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# GOTHAM'S GREAT BRIDGE OPENED

Brilliant Pageantry Has Its Theatre in East River This Morning.

## DAY OF JUBILATION

The National Metropolis Linked With Williamsburg by Greatest Span in the World.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Big ships and little ships, tugboats and row-boats, naphtha launches and steam launches, and scows and craft of every conceivable size and description swarmed in the East river opposite the Brooklyn navy yard today and screamed their whistles and fired their guns to appraise all within hearing that the new Williamsburg bridge, after an expenditure of \$20,000,000 and eight years of toil, was at last an accomplished fact. It was a jubilation for New York in general and for Williamsburg in particular, for to the people of the last-named section of the metropolis the completion of the new bridge means freedom from the dangerous crush they have been obliged to contend with for years in crossing the old Brooklyn bridge. The ceremonies attending the formal opening were simple but impressive. The chief officials of the city, together with representatives of the Federal government, army and naval officers, distinguished engineers and other invited guests, assembled in the centre of the gigantic span across the river and listened to orations appropriate to the occasion delivered by Mayor Low, Bridge Commissioner Lindenthal and Borough President Cantor and Swanstrom. Commissioner Lindenthal made the opening address formally turning the bridge over to the city. The speech of acceptance was delivered by Mayor Low and was the chief feature of the ceremonies. The completion of the exercises was marked by the booming of cannon and the unfurling of flags throughout the great length of the structure.

The general public was not permitted to cross the bridge today and thus was avoided the possibility of a crush such as was witnessed at the opening of the Brooklyn bridge and which resulted in the deaths of more than a score of persons. But one roadway of the new bridge is entirely completed and this will probably be opened to traffic tomorrow or Monday. It is expected that the other roadway and the paths for pedestrians will be ready within a few weeks.

In general appearance the bridge seems much more massive than the old Brooklyn bridge, but at the same time it is much less graceful. In length, width, height and the number of its promenades and trolley tracks the new structure surpasses the old. The Manhattan terminal of the new structure is at Delancey street, while the Williamsburg end is at the South Fifth street. In the construction of these great terminals and approaches whole blocks of buildings were razed.

The length of the bridge between its terminals is 7,200 feet, or over one and one third miles. The main span, from the centre of one tower to that of the other, is 1,600 feet long. The width of the structure is 118 feet, as compared with 85 feet, the width of the old Brooklyn bridge. Its minimum height above mean high water at pier head lines is 122 feet and its minimum height for 200 feet on either side of centre of the main span is 135 feet. The heights of the cables on the top of the towers is 333 feet at their centre.

Three thousand and forty-eight tons of steel have been used in constructing each of the towers, while nearly 17,000 tons have been put into the great approaches. In each of the suspension cables, which are 18 1/2 inches in diameter, there are 7,696 separate wires, these wires being 3,500 feet long and three-sixteenths of an inch in thickness. Six and one-half million were required to construct the bridge, and the steel employed amounted to 40,000 tons. It was necessary to excavate 125,000 cubic feet of earth and to tear down several hundred buildings and houses.

Both of the towers are planted on solid rock foundations. For the Manhattan anchorage 3,500 piles were driven through clay and sand until they had reached a solid foundation. The anchorage on the Williamsburg side is said to rest on natural sand. The bridge is provided for two drives

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for carriages, four trolley tracks, two elevated tracks, two foot walks and two bicycle tracks.

Authority for constructing the bridge was contained in a law enacted by the state legislature in 1895. In October of the following year the first work was begun on the Manhattan tower foundations. On April 14, 1901, the first wire for the temporary foot bridge was strung, while the first wire for the permanent cable was stretched across the following November. The cables were finished in August of 1902.

The opening of the new bridge is expected to relieve somewhat the overburden of traffic on the Brooklyn bridge. This measure of relief, however, will not be nearly so great as might be supposed at the first glance at the situation, for the reason that the great bulk of traffic that will use the new structure have heretofore crossed the river by ferry and have not used the Brooklyn bridge to any extent. The ultimate relief of the Brooklyn bridge crush lies in the completion of the third bridge across the East river already under construction at a point about midway between the Brooklyn bridge and the Williamsburg structure opened today. In addition to these three bridges a fourth is to connect Manhattan with the Brooklyn shore by way of Blackwell's Island, so that New York in a few years will be able to lay claim to the title of the city of magnificent bridges.

## Looks More Like Parker

### HILL MEN THROWING SUPPORT TO NEW YORK JUDGE—WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE WEAK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The executive committee of the New York State association is authority for the statement that the woman suffrage movement is receding in this state and that the possibility of the fair sex's securing the ballot grows less each year. The committee notes that women suffrage only exists where men outnumber women. The press of New York has always been against the movement and the editorials published in the daily and weekly papers have been supplemented by letters from private individuals protesting against woman suffrage in the state. Many of these letters have come from women as well as from men.

**Gubernatorial Possibilities.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Leaders are inclined to attach some political significance to the dinner planned in honor of Comptroller Grout and which will take place at the Hoffman House tonight in view of the fact that Mr. Grout is looked upon as a possible candidate for governor next year among the democrats. Prominent democrats of both the city and state will attend.

**Poor Outlook For Building.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—In estimating the building-outlook for next year, construction experts predict that on account of the boom just ending and the high price of materials, building will be along conservative lines here. It is believed that the bulk of constructional activity will come from the comparatively cheaper class of buildings and that expensive hotels, office buildings and apartment hotels and the like will not be extensively produced. It is not likely that there will be any more theatre building next year, for the city has about enough at present.

**Mrs. Livermore's Birthday.**  
BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 19.—At her home in Melrose today, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, the author and lecturer, celebrated her eighty-third birthday, surrounded by many friends. During the forenoon, as has been the custom in other years, Mrs. Livermore's daughters and grandchildren, called to extend their congratulations. Notwithstanding her advanced age Mrs. Livermore continues to enjoy good health and is as active as ever in the many interests with which she is connected.

**Farewell to Crack Troop.**  
NEW YORK, Dec.—The transport Kirkpatrick which sails today for Manila carries four troops of the Second Cavalry who have been assigned to duty in the Philippines. The cavalrymen come from Fort Meyer and include the composite troop that has won fame by its marvelous performances in the way of expert horsemanship. The troop has drilled almost

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**Xmas Ships Laden With Gifts.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The big liners which cleared for Europe today were veritable Santa Claus ships, carrying vast sums of money and countless other Christmas gifts to gladden the hearts of the folks in the "Old Country." There were some wild rushes down at the wharves yesterday and today by belated gift senders, the box which hung alongside the last-to come-ashore gangplank was filled and emptied many times.

