# THE TEXAS THEATER.

Amazingly Pretty Girls and Plenty of Interesting Features.

THE PLAY LASTS UNTIL MORNING.

Villians Who Are Really Heavy, and a Very Busy Prompter.

#### BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE SEXES

At the risk of incurring the displeasure of Gotham's fair dames and damsels, I will make the statement that there were crowded into the queer little barn-like theater, or tentro, of this town last night more pretty women than any theater in New York ever held at one time, writes the San Diego, ex., correspondent of the New York Sun. The reason for this was that nearly every girl in the town was there, and there are nineteen pretty girls in this place to every plain one. There are cities a-plenty in the country which boast of their presty girlsit would be a poor city that didn't-but, to my knowledge, none has so good a claim to leadership in this regard as little old San Diego, on the line of the Mexican National Railroad, about 50 miles southwest of Cor-

What peculiar climatic or other condition exists to cause this most charming state of things I cannot say; but certain it is that all the girls here are as lovely as they can be, and all the men are-well, just plain, ordinary, every-day men, with nothing about them to distinguish them from other Texans. Mexican senoritas with hair as black as night and dark, beautiful exes tringed with a tangle of long lashes; with rich olive complexions, red lips, and gleaming white, even teeth; with delicately chiseled features and full, shapely throats, were there by the score. And here and there in the audience which filled the the-nier were Texas girls, born of sturdy American parents who had come here when this treatier was full of danger and excitement, and who had toiled and fought to establish and maintain their homes. These girls were and maintain their homes. These girls were all, without exception, pretty, and to the natural grace characteristic of the maiden who has lived always the free life of the Texas plains, was added the subtle, delicate air of coquetry which everywhere distinguishes the women of Spanish descent, and which the Texas girls had taken on through constant association with their Mexican sisters. Mexican sisters

NOT EXACTLY FASHION PLATES. To be sure they were not clad in gowns cut according to the lates: caprice of Paris-ian modistes, nor would their coiffures into modistes, nor would their collures have been pronounced correct by Fifth avenue hair architecta, but they wore wonderfully becoming dresses of simple white, thin material, and, for the most part, their hair was brushed smoothly back over their shapely heads, a la Mexicana, with here and there a Texas lily gleaming like a star in their tresses. And—note this, ye maids and matrons of Gotham—not a woman in the theater were a hat or bounet. They and matrons of Gotham—not a woman in the theater wore a hat or bonnet! They came there with fleecy nubias or lace sarapas arranged gracefully on their heads, and these they removed upon their entrance. So far as the women were concerned, they were, without exception, in full opera-toilets. On grand nights at the Metropoli-tan Opera House one will always see many women wearing bonnets or hats, and to the out of place as a tweed business suit would at a full dress ball, but here in San Diego's little rough-boarded theater there was noth-ing of the kind to shock the eye.

In that marvelous collection of pretty girls there were three or four who stood girls there were three or four who stood out from all the others in the perfection of their charms as so many jacqueminot roses in a bouquet of old-fashioned garden flowers. These three or four girls were more than pretty—they were all Mexicans—they were beautiful. They had that wonderful, pure, Madonna-like beauty which Northern eyes never see save in pictures of the Santa Maria painted by the old masters. Any senoritas of whom I am speaking would have made a perfect model for paintings of the idealized Madenna of the ancient Italian or Spanish schools. Murillo probably used their great, great, great grandmothers for his creations of the Holy

# A RADICAL DIFFERENCE.

Bah! The pen with which I have described in a poor, weak way the charms of the sweet girls who througed that little teatro last night splutters the ink and jabs holes in the paper as I turn its use to telling of the men who escorted them thither. With a few notable exceptions they were of the hairslicked-down-on-the-forehead, awkward-in-store-clothes order of mankind, and most of them did not have on white shirts. They were rough, good natured, capital fellows, but they were not of the kind that one cared to see as escorts to those beautiful girls. It was like a hod carrier with a bunch of wood violets in his buttonhole. One would have wished to have the senoritas surrounded by caballeros of the days of chivalry, by mustachies, by slender youths with silken nose and ribbon-hung mandolins. But, then, probably the senoritas were satisfied with the store-clothed young men with slick emi-circles of hair on their foreheads, even if they were not exactly picturesque.

