San Saba News.

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MEN are at first jealous of any appliance that interferes with their old time-honored method, and it is not singular that they should be. The sail makers of Liverpool have been agitating against the use of sewing machines in the stitching of sails.

THE heaviest charged words in our language are those briefest ones, "Yes" and "No." One stands for the surrender of the will, the other for denial; one stands for gratification, the other for character. A stout "no" means a stout character, the ready "yes" a weak one, gild it as we may.

THERE can be no true manhood, no true citizenship without patriotism. Call it a fallacy, if you will, call it bigotry, if you like, nevertheless, patriotism is so real and vital a sentiment that in its absence good citizenship is impossible and the best forms of national life absolutely unattainable.

OUR afflictions are like weights, and have a tendency to bow us to the dust, but there is a way of arranging weights by means of wheels and pulleys so that they will even lift us up. Grace, by its matchless art, has often turned the heaviest of our trials into occasions for heavenly joy. We glory in tribulations also.

IT is lucky for certain people that the Prince of Wales rather than the Emperor of China sets fashions. The latter gentleman rises every morning at 8 o'clock, and after a light meal goes to the temple for prayer and meditation. Breakfast is served at 7 and dinner at 3. After this he works hard till sunset and then retires.

GOOD roads are more essential to the success of agriculture than many have heretofore supposed. The agricultural stations should be made powers in directing the proper construction of roads and in teaching the students the best and cheapest methods of making them. Cornell university has led in this respect by adopting a resolution to keep the roads of the colleges in the highest and best possible condition. Other colleges might follow profitably in the same line.

AS LONG as men have gone out upon the sea in ships, that long, at frequent intervals, have come from the desert of waters tales of self-abnegation, of heroism shown by humble men equaling any that war ever saw upon the front line of battle. But now we have a story surpassing any that has ever been told before: we have the fact of a woman of only 22 years, whose song of cheer sounded above the roar of wrecking waves and made men who were weak with fear strong enough, daring enough to wrest life from what, but for that song, would have been certain death.

AGENTS from the United States are travelling through Europe showing the people of that country how to cook our corn in the various ways. The taste of it will be a matter of acquirement. Americans do not like rye bread at first, but after becoming accustomed to it many prefer it to wheat, declaring that it has more substance. What the Europeans call corn is our wheat, and what we know as corn they designate as maize and use very little. They cannot understand its universal popularity in this country as an article of food. Corn bread is as unpalatable to their working classes as their "black bread" would be to ours.

UPON many things we must be content to remain indefinitely in a state of mental suspense. The life of any one man is too short and his powers are too limited to solve any considerable number of the many questions which are continually arising in the various departments of thought. The business man, for example, may be interested in the discussion of scientists, in the various systems of art, in the new discoveries of medicine, in the schemes of philanthropists or the theories of philosophers. Yet he cannot form just opinions upon subjects so far from his line of thought; and, if he be wise, he will be willing to remain uncertain where he is of necessity ignorant.

THE combination of temptations to which the Athabascan Indians and the Esquimaux in Alaska have been exposed is singularly potent. On the one side the Chinese laborers employed at the canneries manufacture a peculiarly villainous liquor—fifty per cent more destructive than the worst compounds of territorial days—nearly all of which, to quote the census report, "passes into the hands of native laborers and of the worst element among the fishermen. The Chinese peddle this vile beverage openly at $3 or $4 per bottle, and so extensive is this trade that the large amount of coin used by the various establishments for paying off laborers invariably becomes locked up in the hands of the Chinese toward the end of the season."

THERE is no element of depravity in the lying of highly imaginative children. It is not an index of immorality. It is merely the natural exercise of instincts as yet untrained in self-control and unrestrained by the education of the mind. Unfortunately the problem of correcting the habit and preventing its becoming a canker of character is usually dealt with very ignorantly. The parent sets out with the assumption that a lie is an immorality of fixed turpitude, without reference to the age of the person telling it. The assumption is as dangerously unsound as it would be if the false statements were made by a patient in brain fever. When the child lies, the problem of education is to teach discrimination between fact and fancy and to implant moral principles, so that the practice of lying shall not be continued into manhood, as the statements of some persons suggest that it sometimes is.

GARZA IS IN TEXAS.

Efforts to Intercept Him by United States Troops Prove Unsuccessful.

A FARMER SHOT AND INSTANTLY KILLED.

In a Difficulty Between Two Gainesville Negroes One Has His Skull Crushed by Being Struck With a Plank.

