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CARLSBAD CURRENT.

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CARLSBAD SALOON

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The Purist.

"It looks like rain."
"I beg your pardon."
"I say it looks like rain."
"What does?"
"The—the weather."

"The weather, my dear sir, is a condition. Rain is water in the act of falling from the clouds. It is impossible that they should look alike."

"What I meant was that the sky looked like rain."

"Equally impossible. The sky is the blue vault above us—the seeming arch or dome that we mistakenly call the heavens. It does not resemble falling water in the least."

"Well, then, if you are so thunderingly particular, it looks as if it would rain."

"As if what would rain?"

"The weather, of course."

"The weather, as before stated, being a condition, cannot rain."

"The clouds, then, blame you."

"Ah! Here it comes! And I have taken so much time in talking to you that I shall get wet to the skin before I can reach yonder street car. Good day."

(Calling after him)—"I may not know as much about it as you do, but I've got sense enough to come in out of it, and you haven't."—Chicago Tribune.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the district court of the 5th judicial district of the territory of New Mexico, within and for the county of Eddy.

Charles H. Bartlett and Etta Bartlett, plaintiffs
vs
Lloyd Jones, defendant } No. 418.

The above named defendant, Lloyd Jones, is hereby notified that a complaint has been filed against him in the district court within and for Eddy county, territory of New Mexico, by Charles H. Bartlett and Etta Bartlett, plaintiffs herein, claiming that they are the legal owners of the ne¼ of sec. 9, Tp. 21 s, of Rge. 28 e, in Eddy county, N. M., also a one-third interest in and to a water right and ditch right known as the "Riggs Ditch" in said county of Eddy, and that said defendant, Lloyd Jones, obtained what now purports to be a title to said property by fraud and misrepresentations, and ask that any pretended deed executed at Denver, Colorado, on or about Apr. 30, 1893, from plaintiff, Etta Bartlett, to defendant, Lloyd Jones, for the property above described, or any part thereof, be by decree of this court declared null and void and of no force or effect whatever, and such other and further relief as to the court may seem equitable in the premises.

Said defendant is also notified that unless he enters his appearance in said cause on or before the 22nd day of December 1899, judgment by default therein will be rendered against you.

The name of the plaintiff's attorney is A. J. Mitchell, of Albuquerque, N. M.

JOHN E. GRIFFITH, Clerk.
By Ira P. Wetmore, deputy.
October 26, 1899.
First publication Nov. 11, '99.

Notice of Hearing of Administrator's Petition to Sell Real Estate.

In the district court of the fifth judicial district of the territory of New Mexico, within and for the county of Eddy.

J. O. Cameron, administrator of the estate of E. T. Cusenbery, deceased,
vs
W. P. Cusenbery, D. B. Cusenbery, J. B. Cusenbery, R. K. Cusenbery and T. E. Cusenbery.

Whereas, An affidavit has been filed in the office of the clerk of said court showing that the above named defendants all reside out of the territory of New Mexico, and,

Whereas, the summons issued to the sheriff of Eddy county, New Mexico, directing him to serve the same upon the above named defendants, and the said summons has been returned by the said sheriff of Eddy county, with the endorsement thereon, that after diligent search the defendants could not be found by him;

Now, therefore, in accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in this court by the said J. O. Cameron as administrator of the estate of E. T. Cusenbery, deceased, praying for an order directing him to sell certain real estate situated in the county of Eddy and territory of New Mexico, belonging to the estate of the said E. T. Cusenbery, deceased for the purpose of providing funds with which to pay a balance remaining unpaid upon approved claims outstanding against the said estate, and the said defendants W. P. Cusenbery, D. B. Cusenbery, J. B. Cusenbery, R. K. Cusenbery and T. E. Cusenbery, who are the heirs at law of the said E. T. Cusenbery, deceased, are directed to appear before the said court and answer the said petition of J. O. Cameron, administrator, on or before the first day of December, A. D. 1899, and show cause, if any they have, why said petition should not be granted, the said first day of December being the day on which the original summons issued herein was made returnable.

In witness whereof the clerk of the said district court has hereunto set his name and the seal of his office on this the 28th day of October, A. D. 1899.

JOHN E. GRIFFITH, Clerk.
By Ira P. Wetmore, Deputy.
First publication Nov. 4, 1899—41

IT SEEMED LIKE MAGIC.

How the High Class Expert Picked Out the Old Masters.

"Speaking of old pictures," said a New Orleans dealer, "it is very interesting to see a really high class European expert making an examination. The extent and diversity of the information of such men are something astonishing. Some years ago I spent a couple of days with a gentleman who is recognized as one of the foremost connoisseurs of Paris. We visited several country places which contained pictures said to be of great value, and in all he inspected upward of two dozen canvases.

"In every instance he settled the questions of date, period and painter beyond all reasonable doubt. The warp and woof of the canvas, the wood composing the backing, the nature of the borings made by worms, the workmanship of the tacks, the character of the pigment and certain minute peculiarities in the mounting were all like so many pages of print to him. He was intimately acquainted with the style of hundreds of different artists, the models they used, the colors they most affected, their tricks of composition and their peculiar methods of expressing the effects of light and shade.

"To an outsider it seemed like magic. 'A copy,' he would say, for instance, after a swift glance at a painting. 'It was made by So-and-so, a pupil, who had very much the style of his master. The date is about' (here he would name it with infallible accuracy), 'and if you clean that left hand corner I dare say you will find the signature in vermilion.' In several cases he was fully borne out by documents in possession of the owner, and in all he was sustained by circumstantial evidence. He told me very modestly that he had devoted 40 years to the close study of his profession and was just beginning to apprehend dimly how little he knew."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Our Standing Army.

We have no standing army!
Nay, look around and see.
The man who plows the furrow,
The man who fells the tree,
The statesman and the scholar,
At the first word of fear,
Turn to their country, breathing,
"My mother, I am here!"

Not of a dumb, blind people
Is this our army made.
Where schoolhouse and where steeple
Have cast their friendly shade
Our army grows in knowledge,
As it to manhood grows,
And, trained in school and college,
Stands ready for its foes.

The brawny arms of gunners
Serve minds alert and keen.
The sailor's thought has traveled
To lands he has not seen.
Not for the joy of killing,
Not for the lust of strife,
Have these come forth with gladness
To offer up their life.

Behold our standing army,
Not, as in other lands,
An army standing idle,
With empty minds and hands.
But each one in his station,
And peaceful victory
Is training for the nation
Heroes of land and sea.

—Margaret Vandegrift in Youth's Companion.

Women and Windows.

Never let a woman plan a house for you. Take her kindly by the hand and say: "My dear girl, I am going to build a house, and you shall have full swing as regards arranging the closets in it. You women always love to have convenient places in which to store things, and you shall therefore have closets to burn, but after this—hands off."

A mansion built after the suggestions of a bloomer is a fearful and wonderful thing. It generally looks well on the outside, but the interior gives you the headache.

"What woman built this house?" said a scornful friend as he went over a newly purchased residence with the owner.

"What woman!" said the latter. "None that I know of—it was built ten years ago, and I bought it from the last tenant."

"All the same," reiterated the friend, "I can swear a woman planned it, for I never saw such a lot of useless windows and doors. If that woman ever dies, and her heirs want to break the will, alleging insanity, they would only have to bring the jury to this house to get a verdict in their favor." It afterward developed that a woman did plan the residence and was quite proud of the job.—Louisville Times.

Live Territorial News.

Three additional dry washing outfits went to work on the Hillsboro placers.

The working force at the Trippe, Hillsboro, has been increased to 100 men.

The public schools have already closed on account of lack of funds to pay the teachers.

Thomas Freeman and a force of workmen of Springer are building a Roman catholic parsonage at Buenaeros.

Hon. W. S. Hopewell is having fifteen tons of silver lead zinc ore from the carpenter district treated by a new electric process at chicago.

Attorney J. G. Fitch, of Socorro, and Miss Alice Nelson, of Mt. Pleasant, Mich., were married at the bride's home last week. They went on a wedding trip to New York and other eastern cities.

An opera company tried to give a show at Deming last Sunday but were stopped by the authorities.

The Oscura copper Mining company operating twenty-five miles from Milagro is in need of 100 men and a score of teams. Men are paid \$2.25 a day and board. And teams are paid \$12 to \$15 a day.

Roger Pocock, a British author who has traveled the Rocky mountain region from canada to Mexico to gather material for a new book, was found in a semi-starved condition by A. Wilkinson near Deming. He had been deserted by his native guide, and wandered about four days without food or water.

John A. Haley and E. W. Parker, of White Oaks, have leased a controlling stock in the capitan Iron company. The iron properies are located about six miles east of capitan consisting of ten claims located three years ago. The smelter tests show the ore contains 64 per cent. The quantities of ore are vast. Men who have been put to work upon the claims say that as soon as teams can be procured the ore will be shipped to El Paso. Should this not prove to be profitable a blast furnace may be erected and the ore reduced to pig iron on the ground. The coal field at capitan being so near would help to make the project a success.

Chaves County News.

During the storm last week 2.60 inches of rain fell at Roswell. Deep snow fell on the hills visible from Roswell, and the stockmen are all rejoicing.

Roswell has granted George Blashek, of El Paso, the right to build and operate a water power electric plant, which will light the streets of the town.

The new school house to be built at Roswell if the bonds are voted is to cost \$25,000.

From C. W. Haynes' ranch 225 feeders were shipped to Kansas.

W. M. Fatmwalt brought a train load of cattle from Pecos, Tex., to the Bosque ranch, recently purchased from him by Captain James.

Scattering News Notes.

Senator Andrews is having a fine residence built at Andrews, Sierra county. The house has thirteen rooms and a hall 12 feet wide and 12 feet long. All ceilings are 14 feet high, and are finished in California red wood finished in oil, as are also the wainscotings. The furnishing is of the most elegant and artistic.

Manuel Chaves and Filomeno Apodaca, both drunk, engaged in a stabbing affray at San Miguel, Dona Ana county. Neither of the two was fatally wounded.

There is some mining activity in the Potrillo mountains, Dona Ana county. Messrs. Taylor and Bird have been working ten months on several claims, and now have ore that pays \$75 to \$100 a ton. Lewis Goodman, of La Mesa, has located four claims, the Dewey, Don Faustino, Santa Teresa and the Goodman.

Cold, dreary and stormy weather prevailed in Sierra county all last week. The rain, however, benefited the ranges greatly.

A stone quarry has been opened in the hills across the river from Dona Ana by R. C. Hatton and R. Y. Anderson. J. C. Robins is the foreman in charge. The stone is fine building stone, and when exposed to the weather it becomes harder and smother.

Macedonia Torres was arrested at Allison, Grant county, for burning the brand of Fred Allison's cows.

William Foster was badly hurt at Allison by being kicked by a vicious horse.

Mrs. Josefa Logan died at Frisco, Socorro county, of heart disease. She is survived by two sons, one of whom is married.

Frank Rheinboldt, one of the ex-county commissioners of Eddy county, intends to move his canning factory to Roswell.

James L. Porter, of Salem, Ill., has decided to locate in Chaves county.

W. B. Meeks has commenced the erection of a five-room cottage at Roswell for himself.

The school at Malaga, Eddy county, has been furnished with new desks, chairs, maps and a geometrical globe.

W. A. KERR

DEALER IN

General Merchandise

FANCY GROCERIES A SPECIALTY.

MINING DEFINITIONS.

Some Wholesome Truths of "Mining" Men Who Kill Legimate Speculation.

A prospector—A man who has a hole in the ground and is the biggest liar in town.

A proposition man—One who wears lace boots and corduroy clothes and never pays his board bill.

An assayer—A man who charges you \$1.50 for throwing your samples out of the the back door and writing a certificate.

A mine promoter—A man who has unlimited capital behind him, but not any in front of him: his watch is in soak.

A mining engineer—One who makes funny figures on blazed stumps and charges a big price.

An amalgamator—A man who wears long finger nails, draws \$3 a shift and deposits \$10 in the bank every day, if the ore is low grade, and more in proportion.

A "49er"—A man who came to the coast in the "fall of '49 or spring of '50," and knows where there are diggings that will pay \$1.50 to the pan, and is going back there just as soon as spring comes.

A mining reporter—A man who wants you to subscribe for his paper, wants to write up your property, and wants you to take him out in the best buggy in town, smokes your best cigars and borrows \$5.

A tenderfoot—A "Willie boy," just out from the east. Carries a small arsenal with him, goes out prospecting with a shotgun and a fishing rod, buys a salted claim and gets money from mother to come home in the fall.

An expert miner—A fellow who loafs around town looking for a job as superintendent of a property, but would be a foreman if he can't be superintendent; one who worked on the Comestock in '70, and has been idle ever since.

A mining expert—A man who can talk about formations, ramifications, stratifications, dykes, zones, dips, spurs, angles' teligtites, ocites, seddemites, and all other ites and ites; can see a mile into mother earth and invariably condemns the country.

"A local mill man of note"—One who has been on the eve of starting for South Africa or some other far off region for seven years, to take charge of the construction of a 1,000 stamp mill for a London syndicate; a man who has been positively known to have constructed a sawmill.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

Find Out Which One of Your Feet Walks the Faster.

You may think this is a very silly question to ask, but is it? There is no catch about it. It is a simple, demonstrable fact which you can prove to your own satisfaction in a very few minutes.

If you will take any pavement that is clear of other pedestrians, so that there shall be no interference, and walk briskly in the center, you will find that before you have gone 100 yards you will have veered very much to one side. You must not make any conscious effort, of course, to keep in the center, or you may do it, but if you will think of something and endeavor to walk naturally it is 100 to 1 you cannot keep a direct line.

The explanation of this lies in the peculiarity of one foot to walk faster than the other. Or, to be more correct, perhaps it should be said that one leg takes a longer stride than the other, and this, combined with the quicker movement, causes one to walk more to one side than the other.

It is well known, for instance, that if one be lost in the woods the tendency is to walk in a circle and eventually to return about to the starting point. This demonstrates the fact also that one foot walks faster than the other.

You can try an interesting experiment in this way if you will place two stakes in the lawn about eight feet apart and then stand off about 60 feet from them, allow yourself to be blindfolded and endeavor to walk between them. You will find it an almost impossible task, because one foot will go a bit faster than the other, either to the right or left. Now, which one of your feet walks faster than the other?—Kansas City Times.

A Bullet Picture.

A Bristol sportsman shooting at a pigeon sent a bullet against the large plate glass in the front of the Bristol postoffice. The ball struck the glass at an angle of about 30 degrees and glanced off. It apparently cracked the glass, producing a large, starlike impression. To rub one's finger over this impression will demonstrate that the glass is really not in a cracked condition.

In the center of the impression is the image of a bird much more perfect in detail than could be produced by the most skilled artist who engraves in steel. The wings, tail, etc., are noted for perfection in every detail and are so delicate and beautiful as to inspire instant admiration and wonder. The incident is a most singular one indeed, and by what strange art the leaden ball photographed the image of the pigeon on the window pane may never be explained.—Nashville Banner.

Ferocious Humming Birds.

In the island of Minora, one of the Philippines, the humming birds are pugnacious little creatures. Thousands of them frequently attack huntsmen without the slightest provocation, inflicting sometimes serious wounds on the face and neck.

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WM. H. MULLANE

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SATURDAY DEC. 2, 1899.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

WEEKLY—By mail per annum.....$2.00.
By mail per six months.....$1.00.