The teatro, for such the barn-like structure is generally called in this two-thirds

Mexican town, belongs to Mr. Solomon Levy, and he lets it out to traveling companies for \$10 a night, exclusive of lights. The light is furnished by kerosene lamps and lanterns hung in various parts of the tentro. For the footlights six lamps do duty, and the fly and wing lights are railroad lanterns hung in plain view of the audience. The hall will seat about 500, with standing room for perhaps 100 more. On one of the posts which helped to support the bare roof rafters was hung the sign,
"No se fumar." This was quite a necessary
precaution in this eigarette-puffing
community, for the means for ventilation in the teatro are by no means ade-The walls were decorated in spots with American, Mexican and British flags, although why the latter should have been chosen no one could tell. The stage was very small, and the drop curtain consisted of strips of white muslin sewed together. In the aisles and between the front row of seats—ordinary wooden chairs—and the stage, were very many dogs of various breeds, from long-pedigreed pointers to /ellow Mexican curs. There were numbers of babies and small children at the teatro, too, and toward the close of the entertainmentlasted until 1:30 A. M. -some of the little children lay on the floor asleep, with their heads resting on the bodies of their friends, the dozing dogs.

A SOLITARY SCENE. The company appeared in the very dole-ful and terrible tragedy, "La Fornarina." It was quite a remarkable tragedy as pre-sented in Solomon Levy's teatro last night. The scenie effects and the costumes were like nothing ever seen on a metropolitan stage.- There was one seene which did duty for a garden, an ancestral ball, a bondoir and a dungeon cell. The only changes in it were made by different arrangements of the chairs and tables, and by the introduction in the ancestral hall act of an easel with a picture on it. The picture was supposed to be that of E. Marquis, who had died in a duello and mysteriously come to life again. The face of the picture was unfortunately turned from the audience, but Margarila stood before it and addressed it with much emotion as "papa "mio" several times in rapid succession. The easel was made of an old crippled stepladder with whitewash stains on it. The lower edge of the picture rested upon one of the steps of the ladder, and the upper edge was tied on with pieces

Margarita, who was a pretty Mexican girl, was dressed in a white gown which per-mitted glimpses of her ankles, and her hair was arranged in a most becoming old-fash-

ioned way. She wore low shoes with gold tassels. The old Marquesa wore a black cloak, a big tin sword, circus trunks, and balbriggan drawers. His socks were white and were rolled down to the tops of his congress gaiters to simulate white fur. He congress gaiters to simulate white fur. He was a good actor, though, and he had a wonderfully deep toned bass voice. Indeed, they were all good actors, and as for Violante she was really remarkably clever. At times her touches of pathos brought tears to the eyes of Lieutenant S. Allen Dyer, from Fort Bliss, and his knowledge of the Mexican lingo is limited. He is here with the Government rainmakers, and yesterday afternoon he lost his horse. He met a Mexican and was overheard to ask:

'Hello, hombre! Have you seen anything of a bobtailed blanco caballo vamoosing down the camino with a lariat tied to his cabesa. What! you don't understand?

his cabesa. What! you don't understand? If I had known that I might have asked you in English. Adios amigo."

Lieutenaut Dyer afterward denied that he said this, but the Mexican didn't.

A REALLY HEAVY VILLAIN. There was a villain in the play who could give the heaviest villain in the play who could on Bowery beards a double discount and 44 points out of 50. He had a glorious big black mustache which waved around in the air like the tails of two angry serpents. He also had a tin sword and a long black cloak. He had a habit of pressing down the handle of the sword, which tilted up his black cloak behind in a peculiar manner. His drawers did duty as tights also. Margarita was pursued by the villain until she went into a galloping consumption, and died in an arm-chair with a heetic flush and slow music.

The music was made by a piano out of tune, a guitar and a mandolin.

After Margarita's taking off, the white muslin curtain fell and all the men went outside to get tamales and black coffee.

The tamale as a between-the-act refreshment is resultant but several and black coffee. ment is peculiar, but exceedingly popular here. It is not intoxicating, but has more fire in it than Arkansas moonshine whisky fresh from the "spring house." In the little plaza in front of the teatro were five taunale and coffee stands. At each stand was a kitchen table covered with oilcloth. On each of the tables were plates, knives and forks and a lantern. The customers sat at the tables while the Mexicans heated the tamales and coffee at little fires built of mesquite wood on the ground near by. The coffee was of the regular Mexican sort, chemically pure, concentrated, triple extract, quadruple strength. It was as black as ink, and left a yellow stain in the cups.

A NON-INTOXICATING REFRESHMENT. At other tables, presided over by Mexican At other tables, presided over by Mexican crones, were sweetmeats, and at one table was a spindle, which might be turned upon the payment of 5 cents. Bits of candy were ranged in a circle around the spindle, and whatever it pointed at where it stopped belonged to the player. There were horribly grotesque figures of sacred personages at several places about the circle. These were

the capital prizes.

After the 15-minute intermission the men After the 15-minute intermission the men-strolled back into the tentro with their stomachs full of tamales and coffee, and their pockets full of confections for the girls. A comic Spanish duet came next; then another intermission, and then a one-act comedy. It was a street seene for the comedy, but that fact was only gathered from the dialogue—the scenery was the same as in the tracedy.

same as in the tragedy.