At the foreign branch of the post office the clerks worked like beavers and, appreciating the desire of the belated ones to get their Christmas gifts off in time, sold stamps and received letters for many minutes after the official closing time laid down by the regulations. Extra trucks and extra help of all kinds had to be employed to get the mail to the ships. On the Cunard and North German Lloyd piers the scene of activity lasted up to the moment of departure and at that hundreds misad the mails in the wild scramble that went on during the last hours.

One ship carried more than 100,000 money orders, amounting to more than \$2,000,000. Other ships also had their share and the total of these gifts sent abroad amounts to a fabulous sum. The money orders came from all parts of the country, New York being the clearing point of 31,000 postoffices in the United States from which foreign orders can be issued.

**Exercises in the Cabildo.**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—In the old Cabildo, where one hundred years ago were held the ceremonies that marked the passing of the great Louisiana territory from the possession of France to that of the United States, interesting exercises were held today in celebration of the centennial of the transfer. The Cabildo was then the seat of government for the territory and is now used by the Supreme court.

The ceremonies today followed as closely as possible the program of one hundred years ago. As on that occasion representatives of France, Spain and the United States played the leading parts. The speakers included Governor Heard of Louisiana, M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, and senior Ojeda, the Spanish representative at Washington. A feature of the celebration was the reading of the transfer proclamation from the balcony of the Cabildo exactly as was done a century ago. Guns stationed in Jackson Square, formerly the Place d'Armes, fired a salute and the flag of the United States was run up amid vociferous cheering from the great crowds that filled the square and the neighboring streets.

**Czar to Preside.**  
LONDON, Dec. 19.—The imperial commission which was formed recently for the purpose of examining into the affairs in the Far East is to hold its first meeting tomorrow, according

to special dispatches from St. Petersburg. The czar will preside over the meetings. The commission will make a final reply to the demands of Japan.

**J. Adam Bede to Orate.**  
BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 19.—The Essex Republican club gives its annual dinner tonight and arrangements on an elaborate scale have been completed for the affair. The principal speaker is to be Congressman J. Adam Bede of Minnesota.

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The strike situation is settled, so far as Madrid is concerned, for all time to come, everybody making good money and receiving good treatment.

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James Lamb, the superintendent, and James D. Bryden, the Hard Coal pilt boss, have each received their appointment as members of the district school board of Madrid to fill vacancies.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19th, 1903.

It is reported that a prominent Ohio politician was recently found with his ear frozen to the ground.

The Commercial club recently organized in Las Vegas is doing the Meadow City great good already. Santa Fe needs a similar organization and should lose no time in getting it—New Mexican.

STATING HIS POSITION.

When asked the other day if he expected to be a candidate for president next year, Mark Hanna is said to have said: "A remarkable and unprecedented concatenation of circumstances, considered not only with reference to their propinquity but to their unequivocal and exaggerated co-ordination, impels one who may be naturally averse to orthodoxy or diaphanous prognosis to regard with uneasy antipathy anything that may seem to favor of exuperable prostration. Do I render my glossology transparent?"

AN ANONYMOUS LETTER.

Ye editor has received an anonymous letter concerning the recent contention about the things Mr. Sanderson didn't say. It recalls an old story about the great Spurgeon, who, one morning, ascended his pulpit and found there an anonymous communication denouncing him for his habit of coming to church in a stylish carriage when his Master was content to ride upon an ass. The eminent divine read the letter to his congregation and remarked that if the writer was among them and would remain at the door at the close of the service he would ride him home.

A DANGEROUS MEMORY.

Of a Yale student recently sent to the university magazine an article displaying unusual literary ability and of which he had every reason to be proud. Just as his fame had reached a zenith and he was revelling in the enthusiastic praise of his friends the awkward discovery was made that some several years before Maurice Hewlett had treated the same subject in the same happy style. Most unfortunate! Naturally the young and ambitious author did some hard thinking and suddenly remembered that he had once read the work but had forgotten it. His memory had played him false. Here is this the first instance in which college students and others have fallen into pits which their memories digged. These tricky memories are dangerous things and should be carefully disciplined. They are always sure to get one in trouble sooner or later.

FACTS FOR STATEHOOD.

To say that Delegate Rodey is working hard for statehood is an aphorism. On Thursday he addressed the committee on territories on "The proposition to admit New Mexico as a state." Among other things he told them that New Mexico has a bigger population than any other territory as had at the time of its admission and that its population now surpasses eight states of the union. He said further: "The population of the United States is going to be 90,000,000 in 1910. In this increase 9,000,000 New Mexico will, without doubt, furnish 500,000. Thirteen hundred miles of railroad have been built in New Mexico since the last census taken. One hundred and fifty

postoffices have been added and 2,000,000 acres of land have been homesteaded." Our delegate and the friends of statehood are putting forth every effort to secure a favorable report from the territorial committee which is expected to make its report about January 15th.

WE SAY AMEN!

The following extract from an excellent article in the New Mexican on the purity of the ballot treats of the most widespread and pernicious form of corruption which threatens the perpetuity of our republican government today:

The ballot has been appropriately called the palladium of the nation's liberty, and when it is considered what mighty sacrifices have been made to endow the people of this country with it, it is well to consider it a boon of inestimable value. Citizens should be prepared to guard its purity as they would their wives' sacred honor, or mothers' stainless name.

Think of it, American freemen, every drop of holy blood, every widow's tear and orphan's moan, every long and exhausting march, every wound received, every weary hour spent in the enemy's prisons and in the noisome hospitals for the sacred cause of freedom were all suffered and borne by heroic souls who fought and died or fought and lived to bequeath to the people that priceless heritage. With it men are freemen—without it they would be slaves. It is the line of demarcation between the two conditions.

And yet there are those who buy and sell this God-given right as they would the most worthless chattel. Arnold, in selling the passes of the Hudson for the English enemy's gold, betrayed his country and his chief, and his name has come down to posterity stained with never ending disgrace. And what better is the creature who sells his vote or the one who buys it? They are traitors to their country just as Arnold was and should share his fate. Laws should be enacted by the United States and by every state disfranchising both bribers and bribe takers. They should be regarded as men without a country—having proved themselves unworthy of the glorious name of Americans, they should be made to feel the full weight of their crimes—crimes which stain the light and are always committed in guilty secrecy. And yet these crimes, heinous as they are, are committed in many towns in America, not only by the poor, ignorant foreigner, who is tempted to commit them by some consciousnessless demagogue, but by men who boast of their Americanism and bring disgrace on the proud name by trafficking in its most sacred principle.

