milk Diet for Gout. Paris Letter to the London Truth.

There has been merriment in the old halls of England about honest Hodge and the cow. I am almost a Hindoo in my veneration for that animal, whom I regard as the foster-mother of mankind. The doctors are beginning to discover her value, not only for babes, but for adults. But house-fed cows are only good for the undertaker's trade, because they are sure to diffuse consumption. The other day I went to see an English friend who had been suffering from a sharp attack of gout. He was taken with it here, on his way to Cannes, and thought himself too till ever to recover. There a sharp attack of gout. He was taken with it here, on his way to Cannes, and thought himself too ill ever to recover. There were twinges everywhere. Each essential organ became in turn the seat of the disease, and his spirits were depressed and his brain foggy. An ordinary doctor mildly suggested a lacteal diet, but as the patient hated milk he refused to accept this regimen. A specialist was then called in. He said: "Meat and wine—not excepting Bordeaux—are in your present state rank poison. You must take no tea, coffee or any other stimulant for ten days. Your food is to be milk every three hours. If you find it too heavy, mix it with Hauterive-Vichy. Vary it, too, by having it mixed with onion or leek soups, or with eggs done a la creme. I have had patients who were half suffocated with gouty matter in their blood, and others who thought their brains were softening. This

be regarded as a staple aliment by old and young." M. Barthelemy St. Hilaire, who is as old as M. Grevy, has lived for years chiefly on milk. He keeps a hornless goat which gives him nearly three quarts a day. An old woman is hired to take the animal out regularly for a walk, and to bring it fresh grass. M. St. Hilaire does not wear a great coat, however inclement the weather. He walks from Passy to the Senate and Institute, when he has business there, and back; has never ridden in a wheeled vehicle since he was Foreign Minister, is free from every infirmity of old wheeled vehicle since he was Foreign Minister, is free from every infirmity of old age, and gets up every morning at 5 o'clock to work at his translation of "Aristotle," of which he has yet seven volumes to get through. He thinks that most of the ills to which the rich are subject come of eating and drinking too much, and trying to have more than their share of enjoyment.

DR. HULL'S PETS.

An Infernal Machine That Lifted Crows Over the Barn.

"Crows, eh? Wal. I kin chin with ye on that subjec' till th' cows come hum," said Dr. Banty Hull, Carbondale's famous 'ager" curer, as he sat in the Coyne House at Scranton, Pa., waiting for the train to go to Carbondale, and talking to a New York Sun correspondent. "One spring, when I lived in Waymart, the crows were thicker roun my corn patch 'n bees round a hive.
They'd scratch th' corn out o' th' groun' fast ez I could plant it, an' all the scarecrows I could put up wouldn't 'sturb 'em a bit. I'd planted the patch three times, an' I promised myself not to plant that patch over again until I'd done somethin' to drive the crows away.

"I went to the woods an' cut a limber saplin' 'bout twenty foot long. I took it hum

over again until I'd done somethin' to drive the crows away.

"I went to the woods an' cut a limber saplin' bout twenty foot long. I took it hum an' planted it in the groun' jest over th' fence from th' corn-patch. Then I got some strips of eelskin an' tied 'em together an' fastened one end to th' top o' the saplin'. At t'other end o' the string I fixed a little platform. Then I bent the saplin' over an' fastened th' platform flat on th' groun' in such a way that a little touch 'd loosen th' platform an' let th' pole back to its 'riginal p'sition. Forty or fifty crows got on th' fence an' seen merig up th' pole. They sung an' acted ez if they thought I was fixin' things fur a Sunday School picnic. After I'd fastened th' platform on th' groun' an' sprinkled a little corn over 'n 'round it I walked away onconsarned like. I hadn't went five rod 'fore the hull passel o' crows made fur that air corn. They hadn't mor'n got on it when th' pole flew back an' a crow went sailin' up over th' barn ez though he couldn't help it. Then I run over'n set the trap agin, an' hurried roun' to th' back side o' th' barn to look fur th' trounced crow. While I was there 'nuther crow came sailin tail fust, an' when he dropped they wasn't a breath o' life left in his black carcass. Th' other one was kickin' his last kick when I reached him, an' I said to myself, I guess this thing is bound to work. When I got back to th' patch th' crows was pickin' up th' corn ez if they hadn't had any in a week, an' when I shew'd 'em away they didn't want to go. They hadn't missed ary one o' th' crows that sailed over th' barn. I wanted to stay back there an' see the corn robbers when they sailed over, an' so I called Hank an' larn't him how to set the trap. Then I went back o' th' barn agin, an' ev'ry two or three minutes fur th' next hour crows come sailin' over ez swift ez if they'd been shot out of a cannon. Hank kep' th' trap a-hummin' fur 'nuther half hour, an' finally th' remainin' crows 'opeared to see what was up, for all at once they give a

s scratched up.
'When I lived over in Salem township I "Was scratched up.

"When I lived over in Salem township I put a dead sheep out in a lot one spring, an' it wasn't there 'n hour 'fore a passel of crows tackled it. I couldn't git near enough to shoot any of 'em. I hitched th' oxen to a holler log that laid up on a side hill an' dragged it to the medder where th' dead sheep laid, an' put it so that th' en p'inted toward the sheep. Airly th' nex' mornin' I took my gun an' crawled into th' log an' got ready to slay a few crows. Wal, sir, you may not swaller what I'm goin to tell ye, but it's a fac' that not a single crow lit on that air sheep while I laid in the log. They seen me crawl in, I guess. That night I put some some straw an' a few pieces of rag carpet in th' log, an' slep' there all night. 'Bout daybreak they lit on the sheep, an' I blazed away an' killed a pair on 'em. Then I crawled out an' loaded my gun an' went back into the log ag'in. I laid there fur two hours an' waited fur crows, but they didn't come."

THE GHOST OF CLIFTON HIGHTS.

A Mysterious Spirit that Stalks Abroad at Night PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—A ghost is Clifton's latest sensation, and the inhabitants of the town speak of it in cautious whispers as something which might be stolen by their envious neighbors were it known outside the town limits. Clifton is a pretty town on the Medea branch of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, eight miles from the Broad Street Station, At night, when the moon does not shine, the village is wrapped in Egyptian darkness, which is rel'eved in spots known only to the oler inhabitants by flickering gasoline lamps. Thomas Grady gets the credit of being the discoverer of the ghost, but there are several others who can give a better description of it than he, for they have seen it more frequently. Mr. Grady is a prominent citizen of the town and one of the owners of the shoddy and woolen mills on Darby Creek, near Clifton Hights. Last Monday evening, just when the last glow of the sun in the western sky was blotted out by darkness, Mr. Grady was on his way to the village from the mill. He had traveled the road a thousand times before, and instead of guiding his footsteps he gave his thoughts to the business which was prospering under his direction. Just as he crossed Darby Creek to ascend Clifton Hights a ghostly figure appeared before him. It was tall and at its hight seemed greater every moment. It was

ton Hights a ghostly figure appeared before him. It was tall and at its hight seemed greater every moment. It was dressed in a plain white sheet, which covered it from crown to toe. A small tomahawk or hatchet, Mr. Grady does not know which, was carried in the right hand, and from this fact the story that it was a wandering spirit of an Indian warrior.

Tradition has it that Clifton Hights was once the burying ground of all the Indians who inhabited the eastern part of Pennsylvania, from the Susquehanna to the Delaware, and Isalah Bowden, one of the oldest men in Delaware Country, says a ghost has been seen on Clifton Hights once every twenty years since he was a boy. The hights is a deep-wooded hill, through which runs a patch, and within the last five days the ghost has been seen by persons passing along there at least half a dozen times, according to their statements. Officer Schofield has been vigilantly investigating the case. He said yesterday that he had been working very hard to unravel the mystery. He had already run out a couple of clews and he is at work on another. James Dowling went into the woods Thursday night, and his dogs struck a trail which led them around Levis Mill and down to Darby Creek. Here the dogs lost the track. Dowling came up to them and urged them on. The trail was struck again, and the dogs started across Clifton Hights, with Dowling close behind. But the dogs had not gone far when then returned whining and trembling. Dowling had not heard the story of the ghost, but he said that he knew by the woods since.

"Germinal has not yet fulfilled M. Zola's prediction and killed M. Goblet. On the contrary M. Goblet is alive and compative. This time he is at issue with foemen worthier of his steel than a couple of mere playwrights. No fewer than fifty priests charged with using undue influence during the recent election have been notified that from the 10th inst., their stipends are withfrom the 10th inst., their stipends are with-

treatment cured them in a short tim. Milk treatment its most perfect form, and should St. Jacobs Oil! Both bring happiness.

THE CRIMES AT THE CAPITAL

COURTNEY COULDN'T READ HIS LETTER

Those Who Did Secured a Clew-Little Faith in the Belton Captures—Arrests at San Antonio-No Killings Yesterday.

Special to The News.

Austin, Dec. 27.—In the case of Mrs. Eanes, who was arrested in San Antonio and brought back here on a charge of murdering her child, her reputed paramour, Charles Courtney, when arrested on suspicion, told the officers that she was in San Antonio. On being asked how he knew she was in San Antonio, he showed them a letter, dated San Antonio, Dec. 22, the contents of which he was not aware, as he can not read. This letter contains strong proof that she committed the crime that she is charged with and that Courtney was aware of her guilt. Her daughter, Dollie Eanes, was found to be with the parties she had

stated she had given her to. The officers here place no confidence in the report that the men arrested in Belton yesterday are connected with the crimes committed here Christmas eve. Mrs. Han-cock and James Phillips, Jr., are still alive, and some slight hopes are entertained that

she singst hopes are entertained that they will both recover.

Sheriff Hornsby brought over from San Antonio one John Gray, a negro, who while drunk in San Antonio intimated that he and Doc Woods, another negro, now in jail here, were the ones who murdered Grace Vance and Orange Washington in this city last summer.

last summer.

The excitement of the recent murders has not yet abated. All the city officers are hard at work, but no detections have yet been made. It is highly probable expert detectives have been summoned from the North to assist them.

The City Council passed an ordinance last

North to assist them.

The City Council passed an ordinance last night requiring all saloons to close at midnight and to remain closed until 5 a. m.

This afternoon Horace Foster, aged 8 years, was struck in the forehead with a missile thrown by Buddie Sellers, aged 14 years, and a serious wound inflicted. Both parties are colored

A BAD CROWD.

They Land in Gilmer and Proceed to Enjoy Christmas.

Special to The News. GILMER, Dec. 27 .- Five strangers landed here Christmas day and as soon as possible proceeded to get on a grand drunk and have a good time. By dark they were in a weaving way, and began to knock "Paddy out," all parties taking a lively interest in the "business of the day." Each man tried to whip the other four, and of course all of them got the worst of it. There was no one in sight, as they were in a back alley, and as "the dude" chanced to come along with his "beegum hat and manly deportment," one of them said: ["Say, boys, here ist the deestrict judge, let's go for him," whereupon each man left his opponent and "sailed into left his opponent and "sailed into

The dude stood his ground manfully for a moment, and then "made way for liberty."
The last seen of the men each was trying to
take the rest of them out of the city on the

take the rest of them out of the city on the Winnsboro road.

Mr. Will F. Christian, of Winona, is spending a few days with his many friends here. He is a son of Hon. G. Christian, who lives one mile east of the city, and Will was ever a favorite here.

Miss Belle Camp came in from Big Sandy Saturday, accompanied by Misses Popsie Gorman and Josie Kelly. They are visiting the family of Mrs. Dr. Camp here.

Dr. R. B. Grammer, of Fort Worth, is in the city. Dr. Grammer has been partly. educated here, and has a host of warm friends, who are ever ready to welcome him back to his old home.

Dr. Hall and wife, of Athens, are in the city visiting Mrs. Hall's mother, Mrs. Dr Camp.

THE FOREIGN MAILS. The first keel plate of the Trafalgar, which is to be built at Portsmouth, is to be laid

Mr. Burt, it is stated, will probably become the leader of the Temperance party in the new English Parliament.

M. Renkin, formerly Belgin Consul General at Vienna, was burned to death in a frightful manner, having gone to sleep with a lighted cigar in his mouth.

Prince Sakala, son of the King of Vivi, has arrived in England. Sakala is a boy of about 12 years of age, and is heir to the Kionzo country, at present ruled by his uncle. The Prince was brought to England by Mr. Van de Velde, of the Congo Free State. Mr. Van de Velde, of the Congo Free State.

The strike against rent practically con tinues in the County of Limerick, and the tenants have so carried on their combinations as to succeed in obtaining from not a few landlords reductions of from 25 to 30 per cent. Where the demand has not been met to nearly this extent no rent has been forthcoming. In a large number of cases it has been ascertained that tenants, owing to the great decression in the prices for all the great depression in the prices for all kinds of agricultural produce, are unable to pay the present rents even where judicially fixed under the land act.

The Prefecture of the Seine has accepted the tender of a builder for the construction at the Pere la Chaise Cemetery of a crematory. It is to be on the newest and most appropriate the present of the pr proved principles, the amount of the contract being nearly £8000. This, it is stated, will be the first time that an apparatus for cremation has been ordered by an adminiscremation has been ordered by an administrative body. In Italy, Germany, and other countries where cremation is occasionally practiced, the crematories were provided by private initiative. The crematories at Dresden, Milan and elsewhere are all, if we Dresden, Milan and elsewhere are all, if we mistake not, built by private subscription and owned by private societies, like the abortive erection at Woking. The first official recognition of this most important chapter in the gospel of sanitation is an immense stride in advance. Before long, probably, every great city in Europe will follow the lead of Paris—in this respect, certainly, in the van of civilization.

The return relating to building societies incorporated to the last day of December, 1884, has just been issued. The statistics given relate to 2044 societies in England and Wales, fifty in Scotland and forty in Indiand Strategies. and Wales, fifty in Scotland and forty in Ireland. Sixty-one had been dissolved—namely: Fifty-eight in England and Wales, two in Scotland, and one in Ireland. The 1625 societies in England and Wales numbered 534,713 members, twenty-two societies in Scotland had 5143 members, and twenty societies in Ireland had 4670 members. With regard to the receipts, in England and Wales 1830 societies received in the last Wales 1830 societies received in the last financial year £21,093,977, forty-five societies in Scotland received £411,745, and thirty-five societies in Ireland received £601,377. As to liabilities, 1838 societies in England and Wales showed liabilities to the holders of shares to the amount of £32,925,459, and to denocitors and other conditions. 52, and to depositors and other creditors

Palliated. An Attache in Blackwood.

On another occasion I was not much more fortunate with a prince to whom we were particularly anxious to be civil.

Seeing me coming into the embassy yard as his carriage drove in, Lord Cowley called on me, and handing loftily a telegram which had just been handed to him, said peremptorily, "Take this and palliate."

In fear and trembling I took the telegram and read as follows: "Offer to — the hospitality of England, but tell him that we have only Claridge's hotel to offer his highness." Lord Crowley had disappeared; he was evidently disgusted with the message, and was not disposed to "palliate" himself.

I accordingly hurried to where the said highness resided, and having explained that though rich in many things we were very poor in palaces, and had only a comfortable (and expensive) hotel to place at his lisposal, I returned with his higness' thanks

disposal, I refurned with his highess manks to everybody concerned.

Alas for my embassy! The message I had conveyed had aroused such a hue and cry in the English press that when, two days after, I returned to his highness to offer him another habitation, he, having read all the papers, almost turned his back upon me, and curtly replied that he would inform the ambassador of his reply.

mbassador of his reply. I had palliated, but I was snubbed for it. INEBRIETY OF SENATORS.

The Bill of Fare-The Excuses and Disclaimers.

New York Sun.
When the Senators began to discuss Mr.
Frye's new set of joint rules, intended to govern both Houses of Congress, they ran against a clause making the prohibition still more comprehensive. It declares that 'no spirituous or malt liquors shall be offered for sale, exhibited or kept within the Capitol, or in any room or building connected therewith;" and it further provides for the dismissal of any officer or employe who connives at the violation of the rule.

This was aimed at the alleged practice of tea drinking in the seclusion of the committee rooms. It raised an extraordinary commotion in the Senate, and the prolonged discussion which ensued brought out many curious allegations and denials respecting the personal habits of Senators. We shall quote some of these statements presently, but the first thing to be recorded is the surprising discovery made by the keen-eyed Ingalls, of Kansas, and flung by him like a firebrand ablaze into the middle of the startled assembly.

Mr. Ingalls, it appears has studied the

startled assembly.

Mr. Ingalls, it appears, has studied the bill of fare advertised by Mr. Frye's new man from Maine more thoroughly than his colleagues. Disclaiming any "sinister or furtive purpose," he sent the document to the desk and asked that the fourth page be read by the chief clerk. The effect was sensational. To the amazement of the Senate, and probably to the utter bewilderment of the good trout fisherman, Mr. Frye, the reading of the fourth page of the bill of fare disclosed the subjoined articles in stock and for sale at the prices affixed. We follow the mysterious orthography of the government printing office:

WINES.

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AMERICAN WINES. Werher champ | California Angelica.1 00 agne65 1 25 Sweet Catawba......1 00 Muscatelle.... - 1 00

Absinthe, Kummel, Gilka, Curacoa, Marachino, Anniset, Chartreuse, Benedictine, Vermouth.
Waiters are furnished with wine eards.
Then followed a rare scene of confusion.
Senator after Senator, while maintaining as an abstract principle the right of statesmen to carry bottles or flasks, or even jugs, nem there whatever they pleased, pro-beded to disclaim any personal interest in the defeat of the proposed new rule. Here here some of the solemn denials and disaimers, as reported in the Congressional

Senator Brown, of Georgia: I have never kept any spirituous liquors of any kind in the capitol, and I never drink spirituous liquors in the capitol.
Senator Vest, of Missouri: I have no comnittee room, and have no personal interest

nttee room, wanteen the matter.
Senator Cockrell, of Missouri: I have Senator Cockrell, of Missouri: I have never had any liquor in this building. I have never drank it in the rooms of any of the distinguished Senators who have it so

constantly.
Senator Teller, of Colorado: I had observed that bill of fare myself. I have not ordered anything from it.
Senator Saulsbury, of Delaware: I do not myself indulge in intoxicationg liquors. Senator Cockrell, of Missouri: I have as little patience with drinking as the distinguished Senator from Delaware has, and I dislike to see it in the Capitol.
Senator Manderson, of Nebraska: I am not an expert as to what should come under the name of spirituous liquors.

the name of spirituous liquors.
Senator Frye, of Maine: So far as I am concerned I should like to have all kinds of liquor excluded from the Capitol. Senator Logan, of Illinois. Sauterne is

wine, of course.