The change of time of running trains which went into effect last Tuesday is by far the most satisfactory ever known in this town; as for the two weeks proceeding it was the most calamitous. The train from the south now arrives at 7 p. m., railway time, leaving Pecos immediately on the arrival of the east bound T. & P. train which leaves El Paso at 5 a. m., arriving in Pecos at 3 p. m. and here at 7:45 same day. The south bound train arrives here at 7:30 railway time. Both trains lay here all night, the north bound leaving at 8:30 a. m. and the south bound at 7 a. m., or 6 a. m. local time. Tuesday the mail came through from El Paso and for the first time in the history of the Pecos Valley the Morning Times was received in this town the same day it was printed in El Paso. Should this arrangement continue the convenience will be of untold benefit to Carlsbad. This town is by this arrangement made eighteen hours nearer Santa Fe and other territorial points with which our citizens have more or less communication, while the advantage to El Paso for all points south of Carlsbad and this place will be greater as time goes on. El Paso is the natural jobbing center of a large amount of territory and if the trains run right will control much business in this section. The connections at the north are fully as satisfactory. The train leaving Carlsbad at 7 a. m. arrives in Amarillo at 9 p. m. and the Santa Fe train for Kansas City leaves at 9:45 p. m., allowing only time to make the change of baggage from one train to another. The Santa Fe carries a P. V. & N. E. combination sleeper to Woodward and returning next day brings the car from Woodward to Hereford, leaving Woodward at 4 p. m. and arriving at Hereford at 7:45 a. m. The sleeper rates between Woodword and Hereford are only $2.00 for fifteen hours. The connections for Denver at Amarillo are also very close but a lay over of six or seven hours is necessary going south on the Denver.

The Washington Star is authority for a statement going the rounds of the press to the effect that last week Admiral Dewey declared, when asked his opinion, that the conflict with the Filipinos could have been avoided. Dewey is quoted as follows:

"If Leonard Wood—that is, General Wood in command at Santiago—had been in command of the forces at Manila, there would have been no war, or if there had been, it would not have lasted more than six weeks. You are the twenty-sixth man I have said this to. I am going to say it to twenty-seven. The twenty-seventh will be the president."

The American people are convinced that if Admiral Dewey had been placed in command of the army and naval forces at Manila there would have been no war in the Philippines. President McKinley turned Dewey down, however, says the New Orleans States, and placed a military favorite in sole command of the American forces in the island, and the result was that a bitter feeling sprang up between the natives and our troops which precipitated the war of conquest in which this country is now engaged. The responsibility for this war and for the lives of the 3,000 or more American soldiers killed in battle or dead of wounds or disease, rests with William McKinley

The Pecos Times in an abusive and scurrilious manner attacks the management of the railway because of the change of time of running trains, placing before the convenience of all the traveling public the receipt of a few dollars by Pecos' hotel men. The Times under its present management is anything but a decent newspaper and has no respect for itself or its readers. McTier is not only inconsistent but absurdly foolish, because he not only states untruths but abuses his betters, men who have assisted him in every way in their power, when he was nothing but a dirty tramp. The P. V. & N. E. Ry. has done more for Pecos than any other improvement. The road now has better accommodations for stockmen there than the T. & P., has better station house and switch tracks, and fully as obliging officials who are doing their best for the town of Pecos. McTier and his abuse will have no effect with the better class of people in Pecos and he is apt to be called to account for his attacks.

An unofficial but apparently accurate census of the Cuban people shows a population of 1,316,000—a decrease of 315,000 since 1897. This, says a Chicago paper, indicates almost conclusively that the ghastly tales of slaughter and starvation under Spanish rule were in no way exaggerated and that American intervention came none too soon to save the islanders from absolute extermination.—North Platte Tribune.

A few days ago with as much glee as was ever exhibited by Weyler, Otis sent a cablegram to the war department that the Filippinos were so weak from lack of food that they were unable to flee before the advance of the American troops and that over 800 of them were slaughtered in the trenches. If this work was brutal when performed by Spain, is it any less brutal when performed by the United States? A people who will fight for liberty are entitled to it and a people who will not fight for liberty are not worthy to become citizens or even subjects.—Ogalala (Neb.) News.

The above is a fair sample of republican consistancy and is well ventilated by the News, which this paper notes with satisfaction is standing by the principles of right and justice upon which it was founded over fifteen years ago. May the news prosper under its new manager.

All mankind admire courage and manly qualities. William J. Bryan of Nebraska is the personification of both. McKinley possesses great cunning but has demonstrated that he possesses no conviction that he will adhere to. He is the personification of double-dealing, vacillation, weakness and treachery and those who invested in his election are able to realize on their investment only through the strong hand of Hanna who manages their man at the capital. The race between Bryan and McKinley next year would be too one-sided to be really interesting were it not for the fact that the money kings and trusts are going to spend upwards of fifty millions of dollars in an attempt to hold on to the reins of government.—Springer Stockman.

Trusts and Labor.

One of the trust magnates who lately testified before the Industrial Commission stated that wages to employes in the branches of industry controlled by his company had been advanced 40 per cent.

In another part of his testimony he stated that it had become necessary for the trusts of which he was a dictator to close down a number of factories which it had purchased, because it was not to the financial interest of the trust to keep them in operation.

This is an example of the way in which trusts are helping labor. They raise prices all along the line, having destroyed competition. They restrict the production to keep prices up, and in restricting production they necessarily must limit the number of persons employed. The 40 percent rise in wages paid to a limited number kept at work would, if divided among the workmen deprived of work and the hundreds of salesmen out of a job as a result of trust policies, show a dimunition in benefits to the aggregate of the wage-earners.

Yet trust eulogizers and apologists are continually declaiming that because of trusts American labor is paid more than ever before.

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"Johnson grass will grow as long as any of the rootstock is left in the ground. The rootstocks are strong and will run for a long distance underground as long left there will come up; but if kept constantly cut off as soon as it appears at the surface of the ground it will kill it. If mallow is cut off two or three inches below the surface of the ground it will not grow again. It has a long root which penetrates two or three feet into the ground. The root, of this plant is a true root, while the so-called roots of Johnson are underground stems. Every little knot of the knot grass left in the ground is going to grow; all must be taken out and destroyed if it is to be gotten rid of.—Prof. Tenmey in Bulleton 18, Arizona Experiment Station, Tucson.

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The Current . . . Office.

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THIS palatial new resort solicits the patronage of the people of Carlsbad and Eddy county, guaranteeing courteous treatment and first-class service in all respects. We handle only the best of all kinds of refreshments. For family or medical use the renowned J. S. Searcy Whisky is unexcelled, as its selection by the U. S. government by the U. S. Marine Hospital will testify. We also handle Sherwood Pure Rye, the best and highest priced of this class of goods on the market.

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My brand was selected for use at U. S. Marine Hospital at Washington, D. C., after being analyzed by the eminent chemist, W. M. Mew, over eighty seven samples of the leading brands of Kentucky, Maryland and Pennsylvania. It should be borne in mind that in this department of the government service the sample appear in plain bottles, without marks of any kind, and the selection of the Searcy Whisky two years, '99 and '98, on its merits, over such a large number of prominent brands is a record that few distillers can show. The water used for the manufacture of this whisky is from the noted Boiling Spring in Anderson county, Ky., which stands at a temperature of 56 degrees the year round, with a supply inexhaustible. This water is at all times clear. I will further state that I have never had a single barrel returned.

Very Respectfully, J. S. SEARCY.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

ST. EDWARD'S (CATHOLIC): Services every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. All are cordially invited. F. COOMEY, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH: Regular services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Epworth League at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.
J. E. SAWDERS, Pastor.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL, GRACE CHURCH: 1st Sunday in the month: Childrens church morning prayer 10:30 a. m.; Holy Eucharist and sermon 11 a. m.; Evening prayer and sermon 7:30 p. m. 2nd Sunday in the month: Morning prayer, litany and sermon 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon 7:30 p. m.
Divine services on all Saints Day 10 a. m. Sunday school 10 a. m. Evening song on Fridays 7:30 p. m.
JAS. S. MATTHEWS, Rector.

On Western Interests.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office, Hon. Binger Hermann, in his official annual report recommends the leasing of the public grazing lands. He considers this the only solution of the range controversies. Mr. Hermann represented the State of Oregon in the House of Representatives and is practically familiar with Western conditions. He is also strongly in favor of the Government's building storage reservoirs.

"Why should not the Government enter upon this line of internal improvement," he is represented as saying to a correspondent, "as well as to undertake any great work of river or harbor dredging which is for the benefit of the nation? It is in my opinion a national question, this developing of Western resources, and the whole nation would benefit by it. I believe it is the duty of the national government to carry out these improments. They are almost always of the inter-state character, and the States are not qualified to conduct them. The gain of the government itself would in the end, be very large, for great taxable wealth would be created, to endure for all time to come, where now is nothing."

When asked whether he thought any thing may be accomplished in the approaching Congress, he replied: "Yes, undoubtedly. At any rate I thing some efforts will be made concerning the leasing of the grazing lands. That is a matter which should be adjusted at once. A large revenue is annually going to waste from the free use of these public lands, to say nothing of the deprecation of the lands through overgrazing, or the fierce controversies arising out of their control. Leasing is, in my judgement entirely practicable, and it would insure the fencing of the land, and the improvement of its pasturage."

The above proves what has been itimated by the press of the arid section for some time, that an effort will be made to create an immense pasture for some giant corporation, of all the arid lands in the west. Then a ranch, such as the syndicate of the Panhandle holds will be no compartsan. No small western town can exist for whole counties will be practically owned by one company and conducted in the way the syndicate pasture of 100 by 200 miles in Texas is handled. What would be the result of this lease law, as advocated by Mr. Hermann? Any man might lease all the land east of the river in Eddy county and fence it in. He could then ship in his supplies and the small stock owner and merchant would go. While this may be taken as an extreme view, the matter presents no impossible features.

The only solution of the arid land problem is a regular homestead law such as we have a present with the exception that the amount of land be increased from 160 to 640 acres for it is as difficult to exist on a 640 acre tract west of the hundredth meridian as it is on a 160 acre tract east of that line. The 640 acre homestead law should be made to apply to all lands west of the hundredth meridian. Nearly all the good lands for some distance west of that line have already been taken under the present homestead law, so the new law would only apply to undesirable land for some distance west of that line.

Any person with the hardihood to go out and reside on the prairie lands should possess at least 640 acres and in the arid west this amount is none too large to sustain a family even though it is competent of carrying 100 head of cattle. With a well or tank for conserving storm waters and a cistern for house use, a home may be made on a section of arid land. The land should be kept out of the hands of cattle kings, or there will shortly be a large class of barons and a class of serfs in this country.

Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Charles Davis of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures have for 25 years proven its power to cure all throat, chest and lung troubles. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Blackmore Drug Co.

Mr. Usher, a mining expert from Colorado, came in Thursday and will operate in the Sacramentos and White mountains. He expects his outfit from Colorado shortly.

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$100 Reward.

$100 will be paid by me for the arrest and conviction of person or persons poisoning dogs in this town.
T. F. BLACKMORE.

According to a Chicago paper, Congressman James H. Mann of Illinois has a bill prepared for introduction at the coming session of congress to provide for an appropriation of $3,500 for the improvement of the government burying lot in Oakwood cemetery, known as "Confederate mound," and the further appropriation of $250 annually for the protection and maintenance of the lot. "Confederate mound" in Oakwood cemetery is a lot of ground purchased by the government from the Oakwood Cemetery association in which are buried 12 Union soldiers who died of smallpox at Camp Douglas and 4,039 Confederate prisoners of war who were originally buried in the Chicago City cemetery and were removed many years ago to their present resting place. Such legislative action would be in line with the suggestion made by President McKinley some months ago in his address at Atlanta when he spoke of the duty of the government toward the graves of the Confederate dead.

A fresh victory for woman is reported. Mrs. Annie Kline, president of the Stockton and Tuolumne Railroad company, has been sent to jail for contempt of court. She refused to produce the books of the company in response to an order. Mrs. Kline asks no consideration on account of her sex. She has just as much contempt for the court as any man can possibly have. And she isn't afraid to let the judge know just what she thinks of him. It is altogether an interesting incident. Indeed, it is more than incident; it is an event, possibly an epoch making event. The eyes of the nation are on Mrs. Kline, and everybody will hope that she will justify her contempt and cover the court with confusion.

It is not many years ago that farmers in the west were compelled to burn corn for fuel. Railroad freight rates were so high that there was no profit in sending the crop to market, and corn was used as a substitute for wood and coal. This season the farmers of Kansas have the largest corn crop in the history of that state, and, in spite of the low price of corn as compared with 20 years ago, every bushel of the crop will be marketed that the growers see fit to spare. Reduced freight rates have made this possible, and, as has been experienced before, the railroad companies as well as the farmers will profit as the result.

It is said that a man does not stop to think when the order comes in battle to charge, but just ducks his head and goes forward in a sort of wild trance. Certainly something of that sort fell upon Private A. A. Smith, the cook of Company K of the Colorado regiment, in the Philippines. He had gone out to the lines to try to provide the men of his company with some breakfast when the order to charge was given. He had nothing in his hand but a large spoon, which he had been using to dish out the beans, but he dashed ahead with the other men. The element of comedy disappeared when he found a gun beside the dead body of one of the enemy and, appropriating it, did good execution. His comrades have not yet ceased to celebrate his famous charge with the bean spoon, and they are right. The action of the cook showed that he was made of the stuff of which heroes are manufactured. The war in the far east has been prolific in incidents which go to show that the average man in this country is of good material.

A new indictment has been found against the rubber tired buggy wheel. In Pittsburg a young man who was held in $2,000 bail on the charge of embezzlement said in extenuation of the crime: "It's all the fault of that plaguy rubber tired buggy of mine. It would take a bank president's salary to keep it in repair." When a bicycle tire is punctured, it is bad enough. The explosion of a buggy tire is a much more serious matter. As for the big tires of the automobile cabs, they make a noise like a cannon when they let go. One of them exploded the other day, frightening a horse so badly that he bolted and jumped into a rathskeller, smashing chairs and tables and almost choking a peaceful German by causing him to swallow his glass of beer "the wrong way." Still, even this is not so serious as the insinuation that rubber tired wheels are a direct incentive to dishonesty.

Continuous Celebration.

"Did you hear what Reginald gave Lucretia for a graduation present?"
"What was it?"
"A commutation ticket on a down town soda fountain."—Chicago Record.

Not to Be Thought Of.

"Bathe in the ocean!" cried the pure water crank.
"Of course; why not?"
"Why, it's never been filtered or boiled."—Philadelphia North American.

Intellectual Prestige.

"Does your suburb make any literary pretentions?"
"Oh, yes; we've got a man who has taken three prizes for soap poetry."—Chicago Record.

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FILIPINOS' FLIGHT.

They Have Been Driven to the Westward.

YOUNG HARD AFTER AGUINALDO

And Will Make Every Effort to Capture the Leader of the Forces of the Insurgents.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Gen. Otis yesterday reported the situation in the Philippines in the following dispatch to the war department:

Manila, Nov 27.—Steamer from San Fabian yesterday brought 115 Spanish prisoners, $75,000 insurgent government money and other property captured by Lawton's troops near Tayuig on the 25th. Wheaton's troops, Fowler's company, thirty-third, drove enmy westward from Mangiaren, few miles southwest of Dagupan, captured five 3-inch muzzle loading guns, twelve rifles, 12,000 rounds of Maxim cartridges, 1000 shrapnel, 800 pounds of powder and other property; also ninety-four Spanish prisoners. Bell, with thirty-sixth infantry, in pursuit and will march down western Luzon coast. Indications are that two or three bodies of insurgent troops, numbering probably 500 or more men each, in the mountains west of railway can be readily handled by MacArthur; they have the bulk of the insurgent artillery, all of which will be captured unless buried.

Young is still in pursuit of Aguinaldo, who is heading for Bangued, a few miles east of Vigan; Young, with cavalry and scouts, is followed by battalion thirty-third and by battalion twenty-second; two battalions of the thirty-third en route for Vigan by military postroad. Young's reception by insurgents enthusiastic. Aguinaldo has collected more than 1000 of his troops at the north. Probable that most will desert him. Numbers of small detachments of insignificant troops throughout the country north of Manila have been captured and inhabitants manifest gratitude for deliberance. Indications are that insurgent force of Manila disintegrated and troops are going to their homes. Reports from the southern islands are favorable. Zamboanga insurgents surendered to our troops and no trouble anticipated there.

