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CLASS LODGE NO. 146, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Tuesday evening of each week. All transient brothers are respectfully invited to attend.

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**Weather Probabilities.**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4, 1:30 a. m.—Indications for Nebraska: Colder; rain; followed by fair weather, fresh to brisk winds, becoming northerly.

**Quarantining for Small-Pox.**  
PORT TOWNSEND, W. T., January 4.—The Board of Health has decided to institute a vigorous examination of vessels from sound and coast ports on account of small pox.

**A Kansas Moteor.**  
JUNCTION CITY, Kan., Jan. 4.—Word comes from Milfor, a town in the north east corner of this county that a meteor fell about 8:30 o'clock Monday evening. The county was illuminated for miles about and hundreds of people have been going to the spot where it fell. It is almost buried in a mammoth hole created by the terrific fall.

**The Preservation of Curiosities.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 4.—The American Association for the Advancement of Science at its last meeting adopted unanimously a resolution recommending to Congress that steps be taken for the preservation of some of the remarkable archaeological curiosities of the West, and it is probable that the subject will be laid before the proper committees of Congress during the present session. For the present nothing more is contemplated than the passing of an act reserving designated spots—perhaps no more than half a dozen—from appropriation and settlement under the land laws, thus in a way stamping them as Government property.

**A Flooded Coal Mine.**  
DES MOINES, IA., Jan. 4.—The leading coal mine at Altoona, on the eastern edge of this county, is flooded with four feet of water to the extent of about eleven acres. Friday evening at 5 o'clock the miners in the west end came to a fault in the coal vein. The superintendent believed that only a foot further in good coal would again be found. The miners drove the entry twelve feet through sand and soft strata, in which was found driftwood. Suddenly water began to pour through an opening and has been filling in ever since at the rate of 10,000 gallons per hour. The miners hastily retreated and all escaped. The superintendent thinks the old shaft will be abandoned and work begun on a new one. The accident throws one hundred out of employment. The Altoona Mining company purchased the mine last September.

**Senator Hearst's Pension Bill.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—Senator Hearst has prepared and will introduce soon after the reassembling of congress a bill to increase the pensions of the soldiers of the war of 1812 from \$8 to \$25 per month. In support of the bill the senator will submit statistics collected by him, showing that while the number of veterans of that war is only 1069, the number of widows of soldiers of 1812 is 11,831. This is accounted for on the theory that the veterans, after the war had ended and when they had passed the meridian of life, married young women, hence the large number of surviving widows. In 1873 the pensions paid to veterans of 1812 amounted to \$2,000,000 while for the current year it will reach only \$165,000. In five years, at that rate of mortality, but few of them will be alive, and Senator Hearst thinks that as the number is so small, and as it includes only broken-down old soldiers, the pension ought to be increased.

**The New Texas Member.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 4.—Among the most conspicuous personages at the White House reception was Congressman Martin of Texas, who only six short weeks ago blew out gas at Willard's Hotel. He was on hand earlier than his fellow members and was the first of the law makers to wish the President and Mrs. Cleveland a happy new year. He interviewed the Cabinet officials a few moments, but later mingled with diplomatic functionaries with a Texas abandon that was as refreshing as it was noticeable. He had enjoyed a recent hair cut and a shave, and with his snowy shirt-front, dazzling neck-tie and suit of conventional black, a la Prince Albert, his appearance was exceptionally fashionable. Since coming to Washington his style has improved very materially, and it may be said of him, in connection with the New Year's reception at the White House, that he did himself proud and reflected unlimited credit on the great state of Texas.

