

### BUFFALO FOR MARKET.

Texas Cattle Company Has Entered Into the Business Extensively.

"Most people are of the belief," remarked Sheriff Taylor of Sherman, Texas, as he leaned against the desk at the Clarendon this morning and shaded his eye against the clerk's diamond stud, "that the American bison is an extinct animal, but that is a great mistake. It is true that in comparison with the numbers of the beasts that used to thunder over the western plains the numbers now to be found are insignificant, but yet there are some in existence, and there are measures now under contemplation for the propagation of the species, so that in time they may become reasonably common again."

"I know of only one herd of buffalo in Texas—that belonging to Mrs. Mary Goodnight of the Goodnight Cattle Company, in the panhandle. Her herd comes down from the original stock of the staked plains. Several years ago the herdsman of the Goodnight pastures captured three calves, and after domesticating them as much as their natures would permit proceeded to breed them. This was done on a pasture, and without any special purpose in view until the race began to go out of existence, and then it was decided to go into the breeding as an industry. So the herd has grown until now it numbers about seventy, sixty or more being full grown and healthy specimens of the species."

"I have often seen these animals on the Goodnight range, and they certainly bring to mind the old time on the plains. The Goodnight people have the means to go into the cultivation of the buffalo on a liberal scale, and in Texas it is understood to be the purpose of the managers for Mrs. Goodnight to dispose of none of the stock for a period of years, say twenty-five, when the herd will number something like 5,000. "I am told that there are other herds in the United States. 'Buffalo' Jones of Kansas has a large herd. He has always taken great interest in the propagation of the animals and of late has been working on a scheme to have the United States Government set aside a large pasture for the exclusive range of buffaloes, the breeding stock to be contributed by Mrs. Goodnight, Jones and any others who may have any of the animals which they would be willing to part with."—Memphis Selmeater.

**American Locomotive Building.**  
American shops turned out 2,473 locomotives in 1900—the largest number they ever manufactured in one year, and 508 more than were made in 1898. More than 25 per cent. of the number, or 534, were made for railway companies in other countries.

**Then He Paid.**  
"These trousers," said Slopoy, "I'd like you to reset them. You see, I sit so much—"  
"That's funny," interrupted the tailor. "Now, there's that bill of mine. It ought to be reset because it's been standing so long."—Philadelphia Press.

**Blissful Ignorance.**  
Growell (in cheap restaurant)—Here, waiter, are these mutton or pork chops?  
Waiter—Can't you tell by the taste?  
Growell—No.  
Waiter—Then what difference does it make which they are?

**Anthracite in North Carolina.**  
Anthracite coal, discovered at historic King's mountain, North Carolina, shows an analysis of 95 per cent. of carbon.

## Cures Talk

**Great Fame of a Great Medicine Won by Actual Merit.**

The fame of Hood's Sarsaparilla has been won by the good it has done to those who were suffering from disease. Its cures have excited wonder and admiration. It has caused thousands to rejoice in the enjoyment of good health, and it will do you the same good if it has done others. It will expel from your blood all impurities; will give you a good appetite and make you strong and vigorous.

**Indigestion**—"After suffering six months from indigestion, headache, nervousness and impure blood, I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and when I had taken six bottles I was well." Frank Nolan, Oakland, Ill.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Is America's Greatest Medicine.

**Libby's Peerless Wafer Sliced Dried Beef**

**Try It.**

Our Peerless Wafer Sliced Dried Beef is one of our thirty varieties of perfectly packed canned foods and comes to you as fresh, dainty and deliciously flavored as the moment it was sliced. Put up in convenient sized key opening cans. Ask your grocer. If not in stock, he will order it at your request.

**WISCONSIN CURE FOR CURS WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.**  
Best Cough Syrup, Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by Druggists.



### CONGRESS

In the Senate on Thursday almost the entire session was devoted to consideration of the right of Nathan B. Scott of West Virginia to retain his seat in the Senate. Mr. Pettus (Ala.), who alone of the members of the committee on privileges and elections is opposed to the claim of Mr. Scott to a seat, made an elaborate argument to sustain his view. Mr. Morgan (Ala.) spoke in favor of his colleague's contention. Mr. McComas (Md.), Mr. Turley (Tenn.), Mr. Chandler (N. H.), Mr. Teller (Colo.), and Mr. Allen (Neb.) supported the resolution declaring Mr. Scott entitled to his seat. The case went over without action. The House after four days' discussion, passed the postoffice appropriation bill. The attempt to strike out the \$196,000 for special mail from Kansas City to Newton, Kan., was defeated. The amendment providing for pneumatic tube service was defeated. The one allowing extra compensation for letter carriers for work in excess of forty-eight hours a week was adopted by a big majority. The bill to increase the salary of the director of census to \$7,500 and the salaries of supervisors of census by 2 per cent. of the amount received by their enumerators was passed.