Then it apparently began to dawn upon Then it apparently began to dawn upon the Senators that the honorable body itself, as a whole, needed some vindication from the misconstruction which the country might put upon the wicked fourth page of the libelous bill of fare advertised by Mr. Frye's man from Maine. Could any testimonials to the Senate's virtue, sobriety and diligent attention to business be stronger than the following statements younteeved. nan the following statements volunteered y some of its most eminent and observant

by some of its most eminent and observant members?
Senator Teller, of Colorado. I do not think that this body justly merits all that has been said about its inebriety.
Senator Call, of Florida.—I declare that I have never been among a body of men with whom habitual sobriety and constant attention to their duty was more plainly characteristic than here.
Senator Maxey, of Texas.—I have served in many conventions and other deliberative bodies, and, in my judgment, there is not to-day in the wide world a deliberative body of men more sober than the Senate of the United States. In the ten years I have been here I have on very few occasions, perhaps not more than two or three during the entire ten years. seen gentlemen whom I thought had better be somewhere else.
Senator Frye, of Maine.—I have been in Senator Frye, of Maine.—I have been in Congress some fifteen or sixteen years. When I first came into the national House

there would be a dozen members of the other house breaking up the proceedings of the body and making it a disgrace. That thing does not exist to-day.

Senator Cockrell. I think I have been as attentive a listener and observer of the proceedings of the Senate for the last ten years.

of Representatives, take a night session

Senators who have seen, some few Senators so under the inspiration of excitement that it was deemed best for the transaction of business to adjourn.

These testimonials to the sobriety of the Senate, as unexpected as they were unso-licited by the country, will go a great way toward removing the impression that might otherwise result from the sudden disclosure

BODY-BURNING VS. BURIALS.

A TEMPLE DEDICATED TO CREMATION.

Signor Geronimi Conducts a Highly Satisfactory Test at Buffalo-Graphic Description of the Fiery Furnace Funeral.

Buffalo, Dec. 27 .- The Morning Express o-morrow will describe the first cremation in Buffalo, which took place to-day in the new temple on Delavan avenue. The furnace and process is that of Venini, of Milan, and the retort has been constructed under the supervision of the inventor's represent ative, Signor Geronimi, who came to this country for that purpose. Although the temple, which will be the most esthetic structure of its kind in this country, is not yet completed, Signor Geronimi's desire to return to Milam at once made a test necessary to-day, and it was made in the presence of three physicians and a number of directors of the company and the undertaker who furnished the body.

THE FIRES LIGHTED. A little before 8 o'clock the attendants lighted the fires, which burn in little niches which are in the main furnace and which set fire to the gas coming from the main gas generator in the basement. These serve to warm up the furnace preparatory to its be ing subjected to the intense heat, which comes when the principal combustion takes place. Half an hour later the main fire in the gas generator was lit and by 9:45 o'clock the furnace was ready for the reception of the body. At this time a small volume of white smoke was slowly coming from the main flue. In the basement is the complicated system of piping which conveys the gases to the retort and to the flue. Here nothing was to be perceived of heat or flame except through little apertures in pipes left for the entrance of air. A little after 10 o'clock the body, wrapped in a shroud, was placed on the car with its head toward the entrance of the furnace. A solution of alum was sprinkled over the shroud and everything was ready. The car was noiselessly rolled to the furnace and by a mechanism attached to the car the iron slab was moved from the rollers on top of the carriage along to others in the floor of the retort. No heat, smoke or flame escaped from the door of the retort as it was opened; in fact, the draft was rather the other way. To the eye nothing was visible but a mass of seething, rosy flame with tongues of yellowish blue film coming from the flues at the other end of the furnace. gas generator was lit and by 9:45 o'clock of the furnace.

THE BODY BURNED. The body was placed in the furnace at 10:14 o'clock and at 11:19 Signor Geronimi announced that the cremation was com pleted. Owing to the fact that everything about the furnace was perfectly new, ten minutes were allowed to lapse before the car was rolled up to the furnace and iron slab with the remains drawn on it. The slab with the remains drawn on it. The product of the combustion was for the most part in the form of dust, but here and there were pieces of bone which retained a semblances of their form, but which readily crushed to powder. The ashes (slightly discolored owing to the process by which the body had been enbalmed) were placed in an urn, and thus ended the first cremation in Buffalo. Not at any time could the faintest smell be detected by enthusiastic advocates of the process who climbed to the top of the flue.

the retort, as nearly as could be discovered with tests of various metals, was 2232°

Thomas Clemens, and I am wanted at Alex andria, La., for killing a man; there is a reward of \$1000 for my arrest, and I was under a \$10,000 bond when I skipped." As he uttered these words Clements stood behind the bars at police headquarters. He made no effort to conceal himself. In his boldness he came within an ace of evading the detectives who were following him. Clements' home is in Alexandria, La., and he is the son of a wealthy man. Last April he and Joe Boyd, the man he killed and Dan Ward, a companion, went off for a spree. The three men entered a saloon and after taking several drinks Clements and Boyd fell out. The quarrel ended in a fight, during which Clements knifed Boyd, who lied from the effects of his wounds. Boy lived until September last, when the wounds caused his death. When Boyd died Clem caused his death. When Boyd died Clements was rearrested, and secured his release under a \$10,000 bond. He knew that his case was desperate, and just before his trial was to come off skipped out. He went to Marshall, Tex., and then to St. Louis. From St. Louis he made Cincinnati, and from that city went back to. St. Louis, and then came to Atlanta. He had a friend in Atlanta who knew him well, and soon after reaching the city sought him out. This friend wrote to Clements' family, and through him Clements received money regularly. One day while on the streets he met an Atlanta policeman with whom he went to school. Clements stopped and talked to the policeman. He quickly ascertained that the policeman did not know that he was wanted and then began to feel easy. Detective J. police force, soon after Clements ran away from Louisville, was sent for and asked to arrest him. The detective soon ascertained that Clements had gone to Marshall, Tex., where he had purchased a through ticket for Western Texas. He followed him as indicated above, and last night came upon Clements in a Peters street bar-room, where he arrested him. A reporter called upon Clements. "No, I don't care," he said in answer to a question, "to tell you about it. He is got the right man certain. My name is Clements, and I kılled Boyd. There is \$1000 reward for me." "How did the detective happen to get you?" "All through a women. On Saturday I received a telegram from home, through my friend, telling me to skip out. I was the act of leaving when the woman got me in tow, and I was pulled."

"How did you kill the man?"

"In a drunken row, with a knife. I don't think they could have caught me if I could have gotten away. That detective has followed me nearly seven thousand miles. I know it from what he has told me." Detective Gloer left with his prisoner to-

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NOTICE TO CITY TAXPAYERS.

of the experiment are as follows: Weight of body, 90 pounds; weight of ashes, 3 7-16 pounds; time consumed in the cremation, 1:05. The highest degree of heat attained in the retort, as nearly as could be discovered with tests of various metals, was 2232° Fahrenheit.

CAUGHT AT LAST.

A Rich Murderer Followed in His Flight and Jailed in Georgia.

Courier-Journal.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—"Yes, my name is Thomas Clemens, and I am wanted at Alex—"The Assessor and Collector.

OFFICE OF ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR, 2018, 1885. All property owners or their agents having any personal property or real estate subject to municipal taxation, are required to render the same at this office between Jan. 1 and Feb. 6, 1886. All parties owning such property, or having it under control, shall render a list of the same, together with its cash value; and shall be required to make affidavit to the truth and correctness of the same. Anyone failing herein shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars. All merchants in the city are required within the same time to furnish to the Assessor and Collector, and wares owned or kept on hand, for sale, by them on Jan. 1. Any merchant failing to comply with this requirement shall be liable as above provided. J. C. BOGEL, Assessor and Collector,

Notice to Water Consumers.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 22, 1885 Consumers are notified to call at the office of the Water Department, at the City Hall, and pay their water rents without delay; otherwise the water will be cut off. Office hours from 9 to 12 a. m. and 2 to 5 o'clock p. m.

WATER COMMITTEE.

NOTICE.

Under and by authority of a resolution of the City Council, adopted Dec. 22, 1885, Sealed proposals will be received until 6 o'clock p. m., January 5, 1886, for furnishing the city of Dallas 550 feet of 20-inch flange suction pipe for waterworks, according to plans and specifications now on file in my office.

W. E. PARRY, City Seey.

TEXAS TRUNK RAILROAD.

OFFICE OF AUDITOR, DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 4, 1885.—Notice is hereby given that the public office of the Texas Trunk Railroad Company has been established in rooms 18 and 19 in the Merchants' Exchange Building, on Lamar street, Dallas, Tex. W. H. GLEASON, Secy. Texas Trunk R. R. Co.

He Took Both of Them.

Chicago Herald.
"I had a little experience the other night," said a drummer, "that took all of my nerve and gall to bear up under. Ever since I've been on the road I've made it a principle to meet all engagements. More than once have I skipped three or four towns in which I was sure of selling big bills of goods in order to keep my engagement to call on some girl or other. When I agree to be at a certain place at a given minute, you can bet your last dollar I'll be there. Well, the other day I landed in St. Louis, and suddenly discovered that in a moment of forgetfulness I had promised to take two girls to the theater that night. The girls were not acquainted, either. I hate a liar and a sneak, and the girls' brothers were customers of mine, and so, after thinking the whole thing over, I made up my mind I'd live up to my contract. So I bought my seats at two theaters, engaged my carriage, and prepared for the campaign. I sent word to the first one that I'd call for her rather early, and to the other that I might be a few minutes late. I whirled No.1 off, seated her, excused myself for a minute before the ring of the curtain, slipped out, and in two seconds the horses were on a run for No.2. I got her in than once have I skipped three or four self for a minute before the ring of the curtain, slipped out, and in two seconds the horses were on a run for No. 2. I got her in the seat five minutes after the curtain rose. Stayed the act out, excused myself, went back to the other, apologized, and everything was all right. I spent the evening flitting from one to the other, and got my money's worth out of the hackman, as I made him hump. I made inquiries as to the hour the plays would be over, and found I had twenty-five minutes' leeway. Then I made such good use of those twenty-five minutes that I got No. I home and was back after No. 2 just as the curtain went down. To do this cost me \$12, and the next day I had to skip out of town because the down. To do this cost me \$12, and the next day I had to skip out of town because the hackman was after me with a bill for one of his horses, which had died from overdriving, but not till after I had sold big bills of goods to the girls' brothers. Besides, I had the satisfaction of keeping my engagements and of performing an unparalleled feat in the theater-going business. That's the kind of a hustler I am."

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ner Wall street and Broadway.
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rge Ellis, opposite postoffice, New Orleans. ohn M. Miller, 31 Marietta Street, Atlanta,

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1885.

Notice to Subscribers of Dallas Herald. It is the purpose of the late publishers of the Dallas Herald to turn over to the management of THE NEWS all subscriptions which had been paid for in advance, to be completed by the sending of the latter paper, they paying for the performance of that service. In doing this possibly some names have been overlooked. If so, the parties are requested to address us at once, giving all particulars, and any whose date of expiration on the Herald does not tally with the yellow tag on the copy of THE NEWS sent them will please notify us without delay. HERALD PUBLISHING COMPANY.

Notice to the Subscribers of the Dallas Herald. OFFICE OF THE DALLAS HERALD, Dallas, Nov. 30.

Dear Sir: By announcement made in the Herald of this morning you will see that it has ceased publication, and the individual proprietors and owners of the Herald have ome stockholders in THE NEWS, published at Galveston and Dallas. A number of specimen copies of The News have been sent to you, and it is hoped you will transfer your patronage to that paper, with which we are now identified.

Thanking you for your patronage in the past, and hoping to receive an early response, we remain, very truly yours, THE DALLAS PUB. AND PRINTING CO.

Referring to the above THE NEWS management begs to state that it respectfully solicits the subscription of every person formerly subscribing to the Herald. The subscription rates to THE NEWS can be found at the head of this column. Remittances can be made through the local agents, or by money order, registered letter or draft on Dallas or Galveston.

A. H. Belo & Co., Publishers.

WILL WAGES BE IMPAIRED?

A correspondent refers to E. Atkinson's statement, in his work on the Distribution of Profits, page 181, that "at any moment the rate of wages may be impaired by many cents a day if the coinage of silver dollars is not stopped." The correspondent inquires, "What sort of event does he apprehend during the continuance of the actual double and unequal coinage that can suddenly cause such a fall in wages?" THE NEWS understands Mr. Atkinson to mean that after a while the silver dollar will not procure a gold dollar. The event contemplated is the government being obliged to pay its creditors silver coin, though they may desire gold. The theory is that the apprehension of the prevalence of silver as Democrat warning American people from the cheaper money will lead to a drain of | being duped to giving their money for the gold and its disappearance from the Treas- recovery of supposed English estates and ury and from general circulation. The dis- | fortunes in England. He says that these

appearance of gold is to proceed much foolish people in America should know two faster than the coinage of silver. Thus, things: First, that an alien cannot be an heir according to the theory, there will be less in England when there is no will, and that money in circulation. One would say, then, he cannot take real estate even if left him that a dollar of that money would buy more | by will; and second, that such estates devolve upon the eldest son alone and on of the average of domestic and especially perishable commodities, not less, and that his eldest son in succession, and are not the scarcity of silver money would tempt | divided in shares. The exposure comes in time, but still it will make many a Jengold to stay until the volume of silver coin should be greatly increased. One would nings and Townley heir scream with disthink that when the time came, if ever, that appointment. silver coin was so abundant as to cause a rise in the prices of commodities generally, the same abundance of coin would permit an

MR. ATKINS, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, says it is difficult to arrive at the truth of the stories of the massacre of and by the Indians in the West, and Mr. Atkins is correct. Between the "rustlers," who do much of the stealing, and the newspaper men who exaggerate it, the Indian does not have a fair showing. The greatest fault of the Indian is probably that he has lands.

equivalent rise in wages. One may deny

that the laborer even wishes to buy gold

with his wages as a rule, but it suits the

gold men to imagine him as seeking to buy

gold, and thus they would determine that a

silver dollar will shortly have less ex-

change power than it has now; though it is

to have, according to their idea, a more

onerous function. Mr. Atkinson seems to

forget that in the imagined case a mass of

commodities would be pressing for mar-

ket, and must be sold; that they would

command little or nothing in gold in this

country, and that therefore they must be

sold for whatever silver and currency the

consumer possessed. So, if gold were sud-

denly disused, silver would apparently

have for a time an increased purchasing

power. THE NEWS reasons that if there

were a spasm of fear causing gold to dis-

appear the fall in prices of things which

must be marketed would give the short sup-

ply of silver an uncommon purchasing

power, and this would bring gold from its

hiding places until there was a much

greater supply of silver or other money.

Some statistician might try to calculate

how long it will take to change the pur-

chasing power of a dollar by abundance of

the United States, at the rate of buying

\$2,000,000 worth of silver per month and

coining it, and with \$550,000,000 to disap-

pear as the silver comes into use. When all

sides of this question are considered it

looks as if gold would not take its flight

and leave a plethora of products seeking

exchange with only a scant supply of silver

and greenbacks to do the office of money.

If such a curious condition of affairs could

be realized, however, the gold men would

be telling the wageworker that his silver

dollar was only buying 80 cents worth of

gold, but he could retort that it was buy-

can be realized, but that gold will in any

event linger till the threatened vacuum is

more abundant, the general rise in prices

from that cause should and must enable

him to get a corresponding rise in wages.

Contraction has the disastrous effect on

tion, thus leaving less for the producer.

use. His labor is soon exchanged for a

portion of the products of other labor. If

issued. Such considerations, commending

themselves to numerous minds everywhere,

must prevent the scare which would cause

even a temporary scarcity of money as com-

pared with the present supply. The gold-

men by the dozen have followed Mr. Atkin-

son in his barren theorizing on the subject

of the prospective sudden decrease in the

purchasing power of the silver dollar.

Their statement should be revised to this

effect: If the receiver of a silver dollar

keeps it until the coinage of silver has gone

so far as to supply the demand without gold

and to become superabundant as compared

with the present moneys, its depreciated

more dollars will be required to hire a given

amount of labor; consequently the laborer,

except he have accumulated actual silver

money or monetary paper, will be no worse

off, receiving more money and paying

more. This effect is to be modified by va-

rious considerations on either side-the in-

crease of population requiring more money,

improved methods of exchange requiring

less: all inventions and changes, including

inflation of gold or other media of ex-

change abroad having some bearing. Now

that is a great if. It is known that the re-

ceiver of a silver dollar does not usually

lock it up for years, but soon pays it away;

especially does the laborer do so, for he

must. If there is a tendency to increase of

the medium of exchange it operates against

labor will get the best reward, other things

being equal. Speculation in land is an

evil having its root in a different place.

The conditions of prosperity should not be

charged with the vices of monopoly simply

because health supplies strength for indus-

THERE were several good speeches made

at the meeting which was held at Austin to

adopt some method to stop the murders be-

ing committed in that city. The result was

that thirty citizens were appointed to assist

the officers. Doubtless the whole male

population will assist without any resolu-

And though President Cleveland spoke

as a man who believed all he said, yet the

Democratic members of Congress intend

to oppose the suspension of silver coinage.

After the peoples' representatives have ex-

pressed themselves Mr. Oleveland will yield

without a twitch of dissatisfaction crossing

Some one has written to the Times-

tions appointing them to the work.

trial debanchery.

his face.

YOUNG JAMES G. BLAINE is studying hard at Augusta in order to prepare to enter Yale next year. The old man is also studying hard to enter the presidential race He adheres to the opinion that me and the elections have demonstrated that he is the strongest man in the party.

THE man who married Miss Mackay must be dead. The world has not heard of his being "broke" for two months.

MAYHAP somebody turned out Yellow Bear's gas for him.

Mr. PULITZER'S World train reaches Washington on time, but it is more regular than Joseph. He is rarely in his seat; but the excuse is that he is giving New York its best paper.

JOHN ROACH says if he were a young man he would open a shipyard at Pensacola. And this country had begun to think money, in a country with the population of John had tired of shipyards.

> BRET HARTE will live in London as a literary man. He must now spend his own money for his food. A Democratic administration has no soft berths for novelists.

> SENATOR HAMPTON introduces a bill making it a misdemeanor for any Senator or Representative in Congress to recommend any person for appointment to public office. In all probability every Congressman would vote for it if he dared to do so.

AND this last of Lesseps is the twelfth.

