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and the Alamo.

Derby Hats and Trolley Cars Disturb

an Atmosphere of Romance-How

Bowle and Crockett Met

Santa Ana.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 6 .- "Ah," they

From all manner of people, business men

LIFE AMONG THE ARGENTINES his hand across his heart, told him it was son. Berlin ninety-nine pounds. Paris 167 PATRIOT SHRINE OF TEXAS

Strange Customs Observed In the South

American Republic.

GREAT SEASIDE RESORT IN SUMMER

Fashionable Funerals and How They Are Managed-The Cemeteries-Milkmen Who Cannot Water Their Milk.

(Copyright, 1898, by Frank G. Carpenter.) their peculiar burial caskets and the virtues MAR DEL PLATA, Dec. 15, 1898 .- (Spe- of their patent embalming juices and state cial Correspondence of The Bee.)-It is that they can take charge of the departure now midwinter in the United States. It of the deceased with all fashionable accomis midsummer in the Argentine Republic, paniments. Funerals are first, second and Our people are going to Florida to keep third class. The first class kind is worth The fashionable Argentines are seeing. I shall never forget one I witnessed warm. rushing to the seaside to keep cool. The most popular seaside resort of the Argen- was that of a steamship manager, who was tine is Mar del Plata. It is the Long evidently a man of wealth. The hearse was as Branch, the Newport, the Saratoga of the big as a baggagewagon and the four black Argentine Republic. Situated 240 miles Orloof stallions which drew it were as fine south of Buenos Ayres, on the coast of the Atlantic, it has a splendid bathing beach hearse was a black canopy resting on in which just now thousands of Argentines are taking the warm plunge of summer. There are at least 20,000 strangers at this There are big hotels filled with the fashionable families of the Argentines and foreigners. There are numerous seaside cottages, and there are gambling rooms where the roulette wheel goes the whole afternoon and all night long. Thousands of doffars are won and lost at every turn, for the people gamble at Mar del Plata quite as desperately as they do at Monte Carlo. The scenes on the beach are different from those of our resorts. The bath houses do not stand back from the edge of the water as at Atlantic City or Asbury Park. The undressing is done in grief. bathing boxes about six feet square and not over six feet high. These are on the edge of the surf. You can hire one for 50 cents a time and a sult of bathing clothes goes with every box. You enter your box, sults, some with skirts on and some without, moving about through the water. Outthe sexes, for bright colors are not worn by the women in bathing and the Argentine summer girl makes all her conquests | June 22, 1892. outside the water. Cameras are not tolerated on the beach and the man who attempts to take a snap shot will surely be ar-

Present with Strings.

Many of the rich Argentines have seaside homes at Mar del Plata. Not a few keep up three different establishments. One is a house in Buenos Ayres, another a home in the country and a third a cottage at the seaside. Such people live well. They are very hospitable and during your stay they will place everything at your disposition. In fact if you admire anything belonging to an Argentine politeness demands that it be ably looked over the cards and the person at once offered to you. This is so in all Spanish-American countries. At Santiago I dined one day with Mr. Edwardo McClure, of the family. Every Argentine watches a millionaire friend of the president of Chile and a gentleman of high education and standing. The dinner was given at his magnificent home in the suburbs of Santiago, which is surrounded by a garden considered one of the finest of South America The house was a palace and as I walked through it with its owner I could not help admiring it. He at once offered it to me and that in such a cordial manner that I feared for a moment he might be in earnest When I reflected, however, that the property would bring at auction at least \$100,000 I felt there might be a mistake and refused It with thanks.

This habit sometimes causes the giver

grandiloquently accepted it and the Argen- but it must be far below the consumption tine don was too amazed to protest. At of the Argentine. I have before me the releast he never asked that it be returned and I doubt not but that the American naval last month. A few quotations will show you officer has it among his trophies today.