CARRIZO, Tex., Nov. 21.—United States Inspector A. P. Spohn, just in from the lower country, where he has been watching the Garza movement, states as a positive fact that Gen. Catarino Garza with sixty men crossed back into Texas on the evening of Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Ramireno ranch, twenty-nine miles below Carrizo. Capt. F. H. Hardee of the third United States cavalry, with thirty-five picked men, is in camp here trying to intercept the revolutionists as they come from Mexico, but these Mexicans are so well acquainted with the passes of the Rio Grande and the different trails through Texas that it is next to impossible to catch any of them. Some of Garza's men stated to parties on this side that they had only left Mexico for a short time. The Mexican government has stopped all crossing of the Rio Grande between the different United States custom house crossing.

Shot from Ambush.

GOLDTHWAITE, Tex., Nov. 19.—W. A. Moore, a stockman, living on the Colorado river about twelve miles west of town, was shot at by some unknown parties Tuesday night. The statement made by Mr. Moore is that he had been to church and was returning home in a buggy about 9 o'clock. He came to a pasture gate and got out, opened the gate, led the team through and was in the act of getting into the buggy when he was fired into by two men a short distance away. He jumped behind his buggy to protect himself. A number of shots were fired. When he finally jumped in the buggy and put whip to his team, the parties continued shooting at him, one ball striking him a glancing shot in the cheek, tearing the flesh, but not seriously injuring him. When he got home he made an examination of the buggy and team and found one horse wounded and fourteen bullet holes in the buggy. Mr. Moore says the moon was shining and the two men who did the shooting were standing near the shade of a tree.

Fell Thirty Feet.

BRENHAM, Tex., Nov. 20.—At 6:30 o'clock Wednesday night persons living near the high bridge on the Santa Fe railway at the north end of the yards were startled at hearing a man's voice and the sound of a horse's hoofs on top of the bridge. They ran out of their houses just as a man came tumbling down, a distance of something over thirty feet. He fell all in a heap. They thought him dead, but that providence, which watches over drunken men and children, was in his favor. He was only badly stunned. In a few minutes he got upand begged that some one would get his horse. Just then the headlight of the southbound passenger came in sight. A futile attempt was made to flag the train. It struck the horse, grinding him into mince meat and scattering the fragments all the way to the depot. The man refused to give his name and it was so dark none could tell whether he was white or black.

Frozen to Death.

COLORADO, Tex., Nov. 18.—James Creel, a shoemaker about 60 years of age, who came here from El Paso several days ago, was frozen to death on the edge of town Monday night. He had been drinking hard and from the mud on his clothes it appears that he must have wandered to the river bank and fallen into the shallow water, and after crawling a few feet away lay down to sleep and died from exposure. He was buried yesterday by the county. He left no relatives here and no one knows the whereabouts of his family if he had any.

Fatal Blow.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., Nov. 21.—Paul Semeroy, a negro about 30 years of age, was struck on the head with a long plank by Jim Martin, also a negro, about 1:30 Thursday night and died yesterday morning about 4:40 o'clock. His skull was crushed in at the base of the head and his scalp torn for about nine inches around to the front of the head. The cause of the assault is not known definitely, but it is reported that robbery was the incentive. His assailant was arrested immediately after the crime and is now in jail. Both men were negro hostlers.

A Child's Fate.

GRAPELAND, Tex., Nov. 18.—During the heavy rain Monday two of M. L. Tively's daughters, aged about 3 and 8 years, were going home, and the youngest, while crossing a small stream, was overcome by the fast current and was washed about 150 yards down the stream. The oldest crossed the stream first and did not miss her companion until she got to the house and then a search was made for her and she was found lodged on a drift. Her neck and one arm were broken.

Wild Man.

MARSHALL, Tex., Nov. 20.—A large, well muscled man, about 45 years old, said to be crazy, is running around in the woods about seven miles northeast of this city. He claims to have been sent directly from God Almighty and says he has come to destroy Marshall on account of its wickedness. He is not dangerous.

Shot and Instantly Killed.

GRAHAM, Tex., Nov. 21.—O. G. Denson was shot and instantly killed yesterday morning at his farm, twelve miles east of Graham, by a nephew of Denson's wife. The difficulty grew out of a dispute over some corn. The killer has not been arrested yet.