Later in the day the following dispatch was received from Gen. Otis:

Oregon landed marines at Vigan Sunday. Young's column at Nairogpacan, twenty miles north of San Fernandina, on the 23d, from which point passed north into mountains. Troops will relieve marines at Vigan 29th. Bulk of Spanish and American prisoners reported at Bangued, twenty miles east of Vigan. Wheaton, San Fabian, just reports the capture of seventy-three more rifles and $1100 in money; also that he has been obliged to take mother and son of Aguinaldo under guard at Fabian to prevent their murder by natives. They will be sent here the first opportunity and delivered to friends. Natives in vicinity of Bayobong, Nuesta Viscaya, offering services to drive out insurgents, and request arms. Report on Nov. 24 says insurgents are there.

"Report from Zamboanga says insurgents have surrendered heavy artillery to the navy and since have surrendered to Nichols, commanding a battalion of the twenty-third infantry, 179 rifles, one Nordenfeldt and four breech-loading cannon."

Removed Them.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 28.—Gov. Tanner yesterday removed John W. Wilson of Kilmundy and Morrow P. Reed of Peoria from their offices as commissioners of the Bartonville insane asylum. The two commissioners are charged with malfeasance in office in appropriating state funds to their own use, and the governor informed them that he would recommend them to the grand jury of Peoria county for an investigation.

Was a Draw.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 28.—The fight last night at the auditorium between Casper Leon of New York and Johnnie Ritchie of St. Louis resulted in a draw after the fourth round had been fought. Leon broke his arm in the third round and upon the advice of a physician attending, the fight was stopped and the referee declared the contest a draw. The fight, while it lasted, was one of the fastest and best seen in Memphis for years.

Miller's Flight.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 28.—Wm. F. Miller, the New York promoter of the Franklin syndicate, for whom hundreds of detectives all over the country are searching, is reported to have passed through Kansas City last Saturday, en route to Vera Cruz, Mexico. Paul J. Maas, a Chicago newspaper man, who is visiting friends in this city, is quoted as having seen and talked to Miller on a Maple Leaf train. Miller apparently took the first train southwest.

Federal Aid May be Invoked.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 28—Senator Deboe left for Washington at 8 o'clock last night and after his departure a story emanating from Republican circles was put abroad that in the event Goebel is given a certificate of election by the state board of election commissioners by throwing out of Jefferson, Knox and Johnson counties, Senator Deboe, Gov. Bradley, Gen. Taylor and other Republican leaders will unite in an appeal to President McKinley to declare martial law in Kentucky, recognizing Taylor as governor and supporting his administration. Senator Deboe stated to a newspaper man that he felt confident no emergency would arise requiring the assistance of the Federal authorities, but intimated that he had assurances that Federal aid could be had if it became necessary.

There was no change in the situation here yesterday on either side. The expected move of Goebel laders to take the gubernatorial controversy into the courts prior to its handling by the state election board has not materialized so far and many believe it has been abandoned.

The story that Jefferson and Elliot county returns had been mysteriously lost or tampered with is not credited here, as should this occur duplicate certificates could be easily obtained and the thefa of the origina's would not affect the result.

The hotels of the city are slowly filling up with visiting Republicans and Democras from many parts of the state. The report that Warden Lillard, under the direction of the Goebel leaders, is arming convicts and preparing to take the Goebel side in the event Bradley calls out troops Saturday is absolutely unfounded. It is probable the sitting of the state election board will extend over several days and it is stated that the Democratic commissioners will refuse to begin convassing the returns in the event Bradley places a military guard over them.

Tables Turned.

Washington, Ark., Nov. 28.—Capt. S. E. Benson, one of the Hempstead county's representative citizens and father-in-law of James K. Jones, was waylaid by a vicious negro nabed Julius Williams yesterday morning. The negro had an altercation with one of Capt. Benson's wage hands. Capt. Benson interfered, saying he would have the negro arrested. The negro retorted: "I you do, you will never make another trip to town." The captain came to Washington and informed the officers of the case. On his way home he was attacked by the negro from ambush. The captain wheeled in his saddle and shot the negro in the stomach, inflicting mrtal wounds.

Cotton Refunding.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 28.— Gov. Miles B. McSweeny addressed a letter to the governor of each southern state asking for united effort to get southern representatives in congress to work for the passage of a bill refunding $11,000,000 to southern people from whom cotton was seized by United States troops during the war between the states. The cotton was sold by the collector of customs at New York and the funds placed in the United States treasury.

Federal officials at Ardmore have been notified of a fight near Colbert between officers under Deputy United States Marshal Davis and a band of moonshiners, one of the latter being killed. The moonshiners are said to be surrounded.

Hildyard Victor.

London, Nov. 28.—War office received the following: Hildyard from Estcourt: made successful attack Nov. 23 with three battalions, one field battery, a naval gun and 700 mounted troops on the enemy occupying Beacon hill, which dominates William Grange, and had interrupted his communication. As a result of the operations the enemy is retiring and the railway and telegraph lines have been restored between Estcourt and Weston. Our loss was about fourteen killed and fifty wounded.

Were Acquitted.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 28.—Corporal John S. Fair and Private Henry Jockens were to-day acquitted by court martial of manslaughter, the specific charge being the shoting and killing of a fleeing deserter, Private Samuel Morgan of the eighth cavalry. The shooting occurred at La Platte, and at the time the officials of the county decided the ends of justice would be served if the military handled the case. The state will take it up.

Story Denied.

New York, Nov. 28.—A special to the World from Washington says the navy department denies that the Ranger is to leave San Francisco for Manila under sealed orders. The Ranger will continue the work of surveying and charting the east coast of Central and South America, which was started by the Thetis and discontinued because of the war with Spain. The placing of new guns is not unusual.

Lightning's Work.

Beeville, Tex., Nov. 28.—News of the fearful work of a stroke of lightning during the storm of rain, hail and wind west of here Thursday evening has reached here. The lightning struck a chmimey to the residence of Mr. W. T. Meadows, a prosperous ager living at Lopora, about fifteen miles west of this city, wrecked that edifice and gave the whole family a terrible shock.

Two of the occupants of the home, Miss Jessie Caldwell, a young lady school teacher, and Walter Meadows, a son of the owner of the premises, were so badly injured as to be beyond hopes of recovery.

The hair on the side of Miss Caldwell's head was singed and its color completely changed. The steel stays in her corset were burst out and curled up like clock springs, and were also the hair pins in her hair. The shoes were torn from her feet into shreds and her body was severely burned and marked. She was unconscious for hours after the stroke.

One of young Meadow's legs was paralyzed and terribly burned, and the shoes were also torn from his feet. Both he and Miss Caldwell complain of intense pains in the lungs and chest.

There were five persons in the house at the time, but these two were the only one to sustain serious injuries A clock on the mantelpiece was riddled into a thousand pieces.

Receiver for Fair.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 28.—Yesterday morning W. H. Gaston et al. filed a suit against the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition association et al., praying for the appointment of a receiver for the association. The suit was filed in the fourteenth district court and Judge W. J. J. Smith promptly appointed John H. Gaston receiver. This gentleman took the oath and gave bond in the sum of $25,000.

The suit had been filed with the district clerk but a short time when the news was flying over the city. Every one was inquiring into the ways and wherefores, every one expressing concern as to what effect the proceedings would have on the holding of the fair next year. A reporter called on Capt. Sydney Smith, secretary and general manager of the fair association, and from him obtained the following statement:

"The suit is brought for the protection of the boudholders and stockholders of the fair association in order that all may have a fair and equitable share and showing for their money. There was a judgment obtained against the fair association by the Manchester Trust company of Manchester, Eng., in a suit brought on one of the association's outstanding bonds and execution being issued the fair grounds are advertised for sale on Dec. 5 next.

"The association has every reason to hope that arrangements can be made within a few days, settling matters and putting it in shape to go ahead under the receiver and hold its fair next year and straight on as in the past."

The Newark, Capt. McCalla, has won the race to Manila, a cablegram received at the navy department announcing her arrival there on Saturday. The Brokolyn is now hastening from Aden to Colombo, closely followed by the New Orleans, which has been steadily gaining on her.

Charles Edwards had a leg broken in a fooball game at Belton.

Death Penalty.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 28.—Edelberto Garcia, the Mexican youth who shot and killed Edwin O'Conor of Paris, Ky., in this city on the night of Oct. 1, was found guilty of murder and awarded the death penalty. The trial lasted two days and the jury was out fifteen minutes. Young Garcia heard the verdict with coolness. He rolled a cigarette and lighted it while the clerk was reading the verdict. Garcia is only 18 years of age and was educated in the public schools

Fort Ringgold Affair.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 28.—Adjt. Gen. Thomas Scurry will not complete his work of investigating the recent conflict between colored soldiers and citizens at Rio Grande City for several days. It is probable that a voluminous amount of testimony will be taken, and that Adjt. Gen. Scurry's report to the government will give a complete account of the trouble and that the blame for inciting the riot will be placed where it properly belongs and the guilty parties punished.

Smallpox in Jail.

Lockheart, Tex., Nov. 28.—Henry Neal, a prisoner in the county jail, is reported to be infected with a genuine case of small-pox, so pronounced by Jail Physician John B. Holt and County Physician M. T. Hendricks. The prisoner will at once be isolated and all prisoners removed from jail, which will be thoroughly fumigated. Every effort will be thoroughly made by the authorities to prevent any spread of the disease. Neal has been in the jail for two or three weeks.

Panhandle Cattlemen.

Amarillo, Tex., Nov. 27.—The third meeting of the Pandandle Live Stock asociation was called to order by Chairman Thomas Connell of Canadian. The attendance was large, the opera house being packed, cattlemen from nearly every point above the quarantine line putting in an appearance.

This organization was instituted last September with a membership of twenty-eight. Its roll call amounted to 150, and twenty new names wer added. Its objects are of a purely protective character, being similar in their main features to the Texas Cattle Raisers' association of Fort Worth, the organization binding itself to prosecute al cases of cattle theft, destroying of brands, "mavericking' and any other offense entailing loss when brought to its notice by a member.

The address of welcome was delivered by Lieut. Gov. Browning, and was an able appeal for combination among cattle growers and concerted action. Mr. Browning asserted emphatically that the organization was not in any way antagonistic in its views to any similar body elsewhere, but proposed working in concert with them for the benefit of the cattlemen and the advancement of cattle interests throughout Texas and neighboring sections. He was followed by Chairman Connell, William Harold, Col. C. Goodnight and others, who also advocated harmony between the various live stock organizations in Texas and united effort, the aim of each being the same, the protection of the cattleman and the improvement of his herds.

Mr. Goodnight was of the opinion that the grade of stock now grazing in pandandle pastures could not be surpassed anywhere in America for purity of blood taken as a whole, and that each year showed visible improvement.

Mr. Harrold also believed that the panhandle country would shortly become the home of the finest bred cattle in the southwest, as in each season its ranges were more sought after by the growers of high-priced stock.

A feature of the meeting was the presentation of a proposal from the Oklahoma Live Stock association by its secretary, W. E. Bolton of Woodward, to combine the two asociations, tehir mutual interests being so nearly in common. The proposition was held over for consideration at the next meeting.

The asociation then adjourned to meet at Canadian, Tex., the first Tuesday in March, 1900.

Broke Jail.

Galveston, Tex., Nov. 27.—Ike Lyons, Ed Mills and George Brown, three negro prisoners, made their escape from the county jail.

When the jailors went into the iron house for the purpose of locking up the prisoners for the night the negroes who were concealed behind a cot, seized a favorable opportunity and made a dash for the door, which was partly open.

Once on the outside the negroes locked the jailors in. After getting out of the iron house they opened the door.

Probably Fatal.

Brenham, Tex., Nov. 27—Attis Dever is in receipt of information to the effect that Mr. T. T. Hendley was thrown from a horse in Junction City, Kimble county, and received injuries which will probably prove fatal. The skull was badly fractured, besides other and less serious wounds. Mr. Hendley is a cousin of Mr. Dever, was raised, in Washington county, near Burton.

Signal service company at Dallas is to be at once equipped.

Hillsboro Blaze.

Hillsboro, Tex., Nov. 27.—Fire broke out in a storeroom of the Bond drug store, over the Goldberg dry goods store, about noon yesterday. It was extinguished before getting much headway, but the loss to the dry goods store and to the law offices of J. m. Johnson and M. F. Winfrey and insurance office of H. N. Spooner from water was considerable. The loss can not be learned, but it is heavy. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Warmly Welcomed.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 27.—El Paso turned out en masse Saturday night to welcome the returning Tennessee volunteers, who were mustered out at the Presidio on Nov. 22 and reached here Saturday night. The soldiers found a brass band and several thousand citizens awaiting with refreshments galore. A reception committee from the Tennessee club, consisting of A. P. Coles and wife, W. H. Webb, Maney Turner, John Sneed and Messrs. Bates and Patterson, met the soldiers at Deming, N. M.

Eight-Foot Coal Vein.

Rockdale, Tex., Nov. 27.—A party who recently bought several tracts of coal lands near Rockdale sunk a shaft and is making all necessary preparations to put into active operation. He found an eight-foot vein of coal thirty-two feet helw the surafce of the ground.

The coal industry is on the boom, as the demand is greater than the capacity to supply the fuel. There will likely be several new shafts sunk before the busy season next fall.

Heavy Northeaster.

Rockport, Tex., Nov. 25.—A heavy northeaster sthuck this place about 5 o'clock yesterday evening and continued for an hour, then shifted to the northwest and blew harder than ever. This was accompanied by heavy rain.

Aout 8 o'clock the wind went back to the northeast and for about two hours the hardest wind for years was experienced. windows were blown in, several boats went ashore, portions of some roofs were blown away and numerous fences were blown down.

A party o fhunters, headed by Hon.

A party of hunters, headed by Hon. in the yachts Cannie and Lone Star, were out about seven miles below town, and were forced to anchor ofr the night. The wind blew so hard that the yachts were unable to make a harbor, which lay only about a half mile away. The party came into town rather worn out.

News has reached here from Fulton, a small fishing village, three miles up the bay, that nearly all the cows in the place were driven into the bay by the wind and drowned. Some horses suffered the same fate.

A party who has been along the beach estimates the number of dead animals at seventy-five. The loss of these cows is a hard blow to the people, being in many cases their only milch cows.

Hon. E. H. R. Green is up the bay in his yacht Mabel, on a hunting trip and while he has not yet been heard from, still there is no doubt that he experienced a rough time.

A party just in from the west side of the peninsula reports numerous cattle drowned in the Lott and Lucas and Ocanview pastures.

Davidson Drops to Death.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 25.—Yesterday morning at 11:08, in the Travis county jail, the negro Jim Davidson was hung for the murder of George W. Engburg and wife.

Upon ascending the scaffold Davidson confessed to having committed the murder and expressed sorrow for his crime, but felt that he was going to heaven, as he had made peace with his Maker.

At 11:08 the trap was sprung by Sheriff R. E. White, and in thirteen minutes Davidson was cut down dead.

Davidson was executed for the murder of G. W. Engburg and wife near Manor, Travis county. Watrous, his accomplice, was hanged some time ago.

Parents' Meetings.

Hillsboro, Tex., Nov. 25.—T. S. Cox, superintendent of the city public schools, has instituted parents' meetings at the city schools. His purpose is to enlist more interest among parents in the education of the children. He invites them to take part in the discussions of the duties and relations necessary to a full understanding of what is best for the welfare and advancement of each pupil in the school. He thinks the result of the meetings will bring about a better understanding between teacher, pupil and patron. Meetings are held monthly at the schools.

