



Goodies for Christmas.

Fruit Cake to Delight an Epicure.

For fruit cake enough to do the family—any reasonable family—for Christmas and New Year's Day, these things are necessary: Two pounds currants, three pounds raisins, one pound citron, one pound candied orange and lemon peel, one pound figs, one pound almonds, two pounds flour, one pound butter, two pounds of the darkest brown sugar you can get, eighteen eggs, one ounce ground cloves, one ounce ground cinnamon, one ounce allspice, two nutmegs grated, one fourth pint of brandy.

Prepare the fruit the day before. This simple command is apt to "stamp" the experimenter—so this is how it's done. First of all tumble the currants into a painful of tepid water, stir them around a bit and lift out with the hands, letting the water drain off them as you do. Repeat this two or three times, then spread them on a clean tea towel, as coarse as one as you have, roll them up in it and rub them well to dry them and to get the little stems off. The stems will stick to the towel and the use of two or three towels in this way will make the currants perfectly clean. Spread them on a platter and set aside until the morrow.

Stone the raisins. This is made easy by letting them stand in nearly boiling water for a minute. A small sharp knife, a touch of butter on the fingers or else a bowl of warm water to dip them in, and the seeds are easily removed. Tear them in half as you seed them.

Shred the citron quite fine and cut up the figs in small bits.

Coop the orange and lemon peel very small.

Blanch the almonds and cut them in quarters. They are blanched by pouring boiling water over them, letting them stand in it a few minutes, and then popping them out of their skins.

The raisins, orange peel, citron and almonds should be pressed down in a dish and the brandy poured over them then closely cover with a plate.

The next day, when the mixing and the baking are to be done, set the flour on the oven to brown, and as it browns remove that dark enough and set the rest back until all is a light brown.

Thoroughly rub together the butter and sugar, with a wooden spoon until creamy. Separate the yolks and whites of the eggs, beat the yolks until light and add to the sugar and butter. Then add half the flour, next the spices, stirring well after each addition. Sift the other half of the flour over the fruit and add that, putting the figs and almonds in first so that they will be well distributed, then the citron, chopped peel, raisins and currants alternately, a handful of each at a time, and stirring industriously between handfulls.

Beat the whites of the eggs to a light—not a stiff—froth and add last.

A good idea is to save out two or three spoonfuls of the batter before the fruit goes in, to spread over the cakes after they are in the pans, in order to cover the fruit and prevent it burning.

Heavy pans that turn out a cake with a hole in the middle, or earthen baking dishes are good to bake them.

The oven must be just hot enough to turn a piece of manilla paper pale brown in a minute. It requires three hours to bake a fruit cake thoroughly, and the oven must be a "slow" one of even temperature. After three hours open the doors and leave the cakes in the oven for half or three quarters of an hour longer to cook.

Now for the crowning touch. About a week or five days before you are going to cut the cakes, get a quart bottle of champagne—domestic does very well. Puncture the cakes with a knitting needle or larding needle through and through in every direction and pour the wine over them, turning them in it until they drink up every drop. Set them away again until the day before cutting, when they can beiced if desired.

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W. K. Finks & Co. 514, and 515, Austin street, Waco, Texas.

SPOT CASH!

Readers, look over this ad, and read from time to time and it will save you money. I offer as a starter: Dried grapes, 20 lb for... \$1 00 Choice evaporated apples, 10 lb 1 00 Navy beans, 23 lb... 1 00 Lima bean, 18 lb... 1 00 Grits, 35 lb... 1 00 Head rice, 14 lb... 1 00 10 packages Scotch oats... 1 00 10 packages corn flakes... 1 00 1st patent flour, per cwt... 2 80 Granulated sugar, 18 lb... 1 00 Y. C. Sugar, 19 lb... 1 00 Brown sugar, 20 lb... 1 00

Spot Cash.