Just before the comedy two young Mexicans from the audience clambered up on the stage carrying pasteboard boxes with them.

When the curtain rose the Solsonas, father When the curtain rose the Solsonas, father and daughter, came or the stage followed by the other actors. One of the young men made a speech in which he eulogized and complimented the blushing Violante at great length. Then he opened one of the coxes and took a gilded paper crown from it. The crown was covered with gilded silver coins and artificial flowers. Violante knelt down and the young man placed the ver coins and artificial flowers. Violante knelt down and the young man placed the crown upon her fair head. It was too small, but Violante pressed it on hard and rose to her feet without its upsetting. Then the young man made another speech and took a red, white and blue silk ribbon from the box. This was also thickly studded with gilded money. He fastened this over one shoulder of Violante and the orchestra played a stirring march. Violante then made a speech. She spoke with ease and

share. He also received a tricolored ribbon covered with money. It was hung about his neck, and the orchestra outdid itself. Senor Solsona made a 20-minute speech of thanks, and then the young men, accom-panied by a hairless Chihuahua dog, climfled down from the stage and the comedy went on.

# A BUSY PROMPTER.

It was well acted, but it was evident that none of the actors knew his lines perfectly. The prompter had a hood in the middle of the row of kerosene footlights, and he read the full text of both the tragedy and comedy, keeping about half a lap ahead of the actors all through. His voice was quite audible in all parts of the house, but no one seemed to mind it or think it strange that he should play such a prominent part. It was like an echo preceding instead of fol-lowing the actors' voices. It was 1:35 o'clock in the morning when

curtain finally fell. The sleeping babies and dogs were awakened, the girls put on their pretty lace head coverings, the men pulled their sombreros over their eyes, and the teatro was quickly deserted. More tamales and coffee was indulged in on the little plaza, and it was not until 2 A.M. that every one had gone away.

The teatro has a performance almost twice a week the year round, and good houses are the rule. For such a little place San Diego is one of the best one-night stands in the N. A. JENNINGS.

# THE CANADIAN CABINET FIGHT.

an Issue Between Catholic Quebec and Protestant Ontario.

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.-The resignation of the Hon, J. A. Chapleau, Secretary of State and the leader of the French Canadians, continues to create great excitement throughout Canada. Mr. Chapleau spent last evening in consultation with his supporters. Tremendous efforts are being made to effect a compromise. It is certain, however, that Premier Abbott will not give Chapleau the

railway portfolio and antagonize Ontario, the Protestant province.

It may be assumed, without going very far astray, that Mr. Chapleau's communication to the Premier, or ultimatum as some call it, is based largely on the doctrine that Quebec has been refused or not given the place in the Cabinet to which she is entitled. His view seems to be borne out by an article in Le Canada, which not only claims the portfolio of railway as a right for the Province of Quebec, and turns the question of Mr. Chapleau's portfolio into one of Provincial rights, but brings up the 'race cry as well. The next point urged in favor of Mr. Chapleau's right to the portfolio of railways is his position as leader of the French Conservatives in Quebec.

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# ANOTHER GREAT WELL

The Devonian Oil Company's Elliott Doing 500 Barrels an Hour.

WELLS WHICH ARE DUE TO-DAY

Production From the Gordon Sand Pool Is Rapidly Coming Up.

There are spots and spots in the McDonald field. Spots where big wells should be found and are not, and spots where big wells are discovered when practically nothing was expected. One of the latter spots is under the Devonian Oil Company's No. 1, on the Elliott farm. This well which was drilled as a result of the showing of the Mary Robb No. 1, of the Royal Gas Company, came in several weeks ago. At no time since the sand was reached has it shown any disposition to weaken. On the contrary, it has always responded with vigor to the touch of the drill. It started off at more than 100 barrels an hour, but owing to the fact that the pipe lines were full of oil, it was never really drilled in until yesterday. When the tools had been run a short time it began to show signs of a big increase, and before many minutes had elapsed it was flowing at a gusher gait. The gauge of the first hour following showed that it had put about 520 barrels into the Elliott farm. This well which was drilled as a gauge of the first hour following showed that it had put about 520 barrels into the receiving tanks. The second hour it had decreased slightly, but not more than was to be expected under the circumstances. This well is located away on the western edge of developments, where a few months ago no operator in the field would have had the nerve to drill a well. It is another obstacle in the way of theories and only more forcibly reminds the scientific members of the fraternity that they know nothing whatever about the lay of the oil bearing rock except in a general way. The Mary Robb well is located about 700 feet southwest of it, on a 45 degree line, while to the northwest, probably a quarter of a mile, is the Oakdale Oil Company's No. 1, on the Sturgeon heirs' farm, which is 1, on the Sturgeon heirs' farm, which is producing 20 barrels an hour.