Jaybird-Woodpecker Case.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Nov. 17.—The celebrated Jaybird-Woodpecker cases are over, whether the feud is at an end or not. When, yesterday at noon in the district court of the thirty-seventh judicial district, the cases of the state of Texas vs. James Mitchell, Dan Ragsdale, William Andrews, W. J. McFarland, W. R. Little and Volney Gibson, accused of the murder of Kyle Terry, were called, the district attorney, George Paschal, moved to dismiss the cases on the ground that the principal defendant, Volney Gibson, was dead, and also that one of the principal witnesses, a cousin to Kyle Terry, was dead. The motion was granted, and the witnesses, who were in large numbers, left the court room as quietly and orderly as they came in. No one was armed, or if he was he succeeded in concealing his arms from the sheriff and his deputies so successfully as not to be detected, and it is believed that outside of the sheriff and his deputies not a single person who entered the courtroom bore any arms outside of those with which nature had provided him. There was no excitement, but deep interest centered in this case on account of the tragedy which occurred at Galveston.

A MEXICAN BRUTE

Kicks a Helpless Fellow Prisoner Almost to Death.

CORSICANA, Tex., Nov. 16.—Late yesterday evening Jim Lemps, the Mexican tamale manufacturer, and five drunken Mexican tramps were arrested by Policemen Tom Luster and Mish Hammond for disturbing the peace. When searched they were found to be armed to the teeth with revolvers and knives. Relieving them of their weapons the officers hustled them into the outer lockup and went into the marshal's office for the cell keys. Lying on the bench was a poor intoxicated wretch, who was arrested for being drunk and disorderly. The noise made by the Mexicans entering the calaboose awakened him and he turned over and made some protest regarding the disturbance. This was enough to arouse the slumbering Mexican devilry in Lemps. Without a word he flew at the defenseless man, still too much beuddled with drink to offer any resistance, dragged him off the bench to the hard floor of the cell, and not satisfied with pounding him almost to death, jumped on his head with his heels after he was down, almost crushing his left eye out of its socket and nearly smashed his skull before the officers could make him desist from his murderous work.

Stabbed in the Head.

HENRIETTA, Tex., Nov. 20.—J. A. Frazar, a citizen of this place, came into the county attorney's office a few days ago and swore out a complaint against one Post Hardeman, charging him with knowingly causing horses and mules to go within the inclosed land of J. A. Frazar. The case was tried Wednesday evening late and Hardeman was found guilty, the fine and costs amounting to about $42. After settling up most of the fine and costs Post Hardeman, in company with his father, J. T. Hardeman, left the court house and went over to J. A. Frazar's office, inquiring for him, and not finding him in started out and up the street. At the corner of Bridge and Gilbert streets, in front of M. Shlosberge & Co.'s dry goods store, the Hardemans met Frazar, and after a few words between them, Post Hardeman stabbed J. A. Frazer in the head, inflicting an ugly, but it is hoped not a dangerous wound. The Hardemans are in jail here, awaiting an examining trial. Great excitement prevails here over the matter.

Waylaid and Robbed.

DODD CITY, Tex., Nov. 19.—Wednesday night as L. R. Richardson was returning from Bonham, where he had been to dispose of cotton, he was held up on the highway on the north Paris and Bonham road about three miles northwest of here, and relieved of $48.30, the amount of his cotton sale. There were two roadsters in the gang and with drawn revolvers they demanded of Mr. Richardson to "stand and deliver," and Mr. Richardson promptly complied with the request. Mr. Richardson says that the men were either negroes or white men with their faces blackened, he could not tell which. This is the second time he has been robbed within the last twelve months.

Held Up.

WEATHERFORD, Tex., Nov. 16.—Mr. Thomas Adams, an aged farmer, brought two bales of cotton to town Saturday, which he sold, and with the money started home about sundown. About two miles from town he was stopped by a lone highwayman, who presented a pistol and demanded his money. The old man threw up his hands while the stranger went through his pockets and relieved him of $80 in money and his chewing tobacco.

Lost an Arm.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Nov. 16.—While hunting ducks at Flower Bluffs yesterday morning Charles Gallagher, aged 17 years, was accidentally shot in the arm by his companion, John Hall. Physicians amputated the arm above the elbow. Gallagher nearly bled to death before the operation was performed, but will recover.

Over a Game of Cards.

CROCKETT, Tex., Nov. 18.—In a difficulty Monday night at Augusta over a game of cards between Charlie Butler and Gus Richardson, Butler was seriously cut by Richardson and the wound is thought to be fatal. Both are young, of good families, and had married cousins.

A Woman in It.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Nov. 21.—Juan Reyes was fatally shot here Thursday night by Louis Quintano, both Mexicans. The difficulty originated over a woman. At the preliminary trial Quintano's bail was placed at $400, in default of which he was remanded to jail.

Extra Session in February.