This is something of interest to tobacco chewers and smokers: Star tobacco, per pound... 45c Horse Shoe tobacco, per pound... 45c Target tobacco, per pound... 25c Fish Hook tobacco, per pound... 25c Drummond's N. L., per pound... 55c W. N. T. N. L., per pound... 55c Cut Rate, per pound... 30c Lucy Hinton, per pound... 50c Royal Bumper, per pound... 50c Sweep Stakes, per pound... 55c Lucky Strike, N. L., per pound... 55c Rob Roy, per pound... 30c Old Dick, per pound... 30c Best Greenville, per pound... 33c

Spot Cash

Friends, this is only a small list of my cash prices on groceries. Call at my store and I will surprise you with the low prices on other goods. Every day a special sale day, and any quantity sold at these prices.

J. H. SHOPE 205 South Third Street.

THE NEW YEAR.

The Old is Off, The New is on— Board of Trade Awake!

THE LINE OF ACTION IS PLAIN.

Waco the Coming City—Do Your Duty as Men and the Geyser City Will Be Crowned the Commercial Metropolis of Central Texas Within This Decade.

If there is one thing needed in this city at the present time more than another, it is something which will awaken in the board of trade greater interest and activity in prosecuting the work for which it was organized—namely, "to unite the business men of Waco in the promotion of the common interest, and the advancement of the material welfare of the city; to acquire, preserve and disseminate valuable commercial and economic information, to advertise the advantages of Waco, to encourage immigration, investment and the establishment of manufactories and commercial institutions of all kinds and generally to secure to its members the benefits of co-operation in the furtherance of their legitimate pursuits."

The Board of Trade ought to be a power in this community, but it is not—at the present time. There are many good things which members of the Board of Trade ought to do at once.

1. Every member should ask himself the question, "What am I doing to advance the usefulness of the Board of Trade and to assist in carrying out the objects for which it was created?"

2. Determine for the current year to attend the regular monthly meetings of the board. They are held on the first Friday night of each month. The meeting for January will be tonight, because new year's day was Friday.

3. Be a cheerful giver and pay your quota toward preparing literature advertising the natural and acquired advantages of Waco.

4. Hold up the hands of the reception committee, whose duty it is to receive and entertain parties visiting the city for the purpose of locating industries or seeking opportunities for investment.

5. Do not fail to pay your monthly dues. They are the bone and sinew of the board. In a word, gentlemen of the board of trade, WAKE UP! and all be in attendance tonight at 8 o'clock. Rooms 505 1-2 Austin avenue.

R. B. PARROTT, President. S. H. POPE, Secretary.

E. E. Thompson HOUSE and SIGN PAINTING.

Interior Decorating and Paper Hanging a Specialty; Also Dealer in Painters Supplies and Wall Paper.

E. E. Thompson SIXTH STREET NEAR FRANKLIN. WACO, TEXAS.

Real Estate Transfers

Reported by Waco Abstract and Investment Company, 119 South Fourth street, Waco, Texas.

E. C. Grubbs to Joann Sanders 143 3 4 acres Johnson and Henry sur, \$1300.

E. Lemoine and wife to C. C. Lastinger 100 acres Williams sur, \$3005.

R. Bush to M. Haliburton 20 1-2 acres Sam Burton sur, \$1, and division.

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J. A. Byrum and wife to R. B. Wilson lot Morrow sur, \$1300.

J. H. Campbell to N. Shaw et al 60 acres S. McKisick league, \$960.

D. E. Ivy to A. Kellum interest in 160 acres L. Rice league, \$25.

M. E. Burwell to I. Overton 6 45 100 acres J. O. Green sur, \$132 25.

C. A. Morgan to W. B. Martin 1-2 of lot I block 6 West, \$250.

Z. Davis and wife to J. R. Peter 5 lots at West, \$300.

W. N. Orand and wife to J. M. Brazel 194 69-100 acre S. Fowler sur, \$2814.43.

Total Jan. 4, 1892, \$10,588.68.