### A TALL SHAFT.

#### A Proposition to Erect a Giant Granite Shaft to the Memory of the Haymarket Heroes.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Much interest has been excited here by the latest suggestion regarding the proposed monument to the memory of the police slain at the Haymarket riot. Edwin Lee Brown, a prominent member of the Citizens' association, says in an interview to-day that the plan is to buy a mammoth rough shaft of granite now lying at the quarries near Rockland, Me., and fashion it into the tallest obelisk in the world. The tallest obelisk now extant is the one at the Lateran, in Rome. It is 105 high and weighs 510 tons. The one in New York is sixty-nine and a half feet high, weighing 224 tons. The proposed obelisk would be 115 feet high, not counting a sub-structure thirty-five feet in height. Its weight would be 650 tons. The cost of transporting here by way of the St. Lawrence river and the great lakes and placing it in position would be not less than \$100,000. It is thought efforts will be made to carry the idea out.

#### Reducing the Missouri Pacific Fare.

PARSONS, Kan., Jan. 4.—Twenty men were discharged from the Missouri Pacific machine shops here last Saturday night. This has been done on the last day of the year every year since the Missouri, Kansas and Texas became a part of the Gould system. It is said that they discharge enough to reduce the pay roll 10 per cent. There were several men discharged who stood by the company during the great strike here two years ago.

#### Bought an Old Bonanza.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 4.—St. Louis and Chicago people have bought the famous Santa Anna silver mine in Senora. The property being flooded was abandoned in 1812. Since that efforts have been made to pump out the water, but all operations were abandoned on account of hostile Indians. The new owners have sunk a shaft and expect soon to reach a point directly underneath where the richest ore was taken out in ancient times. If a rich deposit is struck the mine will be thoroughly pumped out.

#### The Red River Controversy.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The president has issued the following proclamation: WHEREAS, The title to all that territory lying between the north and south forks of the Red river and the 100th degree of longitude and the jurisdiction over the same is vested in the United States, it being part of the Indian territory, as shown by surveys and investigations made on behalf of the United States, which territory the state of Texas also claims title to and jurisdiction over; and, WHEREAS, Said conflicting claims grow out of a controversy existing between the United States and state of Texas as to the point where the 100th degree of longitude crosses the Red river as described in the treaty of February 22, 1819, between the United States and Spain, fixing the boundary line between the two countries; and, WHEREAS, The commissioner appointed on the part of the United States under act of January 31, 1885, authorizing the appointment of a commission by the president to mark boundary lines between a portion of the Indian territory and the state of Texas, in connection with a similar commission to be appointed by the state of Texas, have, by their report, determined that the south fork is the true Red river designated in the treaty, the commissioners appointed on the part of said state refusing to concur in said report.

Now, therefore, I, Grover Cleveland, president of the United States, do hereby admonish and warn all persons, whether claiming to act as officers of the county of Green in the state of Texas or otherwise, against selling or disposing of or attempting to sell or dispose of any of said lands, or from exercising or attempting to exercise any authority over said land, and I also warn and admonish all persons against purchasing any part of said territory from any person or persons whomsoever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington this 30th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1887, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twelfth.

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—Dr. Black's Rheumatic Cure has cured more cases of Rheumatism in the last ten years in this city and county than any and all other medicines put together. For sale by Smith & Black.