CALDWELL, Tex., Nov. 19.—Lieutenant Governor Pendleton was in the city yesterday looking after his business interests. His opinion is that Gov. Hogg will call the legislature together in February.

TEXAS STATE NEWS.

Choice Clusters of Crisp Cullings Culled from Daily Reports.

RACY ROUND-UPS RENDERED READBLE.

A Rare Breviary of Items of Interest Gathered from Every Portion of the Empire State.

The drouth continues in Coke county.

One-half the citizens of Lancaster are hauling water.

The new opera building at Lancaster will soon be completed.

The brick work of the elegant new court house at Benjamin is completed.

A recent good rain at Gladewater has stopped the forest fires in that section.

The gins in the vicinity of Slide have closed down as the cotton is all gathered.

The drouth continues in Ellis county and water is very scarce. Stock are suffering.

A gang of burglars are at present paying their respects to the citizens of Pittsburg.

In a recent rabbit round-up near Midland 1500 of these pests were slaughtered.

Ellis county farmers are holding a large amount of cotton, hoping for better prices.

The new fire-proof county vault at Henrietta has been completed and the records placed in it.

The 8-year-old son of John Irwin was killed in a runaway accident at Albany a few days ago.

Guy Youngblood, a newsdealer, has been jailed at Weatherford for selling the Kansas City Sunday Sun.

A soda water factory and bottling works will be in full operation at Whitewright in a few weeks.

A pelican was recently killed near Dalngerfield which measured eight feet from tip to tip of the wings.

A good rain has fallen in the northern portion of Wichita county and farmers have began sowing wheat.

Emil Lipper, a prominent merchant of Eagle Pass, has been arrested on the charge of passing counterfeit money.

By the accidental discharge of his gun while hunting a few days ago Robert Nunn of Crockett was seriously wounded.

In many portions of western Texas the range is poor and a severe winter under such conditions would result in great loss of stock.

By a recent freight train wreck near Comanche two car loads of cattle were ground up into a solid mass of flesh and splinters.

The contract has been awarded for the new court house at Haskell, the successful bid being $43,500. Work will begin at once.

The 12-year-old son of Gamba Scull, living near Seguin, was accidentally shot in the leg a few days ago by his companion while practicing at a target.

While blasting in the quarry at Rockdale a few days ago Pete Nelson, foreman, and A. P. Moreau, a Mexican, were seriously injured.

Charley Frederici of Marshall had his arm broken and was otherwise injured a few days since by his horse falling upon him.

During the excitement caused by a recent freight train collision at Hempstead three prisoners broke jail and made good their escape.

While out hunting with a party of young men near Columbus, recently, Frank Holden had his eye knocked out by the bursting of his gun.

Henry Bowman a well known German farmer living near Sherman, dropped dead from heart failure a few days ago while picking cotton.

Rockdale's 25-ton cotton seed oil mill has begun operations. The mill is thoroughly equipped with all the latest and most improved machinery.

The commissioners' court has closed a contract for a $4000 fire-proof vault for the court house at Pittsburg, the same to be completed within ninety days.

C. V. Barton, a contractor, fell from a building at Waco a few days ago and was instantly killed. His head struck a mortar board, crushing the skull.

It is reported that more wheat has already been sown in Hunt county than for twenty years past, and the sowing will continue until the middle of December.

J. H. Proctor, a brakemen, had his thigh broken and hip dislocated by being caught between two cars in the Texas and Pacific yards at Marshall a few days ago.

Pittsburg has already secured one iron foundry, which will begin operations at an early date, and efforts to secure the largest one in the southwest still continue.

George M. Graham was badly injured while logging at Sloan's mill, near Marshall, recently. The inside of his left leg was torn open from the thing to the ankle.

A few nights ago at Hyatt a colored boy bought a bottle of headache medicine, took the entire contents at one dose and the next morning headed a funeral procession.

B. F. Kelley, a prominent farmer of Hunt county, while returning home from Commerce a few nights ago, was held up by highwaymen and robbed of several hundred dollars.

Albert Thompson, living near Lovelady, recently got caught by a gin saw and had the flesh literally stripped from his left arm and side. It took 125 stitches to sew him up.

During the progress of a fandango near West a few nights ago the usual scrap occurred, in which a Bohemian woman was hit on the head with a brick and somewhat addled.

A terrible accident occurred at White's gin, in West Collin county, recently. While a man named Vance was tramping cotton in the press a loose match went through the gin, setting fire to the cotton passing into the press. In a moment Vance was in a bed of fire and was literally roasted alive.

Owing to a favorable fall the crops of Collin county are nearly all gathered. Wheat sowing is about finished, and the acreage is larger than usual.