DEVISE ANOTHER WAY.

The Albuquerque Citizen urges that property of two wealthy non-resident owners, who decline to contribute to the building of the Albuquerque Eastern railroad be taxed at the highest possible rate. The paper says they should be squeezed until they are forced to sell their property. Realizing fully as we do the aggravation and worse caused by wealthy men, resident or non-resident, who decline to assist in any enterprise for the welfare of the city, still we can't help feeling that the position taken by our neighbor is an unsafe one. It is an unfortunate fact that Bernallillo county and other parts of the territory as well, have suffered un-

justly and deeply by such a policy as that which is suggested. People who have not pleased the powers that ruled have had their taxes raised. Others have gotten off much easier than they deserved. The Optic believes that this principal is fundamentally and absolutely wrong. It is the property that should form the basis of the tax. The individual should not be considered. The provocation in the present case is extreme. Men owning thousands of dollars worth of valuable unimproved property, decline to sell it or improve it. They refused to give a dollar to aid and encourage the growth of the city, simply holding their land, until, as a result of the effort and sacrifice of others, their property has increased manifold in value. These men are worse than dead beats or parasites. Their course not only is of no help to the city, it is a positive drawback. Some way should be devised for reaching them, but we believe it should not be through the tax levy.

Cum Gravis Salis.

An El Paso newspaper recently sent S. H. Newman and another mining man to the new gold fields of Sierra county, New Mexico, who condemn the "strike" as a rank "fake." They state that they could not even obtain a color of gold from the original claim. Mr. Newman is a man of strong prejudices on any subject and for that reason perhaps his condemnation should be taken with some degree of allowance. Cripple Creek was condemned by scores of mining men with vastly more experience than Mr. Newman, and so was Tonopah and many other flourishing camps. There was Elizabethtown, Golden, Pinos Altos, Hillsboro and many others that enriched the world by many millions of dollars, and it would not be surprising if many other camps are found equally as good. In early days every bank and in fact every store in the territory was provided with gold scales, which were in constant use. In recent years, however, but little attention has been paid to placer mining and now when a little gold is struck people go wild with excitement. The gold, however, is there and the miners are taking it out.

A Miner's Story.

Every day Italian and Sicilian miners pass through the city bound for Arizona, Gallup, Old Mexico and California. They are from the strike districts in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. One of the miners who could talk English fairly well said to an Optic reporter today that while the foreigners were getting the blame for the troubles in Colorado, the fault was not to a large extent theirs. When the men were brought west, he said, they were told that they wouldn't be allowed to work unless they joined the union. They joined the union and were willing to work for the wages offered and under the conditions prevailing. When strikes were declared by the leaders, the men usually went out without understanding what was involved. They were told that there would be trouble if they worked any longer.

The Optic informant said he had a wife in Colorado and that many of the men leaving the camps had families they were compelled to leave behind. They wanted to work and support their families but conditions were such they were unable to do it. The man said that his countrymen, as soon as they got idle were apt to

PE-RU-NA NECESSARY TO THE HOME.

A Letter From Congressman White, of North Carolina.



Congressman George Henry White, of Tarboro, N. C., writes the following letter to Dr. Hartman concerning Peruna: House of Representatives, Washington, Feb. 4, 1892. Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen—'I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy. Very respectfully, George H. White. If you have catarrh write to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis. Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

Drank and raise trouble, but as long as they were allowed to work un-molested, no cause for complaint could be urged against them.

The Governor in Washington.

An exceedingly attractive and widely popular westerner is the young and fine looking chief executive of New Mexico, Gov. M. A. Otero, who is at the New Willard, with his wife and little son. "I am just taking a few days' rest and have come east to spend the holidays," said the governor. "It is a pleasure to say that our territory is in excellent financial situation and that all our interests are flourishing, especially as to our mines, cattle, and sheep. We have coal and iron in such abundance as to rival Pennsylvania, and our wealth in copper can scarcely be overestimated. It would perhaps surprise many of the Post readers to know that New Mexico has turquoise mines, from which come a big output of the handsomest gems in the market; one big New York house gets its whole supply there. "The territory has a very small debt, and pays cash for all it buys. There is money to meet every appropriation, and no warrant has been served for years. The great activity in railway building in our borders is a sure indication of the wealth and progress that will ultimately lift New Mexico into a very enviable place." —Washington Post.

Pluto was having an argument with his watchdog, Cerberus. "I say you should not have let them pass," said he. "And I maintain that I should," growled Cerberus. "What right," demanded Pluto, "have you to contradict me?" "You ought to know," said Cerberus, "that three heads are better than one."

Finding that he had lost the argument, Pluto satisfied himself with roasting a Chicago university professor who had just arrived.—Milwaukee Sentinel. Harper's Weekly says that the only hope of the democrats in 1904 lies in convincing the people that Mr. Roosevelt is unsafe. In that case, they might just as well save their campaign money.