On Saturday in the Senate Mr. Pettigrew asked immediate consideration of a resolution extending sympathy and hopes for success to the Boers in their war with Great Britain. A motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations was carried by 31 to 11. Efforts to secure a quorum failed, and the resolution remains subject to call at any time. A resolution was adopted providing that the exercises appropriate to the reception and acceptance from the Grand Army of the Republic of the statue of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, to be erected in the capitol, be made the special order for Saturday, May 19, at 4 p. m. The following bills were passed: For the establishment, control, operation and maintenance of the northern branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, at Hot Springs, in South Dakota, and appropriating \$150,000 for the purpose. The House passed a number of bills of importance, and the major portion of the session was devoted to the Senate bill to create a commission to adjudicate the claims of citizens of the United States against Spain, assumed by this country by the treaty of Paris. The bill was finally recommitted to the committee on war claims, with instructions to report back a bill to refer the claims to the court of claims. The Senate bills to recognize the services of Lieut. Newcomb and the officers and men of the revenue cutter Hudson, which rescued the torpedo boat Winslow at Carnedias, Cuba, by conferring gold and silver medals upon them and to retire Captain Hodgson of the revenue cutter Hugh McCulloch, for meritorious services, were passed.

On Monday the Senate, by a vote of 29 to 20, refused to consider the pro-Boer resolution introduced by Mr. Pettigrew. Agreed to the conference report on the amendatory Porto Rico resolution. Passed bill appropriating \$40,000 to enlarge and improve the public building at Burlington, Iowa. Agreed to the conference report on the bill in behalf of northwestern lumbermen, authorizing the Secretary of War to make certain regulations on the management of loose logs on several specified rivers. The House sent to the committee on judiciary the joint resolution for a constitutional amendment to disqualify polygamists for election as Senators or Representatives. By a vote of 144 to 26 passed the Lacey bill to prohibit the transportation by interstate commerce of game killed in violation of local laws. Agreed to the conference report on the Porto Rico amendatory resolution. In committee for the whole considered the Senate bill for the creation of a commission to study and report upon the industrial conditions in China and Japan. Struck out the enacting clause by a vote of 58 to 54 after amending it by reducing the number of commissioners from five to three, providing that not more than two of these shall be of the same political party, and that none shall be members of either branch of Congress. Motion to strike out enacting clause was pending in open session when adjournment was voted.

Alaskan civil code bill passed the Senate on Tuesday, amendments being withdrawn. Harris' resolution passed concerning conservation of the water of the Arkansas river for the benefit of Colorado and Kansas. Tillman's resolution concerning tests of Krupp armor at Indian Head was agreed to. Consideration of army appropriation bill, carrying \$114,951,500, was resumed. Lodge's amendment forbidding establishment of telegraph or cable lines in Alaska not owned and operated wholly by citizens of the United States was adopted. Berry's amendment giving preference to non-trust bidders on army contracts was defeated, 18 to 23. Stewart's amendment, "intended to prevent a Cuban cable monopoly," was rejected. In the House the entire day was devoted to consideration of the Nicaragua canal bill.

The Senate on Wednesday passed bill for the creation of linked memorial parks on the battlefields of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spotsylvania, in Virginia. Received from Mr. Hoar that on Thursday he would call up the Clark contest case for consideration. Heard Mr. Mason in support of his proposition to enact legislation to prevent the adulteration of food. Devoted the rest of the day to debate on the army appropriation bill, with the treatment of American soldiers in the Philippines as the chief subject. The House by a vote of 225 to 35 passed bill providing for the construction of a protected but not a fortified Nicaragua canal.

**This and That.**  
Dewey will visit Columbus, Ohio, early in June.  
Queen Wilhelmina of Holland is much grieved over the war in South Africa. Both she and her mother are constantly contributing funds in aid of the Boers. She is fully persuaded that the English people are in the wrong.

On a train running between Ghent and Brussels a fierce discussion about the South African war arose among the passengers. An alarm was given, the train stopped and the disputants were forced to finish the dispute on the ground.

### PETITIONS TO BE HANGED.

A Kansas Prisoner Makes a Strange Request of the Governor.