Child Burned.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 25.—The 4-year-old daughter of Susie Redross, a colored domestic at the house of Mr. A. M. Works, was fatally burned yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Works heard cries and screams from the servant's quarters and hurried out to see the cause. She found the little girl running aimlessly about in an adjoining yard with her clothing ablaze. The blaze was extinguished by throwing a quilt about the little girl, but not until she had sustained terrible burns.

June Apples.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 25.—J. B. Vinson, a colored man, living at 506 West Walker street, brought down town yesterday morning a twig containing four well developed fine June apples that grew on a tree at his house. The apples are perfectly formed and good specimens, and the owner of the tree says he has about a peck of good apples on the tree. He has raised a big crop of fine June apples off the same tree this season.

No Danger of Spreading.

Tyler, Tex., Nov. 25.—The announcement made on the streets yesterday morning that there was a well-developed case of smallpox at the Cotton Belt hospital, brought here by an employe of the road from Missouri, caused some excitement. Mayor Thornton at once called the city council together to discuss the situation. Dr. Smith, chief surgeon of the hospital, appeared before the board with assurances that there is no danger of the disease spreading.

Young Man Horribly Mangled.

Fort Worth, Nov. 25.—Information was received here to the effect that Walter Stevens, a young man, who enlisted here for service in the Philippines, and who, returning home with an honorable discharge from the war, had lost his life by being run over by a Cotton Belt train twelve miles west of Grapevine. The body of young Stevens was mangled in a most horrible manner, and was taken to Grapevine.

Several houses were dynamited at Huntington, Ark.

Cotton Buyer Killed.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 24.—J. M. Berginnis, a prominent cotton buyer in this city, was shot three times and instantly killed at 6:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon on the corner of East Collin and Twelfth strets.

The tragedy was witnessed by quite a number of people, the streets having the usual number of people on them for that hour.

Sheriff Allen was near the scene of the killing at the time, and as he hastened to where the shots were fired he was met by Mr. Archie L. Lotspeitch, another prominent cotton buyer, and who up to a short time ago was associated in business with Berginnis who handed him a smoking revolved, four chambers of which were empty, and surrendered himself to the officer and was immediately taken to the county jail.

At an hour mentioned Berginnis was seen in conversation with a man at the foot of the stairway that led to the cotton office of Lotspeich & Co., and excited language was being used. A blow was passed and shooting began at once.

At the first shot Berginnis turned and ran north on Tenth stret, and as he ran three more shots were fired, the last shot being fired just as he reached the rear side door of the grocery of S. M. Ransome.

Berginnis staggered into the doorway and fell forward on his face, gasped and died without speaking a word.

Officers at once took charge of the body and an examination of it showed three bullet holes, one just at the top of the breastbone near the center of the neck, one was in the back on a line with the heart. The bullet from this wound pased sthrough the body, coming out near the left nipple, and the third was about six inches below the heart and on a line with it.

Four shots in all were fired.

Berginnis had no pistol on his person, but when the body was examined a small unopened pocket-knife was taken from his hand by City Marshal Cole. The dead man was married, but had no children, and came to Corsicana f rom south Texas.

He was well known in Houston and Galveston, where he was formerly engaged in the cotton business.

Archie L. Lotspeich is conected with one of the best families in Corsicana, and is the son of James Lotspeich, the well-known cotton buyer.

Slew Two.

Meridian, Tex., Nov. 24.—About 1 o'clock on Tuesday, Nov. 21, a tragedy occurerd at Smith's Bend in this county, twenty-five miles southeast of Meridian, in which two men lost their lives.

The names of the deceased persons were —— Kirkpatrick and John Crum.

W. T. Hix surrendered to the officers yesterday as soon as they reached his residence, and immediately an examining trial was begun, which lasted until 9 o'clock W ednesday night.

The evidence showed that Kirkpatrick and Crum were renters on Hix's place, and that a short time before the homicide they had had a disagreement about some rent corn, neither party wanted the other to gather it until the matter was satisfactorily settled. A fight ensued and Hix killed the other two.

A freight train on the Mobile and Ohio railway ran into an open switch near Montgomery, Ala., and Engineer Graw and Fireman Baggett killed.

Gen. Wood has been summoned from Havana to Washington.

Brick Famine.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 24.—Contractors are having considerable trouble in geting brick from the kilns for cantracts they now have under way. Yesterday work on the Hardy-Peck $40,000 building was suspended on account of the brick supply giving out, and not a stroke of work can be done on it until more brick are received, and the contractors do not know when that will be. They have had trouble of this kind to contend with ever since the building was commenced.

Red River's Rampage.

Bonham, Tex., Nov. 24.—E. V. Agnew of this city, who has an extensive hog ranch in the northern part of the county near Red river, went down in that vicinity yesterday, returning late yesterday afternoon. He says that Red river was on the largest rise for several years, and that it had overflowed for a distance of two miles from the bed. Several farmers have lost a few hogs and sheep, but otherwise no serious loss has been reported so far.

More Mules.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 24.—Another shipment of mules bought in this market for the British government for service in the Transvaal was made from here to Fort Worth yesterday by Anderson & Johnson. They will have two carloads more in a day or two, and will ship them to the same place. The purchase of mules in this county for the British government has been large, and by the time they are concluded there will be no surplus of them in Navarro.

Carlsbad Current.

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PASTURE AND FARM.

Tomatoes are in fair supply.

Fannin county has a large wheat acreage in.

A 157-pound pumpkin is reported in California.

Florida tobacco growers will increase their acreage next year.

Many sections of the state report timely showers the past few days.

The recent cut of hay around El Campos is reported equal in quality to the June crop.

Hundreds of acres in the vicinity of El Campo will be planted in broom corn next year.

Curtis Bros. recently shipped two trainloads of fat cattle from Portales, N. M., to Kansas City.

Wilbarger county farmers express themselves as pleased with the wheat prospects thus far.

Harrison county farmers are said to be in better financial condition than for a number of years.

Several farms in Palo Pinto county were partially inundated by the overflowing of Big Keechi creek.

A heavy export shipment of bleached cotton was made from New York several days since for Europe.

The recent rains filled up the numerous lakes in Erath county, thereby giving cattle ample water.

Sherman is to have a packing house, and Grayson county farmers promise to raise many hogs to keep it going.

Considerable wheat has been sown in the upper part of Upshur county this fall, more than for many years.

Allen Heard of Midland has driven a herd of cattle across the plains to Portales and shipped them to Kansas City.

The Merchants' association of Beaumont will hold a rice carnival on Dec. 16. Premiums will be offered for the best display of rice.

Ben D. Lee of Belton received about 150 head of fine steers, which he will feed for the northern market on cotton seed meal and hulls.

An estimate places the number of cattle that will have been shipped from the Pecos valley from March 1, 1899, to Jan. 1, 1900, at 120,000 head.

The first annual Little Rock, Ark., fair, poultry and live stock exhibit was held five days last week in that city. It was a success and well attended.

Harvey Winton passed through Denison several days ago en route for the Indian Territory with thirty-nine head of fine black dehorned cattle for his ranch in that country.

Many Texas and Indian Territory farmers, instead of selling their corn, are fattening their hogs with it, and will either sell the porkers or cure the meats for their own use.

Farmers in Hardeman county feel encouraged over the wheat and oats already put in. The rains secure a perfect stand, and the early sowing affords good grazing at present.

A great many fruit trees have gone to the Indian Territory this fall and there will be more general planting of fruit trees than ever has been known in the southern portion of the Territory.

Shipping the fleecy staple out of Texas as cloth bales instead of the time immemorial raw cotton once is a problem many farmers are now considering since the cotton mill idea has become a subject of discussion.

At the cattle roping contest held at San Angelo the following men won the purses offered for the quickest time made: Joe Cardner, time thirty-nine and one-fourth seconds; Fred Baker, forty-two and one-half seconds; Bob Hiler, forty-three seconds; Tom Wood, forty-seven and one-fourth seconds.

Secretary Smith of the Fannin County Fruit Grower's association says he is in receipt of several letters from express and railroad officials wishing them success in their organization, and offering to quote the association reduced shipping rates when they are ready for same.

Five hundred high-bred dogs were exhibited in a show at Philadephia last week.

Col. C. C. Slaughter of Dallas, has purchased 400 acres more of alfalfa pasturage adjoining his ranch near Roswell, N. M. This additional land gives Col. Slaughter 900 acres in all of this kind of pasturage, sufficient for a great many cattle.

A Dallas flour mill has received an order from Alexandria, Egypt, for fifty sacks of No. 0 flour, and the same number of sacks of No. 1. The duties on Russian flour are so high, according to the letter acompanying the order, it cannot be imported.

A STORMY VOYAGE

Had the Transport Maneuse on the Way to Manila.

LEAK SPRUNG IN MID-OCEAN.

The Is Pronounded Worthless---An Awful Time Was Had and Destruction Narrowly Averted.

Manila, Nov. 29—The transport Mananeuse, with Lieut. Col. Webb Hayes and three companies of the thirty-first infantry on board, has arrived here. She narrowly escaped disaster. The officers and soldiers were for twelve days bailing with buckets. The steamer was unseaworthy, undermanned and short of provisions. Her engines broke down and she rolled thre days in a typhoon.

When the mananeuse anchored in Manila bay yesterday mornig, thirty-three days from San Francisco, there was several feet of water in her hold, and 400 grimy, greasy, hungry, exhausted soldiers and sailors had been passing buckets of water sinve Nov. 17, night and day. First Assistant Engineer Dunlevy was under arrest and according to Col. Webb Hayes 'official report, the chief engineer would also have been under arrest if there had been any one to replace him. The colonel's report also declares that the captain of the vessel told him the only thing that brought him through was the fact that the men were greenhorns and failed to realize their danger, while exjerienced seamen would have destrted the ship and taken to the boats in midocean.

The Mananeupe is a chartered ship, flying the British flag. She belongs to a firm of which Senator Perkins of San Francisco is alleged to be a junior member. The officers say the firm bought her for $45, and they claim that efforts were made to sell her to the government for $150,000. She started from San Francisco accompanied by the transport Pekin, which carried the remainder of the regiment, and encountered heavy seas to Honolulu without accident.

After starting it developed that she was undermanned and soldiers had to be detailed as firemen, coal-passers and waiters and to do other work. Before reaching Honolulu the crew concluded that the ship was not safe and the majority agreed to desert. Though they were closely watched, many of the crew succeeded in getting away,and the Mananeuse left Honolulu with less than half her crew.

The captain of the transport on Nov. 17 told Col. Hayes that the vessel had sprung a leak, and an investigation resulted in finding several feet of water in her hold. The steam pumps were tried, but failed to work, and there were no hand pumps on board. However, forty-six buckets were found, others were improvised and the soldiers not employed in working the ship were organized into five shifts, and stripped and forming line, they began bailing the officers working with the men, passing the buckets wheih were sent up to the deck by a windlass. The longest time a shift could stand was two hours, and often the period was not longer than half an hour. The bailing continued until the ship anchored here.

Irish Visitors.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 29—The lord mayor of Dublin, Daniel Fallon, and John E. Redmond, M. P., arrived here yesterday. They were met by Mayor Ashbridge and a large delgation of prominent citizens. The purpose of the lord mayor's visit is to raise funds for the Charles Stewart Parnell monument fund. The party were escorted to the mayor's office where an informal reception was held.

Gourdain Arrested.

New York, Nov. 29.—Louis A. Gourdain, who has a banking office in the Metropolitan Life Insurance building, at No. 1 Madison avenue, and is alleged to have a scheme similar to that of the Franklin syndicate, with which Wm. F. Miller was conducting, was yesterday arrested on the order of Chief of Police Devery. He was taken to police headquarters and will be charged with swindling. Gourdain is said to be a well-known lottery man from New Orleans.

Satisfactory.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Nothing is known here in official circles to warrant the published predictions to the effect that an uprising on a large scale is yet for Thanksgiving day in Cuba, directed against the Americans. On the contrary, all advices from official sources to the war department go to show that general conditions in Cuba are most satisfactory. The story is ascribed here to discontented members of the late Cuban war party.

Another Victory.

Orange River, Nov. 29.—The British arms have achieved a brilliant victory. The enemy, strongly entrenched, held a range of hills commanding both sides of the railway at Rool Laagte,, near Graspan. The Lancashires, under Lewis, reconnoitered in an armored train on Friday. The Boers shelled the train killing Lewis and a private.

Gen. Metheun then advanced. His column made a detour and bivouacked for the night at Swinks Pan, three miles from the Boer position.

At dawn the advance began, the guards forming the reserve. The column debouched on the plain eastward of the Boer kopjes. The Boer guns opened fire. Two batteries of British artillery, posted on each side, shelled the Boers, practice being good on both sides.

The Boers stuck tenaciously to their positions, firing steadily and accurately. The duel, which constantly became hotter, lasted three hours. The Boer shells wounded several men of the naval brigade. Finding it impossible to displace the Boers by artillery, Gen. Metheun resolved upon an infantry attack. A brigade of infantry, including the Yorkshires, the Northamptons, the Northumberlands and the Lancashires, with the naval brigade on the right, gallantly stormed the Boer positions in the face of a withering fire, and carried hill after hill, the brigade under Col. Money capturing the main position after a terrific fire, but suffering severely.

Many of the Boers voluntarily surrendered.

The Boers were shelled during the final retreat and must have lost heavily, but they succeeded in geting away northward with their six guns. The British were badly in need of more cavalry.

The bulk of the fighting was on Free State territory and the engagement was admirably planned. Thirty Boer wounded are under treatmnt here. At the close of the action Lord Metheun complimented the naval brigad upon their splendid behavior and expressed regret at their losses.

Officer Killed.

Hartshorn, I. T., Nov. 29.—Monday night about 9 o'clock the postoffice at Wilburton, sixteen miles from this place on the Choctaw railroad, was burglarized by three men of between $200 and $250.

The postmaster is Dr. W. A. Cox, who it is alleged, was sandbagged and knocked senseless at or near the postoffice.

A deputy United States marshal attempted to arrest one of the three parties and after an exchange of nine shots between all parties the robbers escaped and Officer Peckenbaugh was found a corpse.

Endicott's Report.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The report of Rear Admiral Endicott, chief of the bureau of naval yards and docks, submits estimates for improvemeats amounting to $14,763,439.

The estimates for navy yards and station include: Algiers, La., $145,000; Mare Island, Cal., $1,132,700, including $110,000 for deep water basin and channel improvement; Puget Sound station $226,000; San Juan, Porto Rico, $52,000; Havana, Cuba, $50,000; Guam, Ladrones, $15,000.

Col. Wm. J. Bryan, wife, two children and father-in-law, Mr. John Blair, have arrived at Austin.

The president's message is ready for congress.

Denies It.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 29.—Gov. Bradley last night denied that he had been informed by President McKinley that troops would be furnished if asked for in connection with the gubernatorial contest, and declined to say whether he had considered applying to the president for aid.

Republicans say they hope to repel the Goebel election law by an alliance with anti-Goebel Democrats.

Will Garrison It.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Gen. Otis cables the war department announcing that the thirty-first volunteers who arrived on the Pekin and Manauense yesterday will garrison the point of Mindano. Gen. Otis also wires that the transport Port Albert will sail on the 29th. He also announces the arrival of the hospital ship Missouri which sailed by way of Suez. No casualties are reported on the arriving ships.

To Prosecute Swindlers.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 29.—The board of directors of the National Association of Credit Men had a special meeting here yesterday to raise a fund to prosecute swindlers and dishonest business men of all classes. Several important proposed amendments to the bankruptcy law were discussed. A fund of $10,000 will be raised by the association for the fraudulent assignments under the present bankruptcy law.

Projected Line.

Abilene, Texas, Nov. 29.—Morris R. Locke, manager of the Colorado, Texas and Mexican Railway company, has returned from a trip over the line of the proposed road from this place to Llano, a distance of 180 miles. The return trip from Llano was made in the face of a cold rain and norther, from which Mr. Locke suffered much inconvenience. He made the following statements:

The line is located from Haskell by way of Anson, Abilene, Coleman, Brady and Baco to Llano, a distance of 216 miles. The engineering corps of fourteen men, in charge of Chief Engineer Blackburn, is now doing the final location between Pontotoc and Llano, a distance of 24 miles.