Some of the Other Wells.

The Devonian Oil Company is down 1,900 feet in its No. 2, on the Elliott, which is near the line of the Sturgeon heirs' farm. The same Company's No. 4, on the Fayall farm, is drilling at 1,800 feet. Their No. 2, on the Favall farm, stopped flowing yesterday. It will be tubed and pumped. No. 3 Fayall is producing about 30 barrels an hour. They are building the rigs for No. 5 on Fayall, and Nos. 3 and 4 on the Elliott farm. The Devonian Oil Company was recently Some of the Other Wells. Devonian Oil Company was recently organized by Finegan, Downing & Co., the well-known producers, The prolific quality of the Gordon sand in the eastern edge of the borough is just at present attracting more than ordinary attention. About the first well to show a pay streak in the Gordon in this locality was streak in the Gordon in this locality was that of W. P. Rend on his property near his Laurel hill coal mines. It produced over 200 barrels from the Gordon. Then Liggett, Haymaker & Co.'s well on the Toward lot demonstrated that the Gordon pool under the Rend farm extended to the north and west. It made from 300 to 350 from the third sand. Since then it has been drilled to the fifth and from the has been drilled to the fifth and from the two formations is making about 30 barrels an hour. They were agitating it yesterday, and had apparently found a small second pay in the fifth as it was showing signs of increasing. About one location north of the Liggett & Haymaker well, W. P. Black struck a ten barrel an hour Gordon well on the Charlier lot Tuesday.

The Drill Started It. half way between the Rend well and well on the Toward lot. Shay & Co. on the Verschuren lot, 100 feet south of Clark & Bannister's well, is drilling at 1,000 feet. The Liberty Oil Company's well on the Descamp property is down about 1,100 feet. Shay & Co. are starting to drill on the Dougherty property, located about three-quarters of a mile east and south of W. P. Rend's well. The Dougherty well is the farthest to the east in east and south of W. P. Rend's well. The Dougherty well is the farthest to the east in this part of the field. The People's Gas Company's Nos. 1 and 2, on the McDonald heirs' property, are just on top of the Gordon sand. No. 1 is located a couple of hundred feet southwest of Conklin & Ferbig's Christy lot well, below the railroad station, and he made and the statement of the st and has made one or two light flows from the Gordon. No. 2, which is 60 feet southwest of No. 1, has been shut down on top west of No. 1, has been shut down on top of the Gordon awaiting connections. The Wallace Oil Company expect to get the fifth sand to-day or to-morrow on the lumber yard lot back of the railroad station, and Hoffman, Hoyt, Schmidt & Co., on the George lot, one location south of the lumber yard lot, are not far behind their

Somewhat Exaggerated. The report from the Tourney lot well of Thompson, Liggett & Haymaker was slightly exaggerated Wednesday night. They had the misfortune to lose the bit just after breaking through the shell above the fifth sand. It started to flow, but only at the rate of 12 or 15 bar-rels an hour. The bit was still in the bole vesterday afternoon. W. P. Rend intended to shoot his No. 1 yesterday, but the hole was found to be so full of parafine that a shot could not be put down. Bowman, Dibert & Co. are having an extra-ordinary run of bad luck at their Johns lot well near the McDonald station. Some days ago they broke the jars while running the tools, and dropped the whole string in the hole. Yesterday they succeeded in fishing them out, but the hole was not clear two hours. They rigged up another string and had just started to going nicely when the stem of the second string broke, and left them with another fishing job on hands. Dibert & Co.'s well on the Scott lot, 300 feet east of the old Scatter No. 2 is down about 1000 feet old Sauters No. 3, is down about 1,800 feet. They have been delayed at this well by a shortage in the water supply. A shot was placed in Guckert & Steele's No. 2 Mevey resterday morning. It was not put off.
The hole was filling with oil and they expected it to make a flow last evening, after which the go-devil would be dropped.