It is said this has been a hard year on strawberry growers around Alvin, it being the dryest for ten years past. Thousands of plants set this season have died for lack of moisture.

The commissioners have made an appropriation for sinking an artesian well at McKinney, which was supplemented by the citizens, and work on the same will begin at once.

The 3-inch artesian test well, being bored at Galveston, has proven a success. A strong flow of fresh water was struck at a depth of 800 feet. The water is absolutely free of salt.

A meeting was recently held by the citizens of Denison for the purpose of infusing new life into the cotton mill project. A committee was appointed to finish raising the necessary funds.

Whitewright is preparing to sink two artesian wells for the purpose of supplying the city with water. All the hotels, mills and wagon yards have been hauling water for six weeks.

William Opry, a brakeman on the Midland Sabine Pass railroad, was run over at Corrigan a few days ago and horribly mangled. Death came to his relief a few hours after the accident.

The continued dry weather in Stephens county is becoming alarming. Nearly all tanks are dry and water in most of the creeks is fast giving out. No wheat has been sown yet, nor can be until it rains.

A colored woman named Georgiana Kennard was found dead in her room at Navasota a few days ago. She had been shot in the leg by some unknown party, the ball severing an artery and she bled to death.

While hauling a load of ice and beer from Weatherford to Springtown, William Anderson went to sleep and rolled off the wagon, lodging in the double-tree and was almost kicked to death by his mules.

Three of the railroads entering Waco, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the San Antonio and Aransas Pass and the Texas Central, are trying to get together on a plan to unite in a joint passenger depot.

A fire-proof gin is to be built at Lancaster with a capacity of 100 bales per day. It is probable that a cotton seed oil mill, with a capacity of twenty-five tons, will be run in connection with their mammoth gin.

Perry Woods, aged 18, met a horrible fate at Fort Griffin a few days ago. His team ran away with him and threw him out of the wagon, when his hands became entangled in the lines and he was dragged to death.

Walter Hill, a switchman in the Missouri, Kansas and Texas yards at Denison, was recently knocked down while attempting to couple cars and both legs were mashed into a pulp. His chances for recovery are very small.

Huse Johnson of Corsicana was returning on horseback from church a few days ago, riding some yards in advance of his mother and sister, who were in a buggy, when a storm came up and he and his horse were both struck by lighting and instantly killed.

In a recent freight train wreck near Schulenberg E. C. Taggert, head brakeman, was killed, and Buck Worthy, engineer, and the fireman were seriously bruised and scalded. Eighteen flat cars were demolished and the track was torn up for 100 yards.

The World's fair people are negotiating for the old capitol of Texas, situated at West Columbia. It is the intention to move the building to Chicago, where it will be placed on exhibition at the World's fair. It is said to be badly dilapidated and almost ready to fall down.

A novel contest was enjoyed at the Weatherford compress a few days ago. The manager offered the boys $10 if they would compress 100 bales of cotton in one hour. They went to work and pressed 102 bales in the alloted time, the last fifty bales being pressed at the rate of two a minute.

Harman Ludwig and Harvey Bryan of Killeen were out riding a few days ago when a storm came up, from the violence of which they took shelter under a shed at a farm house. Shortly after the shed was struck by lightning and both horses killed and the young men themselves badly shocked.

John Creaton, a leading grocer of Eagle Pass, shot and killed Jesus Garcia Perez a few nights ago. Perez was drunk and went to Creaton's house and begun pounding on the door. When ordered to leave he only became the more violent and tried to force an entrance, when Creaton shot him.

William Anderson of Dallas, together with a party of friends, went hunting a few days ago in a wagon. When about eight miles from the city the party alighted and Anderson attempted to draw his gun from the wagon by the muzzle, when it went off, the charge tearing away his thumb and entering the bowels, producing perhaps fatal injuries.

John Bassham, living near Bonham, went out gunning a few days ago heavily loaded for geese, but instead of the coveted birds he bagged three of his companions through mistake. Bassham was crawling up to a flock of geese. When he raised up he saw something moving in the weeds some distance ahead and fired. It proved to be his companions. All three were badly wounded.

A fandango held at Shaw's Bend, near Columbus, a few nights ago, broke up in a riot in which knives, clubs and six-shooters were used with a lavish hand. Sam Cunter was killed by Willis Mathis, and the slayer himself was badly beaten with a six-shooter and stabbed in three places. Several others were cut and bunged up.

BADLY BAYONETED.

An American Gets Full in Mexico and is Dangerously Wounded.