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Josiah Hale is in from Mora. Lazaro Chaves is in from La Garita today. M. Silberberg is over from the Capital City. Sam Goldstein came in last night from Ocate. Pedro Bustus, a prominent citizen of Roclada, was in town yesterday. John Stein, traveling superintendent of the Harvey system, is back again. Domingo Hayes, the Apache Springs ranchman, is in the city with pelts today. Nat Well and Sam Goldsmith, the Ocate merchants, are in the city today on business. L. Manheimer of Louisville is here taking orders for the fluid that makes Kentucky famous. E. Hale of the P. D. St. Vrain company is here from Mora. He found the ride a cold one. Paul D. St. Vrain, the Mora merchant, has gone to Chicago to look out for property interests. Dr. C. H. Brady is a new member of the Las Vegas Commercial club. Let the good work go on. Colonel R. E. Twitchell returned on delayed No. 2 yesterday from a business trip to Albuquerque. Albert Rife and Ernest Friend have come down from the shops at La Junta to work in the local shops. Mrs. Sallie Douglas left on No. 8 this morning to spend the holidays with her sister in Kansas City. Bridget Smith, head waitress at the Castaneda, who underwent a serious operation, is doing well at the sanatorium. Chas. B. Kerham, the St. Louis hat hustler, was an outgoing passenger last night, bound home to spend the holidays. W. A. Bagby, a young man from Roanoke, Va., who made many friends during a stay of two months here, has gone home. Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Rae of New York, who have been at the Castaneda, went out this morning to Harvey's mountain ranch. E. R. Pelz, representing the Pope Manufacturing company, who spent a couple of busy days in the city, went north last night. Waldo Twitchell left on No. 8 this morning for St. Joseph, Mo., to spend the holiday season at the home of his grandmother. Hon. Eugenio Romero returned on the stage this afternoon from the Juan Pais country, whither he had been to look over his flocks. Enrique Cura Gallegos and his son Juan left yesterday evening for their home in Bernalillo after spending several pleasant days in the city. Andrew W. Clelland, an Albuquerque owner of real estate, who resides in Denver, passed through the city last night on his way home from the Duke City. P. R. Turner, a young man from Atlanta, Ga., who has made Las Vegas his home for some months, went south on No. 1 last night, bound for San Antonio, Tex. J. V. Consal has returned from a business trip to Albuquerque. He didn't have time to make a visit to the lumber mills but expects to go down again for that purpose. Chas. W. York and W. W. Duncan, from Illinois, who have been stopping over in Las Vegas, left on No. 1 today for Phoenix, Arizona. They will make several stops on the way. Hon. J. W. Reynolds, secretary of the territory, came over from the capital last night and will remain as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Reynolds, until tomorrow. W. Sherwood is in town from Canyon City, Colo. Mr. Sherwood has extensive fruit orchards in the vicinity of Canyon City and is taking orders for a car load of apples to be shipped here. Mrs. T. W. Garrard mother of Mrs. W. L. Crockett, has returned from a visit in Roswell. Mrs. Garrard speaks in enthusiastic terms of the ladies of the Queen City of the Pecos. The hospitality, culture and charm of the Roswell ladies cannot be excelled in the west.

**Came Unexpectedly.**  
Mrs. R. C. Dawson arrived in the city last night from Grand City, Mo., to visit her husband, who is spending the winter at the Harvey place. Mr. Dawson had not expected his wife until next Wednesday, and it just happened that he had driven into the city. After considerable effort the lady succeeded in locating her spouse, and there was a joyful meeting. The twain drove to Harvey's today. The lady will remain at the resort with her husband during the winter. She was here last year for several weeks, and her winsome disposition and accomplishments won her many warm friends.  
**Elegantly bound poems at Mrs. Waring's.** 12-81  
Cobb, the champion bowler of Las Vegas, has bettered his own record. Night before last in a match he made a score of 246 which is one better than his previous score. His nearest rival is up within two points so that the laurels will have to be held by good work.  
**To accommodate patrons Wells, Fargo & Co.'s express office will be open tomorrow (Sunday) from 9 to 12 a. m.** 12-1.  
Wm. Martinez arrived last night from Hoehne, Colorado, called by the very serious illness of his aged mother. He left for the lady's home at San Pablo today. The gentleman is a brother of Don Dionicio Martinez, and an uncle of Juan C. Martinez.  
**An Imperial dinner at the Imperial restaurant tomorrow.** 12-27  
Mrs. S. B. Davis has received a dispatch which announces that Major W. A. Glassford and wife will arrive in the city within a short time to spend several weeks. Major Glassford is at the head of the United States signal service in the Philippines.  
**See fine street bags of real leather in Schaefer's show window. Hand-some present for your lady.** 12-84  
Holt & Holt, the architects and engineers, are cross sectioning a number of streets on the west side, preparatory to the grading which is to begin very soon, in accordance with recent resolutions of the town board of trustees.  
**Prayer books at Mrs. Waring's.** 12-81.  
The best and most enduring Christmas present for your wife, your son or daughter will be a savings account at the Plaza Trust & Savings bank. 12-74  
Report hath it that Under Sheriff C. E. Newcomer of Bernalillo county has departed for Australia on a hunt for kangaroos, boomerangs and such like.  
**Tickets for the beautiful play, "The Hills of California," which will be given at the opera house Monday evening, are now on sale at Waring's.**  
**Taupert's ebony goods don't fade.** 12-96  
The most undesirable citizens and the shortest sighted—the people who send their money to outside mercantile houses.  
**Skating is still the favorite form of sport.**  
**For health's sake eat "Seal-shipt" oysters, the only guaranteed pure food oysters. Stearns has got them.** 12-53  
**Gents' chains gold and gold-filled at Taupert's.** 12-96  
**The Ladies' Temple Aid society of Congregation Montefiore will hold their bazaar the evenings of Feb. 10th and 11th.**  
**Fine leather goods at Taupert's.** 12-96  
**The Sewing society of the Temple will meet Monday afternoon with Mrs. Graubarth.**  
**Gorham sterling silver at Taupert's.** 12-96

**What Men Like FOR Christmas Gifts**

Initialed Handkerchiefs  
Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs  
Fine Linen Handkerchiefs  
Silk Lined Gloves  
Wilson Bros' Ties  
Rich Silk Mufflers  
Silk Underwear

Nettleton Shoes  
Patent Leather Shoes  
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**The Prudent Santa Claus.**  
will deposit here at least part of the amount ordinarily spent for presents, secure a bank book and drop that into the stocking instead of something of temporarily value. THE

**BLACKSMITHING**  
Horseshoeing;  
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Wagons Made to Order,  
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—evaporated sweet corn —milky —fresh —fancy

tastes as it does from the cob the best grown in old Ohio

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better order Xmas turkeys now at BOUCHER'S

something rich...crystalized ginger something choice...table raisins

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**THE DIFFERENCE**  
between good and bad looking collars, cuffs, shirts, etc., is mostly IN IRONING.  
To get such work as we do—to have really clean, white, as good as new, starched goods will make many new customers happy. Try us before CHRISTMAS and you will keep on trying us afterward. We want you to try once now.  
The **TROY** Steam Laundry  
Opposite Furlong's, 703 Douglas Ave.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**  
Castaneda: Geo. N. Wilson, Dallas, Tex.; R. C. Dawson, Grant City, Mo.; E. A. Donaldson, Chicago; E. L. Taylor, Trinidad; H. McFarland, Los Angeles; A. E. Nathwood, Wagon Mound; J. Manheimer, Louisville; Chas. F. Hawkins, Denver; M. Silberberg, Santa Fe; G. E. Geissinger, Joplin, Mo.; Mrs. R. C. Dawson, Grant City, Mo.; Chas. Springer, Springer; Carl Foreman, San Francisco.  
El Dorado: Chas. W. York, Carlinville, Ill.; W. W. Duncan, Litchfield, Ill.; W. Sherwood, Canon City, Colo.; F. W. Williams, Denver; Ernest Friend, La Junta; Albert Rife, La Junta; John Pecht, Ironwood, Mich.  
Rawlins House: Josiah Hale, Mora; E. Hale, Mora; H. L. Glass, Shoemaker.  
La Pension: Mrs. M. A. Mitchell, Martinsville, Ill.; Miss Mitchell, Martinsville, Ill.  
A passenger through the city today was Attorney E. C. Abbott of Santa Fe, who was on his way to Raton. There he will join his wife and they will go to Denver for the holidays.  
Only twelve more days in this year. Get the new leaf ready to turn.  
Our motto: "Best makes of pianos and best prices for our customers." The Columbine Music company. 12-16  
"The dearest spot on earth"—no, not home, but the store that doesn't advertise.  
If you like tender, juicy mutton, go to Turner's. 12-18  
"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" fully illustrated at Mrs. Waring's. 12-81  
Christmas gifts are the leading topics of conversation.  
Ladies' pins at Taupert's. 12-96