THE New Orleans Picayune is authority ing more than a former dollar's worth of for the fact that hoodlums are so bad in provisions and manufactured goods. THE that city that ladies were afraid to venture NEWS thinks no such paradoxical condition on the streets on the day before Christmas. They need a few hangings in New Orleans, and need them badly. The city is obtainfilled. The wageworker soon converts his ing an unenviable character throughout the wages into commodities for consumption. country, and ropes rather than exposition If money is scarce his wages are low, and the things he buys are low. If money is

THE New Orleans Picayune says: Bad men in Texas set prairies on fire when hey wish to cover their tracks. Here is room

In Louisiana they need go to no trouble him of making all fixed charges comto cover their tracks. They are sure of paratively more onerous upon produceither a pardon or reprieves till they die of Apart from this consideration, it mat-

As Fitz John Porter is now an old man, ters less to the workingman than to" if he is not vindicated in this life the others what may be the kind of money in chances are that he will obtain a monument. That's the way it generally ends.

the legal currency be scarce, even if of no THE French are very proud of their republic, but Baron Alphonse Rothschild intrinsic value, it will command both labor keeps his jewels in such shape that they and products. By that rule it will command the gold which the same products will comcan be removed to England at a moment's mand. Thus it is inferred that gold will notice of trouble.

not depart while silver coin is in scant sup-THE NEWS acknowledges the receipt of

THE dispatches show that Kentucky has drawn another sigh of relief. On this occasion it was caused by the death of one of its most prominent citizens, Craig Tolliver. He had been the hero of a feud, and was known far and near as a man with blood always in his eye. In a weak moment he got drunk and laid his head in the lap of his sweetheart, and immediately Sampson was "knocked out," as it were, by a bullet sent through his heart by the sweetheart's father. Kentucky breathes a sigh of reliefin fact it is in just such a continual state of purchasing power will be felt; but then respiration by her tough citizens coming abruptly to an end.

> Ir will now be in order for some one to suggest that all the Indians be given rooms at hotels and allowed unlimited fun with

> > PENCIL POINTS.

Occasionally a newspaper correspondent complains if the matter he contributes is altered or abbreviated, but want of space must be pleaded for changing the "copy" one who wrote of a "scalp wound on the

"Let us be patient." By and by people will cease to ask "How did you spend Christmas?"

The natal anniversary of the meek and lowly Jesus, the Prince of Peace, appears hoarding, therefore to the employment of to have been celebrated throughout the labor. Labor soon exchanges its money country by brawls and murders. Strange wages for products. Where labor is kept that such a season should be selected for a best employed and products most increased

> The Indian is very fond of dogs, but he will not take kindly to the bloodhounds put on his trail in New Mexico. Since Mr. Lo became hostile the people say dog on

> A poet is already out with lines beginning: "Will the New Year come to-night, mama" No; not to-night. S'mother night. You will know when it comes. Don't be alarmed lest it pass unnoticed. You'll be reminded of the new year several times, unless you are very lucky and out of town.

> > And They Call Us Proud.

Chico Bee. Bad weather and no wood. Isn't that a bad condition for an editor to be in?

> Frolics in the Territory. Indian Journal.

Some of the boys and young men, also Agent Neal, of this place, were out fox hunting a few nights ago. It is said some of them got a little too much of the ardent, but did not succeed in getting the fox. They claim they had seven in one tree.

An Editor is On.

That young man that engaged a certain young lady's company to church had better go a little earlier next time.

OUIDA IN HER OWN HOME.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS WELL TOLD.

A Visit to the Famous Novelist in Her Picturesque and Wonderful Villa at Florence.

New York Mail and Express.

Sitting one evening in the Hotel du Nord, at Florence with the son of a celebrated Confederate General, the conversation turned upon Ouida. "Her villa is about two miles from town," said my companion, "bu she lives very much in retirement since her unfortunate love affair with the Marquis of Stufa, a member of one of the oldest of the Florentine families. Ouida has always boasted that she was above the weakness of love. But she found the marquis a man of literary taste, artistic refinement and passionate energy, which interested her at once. Acquaintance soon ripened into friendship, and afterward, on Ouida's part, into love-her first love, and she a maiden of forty summers! But the marquis, while he admired the writer, only trifled with the woman. He not only failed to return her affection, but fell in love with a fair Italian, less brilliant, but younger and more beautiful than herself. The result of this affair was the novel of Friendship, in which Ouida gave her version of this real romance, taking care to make the marquis a very weak character, like Hamlet, 'infirm of purpose,' but not possessing Hamlet's superb mental gifts. This love affair was not only a bitter disappointment to Ouida, but it made her for a time the laughing stock of Florence. For weeks she shut herself up in her villa, with her cats and dogs, and refused to see any visitors. Her evening drives to the Cacine and on the
Arno were abandoned, and the places
which had once seen her every day now saw
her no more. Although this strict seclusion
is no longer kept up, still she is much less
accessible than she was before this disappointment in love. She has said of love and omen that the latter are the exact ant odes of olives; the one begins in salt, an eaves us pleased with the delicious aroma

podes of olives; the one begins in salt, and leaves us pleased with the delicious aroma; the other is nectar to commence with, but how soon they turn into very gall. Nine times out of ten a woman does not care a rush for a man who is dying at her feet, while she is crazy about some ugly brute who takes no more notice of her than he does of his dirty boots."

Notwithstanding Ouida's sentimental retirement from the world at that time, she did not refuse to see me. Her villa is situated on one of the lovely hills that overlook Florence. Her garden though small was in beautiful order, and well guarded by two large Maremma sheep dogs. The villa is in the Italian style, and the vine-clad piazza commands a charming view of Florence and the classic Arno; the stately Duomo, which inspired Michael Angelo to rear the mighty dome of St. Peter's, raises its lofty head in the center of city; Santa Croce, the Westminster Abbey of Florence, is seen to the right, while above, the azure sky of Italy smiles perpetually upon one of the fairest scenes in the world. The Protestant Cemetery, just outside of Florence, contains the remains of Mrs. Browning, Arthur Clough and Walter Savage Landor. Swinburne addressed the following lines in memoriam of Landor:

And thou, on Florence, to thy trust.

And thou, oh Florence, to thy trust, Receive and keep, Keep safe his dedicated dust, His sacred sleep!

His sacred sleep!

There is a mystery about Ouida which piques curiosity, but which the most persistent interviewer has never been able to penetrate. She was once asked how she came to know so much about camp life, clubs, barracks, gambling houses and other places only frequented by men, and she is reported to have leaned her hands upon her knees, and looking straight at her questioner with a provoking smile, to have saucily answered: "It is none of your business." Her real name is Louise de la Rame. Her father was a Frenchman, her mother English, and while her tastes and manners are French, her features are decidedly English. Her face is fair and oval, her eyes are deep blue in color and very large and expressive; her golden-brown har, which formerly was worn loose and flowed down her shoulders, so polonger kert in "much admired disorworn loose and flowed down her shoulders is no longer kept in "much admired disor der," but is discreetly braided, as befits a middle-aged woman. She is about the me dium height, slen er and graceful. Sh passes much time in the open air, driving and walking, and from April to October is out all the time except when eating an sleeping. Her favorite time for driving is it the afternoon from 2 to 6. She drives her sleeping. Her favorite time for driving is in the afternoon from 2 to 6. She drives herself, and always has a couple of pet dogs with her; in fact, whether walking or driving, at home or abroad, eating or reading, thinking or writing, she has her canine companions by her side. She has a burying place for her dogs in her garden, and they are laid to rest with a tenderness not always bestowed upon human beings. Her favorite St. Bernard dog, Isla, has a marble tomb over his remains, with an inscription quite as panains, with an inscription quite as patic, but less misanthropic, than Byron's nous lines on his favorite Newfoundland Boatswain. Ouida is an early riser tempted by the lovely climate of Florence she is up at 6 in winter and 5 in summer Her literary work is done chiefly in winter her interary work is done chiefly in winter, but she has no particular hours of the day for writing, taking up her pen only when she is in the humor to write. She does not remember when she commenced authorship, for at the age of 4 she wrote in printed letters a child's story. From her earliest girlhood she has been a student, being trained to masculine modes of thought by the state when set was a man of true intel-

ship, for at the age of \$1 she wrote in prince letters a child's story. From her earliest girlhood she has been a student, being trained to masculine modes of thought by her father, who was a man of rare intellectual gifts, but his genius was wasted in utopian dreams of a political millenium. This love of study, begun so young, has never left her, and she has added to it an appreciation of all the arts that lend a grace and charm to life. She paints with great cleverness both in oil and water colors, and she finds her favorite subjects in her own household pets. A dog or cat always appears in her landscapes, and sometimes a horse is added. Before her love affair with the Marquis de Stefa, Ouida held regular Friday receptions during the fashionable season, which were much frequented by Americans and English, with a sprinkling of French, Italians and other foreigners, who were attracted by her literary fame. At these receptions she usually wore black velvet, and the refreshments were very simple—tea, coffee, wine and cake, also cigarettes; but Ouida never smokes nor drinks wine. Her conversation is lively and interesting, and she expresses her opinions without reserve both in society and in her books.

I did not expect to hear from Ouida so true a description of woman's greatest charm that woman wields over man is the charm of divinity—the charm of sex, and half this charm has flown when Christina of Sweden wears her Hessian boots and smacks her whip: when her imitators of to-day enter a salon with weeds in their mouths, and swing through the stable yard, talking in a loud, rough voice, of dogs with a good strain." Ouida has given a picture of an ideal life as an existence of mingled poetry and passion, blending every refinement of mind and sense, a life of love so precious, such as the fondest fancy, the wildest dream of earliest days of the softest romance never expected to win. The name of Ouida is an infantine corruption of her baptismal name, Louise, just as Boz was of Charles, the first name of Dickens. She however, had faith in Ouida as a strong

writer, although he did not know at that writer, although he did not know at that time whether she was a man or a woman, and when her next novel appeared he published it, and it proved to be a great success, upon the strength of which he brought out a new edition of "Held in Bondage," under the better title of "Granville de Vigne." This was the beginning of Ouida's success as a novelist, and the house of Lippincott has published all her consequent works, paying her a liberal royalty. Her English publishers give her \$7000 for every book she writes.

THE STATE PRESS.

What the Newspapers Throughout Texas Are Talking About.

Brother Fonda, of the Mountain Echo. does not place quite so much value on whisky as some other editors. He writes:

A farmer living near Texarkana started home with a jug of whisky the other day, and also had a \$150 watch on and a roll of bank bills. He was knocked down by a tramp, lost his jug and hat but saved his money. We call him a lucky man in every respect.

The man who was robbed might parody an old verse and say:

I once had money and a jug.

On both I set great store;

I saved my money, but my jug
Is gone for evermore. Hessian was an execrated name among Americans after the King of England had hired from their ruler soldiers to be used against the colonies in the revolution. They were looked upon as hired murderers and licensed robbers, and the crime of their despotic ruler imputed to the men themselves. The Belton Reporter copies from the diary of Capt. Pausch, commander of the Hessian artillery in the British service, that officer's impressions of the affair. He dwells freely on the personal experiences of this officer and his men, and one gets glimpses into the private life of these exe-crated Hessian soldiers which makes one lament their hard and unhonored fate. The author says naively that, when on detached service with an English force who were ignorant of German, as he was of English, he felt, with David, "like a pelican in the wilderness." His men, in their hard voyage over, in a ship which had been a Guinea-slaver, "never forgot to sing devotional hymns morning and evening-the offering due to their Mighty Protector." Arrived here, many of them were in hospital from diarrhea, "and their homesick talk, night and day, as long as their breath held out, was of brides and wives, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and other relatives left behind in their beloved Haynau. It was hard lines for them indeed. shame of their being here was not theirs, but the caitiff king's who sold them to the

brave young nation. The American way of celebrating Christmas hardly comes up to the Mexican Indian's way of celebrating Saints' day. El Paso Bulletin copies from the Optic an account of the celebration of the advent of Our Lady of Guadalupe by the Peublo Indians, who have long been converts to Christanity as they understand it:

English to fight against the liberties of a

There were nearly one hundred men of the There were nearly one hundred men of the Peublo Indians, and quite a number of women and children, who began their feast to the patron saint of the church at Paso del Norte. According to custom, they illuminated the mountains on the southeast side of the place by building a great many large bonires upon them. They also illuminated the top of the church and many of their houses in the city, and placed in the church a statue of the Virgin Mary, who they claim appeared to the Indians in Old Mexico. Next day a large company of them marched through the city with their faces painted, playing their tomtoms and dancing marched through the city with their faces painted, playing their tomtoms and dancing before the door of the church. Five old men are surrounded while one beats the tomtoms, and all sing a kind of a song with no music in it. At the same time ten of fifteen men and women, in peculiar dress perform a kind of hop dance, with their eyes shut, in a circle that no one is allowed to enter, being guarded by men with guns. At 5 o'clock on the morning of Christmas the church opens, as they think, and Christ and the Virgin appear. That then fire off where she stays until another patron saint

This is not Lo the poor Indian with the inferior mind: but the enlightened Lo. He may have ways that are peculiar in his religious exercises, but he is a devout believer, and, what is almost as good, peaceful, hu mane, temperate and industrious. It would be well if all who profess to be Christians were as sincere and harmless.

This is from the Brownsville Cosmopolitan, published on the frontier, with only the

Rio Grande between it and Mexico: Senator Coke and Congressman Lanham are trying to secure the abolition of the Mexican Zona Libre, on the plea so often set forth that it is of detriment to the commerce on the American side of the border, merce on the American side of the border, by furnishing a place where cheap foreign goods can be taken, and thus compete with the American border towns. The fallacy of this standpoint has been explained often enough for Senator Coke at least to have got the matter through his head. The question of foreign goods being handled in the Mexican frontier towns through the Zona Libra is not one that materially affects. tion of foreign goods being handled in the Mexican frontier towns through the Zona Libre, is not one that materially affects American trade. The Zona Libre permits certain sections to buy European goods on the frontier cheaper than at the Mexican gulf and Pacific ports. If the Zona Libre was closed this trade would not be deflected to the American side of the river, by buying American goods in the place of European or paying double duties on European merchandise, but would seek the seaports of Mexico, thus depriving the frontier of that trade, which would, with the removal of the Zona Libre, be in a measure lost to it. The Zona Libre might to a limited extent affect a few retailers who are interested in purely the local trade of the border, but we fancy even they are more scared than hurt, and their interests at the best are so slight as not to warrant the national government bestirring itself in their behalf. The best proof that Coke and Lanham are working against the interests their behalt. The best proof that coke that Lanham are working against the interests of the Rio Grande frontier is the fact that they are practically joining hands with the merchants of the Mexican lower coast ports, the frontier and strengthen their own com-

The Brenham Banner says: There is filed in the District Clerk's of-ce the original returns of the city election eld in the old town of Washington in May, 838. W. W. Arrington received 27 votes for Mayor. The election returns for President of the Republic are also on file; they are dated September, 1839, and show that in Washington County, Lamar, for President, received 437 votes, and Burnet, for Vice President, received 339. In the last State election this county polled over 5600 votes. Lamar and Burnet had no opposition. State Press remembers when all Texas did not cast as large a vote as Galveston now

The Mexia Ledger cries: Woe unto the town which pins much faith to natural advantages.

Faith without work is always dead, Neither towns nor men can build a very grand superstructure without natural advantages as a foundation.

The Bellville Standard says: THE GALVESTON NEWS donned a new dress Sunday and presented quite a nanusome appearance. It is now the very image of its Dallas "kid."

as an old Galveston lady said of a fat couple who used to ride on the beach in a Spanish volante. The Standard is now four years old and continues to grow in both good looks and interest.

The Cleburne Chronicle says:

If Sterrett, of the Dallas Times, should hang up his stocking in the Gazette office Christmas night we wonder what he would find in it the next morning.

The Chronicle says:

If the newspapers of Texas would interest themselves as they should upon the subject of deep water on the coast of Texas and advocate a deep water convention, it would only be a question of time when Texas would have an outlet to all the world. Texas is too rich with grand possibilities to be practicably dependent upon other States for an outlet to reap but a pittance of the world's commerce. world's commerce.

The San Antonio Light (Rep.) says:

From the way that Democratic papers now talk it would appear that the Republicans had won the Presidential election after all. Republican principles are certainly on top yet, and promise to remain so, thanks to that stiff backbone of Grover's on which the Democrats have bragged so much.

The Paris News says:

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The wild Indians should be tried and punished for murder, no matter whether they case their depredations or not. The policy of pardoning these red-handed murderers because they stop their outrages for awhile should be abandoned, and every Indian should be made to know that if he commits murder he will be hung or shot for it as soon as he can be arrested, tried and punished. There are hundreds of Indians loafing around the agencies living on the bounty of the government and boasting of having murdered white men and of having outraged white women. The fact is a disgrace to the government, and as long as the policy is pursued which makes such things possible, just so long will squads of the Apaches and other wild tribes make raids into the white settlements and steal, rob, ravish and murder.

The Lerado Times, in its wild discursive

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In view of his gubernatorial possibilities it is interesting to know how Col. Lee Sellers stands on the question of pulverising the rum power. The Old Alealde has taken his pen in hand to write a newspaper that he was not the artist who built the celebrated Jack Rabbit in his history' of Texas which is not a history. The title should be "Roberts' Texas What Isit?"

Letters and talegrams directed to people in

Letters and telegrams directed to people in cities should give the address in full. That is the way a telegram was directed to a party in Lerado the other day:

Southeast corner of Main street to depot, four blocks from square, five blocks from I. G. N. depot, six blocks from Texas Mexican depot, seven blocks from Rio Grande and Pecos Railway. Even this was not enough. The Times

This proved a poser to the carrier, and Mr. Higgs, the operator, was forced to come down to the Times office and consult a map of the city, when the locality designated was discovered without difficulty.

The Cleburne Telegram says: Houston turns up with a broken bank leaving hundreds of needy depositors in the lurch. Worse than most anything else a law is needed for the protection of bank depositors

THE VANDERBILT TREASURE HOUSE. The Vault in the Lincoln Safe Deposit Building which He Used.

New York Tribune. Mr. Vanderbilt kept his bonds and other securities in the Lincoln Safe Deposit and Warehouse Building, at Nos. 32-38 East Forty-second street. The building is an eight-story brick structure, largely owned by the Vanderbilts, but in which Mayor Grace, Postmaster Pearson, Judge Noah Davis, Alfred Van Santvoord, S. O. Vanderpoel, Mathew C. D. Borden, John W. Harper, William S. Webb and Frederick Kuhne also have each a part ownership. Thomas L. James is president of the con-

cern. Yesterday afternoon he ceased his work for a few moments in order to show a Tribune reporter around the place.
"Mr. Vanderbilt was here for the last time on Friday," remarked the ex-Postmaster General. "He came here often. Beyond that I connot speak, as the relations be-

ter General. "He came here often. Beyond that I connot speak, as the relations between the customers and officers of this institution are entirely confidential."

The building looks on the inside more like a military fortification than anything else. The vaults are supposed to be dynamite proof, and would hold out a month against the most persistent efforts of a mob. The building stands without a bit of wood visible, except in a few chairs and tables. Even the doors, frames, sills and minor partitions are of marble or steel. The foundations were blasted out of rock. The upper stories are used as a storehouse minor partitions are of marple or steel. The foundations were blasted out of rock. The upper stories are used as a storehouse for household articles, and in the art room is Mrs. Morgan's great collection recently described in the Tribune. But the great point of interest is in the vault, that depository where many wealthy residents of New York have fabulous possessions stored, where the government bonds owned by the Vanderbilts, their railway stocks and bonds, their diamonds, their plate, are in security. This vault is set in the center of the building on the ground floor, 36x42 feet in size, of wrought iron and steel. It was built by the Herrings and might be called a safe on a colossal scale. It projects up through three stories. It walls of solid masonry have a lining of drilled steel three inches thick. Its huge double doors weigh about 1000 pounds each and have ponderous bolts which move at the touch of an authorized finger properly and judiciously used.

ciously used.