Taylor Cook, a convict and now in the penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., has petitioned Gov. Stanley that the death sentence be carried out and that he be hanged for the murder of which he stands convicted. According to the law of Kansas a murderer is punishable by death. But for thirty years no convict in Kansas has suffered the death penalty. Each Governor during that period has refused to sign the fatal death warrant. Taylor Cook was sentenced to the penitentiary ten years ago for the brutal murder of his wife. He now demands that the full penalty of the law be inflicted.

This is the third time that Cook has begged the Governor of Kansas to carry out his official duty under the statutes. There are sixty convicts in the State penitentiary at Leavenworth convicted of murder and waiting only the signing of the death warrant by some Governor to pay the penalty of their crimes. Out of this sixty it is said that twenty are awaiting eagerly the outcome of Taylor Cook's petition. Should Gov. Stanley consent to sign the death warrant these twenty men will demand a like release for themselves within a short time.

It has often been claimed that in disregarding the statute which makes murder an offense punishable by death the Governors of Kansas have inflicted a penalty tenfold more severe. This assertion seems to have received verification in the pathetic story of Taylor Cook. When Gov. Stanley received Cook's petition he immediately wrote to the convict that in no case would the warrant be signed unless upon the recommendation of the judge before whom the case was tried and the attorney who prosecuted it. Cook wrote to Judge Clark A. Smith, who condemned him, and to the district attorney, but neither would recommend his execution. Again he wrote to the Governor. "I have tried to fulfill your requirements," he said, "and I have failed. It is not through any fault of mine. I now insist that you carry out your duty as chief executive of this State and sentence me to execution." It is believed that Cook will be adjudged insane and sent to an asylum.

### CLAIMS AGAINST THE TURK.

American Missionaries Put Big Values on Boots and Bedding.

A special from Washington says that it is the purpose of the administration to continue pressing the sublime port to pay the American missionary claims pending against it, but those acquainted with the character of the claims believe they greatly overestimate the value of the property destroyed. The total loss which the missionaries at Harpoot say they sustained as a result of the outbreak at that point in 1895 amounted to \$87,085, of which \$49,700 represented the value of the buildings damaged, \$35,677 the personal losses of the missionaries, and \$11,608 the loss on stock and apparatus.

Rev. C. H. Wheeler apparently suffered the greatest loss. He estimates that \$9,010 will be required properly to reimburse him. Among his effects destroyed were notes and bonds which he values at \$2,200 and the accrued interest is put at \$1,500 more. Clothing and materials which he possessed and which were damaged he values at \$1,342; furniture, \$1,000; bedding, \$230; provisions, fuel and medicine, \$750, and boots and shoes, \$35.

Rev. C. F. Gates apparently wore more expensive shoes than Mr. Wheeler, for he asserts that those he lost were worth \$72. Dr. Gates' lost clothing valued at \$870, horse, donkey, and cows \$188, and bedding \$370. Miss E. C. Wheeler values her clothing she lost at \$1,138, bedding at \$215 and photographs and pictures at \$300. Her boots and shoes were worth \$76.

### Wonders of the Paris Exposition.

Cloud gallery, where visitors walk above the clouds.

Active volcano with daily eruptions and earthquakes.

Enchanted house, in which everything is upside down.

The Mareorama, a mimic sea voyage taken on land.

Giant telescope that makes the moon look only a mile off.

The Cosmorama, showing the earth, sun, moon and stars.

Subterranean world, showing how gold and silver mines look.

Sea beach with salt water pumped from the ocean 125 miles away.

Trip in a shell in which you are fired from a real mortar gun.

Bottom of the ocean, with a sunken ship and strange submarine life.

Palace in the sky, a huge house-shaped airship that rises 2,000 feet.

Fairy palace under the River Seine, with mermaids and the lorelei.

"Light of Kimberley" diamond, worth \$2,000,000. Biggest in the world.

Automobile and bicycle palace, with an arena for races and exhibitions.

Japanese temple and Oriental gardens, with dancing geisha girls from Tokio.

American corn palace, with walls of cornstalks and tower made of corn cobs.

Moving sidewalks that will show the whole exposition grounds without walking a step.

Restoration of old Paris of 500 years ago, with its royal court, minstrels and tournaments.

Reproduction of the city of Venice, with its water streets, gondolas and ancient palaces.

North Pole, with icebergs and Eskimo houses, made of ice cakes, with atmosphere kept at 80 degrees below zero by liquid air.

Exposition postoffice to be at the top of the Eiffel Tower, 1,000 feet above ground.

Monstrous wheel, twice the size of the Ferris wheel of the Chicago World's Fair.

Palace of costumes in which the modes of dress of all ages and all nations will be shown.