A METHODIST MINISTER ON THE SHOOT.

Two Masked Robbers Enter an Express Car and at the Point of Their Revolvers Command the Messenger to Deliver.

NEW LAREDO, Mexico, Nov. 21.—Tuesday evening while under the influence of whisky, Barrett, a private soldier in the United States army, was arrested and placed in prison. He was not molesting anyone, but like a drunken man was having a good time and making too much noise about it. He was placed in jail with a number of other prisoners in a corridor which was guarded by a Mexican soldier. About dark the Mexican soldiers on guard proceeded to classify the prisoners and change them to their respective places. Barrett, not being able to understand the guard, wanted to follow. The guard told him to remain where he was, but Barrett insisted on following the other prisoners. At this the guard presented a bayonet, and when the drunken cavalryman tried to get out to where the other prisoners were, he was bayoneted in two places by the Mexican soldier.

Cut a Wide Swath.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 19.—After an extended correspondence the police here have gathered up the history of the forger, Col. Isaiah J. Porter, arrested here a week ago and is now in jail at Narlensburg. The story reads like a romance, and shows Porter to be one of the most versatile rascals and extensive operators known to the criminal history of America. Born in York, Pa., he joined the Confederate service and rose to be a colonel. He was shot through the body twice during the war. After the war he fell in with Sill Robson, a well-known confidence man. An extended foreign wandering trip was taken, which embraced England, France, Germany and Italy. Both men spoke German and French and they passed as American magnates cutting a wide swath into the European capitals, being wined and dined by bankers and noblemen and shown every attention. A Mexican railroad enterprise was the snap work, and they did it to much profit, for when they returned to New York they had a barrel of money, which they spent so lavishly as to attract much attention even in the metropolis. After going through the pile Porter went to Washington city, where he used his insinuating ways to get into political swindles. While in Washington Porter studied law and when he left he went to Missouri, where he was admitted to the bar. He got into trouble at Palmyra, Mo., and then went west, swindling a lot of people out of large sums in Nevada and California. He then went to Mexico and piled his crooked trade with much success, he operated in Texas, Louisiana and other southern states. He was arrested in Nashville Oct. 4, 1882, and got three years on each of five charges of forgery, etc., but after serving three years was pardoned. While in the penitentiary he contributed to the Century and the Southern Bivouac. He served a term in Massachusetts and another in Illinois. His operations extended to most every state, and he is now wanted by the police in about twenty cities, his embezzlements and forgeries aggregating an enormous sum.

Operator Robbed.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Nov. 17.—James Jackson, the night operator at the depot, was held up and robbed by a masked man at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. Jackson opened the office when a revolver was thrust into his face and he was compelled to open the cash drawer and pile $165 of the company's money on the desk, the robber keeping him covered all the time. After securing all the funds the robber backed out of the office and disappeared, warning Jackson to keep quiet.

A Preacher on the Shoot.

ABINGDON, W. Va., Nov. 21.—Rev. A. S. Binghampton, a Methodist minister, surrendered himself, saying he had shot Frank Queensbury. Some say the men quarrelled about the depredations of some hens, and that Binghampton shot Queensbury in self-defense. Others say Binghampton's daughter had been mistreated by Queensbury and the shooting was on that account. Queensbury is reported dead.

Commanded to Deliver.

MISSOULA, Mon., Nov. 21.—Thursday afternoon two masked men entered the Northern Pacific express car of the Missoula and Cœur d'Alene railroad and at the point of their guns made Express Messenger Case open the safe and give up all the money it contained—$2000. The robbery occurred between Dorsey and Mullan, near the Montana and Idaho line, with a mountainous country surrounding.

A Wisconsin Blizzard.

ASHLAND, Wis., Nov. 18.—A heavy blizzard is raging. Fears are entertained for vessels cleared yesterday with ore and lumber. If the storm continues the railroads will be blocked. It is growing colder.

Parnell Memorial Services.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Services to the memory of the late Charles Stewart Parnell were held last night in the Academy of Music, and Chauncey M. Depew was the eulogist.

Fasted to Death.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Henry Stratton, who fasted forty days in a contest here died Wednesday morning at Bellevue hospital.