Inside is a mass of drawers quite as impossible to break into as the vault itself. Each drawer is protected by a door of heavy off, make access more difficult than before. The subscriber to the drawer cannot unlock the door with his key. He must get another key which the company keeps. The company cannot open the drawer with its key without aid of the subscriber's. When it is necessary to open the drawer, the company's key turns the lock part way; then, the subscriber inserts his key, completing the operation. There are several thousand of these drawers. When the visitor enters this section he notices that one corner is partitioned off by a wicket fence, the wickets of which are two-inch steel cylinders. This is the corner owned by the Vanderbilts. Some others having enormous wealth are also permitted owned by the Vanderbilts. Some others having enormous wealth are also permitted to share it. It was here that Patti insisted on storing her diamonds. The drawers are usually larger than those in the main vault. There is one row of four, each two feet cube in size. When the bondholder desires to cut off coupons he is taken through a back door into an outer court made up of comfortable little rooms, in one of which he is locked, while he operates with a pair of shears chained to a table.

Air is forced into the vault from the roof.

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Air is forced into the vault from the roof.
Round about are rooms where trunks are kept, and ladies have private entrances so that they may examine these with security from all observation. The subscribers number about 1500 and the investment is said

Just the Old Kind.

Paris News There were numerous fights vesterday. and drunks and downs, but none worthy of special mention. The colored people particularly seemed very full of Christmas.

Sage Advice.

McKinney Democrat.

Pay your merchant who pulls you through the hard season of the year.

Sunday and presented quite a handsome appearance. It is now the very image of its Dallas "kid."

There is many a manufacturer who wishes that his piles of lumber were in the tree, so he could sell it at once at a good round price.—Northwestern Lumberman, Chicago.

THE FRESH TRAIL OF THE IRON HORSE.

Facts, Figures and Fancies Gleaned, Originated and Wired Specially for this Department of the News

Tyler is as anxious to secure the Trunk Railroad as Dallas is to have a connection with Tyler. The people of Tyler consider their city the best in East Texas, and they are correct in the belief. They have enterprise and a good future, and now need but ne thing, a connection with North Texas. What Tyler is is ascribable to her people. They are not located in a county noted for the richness of its soil, and their "possessions" came from industry, hard licks and good sense. The town has never been backward in building roads. Every citizen has always put his shoulder to the wheel, and a pull all together has always been the rule. They have the Appellate and Supreme Courts, but the round about way of getting to them has prevented much business going to them that otherwise would go there. Lawyers don't want to lay over at Mineola and make the "all night sitting up trip." Connected with Dallas, the people know that another point would be settled. Heretofore in urging a branch of these courts at Dallas it has been urged that North Texas can not reach Tyler. With this connection can not reach Tyler. With this connection made Tyler would be prepared to answer it. The point is not overlooked by the Tyler people. They will bring every means to bear to sell the Kansas and Gulf Line to the Trunk management. They see in this the only chance to get to Dallas. The danger to them of a road running from this city west of them to Sabine Pass is fully understood. One of their most prominent mensaid to the Rumbler: "We want the road, and I suppose the Kansas and Gulf Short Line is like the boy whose mother sent him to market with the eggs. How much do you ask for your eggs, sonny! Well, mother said if I couldn't get ib cents to take a bit."

THE NEW ENGINES. THE NEW ENGINES.

The new engines of the Houston and Texas Central have stacks that look very much like the pipes of a common stove. There is no grand "bulge" at the top, and consequently none of the "rings" or "curls" of smoke that is sometimes seen coming from the old timer. When they snort it is more like a scream, and the belch of the steam and smoke through them tears the bark from the trees on the side of the right of way. In all things else they are superior to the old engines, having more power and speed.

THE UNION PACIFIC'S CONDITION. Immediately upon the placing of the Union Pacific in the hands of a receiver and the rumors about Mr. Gould having unloaded comes a statement that new cars are to be bought, etc., which is to be construed into the assertion that the road is in firstclass fix. But the Union Pacific is just like all other roads. When the powers behind it desire to make it poor or bad they can do so long before a tie can be chopped or a rail put down. In the New York brokers' offices the most of the repairs are made and also most of the wrecks.

EXCURSIONISTS. A large number of gentlemen will leave the city to-day on a hunt down the Texas Trunk Railroad to Cedar Creek, southeast of Kemp. They will take a special car and be gone several days. Game is said to be abundant and the excursionists are fully prepared to enjoy themselves. They will be absent several days. Capt. Hugh Irvine, the superintendent of the road will have the party in charge and take care of it.

THE HOUSTON TEXAS CENTRAL. The Texas Central Railroad is conceded to be one of the best roads now in the State, but there seems to be no let up in the energy displayed to still further improve it. Attention is not devoted entirely to the track, but the right of way is being cleared of every brush and the ditches on each side have received careful attention. A receiver seems to be a magnificent thing for the

AN "ON TO RED RIVER" ITEM. The McKinney Democrat says: A railroad meeting was held at Farmersville last Thursday in the interest of the extension of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe. Farmersville has shipped this season three thousand bales of cotton and one hundred carloads of cotton seed, besides grain. On to Dallas is the cry with them. This railroad meeting means business. The old Transcontinental had, at one time, with but little expense, secured the right of way through Collin County, with a handsome bonus. Whenever Dallas shows she means business Collin

will respond.

Dallas means business. The Santa Fe has made certain propositions which the city will do its best to meet. It understands the importance of the road to Red River and the trade of the "best country the world ever saw"—Collin County. It is as anxious to get these 3000 bales and 100 carloads of cotton seed, and the wheat, corn, oats, barley, hay and hominy of that country as it is to get to Red River. Dallas is not fooling. It answers as it did the drunken man "throwing up," when asked if he was sick, "You don't think I am doing it for fun, do you."

PERSONAL.

PERSONAL. Col. James Britton was in the city yester-day from Sherman, on his way to El Paso. Mr. George Quinlan, of the Houston and Texas Central, left the city yesterday for

Houston.

Mr. Richard Fenley, auditor of the Mexican Central, was in the city yesterday and left last evening. THE MT. PLEASANT BRANCH PROJECT.

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Dec. 27.—It is noticed here that the Dallas people are agitating the extension of the Santa Fe Road to Paris and saying nothing about the branch of the Texas and St. Louis, from Mt. Pleasant to Dallas. It is argued that the extension of the first named road to Paris does not give Dallas another outlet, while the building of the Mt. Pleasant Branch would furnish Dallas another competing line and one passing through a very fine country. It appears to people in this section that the Dallas people would be deeply interested in the early building of the last named road, and they soon to hear of them agitating the

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT. The board of commissioners of railroads in Kentucky has made its report, which is now in the hands of the public printer. It is an exhaustive one, but nowhere, as in a Texas case, advises that there is no need for such a commission.

A CLEAR COAST. SHERMAN, Dec. 27 .- The wrecked freight cars at Dodd City have been removed from the track and freight trains are again moving along on the Trans-Continental without delay.

RAILWAY CONDUCTORS WELL TREATED. St. Louis, Dec. 23.—The mystery surrounding the meeting of railroad conductors, which has been held here for two days past, was lifted to-night, and it is now known that the conductors were a sort of grievance committee to lay before Vice President Hoxie, of the Missouri Pacific System, some complaints about the irregular and extra hours which the conductors are required to work and for which they receive to new Thorn had a release to the system. no pay. They had a pleasant conference with Mr. Hoxie, and he referred them to General Superintendent Kerrigan, stating Star Cough Cure. It never fails to cure.

that he would approve any agreement that that official might make with them. They saw Mr. Kerrigan, and that gentleman promised that the objectionable features of the present plan of labor should be abated, and the conductors have departed to their homes very well pleased.

KAUFMAN'S GROWTH.

What that Young and Valiant Place Is Destined To Be.

To The News. KAUFMAN, Dec. 26.—Recent events which have settled forever the location of the county seat of Kaufman County at this place, and the immediate prospects of the extension of the Texas Trunk and Texas Central to a through connection with important lines of railway in the State, conspire to bring the hitherto quiet little town of Kaufman into public notice. As Kaufman County is so near to the city of Dallas

man County is so near to the city of Dallas and necessarily tributary to her trade and commercial importance, I have no doubt that you will be kind enough to publish any item which may possibly conduce to the welfare and permanent prosperity of our town and county, and hence I confidently venture to submit for publication in your daily paper a few facts relative to the town of Kaufman, her resources and her prospects, which may be of special interest to those of your readers who may be looking out for a home or a business location. The town of Kaufman is situated within a mile or so of the geographical center of Kaufman County, and in the exact center of as fine a county of land as can be found anywhere in Texas or any other State. It is blessed with fine water and timber and is by where in Texas or any other State. It is blessed with fine water and timber and is by far the healthiest town in the county. It now has an industrious and thrifty population of about 1500, good schools and churches and excellent society. It has two railroads, the Trunk and the Central, which, when extended, as will most certainly be done during the next year, will be two of the most important lines in the State. It has a scope of country tributary to her which extends fifteen miles on the west, the same distance on the east, and State. It has a scope of country tributary to her which extends fifteen miles on the west, the same distance on the east, and about twenty-five on the south, which is unsurpassed in fertility and which can never be taken from her by any rival town. The trade on the north is divided with Terrell and Forney. Beginning at the point where the Trunk crosses the East Fork of the Trinity, and running down that stream to the mouth of Cedar, twenty-five miles south, and then running up Cedar Creek to a point directly east of the town and about fifteen miles distant, we have a scope of country which will always be tributary to Kaufman, because it can not cross the all but impassable bottoms which shut out competition from all points outside of those streams. The merchants and business men who are here are wholly unable to handle the vast local trade which pours in from this large and fertile scope of country, and the people are loudly clamoring for more merchants. The merchants who are here say that they can not handle the trade that comes here and are quite anxious for others to come in and help them to control it. Parties here who have capital propose to build good houses and let them for reasonable rentals. Residence and business lots can be purchased at very low figures and on reasonable terms. No town in the State offers greater advantages as a location for a mercantile establishment than the town of Kaufman, and our people will welcome all who may come and settle among them. A \$75,000 courthouse will be built here during the ensuing year and a regular boom is most certainly upon us.

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TIMOTHY WELCOME.

SORROW AND JOY AT SHERMAN. Two Somber Funeral Scenes and Two Happy Marriages-Local Notes.

Special to The News. SHERMAN, Dec. 27 .- To-day has been a solemn one in Sherman, indeed. The burial of Miss Nannie Taylor, this afternoon, was one of the most touching sights ever witnessed on the streets of Sherman. At 2 p. m. all of the students of the public school in the First Ward gathered at the large brick school building and marched to the residence of the deceased young lady. From this point they accompanied the hearse to the City Cemetery, where the burial took place under the direction of Rev. J, S. Moore, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Many little hearts are sad to-night because of their beloved teacher and true friend sleeping beneath the sod in the silent cemetery of the dead. Miss Toulon he emetery of the dead. Miss Taylor had een a teacher in the public schools since they were first organized, under separate municipal direction, and her death will be a sad blow to the department, as she was recognized by the board to be one of the

a sad blow to the department, as she was recognized by the board to be one of the most competent instructors in all the large corps of teachers.

This afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Mrs. Jno. Walsh was laid away in the Friendship (M. E.) Cemetery, just west of the city. Mrs. Walsh leaves a large family of small children and a sorrowing husband to mourn the loss of a loving mother and wife. She had, perhaps, as many friends in this county as any lady in it, and her loss will be keenly felt. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Binkley, presiding elder, at the Travis Street Methodist Church.

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Prof. C. B. Smith, assistant superintendant of the Whitesboro Public Schools, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Mary Drake, of this city, at the residence of the bride's parents this afternoon, Rev. Dr. J. C. Carpenter officiating. The following young people from Whitesboro were in attendance: Misses Lizzie Lee and Mary Wade and Perch Darwin, of the Whitesboro News. Both of the contracting parties are from among the best social circles, and the union has brought forth many congratulations from the neighboring cities.

All of the churches were well attended today and the good weather brought out large

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There was a small fire in the eastern part of the city this morning, but little damage was occasioned.
Clarence Woolfington, of this city, was married in Denison to-day. The News reporter was unable to obtain the lady's

The Magnolia Flouring Mills are preparing to put in extensive improvements at a cost of several thousand dollars.

TERRIBLE STATE OF AFFAIRS. The Indian Outrages in New Mexico Not

Half Told. Special to The News. EL PASO, Dec. 27.—W. J. Jones, a well known ranchman from Arizona, who ar-

rived here to-day, states that a terrible state of affairs prevails in the western part of New Mexico and Eastern Arizona. He says that the reports published in the newspapers give but a poor idea of the number

papers give but a poor idea of the number of persons who have been massacred and the harm done to property. Dozens of men have been killed in isolated places, whose remains were not found until days afterward, and on Christmas morning he, himself, helped to bury a massacred neighbor, who is locally well known, but whose death has never been mentioned.

Mr. Jones states further that a ranger force of twenty-eight men similar to the effective rangers of West Texas was lately organized by Graham County, Arizona. The force is composed of tried citizens of both territories and the residents place in it their only hope. The force is now in the field. It is well known that Gov Zulich, of Arizona, is in favor of forming a territorial

BAPTIST PREACHING.

Dr. Hanks Discourses on the Humanity and

Forgiving Nature of Christians. The congregation yesterday at the First Baptist Church, as usual, could not be seated by the pews, and extra chairs had to be brought in. The singing was by the entire congregation, and was very spirited and enjoyable. After a paper commemorating the virtues and usefulness of Deacon Philip Prather and his wife, both recently deceased, had been read, and announce ment made that the church had employed Rev. Dr. S. J. Anderson to aid in extending the work in the city, the pastor, Rev. R. T. Hanks, announced his text as Matthew i., 23: "His name shall be called Emanuel,

which being interpreted is, God is with us." He had not intended to preach a Christmas sermon, for according to the genius of the Christion religion one day was as important as another, except that the Lord had made it plain that one day in seven should be set apart to his worship and spe-

We get our word Christmas from the Roman Catholics, and the 25th day of December was fixed as the time of Christ's birth by decretal epistals. However, before Catholicism had made any decree on the subject, there was a controversy as to the time when Christ was born many many maintaining the day there was a controversy as to the time when Christ was born, many maintaining the day we now have. However, he rather held with the other party, who argued that Christ was born in spring time, for the shepherds were out on Judean hills watching their sheep by night, and besides he thought there something appropriate, when all nature was carpeted with green and beautified by blooming flowers—

When the streams full were flowing

When the streams full were flowing And all nature into life was growing-

And all nature into life was growing—that Christ, the Lord of Life, should come. However that might be, the 25th of December was the day now universally observed in commemoration of that event, and no matter what the day, so the observance was right. Some celebrated it by dissipation (a strange and unnatural desecration), some by innocent hilarity and others religiously. He then said he wanted to make use of four events in the life of Christ—his incarnation, his baptism, his transfiguration and his death and resurrection.

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his baptism, his transfiguration and his death and resurrection.

The incarnation was a mystery, and hence some rejected it. They are inconsistent, since most of the accepted facts and laws on everyday life are mysteries. The ancients fondly hoped that some men might become gods, and now and then they defied their fellows, but none of them ever dreamed that God would become man. And yet, if Goc would show man Himself and and teach him to be godlike, how better could He do it than by subjecting his attributes and conduct to the limitations of humanity and the circumscriptions of human law. Some would prefer to worship a cold, ideal deity. Others would bow like Compt at the altar of humanity, but the Christian worships Emanuel, "God manifested in the flesh." Here he has the rock of divinity on which to rest, and the sympathy of a brother with which to live. Christ is the ladder Jacob saw, whose base is on the earth and whose top is in the heaven.

divinity on which to rest, and the sympathy of a brother with which to live. Christ is the ladder Jacob saw, whose base is on the earth and whose top is in the heaven.

He next spoke of the baptism of Christ as typical of his life of obedience. He fulfilled every jot and tittle of the Law. In his baptism he declared it necessary to fulfill all righteousness. He was not made better by the ordinance, but honored God in obedience and set us an example. Nothing in thought is sublimer than to follow Christ through the biographies written by unlearned men and see how grandly he kept his course, notwithstanding the floods of opposition, misunderstanding, prejudices of race, caste, political and religious, which opposed him. No man could aim at a higher life than to place his foot beside that of the lowly Nazarene and keep step with him to the grave.

The transfiguration of Christ seemed to him to be a scene thrown into the life of Christ for two purposes. One was that God might reassure Christ of His love, and the other was that Moses and Elijah and Christ might arrange affairs for His crucifixion. For "they talked with him about the manner of the death which He should accomplish."

Christ had been serving God acceptably for, say two years in the public, and yet He was unappreciated by men, God seems to have grown impatient of this, and while the dull, dumb earth kept silent, the appreciating, loving heavens spoke forth, saying: "This is my beloved son; hear ye him." Then, too, Christ had virtually demonstrated that that part of the plan of salvation depending on his obedience was a success, and now Moses and Elijah hold conversation with him about the everlasting atonement he was to make. His discription of Moses' joy at being permitted to remind Christ of the preparatory work which he had done under God as the lawgiver, and of Elijah's ecstacy over the burning prophecies he had given 700 years before of things then fulfilling, formed one of the most thrilling passages in the discourse. He passed naturally from the c assumed all the woes of others, and died to

edeem them.

He concluded by insisting that the Christ-He concluded by insisting that the Christian religion, in its practical operations and in its appeals to motive, was radically different from all other religions. All other systems teach us to appease the wrath of God by our offerings, and to retain his favor by service. The Christ of the Bible offers forgiveness and heaven as a free gift, and everywhere holds up the motive of love as the only acceptable one for our service. This is ennobling to our spirits and its spiritual freedom. spiritual freedom.

PRISON MINSTRELS.

An Entertainment Given by Convicts in the Huntsville Penitentiary.