"It is the purpose of the company to make a first class, standard gauge road, and for that purpose will use a seventy-pound steel rail, 3200 ties to the mile, gravel and rock ballast, and there will be steel bridges across the Clear Fork of the Brazos, the Colorado, San Saba and Llano rivers. The coal south of Coleman in the Cow Gap of the Brady mountains, a distance of 40 miles, has ben prospected by Col. Haris of St. Louis, a coal expert, and has proved entirely satisfactory, both as to quality and quantity, for domestic and steaming purposes, and the manganese and iron ore south of the San Saba river to Llano, a disance of 45 miles, shows surface metal sufficient to promise a large and profitable traffic to the road.

"The construction company is ready to commence work at Abilene north and south as quick as the necessary authorization of bonds can be obtained from the railroad commission.

"The most prominent features of this road are: It is the only north and south road through the state between Fort Worth and El Paso, a distance of 650 miles, and at its nearest point is 161 miles distant from Fort Worth. It is the only road in the state that has a maximum grade not exceeding 1 per cent and curves not exceeding 3 degres. It will form a junction with the Fort Worth and Denver at Washburn on the Denver branch and at Quanah on the Oklahoma, with the Texas Central at Stamford, with the Texas and Pacific at Abilene, with the Santa Fe at Coleman, with the Fort Worth and Rio Grande at Waldrop, with the Northwestern at Llano, with the Arcosah Pass at Comfort and with the Southern Pacific at Uvalde and Eagle Pass. The line as projected is from Eagle Pass to Texas, with a Colorado line from Abilene to Denver. There are now under contract for construction and equipment 216 miles from Haskell to Llano, in this state.

"It is the intention of the company, not only to have a first class, standard gauge road, but to have the best of equipment. The final papers, together with maps, profiles, plans, specifications and estimates, are now being made up and will be presented to the railroad commission for the authorization of bonds.

"The charter has already been authorized by the attorney general, and the general offices are located by the charter at Abilene."

Lower Rate Wanted.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 29.—The railroad commission is in receipt of a letter from parties at Waco, stating that if lower rates could be had it is likely that a mill would be erected for the purpose of manufacturing hominy, oat meal and breakfast wheat preparations. The letter states that all such preparations are shipped into state on current fourth class rates from Kansas, Iowa and Missouri, and requests as low, if not lower, rates to apply within the state.

Died in Camp

Fairfield, Tex., Nov. 29.—Chief Engineer Burlingame, in charge of the survey and location of the Union Central railroad in this county, died of heart disease in camp yesterday morning. The deceased was a resident of Kansas City, and has been here only a short while. It is supposed his remains were shipped to Kansas City for burial. His death will detain the progress of the survey and location of the Union Central railroad for a short time.

Foot Cut Off.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 29.—Little Kyle, the 10-year-old son of Mrs. W. V. Kreisinger, was run over by a freight train at the Scullin avenue crossing of the Katy. The boy attempted to get on one of the box cars as the train was moving by the crossing, his foot slipped and he fell beneath the cars, the second car in front of the caboose passing over his left foot, mangling it so seriously that amputation of the foot was necessary.

Judge Dead.

Bonham, Tex., Nov. 29.—District Judge E. D. McClellan died yesterday morning at his home, on West Seventh street.

Judge McClellan was well known over the state as an able jurist. He had hel dthe office of district judge of the district composed of Lamar, Fannin and Red River counties since 1884 until his death.

Judge McClellan was 52 years of age and was born in this county, where he resided almost continuously until his death.

Encouraging Customers.

In a recent bankruptcy case, in speaking of justices of the peace, they are said to be "officers by no means infallible, frequently innocent of law and actually some times known to construe the abbreviation affix designating their office, 'J. P.' to mean 'Judgment for plaintiff.'"

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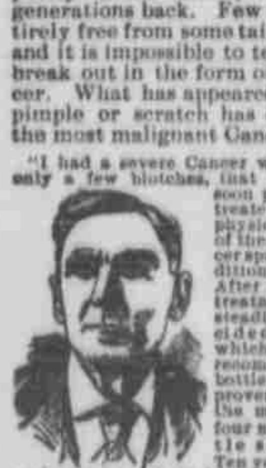

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The flower of gratitude should never fade in the heart's conservatory.

The Hog Louse.

Bulletin 100 of the Department of Agriculture says: The hog louse is the only insect which causes much trouble in raising hogs, and when it once becomes established in a drove it is not easily exterminated. Fortunately the lice are so large that they can be seen easily, and their presence may therefore be known before they become very abundant. They are liable to appear at any season of the year, and they thrive on hogs of any age or condition. They are found in and behind the ears, back of the shoulders, and in the creases on the lower part of the ham more frequently than elsewhere; if those places are free from them there is little danger that they exist on other parts of the animal. Coal oil is sure death to every louse it touches, but does not always kill the eggs, and must be used with caution to prevent its blistering the skin of the hog. When a large drove is to be treated, the work can be done very quickly by using a spray pump having an attachment for mixing the oil and water, and the pump should be set so that it will use about five parts of water to one part of oil. When such a mixture is thrown over the hogs in a fine spray, only a little of the oil is used to cover the whole animal, and if the spraying is done in the evening, nearly all of the oil will have evaporated by morning and there will be no blistering of the skin when the hogs are exposed to the hot sun on the following day. So little oil is used in the spraying that few of the eggs will be killed, and the work should be repeated at the end of a week, and again at the end of the second week. If the work is thoroughly done, three sprayings will be sufficient. If a spray pump is not available, the hogs should be rubbed with a mixture containing two parts of lard oil to one of coal tar, repeating twice at intervals of a week. The sleeping places should be thoroughly cleaned, the bedding burned, and the inside of the buildings thoroughly wet with coal oil.

Even with the most thorough treatment it requires time and patience to clean a drove which has become badly infested, but it must be done if the hogs are to be kept in a thriving condition. It is not difficult to destroy the larger part of the lice, but that is not sufficient, for where there are even a few eggs left in the ears or under the jowls of a single animal the pest will soon become as bad as ever. Lice never infest clean hogs when they are not brought from an infested drove, and the hog raiser who has a clean herd can not be too careful to keep it so. No stray hog should be allowed on the premises, and any which are purchased should be examined very carefully before they are allowed to run with the others. The oil mixture should always be kept close at hand where it can be used immediately if any indications of lice are seen. It is much easier to kill a few lice on a few animals than to clean a thoroughly infested herd.

Dairy vs. Creamery.

Under above head the Northwestern Creamery Journal says: Many buttermakers, at the creamery and home dairy, fail to receive a remunerative price for their product, the reason being that they do not supply the market requirements as to quality. As the art of buttermaking advances—and it has made wonderful progress during the past two years—the public taste for something better has kept pace with it, until today butter that will grade first and extra is in demand. Poor butter cannot be disposed of excepting in limited quantities, and at a low market price. It is an undeniable fact that although buttermaking at the creamery has reached a high degree of perfection, buttermaking at the dairy has shown little or no improvement. Every farmer who owns a herd of dairy cows would find it much more profitable to take his milk to the creamery than to attempt to manufacture a high grade of dairy butter without the machinery, utensils and facilities for so doing. Too many attempt the latter, and as a result, the common barrel of the country store finds most of the so-called butter. In time, through the lessons taught by individual dairymen, there may be an awakening along this line, but the progress is discouragingly slow and there are few dairies whose product can equal that manufactured at a first-class creamery. These few find that dairying pays good dividends. If you are desirous of financial benefit through the keeping of a dairy herd, make up your mind to do one of two things.

Remedy for Gapes.—I have seen and tried a great many remedies for gapes in chickens, and all to no effect. I will give one I tried this year (my own). It has proved successful with me, and that is saying a good deal, for I have raised, or tried to raise, a great many chickens for a great many years and have always lost many with the gapes. I mix up some corn meal and best mill bran, sift a little oyster-shell in it; then cut up one or two green onions, tops and all, and mix them with the other feed. I wet this up with hot water every morning. I have not been troubled with the gapes this year, and the chickens are running over the same ground as before, and have had the same care, with the exception of the onions.—John Marriott, in Country Gentleman.

Cramped Quarters.

"They say that at some of those summer resorts the rooms are so small a man can't have his valise in with him."

"That's not so; I got my valise in all right; but, of course, I had to go out in the hall to open it."

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The story of "The Movement of Wheat"—certainly a story that does not lack for large and romantic incidents—will be told, with abundant illustrations, in McClure's Magazine for December, by Ray Stannard Baker. In gathering his material, Mr. Baker made a careful tour of the great wheat farms, the great elevators, and the great exchanges, besides carefully studying the documents and statistics of the agricultural department.

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The Baltimore and Ohio lines west of the Ohio River present a very busy appearance these days, as there is scarcely a ten mile stretch without a bridge or a construction gang at work. There are still a few of the 53 bridges purchased last January to be erected, and almost all of the 20,000 tons of 85 pound rails have been laid. At several points sidings of 100 car capacity are being constructed, and between Newark and Chicago Junction thousands of men are working on extensive grade reductions. Between Chicago Junction and Chicago nearly a score of passing sidings are being constructed with a view of a double track some time in the future. They are to be long enough in most cases to hold three 50 car trains.

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IN SEARCH OF A WIFE

BY ROBIN GREY

CHAPTER IV.—(Continued.)

She paused, and a bright flush covered her fair face.

"As far as I can calculate, I must be twenty years old," she said; "I have decided that it is time to act. My life is all before me. Am I to let it be spoiled by this dreadful bond? I will find the creature, calling himself a man, who was guilty of such unheard-of cruelty as to marry a girl—a mere child—and basely desert her! If necessary, I will spend years in search of him!" She was silent for a few moments—tears were on her long eyelashes, her face was scarlet with emotion. "Will you help me?" she asked then, with bewitching sweetness.

Mr. Martineau looked down at her—they had both risen.

"What fate would you consider bad enough for the delinquent—if we find him?" he asked.

"Ah, I should not care so much what became of him, provided I could but be free!" sighed Marguerite.

"I would give a great deal to be able to set you free," he said, with a long breath. "If you will put the case into my hands, I will see what I can do."

A brief dialogue on the technical points of the case followed, in which he pledged himself to search for the will; then, with shy thanks, she held out a hand in leave taking.

"I shall be eternally grateful to you," she said.

"One day I'll remind you of that promise," was his reply.

CHAPTER V.

Marguerite's small figure attracted but little notice as she threaded her way through the city with the air of a girl well used to London. She took her seat in the train at Broad street station, and was carried—through Hilldmay Park and Dalston—on to a poverty-stricken part of East London.

Alighting from a second-class compartment, she at once encountered a tall young man who had hurried along the platform to meet her.

"Bernard! Did you come to meet me?"

"Of course. I'm not going to have you running about this pastoral district by yourself. But you are late—I've watched three city trains in"—with which he drew the small hand within his arm, and they left the station together.

"It is good of you to wait so long for me, dear boy," she said, gratefully.

Bernard Stelling looked somehow out of place in East London. He was a tall, aristocratic looking young man of five and twenty or thereabouts. His features were good, his eyes large and bright, and he was justly proud of his long chestnut mustache. He was a brave young fellow, too, for he had been born in the midst of poverty, and had never lost heart. His father and mother were of the rare quixotic few who live, not for themselves, but to mitigate the sorrows of those around them. Possessed of talents which would have made his fortune in a fashionable west-end district, Dr. Stelling still chose to live and work in one of the most unsavory quarters of the east end, sometimes getting paid for his labors, but more frequently not and indulging whenever he could get the chance in such an extravagantly generous proceeding as the adopting of Marguerite had been. His own small private fortune he had devoted almost entirely to the education of his son and daughter, Bernard and Mary, the former of whom had just obtained a mastership in a public school, having passed very creditably through the university.

It was perhaps to be regretted on more than one ground that the impecunious Bernard had fallen in love with the penniless Marguerite; yet, thrown as they had been together, it was scarcely to be wondered at.

Together they walked along the dirty, hot, close streets.

"Well, Marguerite, what luck?" he said. "You see I condescend to ask, though you did insist on going off by yourself in such an independent manner?"

"I gave you my reasons for doing so, Bernard," she answered, with a sigh. Her spirits were low; she was tired out. "There is not much to tell. Mr. Leroy was out; I saw his partner, Mr. Martineau. He is going to search for the will, and let me see it. I told him the whole story. He seemed to be greatly interested."

"Did he give you any sort of opinion?"

"I fancy he thought the whole thing rather hopeless at present. We have so little to go upon, you see! My ignorance of the names is so dreadful, and there seems to be no way of finding the place where my uncle lived. There was nothing destinctive about the scenery—just commonplace hedges and lanes. It would be of no use to advertise for Cathie; Mr. Martineau thinks she would not answer. My uncle would take care of that."

"If he still lives," said Bernard—"which I trust he does, that I may have the pleasure of horsewhipping him."

"Oh, Bernard!"

"Yes; and as for that other fellow, if he comes within reach of me, let him beware. Marguerite, didn't Martineau agree that this so-called marriage of yours was a mockery—a thing to be set at naught?"

"He said he thought it could be set aside," answered Marguerite, blushing, "on the ground that I was of unsound mind at the time; but to do that we want witnesses, and a certificate of the marriage, and all that."

"Ah, yes!" said Bernard, thoughtfully. "That marriage register is the thing. I have been thinking over one or two things with regard to that, my darling——"

"Bernard, you are not to say that."

"Marguerite, this is all folly on your part."

"It is not so," she said, with almost a sob. "I am right—I know I am. So long as this terrible barrier is between you and me, Bernard, there shall be no love-making. Think—that what it would be for me afterwards if—if——"

"You are tired out, my dearest, and you take the worst view. We shall come out of this affair all right," he returned reassuringly. The strong pressure of his arm comforted her.

"If I could only remember what I did!" she said, wiping away one or two tears. "It is so dreadful to think that I may have done almost anything when I was out of my mind! But tell me, Bernard—let us leave this doleful talk—tell me what you have been thinking of with regard to that marriage register."

"Well," replied the young man, "I've been putting two and two together, and an idea occurs to me. The governor found you at Paddington—you recollect that the place you came from was by the sea. Now, the seaside places to which one goes by the Great Western are chiefly in Devonshire and Cornwall. Some of the places there are so much out of the world that it is quite possible the inhabitants don't see a London paper. I have been thinking of offering a reward such as would really be a temptation and inserting it in all the Devonshire and Cornwall local papers."

"How clever of you, Bernard!" she said; then, wonderingly—"Mr. Martineau never suggested that!"

"Mr. Martineau hasn't such a stake to play as I have," answered Bernard, dropping his persuasive voice to a lower key. "But, to continue—the place to which they took you to marry you would probably be an out-of-the-way place, yet, I think, not a very small one—they would not care to attract notice. Ah, how I wish I were a rich man for your sake, Marguerite! I would search every register in the kingdom at my own expense, but I would find the name of the man who so wronged you!"

"Dear!" She looked at him with grateful, eloquent eyes. "But perhaps he married me under a false name?" she suggested.

"Of course he might have done so," he assented, with a sigh. "If, however, as I can't help supposing, he married you to obtain money, he would be rather careful to have everything strictly en regle, and would probably use his own name. Ah, Marguerite, if my old godmother would only take it into her head to die and leave me all her fortune."

"Ah, Bernard, if the sky were to rain gold, it would not set me free!"

"Yes, it would," he affirmed, with conviction. "You should be free if only I had the money—free to tell me you loved me."

"Bernard, Bernard, don't!"

"Don't what?"

"Don't say words you will one day wish unsaid."

"Marguerite, you insult me by your distrust."