**"The Cup that Cheers"**  
**COFFEE**  
A CUP OF GOOD  
YOU'LL GET IT  
**Friday and Saturday**  
When a special expert will be at my store to show you how to have it all the time. Do not fail to call on those days  
Xmas Goodies All Ready Then too, Open Evenings  
**ORDER DICK ORDER**

**Gentlemen—** Here is Something Worth Your Notice

WE are authorized by two of the largest high-art tailoring houses in the United States to give away every eleventh suit or overcoat that we take orders for in December. Now, this is the way we shall carry out their instructions: Instead of giving every 11th customer his purchase for nothing, we will give every customer for suit or overcoat made to order, **TEN PER CENT OFF.** Isn't that a better way to treat my trade—everybody alike? Please let us have your orders quick so as to get the clothes here before Christmas.  
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# The MARKETS

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**Copper**—4 1/2  
**Sugar**—12 1/2  
**American sugar**—12 1/2  
**Refined sugar**—12 1/2  
**R. & O.**—100  
**R. & O. A. & O. Co.**—100  
**O. F. I.**—100  
**O. F. I. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**O. G. W.**—100  
**O. G. W. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**W. U.**—100  
**W. U. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**Norfolk**—100  
**Mo. Pac.**—100  
**Rock. Is.**—100  
**Reading Com.**—100  
**R. I. Com.**—100  
**U. S. S.**—100  
**U. S. S. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**T. C. I.**—100  
**Tex. Pac.**—100  
**U. P.**—100  
**U. P. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**U. S. S.**—100  
**Wabash Com.**—100  
**Wabash pfd.**—100  
**W. U.**—100  
**Manhattan**—100  
**Wis. Cons.**—100  
**W. U. 2nd pfd.**—100  
**New York Central**—100  
**Pennsylvania**—100

8 per cent on common. S. P. refunding bonds being arranged and will be allowed by dividend on S. P. and higher rate on U. P. Twenty-one roads second week decrease average gross increase 5.77.

**Chicago Live Stock.**  
 CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 19.—Cattle receipts 300, nominal; good to prime steers \$4.90 @ \$5.75; poor to medium \$3.00 @ \$4.50; stockers and feeders \$1.50 @ \$3.90; cows \$1.25 @ \$3.80; helters \$1.75 @ \$4.50; canners \$1.25 @ \$2.30; bulls \$1.75 @ \$4.00; calves \$2.00 @ \$5.75.  
 Sheep—Receipts 6,000; sheep and lambs steady; good to choice wethers \$3.50 @ \$4.00; fair to choice mixed \$2.75 @ \$3.50; western sheep \$2.75 @ \$3.90; native lambs \$4.00 @ \$5.75; western lambs \$4.50 @ \$5.60.

**Chicago Grain and Provisions.**  
 CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Quotations at the close here today were as follows:  
 Wheat—May, 83 3/8 @ 83 1/2.  
 Corn—May, 44 @ 44 1/8; December, 42 1/8.  
 Oats—May, 37 1/2; December, 35 3/8.  
 Pork—May, \$15.55.  
 Lard—May, \$6.62 @ \$6.65; December, \$6.45.  
 Ribs—January, \$6.20; May, \$6.35.

**Weekly Bank Statement.**  
 NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Reserve in crease, \$5,547,525.  
 Reserve, less U. S. increase, \$5,852,800.  
 Loans decrease, \$2,153,600.  
 Specie increase, \$5,553,400.  
 Legals increase, \$1,751,200.  
 Deposits increase, \$5,428,300.  
 Circulation decrease, \$81,200.

**Kansas City Live Stock.**  
 KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 19.—Cattle receipts 1,000; native steers \$3.60 @ \$4.50; southern steers \$2.85 @ \$3.50; southern cows \$1.85 @ \$2.85; native cows and heifers \$2.25 @ \$3.75; stockers and feeders \$3.00 @ \$3.35; bulls \$2.25 @ \$2.75; calves \$2.50 @ \$5.75; western steers \$3.50 @ \$4.00; western cows \$2.00 @ \$2.50.  
 Sheep—receipts 1,000; muttons \$3.25 @ \$4.10; lambs \$4.50 @ \$5.50; range wethers \$3.25 @ \$3.75; ewes \$2.00 @ \$3.50.

**New York Cotton Letter.**  
 NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The market was bound to have been very excited and strong this morning after the higher cables, which, considering the recent advances, were most sensationally strong. Advances from the south were also bullish, and right from the start the market was exceedingly strong and excited, prices before the advance was checked ruling 19 to 28 points net higher. Then heavy realizing eased the market off from the top, but continued very active and excited. It would certainly not be wise to sell this market short. We don't think it would be wise to follow the advance, either, and should await developments.  
 BACHE & CO.

**New York Stock Letter.**  
 NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The market has been very erratic today. Heavy realizing was offset by continued manipulation by short covering and as a rule stocks closed with advances. Anthracite coal stocks were the feature, advancing sharply on rather heavy buying.

Steel preferred was reactionary and well supplied around 56. Rock Island was supplied at 24 1/2 and at one time broke sharply.  
 The only new development was the bank statement, which was very much better than expected in every particular. The market closed strong in tone under the lead of coal stocks. Some good buying was noted in Pennsylvania.  
 Total sales, 300,900.  
 DICK BROS.