Devoured by Wolves.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 20.—Word reached this city late Wednesday night that wolves killed the three children of Andrew Gulick Wednesday afternoon at the iron rolling mills near New Brighton, ten miles north of St. Paul. During the great fires in the pine country in September great droves of wolves were driven south into Ramsey and Anoka counties, and they have been subsisting on sheep in the neighborhood of the Twin City stock yards at New Brighton. A drove of 125 wolves were seen together in that vicinity Monday afternoon. The Gulick children wandered away from home into the woods at noon and were attacked and devoured by the wild beasts. Their cries were heard, but before help could reach them they had been killed and partly eaten. A number of armed men with hounds set out after the wolves, surrounded them in a swamp and killed eleven of them, the others escaping northward. Three hundred men will attempt to surround and exterminate them at their nesting place on the Anoka line Sunday morning. A reward is offered by the state for every wolf scalp taken, and $50 will be paid the man who kills the largest number.

COSTLY BLAZE.

The Largest Establishments of St. Louis Reduced to Ashes.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 18.—Sonnenfeldt's millinery store, Penny & Gentle's dry goods, Crawford & Co.'s dry goods, and the Famous dry goods houses, the largest houses in the west and probably in the country, and the Union market, were consumed by fire yesterday. The fire started in the furnace room of Penny & Gentle's dry goods house, southwest corner of Broadway and Franklin avenue, and the entire block of four-story buildings on Broadway to Morgan street was destroyed. The heat was so intense that the entire front of the immense dry goods stores, including the display windows and show cases on that side, was damaged with contents to the extent of $50,000. On Franklin avenue the entire row from Broadway to the alley was badly damaged. The total loss is over $1,000,000.

A Wicked Wife.

ROUNDABOUT, N. Y., Nov. 17.—J. M. Dapuy of Orange county, has about come to the conclusion that marriage is a failure, his wife having eloped with his brother for the third time in eight months. Last April both families removed from New Paltz, near this city, to Montgomery, and soon afterward the pair eloped, one deserting a wife and the other a husband, and both leaving small families of children. The runaway wife was found stranded in Kingston three weeks later and she returned home with her husband. Her eloping companion came back afterward. They eloped from Montgomery again in June, and a constable brought the woman back from Dutchess county. When Matthew returned home again he was arrested for stealing a watch from his brother but was acquitted, and the wife and husband who had been twice wronged became reconciled to their erring partners. A few weeks ago John and his wife and Matthew moved to Walden, where the men got employment in a factory. Matthew boarded with his brother, as he had left his wife and children in Montgomery, temporarily, as said. Sunday night the two elopers again went away together, taking with them one child of the woman's and leaving the other for the husband to care for.

Bad Soldiers.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Nov. 18.—A courier from the new town of Chandler brings news of a row there at 3 o'clock yesterday morning in which three persons were probably fatally injured. Three soldiers from the camp of the United States infantry stationed there got into a row in a saloon, and after assaulting and terribly injuring the keeper left and went to their camp for their guns. Returning, they opened fire into the crowd in front of the saloon. The front of the building was riddled with balls, and Sheriff C. F. Parker and Matthew Reeves each received bad wounds in the legs. A soldier standing near by was shot through the body and will die. Prompt action on the part of the military authorities prevented the soldiers who did the shooting from being lynched, and they are now in the guardhouse under heavy guard.

A Family Asphyxiated.

ANDERSON, Ind., Nov. 20.—At Lapelle Wednesday night Mrs. Mary Huffman and her two grown sons, Peter and Newton, were suffocated by gas. They had retired for the night and had left the gas burning at a high pressure in the stove. The draft of the stove must have been imperfect, for the blaze was extinguished and the gas poured into the room asphyxiating the family. Their condition was discovered by a neighbor who called at a late hour yesterday morning. A physician was summoned and after an hour's work two of them were partially resuscitated, but they cannot live. The youngest son was already dead when the physician arrived.

THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.

COTTON—Middling	7⅞
WHEAT—No. 2 red	1 04¾
CORN—No. 2	70

ST. LOUIS.

COTTON—Middling	7⅝
WHEAT—No. 2 red	91⅝
CORN—No. 2	42

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Texans	2 60
HOGS—Prime packers	3 55
SHEEP—Texans	4 50
WHEAT—No. 2	92⅝
CORN—No. 2	57
PORK—New mess	8 50
BACON—Short rib	6 25
LARD—Prime steam	6 20

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Steers	3 95
HOGS—Sales at	3 75
WHEAT—No. 2	69
CORN—No. 2	36

NEW ORLEANS.

COTTON—Middling	7⅝

GALVESTON.

COTTON—Middling	7⅝

DALLAS.

CATTLE—Steers	2 00
HOGS—Choice	4 20
SHEEP—Choice	3 50

DEEP WATER SECURED

WITHOUT ONE CENT OF UNCLE SAM'S MONEY.