"It is for your sake, Bernard, my own dar——"

"Ah, that's better!" he asserted, with a radiant smile, as she suddenly stopped, crimson and laughing.

"How warm it is today!" she said, trying to speak calmly.

"Warm!" exclaimed the young man, impatiently. "It's burning hot here in London. I've had such a tempting invitation, Madge."

"Have you. From whom?"

"From Laurie."

"Laurie? Oh, yes, I remember; the viscount, Lord Umfreville's son—the man who was with you at Oriel? So he has invited you?"

"Yes, to Clarisdale, their place in Huntingdonshire."

"Oh, Bernard, why can't you go?"

"Won't run to it, my sweet. I couldn't afford to be mixed up with a lot of men who live expensively, and with whom money is no object, so I've refused.

"Oh, you dear Bernard! You are strong-minded; I'm so proud of you—but, do you know"—slyly—"I'm half glad you're not going."

"Why?"

"Ah, who used to have a photo of Lady Mildred Ames on his bed-room mantelpiece? And very pretty she is, too. I should be jealous."

"You jealous?" He laughed his frank, pleasant laugh. "No, no, Queen Marguerite, you have me too firmly in your clutches."

She suppressed a faint sigh. Vaguely, regretfully, she felt that she was dragging down this man who loved her. Oh, to tear away the veil which hid the past! Oh, this bitter grinding want of money, which stared her in the face at every turn!

They were very silent as they entered the old dark house with Dr. Stelling's name on a brass plate fixed to the door. It was a plain looking London house, but as cosy and cheery within as loving hands could make it. It boasted a garden behind, the door leading to which was just now open, and the tendrils of Mrs. Stelling's beloved and tenderly nursed Virginia creeper swayed to and fro in the gently stirring breeze.

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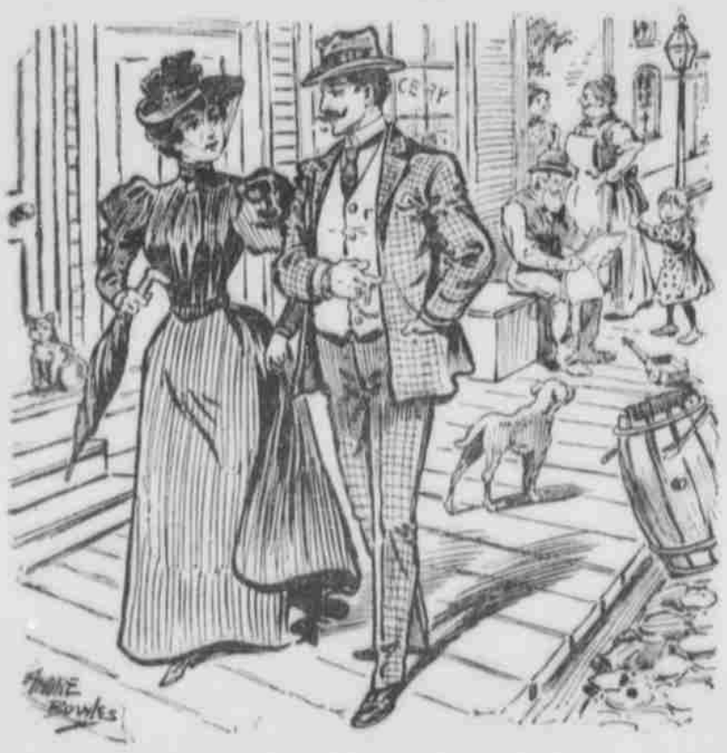

"WELL, MARGUERITE, WHAT LUCK?"

A FRENCH JOKE.

Parisian Journalist Asked to Bogus Rehearsal of Parliamentary Bell.

An interesting hoax has been perpetrated by a prominent Parisian journal at the expense of its contemporaries, says the London Standard. As recorded some days since, M. Deschanel, in the course of one of his noisy sittings of last session, broke the historic bell placed on his desk to call the deputies to order. The journal in question announced that there was to be an interesting rehearsal today, when with the ushers to imitate the noisy deputies, a trial of a number of new bells would be made with a view of selecting a successor to M. Fichet's gift, which had done duty since 1850. The result was that a crowd of Parisian journalists were early in attendance at the Palais Bourbon, with a view of ascertaining the hour at which this interesting ceremony was to take place. Courteous ushers, who, no doubt, from their long experience, would make model deputies, were there, as usual, to greet them; but nothing was known of the trial, and the journalist responsible for the original paragraph has the satisfaction of knowing that he deranged at least fifty of his confreres, caused much amusement at the chamber, and afforded a subject for gossip in the evening at the clubs. M. Deschanel, the president of the chamber, is still in this country; but on his return eight new bells, which have been cast, will be submitted to him, and the chosen three will be further embellished with the initials "R. F." One of these bells will be placed in the chamber, one kept for reserve, and the other sent to Versailles for the use of future congresses. It seems that when M. Deschanel broke the bell belonging to the chamber, that from the congress hall at Versailles, also of historical association, for it has assisted at each of the seven presidential elections, was requisitioned, only, however, to almost immediately share at the vigorous hand of the president of the chamber a fate similar to that of the confrere it had been called in to replace, and which it has now also gone to join in the parliamentary museum.

For several years the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal church has furnished aid for the erection of two churches a day.

KILLED KHALIFA.

Gen. Wingate Successful Against Former's Forces.

RESULTS IN MOST DIRE DEFEAT.

Their Entire Camp Was Captured and a Large Number of Men, Women and Children Secured.

Cairo, Nov. 27.—Lord Cromer, the British minister here, received the following dispatch from Gen. Kitchener:

"Wingate's force caught up with the khalifa's forces seven miles southeast of Godid and attacked it. After a sharp fight he took his position. The khalifa, who was surrounded by a bodyguard of emirs, was killed and all the principal emirs were killed or captured except Osman Digna, who escaped.

"The dervishes were utterly defeated, their whole camp was taken and thousands surrendered. A large number of women, children and cattle also fell into the hands of the Anglo-Egyptian force."

Gen. Kitchener also wires:

"Wingate's Arab scouts located the khalifa's position at Omdebrikas. Our force marched from Gedil in the moonlight and finally had to cut its way through the bush. It arrived before dawn on rising ground overlooking the camp, which was hidden in the trees.

"We heard their drums and horns before dawn, and at 5:15 the dervishes attacked. Our guns opened fire and soon the action became general. Half an hour later the whole line advanced and swept through the dervish position for over two miles till the camp was reached.

"The mounted troops pursued and captured most of the fugitives. The khalifa, with most of his men and the emir's bodyguard, made a gallant stand. Among the emirs killed were the khalifa's two brothers and the mahdi's son.

"Osman Digna left immediately after the firing began and is probably concealed somewhere in the vicinity. I hope eventually to get him.

"We took the entire dervish camp. All the dervishes not killed surrendered. I cannot speak too highly of the behavior of the troops and their endurance during the long, tedious marches preceding the final action. From 4 o'clock in the morning of Nov. 21 till 5 o'clock in the morning of Nov. 24 they marched sixty miles and fought two decisive actions.

"The Soudan may now be declared open."

Defeated Them.

Cape Town, Nov. 27.—Gen. Forest-Walker sent the following:

Lord Methuen reports that he moved Saturday at 3:30 a. m., with the ninth brigade, the mounted corps, the naval brigade and two batteries, the guards following with the baggage near Gras Pan (about ten miles north of Belmont on the railway line to Kimberley). 2500 Boers with six guns and two machine guns opposed him. The action began at 6 a. m. Our batteries fired shrapnel very accurately until the heights seemed clear. Then the naval brigade and infantry advanced to the assault. The fighting was desperate until 10 a. m., when the heights were carried. The Boers retreated on the line, where the ninth lancers were placed to intercept them.

Made Feint.

Manila, Nov. 27.—Insurgents made feint on Imus Friday night. Three enlisted men wounded; their loss, two killed, one captured. Quickly withdrew. Additional troops sent from Manila. Insurgents will be driven south. Reports from Negros encouraging. Chief insurgent leader north of Islands surrendered voluntarily. More sugar mills at work than at any time since the revolution against Spain began. Officers report people cheerful and hopeful.

Noted Capture.

Manila, Nov. 27.—Buencamino, the brains of the Filipino insurrection, is locked up here in charge of Brig. Gen. Edward B. Williston, the provost marshal. When Tarlac fell, Buencamino fled northward with Aguinaldo's 3-year-old son and an old lady supposed to be the mother of Aguinaldo's confidential servant, Tomas Maxarine, and a guard of 100 soldiers.

Buencamino surendered without resistance. He had only a few clothes and $2000 in gold.

Could Not Tell Them.

Orange River, Nov. 27.—In all 167 wounded, including several Boers, have arrived here from Belmont. One of the Boers, a boy 17 years of age, was compelled to take up arms with hi father, who is a prisoner. A wounded Boer said that twenty men were selected from each Boer section to pick off the British officers, but he added that on the advance of the British force the Boer marksmen were bewildered, as it was impossible to distinguish officers.

Hobart's Funeral.

Paterson, N. J., Nov. 27.—With the impressive religious ceremonies of the Presbyterian church and with the dignity due to his high office, all that is mortal of the late vice president, Garret A. Hobart, was committed to earth Saturday afternoon.

The president, Secretary of State John Hay, Chief Justice Fuller, Former Vice President Levi P. Morton, Former Secretary of War Alger, Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock, the supreme court judges, members of the senate, members of congress and the vice president's personal friends filled the beautiful Church of the Redeemer and with moistened eye and bowed head silently and eloquently testified to his worth as a neighbor and friend.

Through the west window from the center of the stained glass Maltese cross pierced a shaft of crimson that shed its light around the catafalque and bathed the orchids, narcissus blossoms and white roses in bright tints. The eye of the clergyman traveled along the shaft of light to the cross as he repeated the words: "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

The chief magistrate of the country bowed his hands in his hands. He was visibly affected. All the pomp of an official pageant, which was omitted in deference to the wishes of the deceased, never have equaled in impressiveness see scene in the church. The imposing and solemn strains of Chopin's "Funeral March" filled the edifice with its solemn melody as the casket was borne up the aisle on the shoulders of the stalwart members of the Capitol police and placed upon the bier prepared for it in front of the pulpit.

Following it came the pallbearers, members of the senate. Following them came the family, the widow and her son, President McKinley, the government dignitaries and intimate friends. They all sat close around the casket. On every side of it the floral offerings were banked in a wealth of beauty and color.

The funeral services were opened by Rev. Dr. Charles S. Shaw, who read a portion of Psalm 19:1-6 and 10-12. This was followed by a selection from Jom 14:1-11 and 7-12 and concluded by a reading from 1 Corinthians, fifteenth chapter.

After prayer sixty male voices filled the church with the beautiful melody of "Nearer, my God, to Thee." After the sermon, in which the business, statesmanship and social qualities of deceased were extolled, the Orepheus club sung a cantata by Shwatal. Dr. Magie then pronounced the benediction and in the same order that it arrived the funeral procession left the church. As the casket was borne down the aisle out on the porch the vast multitude which could hardly be kept under control by the police and soldiers, uncovered and when the president appeared with bowed head, leaning on the arm of John Hay, there was only a murmur of greeting.

Through the long lane of thousands of uncovered heads the cortege wended its way to Cedar Lawn cemetery, where the body was placed in the receiving vault.

It is not yet possible to forecast what form the Russo-United States treaty will take.

Former Senator Call of Florida wants the election of Senator Taliaferro, his successor, investigated.

Sheep Options.

Billings, Mont., Nov. 27.—Representatives of an American-English syndicate have been in this state all summer and fall, traveling over the large sheep raising sections, securing options on the best sheep ranches and best watered land for the purpose of consolidating them into one large company. Already options on nearly 500,000 head of sheep and 500,000 acres of the finest and most fertile sheep-raising land in the state have been obtained.

Guerrilla Methods.

Manila, Nov. 27.—The last Filipino council of war was held by the retreating insurgents at Bayamboang on Nov. 13, in the house now occupied by Gen. MacArthur. It was attended by Aguinaldo, Pio del Pilar Garcia, Alejandrino and some members of the cabinet. Information has reached Gen. MacArthur that the council recognized the futility of further resistance to the Americans with united forces, and agreed the troops should scatter and hereafter follow guerrilla methods.

Safe Robbed.

Bluff City, Kan., Nov. 27.—Robbers Saturday night touched off a quantity of dynamite, which wrecked the safe and front end of the State bank here, and they escaped with $10,000 in gold besides some silver bills. This is the eight Kansas bank to be robbed by safe-blowers within three weeks. The safe of the State bank of Clear Water was blown open Friday night and $2000 in cash and a number of notes taken.

Provide Pure Water.

"Stagnant water is the best vehicle for conveying the parasites that infest the sheep. If you have not abundant supply of clear, pure water, easy of access to sheep, we hasten to advise you not to attempt sheep raising.

"Low, marshy or spouty land is an abomination to the flockmaster; but Kansas is so free from this character of land that the caution seems uncalled for. But the ponds—the ponds sometimes called artificial lakes, but, rather, artificial cesspools—drain them, drain them dry, or apply the herd law and fence them (the sheep) out."

The above true remarks were made by Hon. F. D. Coburn of Kansas, and will be indorsed by all practical shepherds. It has as truly been said the hog cholera follows the course of streams, is most virulent near their banks and fades out at a distance from such waters. We know, too, that anthrax is often spread by watering ponds and creeks and we see from the above the danger of stagnant water for sheep. In England the liver fluke, which passes one period of its life-history within the body of water snails, is only prevalent in low-lying, marshy places. It is likewise true of some of the intestinal parasites of sheep that they are worst on such lands and it is proverbial that sheep should be kept high and dry. Some argue that sheep do not drink water, but they should just watch them in hot summer weather when the grasses are dewless even in the early morning. They do drink water and it should be pure. We have known of wholesale abortion among ewes which drank water polluted with the leechings of a manure pile.

We have seen an epidemic of enteric disease among sheep from drinking stagnant water, while the ophthalmic disease of sheep and cattle may often be traced to a similar source of infection. One always finds on investigation that a successful sheep-raising country is a country flowing with pure streams of water and dotted with ponds fed by everlasting springs.

Feed for Size.

Horse breeders cannot make a worse mistake with their foals than to shut them away from the dams before they can eat crushed oats and bran. Size must be obtained in these days, and if a youngster is allowed to lose time during the first winter of its existence, no amount of forcing will make up for it afterwards. It is not necessary or even desirable to confine them in a small yard, and stuff them with cooked foods of various sorts in order to cover their ribs with a lot of flabby fat. Plenty of room, with sound, natural food, is the best way to produce horses with good constitutions."

The above paragraph, taken from the London (Eng.) Live Stock Journal, teaches the soundest kind of doctrine. It has often been pointed out in these columns that "calf flesh" if once lost can never be regained, and this applies with equal force in the growing of colts. The "hothouse" system of forcing is rightly denounced, for it begets a host of evils for the days of maturity however much it may tend to beautify young stock. Natural methods and natural food are the secret of success. The former provides abundance of outdoor exercise, with its fresh air and sunlight adjuncts, which go so far in the production of healthy constitutions; the latter means good, heavy oats, bran, carrots and sweet, well-made fodders, rather than condimental foods and forcing stuffs. Commence feeding the sucking foals on crushed oats, bran, etc., and they will stand weaning without loss of flesh and progress upon good rations until they mature into large, sound, profitable horses.

Brome Grass Pasture.—At the experimental farm at Indian Head, Canada, an interesting experiment is being made in the seeding down of prairie land with brome grass for pasture. Brome hay was a heavy crop on the farm this year, some of it going 5½ tons to the acre, with an average crop of about 2½ tons. An interesting fact came to light in connection with the feeding of Brome grass and hay to the 12 work horses. The horses are weighed every month and when they had been feeding two weeks on Brome grass and hay it was found that an average gain of 40 lbs. a head had been made over the previous weighing. There was no change in the grain ration and no difference in the amount of work performed.