On Top of the Fifth. Hays & Gartland's No. 7, on the Miller farm, is expected to break into the fifth sand to-day. Their No. 8, on the same farm, is on top of the Gordon sand: No. 6 is down about 1,400 feet; No. 9 is being spudded in, and they are rigging up at No. 10. The Oakdale Oil Company agitated its No. 2, on the Sturgeon heirs' farm, yesterday, and increased its production from 40 to 150 harrels an hour. The Forest Oil Company's and increased its production from 40 to 150 harrels an hour. The Forest Oil Company's No. 3, Shaffer, will get the pay to-day. Their No. 1, Shaffer, had made 900 barrels in the 24 hours ending last evening. Greenlee & Forst expect to get the fifth sand to-day in their No. 6 on the Mevey farm. It is located several hundred feet south of No. 1 on the same farm. The No. 1 on the Gamble farm back of Oakdale, belonging to Greenlee & Forst will be in ton the Gamble farm back of Oakdale, belonging to Greenlee & Forst will be in the Gordon sand to-day. These parties have 811 acres leased in the McDonald field and are drilling 27 wells. They have already completed six, which makes a total of 33. These wells are located as follows: Sixteen on the Mevey farm, 4 of which are completed; 2 on the Miller, back of Oakdale, completed; 4 on the Gamble farm, 1 on the Bailey, 4 on small lots between Noblestown and the Mevey farm, 3 on the Miller opposite the Mevey, 2 on the Wade farm and 1 on the J. R. Gladden. Guckert & Steele's No. 5 on the Mevey farm, was drilling in the sand last night, but had not struck the pay at a late hour. It was

in probably ten feet when the last reports were received from it. Near the Paystreak.

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The Oakdale Oil Company's No. 1, on the Hopper farm, is still making about two barrels an hour, with a bit stuck on top of the sand. The No. 1 Wallace of the same company should be in the second sand to-day. Their No. 2 Wallace is about on top of the Gordon sand. S. J. Fisher & Co.'s well on the slaughter-house lot back of Oakdale is expected to reach the fifth sand to-day or to-morrow. The Forest Oil Company's No. 1 on the Etta Glenn will be in the fifth to-day. No. 1 on the R. W. Glenn, and No. 1 on the John McD. Glenn were drilling in the Gordon sand vesterday. They are on the eastern line of developments, and east of a line from the Mathews to the Neevey wells. The same company's No. 3 on the Herron was in the Gordon sand yesterday and making a fair showing from that rock.

Dry Hole at McCurdy. W. L. MELLON DENIES CERTAIN RUMORS

Dry Hole at McCurdy. There was a dry hole completed in the McCurdy field vesterday. It belonged to Guffey, Mellon & Emerson, and was located McCurdy field yesterday. It belonged to Guffey, Mellon & Emerson, and was located on the J. H. Andrews farm, 350 feet east of the old Annie Adams well. W. L. Mellon was expecting to reach the fifth sand last night in his No. 1 on the 'Mertz, and No. 1 on the Isaac Ewing farm. The rig of Patterson & Co.'s No. 2 on the Shaffer farm'in southwest McCurdy was burned yesterday afternoon. It took fire from gas in the Hundred foot. Their Shaffer No. 1 is on top of the fifth sand, and will get the pay early this morning. Mellon & Gartland, on the Taylor farm, will get the last sand by to-morrow. W. L. Mellon has 12 other wells drilling in southwest McCurdy and two rigs up. He expects to complete several wells next week. Robbins & Co., on the McMichael farm, were almost on top of the fifth sand last night. They expect to get the pay to-day. get the pay to-day.

#### Some Advance Ventures.

VENICE—Guckert & Learn are putting the first casing in their well on the Reed farm south of this place. The Royal Gas Company's well on the Patterson farm is a big gasser in the 50 foot sand. It is threequarters of a mile west of south from Venice. The Wheeling Gas Company's venture on the Moore farm is showing both gas and oil in the 50 foot sand.

A Refinery Story Denied.

There has been a rumor in circulation for There has been a rumor in circulation for several days among the oil men to the effect that W. L. Mellon was about to commence the erection of a large refinery at Coraopolis. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Mellon was asked as to the truth of the story. He said: "There is no truth in it so far as it

He said: "There is no truth in it so far as it relates to me. I am not going to build a refinery anywhere. Several days ago, however, some parties leased ground from me at Coraopolis on which to build a refinery. I cannot give you their names. The capacity of the works will be about 500 barrels, I believe. I have no interest in it and am not informed concerning the plane of the persons. I have no interest in it and am not informed concerning the plans of the persons who are putting it up. I do not know whether work has yet been commenced on it. Mr. Mellon was then asked if he was interested in a scheme to build a scaboard pipe. "No, I am not," he replied. "I saw some reports sent out from Pittsburg several days ago stating that I was interested with Mr. Andrew Carnegie in such an enterprise. There is absolutely no foundation for the report. I know of no surveys being made by anyone for a scaboard line." by anyone for a seaboard line."
It May Result Fatally.