**Fire at Los Alamos.**  
 Last night many citizens observed a bright glare in the heavens in the direction of Los Alamos and wondered what mischief the fire field might be doing. This morning The Optic received information that the blaze was caused by a fire in the pastures of the Piacitas Ranch company.  
 It is supposed that some campers neglected to put out the fire at which they cooked their supper. The long grass was dry as tinder, and the flames, once started, spread rapidly. A number of large haystacks and several buildings were in imminent danger. But every available man turned out, and by the strenuous use of such weapons of warfare as slickers, overcoats, boards et al, managed to save the valuable property. The old method of fighting fire with fire was also resorted to.  
 As it was, several miles of fine pasture was burned over and considerable fence was destroyed.

**Sigma Beta Society.**  
 Waldo C. Twitchell entertained the Sigma Beta society last night at his home. The Greeks held their regular business meeting first. Edward Vasse was elected a member of the society and will be initiated the second week in January. Lawrence Clark and Wilson Mills were also elected and will be initiated soon after the first of February. The Greeks then adjourned until January 5, 1904.  
 Mr. Twitchell then treated the boys to a fine lunch. The refreshments were punch, club sandwiches and fruit cake.  
 The Greeks later went to the Normal university reception, where they

were the guests of the faculty. The boys had a most delightful time at the reception.  
 After the reception the boys went to the cell, where they stayed until No. 8 arrived, when they went to the depot to see Mr. Twitchell off for Missouri.

**A Frightened Horse.**  
 Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c, at all Drug Stores.

**Homestead Entry No. 4691.**  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
 Department of the Interior,  
 Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M.,  
 December 15, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the U. S. court commissioner at Las Vegas, New Mexico, on January 25, 1904, viz:  
**THOMAS J. GROUND.**  
 for the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 lots 1, 2 and 3 sec. 12, lot 5 sec 11, T. 18, N. R. 14 E.  
 He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Squire L. Barker of Beulah, New Mexico, Charles B. Barker of Beulah, New Mexico, Fletcher A. Blake of Beulah, New Mexico, and H. E. Blake of Las Vegas, New Mexico.  
**MANUEL R. OTERO, Register.**

Notice has been received at Madrid that the mines at that place have changed ownership, having passed from the hands of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company to the Rocky Mountain Coal and Iron company. The transfer took place without any changes at the mines.

**Vagaries of a Cold.**  
 A cold is going to hit you. In the fall and winter it may settle in the bowels, producing severe pain. Do not be alarmed nor torment yourself with fears of appendicitis. At the first sign of a cramp take Perry Davis' Painkiller in warm, sweetened water and relief comes at once. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis' 25 and 50 cts.

**Select Holiday Picture Frames**  
 from the largest stock of new mouldings in the city. Workmanship guaranteed to please. M. Biehl, Masonic Temple. Phone, Col. 219. 12-25

**Homestead Entry No. 5277.**  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
 Department of the Interior,  
 Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M.,  
 Nov. 11, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the probate clerk of San Miguel county at Las Vegas, N. M., on Dec. 22nd, 1903 viz:  
**CARLOS TRUJILLO**  
 for the NW 1/4 Sec. 14, T. 15 N. R. 23 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jesus Ma Tafeya of Las Vegas, N. M.; Antonio Griego of Cabra, N. M.; Simon Gallegos of Trensentina, N. M.; Vidal Trujillo of Trensentina, N. M.  
**MANUEL R. OTERO, Register**  
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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
 Department of the Interior, Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 5, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the U. S. Commissioner, at Las Vegas, N. M., on January 13, 1904, viz:  
**BLAS LUCERO.**  
 for the W 1/4 of lot 2, of NW 1/4 Sec. 2, Lot 1 of NE 1/4, and E 1/4 of Lot 2 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 3, T. 13 N. R. 25 E.  
 He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Alejandro Lucero, of Cabra, N. M.; Simon Gallegos, of Cabra, N. M.; Manuel Lucero, of Las Vegas, N. M.; Esteluel Lucero, of Cabra, N. M.  
**MANUEL R. OTERO, Register.**  
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**Report From the Reform School.**  
 J. W. Gluck, Superintendent, Pruntytown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicines we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School, I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless. For sale by Depot Drug Store."

At their regular meeting on Monday evening last, the Free Masons of Gallup elected the following officers: T. C. de Shon, master; P. Bert Hodgson, senior warden; E. A. Sanjule, junior warden; J. M. Jacobs, treasurer, and Dr. J. J. Pattee, secretary.

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One Package with each 50c purchase in the toy store, two with a dollar purchase, four packages with a two dollar purchase, and so on.

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 We have the largest and best assortment of Toys in Las Vegas.

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<b>For Mother</b> Mexican Drawn Work Pretty Pictures Silver Teaspoons Knives and Forks Fine Dress Patterns Silk Petticoats Fine Furs Beautiful Handkerchiefs Table Linens Shopping Bags Fine Purses. Libbey's Cut Glass Haviland China Photo Cases New Neckwear Delineator Subscription	<b>For Father</b> Collar & Cuff Boxes Traveling Cases Neckties Suspenders Smoking Jackets Suit Cases Cigar Jars Fountain Pens Ink Stands Match Boxes Hair Brushes Clothes Brushes Whisk Brooms Bill Books Shaving Sets Dents' Gloves	<b>For Big Sister</b> Dainty Neckwear Glove Boxes Toilet Sets Sealing Wax Cabinets Silver Brushes and Combs Writing Portfolios Manicure Sets Centemeri Kid Gloves Work Boxes Pretty Handkerchiefs Fine Hosiery Handkerchief Boxes Bend Work Dorothy Dodd Shoes	<b>For Little Brother</b> Dolls, Pianos Stoves, Swings Buggles, Go-Carts Sad Irons Ironing Boards Tea Sets Granite Dishes Trunks, Games Dresser, Washstand Sideboards, Desks Chairs, Tables Kitchen Utensils Books, Animals Beds, Cradles Tin Kitchens
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 Children's Chairs

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 Buffets  
 Dining Tables  
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 Dressers  
 Chiffoniers  
 Brass Beds  
 Center Tables

Davenport  
 Lounges  
 Parlor Cabinets  
 Shaving Stands  
 Tabourettes  
 Bags, all sizes  
 Mexican Zaprapes  
 Navajo Blankets  
 Sewing Tables

Office Desks  
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**ILFELD'S The Plaza.**



LOCAL NUGGETS.