Odd Funeral Customs. Among the queer customs among the Argentine are those relating to the dead. Funerals are grand functions and the average funeral costs more than a wedding. The undertakers advertise their wares as our merchants do their dry goods. Each undertaker gives the price of the different kinds of funerals and tells you just what you can get for your money. They laud

in the business section of Buenos Ayres. It as any to be seen in St. Petersburg. The

wheels, with a covered top, at the corners of which were tassels of ostrich feathers, each tassel as big around as a half bushel measure. The roof was upheld by four black Ethiopians made of carved ebony and the magnificent coffin, which rested on a platform beneath, was covered with flowers. Upon the front sat a coachman all in black and on the back was a footman in the same somber livery. Every one of the coaches following the hearse was drawn by black horses and driven by coachmen in mourning. The mourners were dressed in black, all wearing tall hats and black gloves. It was indeed a very parade of

Funeral Advertisements,

An important part of the advertising in the Argentine newspapers relates to funerals. The family always inserts a statement of a death and an invitation to its friends change your clothes and step right out into to be present at the funeral. They announce the water. Both sexes bathe together and the masses, which are given from year to you see a mixture of dull blue bathing year on the anniversaries of the funeral thereafter, and all friends of the deceased and his family are supposed to attend such side of the skirts it is hard to distinguish masses of to leave their cards at the door. Here is a sample funeral notice:

Nickolas Imera Gara, Q. E. P. D. Died

The family invites the persons of their friendship to attend the masses, which, for the eternal rest of his soul, will be celebrated in the Church of San Miguel, Wednesday, the 22d of June, 1898, from 8 to 10 a.m. The family will assist at the

mass at 10 o'clock. In response to this notice all the friends and relatives of that family were expected to attend this mass. There were servants at the church to receive their cards as they went in and those who could not go in person sent their cards. As soon as the family got back from the mass they probyears, undoubtedly receives the resentment the masses said for his dead friends and the deceased friends of his friends that still live. The Argentines respect funerals. Every one takes his hat off and stands reverently still as the hearse passes and it is etiquette to have your head when passing a house that has crepe on the door.

Cities of the Dead.

There are fine cemeteries in all of the Argentine cities. Buenos Ayres has 230 acres of them, not a large area as compared with some of our cemeteries, but big enough it was plucked. Why the tail feathers are when it is considered how South American

cemeteries are built. The South American not removed I do not know. The same cus-cities of the dead are genuine cities, in tom prevails in China as to dogs, where a trouble when he comes into contact with a foreigner who does not understand him. Not and crowded as the living in a New York and of the tail, even when the animal is long ago a Spanish don was traveling down fat. The cemeteries have their paved But this is because the Chinese cooked. consider the flesh of black dogs the best and most certain to put a brave spirit into tenement houses or vaults, where the poorer the body of the eater. Hucksters of the Argentine. Chickens are sold alive in Buenos Ayres by hucksters, who carry them from house to house in wicker crates swung over the back of a horse. There are no huckster wagons and all peddling is done by men on horseback or on foot. Turkeys are driven through the streets by peddlers. You pick out the turkey you want from the flock and the owner will catch it for you. Fish and vegetables are sold by men who go through the city with baskets hung to the ends of poles on their shoulders, and the milk peddler on horseback is still to be found in driven from the main part of the city and

tenant, then green to Spanish ways, as know what the amount is for New York. Stephen Crans's Impressions of San Antonio port of the Buenos Ayres markets for the

upon what the Argentines feed. They ate within those thirty days more than 57,000 beeves, 75,000 sheep and over 12,000 plgs. They consumed 90,000 hens, 77,000 roosters and 12,000 turkeys, geese and ducks. They ate more than 60,000 braces of partridges, 1,000,000 pounds of fish and 25,000,000 pounds of vegetables. Among the other items are some dishes which would create a sensation if served at our dinners. How would you like to cat a dozen fresh, juicy snalls at a meal? The people of Buenos Ayres con-

sumed eleven tons of them last month. They said, "you are going to San Anton? I wish ate 112 tons of tripe and about 1,000 young was. There's a town for you? armadillos. Armadillos are among the delicacles of the Argentine. They are about as consumptive men, curious men and wealthy large as a No. 8 derby hat, and they look men, there came an exhibition of a profound affection for San Antonio. It seemed to not unlike turtles save that their backs are more rounded. The armadillo has feet with symbolize for them the poetry of life in claws, but its head is much like that of a Texas. pig. Its meat tastes like young chicken, There is an eloquent description of the and it is so much in demand that armadillot

always bring a good price in the markets. The Markets of Buenos Ayres. sun. The author, of course, visited San An-Buenos Ayres has excellent markets. tonio in the year 1101. While this is un-There are twenty in the city, but it is in the Mercado Central that the most busidoubtedly a masterly literary effect, one can feel glad that after all we don't steer our ships according to these literary effects. ness is done. This market has an area about equal to one of our city blocks .. The At first the city presents a totally modern food offered for sale is as good as that sold aspect to the astonished visitor. The princiat home. There are all sorts of meats, fish pal streets are lanes between rows of handand vegetables. There are huge pears from some business blocks and upon them prothe Argentine and organges and pineapples ceeds with important uproar the terrible from Paraguay. There are grapes as and almighty trolley car. The prevailing sweet as any grown in California, which type of citizen is not seated in the sun; have been brought to the city from the foothills of the Andes, and there are on the contrary he is making his way with peaches by the bushel from about Buenos the speed and intentness of one who com-Ayres. Peach trees are often grown for petes in a community that is commercially



CHURCH OF THE ALAMO.

fuel, and there are so many peaches in | in earnest. And the victorious derby hat of some sections that they are used for fat- the north spreads its wings in the holy place tening pigs. Almost any kind of fruit that of legends.

grows in the United States is grown in the Argentine Republic. As to vegetables, I who had slighted the corpse, now dead six saw celery stems as big around as a pint tin cup and a yard in length. I saw enough onlors to scent the breath of the continent the newspapers, that he may keep track of and yams and sweet potatoes of gigantic size. Nearly everything in the fruit and vegetable lines is cheap, delicious oranges costing about 3 cents aplece. Vegetables are usually sold in piles, so that you have to measure quantity as well as quality by the eye, and the butchers sold their meat by the chunk or cut rather than weight.

Chickens were sold by the place. They had all been dressed, the only feathers being left upon them being those of the tail. These tail feathers stuck out, showing what the color of each chicken was before

mouth is protected by a leather muzzle, so

A Narrow Escape.

Instructions in Perjury.

FRANK G. CARPENTER.

to satisfy its hunger or thirst.

anteed or price refunded.

begins to see that these edifices of stone and brick and iron are reared on ashes, upon the ambitions of a race. It expresses again the victory of the north. The serene Anglo-Saxon crects business blocks upon the dreams of transient monks; he strings telegraph wires across the face of their sky of hope and over the energy, the efforts, the accomplishments of these plous fathers of the early church passes the wheel, the hoof, the heel.

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Ashes of Ambitions.

principal color of San Antonio. Later one

This is the dominant quality. This is the

Here and there, however, one finds in the main part of the town little old buildings yellow with age, solemn and severe in outline, that has escaped by a miracle or by a historical importance the whirl of the modern life. In the Mexican quarters there remains, too, much of the old character, but despite the tenderness which San Antonic feels for these monuments, the



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city which makes it consist of three old ruins and a row of Mexicans sitting in the Suits-to order-\$15, \$18, \$20 Trousers-to order-\$4, \$5 \$6 Overcoats-\$15, \$20, \$25



TTE want you to know that, commencing tomorrow, we shall inaugurate a "Mid-Win-

ter Cleaning Up Sale"-the like of which Omaha has not known! A value giving effort_that will anchor the patronage of those who take advantage of same to us permanently in the future.

We have had an unprecedented trade during the past season-thank you-a trade that has reduced hundreds of heavy bolts of cloth to a mere skeleton of their former selves.

Here's 32 bolts that originally contained 60 yards each- but now average but from 31 to 4 yards each-more than enough for a suit.

Here's 26 bolts-ticket calls for 55 yards-with but 21 to 3 yards left-enough for a medium-sized suit, or a large coat and vest.

Here's 14 bolts-London striped Trouserings-with just enough for one or two pair of trousers-and so on all through our immense stock.

REMNANTS	REMNANTS	REMNANTS
FOR	FOR	FOR
SUITS	TROUSERS	O'COATS
315 \$18 \$20	\$4 \$5 \$6	\$15 \$20 \$25

They're worth nearly double, but it's our way of getting rid of hundreds of short lengths-odds and ends-before stock taking. But you'll have to see the fabrics to appre viate the tempting price; you'll have to feel of their excellent quality-and also to see the garments made up. You'll realize the saving then.

The goods and prices in our windows-are but an index of what you will see in the

the west coast of South America upon a streets, their narrow courts and even their steamer with a charming young American girl as a fellow passenger. The don was dead are laid away to rest for so much per girl as a fellow passenger. The don was married, but the young lady was beautiful and when she admired a poolle which he was carrying with him he at once placed them also in the Argentine. I have as yet, it at her disposal and grandiloquently told however, seen no cemetery so crowded as her it was hers. He expected that she would thank him and refuse. But to his surprise she thanked him and accepted. Now the don was carrying the poolle to his wife, who was as jealous as Spanish girls usually are. He had especial orders to bring it home safe and sound and as the American girl was going to the same town he knew that serious complications would arise if he did not recover that dog. Be-fore he left the ship he was compelled to ask one of his friends to explain to the young lady that his offer was not intended her it was hers. He expected that she the Recoleta, the fashionable graveyard of young lady that his offer was not intended are paved with marble or mosaics and they to be taken in earnest and that he hoped are cut by smaller streets dividing the cemeshe would send back the poodle as it be- tery into a great number of blocks. longed to his wife.

reply a beautiful gold cigar lighter. The lighter must have been an expensive one, for it was set with diamonds. Our young lieutenant admired it and the don, putting



Eleven on One Limb at One Time With Excruciating Pain. All **Remedies Tried, and Number**less Physicians Little Benefit. CUTICURA Speedily Cures.

My mother has been a victim to ulcers from varicose veins for thirty-five years. Eleven of these terrible scree have existed at one time on the limb affected. Excruciating pain and intense suffering were endured, with all sorts of remedies on trial and numberless physicians' calls and prescriptions applied, but all practically with but little benefit. However, at last the remedial but little benefit. However, at last the remedial agent was found in CUTICURA (dontment), which surely proved its weight in gold, alleviating pain and causing healing processes to commence and a cure speedily effected. She has, also, used CUTICURA with marked benefit in erysipelas of the face and eczema. The CUTICURA SOAP, also, has established a record only as the best cleansing, purifying, and healing in its nature, having proved itself a most excellent and valu-able auxiliary to the CUTICURA (dottert). able auxiliary to the CUTICUBA (clutment).

I would remark that this testimonial is entirely unsolicited, being a voluntary contribution for humanity's cake, and the commendation of CUTICURA REMEDIES to the fullest confid endation of the ing satisfied of their purity, genuineness, and imost miracles wrought. March 16, 1898. W. T. MORSE, Cabot, Vt.

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That is to say, CUTICURA REBOLYERT, greatest of blood purifiers and humor expellers, parifies the blood and circulating fulds of HUMOR GERES, and this removes the curve, while warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP, and gentle anointings with CUTICURA (olatment), greatest of emolibeit skin curse, cleause the skin and scalp of crusts and scales, allay itching, burning, and inflammation, southe and heal. Thus are speedily, permanently, and economically cured the most letturing, dis-figuring humors of theskin, scalp, and blood, with loss of hair, when all other remedies fail. Beid throughout the wordt. Perrars D. Avo C. Corp. Sold throughout the world. Porras D. and C. Conr., Props. Boston. How to Cure Torturing Skin Diseases, free

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In looking over this beautiful city of the There are many similar cases of the fail-ure of such polite lies and cheap gener-those of a city of the living. They are of cows, but rot a score of good butter makers. osity. One of which I heard related to a all sizes and conditions, small and big, young navy licutenant who has since risen costly and mean; the palaces of the rich to be one of the chief officers on a great and the tenements of the poor. Each house American man-of-war. It was during his is a vault and each contains from one to salad days that he was in South America hundreds of inmates. Some of the houses on a coasting tour and became acquainted are in blocks, marble structures from eight with an Argentine don. One day he asked to fifteen feet high and eight to ten feet the latter for a match and was handed in wide, each the property of one family. Some stand alone with only a crack be tween their walls and those of the vaults next door. All have but one room that can be seen and this room is in all cases the ame shape, although furnished in different degreees of magnificence and taste. It to London.

might be called the chapel of the dead. It is four feet square or more and five feet high, being entered by a door at the level of the street. In the back of it there is a marble slab or table set into the wall and upon this sometimes rests a coffin. The slab is covered with a lambrequin of fine lace and in its center stands a crucifix with the dying Christ upon it, or perhaps a waxen image of Mary, the mother of Upon some such altars are silver candlesticks and above many of them lamps burn incense from one year's end to the other. On the marble floor there are flowers, sometimes real, in the shape of growing plants, sometimes bouquets placed there fresh for the day, and at others artificial flowers and immortelles made to fast for years. The doors of the houses are often plate glass. All have locks and not a few padlocks. Many have lace curtains and the most are covered with gratings of iron curiously wrought.

But where are the inhabitants of these houses? God knows. I can only show you where their decayed bodies are. Come with me to the cemetery. Through the grating in the floor of that vault which has been opened to admit a corpse you can see steps which lead below. Here the proprietor and his family sheep in the basement. Their beds are those coffins resting on the shelves, which have been fastened one above another in that brick wall, keeping them in death, as in life, together, while their friends still living make their offerings and their prayers above. I don't know but that this is better than our way These people lie here and dry up within their vaults. We are planted in the earth to give the worms a feast.

What Buenos Ayres Eats.

Speaking about feasting reminds me that is charged with maintaining a school where the Argentines eat more meat to the person he instructs witnesses how to swear falsely than any other people of the world. Outin damage suits against the city trolley car side the cities the people live on mutton companies. The lawyer has models of trol-ley cars and of vehicles which he says he and beef, and there are tens of thousands of square miles upon which the people would uses legitimately in showing how accidents happen, but the trolley car people contend he uses the models to teach witnesses how be glad to trade a pound of meat for a pound of bread any day. In Buenos Ayres to give their testimony against the com-pany separately and yet have it agree. Anthe annual consumption is 274 pounds of meat per inhabitant, or at five to the family, other man has sworn that he was asked 1,370 pounds per year for each family in the to give perjured testimony and having con-sented was tutored and cross-examined at city. This is the highest average in the world. Dublin has sixty pounds per per- a sort of dress rehearsal of the case.

mass of them must get trampled into shapeless dust which lies always behind the march of this terrible century. The feet of

the years will go through many old roofs. Trolley cars are merciless animals. They gorge themselves with relics. They make really coherent history too like an omelet. If a trolley car had trolleyed around Jericho, the city would not have fallen; it

would have exploded. Centuries ago the white and gold banner of Spain came up out of the sea and the Indians, mere dots of black on the vast Texan plain, saw a moving glitter of silver warriors on the horizon's edge. There came then the long battle of soldier and priest, side by side, against these stubborn barbaric hordes, who wished to retain both the suburbs of Buenos Ayres. He has been their gods and their lands. Sword and crozier made frenzied circles in the air. The his place taken by the dairy companies, who soldiers varied their fights with the Indians now furnish good butter and good milk in by fighting the French, and both the Inalmost every block. Until within a very dians and the French occasionally polished few years good butter was not to be had in their armor for them with great neatness Buenos Ayres. The country had millions of and skill.

Ran Short of Indiana.

Farmers who owned 10,000 cows imported During the interval of peace and intertheir butter in tins from the United States val of war, toiled the plous monks, erector Europe, and quantities came to Buenos ing missions, digging ditches, making farms and cudgeling their Indians in and Ayres from New York in firkins. A few years ago an enterprising Argentine estabout of the church. Sometimes, when the lished a large dairy outside the city. He venerable fathers ran short of Indians to brought in butter makers from Switzerland | convert the soldiers went on expeditions and now the city has as delicious butter as and returned dragging a few score. The can be found anywhere. The butter is settlement prospered. Upon the gently rollmade without salt. I am told that sweet ing plains the mission churches with their cream is used, but it is so good that you yellow stone towers outlined upon the sky can eat butter like cheese. It is sent to called with their bells at evening a multi-Brazil and other countries, and even shipped tude of friars and meek Indians and gleaming soldiers to service in the shadows before

The old style of milk selling was by a pedthe flaming candles, the solemn shrine, the dler, who carried his milk from house to slow-pacing, chanting priests. And wicked house in cans swung on the sides of a and hopeless Indians, hearing these bells. horse. Each can was stopped with a piece scudded off into the blue twilight of the of wood, about which an old cloth was prairie. wrapped to keep it tight. This made the

The ruins of these missions are now bemilk so foul and unsanitary that the govsleged in the valley south of the city by inernment objected to it. Milkmen still drive domitable thickets of mesquite. They rear their cows from house to house in all towns their battered heads, their soundless towers, outside of Buenos Ayres. They milk the over dead forms, the graves of monks; and cows for you while you wait and there is no of the Spanish soldiers not one so much as possibility of your getting chalk and water flourishes a dagger. in place of the pure extract of the bovine. Time has torn at these pale yellow struc-Each cow has its calf with it, but the calf's

tures and overturned walls and towers here and there, defaced this and obliterated that. that, Tantalus-like, it is ever within the Relic hunters with their singular rapacity sight and smell of the milk without a chance have dragged down little saints from their niches and pulled important stones from arches. They have performed offices of destruction of which the wind and the rain of

the innumerable years was not capable. They are part of the general scheme of attack by nature.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in con-The wind blows because it is the wind. the rain beats because it is the rain, the sumption. Four doctors gave me up, say-ing I could live but a short time. I gave relic hunters hunt because they are relic ing I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth I would meet absent ones above. My hus-band was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and, thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Kuhn & Co.'s drug store. Regular size 50e and \$1.00, guar-anteed or price refunded. hunters. Who can fathom the ways of nature? She thrusts her spear in the eye of Tradition and her agents feed on his locks. A little guide book published here contains one of these "Good friend, forbear-" orations. But still this desperate massacre of the beautiful carvings goes on and it would take the ghosts of the monks with the ghosts of scourges, the phantoms of soldiers

with the phantoms of swords, a scowling spectral party, to stop the destruction. In the meantime these pretentous monuments Further development of the industry of to the toil, the profound convictions of the suing corporations for damages is revealed fathers remain stolid and unyielding, with by the arrest in New York of a lawyer who the bravery of stone, until it appears like the last stand of an army. Many years will charge them before the courage will abate which was injected into the mortar by the skillful monks.

Literary Aspirants.

It is something of a habit among the newspaper men and others who write here "Well, there's a good market for to say: Alamo stuff, now!" Or perhaps they say:

Alamo stuff, how:" Or perhaps they say: "Too bad! Alamo stuff isn't going very being killed-surrendering to the enemy and In the Mexican quarter of the town the strong, now." Literary aspirants of the being executed, making a rush through the gambling houses are crowded nightly and States, with a population of about 75,000,000, locality, as soon as they finish writing about enemy's lines and getting shot before they before the serene dealers lie little stacks there are 120,000 physicians.

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ALL OUR GARMENTS MADE BY THE BEST SKILLED TAILORS OF OMAMA.

209 and 211 So, 15th. Wiedliche Bailor Karbach Block.

Her Eyes, begin on the Alamo. Statistics, could inflict much damage, or of staying in SHARPEN show that 63,710 writers have begun at the the Alamo and holding out to the last, mak-THEIR ing themselves into a huge and terrible Alamo.