Flax Burn.—The Agricultural Institute of Gembloux, Belgium, has made exhaustive research into the nature of the malady known as "flax burn," and has learned that this disease arises from a "microscopic fungous growth living in the cells of the roots." There is no method of direct treatment, as the parasite is internal and subterraneous. The use of different manures has given no satisfactory result. The only remedy is to destroy "the diseased plants so that the germs will not spread; to abandon the culture of flax on the infected soil at least seven or eight years; also to avoid planting turnips in the soil abandoned, as they are thought to harbor the parasite."

Spelts Wheat.—At the experiment station in North Dakota spelts wheat is being tested. President Worst says it's raised with great success on the Missouri slope, yields greater than oats, stands drouth better and is adapted to the climate of both North and South Dakota.

If only pure milk were sold in London it is estimated that from 20,000 to 30,000 more cows would be wanted to keep up the supply.

LOCAL.

Rev. J. C. Gage was in town Thursday.

G. A. Richardson tarried in town Tuesday night on legal business.

I. C. Sanches is home from a trip to Albuquerque and the White Oaks country.

E. O. Parker departed Tuesday for Waco, Texas, where he will attend a business college.

Bud Bowman spent Thanksgiving on Black river, hunting, and reports quail in countless droves.

Seneca Jessup, of New York, came in a couple of weeks ago and is living in his house at Otis.

General Manager Nichols was in Pecos, Thursday, looking up matters at that end of the line.

J. D. Walker is in the piney woods of Louisiana and C. W. Cowden says he is rustling for a tie pass to come home.

Geo. Larremore, of Seven Rivers, met Mrs. Larremore at Pecos, Sunday, accompanying her home from a visit of a month in Sherman, Texas.

George Burrow, of Midland, brother of Dr. Burrow who resided here in '93 and '94, came in Tuesday to accept a position with the Central as night man.

Guy E. Benson and Miss Juanita Ready were married in Kansas City last Sunday. The young couple will spend a month traveling ere coming to reside at their Florence home.

C. W. Cowden wishes to warn hunters and others that he has placed a large quantity of strychnine out around the Mosley wells some eighteen miles west of town, for the purpose of killing wolves.

Mr. Dunn yesterday received a fine billy from C. P. Bailey, of San Jose, Cala., to run in his flock of fine Angoras on Rocky Arroys. The billy is one of Mr. Bailey's best and cost $52.50 the express being $12.50.

D. A. Starkweather, general traveling passenger agent of the P. V. & N. E. and Mrs. Mary B. Sharpe, who until last year was a resident of Carlsbad, will be united in marriage next Sunday (to-morrow) in El Paso.

T. A. Ezell this week sold two of his wells north of town to V. M. Ward, of Fort Davis, Texas, who will drive in a herd of cattle from his Texas ranch. Mr. Ezell retains one well where he will run his horses. The price paid was $2,000 for the two wells.

J. C. DeMoss marketed 2,700 pounds of Angora mohair this week at 22½ cents per pound. This was the second clip this season from 1,000 goats and first clip from 700 kids. The clip brought the highest price paid in this market for mohair.

Thanksgiving was a quiet day in Carlsbad, all business being suspended. In the evening that was a grand ball in the club rooms and another in the opera house, while Rev. Adams, of Texas, delivered a lecture in the M. E. church on "The 450 mile street of hell," drawing the big end of the crowd.

Mr. J. H. Reed and Miss Rose Ella Queen were united by Justice Roberts in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the parlor of the Eagle Hotel. Mr. Reed is one of the Guadalupe Angora goat raisers and the bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Queen, also residents of the Guadalupes. Their many friends wish them much joy and prosperity.

J. O. Holt, of Midland, has purchased from F. E. Bryant the large tract known as the Hillside Dairy Farm in La Huerta, consisting of about 600 acres, 160 of which is under water. The improvements are very expensive. Mr. Bryant will retain his Jersey herd which he will move to Colorado Springs, Colo. The price paid was about $5,000.

The promiscious poisoning of dogs continues and if the present rate of deaths holds out there will be few dogs left in town. The question is, who are the guilty parties and what is their purpose? If the town don't suffer from pettey thieving this winter, then the CURRENT is no prophet. Such was the case in Midland a few years ago, and as a person who would maliciously poison dogs in this manner would stoop to anything, it behooves citizens to be on the alert.

Maynard Sharpe left a basket of fine apples at the CURRENT office this week by way of reminder of what can be done with apples in and around Carlsbad. The apples were of the Paragon and Improved Black Twig varieties, the former very large and mellow, the latter somewhat smaller in size, more compact and better variety for shipping. Mr. Sharpe has demonstrated what can be done in the way of fruit raising in the valley, having been universally successful with peaches pears, apples, etc., and it only remains for others to labor as he has and success will surely follow. It takes knowledge of fruit growing to be successful and this one fact is most forcibly demonstrated by the success which has crowned the efforts of Mr. Sharpe and every other man who has made a success.

Presto Change!

Messrs. Kemp & Woerner removed their popular Central Saloon from the corner of Fox street, Smith block, last Tuesday to their elegant and capacious building on Canon street three doors south of Hotel Schlitz. They are most felicitously ensconed now in their attractive place of business with a large and complete line of the finest brands of wines, liquors and cigars that ever sailed over a Carlsbad bar. These gentlemen have by fair treatment and general upright deportment won an enviable patronage and rank high in the estimation of the general public as obliging and pleasant gentlemen to deal with, and take their place in the front rank among the most safe and solid business men in Carlsbad or elsewhere in financial circles. Under all the varied circumstances few men would have attained the success with which these gentlemen have met, being liberal minded, broad-guaged and accommodating to the numerous friends, so far as they could, under any circumstances, when conservative business principles would permit. The Central is a justly popular house and the public is likely to show it a proper appreciation.

EXCHANGE.

All New Mexico saloons have their exchange departments and the Central is, of course, not an exception. These tables are run by high-toned, honorable gentlemen who operate them as a means of support for their families and themselves. They are conducted in an open business-like way and extend to their customers common courtesy due them and accorded each an honest showing for the amount of his investment as in any stock or other brokerage business. This department is under the personal supervision of Messrs. Charley Sayers, Jimmie Nichols, Joe Bounds and Ed Woerner, men noted for their honorable deportment.

The bar is presided over by the proprietors, ably assisted by Maj. Geo. Burrow, late of Midland, who is quite an expert as a caterer to the wants of the cowboy down to the veriest dude that wears a high collar or a checked cap. The proprietors in advance send Christmas greeting to all the people of the town and country and especially invite one and all to call in person or send in their valued orders for any goods in this line. They wish to thank the public for its liberal patronage in the past and will still strive to merit it in the future. Call in and see them when you come to town, as they will make it pleasant for you.

Another Change of Train Time.

Another change of time on the railway is promised within a month. What the new change will be is impossible to tell at present owing to the fact that the T. & P. will change time to correspond with a change proposed by the Southern Pacific, it is only fair to presume that the P. V. & N. E. will change to correspond with the T. & P. Should it not, a layover of several hours would be necessary at Pecos. The T. & P. now leaves El Paso at 7:50 a. m. arriving at Pecos at 3:19 p. m. In the future the T. & P. train will leave El Paso at 7 p. m. and arrive at Pecos at 3. a. m. and the west bound T. & P. will arrive at Pecos about 11 p. m. Thus to make connections at Pecos the P. V. & N. E. will be forced back on its old running schedule after Dec. 15; which would put the train out of Pecos at about 3 or 4 a. m. and into this place at about 7 or 8 a. m. By increasing the running time slightly passengers from Pecos could go over the P. V. and Santa Fe to Kansas city without delay and if the P. V. & N. E. made the same connections at Amarillo as at present the running time would only be a trifle over twenty two miles per hour. It is to be hoped that this matter will be adjusted so as to make the best and quickest time without inconvenience to the roads and it would seem that the new arrangement would be satisfactory to all, though at present Carlsbad is better satisfied than ever before.

The Hagerman power dam which furnished power for electric light and pumping was very seriously damaged Tuesday evening about dark. Some thirty feet of the masonary was washed away and about a hundred feet more moved from its foundation. Whether the break will be repaired or not is problematical, though enough power will probably be developed to run the electric lights for the beet sugar factory. The break was rather unexpected for the river has not been on a rampage for two years or more.

Dick Wicker, Jake Owen and party returned home from their second hunt in the Guadalupes last Saturday. Dick killed a "cactus buck" but the balance of the party had poor luck.

The Oregon Agriculturist and the CURRENT only $2.25. The Oregon Agriculturist is a recognized authority on Angora goats and gives more space to this industry than any other paper in the country.

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E. H. Gamble.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over $300.00 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Blackmore Drug Co.

Manuel Cisneros, of Lincoln, well and favorably known hereabouts as interpreter for Judge Hamilton in several terms of district court, has been pronounced incurable having been for some time afflicted with cancer. Manuel is a good man and it is to be hoped that he will pull through.

The household effects of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Snyder, which have been stored at the Matheson warehouse for over five years, were sold at the bank corner to the highest bidders last Tuesday for storage.

Does your gun need repairing? Has your bicycle broken down? Have you any kind of repair work to do? If so, give Tracy & McEwan a call and see what they can do for you.

Rafael Esquibel and Metrio Argullo both sheepmen from Taos, were overcome by the snow storm that raged last week near the Colfax county line, and were later found dead in the snow. Many sheep and cattle also perished in the blizzard, which was an unusual occurance so early in the year.

G. W. Guyer, a Folsom bookkeeper, is ill with the smallpox. As he has been vaccinated, his case is mild. The Clayton Enterprise reports that small pox has existed in Union county all ummer.

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THE CHURCHES AND EXPANSION

Freedom of Religion Now Secured in The Philippines Favorable to All

St. Louis Globe Democrat: Archbishop Chapelle, the papal delegate to the Philippines, declares that he favors the retention of the islands by the United States. "They should be ours," he said "on moral, legal, commercial, sociological and religious grounds." A similar view was expressed by Bishop Doane of Albany, N. Y., in his address to the protestant Episcopal Missionary council in session in St. Louis. The alternative which the United States took in its attitude towards the Philippines, he says, is "the one which ought to have been taken and it must be continued."

It was boasted by the anti-expansionists at the outset that the Catholic church in the United States would oppose the course taken by the administration in exercising for the country supreme control over the islands, the Catholics being the dominant religion in the Philippines, so far as christianity of any kind is found in any of them. It turns out in this case as in all others that the enemies of expansion have been mistaken. Not only does the Catholic church offer no opposition to the policy of the administration, but it earnestly applauds that policy. This is seen by the expressions of nearly every prelate of that faith, from Archbishop Ireland, who came out in advocacy of the retention of the Philippines almost as soon as the first report came of the defeat of the Spaniards in Manila bay, to the latest minister of that church who has spoken on that subject. The other churches also favor this course.

It is easy to explain why the clergy in general take the side of the administration on the expansion question. One of the articles of the peace treaty provides that "the inhabitants of the territories over which Spain cedes her soverignity shall be secure in the free exercise of of their religion." The Catholic church will have the same consideration in the Philippines and the rest of the islands which we have obtained from Spain as it had when the territory was in the control of that power. All religions will be on the same footing. The support which that church received from the Spanish government will be discontinued but on the other hand, the restrictions and obstructions by which it and all the other dominations were hampered will be removed. There will be no discrimination for or against any form of faith in the islands. The church will be as free in Luzon as it is in New York or Missouri. The favor which the influential prelates of the Catholic church is showing for the American policy is likely to have a good effect in the islands. In the case of Archbishop chapelle this influence will be direct and immediate, for he promises, just as soon as he reaches Manila, to use all the authority he has over the clergy and laity of his church in the islands to bring about an early recognition of American sovereignity.

Railway Coming West.

The Choctaw road running from Memphis, Tenn., to Oklahoma has now completed its survey to Amarillo, Tex. for building next spring, and has had a proposed route to Albuquerque inspected, via Fort Sumner.

President Ripley of the Santa Fe on his recent visit to the Pecos Valley, is said to have made a proposition to President Hagerman of the Pecos Valley line, looking to an agreement whereby the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe will be extended westward from San Angelo to the Pecos river and northward along that stream to the town of Pecos, where it will connect with the Pecos Valley & Northeastern railroad. It is also reported that the extension of the Mexican Northern from the Sierra Mojada, Mexico, via Boquillas, on the border, where has been erected a large reduction plant of the Consolidated Kansas City Smelting and Refining Company, is a certainty in the near future, and that the road will connect with the Santa Fe's extension from San Angelo after it has crossed the Pecos a little to the southeastward of Fort Stockton. It is reported that the conference between Presidents Ripley and Hagerman ended so favorably that a Santa Fe exploration party will soon arrive at Pecos for a preliminary survey south and eastward to San Angelo.

President E. P. Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad, in a letter to C. F. Grayson of Silver City, promises a better railroad service between Deming and Silver City.

Writing in the Brooklyn Citizen, Townsend E. Lee, a protestant gives this testimony:

An aiderly gentleman, living in the County of Pontiac, Canada, has been in great trouble of late on account of his failing eyesight. For over five years he has been unable to read, and he gets his servant man every Sunday to read him a chapter of his bible. But he finds that his servant man, with the very best intentions in the world, reads so badly and is so very frequently obliged to spell the words and then mispronounce them, that there is no reliance to be placed in his reading. One day a certain Catholic gentleman, connected with the lumber trade, and well known in Ottowa, had occasion to stop for dinner at the bible-reader's house. In the course of the afternoon the latter requested the former to read him a few passages from the Scriptures, and added: "I have no other dependence on earth for my salvation, and now I can't read my bible, nor can I remember much of it, and I have no person to explain it for me. Could you not read and explain me a few passages?" The Catholic gentleman did as he was requested, and was careful to select such passages as he interpret easily and according to what he had been taught. When he had finished the old man asked: "And who showed you how to explain the scriptures so clearly?" The other made reply: "The Catholic church." This was a genuine surprise to the old man, for he had been taught that the Catholic church condemned the bible and preached against it. But still greater was his wonder when told that every Catholic church was obliged to believe the truth of the scriptures, and that when a Catholic, for any reason, could not understand or interpret or even read his bible, the church did so for him, and with infallible exactness and unmistakable clearness, interpreted every passage for him. After a while the old man asked: "If I were a Catholic and blind as I am now, do you mean to tell me that the church would teach me the truths of Christianity, and send me some one to read and explain my bible?" "I do," was the reply.

Not many weeks after this a Catholic priest used to visit regular visit to the old gentleman (at his own request) and sit for hours reading and explaining the Bible. One fine day the bible was laid away—for he could not read it—and a rosary served the aged Christian's purpose, that he could feel and comprehend. He died a Catholic.

J. J. Hagerman is quite ill at his home on Hagerman Heights.

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Magnificient Times.

If one should listen to the claims of prosperity put forth by the venal republican press, the impression would be made that never since Adam delved and Eve span had any country known such prosperity as that enjoyed by this country under the McKinley regime. How absolutely false are such assertions, the following telegram from New York, on the 17th fully shows: "Russell Sage is quoted to-day as saying to a newspaper interviewer who asked him what he thought of the United States Treasury's offer to buy $25,000,000 worth of bonds: 'I believe Secretary Gage's action saved the financial world from a disastrous panic. No one who has been in touch with business enterprises during the past few months can fail to have realized the stringency in the money market.

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The Current.

Republican Editor's Warning.

The Topeka Capital, the official mouthpiece of the Republican party of Kansas has printed five colums of interviews with Topeka business men, who state that through the manipulation of the trusts the prices of all commodities used by the people have advanced from 10 to 100 per cent. The men interviewed say that in a very few instances the wages of workmen have been increased; but that such increase in no case exceeded 10 per cent, while the cost of the necessities of life which the workmen have to buy, and which they produce, has been advanced more than 25 per cent.