Special to The News. HUNTSVILLE, Dec. 27 .- For several years it has been the custom for the convicts to give an entertainment on Christmas day for the amusement of their fellow prisoners, and at night the entertainment is repeated for the benefit of the citizens. Night before last witnessed the largest audience that THE NEWS reporter has ever known to be assembled in Huntsville, the occasion being the annual entertainment of the prison minstrels. The troupe this year is composed of the following members: J. S. Hatton, H. Clifford, Doc McGee, C. C. Steb, Wm. Sanders, J. Doyle. Tom Sullivan, F. E. Zerb, Collins McKinney, James Connors, R. N. Hollis, J. E. Henson and Joe F. Stevens, all of whom acted their parts well. Doc. McGee and Wm. Sanders as end men were splendid. The singing of H. Clifford, C. C. Sieb and J. Doyle were excellent and highly appreciated by the large audience present. In fact, the entire performance was pronounced the best that the prison minstrels have ever given. The receipts amounted to near \$200. On New Year's night the entertainment will be repeated, the proceeds to go to Mrs. A. H. Russell, whose husband was an employe of the prison and died a few days ago, leaving a wife and six children.

Christmas passed off quietly with the usual Christmas tree, fireworks, etc. Capt. Tom Hamilton and Col. L. B. Walker took their Christmas dinner and were present at the prison minstrels entertainment. assembled in Huntsville, the occasion being

the prison minstrels entertainment.

Killed By the Cars.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 26.—Yesterday evening Orvis Cresson, a laborer, while walking on the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks near Allegrippus, was knocked down and run over by a passenger train. When picked up his body was found to be cut entirely in two pieces. A watch and chain and \$315 in money were found on his person.

"George, the Giant," Kills Himself. KANE, Pa., Dec. 27.—George Overhaltzer, better known as "George the Giant," shot

vious to the shooting he was cleaning a re- Lewis Bros. & Co., 736 Elm street.

volver while talking to a cousin named Gillisia, and Gillisia was called into an adjoin insia, and chinish was carred into an adjoin-ing room, and as soon as he left the room heard the report of the revolver. Return-ing, he found Overhaltzer lying dead on the floor with a bullet hole in his right temple. It is supposed to be a case of suicide, and a Coroner's jury will investigate to-morrow morning. morning.

CORSICANA CULLINGS.

The Wheels to Start Up the Justice Mills Once More-Personal and General.

CORSICANA, Dec. 27. — Hon. L. D. Bradly, after spending Christmas at his home in Fairfield, returned to this city tonight and is to open District Court to-morrow morning. The grand jury, which has been adjourned since the 19th inst., is also to convene to-morrow. During the two weeks they have held they found about twentyfive new bills and reinvestigated all the old cases on the docket and found new bills where the evidence was sufficient. This latter was done, however, in those cases only where the former indictments were presented by grand juries composed of

presented by grand juries composed of over twelve men.

The county jail is about full, containing among other prisoners three negroes charged with murder.

In the Justice Court of Precinct No. 7 of this county, in the case of Ward vs. Burke, a change of venue was taken by the plaintiff yesterday, on the ground that he could not get justice in that precinct or before its Justice. This is a very rare proceeding in Justice Courts. The case was transferred to the court of Judge R. Y. Leetch, of Precinct No. 6.

Judge R. W. Walton is to open his court to-morrow with the heaviest docket of the season, 247 cases being the sum total of the separate demands for justice.

The citizens' temperance mass meeting, held at the Presbyterian Church and presided over by Dr. E. B. Crisman, was well attended this afternoon.

Rev. Adkins, of Denison, preached at the Friscant Church to day.

Rev. Adkins, of Denison, preached at the Episcopal Church to-day. It is stated that negotiations are pending to obtain his permanent services as rector of this parish.

He Was the Fifth. Detroit Free Press.

A Michigan avenue grocer whose family occupy rooms over the store was fumigating some bedding the other day in a vacant room, and after a time the smoke began to pour out of a broken pane which he had overlooked. A pedestrian saw the smoke and did not doubt that the place was on fire. It was a good chance for him to emusuppressed his desire to yell and turn in an alarm and entered the store, took a chair by the stove and calmly remarked:

"Quite a change in the weather?"

"Don't look so much like an open winter as it did?"

"Trade pretty good?"
"Well, tolerably fair."
"This would be a bad morning to burn
out?"

"It would that."

"It would that."

"It suppose you are insured?"

"Not fully, but shall be to-morrow."

"Pm sorry that you delayed so long, for I came in to tell you that your whole upstairs has been on fire these last ten minutes!"

"Yes; thank you. Willie!"

"Yes; sir," responded the clerk.

"Make another mark on the cheese box!

This is the fifth man who has come in with the same old guy this morning, and I expect at least half a dozen more!"

"But I tell you I saw smoke pouring from the window!" protested the stranger.

"Exactly. Let her pour. I'm fumigating. Next!"

When the stranger entowed the strange has

Next!"
When the stranger entered the store he was six feet tall. When he came out he had lost five inches and was still shrinking, and such a look as he carried on his face would have frightend a hitching post.

The San Francisco girl of 1885 is principally remarkable for her ability to express herself with a double back action combination of conciseness and volubility. She has a clayer trick of accomplishing the product of tion of conciseness and volubility. She has a clever trick of economizing time and space by running two or three words together. She never pauses for the ordinary obstructions of grammar, and when clear, comprehensive English fails her, she instantly resorts to words of her own coinage. The T. C. offers as an example the following intercepted conversation: "Lo! Whereyergoin?" "Lo! Jus downear to the dressmaker's." "Dressfinisht?" "Mmmmt. Not owith a security be levels?" mm! Not quite; , sgointube lovely." "How-shimakinit?" "Oh! I dunno; little jiggers down the front and pleatinsroun the bottom —sorter sprangly effect. Musturry—good-by!"—San Francisco News-Letter.

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When the winds outside her casement called. As they went roaming by, The prison walls her life enthralled, She looked on with a sigh;

Yet flowers of word and deed she wreathed About the bonds she bore, Forgot at times what air she breathed, What heavy weights she bore.

When thickening dust filled all the street And choked the blinded day, Her fancy fled where wild seas beat; She felt the cool, salt spray Flung by the billows' fluttering hands

Across the weary space
That held her from the shining sands,
Drop kisses on her face. Dark flower-lit woods she wandered through,

She heard the wild bird sing, In sunny haunts where violets blue Look up to greet the spring. The city's harsh and deafening sounds

Unheeded round her fell, When thought o'erstepped the narrow bounds Of labor's citadel.

With a woman's tender, loving guile, She hid her captive mark, Covered her bruises with a smile, And sang songs in the dark.

O world, still stumbering, while Wrong reigns, Thou art the King, arise! Release her from her slavish chains, The Princess in disguise.

Her wanderings long from realm and crown Leave desolate thy throne: Receive thy Queen, to her bow down, And bring her to her own!

ANNIE M. LIBBY.

THE GREENVILLE ROUTE.

Letter from an Editor of the Above Town-Where the Extension Should Go. To the News.

GREENVILLE, Dec. 26 .- The extension of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad is the main topic of conversation in Greenville. The line from Dallas to Paris, via Greenville, would be nearly 100 miles long, through the richest and most densely populated section of Texas. The population of the counties to be benefited is about as follows: Dallas County, 60,000; Rockwall, 10,-000: Hunt, 30,000: Delta, 10,000, and Lamar, 40,000-a total of 150,000 people, mainly composed of farmers raising produce to be handled by the railroad. The cotton production of the counties named is over 100,-000 bales annually, and the production of corn, wheat, oats and hay is enormous. It is certainly the most inviting field for railroad enterprise to be found in Texas. Rockwall and Delta have no railroads, while Hunt and Lamar have only the Gould lines, and the opinion grows more decided that Mr. Gould has monopolized this rich territory long enough.

The letter published in THE NEWS of the 25th, from Lewisville, to the effect that Dallas ought to favor the Farmersville route, Dailas ought to ravor the Farmersville route, for the reason that, if the road should be built to Greenville, our city would become a great wholesale centre and a rival of Dallas, is quite amusing to our people, who have listened to the current talk here for a few days past. It is seriously urged by some citizens of Greenville—and the idea is especially encouraged by outsiders who have other interests at stake—that the road would injure Greenville. They say that a direct line from this rich section of country to Dallas would cause our city people, and direct line from this rich section of country to Dallas would cause our city people, and many country residents who dress well and are prospeross in life, to do their shopping at Dallas, thus depriving Greenville of her most valuable trade; that mill men and farmers would jump on the train in the morning and run down to Dallas to spend the day buying machinery and seeing the sights, returning home for supper, and that Greenville would simply be a suburb of the North Texas metropolis. whereas she is now the queen and center of attraction for a large section of rich country that trades here exclusively.

The spectacle is amusing all around. Dallas affects to be afraid of Greenville's growing importance, and some of Greenville's people seem to believe that Dallas wants to grease our little city and swallow it whole.

prease our little city and swallow it whole. Nevertheless, our people want the road and the majority of them honestly believe that it would be of vast benefit to both cities. No the majority of them honestly believe that it would be of vast benefit to both cities. No town was ever injured by too many railroads, except the towns that failed to get them, and the idea that commercial centers are injured by rapid and easy communication between them will not bear the light of reason. Cities grow in groups and help to sustain each other's prosperity. New York is invironed by a cluster of great cities and they all enrich New York and are, in turn, enriched by the great metropolis. Philadelphia, with a million inhabitants, is almost a suburb of New York, yet the people of the two cities have never favored tearing up the railroads between the two places. Boston, Chicago and other cities are the centers of constellations of prosperous cities of less magnitude. The benefits of close communication are mutual. If not, the best place to build a great city would be in the most out of the way place that could be found.

So long as Dallas is in the lead in North Texas, all other cities help her. If Dallas fears that Greenville will become the largest city, then the former should advocate the Farmersville route. Her people should, in that case, prefer a route that would build up as few cities as possible rather than to build up a superior city. But Dallas is too sensible to apprehend any danger of of that sort.

The road will be worth much to Green-

of that sort.

The road will be worth much to Greenville also. We possess a farming country of unparalleled richness, and the greater the facilities afforded for marketing our products the greater will be our prosperity. Greenville contains nearly \$2,000,000 worth of property. If the road should run by Farmersville our property would decrease in value at least 10 per cent. This would be a clear loss to our town of \$200,000. If the road should run through Greenville there is not a man in the city who would not ask 10 per cent more for his property. This would be a gain of \$200,000. If his gives us a difference of nearly half a million dollars, which is probably below the true amount of financial interest that our city has in the Santa Fe Road. Some may hold back, but the most of our citizens are convinced that Greenville's opportunity has arrived and will act accordingly.

Dallas cannot afford to have the road run on any other than the "county seat" route, nor can the county seats afford to permit it to run elsewhere. This is an age of railroads. They make or break towns, and Greenville need not, must not, be broken.

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Crazy in the Jails.

To The News. TERRELL, Dec. 26.—THE NEWS will please call attention of the public to the fact, as one of general interest, that it is within the knowledge of the superintendent of the N. T. L. Asylum that there are numbers of persons in the jails of Texas who ought t be and would be in said asylum if th authorities of their several counties would take the necessary steps to get them there, and stranger yet, permission has been granted to bring several persons in regard to whom all the necessary steps have been taken, and yet these poor unfortunates are permitted to remain in jail or to remain in their homes until, becoming incurable, they will at last be brought to be taken care of the rest of their lives by the State. These things ought not so to be, and, attention called to it, it is hoped they will be remedied. By embodying above in an editorial in your widely circulated paper you will confer a favor on many unfortunates who cannot help themselves, and oblige,

D. R. WALLACE,
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and almost supernatural triumphs over disease. We believe a review of the same
would be highly interesting to our readers. The book reads more like a fairy story than
anything else, yet every claim and assertion
is substantiated by numerous facts.

We publish below a number of extracts
from this book, that our readers may know
more about the doings of this wonderful
physician, who seems to have stirred the
earth with his professional triumphs from
center to circumference. The first chapter
is a biographical history of the doctor,
which starts out by saying:

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"Dr. Flower is a young man, but 34 years of age, smooth face, medium size, very large head. He is a hard student, deep thinker, a man of remarkably quick perception and intuitional faculty, which are said to be marked to be marked to be marked to be marked to the said to the sa

marvelous.

"A phenomenal feature in his practice is his method of diagnosing disease. He never asks a patient his trouble, but the instant he takes the hand of a sick person he tells most accurately the disease in all its ramifactions. This phenomenal phase of his

most accurately the disease in all its ramifications. This phenomenal phase of his practice has brought to him thousands upon thousands of patients, and it is claimed that out of upward of 100,000 examinations he has never made a mistake.

"In the business world Dr. Flower is as great a wonder as he is in the practice of medicine. His intuitional powers in detecting the actual condition of the markets seem almost infallible. If he buys stocks they go up; if he sells they go down. He has made fortunes for many of his friends, and saved many from ruin.

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"He is a man of great individuality, a man of methods, a man who, from all appearances, does the work of a hundred

Following is an interesting biography of his professional career. Next is a chapter

which reads nore like the curing of the sick, making the lame walk and the blind see of eighteen hundred years ago than anything also

The chapter following, entitled

A MEDICAL WONDER, leads you still further into fascinating realms of what seem to be miracles. Among those startling accounts and miraculous cures is recorded the case of a gentleman for many years a sufferer, visiting Dr. Flower as a last resort, in search of health. As soon as Dr. Flower saw him he said: "You have a live animal in your stomach, and one which belongs to a southern country. You must have swallowed it many years ago."

lowed it many years ago."

The horror-stricken man replied: "I was afraid I had." He then stated that he was in the army, during which time he frequently drank from the

POOLS IN THE FLORIDA SWAMPS. and shortly after leaving there he felt the creature, as the doctor described it, in his stomach, and that for every minute of his life for the last fifteen years he had been in perfect dread and pretty much all the time in great agony. Dr. Flower took charge of the case. It was soon apparent that the first remedy was a death blow to the creature, and there soon began to pass away scales and bones and pieces of feet. The man received immediate relief, and is to-day comparatively a well and happy to-day comparatively a well and happy

The long letter headed

MIRACLES, IF SUCH THINGS ARE, written by the editor of the Boston Travel-ler (which is one of the largest, most repu-table and conservative journals of the East),

table and conservative journals of the East), after the most thorough investigation of Dr. Flower and his practice, must always be, at least to the sick, a most interesting collection of facts. He says:

"The readers of the Traveller are well acquainted with the name of Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston, Mass. In fact, no professional man in America is better known than this successful, energetic, skilled physician of ths "Hub."

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"Personally, Dr. Flower is exceedingly popular, and his friends being largely of the old, leading and representative families of the East gives him great strength at his home. He is a young man, having just passed his thirty-fourth birthday, although to look into his clean-shaved, smiling face, you would not judge him over 25."

He then gives them a number of cures performed by Dr. Flower, which would seem to vie with the miracles of olden times; and were it not for the corroborating proofs and the parties themselves still living to testify to their truth, these seemingly extraordinary claims would not be admissible in living print.

We extract the following as a few from almost numberless cases cited, which will give our readers a partial idea of Dr. Flower.

almost numberless cases cited, which will give our readers a partial idea of Dr. Flow-er's almost supernatural triumphs over disease and death:

disease and death:

"A wonderful cancer cure was that of Mrs. W. H. Shaw, of Portland, Me. This philanthropic woman is well known throughout the East, and, by her friends, as well as her physicians, was regarded as incurable. Dr. Flower with such skill removed the three cancers, as well as thoroughly cleansed her system, that many regarded her cure miraculous. Mrs. Shaw told your correspondent that she wished every sick person in the world knew what Dr. Flower had done for her, and what he can do and is doing every day for the sick. 'Why,' continued this enthusiastic lady,' look what he has done for me. I came to him nearly dead; to-day I am in better health than I have been since early life; he snatched me from the jaws of death and cured me of my disease with the ease that a March wind would lift a straw. I tell you, sir, he is a remarkable man. To come into his presence is health; to touch his hand is cure.' Dr. Flower's patients are numbered

is true. He has thousands of patients all the time.

"These, Mr. Editor, are facts given in an unvarnished way; this is an exhibition of his powers. Call it what you may, but when it comes to a man standing in the presence of a dying patient, all eaten up and racked with pain, making a prophecy as to the future of the patient, and then go to work and fulfill his own prophecy, which is apparently the changing of natural and inevitable events—I say when it comes to a man doing this constantly, it calls for the honest investigation of the public, rather than sneering criticism from professional rivals."

He closes his thorough and critical investigation of Dr. Flower and his practice as follows:

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a vast and wonderful accumulation of facts
pertaining to Dr. Flower and his cures.
They are facts—cold, solid facts—and are
as startling as a voice from death.
"From the crowds which throng his spacious office, No. 1762 Washington street,
corner of Chester Park, you might infer that
all the sick in the world were seeking at his
hands relief. Whether the theory of many,
'that Dr. Flower holds the key of life,' is
true or not.

THIS IS TRUE,

that he changes in almost a miraculous manner the sick bed into a healthy couch, robs death of its spoil by saving annually thousands from a premative grave. His happy patients, thus mysteriously cured, live in every land, and upon these joyful homes the sun never sets."

The rest of the book is devoted to Dr. Flower's methods of treatment; of his occasional journeys South and West for the purpose of seeing such patients as need a professional interview, yet are unable to make the journey to Boston; also a number of testimonials, representing many of the prominent and leading men of the East. Among these testimonials we notice the strong indorsements of J. Willard Rice, of Boston, ex-Mayor of the city, and brother Boston, ex-Mayor of the city, and brother of Gov. Rice, and head of the great manufacturing firm of Rice, Kendall & Co. Mr. Rice says: "I have known Dr. Flower intimately for years. He is a highly educated and cultured man, and I know personally of

both of ladies and gentlemen, effected by Dr. Flower, whom I unhesitatingly declare to be a wonderful physician, an elegant gentleman and a valued friend." From the careful reading of this book it will be seen that Dr. Flower held the key of life and death at least in many instances when hope everywhere else had failed. That his ability to detect disease, let it be ever so subtly hidden, is more than the natural and his power to cure the most helpless cases, even in death's shadows, smacks strongly of the supernatural, though in justice to Dr. Flower we should say he does not claim that there is anything supernatural about his work. Bearing upon this subject we will quote Dr. Flower's own words: "Supernatural? No, sir; I make no such claim. Such belongs to the readers of the Divine." "Then, doctor, how do you account for the cures you are performing daily?" "Your question is one I would rather not answer. That I cure where others fail, that I make the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lame walk, and that I rescue from death's jaw the sick and dying when abandoned by all others, and the last vestige of faith has died upon the altar of a blasted hope, is a fact known to tens of thousands who are living witnesses of these cures."

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MRS. PENDLETON ASSAILED.

An Unpardonable Discourtesy on the Part of Consul General Raine. Washington, Dec. 27 .- Mr. Fred Raine,

the United States Consul General at Berlin has been guilty of a great breach of etiquette, to say the least, in writing as he has one about Mrs. Pendleton, the wife of the Minister. Raine is the proprietor of a Baltimore German paper, and has made good deal of money. He lived in a fine house on Eutaw place, and assumed to carry the German vote of the city in his pocket. A good many leading Germans have not near so high an opinion of Raine as that gentleman has of himself, but that did not prevent him from securing the

that did not prevent him from securing the position of Consul General. When he left Baltimore he had the most absurdly exaggerated ideas of his position in Berlin, and no doubt he has suffered some social disappointment himself, for the Germans, as a rule, resent the sending of their own countrymen as American consuls. They are better pleased with Americans, even if they do not speak a word of the language.