Panorama of the world, which will represent a trip around the world in sixty minutes.

The Alps in miniature, with mountain guides and Swiss chalets in the heart of Paris.

### Fascination of Light.

Many theories have been suggested as to why light attracts moths, but perhaps the best explanation is that it fascinates them as a serpent does a bird. So much is this the case that traps have been devised for their destruction based on this fact. One of these inventions consists of an electric searchlight in connection with a blowing fan. The insects, completely fascinated, are attracted by the light and fly close to the lantern; they are then drawn into a pipe by a suction draught and carried to a sort of mill, which mixes them up with a little flour. The resulting blend is then used for poultry food. When some warships were using their powerful searchlights off the coast of Egypt, at more than two miles from the shore, millions of insects, fascinated by the light, traveled along the beam of light until they struck the glass and fell, where they accumulated into a heap more than two feet in height. Light equally fascinates fishes, and they have been lured to the nets by a glowlight lowered into the water.

**Too Honorable.**  
Angry father—How dare you show your face here again, sir?

Nervy suitor—I might have worn a mask, that's true; but that would have been deceitful.—Philadelphia Press.

### SEE TO THE WALLS.

**A Danger in Schoolrooms and How to Prevent It.**

Owing to the gathering of so many different classes of persons therein, the interior walls of churches, school houses, hospitals, etc., are apt to be good repositories of disease germs unless preventive measures are taken. These walls should always be coated with a clean and pure cement, such as Alabastine, which is disinfectant in its nature and more convenient to renew and retint than any other wall coating. The first cost is no greater than for inferior work, while renewals are more easily and cheaply made.

### Liberia Paying Her Debts.

Liberia, having obtained an income from royalties paid by the English rubber syndicate, is now again paying interest on her debt of \$500,000, on which she defaulted twenty-five years ago. The arrears of interest have been cleared off by an agreement of the creditors to receive \$75,000 as payment in full of all back interest.

**There is more Catarrh** in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. HALL'S CATARRH CURE, manufactured by F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

**A Lofty Ambition.**  
"My dear," said the banker to his only daughter, "I have noticed a young man attired in a dress suit in the parlor two or three evenings each week of late. What is his occupation?"

"He is at present unemployed, father," replied the fair girl, a dreamy, far-away look in her big, blue eyes, "but he is thinking seriously of accepting a position of life companion to a young lady of means."

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For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
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### A Family Wedding-Ring.

The wedding ring of the Verney family, of Claydon, Buckinghamshire, is an enormous gold one, intended to be worn outside the thick military glove of the time of Charles I., and was used by an ancestor of Sir Henry Verney at the fatal battle of Edgehill. After the fight, when search was made for the gallant Verney, nothing could be found but a gloved hand, firmly clutched round the royal standard, and this ring still remaining on the finger. With this relic of their ancestor the Verneys solemnize their marriages, though, of course, a lighter circlet is substituted after the ceremony. The last marriage in which this ring was used was that of Sir Harry Verney to the sister of Florence Nightingale.

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We can render you good service and ticket you right through from all stations on our line via New York and any of the steamship lines.

Call on agents of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern Railway, or address JNO. G. FAIRMER, A. G. P. & T. A. B. C. R. & N. Ry. Cedar Rapids, Ia.

**Two Billion Bicycles.**

It is estimated that about 2,000,000,000 bicycles have been made in Europe and America.

**Libby, McNeill & Libby**

Housekeepers frequently feel the need of luncheon meats which are either ready to serve or can be prepared for the table at a moment's notice. Such a need is abundantly supplied in the superior meats put up by the old reliable house of Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago, one of whose specialties is advertised in another column of this paper, and their booklet, "How to Make Good Things to Eat," is offered free on application.

**Colleges in India.**

India now has 140 colleges and 17,000 students.

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A powder to shake into your shoes. It cures the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen Feet, Hot, Chafed, Aching, Sweating feet and ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. Sold by druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

**Life appears too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrong.**—Charlotte Bronte.

**\$18 Per Week.**

A salary of \$18 per week and expenses will be paid to man with one or two-horse rig to introduce our Poultry Compound and Lice Killer among Farmers. Address with stamp, Acme Mfg. Co., Des Moines, Iowa.

**Those who are in love believe every idle tale which flatters their expectations.**—Ovid.

**Piso's Cure** cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Avenue, N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

**The fruit derived from labor is the sweetest of all pleasures.**—Vanvenarques.

**Mrs. Winslow's FOOTBALL STRENGTH** for children teaching; softens the gums, relieves inflammation, kills pain, cures wind colic. 3c. per bottle.

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