Walter Gray, the teamster who was buried in the fire at McDonald Wednesday night, is not expected to live. He is badly burned on the back, and particularly so across his kidneys. His hands, face and neck are also in a terrible condition. Gray is only 23 years of age, and had just invested all of the money he had in the team which he tried to save. He was stabling his horses in a small barn near the well of Black & Co., on the Charlier lot. Late Wednesday evening he went into the stable to clean the horses and carried a red, white and blue silk ribbon from the box. This was also thickly studded with gilded money. He fastened this over one shoulder of Violante and the orchestra played a stirring march. Violante then made a speech. She spoke with ease and astonishing facility of expression, and thanked the sudience for their gifts, which she said she would prize as her dearest possessions while she lived. She spoke for fully 10 minutes.

The Drill Started It.

Yesterday he started to drill it through the Gordon when it commenced to flow at the rate of 800 barrels a day, or 33 barrels an match to relight it, when an explosion occurred which threw him out into the stable yard. He was stonishing facility of expression, and thanked the sudience for their gifts, which she said she would prize as her dearest day. It belongs to Clark & Bannister and is located on the Hulet lot in flats about half way between the Rend well and well on the Toward lot. Shay & Co. on the on the Toward lot. Shay & Co. on the Verschwen lot. 100 feet south of Clark way and try to save himself. It is the imway and try to save himself. It is the im-pression among the oil operators that the stable was filled with gas, which had col-lected from the Black well, and only needed the match which Gray unwittingly lit to cause the disaster. Two other horses per-ished in the same stable.

Pumping by Hand. An enterprising young American is lay-ing the foundation for a career as a multi-millionaire at Noblestown. He has secured an old 250 barrel tank, and placed it beside the brook which flows past the Mathews, Herron and Bell wells, and which carries away hundreds of barrels of escaping oil. The young man with the tank has purchased an ordinary water well pump and yester-day afternoon he was pumping about 15 barrels of oil an hour into the tank from a little dam which he had built across the

Gauges of the Wells.

A guage of the big wells in the field yesterday showed them to be producing as follows per hour: Guffey, Murphy, Jennings & Co.'s No. 1 Mathews, 300 barrels; Herron No. 1, 150; Herron No. 2, 70; Herron No. 4, 260; Bell No. 1, 90; Bell No. 2, 150. Oakdale Oil Company's No. 1 Morgan heirs, 140; No. 1 Baldwin, 130; No. 1 Sturgeon heirs, 20; No. 2 Sturgeon heirs, 150. Guffey, Murphy & Galey's No. 1, Elliott, 90; No. 2 Elliott, 140; No. 1 Sam Sturgeon, 80. Greenles & Forst's No. 1 Sturgeon, 80. Greenlee & Forst's No. 1 Mevey, 175; No. 3 Mevey, 130; No. 4 Mevey, 175. Hays & Garland's No. 1 Miller, 50; Nos. 3 and 5 Miller, 100; No. 4 Miller, 35. Royal Gas Company's No. 1 4 Miller, 35. Royal Gas Company's No. 1
M. Robb, 45. Hoffman & Co.'s No. 2 Moore,
40. Woodlond Oil Company's No. 1 Gamble, 30. Devonian Oil Company's No. 1
Elliott, 450; No. 3 Fayall, 30. Bowman,
Dibert & Co.'s No. 1, 40. W. P. Rend's
No. 1, 20. Conklin & Fertig's No. 1, 20.
Miller, Moyer & Co.'s No. 1 Maggie MeDonald, 65. Shaffer No. 1, 35. Black &
Co.'s No. 1, 30. Co.'s No. 1, 30,

The estimated production of the field yesterday was about 66,000 barrels, or a de-cline of about 6,000 barrels since Wednes-

# Pipe Line Statements.

The runs of the Southwest Pipe Line Company from McDonald Wednesday were 65,904.02 barrels; outside of McDonald, 17,115.81 barrels; total, 82,319.83 barrels. The National Transit runs were 43,867.44 barrels; shipments, 55,189.20 barrels. Macksburg runs, 902.34 barrels. Buckeye runs, 53,665.12 barrels; shipments, 49,009 barrels. Eureka runs, 7,660.71 barrels; shipments, 1,971.65 barrels. Southern Pipe Line shipments, 15,589.39 barrels.

# Yesterday's Market Features

The market was dull and weak and the range of fluctuations narrow. The opening range of fluctuations narrow. The opening and highest for November was 59%c; lowest and closing, 50%c. Cash was about the same. There was no change in refined. Daily average runs, 107,895; daily average shipments, 84,859. Clearances were 90,000 barrels.

OIL CITY, Oct. 29.—National Transit certificates opened at 59%c; sales, 30,000 barrels; clearances, 180,000 barrels; shipments, 79,652 barrels; runs, 144,462 barrels.