Notice of Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the St. Louis and Southwestern Railway company, of Texas, will on, to wit, the 11th day of January, A. D. 1892, at 2 o'clock p. m., at its freight depot, situated on Mary street, in the city of Waco, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to wit: One car load of lime consigned to J. B. Baker, Waco, Texas, and contained car No. 6330, St. L. S. W., situated in the yards of said railway company. Said property being sold as unclaimed perishable freight to pay storage charges, as provided by statutes of the state of Texas.

St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas. By J. R. HAYDEN, Agent.

What!! Have you not heard about it?? Well, I am

SELLING.

20 pounds granulated sugar for \$1 00 Perfection corn (best in the world) for 12 1/2 cents per can.

3 pounds standard tomatoes at 10 cents per can.

Bruckle's coffee 22 1/2 cts. per peck.

Irish Potatoes 25 cents per bucket.

Best patent flour \$1 40 per sack. Joe S. THOMPSON. The Grocer.

Stockholders Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central City Trust company will take place on Monday January 11th, 1892, at their office in Waco, Texas, at 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and to transact any other business that may properly be brought up.

W. K. MENDENHALL, Secretary.

New Facts About the Dakotas

is the title of the latest illustrated pamphlet issued by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y regarding those growing states, whose wonderful crops the past season have attracted the attention of the whole country. It is full of facts of special interest for all not satisfied with their present location. Send to D. C. Brady, Southern Passenger Agent, 237 4th Ave., Louisville, Ky., for a copy free of expense.

OPUM and Whiskey Habits cured at home without pain. Book of patients sent FREE. B. M. WOOLLEY, M.D. Atlanta, Ga. Office 104 1/2 Whitehall St.

FORSYTHE & COREY. FINE & FURNISHING GOODS AND HATS.

FROM FANNAN COUNTY.

A CIRCULAR LETTER FROM A FRIEND OF COL. CULBERSON

Asking for Second Choice for Senator—Gerald Does not Feel Under Obligation to Answer Circulars But Expresses Some Very Decided Opinions About the Combination.

A News reporter got a glimpse of the following circular letter this morning:

You are aware if an extra session of the legislature is called, it will devolve upon that body to elect a United States senator to fill the unexpired term of Judge Reagan. With Mills, Culbertson, and Chilton in the field, what is your first and second choice? Culbertson represents my county in congress, and I believe a majority of my constituency favor him; and unless otherwise instructed I shall vote for him. I should be pleased to have an answer from you, indicating your first and second choice.

I look forward with pleasure to meeting the members of the 22nd, as I formed a high opinion of most of them, and look back upon my association with that body with pleasure.

With best wishes &c I remain very truly, Your Friend, E. L. AGNEW.

What will be your answer Judge, asked the reporter.

"I don't know that I will answer it at all" said Judge Gerald. "I would have answered any private letter from any member of the legislature, but I feel under no obligations to answer circulars from the Chilton-Culbertson combination, especially since Culbertson's recent grand, and lofty tumbling, and the facility with which he has evidently been manipulated by another man."

So the Senatorial contest comes on apace.

THE MISSION ROUTE STRIKE.

The Train of Hungry Rangers--Sympathy Crystallizing for The Strikers.

The strike today presents no new phases that is of importance. The fact of the business is, it is hard to get anything new at this point. The telegraph office on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass is closed and as there is no effort to run trains on the Waco branch, there is very little to report in way of casualties. The Houston train was run out of San Antonio yesterday and made the trip with no hindrance save universal geying and refusal of restaurants to sell the train crew anything to eat. There was a company of Texas Rangers aboard and at Yoakum a desperate effort was made to get lunch for the crew and passengers, but was unsuccessful. The restaurants refused to sell meals at any price to any of the train crew or any of the rangers. The grocers were appealed to for cheese and crackers but refused to sell a single 5 cents worth. The Rangers and the train men proceeded on their journey in a very ravenous condition.

Reward Withdrawn.

Sheriff Ford this morning handed the following to a News reporter. The reward of \$700, heretofore offered for the arrest of Melton and Duallap, charged with the murder of Chick McLennan, is hereby withdrawn and the order for its payment revoked.