Friday will be Christmas. Only nine hours of daylight. Painted china at Taupert's. Send in local and personal items. Christmas omens greet one on every side. Silver napkin rings at Taupert's. The merchants speak of a good holiday trade. A good newspaper is the cheapest and best literature. Less than two weeks until the firman's ball, New Year's Eve. Las Vegas windows are in full bloom and the effect is charming. The finest cut glass made at Taupert's. The shelves of Las Vegas merchants hold a splendid variety of Christmas goods. Clarke M. Moore of the Moore Lumber company is confined to his home with the prevailing severe cold. The Presbyterian Sunday school meets tomorrow morning at 9:30 for special rehearsal of the Christmas music. Next Tuesday evening the pupils of the Sisters' school on the west side will give a recital which promises to be decidedly enjoyable. Grand Christmas offers—Helfd's advertisement, page 7. For Rent—4-room house with six acres of irrigated garden plot on Springs road; outbuildings complete. Call or address Montezuma Farm. The San Miguel bank is among the first of city houses to send out calendars. The bank is giving a large and extremely serviceable daily wall calendar. Colonel Head brought in a carload of Kansas corn-fed hogs for Peter Roth this morning. If you want good pork, Pete's is the place to get it. The Y. M. C. A. Boys' club will meet at the Presbyterian church Monday evening at 7 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as business of importance will be transacted. A passenger through the city last night on delayed No. 7 was Miss Fannie Tatlow of Holden, Mo., who was on her way to Mexico for a visit. The young lady is an old friend of Jas. A. Dick's, and that gentleman was at the depot to greet her. The funeral of Mrs. W. M. Bloomfield, who died Thursday night, took place today at the Bloomfield residence, on Sixth street, at 2 o'clock. Rev. Skinner conducted the services. The remains were buried in the Masonic cemetery. Luis Jaramillo, who shot Constable Francisco Martinez the other night, had a preliminary hearing before the justice of peace of precinct No. 64 and was set at liberty upon the application of Attorney Louis C. Helfd, who appeared for the territory. The huge, unsightly dabs that appear on the walls of several buildings are enough to frighten newcomers away from the city. The city should pass an ordinance forbidding citizens from allowing their property to be disfigured for sign board purposes. For days a rumor has been going the rounds of a shooting at the remote village of Anton Chico. It was claimed that a man shot his wife and a man who was calling on her, killing both with one shot. The story has been investigated and there isn't an atom of foundation in it. A. F. Hanson and Chas. Hart, Omaha officers of the Freight Handlers' and Teamsters' unions, telegraphed to The Optic that the house of H. B. Haight & Company is fair. Max Appel, secretary of the International Clerks' union, says it is not a union house. And there you are. The Las Vegas Abstract, Title Guaranty & Investment company held their annual meeting at the office of Geo. P. Money, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. G. Haydon, president; S. W. Moore, first vice-president; F. C. Mills, second vice-president; B. T. Mills, secretary and treasurer; Geo. P. Money, attorney.

Here to Spend Holidays. Miss Aurelia Baca, who is a pupil at the Sisters' school in San Miguel, has returned home to visit her mother, Mrs. Avelina R. de Baca during the holidays. J. H. Kurtz of Chicago is expected to arrive here next Wednesday. He will go to Harvey's, where his wife is staying, to spend Christmas on the high hill and eat as good a dinner as ever he did in his life. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Rogers arrived from the north last night to spend the holidays. Readers of The Optic will remember the announcement of the wedding of these estimable young people in Topeka a few days ago. Mrs. H. T. Unsell has already arrived in the city from Trinidad, and her husband will be along within a few days. There will be a merry Christmas season at the Rogers home, as the whole family will be united within the hospitable walls. All kinds of ebony goods at Taupert's. There were great goings on in the Sigma Beta chapter room last night. Wilson Mills, the astute and ambitious son of Chief Justice Mills, made the mysterious and awful pilgrimage to the select inner circle. In honor of the event a neat little supper was served at the close of the business session. The supper was also something in the nature of auf wiedersehen to Waldo Twitchell, who was to leave for Missouri in a few hours. The ladies of the G. I. A. to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen were hosts at a grand celebration last night given at the hall in honor of the forty-third anniversary of Miss Helene Marcotte. There was an extra fine lunch, music was rendered, speeches were made, and in such pleasant manner, with much merry converse, the swift hours sped to the close of the evening. Souvenir spoons at Taupert's. Mrs. W. A. Lane left this afternoon for Alamogordo called by the serious injury to her husband, the well known engineer, in a train wreck. Mr. Lane was injured about the head and his chest was crushed. It is feared his condition is critical. The news will be received with regret in this city where the injured engineer is well known. He ran out of Las Vegas for several years. Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the Chanukah festival will take place at the Jewish temple. This is always the event of the year. The children will recite as usual, and receive their prizes. There will also be a splendid musical program and other interesting features. Everybody is invited and welcome. A maximum of 54 and a minimum of 20 were the extremes for yesterday and last night. The promised local snow didn't eventuate, and for tomorrow fair weather is promised throughout the territory. Colder weather is promised for the north tonight and warmer weather for the south tomorrow. The children's Chanukah festival (Feast of Lights) of Congregation Montefiore will be held in the temple tomorrow afternoon at 2:45 o'clock sharp. There will be recitations by the children, excellent music by the choir, eloquent addresses by well-known speakers, prizes for the scholars, and sweets for all who may be present. W. A. Lane, who was formerly an engineer on this division of the Santa Fe and whose family still reside here, was injured seriously about the chest at Alamogordo a few days ago. He was employed as engineer on the El Paso & Northeastern railroad. He is being cared for in the hospital at Alamogordo. Several engines and train crews have been brought to Junction City, Kans., from the Union Pacific divisions in Wyoming and Nebraska to assist in moving the great bulk of freight that at present is overwhelming the Kansas division of the Union Pacific. For Christmas trees, wreaths and wreathing leave orders at Stearn's grocery or Phone No. 70. 2 rings, Mrs. B. C. Thornhill. 12-77

ABOUT PEOPLE.