### SOME TRICKS OF TRADE.

#### A Meat Chopper Tells Some of Them About His Own Business.

"How does the weather affect your business?" said a reporter to an unknown butcher.  
"In a great many ways, but of all weather, muggy, foggy weather is the worst. It reduces our sales, decreases our margin for profit, and increases our losses. It is worse than the hot weather of July and August. In midsummer we expect warm weather and are prepared for it. We do not overstock, and our ice chests usually keep our supply in good order. But this sort of a day we cannot defend ourselves against. The damp air creeps in everywhere and we cannot keep it out. The meat looks limp and ragged and wastage increases out of all proportion to the amount of our sales."  
"What season of the year is the best for the butcher?"  
"In the cold winter season. Our profits are not so large, but our sales are greatly increased. In the cold weather almost everybody cuts meat, but in the summer a large number of our customers drop out and all reduce their orders. Then, too, there is less wastage."  
At this juncture a gentleman entered and purchased a steak, and after he had done so the butcher pointed to the scale and said:  
"You see how it is, and where the waste comes in. Now, in cold weather we have very little of that sort of thing. As a matter of fact, customers who on such a day as this will grumble over an ounce of bone will, when the mercury is below zero, walk off smiling with half a pound of it in their hands."  
"What is the difference in your profits between summer and winter?"  
"About 15 per cent. We are at no expense for ice, and we have no spoiled meat."  
"What you do with those scraps?"  
"Five cent Bowers steaks, sausage, etc.," was the laconic reply.  
"Every trade is said to have its tricks. How is it in yours?"  
"Oh, we have very few, but there are some. One of the most common is worked by skilled butchers on the spring balance. Occasionally you will find a butcher who underlies or claims to give over-weight. Nine-tenths of these chaps use a spring balance, and they manage to cheat their customers before their very eyes. At the back of the balance, and connected with the rod which holds the plate or scale on which the meat is thrown, there is usually a slight projection. Now these balances are generally arranged so that the dial swings partly around and away from the customer. The butcher throws the meat on the scale, and then grasps the balance with his hand in such a way that his little finger can press on the projection I have mentioned. He swings the dial around so the purchaser can look it square in the face, and presses his finger down on the projection. A well educated little finger can increase the weight from two ounces to half a pound, and the customer walks away impressed with the idea that he has received over-weight, when, in reality, his purchase is several ounces lighter than what he has paid for.—New York Press.

**Stopping a Cutthroat Game.**  
While the alleged big game of baccarat was under discussion in a group of public men the other night, Dwight Lawrence told of a game of poker once played in a room he occupied in the Fifth Avenue hotel. It was in the days when money flowed as freely as the Rev. Joseph Parker professes to have noticed here lately. There was no limit on the game, but the betting seldom ran above \$100 on a single raise. Two Albany legislators, a theatrical manager and the head of an insurance company made up the party. Along toward midnight Mr. Lawrence was called out of the room, and remained away nearly an hour. When he returned he was surprised to find checks and paper representing over \$10,000 on the table, and the two legislators "raising" each other \$500 at a time. Finally one of them wrote out an agreement to mortgage a farm up in the state for \$1,000, and threw the paper into the fire.

Here Dwight stepped forward, gathered up the money, checks and paper on the table, under his hand and declared that the game must stop. They were his guests, he said, and he could not afford to have either one of them ruined, as the loser must be if the cards were shown. The result of this interference was that both hands were thrown into the dealer's shuffle, and never since been revealed by either of the players. Nobody in the room knows to this day which man would have won. Neither of them, however, could have afforded to lose a quarter of the money they had staked, and the one who mortgaged the farm afterward declared that, if he had lost, the last bit of property left his mother to live on would have gone.—Philadelphia Press.

**The Telegraph Correspondent.**  
As a stepping stone to the higher places in executive journalism, the position of telegraph correspondent of a great newspaper should be in the direct line of promotion. No other training develops all a man's newspaper faculties so symmetrically. His news instinct is in constant action; his literary powers are trained and tested daily. The tendency among reporters is more and more toward special lines of work. When a reporter's strong point is discovered, be it in the line of sports, criminal news or something else, he is assigned almost exclusively to the kind of work for which he seems best adapted. This is as it should be, but the resulting experience in most cases will develop a man abnormally in one direction and leave him lacking in other respects.  
These are the days of specialists, and the man who aims to excel in some single line of newspaper work will probably find abundant reward for a laudable ambition; but the aspirant for an active career in executive newspaper work can get nowhere else a training of more value than a few years' experience as telegraph correspondent of a live newspaper. He is compelled not only to estimate the relative value of news of all classes by one standard, but by more than one standard. Therein lies the advantage of his training over that of the man at the city editor's desk. In serving more than one paper he gets a broader training.—H. R. Chamberlain in The Writer.

Customer (in grocery store, picking away at the raisin box)—What are these raisins worth, boy?  
Boy—FF cents.  
Customer—What, only five cents a pound?  
Boy—No; ff cents for wot you've eat.—New York Sun.

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