Velasco is Four Months Old and Has 2,000 People—Splendid Hotel, Electric Lights, Wharves, Business.

VELASCO, Tex., Nov. 14.—For twenty years deep water on the Gulf coast has been the great desideratum of the whole West. The people have met in great conventions to deliberate upon and discuss this problem. They have petitioned, begged and demanded of Congress large appropriations to be used in deepening different harbor entrances. All Government work failed to accomplish any perceptible improvement.

Two years ago, upon plans made by Mr. E. L. Corthell, who was chief to Capt. Eads on the work at the mouth of the Mississippi, a company of well-known successful business men, including Senator C. B. Farwell, Congressman Abner Taylor (who built the magnificent State House at Austin, Texas), Mr. W. M. D. Lee, G. W. Angee, and others, commenced the work of building jetties at the mouth of the Brazos river. Mr. Corthell assured these men that when the work was completed they would have 23 feet of water.

The jetties have been built, though not quite finished. One million five hundred thousand dollars have been expended, but not one cent of it was Government money. When the work was commenced the water was only 4 1-2 feet deep. On July 10th, just past, a ship drawing 16 1-2 feet of water sailed over the bar through the jetties up to the wharves at Velasco. Many others since drawing more water than any that ever entered Galveston have unloaded cargoes at Velasco.

The water is deepening all the time, and to-day a vessel drawing 18 feet can come over the bar.

The company announced that they would never offer or sell a foot of ground until they had deep water.

On July 1st they laid out the City of Velasco. The fame of deep water had gone abroad, and on July 11th, to satisfy the clamor of the people, they commenced selling lots at private sale, reserving every other block to be sold at public auction when they had provided railroad connections, hotels, wharves, and facilities for business.

The aggregate of private sales to this date is $650,000. The company have now built the railroad, wharves, hotel, electric light plant, etc.

VELASCO HARBOR OPENING.

On the 17th day of December there will be a grand rejoicing at Velasco.

All railroads are arranging to sell tickets at one fare for the round trip, good for 30 days.

Everyone who comes will have an opportunity to satisfy himself just how deep the water is, for the company propose to take them all through the jetties and over the bar.

The most gigantic Oyster Roast ever attempted on the coast will be provided by the joyous people of Velasco, the first and only deep water port on the Gulf coast. Visitors will see Surf Side, the most beautiful beach in the world, and the river which the ancients called

RIAZO DE DIOS,

(the arm of God.)

On the two days following the Harbor Opening, the 16th and 17th of December, the public auction will be held. Every other block of Velasco has been reserved to sell at this time. Each visitor will be able to buy—the man who only wants to pay $100 for a lot and the capitalist will each have an opportunity. The Velasco Commercial Club will promptly answer all inquiries.

The most salubrious climate—air pure as the breath of the mountain; fertile soil—every foot of it a mine of vegetable wealth; location—it will be the storage-in-transit-depot for all commerce of the trans-Mississippi.

The future traffic of the great West will be sent to export via this port. Velasco is on an average 565 miles nearer to the surplus producing harvest fields of America than are Atlantic ports.

It costs 12½ cents per bushel to haul grain that 565 miles. The farmer now actually loses this 12½ cents a bushel on all the grain he sells.

The great advantage of shorter distance insures the future of Velasco.

O. W. CRAWFORD.

Caught on the Fly.

"The following item appeared in a Mississippi paper: "Rev. A. Catley, a Methodist minister, aged 70 years, living at Burnsville, recently eloped with Miss Millie Marlor, aged 51 years. The lady's parents objected."

A Massachusetts farmer knows a good thing when he sees it. The pupils of the high school at Tatham solicited the privilege of husking his corn and furnishing the refreshments besides, and he granted both. The young people had a good time and found enough red ears to satisfy them.

Items on the Wing.

There are 74,000 Germans in London.

Crime is very rare among women in Scotland.

Only one Englishman in twenty-seven pays income tax.

An English peer cannot resign his peerage.

There are thirteen regiments of heavy cavalry in the British army.

Throughout the entire world about 35,000,000 people die every year.

A man in Missouri has twenty-seven pet rattlesnakes which come when he calls them.

About 8,500 women are employed in the British postoffice, or one to every eight men employed.

A gourd, with a neck coiled like a serpent in the act of striking, is a boasted curiosity in Mount Holly, N. C.

After a brief and unaccountable illness a horse in Sherman, Mich., died. The stomach was opened and in it was found a half-bushel of sand.

An equivocal compliment is perplexing a young man of Hallowell, Maine. A fascinating girl to whom he has been paying considerable attention has named a pet calf after him.