The Capital has created consternation among the Kansas Republican bosses by its editorial warning in which the paper says:

"We are not alarmists, but we are impressed with the belief that the people of the United States are facing a menace to the peace of the country as great and powerful as slavery was in 1861. In 1900 it will be a national issue. In that issue we believe that the republican party will be on the side of the people and against the criminal trusts. The political party that stands as the protector of the allied monied interests, crushing out small competitors and increasing all the cost of living for the purpose of maintaining as profitable billions of dollars worth of gambling trust stocks, ought to and will go down in ignominious defeat."

After pondering thoughtfully upon the Roberts business, Mr. Dooley has concluded that it is "very disripatable for a man to have more than one wife that anybody knows anything about," and says it would be shameful for congress to allow a Mormon to come into the house and "contaminynate the sate of the saintly Willey Breckinridge."

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CHAPTER X.

THE FORAY LEAVES A RED TRAIL.

The colonel strode first with his daughter, and behind Desmond sought the company of Barr, into whose sympathetic ear he poured the tale of his swift wooing and his hopes the while he regarded his ladylove adoringly.

What Hilmar had to say to her father seemed difficult of explanation, judging by the blushes and pauses that stemmed the conversation. The colonel was not slow, however, to gather the drift of her remarks, and, though he sighed once or twice, it was a pair of smiling eyes that looked from beneath the shaggy brows at his daughter.

"It can be nothing but joy for me, sweetheart," he said simply, "to know that you ha e the love of an honest man, and that I can but be assured Desmond is. That he is a brave one he has amply shown tonight. Truly is it said that n hing succeeds like impudence. Who but an Englishman would have single handed assaulted a fortress like Skelligen and won a way out for us? For that feat alone I should be proud to call him son-in-law."

Hilmar looked up at her father with grateful an adoring eyes. "I know one man," she answered softly, "who would have attempted that, and more, for his daughter's sake. What wonder if I have given over my heart to one who most resembles him of any man I have met. But you don't think, father, that I have been a little—a little"—

"A little coquette? Certainly, my own, and not for the first time either."

"No, you very silly old dad. A little—unmaidenly. You see, I have known Mr. Desmond only a little more than a fortnight."

The colonel laughed and patted the golden head that reached to his shoulder.

"It's quick work for northern climes. You should have been a Neapolitan, sweetheart. But the future is very spacious before you. You will have ample time and opportunity to forget all about Desmond yet."

"Papa! As if I should ever think of anybody else now! Why, he's kissed me!"

The colonel took off his hat to her gravely. "That, of course, is conclusive," he admitted. "It is impossible

"I was only waiting till we got aboard"—began Desmond.

to imagine that Desmond has ever made trial of a similar incident. Did he show his—er—inexperience?"

Hilmar made a little moue at her father as she turned away haughtily. "If he has," said she decisively, "he's got to give the very fullest explanation, or"—

"Or what?" queried her father politely.

"Or I shall certainly give him back"—

"What!" cried the colonel. "You don't mean to say he's already produced a ring out of this desolation!"

"No, of course not, you ridiculous father."

"May I inquire what it is you propose to return to him, then?"

"His—kiss," said Hilmar in faint and guilty tones, and the colonel's peals of laughter rang down the forest glades, while the blushes raced most becomingly across his daughter's face.

"Can't we share the joke, colonel?" called Barr from behind. "It's early days for laughter yet. I haven't got the nightmare of imprisonment out of my brain yet. I don't think I shall till we're on blue water. I hope to goodness we find the yacht all right."

"If Stefan promised to have the yacht ready for us," answered Preobeslas dogmatically, "you may safely bet you'll find it so. He's slow, is Stefan, but most uncommon sure."

He drew back as he finished speaking and touched Desmond on the arm, leaving Barr and Hilmar to walk forward together.

"Hilmar has told me," he said, looking the young man steadily in the eyes.

"I was only waiting till we got aboard"— began Desmond, but the colonel interrupted. "My dear boy, I know, I know. There is no need for formal declarations between you and me. I have seen more of you during these last ten days than I could in an ordinary six months. I believe you are a good man, Desmond, and I have seen you bear yourself as an English gentleman should when the shadow of death lay very heavily above you. But you must forgive an old father when I say that you have known my child only a very short time, and the nature of your foregatherings has been romantic indeed. Are you certain that it is love in very surety that fills your heart for her and not a passing admiration for a pretty girl—I think perhaps I may call her pretty," said the colonel in a judicious parenthesis—"with whom you have been thrown in circumstances of intimacy and sympathy beyond the common?"

Desmond smiled a queer little smile. "I think you may take my assurance that I love her truly, sir. Last night I knew that I loved her enough to die for her—and you. Believe me, I was as happy in the thought as I now am in hoping to live for her."

There was a suspicious moisture in the old soldier's eyes. He turned silently to his companion and held out his hand, and the young man pressed it with a look that was more eloquent than many words. Then, as became men who live out their emotions and do not fritter them in idle talk, they returned to ordinary everyday topics. But Desmond's heart glowed within him, and upon his face was a glory.

They joined the other two, and as the dark of the pine woods began to lighten before them Hilmar and Desmond slipped unostentatiously behind. Shortly the bustle of departure would be in full swing. Romance bade them linger a few minutes in the shadow of the forest where their love had had its awakening and which they could never hope to see again.

A few hundred yards ahead the others stepped out into the growing dawn light and strode across the waste of bowlders between the woods and the shore. Above the rocks of the bay showed the masts of the yacht, the little R. Y. S. burgee still fluttering at the main. A sigh of relief went up from 30 British throats as they recognized the familiar emblem. They mounted the great stones beamingly and looked down upon their floating home. Beside the taffrail sat an old man, motionless and unresponsive to their gladsome shout. His hand leaned upon the bulwarks. At his feet lay a broken pipe. His whole attitude betokened one tired to the limits of exhaustion.

They ran up to the boat that swung idly from the stern, mounted to the deck and went toward him. Overcome with the weariness of long vigil, old Stefan slept the sleep of the just, faithful to his post. They roused him, clapping him heartily upon the shoulder, and he stared at them drowsily. Then his eyes dwelt upon the colonel's face, and he bowed his head before him in proud humility.

"I have promised, and I have done," said he and led the way to the saloon. Ranged round the floor six sleeping Russians lay and snored their loudest, still deep in the influence of the laudanum with which the old man had dosed their vodki.

"The pigs!" quoth he. "Hear them grunt! Ah, the cunning little pigeons! They thought they had a prize. I made pretense of hiding smuggled spirits for the Lapps, one of noble birth, taking care to be in sight of their watch. Ho, ho! How they laughed when they caught the poor old man! And within ten minutes they slept like the dead. Will the excellency throw them overboard? They are but soldiers, scum of Cossacks."

The excellency declined these drastic measures with thanks. However righteously they might appeal to a Finn, Englishmen could not bring themselves to murder sleeping foes. This was explained with difficulty to Stefan and Lars while the unconscious prisoners were being lugged ashore. They freely expressed their disappointment and the opinion that vermin should be destroyed wherever met.

The hard won spoil was taken aboard, and a boat set out for the sea opening, carrying a tow rope. The yacht's bow was set westward, and she glided slowly between the rocks and waited in deep water for the others on the sand, where the fate of the prisoners was still to be decided. Desmond and Hilmar were wandering toward the strand as they unwillingly left the forest of mingled sorrow and delight.

"I feel it my duty to shoot the dog," said the colonel, looking to where Paul Preobeslas stood between two sailors. "He's the relentless foe of Poland—aye, and Finland too."

"We could hardly have him murdered in cold blood," urged Barr, "however much he deserves it."

"Murdered!" shouted the colonel. "If ever there was a righteous execution due, it is his. Do you know how many innocent lives call aloud for his blood?"

"That may be," answered Barr earnestly, "but we are not appointed his judges. Let be this time. The vengeance of God must overtake"—

A wild yell came from the yacht, and the men upon her decks gesticulated to them frantically. The returning boat shot from her sides and spun across the little lagoon toward them, impelled by desperate strokes. They leaped upon the bowlders that overshadowed them to see what this might mean.

Out of the forest swung a squadron of cavalry at the gallop, the men bending forward in their saddles, the silt of the shore rising in a cloud beneath their horses' flying feet, the naked blades twinkling in their hands. At their head rode like a storm the lieutenant and roared them on to slaughter. Half way between the charging line and the shore Desmond and Hilmar were wheeling round in hopeless desperation to flee.

A cry peeled from between the colonel's lips, a scream kin to the agony of the dam o'er whose young the eagle hovers, and, springing to the ground, he rushed toward them. Two hundred yards were still to run, and the horses were but a furlong farther distant. What hope was there?

The clang of the iron hoofs and the jingle of the accouterments split the silences of the shore. The rattle as a horse and rider rolled over among the loose, shotlike stones grated out hideously. The whistling, labored breathing of the hard ridden steeds was distinct above the roar of the charge. In fancy the fugitives felt the hot nostrils smoke upon them. With the furious despair that has no hope they fled. Another yell came from the yacht in Jones' stentorian voice. The thud and rumble as he ran the little carronade down from the bow to the stern made a bass accompaniment.

"Duck, sir, duck!" he howled in the unnatural falsetto of excitement. "Drop behind a bowlder while I riddle 'em!"

Desmond flung his arm about the girl's waist and rolled with her to the ground at the foot of the bowlder that screened the ship from him. With heaving breast and bursting lungs the fugitives lay face to earth and waited seconds that reached into eons of apprehension. The grinding crash of the squadron drew down upon them with swiftness horrible. The bellow of the 6 pounder filled the air. The scream of the flying grapeshot sang over their heads. Behind them the shrieks of men and the rasp of hoof and sword on the stones made an inferno of devilish uproar.

They sprang to their feet and stumbled on toward the shore, with scarce a backward look. One fleeting glance gave them only an indistinct impression of the crimson flecked tangle out of which dismounted men were dragging themselves slowly. Still, without a word they met the colonel, and he linked his hands to theirs as they ran.

The shore at last, where the boat's prow charged in to meet them as they reached the sand! Hilmar was aboard and the colonel following. Desmond and the remaining sailors stood beside her in the water for the last shove.

The men who were closing rank a hundred yards away raised their carbines. A sheet of flame rolled from end to end of their line, and a volley belched out at the group. In their passion of hurry the Cossacks took note of no difference between friend and foe.

Paul Preobeslas threw up his hands and bounded forward with a mighty leap. A red blot stared upon his forehead. He fell forward upon his hands nor spoke again. To him had come the vengeance of God indeed.

A dozen of the prisoners rolled upon the sand, calling their comrades to stay their fire. One of the waiting boat's crew fell helplessly upon the thwart he stood beside. Colonel Preobeslas staggered, recovered and, pressing his hand above his hip, sank down upon his seat. The boat began to rush out from the shore.

Before the first rainrod was withdrawn from the reload she shot behind the protecting hull of the yacht, and the following volley smote harmless splinters past her stern. Nor did the answer daily. Again the lanyard of the carronade tightened in Jones' fist, and again her bronze mouth woke the echoes.

As the smoke cleared and the yacht caught the morning breeze and went smoothly out into the waste of glancing ripples ashore a hideous sight was manifest in the face of the growing day. Piled, writhing and in agony, lay the soldiers of the czar and tossed and twined their torn limbs amid pools of blood. Of twoscore men not ten stood upon their feet in sound body when the echoes fell to silence. Verily, the foray left a crimson trail to mark its path.

As the breeze swelled upon the canvas in the larger offing the yacht bounded forward and drew away from the heaped horrors of the shore. The gray of the stained uniforms mingled in the gray of the bowlders. A few spattering bullets frothed circles upon the sea about her, and a chance ball or two found her sides. As she gained way even these fell far behind her, and the figures on the shore grew indistinct. The forest showed as a green line above the sandy foreshore. Soon the land crept under the haze that hovered over the shallows. Forest and rock showed as one. The coast died into a shadowy retrospect across the widening belt of sea.

Down in the saloon they placed the colonel, and Barr was busy about him with impassive attention. Beside him knelt his daughter and hid her face in the cushions that pillowed his head. Desmond, white faced and haggard with anxiety, [illegible]ed at the sofa foot.

With firm gentle hands the skilled surgeon bared the red bullet hole and probed the depths of the cruel wound. Hilmar, raising her eyes, tried to read his verdict in his face. There was stillness unutterable in the little cabin.

A puzzled look crossed Barr's face. He withdrew the probe dragginglly. A spasm twitched across the wounded man's temple, but he made no sound. It was a tremulous hand, however, that he laid upon his daughter's golden head. Then he looked up at Barr with a quick smile and nodded.

"Yes," he said, "I had but a month or two anyway. Slevnitz told me when I was in Vienna last year. The growth would have killed me. But why should I grieve the child before her time?"

Hilmar was staring at him with wondering, desperate eyes.

"Father!" she cried. "Father! What is it? You knew, and you never told me! And I am to be alone! You will leave me!" And she threw herself upon the bedside wailing.

"No, sweetheart, not alone. You will change a poor, worn out father for a brand new lover, who most of all men you have met resembles me. 'Tis a poor copy I've set," he went on whimsically, "but circumstances make our lives what they are." And he patted her bowed head, with the smile cheerful as ever on his white face.

It was the fourth day when the end came, and then, with the northwestern gale behind them, they were racing past the Finland gulf with every sail set and the foam dashing merrily from her bows. They bore him on deck at his own request, and he smelled the salt breeze hungrily and looked out on the face of the waters. Up from the south and west a mighty fleet rode across the seas. The white ensign of her Britannic majesty's ships streamed haughtily in the gale. Charley Napier

"He would not have had us wait, sweetheart," said Desmond.

and his dogs of war were loose in the Baltic, and soon the roar of battle would resound before Cronstadt and Bomarsund.

Colonel Preobeslas turned and faced toward the great ships exultingly, the light of triumph in his eyes. "The lion at the bear's throat at last!" he called in a voice that was young and strong. "I have seen my desire upon my enemies. Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis!"

They ran and knelt beside him, but his eyes were for the fleet alone. They glowed upon it with an ecstasy of triumph as towering over them in mountains of ranged canvas the great three deckers swept by. Still gazing, but silent, he watched the helms starboard and the grim prows tack gulfward, straightening themselves upon the far-off guns of the czar. He knew now that in very surety the blood of Poland no longer called from the ground unanswered. The tired lids drooped, and a strange smile played about his mouth. In a reverie he dwelt upon his thoughts of a righteous vengeance, brimming his heart with a happiness which was already scarcely of earth.

As the flame of life, fed for one moment by this strong fuel of passion, leaped up to the glow of death his eyes opened once more and yearned upon his daughter. His thin hand sank upon hers and with it sought Desmond's waiting clasp.

"To have and to hold," he whispered, and his smile was a benediction.

As the growing dimness veiled his eyes they turned once more to where the sails of the warships gleamed on the eastern horizon. A single word faltered from his lips, "Poland," and with the name the colonel passed out from the memory of her wrongs.

"He would not have had us wait, sweetheart," said Desmond as they watched the sun dip seaward with the glow of promised dawn. "He gave you to me. Come to me soon, my own!"

She put her hand in his with a look that told of trust unuttered. "When you will. I have but you, my love, my love!"

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In the Year 2000.

It was a very different meal from a Victorian breakfast. The rude masses of bread needing to be carved and smeared over with animal fat before they could be made palatable, the still recognizable fragments of recently killed animals, hideously charred and hacked, the eggs torn ruthlessly from beneath some protesting hen—such things as these, though they constituted the ordinary fare of Victorian times would have awakened only horror and disgust in the refined minds of the people of these latter days.

Instead were pastes and cakes of agreeable and variegated design, without any suggestion in color or form of the unfortunate animals from which their substance and juices were derived. They appeared on little dishes sliding out upon a rail from a little box at one side of the table.

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