In no other way can one account for the following spiteful remark: "Mrs. Pendleton's position at court is not at all to her taste. Indeed, it is very unpleasant; but this is hardly a matter of surprise. The American lady is a very high and dignified personage. She suddenly makes the discovery that in other countries there are persons more dignified and exclusive in their surroundings than herself—aye, even among Germans, whom Americans have been wont to look upon as the meekest of mankind." That Raine has been snubbed by Mrs. Pendleton is the only explanation given here for the following: "No wonder, therefore, that a lady accustomed to look upon herself as the pink of society at home should feel disconcerted at finding herself in Berlin in contact with thousands of women who are even more dignified and exclusive than herself, and who base their women who are even more dignified and ex-clusive than herself, and who base their pretensions on the merits of ancestors runprecessions on the merits of ancestors run-ning back to the crusades. These scions of the great families pretend to see nothing in the husband of Mrs. Pendleton, though he is an ex-Senator and politician, however re-spectable, but that after all he is but an or-dinary commoner."

ROMANCE ENDS IN SUICIDE.

The Son of a Norwegian Publisher Fails to Make an American Home, and Dies.

MERIDEN, Conn., Dec. 27 .- Carl Dreyer, a Norwegian of 26 years, climbed to the top of a freight car standing on a side track today, and when the afternoon New York afternoon express came along he plunged down upon the main track in front of the locomotive and was cut into fragments. Dreyer's history is both romantic and pathetic. He was the son of a publisher of means in Staringer, Norway, and was book keeper in a bank. He became enamored of a girl in Havinger who was beneath him in social position, and his father refused to consent to the marriage. In despair Carl

consent to the marriage. In despair Carl came to America to try to establish a home for his fiance. He has been employed in several factories here.

His hopes of fortune were not realized. He became despondent, lost ambition and for months past has earned but 90 cents a day. Lately he has had no employment at all and lived on crackers at a cheap lodging house, wandering aimlessly about the streets at all hours of the night. A month ago he tried to kill himself by putting his head under a heavy drop press at which he was at work. was at work.
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In his trunk were found quantities of music, elegantly bound volumes of poetry, several diplomas for good scholarship and a letter filled with endearments, addressed to "My Dear Eloise." He was an accom-plished linguist and had a remarkable knowledge of European and American poli-tics.

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BAKING POWDER—Standard goods in 15s \$5 \(\psi \) doz, Grape or Kitchen Queen in 15s \$2.50.

BAGGING AND TIES—Boston 1½ 15 11½c, Southern 2 \(\psi \) 12½\(\phi \) 03c, Empire 1½ \(\psi \) 10½c. Ties—Arrow full length \$1.50.

BLUING—In bags 60c \(\psi \) doz, 4 oz liquid 50c, pints \$5c, Sawyer's \$5.50.

ints 85c, Sawyer's 50.50. BEESWAX—Texas product 25c, refined North-BEDOMS—Dallas or Northern best \$3.50 \(\psi\) doz, medium \$2.25, common \$1.75.

BUTTER—New York creamery 33c, Western Reserve 26c, Illinois dairy 20c, Texas product

COFFEE—Fair 10%10½c \$\psi\$ b, prime 10½c11c, choice 12%15c, peaberry 13%14c, golden Rio 13%14c, Mocha 23%24c, Java 19%20c.

COTTON SEED—At mills \$7\$ ton, feed 12c \$\psi\$ bu. DREED FRUITS—Apples, Alden's process evaporated 9%9½c, bright quarters 4½c. Currants, new crop in bbls 7½c \$\psi\$ b, in ½ bbls 7½c, in 50 \$\psi\$ boxes \$8c, old cooked over 6%6½c. Peaches, sliced 5½%6c. Pranes 6%%7c. Dates in frails 7½c \$\psi\$ b. Rasins, California London layer \$\frac{3}{3}\$ \$\psi\$ box, Spanish London layer \$\frac{3}{3}\$ \$\prime\$ box, Salicylle \$\frac{3}{2}\$ \$\psi\$ b, tannic \$\frac{3}{1}\$ 65 \$\psi\$ b, tartaric powd 50e. Alcohol \$\frac{2}{3}\$ \$\frac{3}{3}\$ \$\prime\$ 20 \$\psi\$ b, tannic \$\frac{3}{1}\$ 65 \$\psi\$ b, Arrowroot 45c \$\psi\$ b. Blue mass 45c \$\psi\$ b. Blue wittiol 7%10c \$\psi\$ b. Blue mass 45c \$\psi\$ b. Blue wittiol 7%10c \$\psi\$ b. Camphor 20c \$\psi\$ b. Chloral hydrate, fused \$\frac{1}{3}\$ \$\psi\$ b. Chloral hydrate, fused \$\psi\$ b. Cream tartar, C. P. 40c \$\psi\$ b. Extract logwood 10%18c. Glycerine, 30 per cent 18%25c. Gum, arabic \$\frac{5}{3}\$ \$\psi\$ b. Sounces \$\psi\$ c. \$\psi\$ b. Senna leaves 20c. Sage, pressed \$\psi\$ 20% 25c \$\psi\$ b. Senonces 20c. Sage, pressed \$\psi\$ 20% 25c \$\psi\$ b. Senonces \$\psi\$ c. \$\psi\$ b. Se

nying.

FLOUR—Dallas Mills, fancy patent \$2.90, half patent \$2.50, fancy family \$2.25, family \$2, quoted \$7 ewt in ear load lots, smaller lots 10c \$\tilde{T}\$ ewt in car load lots, smaller lots 10c \$\tilde{T}\$ ewt in sales \$3.20, half \$363.95, extra fancy \$2.85\tilde{2}.90, fancy \$2.65, choice family

FREIGHT RATES—Cotton rates, all rail, # 100
ßs, to New York \$1.08, Philadelphia \$1.06, Boston \$1.21, Providence \$1.21, Fall River \$1.21, to same points by gulf the rates are 3c lower. Ocean rates, by steamer, to Liverpool \$1.35.46, Havre \$1.42.03, Hamburg \$1.42.03, Antwerp \$1.38.75, Genoa \$1.55.51; by sale, to Liverpool \$1.32.34, to Bremen and Havre \$1.25.63.

FRUITS—Apples, Western \$3.2503.50 \$\psi\$ bbl; bananas \$1.5003.50 \$\psi\$ bunch; cranberries, Cape Cod \$9.50 \$\psi\$ bbl, bell and cherry \$8.25; grapes, Malaga \$3.50 \$\psi\$ bbl; lemons, Messina \$4.15 \$\psi\$ box, Malaga \$4.25; oranges, Louisiana or Florida \$7 \$\psi\$ bbl or \$4 \$\psi\$ box.

FUEL—Indian Territory coal \$6.50 \$\psi\$ ton delivered, West Virginia coal \$1.50; gasmakers' coke \$5.50, I. T. baked \$10; hard wood \$3.50 \$\psi\$ ord at cars.

ars.

Grain and Breadstuffs—Wheat 75c for No. 1
'exas milling grade; corn. Texas sacks 41\'\text{42c},

n shucks from wagon 34\'\text{35c}; oats in sacks 244'\'\text{263c}; in bulk 2 c lower; bran, at mills \$1\'\text{47}

on; cornmeal, fine botted \$1\'\text{47} evt; hominy

nd grits \$5\'\text{47} bbl; graham flour \$2.25\'\text{47} evt.

eed: Chopped corn 90c\'\text{47} evt, chopped corn

nd oats \$1.05\'\text{47} cwt; hay, prairie \$8\'\text{49} per ton,

nillet \$10.

Cars.

Grainand Breadstuffs—Wheat 75c for No. 1
Texas milling grade; corn, Texas sacks 41642c, in shucks from wagon 34635c; coats in sacks 24½ 6026%c, in bulk 2c lower; bran, at mills \$12 \$\psi\$ ton; cornmeal, fine bolted \$1 \$\psi\$ cwt; hominy and grits \$5 \$\psi\$ bbl; graham flour \$2.25 \$\psi\$ cwt. Feed: Chopped corn 90c \$\psi\$ cwt, chopped corn and oats \$1.05 \$\psi\$ cwt; hay, prairie \$869 per ton, millet \$10.

Hams—Uncanvased Chicago and Cincinnati hams are quiet at 10½c \$\psi\$ b.

Harbware—Bar iron \$3, Norway \$c, No. 22 sheet iron 4c, No. 27 B sheet iron 4c, No. 27 B sheet iron 4c, No. 1½ do 15½c; 20x28 roofing tin \$14 \$\psi\$ box, 14x20 and 10x14 bright do \$7.75 \\ 8.50; horse shoes \$4.85 per keg, mile shoes \$5.85; Northwestern horseshoe nails \$4.90 rate, Ausable \$4.50 rate; trace chains, 6½-6.2 30c; iron nails \$5.70 rate; steel nails \$3.90 rate; axes, standard brand \$6.50 \\ 8.50; barbed wire, painted \$4\psi_c \psi\$ b, galvanized \$5\psi_c; tacks \$1 \$\psi\$ box, \$2\$ in papers; tinware, discount 50 per cent;

names, 2 loop \$3.25, 3 loop \$3.50; singletrees \$2;

f wool.

LEATHER—No. 1 oak harness, Louisville, 35c, o. 2 do 33c; No. 1 oak harness, Ohio 34c, No. 2 o 32c; No. 1 hemlock harness 33c, No. 2 do 31c; alifornia skirting 40@41c; fair Ohio skirting, o. 1 38c, No. 2 36c. Sole, oak, heavy X 39c, do nedium 38@37c; one brand to each side, heavy & 3037c, do medium 34@35c; oak sole X backs 6c; Buffalo slaughter 30c, good 28c, damaged 16c. Calf. French. S. 1. 10@2 \$ # h. American \$5c@

1.20, French kip 95c@\$1.45, American kip 65c 81.

LARD—Refined in tierces 7c \$\psi\$ \$\bar{B}\$, 50 \$\bar{B}\$ pails \$\fomal{K}_{\coloredge}\$, 20 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 71.6c, 10 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 5 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 20 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 6. 10 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 5 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 20 \$\bar{B}\$ to pails 7\fomale, 8. 10 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 9 \$\bar{B}\$ to pails 7\fomale, 9 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 7\fomale, 9 \$\bar{B}\$ to pails 7\fomale, 9 \$\bar{B}\$ pails 1. w. \$2.75, American f. w. \$3.75. Liquors—Highwines \$1.10. Brandies, apple 1.75@3, peach \$2@4, domestic cognac \$1.50@3, 21.75 \$\bar{B}\$ imported \$5.50@7. Whiskies, XX \$1.35, 22.75, imported \$3.50@7. Whiskies, XX \$1.35, 22.75, imported \$3.50@7. Whiskies, XX \$1.35, 22.75, imported \$5.0%7. Tennessee, spring of 18 \$2.55, spring of 7\fomale 22.55, spring of 7\fomale 22.50, clarets, California 10.24, pints \$7\fomale 27.50, clarets \fomale 27.50, pints \$3.5\$, claifornia claret, usats \$\par{A}\$, pints \$\fomale 5\$, California hock \$10.15.0 \$\psi\$ allon, quarts \$\par{A}\$ \$\psi\$, claifornia hock \$10.15.0 \$\psi\$ allon, quarts \$\par{A}\$ \$\psi\$, claifornia hock \$10.15.0 \$\psi\$ allon, quarts \$\par{A}\$, pints \$5. Brandy, tard Dupuy \$12, Chateau Lafitte \$18. Chamagnes, Piper Heidselck, pints \$31, quarts \$22; . H. Mumm, pints \$31, quarts \$23; Jules umm, pin

25c. UTS—Almonds 22c V b, filberts 15c, Brazil UTS—Almonds 22c V b, filberts 15c, Brazil IS 11c, pecans 4½c, cocoanuts \$5@6 V 100, peases, roasted 7c, raw.5c. OULTRY—Mixed coops of chickens \$1.75@2; keys 60@70c; geese \$5, guineas \$1.75, ducks \$2.0 WDER—Rific and shotgun \$3.50 V keg, blast-\$2, Eagle ducking \$3.50 V ½ keg. OTASH—Babbit's (2) cases \$2@2.15, Union (4) 0@2.75.

ROPE—Sisal ½ inch basis \$46 \$\psi\$ b, correct cope 17c.
SARDINES—French \$13, American \$8..50.
SATERKRAUT—\$11.50 \$\psi\$ bill of 45 gallons, \$7.50 \$\psi\$ bill of 30 gallons, \$4 \$\psi\$ bill.
STARCH—ROYAL gloss, 6 \$\psi\$ boxes 64\alpha64c, 3 \$\psi\$ \$\psi4\alpha5\psi\$ c, 1 \$\psi\$ 5\alpha66 c, so the sold a \$\psi4\alpha6\psi\$ c, Pearl 3\alpha64c.
SODA—Blearb, in kegs 44\alpha6c \$\psi\$ b, 1 \$\psi\$ packages 5\alpha66c, sal soda 2\alpha65c.
SALT—Michigan flat hoops \$2.25\alpha2.35 \$\psi\$ bbl;
Louisiana fine \$2.15\alpha2.25, coarse \$1.35\alpha2.
SPICES—Black pepper in grain 18\alpha20c \$\psi\$ \$\psi\$, allspice in grain 10c; ginger in grain 14\alpha16c; nutmegs 65c.

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SUGAR—Plantation granulated 8c, standard granulated 8c, cut loaf 8½c, powdered 8½w8½c; new crop, white clarified 7½c, yellow do 7½c, choice 0.K 6½c, prime 6½c.

SCRAP IRON—Wrought \$7 \$7\$ ton, heavy castings \$10w11, stove plate \$7w8. Pig iron, No. 1 8cotch \$14.50.

TALLOW—Local product 4½c, country cakes 5c.
TEAS—Gunpowder 35w50c \$7\$ in Imperial 40w 60c, Oolong 35w50c.

TOBACCO AND SNUFF—Standard plug, navies 40w45c \$7\$ is moking, assorted standard goods 42w54c. Snuff, Garrett's 6 oz bottles \$11.25 \$7\$ box, do 1 oz boxes \$4; Ralph's 6 oz bottles \$10.50, do ½ oz boxes \$4; Ralph's 6 oz bottles \$10.50, do ½ oz boxes \$4; Ralph's 6 oz bottles \$10.50, do ½ oz boxes \$4; Chima beans in sacks ½c. Cabbage, Michigan \$2.50 \$7\$ crate. Potatoes, Early Rose \$1.10 \$7\$ bu, ohio River 90c, 8weet potatoes 60w65c, Onions, red \$1.40 \$7\$ bu, yellow \$1.30.

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FORT WORTH MARKET REPORT.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26.—Business all around The cotton market is dull and nominal, and none of the staple made its appearance on our streets. There being no transactions prices cannot be quoted.

COTTON MARKETS.

was very little doing to-day, and wholesalers state they do not expect much activity until after the holiday season is past.

The Cotton Exchanges in Liverpool, New York, New Orleans and Galveston were closed to day, though the Galveston exchange received the telegrams of ports, etc., which Secretary A. H. Mills posted on the boards as usual. There was nothing done in the market. The feeling is that lower prices will prevail for some little time, and therefore there is no disposition shown to either how or sell the actual sition shown to either buy or sell the actua

GALVESTON SPOT COTTON. HOUSTON COTTON MARKET.

HOUSTON. Dec. 26.—Tone weak. No business and no sales. Ordinary 6%c, good ordinary 7%c, low middling 8%c, middling 8%c, good middling 9%c, middling fair 9%c. CONSOLIDATED SPOT MARKET.

	MIDDLING,		Sales	
	Tone.	To-day		
Liverpool	Dull	5	5	8,000
Galveston	Dull	8%	834	20
NewOrleans	Quiet	85%	8 11-16	6,500
Mobile	Dull	8%	8 11-16	600
Savannah	Easy	85%	85%	2,150
Charleston	Very dull		83/4	
Wilmington	Dull		8 13-16	
Norfolk	Quiet	8 13-16	8 13-16	316
Baltimore	Dull	9%	91/8	9,100
New York	Weak	914		337
Boston	Quiet	936	93/	
Phila	Dull	9 7-16	9 7-16	
Augusta		85%	8%	807
Memphis		85%	85%	2,200
St. Louis		834		1,256
RECEIPT	S AT UNITE	D STAT	ES PO	RTS.
Galveston				
New Orleans	3			18,108
Mobile				. 5.760
New York				
West Point.				
Total thi	a dor			20 100

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FUTURE MARKETS.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK MONEY AND STOCK MARKET. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-Money closed at 11/2 @2

Exchange closed firm; posted rates \$4.86\%@ @4.90, actual rates \$4.85\%@4.60 for sixty days and \$4.89%@4.89% for demand.
Government bonds closed firm; currency 6's 125% bid, 4's coupons 123%, 41/2's coupons 1121/2

market this morning was active and dealings were carried on with considerable vim during the opening hour. Exchange did not open until 11 o'clock, but during the hour to noon, under an active buying of the Vanderbilts, the whole list steadily advanced. Lake Shore and

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New Orleans, sight 2 dis 4 pre
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Commercial. 4.83½ 4.84¼
Francs—Commercial, 60 days. 5.20½
New York Sight—Bank. Nominal
Commercial. 1.25 dis 1.50 dis

LONDON MONEY MARKET. EXCHANGE AT NEW YORK.

Buying. Selling. Francs—Bank, 60 days..... Reichsmarks—Com'l, 60 days... 95%

GENERAL TELEGRAPH MARKETS.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET. CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Wheat—After the two first

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Wheat—After the two first hours on 'change to-day there was practically no market, but to make up for the absence of trading there was a decided excess of noise. The official opening was the same as the official closing, sie for May. Rather free buying early sent the price up to 91%c, but this proved to be the top for the day. The disposition to keep out of the market was very pronounced. About all the old traders have been closed up, preparatory to seeing "how we stand" at the close of the year.

A sympathetic shrinkage struck corn, in which there was but little trading. The year opened at 36%c, sold up %c, and then slumped off to 36%c.

CLOSING PRICES.

Wheat nominally lower with little or no rading; 84%c January, 84%c February, 90%c May, Corn easier at 36c the year and January, 36%c ruary, 39%c May.
its steady; 27%c January, 27%c February,

CINCINNATI GRAIN MARKET.
CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—Wheat firm; No. 2 red

Corn quiet; No. 2 mixed 34c. Oats steady; No. 2 mixed 30c. Rye firmer; No. 2 65c. Barley firm and unchanged.