DAN FORD, Sheriff of McLennan Co.

Property Brightening.

I can get you money on short time on good names or collateral; long time on real estate, at very reasonable rates. If you have something to sell I can place it before those who want Waco and McLennan county property and will be pleased to see you at my office 209 1-2 South Fourth street.

J. B. GILMER.

Will Reopen.

E. E. Thompson will reopen in a few days with a larger and better stock of paints, oils, paper, etc., embracing a more complete stock than ever before carried in Waco.

MONEY.

We are prepared to make loans on improved country or city property at current rates. Vendors' lien notes extended Prompt attention.

FORT, WILLIG & PATTON, Waco, Texas

Lovers of Art

The beautiful painting of Mrs. Geo. Clark by

PROF. DEGISSAC

is on exhibition for one week at Deace's new studio, 701 and 703 Austin street. It is a masterpiece and all lovers of art should see it.

The following property is offered for sale without reserve or limit as to price. A man with some cash can make money and lots of it, if he will go and investigate this offer. But delay is dangerous, the property is going to be sold.

10 lots, 8 houses, corner Fifth and Speight streets; 1 house and barn on South Fifth street, this will be sold at a sacrifice; a 9 acre garden, 2 acres in asparagus, one acre in fine fruit and grapes, good improvements, on South Twelfth street.

A 65 acre fruit farm, 40 acres in fruit trees (bearing) also \$20,000 two year old nursery trees for sale. Sandy loam soil three and a half miles from city, fine garden land. Call at 613 Austin avenue for the bargains.

Liver Complaint--Billiousness.

The chief symptoms of this disease are depression of spirits, foul coated tongue, bad tasting mouth, disagreeable breath, dry skin with blotches and eruptions, sallow complexion and yellow eyes, tired aching shoulders, dull pain in right side, faintness, dizziness and irregular bowels. This complaint in all its forms can be readily cured by taking Dr. Gunn's Improved liver pills as directed, and a lingering spell of sickness will often be warded off by their use. Sold at 25 cents a box by W. B. Morrison & Co.

Lucky Numbers.

Following are the numbers that won the prizes at Cummins' 5 and 10 cent Store, 703 Austin Avenue, January 1, 1892:

First prize, 1447; second prize, 1804; third prize, 254; fourth prize, 1837; fifth prize, 1457; sixth prize, 507; seventh prize, 93; eighth prize, 1053; ninth prize, 1666; tenth prize, 1235; eleventh prize, 999; twelfth prize, 981; thirteenth prize, 1674; fourteenth prize, 1000; fifteenth prize, 1853; sixteenth prize, 39; seventeenth prize, 1434; eighteenth prize, 1004; nineteenth prize, 1415; twentieth prize, 1203. Happy New Year.

Co-Partnership Notice.

We, the undersigned do this day enter into co-partnership under the firm name of Delaney & Mellor for the purpose of doing a general meat market business and kindly solicit the patronage of all who will pay promptly at the expiration of each month as we are determined to cut off all delinquents. Respectfully, DELANEY & MELLOR.

Referring to the above I thank my customers for their past favors and will gladly serve all who in the future pay their bills at the end of each month and request all who owe me at present to settle as quickly as possible as I desire to give no one trouble. Yours truly, JNO. H. DELANEY. Waco, Texas, Jan. 1st, 1892

If you want fresh oysters served in a tempting manner, call at the Woman's Exchange, 113 North Fourth street.

LADIES ATTENTION!

Woman, lovely woman, one bottle of my celebrat. d. TONTI will permanently enlarge your front 4 inches in 3 days, and make you as beautiful as Cleopatra, or money refunded. Price only \$2.00. Woman's only true friend, for it never fails. TONTI, glory us TONTI, will make the leanest person fat, and remove those horrid wrinkles. Send for sealed circular. MRS. DE MILLER. 241 WABASH AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILL.