

## DOWNPOUR DRIVES MANY FROM HOMES

Guthrie, Okla., Flood Swept And 300 Have Deserted Residences.

### RISE CAUGHT LIVE STOCK

ANIMALS COULD NOT ESCAPE—LARGE SECTION OF GUTHRIE UNDER WATER AND CONDITIONS ARE BECOMING SERIOUS.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 30.—As a result of a forty-eight-hour downpour in the valley of the Cottonwood River and its tributaries, the Cottonwood overflowed here yesterday afternoon. Several hundred homes are partially under water in West Guthrie and 3,000 persons are homeless.

The river at 6 o'clock was one foot higher than ever in history and rising twelve inches an hour. Hundreds of persons who refused to get out of the flooded district, believing the river would not rise as rapidly as it did, fired shots of distress before sunset and hundreds of boats with an army of rescuers brought the tardy ones to places of safety. It is believed a few persons are still in their homes, but nothing definite is known.

#### Rapid Rise Catches Stock.

So rapid was the rise in the Cottonwood that twenty head of cattle in the affected district were drowned. Street car service is at a standstill. The city's water plant is under water. Five thousand dollars' worth of cotton belonging to the Farmers' Oil Mill, was washed away down stream and 2,000 bales are in the water. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe roundhouse and shops are inundated.

All railroad trains in and out of Guthrie have been annulled. Near Seward, Okla., the Santa Fe tracks are out and the railroad bridge at Red Rock has been washed out. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas and the Ft. Smith & Western railroads report many miles of track out near this city. The Denver, End & Gulf train is water bound at Crescent. The Eastern Oklahoma Railroad trains are being held at Stillwater. According to reports reaching this city, many miles of track on these two roads are either washed out or so completely underwater that it is impossible to move trains.

## SOUTH BEND MAY BE DEFENDANT

### Suit Threatened for False Imprisonment.

South Bend, Ind., Nov. 30.—John G. Wagner, the retired South Bend business man who was locked up at the Police Station for nearly two days, has announced that he has retained three Chicago attorneys to bring suit against the city for \$500,000 damages, alleging false imprisonment. Wagner was taken into custody on suspicion of having written threatening letters to several merchants.

### "Man Is As Old As His Stomach"

This Persian Epigram is the Real Gauge of a Man's Life.

The Persians were a very sagacious people, noted among other things, for their deep thinking on life and the things which make up life.

The above epigram shows the wisdom of their thought.

When a man's stomach is able to furnish new material to the system as fast or faster than the natural decay of man requires, then such a man lives his fullest and best life.

When through wrong living or disease a man's stomach begins to tax the other organs and takes from the blood strength which it cannot give back in nourishment taken from food, then begins the death of man and he decays fast. The stomach is strong, splendidly strong and can stand an untold amount of abuse and neglect, but when it dies, man dies.

The stomach gives tons upon tons of good rich blood every year to the system, and draws only 680 lbs of nourishment for its own use. If, however, the food which it receives cannot be turned into blood which is capable of use by the body, then the stomach receives no help from the other organs.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets contain the most perfect digestive qualities known to science and at the same time the most powerful. They will mix with the poisonous juices of a sick stomach and digest food in spite of this handicap.

### WU TING FANG'S MARRIAGE LOTTERY.



MRS. WU TING FANG.

## AMERICAN FLEET IS ENROUTE HOME

Prow of Vessels Are Turned Homeward After Absence Of Nearly a Year.

### NATIONS SHOWED HONOR.

OFFICERS AND MEN ENTERTAINED LAVISHLY AT EVERY PORT THEY TOUCHED ON LONG CRUISE.

Manila, Nov. 30.—With the departure from Manila Dec. 1 of the American battle ship fleet under the command of Rear Admiral Sperry, the sixteen vessels turn their prows definitely for home waters. They have been gone from Hampton Roads nearly a year.

"I never talked to my wife," said he, "until I married her. Did I ever see her? I don't know. When I was engaged I was obstinate. Before the matter was finally settled I asked my parents to just let me have a peek at the girl."

"Oh, no," they said, "you know the customs." But I said, "Can't I see her on the sly? She might be blind, might be very tall, or very short, or a cripple?" After several days it was arranged for me to go to a certain house.

"I went and for several hours sat at a window, when finally I saw three young ladies pass by. Then I was satisfied. I saw my prospective wife, but not clearly. I could not tell whether she was blind, or dark or light I didn't know her."

"I'm not unhappy in my marriage, although I never saw my wife before that day in the window."

### THE THEATER

#### THEATRICAL CALENDAR.

GENNETT.

Hoyt's "Bunch of Keys"—Monday.

NEW PHILLIPS.

Vaudeville all week.

Colonial Stock Company.

Vaudeville is an important feature of an up-to-date stock performance. From what managers thought would be an innovation—something new—for they are always striving to meet public approval, the public has been taught that this part of the bill must necessarily be. The theatregoers looks for it and the manager must provide it. These features are very carefully selected and are of considerable importance in many instances to the vaudeville stage. Feature acts of any degree of merit are always expensive but if the public like them, great drawing factors. Manager Benner has given considerable time at much expense to provide his patrons with acts which must please and at every performance of Ye Colonial Stock company those who like good "variety" will be satisfied. The feature act of this season is "The Unicycling Hays," a team of young men who do wonderful and hair-raising feats on the bicycle and unicycle. Up to this season they have been a feature act with several of the most prominent minstrel organizations and is unquestionably one of the most expensive acts ever seen with any stock company.

Ye Colonial Stock opens its engagement at the Gennett tomorrow—Tuesday afternoon in "Slaves of the Orient" one of the most thrilling and interesting stage stories.

### MEMORIAL FOR GROVER CLEVELAND

#### First in His Honor by Insurance Companies.

New York, Nov. 30.—The first memorial exercises in honor of the late former president Grover Cleveland will be at the opening session of the second annual meeting of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents in this city Friday and Saturday. Mr. Cleveland was chairman and general counsel of that organization. Addresses will be made by Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and John H. Flinley, Ph. D., president of the College of the City of New York. Letters of tribute will be read from Adlai E. Stevenson, vice president in Mr. Cleveland's second administration and from several surviving cabinet officers, including governor-elect Harmon of Ohio, Hilary A. Herbert of Washington and Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia.

### OFFICIAL RECOUNT OF VOTES TAKEN

#### Aley Lost 100 by Marion County's Revision.

Indianapolis, Nov. 30.—The official recount of the votes cast in Marion county in the recent election was completed yesterday morning at 7 o'clock. With two or three exceptions the errors discovered were small and will not materially affect any result.

They are used and endorsed by 40,000 physicians. Every druggist sells them, price \$500. It costs nothing to demonstrate their value. Send us your name and address and we will send you a trial package by mail free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

## A NOTORIOUS OUTLAW

Fearless "Billy the Kid," Who Reveled in Carnage.

### ONLY A BOY, YET A TERROR.

This Youthful Desperado of the Southwestern Territories Was but Twenty-one When He Met Death at the Hands of Sheriff Pat Garrett.

When General Lew Wallace was governor of New Mexico and the war that raged for several years between the rival cattle companies was at its height "Billy the Kid" had reached the flood of his murderous career. He arrived in Lincoln county to take sides in the cattle warfare, known and feared in every range town and mining camp in the southwestern territories.

Pure wanton love of carnage was all that attracted him to Lincoln county. With the band of desperadoes he led he raided ranches, "shot up" towns, killed, burned houses and committed outrage after outrage with the blind recklessness of a maniac. Fear was extinct within him. He cared no more for detachments of cavalry than he did for cowering sheriffs.

Affairs in New Mexico finally came to such a pass that half the cattlemen paid the youthful desperado tribute. It was only after Pat F. Garrett was made sheriff of Lincoln county and the author of "Ben-Hur" (General Wallace) urged that fearless gun fighter and gambler to capture Billy the Kid that determined effort was made to end his reign of terror.

The obstacles that Garrett had to encounter called for all his headlong energy and nerve. Billy had the entire countryside in a state of abject terror; friends were ready to give him timely warning of pursuit; ranchmen dared not deny him lodgment or concealment.

Pat Garrett undertook the capture in October, 1880, and on Dec. 20 he surrounded the Kid and his band in a deserted house near Stinking Springs. After a siege lasting most of the day the outlaws' ammunition was exhausted. Billy the Kid surrendered. He and his four followers, surrounded by a great force of armed men, were taken to Las Vegas and thence to Santa Fe for safe keeping.

An array of indictments charging murder confronted him. He was tried on one indictment and acquitted, then tried on another and convicted. He carried himself throughout with sneering defiance. After he had been sentenced to hang Garrett took him to Fort Stanton, near Lincoln. Two deputies armed with Winchesters were assigned to guard him in the temporary jail in the Murphy & Dolan store building.

The fleet after clearing Manila Bay will head for Colombo, Ceylon, where it is due in two weeks. It will stay there for six days and then proceed to Suez without stop. It is due at the southern entrance of the Suez canal, Jan. 5. After leaving Port Said, at the northern entrance, where the fleet will coal, the vessels will divide into squadrons and make a series of calls at various Mediterranean ports. In this manner the American ships will touch Athens, Tripoli, Villa Franca, Marseilles, Genoa, Leghorn, Malta, Naples and Algiers.

According to the present schedule, the entire fleet will assemble at Gibraltar during the first week of February and on Feb. 6, it will leave Gibraltar for either Hampton Roads or New York. The question of the final port in America has not yet been definitely decided. The vessels are due in Hampton Roads or New York Feb. 22.

When the fleet reaches the United States it will have traversed 42,227 miles.

### What a Political Speaker Endures.

The political stump speaker has many amusing and many unpleasant experiences. A party of us went down into the heart of the east side of New York one night with a politician somewhat handicapped by his wealth and social position, who nevertheless elected to go to the doubtful district personally. At a street corner a bunting draped cart awaited him, and, climbing to the tailboard of this, he began telling the ragged audience in well rounded periods how they should vote and why. A few jeers began to crop from the tolerance of the crowd. The jeers gained volume. He was told to "Aw, shut up!" "Close your head!" "Say, give us a drink; your talk makes us thirsty." Somewhat disconcerted, but still determined to finish his speech, he was continuing when something hurtled past his head and splashed gently on the floor of the cart. Another something and another followed, and every one was dodging decadent tomatoes until it became impossible to hear a shout above the jeers and laughter of the voters, the horses were started forward out of the soft, red bombardment and the district left to its own political sins.—John R. Winchell in *Metropolitan Magazine*.

### None Left Alive.

"An orator," said one of our statesmen, "was addressing an assemblage of the people. He recounted the people's wrongs. Then he passionately cried:

"Where are America's great men? Why don't they take up the cudgel in our defense? In the face of our manifold wrongs why do they remain cold, immovable, silent?"

"Because they're all cast in bronze!" shouted a cynic in the rear."

### Bucolic Humor.

"Hiram, why don't you speak to that city gal out there a-sittin' on the grass with her back up agin your 'No Trespassing' sign?"

"Mandy, that young woman is beneath my notice."—Boston Transcript.

### But Not the "One."

Mrs. Hoyle—My husband had \$100,000 when I married him. Mrs. Doyle—How much has he now? Mrs. Hoyle—Oh, he has most of the ciphers left! Bohemian.

### The Whale's Blow.

Porpoise—What is the whale blowing about? Dogfish—Oh, he got so many notices for hisfeat in swallowing Jonah he's been blowing ever since.—Exchange.

### Progress is the real cure for an overestimate of ourselves.—Macdonald.

### HILDEGARDE: Gold Medal Flour pleases the cook.

Kodol For Indigestion. Relieves sour stomach, palpitation of the heart. Digests what you eat.

### FREDERICKA.

### ARCADE

## NEW ENGINE FOR PURDUE UNIVERSITY

### But Age Makes of It a Real Curiosity.

Schenectady, N. Y., Nov. 30.—The New York Central lines have donated to Purdue university at Lafayette, Ind., for museum purposes an old Eddy locomotive engine, the only one of its type in existence. The engine is a curiosity.

## Back Gives Out

Plenty of Richmond Readers Have This Experience.

You tax the kidneys—overwork them—

They can't keep up the continual strain.

The back gives out—it aches and pains;

Urinary troubles set in.

Don't wait longer—take Doan's Kidney Pills.

Richmond people tell you how they act.

B. F. Lundsford, living at Cor. 20th and South B streets, Richmond, Ind., says: "For some weeks I was troubled with pain in my back caused by disordered condition of my kidneys. The jar I received while riding seemed to aggravate my trouble and when I caught cold my kidneys were always weaker than ever. It was hard for me to endure the dull aching in my back, and when I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at A. G. Luken & Co's Drug Store. I used this remedy for about ten days when the pains and aches left me, and I then continued its use until cured. From my experience I am glad to give Doan's Kidney Pills my hearty endorsement."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

A Fable.

Once Upon a Time there was a Young Man who met Two Nice Girls, who were Constantly Together. Now, he was an Astute Young Man, and he desired to say Something Pretty and Agreeable to the Ladies, but he knew that if he paid a Compliment to One of them, No Matter which, the Other would be Hurt.

So he Thought Rapidly for a moment, and then he said:

"Ah, I know why You Two Girls are Always Together!"

"Why?" asked the Two Girls.

"Because Everybody says that A Handsome Girl Always Chooses a Handsome One as a Companion, So That Her Beauty may be Enhanced by the Contrast."

After Such a Remark, either Both Girls would be Angry with him or Delighted.

And what Do you think Happened?

The Two Girls Blushed and said he was a Flatterer and went their way Together, each Happy for Herself and Sorry for the Other.—London Answers.

The Flag.

On June 14, 1777, the Continental congress resolved that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white, and that the Union be thirteen white stars on a blue field.

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