NEW ORLEANS GRAIN MARKET. NEW ORLEANS. Dec. 24.—Corn quiet and dull; nixed 44c, yellow 45c, white 43c. Oats quiet; No. 2, sacked 37@37%c. Bran quiet and steady at 82%c. Haysteady at \$17@18. Lard—Prime 14@16c. ST. LOUIS GRAIN MARKET.

ST. Louis, Dec. 24.—Wheat lower. The open-ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Wheat lower. The opening was steady, but the market slowly declined as outside advices noted declines elsewhere. Cables were dull and the temperature was not as low as had been expected. After the early decline there was little change and the close was ½c below yesterday.

Corn dull, but about steady, closing the same as the latest figures of yesterday.

CLOSING PRICES.

Wheat—December 91½c bid; January 92½c bid, February 94%c, May \$1.01%.

COrn—December 2½/c bid, January 32%c, February 38%@38%c, May 36%@36½c.

Oats—December 27%c, May 36.02.

KANSAS CUTY GRAIN MARKET.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN MARKET. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24.—Wheat steady; No. 2 red, cash 70%c asked; January 70c bid, 71c asked; February 79%c bid, 78c asked; May 78%c; No. 2 soft, cash nominal.

Corn quiet; No. 2, cash 26%c bid, 26%c asked; January 26%c; February 27%c bid, 27%c asked; May 30% 630%c; No. 2 white, cash 27c bid, 27%c asked; asked.

Oats-No. 2, cash 26%c bid, 27%c asked. NEW YORK GRAIN MARKET.

NEW YORK GRAIN MARKET.

New York, Dec. 24.—Wheat opened firm and advanced %@%c, subsequently weakened and declined %@%c, with less doing. December 91%c, January 90%@91%c, February 92%@92%c, May 97%@98%c.

Corn dull; mixed western, spot 40@53%c, futures 45%@48%c.

Oats dull and rather weak; western 34%@42c.

ST. LOUIS PROVISION MARKET. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Provisions—Market quiet and nominally unchanged. Fair southern order business, but little or no trading on

change.

Pork—Standard new \$10, hard side \$9.75.

Lard quiet; prime steam \$5.80.

Dry salt meats—Shoulders \$3.45, longs \$4.75, lear ribs \$4.85, short clear \$5.

Bacon—Boxed shoulders \$4.25, longs \$5.50, lear ribs \$5.50, Breakfast bacon quiet and steady at \$7.50@9. Beef—Family \$10@13.

CHICAGO PROVISION MARKET. CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Dullness characterized the provision market, in which the range did not exceed 23%. Most of the day the pit was deserted. The close all around was heavy and slow at nearly bottom prices.

Pork unchanged; January \$9.82%, February \$9.92%, March \$10.05, May \$10.27%.

Lard dull; January \$5.95, February \$6.02%, March \$6.10, May \$6.25.

Short ribs unchanged: January \$4.80 February \$6.00%. Short ribs unchanged; January \$4.80, February \$4.90, March \$4.97%.

NEW ORLEANS PROVISION MARKET. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Flour quiet and steady; extra fancy \$4.90@5, fancy \$4.60, choice \$4.40.

\$4.40. Cornmeal quiet at \$2. Provisions quiet and steady. Pork \$10 for old, \$10.50 for new. Cut Meats—Shoulders \$3.70, long clear sides \$5. Bacon \$5.5003.63½; long clear sides \$5.80. Hams—Choice sugar cured \$9.50010.50, Lard Refined tierees \$5.12½, packers' tierces \$6.25. CINCINNATI PROVISION MARKET.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Acers 53.40000.00, 55.00.00 Hogs-Market active and stronger, Yorkers selling hotly at \$3.60, packers \$3.6002.70, best choice lots and heavies \$3.7503.80.

NEW YORK PROVISION MARKET. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Beef dull.
Pork firm; new mess \$10.
Lard firmer; steam rendered \$6.82½.
Sugar steady; crushed 7½@7½c, powdered 6%@7½c, granulated 6½c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

10c higher; light \$3.25@3.75; rough packing \$3.55 @3.75; heavy packing and shipping \$3.75@3.95. Sheep-Receipts 1000 head: market steady; common \$2@3, good \$3.25@3.89.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK MARKET. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts for 48 hours 303 head; market firm and active for best grades, others steady.

Hogs—Receipts since Thursday 2081 head; market active and higher at \$3.25@3.70, bulk of the sales at \$3.55@3.60.

GALVESTON COFFEE AND SUGAR MARKET. GALVESTON COFFEE AND SUGAR MARKET.

GALVESTON, Dec. 26.—Coffee quiet but steady; quotations are unchanged: ordinary 9@9½c, fair 9%@9½c, prime 10½@10½c, choice 11@11½c, peaberry 12½@12½c, Cordova 12½@13c, old Government Java 21½@20¾c, according to grade. Importers of Rio coffee fill orders for round lots at the following prices: Fair 8½68%@8%c, good 9½@9½c, prime 9½@9½c, choice 10½@10½c, peaberry 11½@11½c.

Sugar quiet and easy. Round lots are quoted by plantation agents as follows: Louisiana pure white 6 5-16@6½c, choice white 6 3-16@6½c, choice off white 6 1-16@6½c, yellow clarified 6@6½@6½c, according to grain and color. Northern refined steady; wholesale grocers quote as follows: Crushed and cut loaf 8½@8½c, powdered 7½@3½c, granulated 7½@7½c, standard A 7½@7¾c, off A 7½@7½c.

NEW ORLEANS SUGAR AND MOLASSES.

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NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Sugar—Open kettle, prime 4½c, fully fair 4½c, good fair 4½c, fair 4½ć 49.16c, good common 4½ 42.6c, good common 4½ 42.6c, inferior 3½ 43.c; market active with good demand. Centrifugal, plantation granulated 6½c, off 6½c, choice white 6½c, off white 5½ 65½c, choice vellow 5½c, prime vellow 5½ 65½c, choice white 6½c, off white 5½ 65½c, choice vellow 5½c, prime vellow 5½ 65½c, choice white 6½c, off white 5½ 65½c, choice vellow 5½c, prime vellow 5½ 65½c, bride vellow 5½c, prime 2½6 25½c, sood demand. Receipts 1135 hhds 4180 bbls, sales 1135 hhds 2974 bbls.

Molasses—Open kettle, choice 40%41c, strictly prime 36%39c, good brime 35%35c, prime 28%36c, good fair 24%26c, tair 22%24c, good common 20%21; market dull. Centrifugal, good to fair 14%15c; market dull. Receipts to-day 4708 bbls, sales 4168 bbls.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Coffee for futures opened: December 6.60@6.75c, January 6.65@ 6.70c, February 6.70@6.75c. Noon: December 6.70c, and January 6.60c. Closed: December 6.70c, and January 6.60c. Closed: December January 6.60@6.65c, February 6.65@6.75c.

GALVESTON, Dec. 27.—The British barkentine Ione, Capt. David James, arrived at this port last night from Exmonth. The bark Rebecca H. Moulton, Capt. Harding, arrived to-day twelve days from New York. This is the best time made by a sailing vessel this season. The steamships Colorado and Algiers sailed to-day for New York. The brigantine Chas. Dennis, Capt. C. B. Perry, sailed for Wilmington, Del., with a cargo of old iron. The bark Polander, Capt. A. B. Omtradt, sailed for Christiana with 1475 bales of cotton. The Russian brig Carljustof, Capt. E. W. Lindquist, sailed for Cork with 5560 sacks of oil cake.

DEMPSEY, THE PUGILIST, Very Anxious to Fight Mitchell or La Blanche

to a Finish. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Jack Dempsey, the pugilist, who has been making a tour of the West for several months past, reached this city to-night to arrange contests with Charley Mitchell and George La Blanche, of Boston. He is particularly anxious to meet Mitchell now because of the latter's failure to meet him in San Francisco. Dempsey claims to be willing to fight either Mitchell or La Blanche to a finish for any amount of money, or to fight any middle weight who will come before him. Dempsey has gained considerable weight since he left this city, and is now in the middle weight class. He will remain here several weeks.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Postoffices established—Riovista, Johnson County, on route 11,027, Blum, six miles south, Cleburne nine inless north. miles north.

Changes in Star Schedule—Route 31.543, Montague to Newport; leave Montague daily, except Sundays, at 7:30 a. m., arrive at Bowie at 10:30 a. m; leave Bowie daily, except Sundays, at 1 p. m., arrive at Montague by 4 p. m.; leave Bowie daily, except Sunday, at 1 p. m., arrive at Newport by 4 p. m.; leave Newport daily, except Sundays, at 4 p. m., arrive at Bowie by 7 p. m.

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SPECULATION IS SLUGGISH.

A DULL WEEK ON 'CHANGE AT CHICAGO.

Bare Ground, Exposing Winter Wheat, a Ray of Hope to Heavy Holders-Status of Foreign Wheat and Flour Marts.

Special to The News.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- Speculation on 'change has not been very active the past week. Operators were anxious to even up and prepare for the holidays. Brokers were without outside orders and everything showed that it was Christmas time. Advices from the Northwest reported a continued decrease in the movement from first hands, and the visible supply statement showed an increase of only about 400,000 bushels instead of the big gain which has so long been a weekly feature of the trade. The "bulls" managed to derive considerable encouragement from this, although sellers were loud in their protests that with an entire lack of demand from any sourse, even a small increase in stocks was too large. Holders, however, were aided also by the soft weather which carried off the snow and left the winter wheat exposed to any cold snap which might come before the ground was again covered. The announcement that large shipments of gold were about to be made from this country to Europe was seized upon by the "bears" as an argument favoring financial constriction, and consequent lower prices all around, but conservative dealers looked upon the movement as not likely to assume any importance at present unless it was to bring more promptly before the public the fact that the recent advance in foreign exchange helps mate-

before the public the fact that the recent advance in foreign exchange helps materially toward an export basis. Still the crowd was a bearish one, and the market was held steady chiefly by the batch of "shorts" who were induced to cover through fear that the "chapter of accidents" would during the three days vacation develop something to boost prices. The feeling, however, is rather weak.

Russian and Indian grain is being offered very freely to English buyers, and at prices so much below Ameridan quotations that they are tempted to sell twice as much here as they buy from others. A good deal has been said about a failure of the Russian crop, but it does not yet show up in any material reduction offerings. Exporters say, too, that Belgian flour is being offered in England for May delivery 2 shillings under last year's prices, which were the lowest ever recorded, and that the Austrian and Chilian crop will begin to move next month. On the other hand a large amount of money will be let loose the first of the year in dividends, and an increase in speculative fervor may be expected. Accumulated receipts may depress the market some early next week, but just now 90 cents seems to be the magic peg on which values hang. Well informed brokers think that the next visible supply increase will be very small if, indeed, a decrease is not shown.

Corn has broken to very near the lowest point of the year. Large receipts are having a depressive effect upon the market, as, although the general demand is good, there is a steady accumulation. About the only support seems to come from the unfavorable curing weather, and it is thought the deal is becoming oversold.

Provisions are said to be selling at less than the cost of manufacture. Heavy receipts of hogs have got the market down into a rut, from which it seems impossible to raise it. The packers still declare that they are bearish, but they are liable to a sudden "flop" before long.

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PERSONALS.

J. M. Batchelor, of Groesbeeck, was in the

R. H. Hill, of Waco, arrived yesterday on a business trip.

V. W. Grubbs, of Greenville, is registered at the St. George.

Arrivals of cattlemen are on the increase, like the spring tide.

yesterday in the city

C. S. Galbreath, a lawyer of Terrell, spent

C. M. Bracken and wife, of Cleburne, are quartered at the St. George.
L. W. Welbourne and wife, of Hawkins, are registered at the St. George.
W. S. Robinson and J. W. Yates, of Longview, are stopping at the St. George.
E. J. Waldron, of Terrell, a well known railroad contractor, visited the city yesterday.

Mr. Lasker, a veteran conductor of the Houston and Texas Central, has been in the

Joseph Nimmo, Jr., of Washington, D. C., a statistician of national reputation, arrived in the city yesterday.

Harry Talmage, one of the most popular and affable conductors on the Texas and Pacific, was in the city last evening.

The Frohsinn Concert and Ball.

The annual Christmas ball of the Singing

Society Frohsinn was given at Mayer's Hall

last night and was largely attended. The

dancing was preceded by a Christmas tree

and concert, which were very enjoyable.

The concert opened with an overture, "Our

Boys," by Meine Bros.' orchestra. A chorus, Mein Hertz Thudich Auf, was sung by the

Frohsinn Society in admirable concert and

evoked much hearty applause. A German duet, the title of which may be liberally

translated as "The Evil of Yesterday," was

sung by Messrs. Bayrhoffer and Roessler,

and afforded much enjoyment. The song was an illustration of the after effects of a

Christmes debauch and was most amusingly

The Musician, a choral song, was rendered by the society in a very effective manner, and was followed by a cornet solo by Mr. Douglas, who gave Wimgarten's by Mr. Douglas, who gave Wimgarten's Metropolitan Polka with artistic excellence. Mr. Douglas' cornet solos are always enjoyable, and this one was highly appresisted.

bers about twenty active members and carries also quite an imposing honorary list. The officers are: H. Misselhorn, president;

Mr. Bayrhoffer, vice president; Henry Schneider, secretary: Chas. Struck, treas-urer; Geo. C. Manner, leader. After the concert the floor was cleared

or dancers, and a large number of couples breaded the mazes of the dance until a late lour in the morning, Meine Bros.' orchestra urnishing the music for the occasion.

Mirth and merriment reigned supreme, and every one appeared to be enjoying the dance to the fullest extent. A toast to The News was proposed by Mr. Meisterhaus and was accompanied by a sentiment sung in German by something like a dozen excellent voices. Success to the Frobiging and

ent voices. Success to the Fronsina and nany such happy reunions is the best wish

Error of Inadvertence.

The Dallas Enquirer says: "In its issue

of last Sunday morning THE NEWS, in speaking of the advent of the Enquirer,

spoke of it as being a 24-column sheet, when

n fact it has twenty-eight columns. Con

sidering the fact that the only other after-

noon paper in the city carries twenty-eight

columns, the mistake was something of an

injury to the Enquirer, and, on the supposition that it was made unintentionally, attention was called to it that it might be cor-

rected. A week has passed, and the uncorrected mistake has grown from an unintentional error on the part of one of its employes to an act of willful misrepresentation on the part of THE NEWS."

The "intentional error" above referred to was simply an error of inadvertence.

Church Going.

sidering the season, and as a result all the

churches in the city were crowded. It is

churches in the city were crowded. It is true of Dallas that it stands neck and neck with the most religious city in the land in the proportion of its churchgoers. Complaints are made of parties who attended midnight mass at both of the Catholic Churches for the purpose of making ridicule, but as they were neither gentlemen nor members of any church, it is hardly necessary to refer to them.

Calaboosed.

The calaboose register last night con-

tained the following arrivals, and the causes

Amos Simmons, fighting Emma Sim

Sam Klyne, fast driving.
J. T. Lunniard and J. F. White, shooting firecrackers.
This is the best Sunday record since the Christmas exhaustion of 1884.

A Considerate Expert.

Jim Crowchild, the darky who shot

Maxwell, a flower of his kindred, yesterday

at Arlington, is a Dallas-bred crap shooter

from away back. He respected this community by moving out to do his pistol shooting. Had he been an expert he would have given the performance at home.

Holiday Goods.

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rendered.

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The Morning News.

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F. A. WILMANS, City Circulator. Dallas, Dec. 17, 1885.

The Colored Masons.

The colored Masons vesterday met and had memorial services commemorative of a deceased brother. They marched in procession through the city.

Married.
Mr. P. Hennessey and Miss Katie Holden were married last evening a St. Patrick's Church. Father Quinon tied the holy knot which is not to be untied until death do

An Injured Woman Freezes to Death.

ALTOONA, Dec. 27 .- Miss Jane McGarry, a woman of rather unsound mind, was found this morning lying dead on the roadside near Glenrock. She started out for a walk last evening and is supposed to have fallen and injured hereself so severely as to be unable to get up again and froze to death, as no marks of violence were found on her

Attempt to Wreck a Train.

Special to The News. CLEBURNE, Dec. 27 .- An attempt was made to wreck the mixed train running between here and Dallas on its southbound trip this evening, near Alvarado, A lot of bridge timber lying by the side of the track was set afire and a tie placed on the track. Luckily the eagle eye of the engineer discovered the obstruction, and no harm was done.

Death of a Veteran Judge and Journalist.

KANKAKEE, Ill., Dec. 27.-Judge C. C. Wilcox died here last night, at the advanced age of 78 years. He was connected with the Chicago Republican in 1865, when that paper was under the editorial conduct of Charles A. Dana. Judge Wilcox was a member of the Illinois Legislature in 1850, and filled many important offices at various times in connection with the State and county gov-ernment. As a prominent and unwavering Republican he was widely known and generally esteemed.

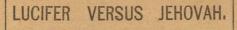
Midlothian. MIDLOTHIAN, Dec. 27.—Christmas week has been one continual round of festivity, merriment and jollity, caused by Christmas trees, dances, socials and weddings. The following named parties have embarked upon the sea of matrimony: Mr. C. B. Smith and Miss Miss Bettie Jennings, and

Dr. G. Moore and Miss Zou Orr. The Polytechnic Academy was crowded on Christmas Eve by the friends and relatives of the pupils of that school, who spent two very pleasant hours listening to recita tions, essays and music as rendered by the scholars.
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Christmas day was replete with sumptuous dinners, egg-noggs and all the various pleasures that go to make up a merry Christmas. In the afternoon the children assembled at the Methodist Church eagerly expecting the many pretty presents that Santa Claus had hung upon the Christmas tree. All left with smiling, happy faces, not one having been forgotten. Christmas night found youth and beauty storming the residence of Mrs. E. R. Alexander, who welcomed the party cordially, and readily placed her parlors at their disposal.

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POSITION TAKEN BY FREETHINKERS.

Wonderful Brain Power as Elucidated by Dr. Mackay-The Other Side of the Question.