Braddorn, Oct. 29.—National Transit certificates opened at 59%c; closed at 59%c; highest, 59%c; lowest, 59%c; closed at 59%c; highest, 59%c; lowest, 59%c; clearances, 118,000 barrels.

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Celluloid Displaces Gutta Percha, Making Rubber Valuable.

#### MANY MILLIONS IN USELESS BUTTONS

With the introduction of new machinery both men and materials are constantly thrown out of employment in some quarters, while new methods of employment are opened in other quarters. An application of typewriting machines, for instance, is to the production of copies of documents in cases where not enough copies are required to justify the expense of ordinary printing. The typewritten copies have thus supplanted various other styles of copies before in use. For legal proceedings, when it is requisite during the trial of a case to produce a few copies of the minutes for the lawyers and the Court, typewritten copies are almost universally used. This gives employment to mechanics in making the machines and calls for the production of many kinds of ink. Sometimes a typewritten copy is made in lithographic ink, and this may be transferred to stone and any number of copies printed. By the use of ink ribbon in the typewritting machines copies are made as indelible as any writing. When Mrs. Langtry took a notion to wear

dresses without buttons the result was the throwing out of employment of many but-ton makers, but when the fashion of buckles ton makers, but when the fashion of buckles and ernamental hairpins and hatpins came in there was new demand for workmen. The rapid introduction of electric lighting has made a lot of gas fixtures obsolete and created a demand for a new set of mechan-ics to make electrical apparatus. CELLULOID DISPLACES GUTTA PERCHA

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For many years gutta percha and India rubber held the market for a thousand toys and faney goods, but celluloid came in for a share of the profits and soon afforded employment to thousands of workmen in great factories. Gutta percha has about gone out of the market, and India rubber has become so valuable that nobody ever sees the all-India rubber shoes that used to keep dry the feet of our grandmothers.

The revival of the popularity of brass work has created a new industry and set thousands of men at work making beautiful brass goods for domestic utensils, fancy goods and ornamental work.

The discovery and invention of Daguerre has undergone a thousand modifications and

has undergone a thousand modifications and improvements, so that the original process has almost disappeared. Photo-engraving has almost entirely dispensed with the slow process of wood engraving, and has given employment to thousands of workmen in an entirely new branch of industry. A few years ago illustrated books were expensive.

vears ago illustrated books were expensive. Now they are cheap, and an army of artists has been put to work on them.

Electro plating underwent a revolution when nickel plating came in. Now they plate with nickel buttons, stoves and steam engines, and all this gives employment to many workmen. The modern method of stereotyping with the use of a paper matrix has created a new industry in the stereotyping of daily newspapers, and made it possible to print a large number for quick delivery. This gives employment to many workmen not heretofore employed in the production of newspapers.

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Thus, along with the throwing out of em-ployment of many workmen by the intro-duction of labor-saving machinery, there goes the opening of new fields of employment created by new fashions and new methods of doing business. Many labor-saving machines have been broken and boycotted by workmen under the impression that the use of the machines would starve the men, when the result was, in fact, to create eventually a demand for more work-men. The cotton gin, instead of condemn-ing workmen to idleness, created the de-mand for millions of them. The sewing ma-chine has opened a wide field for the employment of more women by making sewing so cheap that the poorest shop girl may have a dozen tucks to her skirt if she wish

MILLIONS IN USELESS BUTTONS. It has been estimated that if every man

would forego the two useless buttons on the back of his coat, there would be a saving of millions of dollars. The fact is that the fashion of putting on those two useless buttashion of putting on those two useless but-tons gives employment to many workmen. The passion for bicycle riding and roller skating has produced another illustration of the rapid development of a new industry. It is not long since the bulk of the grain shipped in the port of New York was shifted by hand. Now the grain elevators

take it from one vessel to another, or from warehouse to vessel, with very little hand labor, although, on account of the increase of the quantity shipped, more men than ever are employed in the grain business.

The making of horseshoes by machinery

at first caused a strike among the black-smiths, who refused to put on the machinemade shoes; but the work was done so much more cheaply that the machine shoes tri-umphed, and the result was that owners of horses, as they got the shoes for less, had the horses shod oftener than before, and the blacksmiths did not lose much, if any, work after all. In ready-made cloaks and dresses for women there has developed recently an enormous business, and the cheapness of the product has not only given employment to new hands, but has enabled women to dress better than ever for a given amount of money, and to wear garments of style and finish hitherto unattainable by many of of them.

# FOR BETTER FEDERAL BUILDINGS.

The American Institute of Architects to Lav the Matter Before Congress.

BOSTON, Oct. 29 .- At the convention of the American Institute of Architects today Henry Van Brunt, of Kansas City, presented a series of resolutions looking to the devising of means for improving the designs and character of national building. The discussion on James H. Windrim's paper of "Architecture and the United States Government," read yesterday, was resumed and it was voted to adopt the paper and arrange for its presentation to Congress by a committee of the association.