H. L. Glass is here from Shoemaker today. Chas. Springer, the well known Springerite, is down on business. Messrs. Josiah and E. Hale, the Mora merchants, are in the city on business. Theo. Hainlen left yesterday for his ranch on the Sapello river, after a few days' visit to town. B. A. Lockwood, who has been spending a week at La Pension, left on No. 1 today for California. Ralph Chapman, who has been in Las Vegas for some time, has gone to Belen where a railroad position awaits him. Mrs. F. D. McArthur and two children will leave today for Emporia, Kans., where they expect to visit friends and relatives. C. F. Hawkins of Denver, fire loss adjuster, is again in town. He is figuring the damage done to the Boone house in the recent fire. Miss Stella Bernard came in on the stage last evening from Santa Rosa, where she has been teaching school. She will spend the holidays with her mother. Miss Elizabeth Realey, Miss Stella Henoch and Miss Madeline VeVerka, three teachers of the Normal school, left today for Denver where they will spend the Christmas vacation. Inspector O'Brien of the cattle sanitary board came down from the north last night and went out again to Springer, where some cattle are to be shipped soon. Miss Caroline Clancy, daughter of Hon. J. G. Clancy, the wealthy stock owner of the little village of Alamogordo, Leonard Wood county, has gone home for the holidays. She is a pupil at the Sisters' school here. Harry Fox has received word from Kansas City of the frightful death of his old school chum, B. M. Blankenship. He was killed by a cable car on what is known in Kansas City as "dead man's curve." How he happened to get in the way of the car, no one knows, but the place is extremely treacherous, and doubtless he was unaware of the approach of the cable car until he had been swept under the wheels. He was dragged a block and his body was so badly mutilated that his identity was only established by cards found on the person. The young man was a lawyer of Carrolton, Mo., and a son of the well known Colonel John Blankenship. City Marshal Curtright has received a request to look out for Conductor John J. Ellick of the C. & N. W. railroad. Mr. Ellick disappeared between one and three o'clock in the morning while making a run from Chicago to the stock yards. He is a good looking, dark complexioned man, thirty-three years of age, five feet seven inches in height, weighing 168 pounds. He is left handed and has a scar on his face. The man has disappeared as completely as though the earth swallowed him up, leaving no clue. Yesterday was Scotch day at the Normal, and a most enjoyable program was given under the direction of Miss Huntsman. An essay upon "The Scotchman in Literature" was read by Rebecca McKenzie. This was followed by the singing of folk songs by a chorus, after which recitations of well known poems and extracts from the prose writers of Scotland were given. The affair closed with the reading of "Tam O'Shanter" by Alfred McHenry. M. N. Chaffin, whose presence at the stable of Duncan & Chaffin has been missed since last Monday, was back at his usual post today. Mr. Chaffin says he has the better of the grip now, although he feels a little weak from the fight he had to put up. This is the first time in his life that he has been in bed for more than a couple of days, and he doesn't quite know how to be sick. A record like this is a record to be congratulated. A deere pro confesso has been entered in the district court in the suit of Lucy V. Clements, executrix, vs. Lucy V. Clements et al. for permission to sell property. Phone Papen, No. 144, for Christmas candles. 12-93

A Carload of Choice Furniture For the Holidays just Arrived.

We are now Showing 24 styles of New Dressers 24 styles of New Commodes 14 styles of New Cheffoniers 8 styles of New Dressing Tables 6 styles of New China Closets 5 styles of New Buffets 8 styles of New Sideboards 11 styles of New Folding Beds 22 styles of New Extension Tables 8 styles of New Music Cabinets 8 styles of Combination Book Cases 10 styles of New Fancy Desks 14 styles of New Book Cases 4 styles of New Brass Beds 28 styles of New Metal Beds 3 styles of Curtain Desks 96 styles of New Pictures 4 styles of New Davenport Couches 12 styles of New Vajour Couches 3 styles of Leather Couches 18 styles of Dainty Parier Pieces and stacks of other new and up-to-date Furniture. See our big window display.

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Materials include real mat seal and the imitation, real alligator, grain leathers, embroidered and decorated satin, and the linin s are chamois, moire, shirred satins and silk; clasps are gilt, nickel and gun metal. Some have card cases, and purses and dainty vinaigrettes in cunning little pockets of the lining.

Prices are considerably less than usual. Mrs. C. Waring.

The Motives of Gift Giving

are various, some are inspired by affection, some by friendship, some by obligations, some by business demands, some by sense of duty and a spirit of charity. The main point is to give something sensible and useful.

- A nice dozen Handkerchiefs.....\$1.00 to \$6.00 A nice Silk Umbrella.....\$1.25 to \$6.00 A nice Tie.....25c to \$1.00 A nice pair of Suspenders.....50c to \$2.25 A nice Muffler.....75c to \$3.00 A nice pair of Gloves.....50c to \$2.00 A nice Fancy Vest.....\$2.00 to \$5.00 A nice pair of Shoes.....\$2.00 to \$5.50 A nice Smoking Jacket.....\$5.00 to \$12.00 A nice Night Robe.....75c to \$2.00 A nice Bath Robe.....\$4.00 to \$6.50 A nice Suit Pajamas.....1.50 to \$4.00 A nice Hat.....\$1.00 to \$5.00 A nice Valise or Suit Case.....\$2.00 to \$14.00 A nice pair of Slippers.....\$1.00 to \$2.00 A nice H.S.&M. or Stien-Block, Overcoat or Suit for Anyone. You name the price, we will show you the goods.

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Now is the time to place your order for X-Mas.

TURKEYS, Celery, Cranberries, Lettuce, Radishes, Tomatoes, Etc., Etc. MEATS--the best at the PRICE of the WORST. If you are not buying MEATS of us try us and see for yourself. Order your fruit cake from us. Dream Puffs, Chocolate Ecclaircs, Oyster Patties, Etc., Etc. SHELLED NUTS English Walnuts, Pecans, Black Walnut Filberts, Almonds, Etc., Etc.

TOYS! TOYS! A New Shipment Dolls, Etc., Trains, Etc., Mechanical Toys, Etc., Electric Cars, Etc., Drums, Etc.

DON'T FORGET TO ASK FOR A Turkey Ticket WITH EVERY 50c Cash Purchase

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Those that prepare early enjoy X-mas most. ROSENTHAL BROS.

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Dress Goods for X-mas Gifts. Black goods for skirts and gowns. Skirt lengths, 4 to 5 yards of Mohair, Brilliantines, Sicilians, Storm Serges, Chevions, Coatings, Granites, fames, Mistral, Voiles and Etamines. Regular 85c, \$1 or \$1.10 a yard. In this special offering at 60c

Clean Sweep Sale. All our Millinery Must Go. Prices cut to the very bottom, 1/2, 2/3 and 3/4 price take your pick, for you know we sell out all Millinery each season if we have to almost give it away.

All Trimmed Hats that sold up to \$8 in black and all colors, go now at.....\$1.98

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A new line of our celebrated ALEXANDRA and VICTOR KID GLOVES at 75c and \$1.00 Tomorrow, Saturday, the 19th only, will sell Tatetta Ribbon, Nos. 2 5 9 16 60 Baby Ribbon, 5 yds 6c. At.....3c 4c 7c 9c 13c 2 yds for 15c Only Five Days left until Christmas. Come and make your selections and you will feel happy and contented.

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