The first regular Sunday celebration of the Dallas Secular Union of Freethinkers came off yesterday in the Crowdus Hall, and was fairly attended, among those present being several ladies. The personnel of the gathering was made up of light seekers, spiritualists and a few atheists and a NEWS reporter, who, anchored in orthodoxy and present in a reportorial capacity, asked if there was any objection to his presence. To this Dr. Mackay, the president of the order, replied in the negative, adding: 'Everybody is welcome, and nobody required to crawl in through the eye of a

Dr. Mackay, having called the Union to order, proceeded to address it, saying: Ladies and Gentlemen: Dualism has G. W. Bowman, of Plano, is at the St.

been the worst blight that ever possessed the fair garden of humanity. It has set man ever to look for relief and power outside of himself. It has ever degraded him. Even in the palmy days of Grecian intellect, when the education of the body attained its acme, the most highly developed part of that body, the to man all creative brain, was declared by Aristotle to be an "inert viscus, cold and bloodless; scarcely to be enumerated among the other organs of the body, seeing that it was of no use except to cool the heart." To the anima or spirit all virtue was attributed ninety years prior to Aristotle, 400 years before Christ. Two thousand years ago Protagoras, who may be looked upon as the father of materialism, declared that "man was the marvel of the universe," for which he was banished and had his books burned, the only argument of dualism against monism from that man ever to look for relief and power outism, declared that "man was the marvel of the universe," for which he was banished and had his books burned, the only argument of dualism against monism from that day to this, and the war between them has been incessant. Looking at an object, say an apple, divested in thought of any sensible quality, suppose it to be invisible, intangible, tasteless, odorless; where is the substratum of the apple? The naumenon of the concrete? What is this naumenon? "Number," says Pythagoras, "all else away, one remains." "No," replied Democratus and Epicurus, "there are still the atoms which unite to form it and the space between them." "But," interposed Plato, "you have left untouched the archætype idea, not of the particular specimen, but of the apple generally. This alone is perfect, unchangeable. An apple may decay, but the apple decays not. Aristofle makes a correction. He neither admits that ideas have a separate existence, nor that the senses are necessarily illusive. The essential form impressed upon the sentient and cognized by the intelligent soul is even more real than the matter. Locke draws a distinction between primary and secondary qualities. Taste, scent and color, he says, are not external existences, but are products of the mind. Subtract these, and extension, solidity, motion and number remain, as resemblances of qualitities really existing in bodies independently of perception. Berkley, Hume and Kant say when you touch, taste or smell your apple you perceive nothing but your own sensations. When we attribute to it extension or solidity, we perceive nothing save our own thoughts. But sensation and thought are purely subjective within ourselves, not within the apple, the so-called object. As states of consciousness they can give us no information with regard to anything outside of that consciousness. Sweetness and yellowness are feelings and therefore cannot exist except in a sentient being.

When we analyze the fabric of nature we find that it is built up of sights, sounds.

joyable, and this one was highly appreciated.

A quartette, which may be styled, in English, The Four Gossips, but which in German might mean something else, was sung by Messrs. Misselhorn, Roessler, Caruba and Manner, and was very funny.

After the concert the presents were distributed from the Christmas tree, 353 being given to the children and adults present, concluding with the presentation of a very handsome gold headed cane to Mr. George C. Manner, leader of the Frohsinn. Mr. Misselhorn made the presentation speech in a very graceful and appropriate manner, and the recipient received the cane in an equally happy speech, brief but to the point. The Frohsinn is a well known musical society, having been organized some ten years ago. During the winter season the society gives a concert and hop once a month and always celebrates Christmas with a concert and ball. The society numbers about twenty active members and carries else quite an imposing honorary list. cept in a sentient being.

When we analyze the fabric of nature we find that it is built up of sights, sounds, odors, tastes and touches. A synthesis of these forms an object which seems as though these forms an object which seems as though quite distinct from and outside of us. Yet the object is but the elaborate product of a complex piece of vital mechanism constantly engaged in transmitting unknown forces, chaos—the absolute into well known results, which are things, which are the product of the constant of the product of the constant of results, which are things, which are the universe. For every class of goods which it can manufacture there is in this machine [pointing to a diagram of the human brain] a special structural arrangement which works uniformly if in sound condition. There is no interchange of sensation between the several parts. Outlying, or peripheral structures, as the eye, ear, nose, mouth, skin, are all recipients of raw material, or stimuli; but each of these organs is planned to receive only one kind of stimulus. Waves or vestrations that affect stimulus. Waves or vestrations that affect the eye do not affect the ear, and those that affect the ear do not affect the eye. From eye and ear this stimuli, still blind and deaf, affect the ear do not affect the eye. From eye and ear this stimuli, still blind and deaf, pass along the optic and auditory nerves, and here a very significant phenomenon must be marked. If the optic nerve be laid bare and light be permitted to fall upon it, nothing is seen by the patient; but if it be subjected to an electric or mechanical stimulus a flash of light instantly appears. Blind, dark force changed by that nerve tissue into light. So with the nerves of the other senses. The same message entrusted to the different sensory nerves will be translated into the special language of each, an electric shock being received as a sharp scintillation, a loud noise, a smell of phosphorus, or an acid or alkaline taste. Yet the language is not spoken by the transmissory fibers themselves, which seem to be identical with each other, and even with motor nerves in fundamental structure and mode of conduction, and are besides quite incapable of generating consciousness when cut off from tion, and are besides quite incapable of generating consciousness when cut off from connection with the brain. Our pursuit of the microcosmos to its source must lead us to the utmost recesses of the nervous system—of this much despised brain—a narrow space indeed, yet the birthplace and life-long habitation of those concepts which we name Infinite and Eternity. In the very center of the brain, and directly communicating with the cerebral hemispheres, are two masses of gray matter called optic thalami. Each of these masses is composed of little ganglia, and it is the business of these to receive and concentrate the impulses brought of these masses is composed of little ganglia, and it is the business of these to receive and concentrate the impulses brought to it by a special nerve. One ganglion is continuous with the olfactory, and is the center of impressions of smell, while others in like manner focus sound, light and touch. They are half-way houses, and must send on all that they have collected to a different zone of the cerebral cortex, each transmitting its own contributions to a different area of that zone. Here the vibrations from dark orcus flash into consciousness, as if in the true sensorium communed welt a set of artists ever converting choas, the absolute, the non ego, into cosmos, the relative, the subjective, the ego. This may be represented by comparing the principal organs to a merchant dealing in only one kind of ware. The nerve is his carrier, but capable of carrying articles other than those forming his master's stock in trade. The center in the brain is the artist confined to his own special art, to which he applies everything the context of the context of the context of the context of the center in the brain is the artist confined to his own special art, to which he applies everything his master's stock in trade. The center in the brain is the artist confined to his own special art, to which he applies everything brought to him by the carrier. Now, if we give the carrier a kind of parcel to which he is not accustomed he will transport it faithfully, and will even trace a direction contrary to his habitual route. If a centripetal be divided and its central portion of a divided molar nerve, the effect of irritating the gastatory is to excite contraction in the muscle supplied by the hypoglossal. Thus an impulse which could formerly make itself apparent only by traveling from periphery to center can now make itself apparent by traveling from center to periphery. The structure of nerves being the same, the difference is caused by difference in apparatus with which the nerve communicates. From this one may draw very different conclusions, which, like the mathematical definition of a linear point, will possess at least an abstract velocity. Suppose every part of the thalami and sensor At 701 Main street, corner of Poydras. Diamonds, watches, jewelry, silverware, fine marble and French gilt clocks, gold and silverhead canes, gold spectacles and eyeglasses, opera-glasses. Immense stock. All the latest designs in new goods. Call and see L. E. Curtis, Jeweler.

imagine that all the nerves proceeding from imagine that all the nerves proceeding from the various peripheral organs were made to converge and unite with the olfactory ganglia, the result would be that the world would seem one great odor. We should smell with eyes, ears, fingers and tongue. A beautiful picture or song would be presented by a succession of harmonious perfumes. Yet the waves received by the ear and the molecular disturbances would be the same as though these were to be made at their journey's end into notes of music. The difference would be all internal or external; so true is it that the brain of each sentient unit fashions its own universe, but entient unit fashions its own universe.

That, exclaims the naturalist, lands us in ndealizing are the work of the brain as cir-culation is that of the heart, and secretion of bile that of the liver. We know only matter, force and law. Equally absurd, re-torts the idealist; your matter has never come within the force of your gnosis. Force is a creature of your own thought, and law is the name you give to a certain mode of s the name you give to a certain mode of hange. There have stood the two for housands of years. Now steps in the arena or. Lewins with his Hylo-Idealism and says: "My friends, you are ach reverses of the same medal. and says: "My friends, you are each reverses of the same medal. Outside of you, you have never seen or cognized anything until it has been formed into some object which must be, of course, subjective and inside of you. True we have never seen matter, but we must postulate its existence as the protoplasm of all reasoning, thinking—the work of a somatic brain replying to external stimuli—the absolute. Thus is solved the problem which has occupied the brain of the world's most profound thinkers from time immemorial. Stimulus plus neurility in response to stimulus producing things is the key note to the universe. [Applause].

Subject is the ego, the thinker; object is the non-ego, whatever exists or is considered to exist. Ego and non-ego are ever interchanging, as when when we perceive anew,

You see then that this philosophy completely empties the human skull of all religion, of all gods, of all devils, ghosts holy or otherwise—and they must be unholy, because "holy" is from "hale" (health), and ghosts, spooks, spirits and religion are all emanations from unholy brains. You also see the occupation of the priest is gone—relegated to that of the physician—the doctor of physic who alone is the true teacher. Psychosis is now diagnosed by medico-psychological symptamatology as resiculo neurosis in activity. Thought is merely nerve matter at work. Religion—religo, to tie back, binding chains on the human brain. The finger points the hour on Time's horologue, when every sane man must declare the ommiscence and omnipresence of matter. [Applause]. No nation, as Robert Lewins Applause]. No nation, as Robert Lewins ays, can escape catastrophe while its public opinion is dominated by absolute tradition reprobated by sanity as unattainable hypocracies and anachonisms. Divine in-spiration and revelation are their protean spiration and revenation are then process, forms. Polytheism, Jewism, Christianity and Mahomedism are in reality natural pathological phenomena, symptomatic of cerebral exaltation and disturbance, which, being more cherished than life itself, though a tale told by an idiot, signifying nothing, yet creating foregone conclusions, com-bining radical misconceptions of man's

bining radical misconceptions of man's nature and destiny. This brain theory of matter and mind is no degenerate epicurean, "Let-us-eat-and-drink-for-to-morrow-we-die"principle," but the grandest of all philosophy, requiring of all of us herculean labors, taxing to the utmost the intellectual and ethical capacity of our race.

Do your duty to your neighbor, because he is part of your egoity, your other self. You cannot hurt the meanest thing that moves without hurting yourself. Educate, educate, develop the whole being, and this earth will become more grand, more beautiful than the religion-cramped brain ever dreamed of heaven: dreamed of heaven:

"No Mecca and no Bethlehem, No madhouse in the skies, Oh, man, in your arm and brain Your own redemption lies."

[Prolonged applause.]
Mr.R.Edmunds (holding up to the audience a page of heads in an illustrated paper). These are pictures of people who claim the right to do their own thinking, and express their views to all the world. They do not look like ignorant or insane people. I will pass them around for inspection.

After Mr. Edmunds' pictures were inspected he proceeded: If we knuckled down to the dictates of the Christian religion we would have had no railroads, no telegraph lines, no steamboats. If it were not for parties going contrary to those dictates America would never have been dis-

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covered.

Mr. W. B. Jones—I would like to ask how did we get our beliefs; what do they rest

Dr. Mackay-They are merely the ex-Dr. Mackay—They are merely the expression of impressions we have received—the conclusions we have come to from those impressions. I believe that all we know is the result of our own existence. We are surrounded by a dark chaos of vibrating matter. We resist it and impressions are given through our tissues. If we had no senses we would have no belief.

Mr. Hughes followed in a long address in support of a first cause—a superior and

in support of a first cause—a superior and superintending power. He found order in the animal world, the vegetable world, the

planetary systems.

Dr. Karl Murray—I will not go further than the premises laid down by Dr. Mackay upon the arrangement at the cerebral system, i. e. that it communicates to an external evidence. This plan is to solve what neither the materialists nor the idealists can solve. what neither the materialists nor the idealists can solve. To refer the thinking anatomy to a pathological and not a psycological and normal condition, is too much to assume. Under it I could ask you: "How do you know that you are the same man who was sitting here this afternoon?" The doctor made a very fine point in his discussion of the nervous system when he spoke about this world being made cognizant only to the sense of smell; but that does not meet the point. It simply states a scientific fact; but in the order of things we find that this universe is not smelled out; that it is not seen out; that it is not seen out; that it is not seen out. that it is not tasted out, heard out or touched out. We find a man colored blind, and we say he is lacking, if he cannot smell he is lacking, if he cannot hear he is lacking; so that after all there is a designed condition for a human being to be in, an arrangement of the nervous system that makes him a thinking being. By means of the five senses we are connected with the exterior world.

* * * * * But from the very lowest to the highest order of intellect there has an impression woven, itself through all the length * * * * * But from the very lowest to the highest order of intellect there has an impression woven itself through all the length and breadth of history and that is the religious idea. There is something that goes tunnelling through this nerve work and that points to a fist cause. [Applause.] I hold that man has a distinctive faculty, which is reason. His mind is composed of three things—reason, understanding, will. Those three constitute the rational, responsible, thinking, acting human being. Reason, I hold to be above understanding; it has an intuitive power that is not bound by the treadmill of logic. In it religion had its birth; from it the institutions of family, society and human government spring, and there is as much design and arrangement in it as in those nerves there [pointing to the brain picture on the wall]. Order is to be found in the family, in society, and is subordinated to the divine overruling government that guides the stars in their orbits. These beautiful bodies that swing in space are not dependent on our little nerves. They are the recognized order of creation and are guided by a hand in the shadow of which we exist as pigmies. I believe in Christianity, but I think as freely as any man. I say this to the young man on my right. [Mr. Edmunds.] I asked you, Doctor [Mackay], if it is not necessary to understand all that tangled up ganglia before we can understand the great first cause.

Dr. Mackay-I admit sincerely that we are surrounded with mysteries and cannot tell the cause of anything. I cannot tell why that table is square or solid; but I know that if I try to jump out of myself I try to jump out of my skin.

A stranger (whom nobody knew and who declined to give his name). Do you heliare | possess at least an abstract velocity. Sup-| posses every part of the thalami and sensor-| ism to be atrophied with the sole ex-| pression of the olfactory ganglia and | its corresponding cerebral area. Now

before we can understand the great first

cannot. The Stranger-Answer that question, yes or no?
Dr. Mackay—Exactly; but a law is merely a human concept.

The Stranger—Do you believe in order governing the universe?

Dr. Mackay—Yes, sir.

The Stranger-Can there be order without

law?
Dr. Mackay—No.
The Stranger—Can there be law without a lawgiver? now please answer that question. Dr. Mackay—I do not understand that.
The Stranger—If I poke my finger into a pot of water, whether I see it or not, there is something that telegraphs the occurrence to my brain. If I stand with my back to a hot stove and accidentally touch it there is something that tells me that my back is in danger. Will you be kind enough to answer the question, can there be a law without a lawgiver?

swer the question, can there be a law without a lawgiver?

Dr. Mackay—There is no law giver.

Mr. Edmunds—We first created the law given. The first thing to be done was to create or mature God and then delegate the God to make the universe. About the first knowledge we had of a God was conceived in the brain of Moses, who brought him forth and introduced him to the world, and proclaimed that he was God of the universe. The more God we have the more cruel we are, and the less God we have the more humanity have we.

At this point the reporter took his departure, satisfied from what he heard and saw that the Spiritualists and the Atheists will not mix. In some of the membership of the order the religious principle seemed deeply

order the religious principle seemed deeply planted, while others became as inflamed a the mention of a Creator as the Comando at a war dance.

THE COODLEDODGER PAPERS.

How Mrs. Coodledodger's Christmas Stockings Were Stuffed.

"My dear, I'm going to hang my stockings up to-night," says Mrs. Coodledodger last night as she threw her sleepy optics over in the direction of the being to whom she was addressing her conversation.

"You are, eh?" grunted Coodledodger. "Yes, I am," and here Mrs. Coodledodger

threw a winning and bewitching look toward her spouse, and let fall a soft, flowery and liquid like smile that was enough to melt a hitching post, Then she musically murmured: "I wonder, dear, if I'll be fortunate enough to get anything?" "Oh, yes, pigeon, you're likely to get

"I'm going to hang them up, anyhow, just

to see if I will." She hung them up, and Brickbat's also. Coodledodger watched the preliminaries with a critical eye for a few seconds, and

then exclaimed: "Do you think anybody would be fool enough to fill those salt sacks of your'n? enough to fill those salt sacks of your'n? I'd as lief fill a fishing net with smoke as to undertake to fill that pair of yam covers."
"Now I know you don't mean that, dear," says the affable lady as she entwined her twin twisters around Coodledodger's neck and planted a mildewed kiss under his nostrils. "I know those stockings will be filled when I come down in the morning, and I know old Santa Claus will fill them, and I know who'll play the part of Sata Claus.

when I come down in the morning, and I know old Santa Claus will fill them, and I know who'll play the part of Sata Claus, don't I, dear? Come, now, kiss me good night! There! Good night, dear."

With this Mrs. Coodledodger darted nimbly to her chamber, leaving Coodledodger alone in his meditations. There was a michievous twinkle in Coodledodger's eyes as he cocked his feet up on the table and began to view those stockings hanging behind the stovepipe through the clouds of smoke that coiled from between his lips. It was late when he retired, and when he sought his couch he crawled in very softly; and there was a self-satisfied smile lurking around the corners of his mouth as he tucked the cover around him and settled down for a quiet snooze.

He did not sleep late this morning, for he heard Mrs. Coodledodger sneak out easily from under the quilts and glide down stairs with a catlike tread. As soon as she struck the bottom Cooeledodger bounded out of bed like a harlequin and began to crawl into his daily costume; then he sneaks quietly to the foot of the stairs and peeps through the crack.

The vivacious dame was proudly examining Brickhat's stockings, and as she spread the delicate delicacies and delicious dainties upon the table before her gaze, a gentle look of proud contentment illuminated her features and she hung them back again behind the stovepipe. Then, with beating heart and radiant brow, she tenderly and affectionately grabbed for her own stockings that were dangling from the wire like stunted government mailsacks. But how that smile was suddenly changed to a scowl and the beating heart changed to a storbbing one.

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As those stockings were turned upside down over the table the first thing that fell

down over the table the first thing that fell through the trap door on top was a holderless flatiron, then a split potato-masher fell on top of the crippled flatiron; the small piece that is left of the rolling-pin followed the potato-masher. Then a charcoal drawing of a shattered broomstick showed itself, the discarded pair of roller skates bobbed out serenely, then a chunk of cordwood, three broken bottles, an old gum shoe, a broken stove plate, a deformed stove lifter, a quotation from "The German Barber." Besides all this there was a vast collection of petty sundries, such as orange peels, apple cores, sardine cans, railroad spikes and others too numerous to mention.

After gazing at the huge pyramid of colossal collections before her, the enraged damsel made a swift slide toward the stair door, but Coodledodger was equal to the emergency for once. He glided up the emergency for once. He glided up stairs like a streak of lightning, hopped ou of the bedroom window on to the kitcher roof and slid to terra firma down the arbon pole. As he struck the ground he moved off, muttering: "It just does me good to get the best of that old woman of mine once

Coodledodger will dine out if he gets an invitation; if he gets no invitation he will hit the lunch route a welt.

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