Notwithstanding this fact, the Alamo remains the greatest memorial to courage which civilization has allowed to stand. The quaint and curious little building fronts on one of the most popular plazas of the city and because of Travis, Crockett, Bowie and their comrades it maintains dignity amid the taller, modern structures which front it. It is the tomb of the fiery emotions of Texans who refused to admit that numbers and Mexicans were arguments. Whether the swirl of life, the crowd upon the streets, pauses to look or not, the spirit that lives in this building, its air of contemplative silence is as eloquent as an old battle flag. The first Americans to visit San Antonio arrived in irons. This was the year 1800. There were eleven of them. They had fought 150 Spanish soldiers on the eastern

frontier and, by one of those incomprehensible chances which so often decides the color of battles, they had lost the fight. Afterward, Americans began to filter down through Louisiana until in 1834 there were enough of them to openly disagree with the young federal government in the City of Mexico, although there was not really any great number of them. Santa Ana didn't give a tin whistle for the people of Texas. He assured himself that he was capable of managing the republic of Mexico and after i faces and the inevitable eigarettes. The recoming to this decision he said to himself mainder of their apparel has become rather that that part of it which formed the state Americanized, but the hat of romance is

Mexican sergeant says: "The Texans fought | These latter squat like clay images and the lika devils.

A Famous Meeting.

There was a culmination at the old mission of the Alamo in 1836. This structure then consisted of a rectangular stone parapet 190 feet long and about 120 feet wide exactly like pounded fire-brick from hades with the existing Church of the Alamo in |-Chill concarne, tomales, enchiladas, chill the southeast corner. Colonel William B. verde, frjoles. In the soft atmosphere of Travis, David Crockett and Colonel Bowie, the southern night, the cheap glass bottles ment military post, Fort Sam Houston. whose monument is a knife with a peculiar blade, were in this enclosure with a garri- lamps glow with a tender radiance. A hum son of something like 150 men when they of conversation ascends from the strolling heard that Santa Anna was marching vigitors who are at their social shrine. against them with an army of 4,000. The Texans shut themselves in the mission and when Santa Anna demanded their surrender they fired a cannon and inaugurated the

most appalling conflict of the continent. Once Colonel Travis called his men together during a lull of the battle and said to them: "Our fate is sealed. . . . Our friends were evidently not informed of our perilous situation in time to save us. Doubtless they would have been here by this time if they had expected any considerable die."

He pointed out to them the three ways of mesquite.

porcupine to be swallowed by the Mexican god of war. All the men save one adopted APPETITES the last plan with their colonel. That's what should be done by every This minority was a man named Rose. housewife, so her guests may properly ap-"I'm not prepared to die, and shall not do preciate her labors

so if I can avoid it." He was some kind of a dogged philosopher. Perhaps he said: "What's the use?" There is a strange inverted courage in the manner in which he faced his companions with this sudden and short refusal in the midet of a general exhibition of supreme bravery. "No," he

said. He bade them adieu and climbed the a Sunday dinner or a Christmas dinner is wall. Upon its top he turned to look down much more liable to be appreciated. Your at the upturned faces of his silent comrades. guests may be lacking in their desire, but After the battle there were 521 dead this cannot continue if properly served with

Mexicans mingled with the corpses of the Cabinet bottled beer before the meal. You Texans. The Mexicans form a certain large part of the population of San Antonio. Modern inventions have driven them toward the suburbs, but they are still seen upon the main streets in the ratio of one to eight and in their distant quarter of course they swarm. A small percentage have reached positions of business eminence.

The men wear for the most part widebrimmed hats with peaked crowns, and under these shelters appear their brown of Texas had better remain quiet with the still superior. Many of the young girls are others. In writing of what followel, a pretty, and all of the old ones are ugly. lines upon their faces and especially about the eyes, make it appear as if they were al-

ways staring into the eye of a blinding sun. Upon one of the plazas, Mexican vendors with open-air stands sell food that tastes upon the stands shine like crystal and the

Around the Town.

The prairie about San Antonio wrinkled into long, low bills, like immense waves and upon them spreads a wilderness of the persistent mesquite, a bush that grows in defiance of everything. Some forty years ago the mesquite first assailed the prairies about the city and now from various high points it can be seen to extend to the joining of earth and sky. The individual bushes do not grow close together

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