The convention next listened to the read-ing of a paper on "Comparative Archi-tecture," written by Prof. Barr Ferree, of tecture," written by Prof. Barr Ferree, of the University of Pennsylvania. A vote of thanks was tendered him and the paper was adopted into the report of proceedings. Prof. Charles H. Moore, of Harvard Uni-versity, then read a paper on "The Ante-cedents of Gothic Architecture." This paper was also adopted. A paper on "Architectural Education," submitted by the Cleveland Chapter, A. I. A., ended to-day's session.

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#### A BOOM FOR BALLOONS.

GENERAL GREELY'S RECOMMENDA-TIONS IN HIS REPORT.

He Would Have the Military Field Telegraph System Improved-Several Ways He Suggests for the Accomplishment of

His Purpose. WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Brigadier Gen-

eral A. W. Greely, chief signal officer, in his annual report to the Secretary of War, makes a special point of the necessity for the improvement of the military field telegraph system. He speaks of the importance attacked to this service in foreign countries, where the most acute minds are now ap-plied to its development, and says: The results of such inventions are quickly

applied in foreign armies to the solution of professional questions arising in connection with military duties, and if the professional standing of the American army is to be standing of the American army is to be maintained similar application must be made in this country, otherwise a few years would leave the entire army unskilled in the most important of modern appliances. At the end of the rebellion the signal corps of our army was the most efficient in the world, and now, while foreign Governments are extending and improving their mode of signalling, the chief signal officer feels called upon to urge the importance of providing suitable means for the regular instruction and drill of the officers of the corps, who otherwise must steadily retrogade and become unfitted for such work under difficult conditions. Ample material and support are necessary to raise a signal corps to a high standard of efficiency and keep it abreast of modern progress. The telegraph, the electric flash light and telephone have brought potent factions into civilized warfare, and any neglect to provide suitable means for a military corps charged with the study, practice and operation of the same cannot commend itself to any thoughtful mind.

As a result of the improved efficiency of their signal corps the French military authorities congratulate themselves on the speedy and accurate manner in which the military maneuvers of this year involving the handling of 120,000 men over a limited territory were accurately and promptly performed without disorder or delay. The use of a captive halloon as initiated by General McClellan at Yorktown in 1862 has been carried to a successful stage by European experts. A captive balloon was kept in constant telephonic communication with the commanding General in the French maneuvers, and the post of observation was so commanding that no movement of any considerable body or troops by the enemy was possible without speedy detection and report. maintained similar application must be

The Chief Signal Officer has long appreciated the importance of balloons in active military operations, and he has made a special estimate for the purchase and construction of a military balloon train, which is a necessary adjunct to the permanent equipment of the signal corps. A small appropriation is asked for determining by experiment the best mechanism for a power. experiment the best mechanism for a power ful flash light for night signaling and search

#### LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

 Rudini is preparing a bill to reduce the number of holidays in Italy. -Cambridge University, England, refused to dispense with the study of Greek.

-A statue to the late General Wickham, of the Confederate Army, was unveiled at Richmond yesterday.

—Illinois Unitarians, in session at Mon-mouth, have passed a resolution in favor of Sunday opening of the World's Fair. The Russian Government will be peti-tioned to lower the duty on American grain as a measure of relief for the famine suf-

-Twenty-one piles, driven for World's Fair buildings, have been ordered pulled up because they were not what the specifi-cations call for. -Henry Anderson, of Comber, Ontario, died on a dissecting table in a Detroit hos-pital Wednesday, while under the influence of chloroform.

—Captain Alex McLean (American), of the Hamilton Lewis, who was captured some time ago by a Russian man-of-war and taken to a Siberian prison, is now on the Pacific on his way to San Francisco, having effected his escape.

—Prof. H. Y. Lauderbach, Principal of the boys' academy which bears his name, at Twelfth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, committed suicide in one of the rooms at the school this morning by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. The only reason assigned for the act was overwork.

—A Kansas City and a Milwaukes train collided at a crossing at Taopi, Minn., yesterday, killing a tramp, who was stealing a rids, and Engineer Chambers, of the Milwaukee train. Fireman Lynch, of the Kansas City train, was fatally injured. Both engines were ditched.

-Mason, the British subject, when arraigned before the Assizes at Shanghai, pleaded guilty to the churge of having been in league with the Kolao Hui (secret society men), and to having transported contraband arms and dynamite consigned to and intended for the insurgents. He was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment with hard labor. hard labor.

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The North Shore limited express train stopped at Chicago street. Buffalo, Wednesday. A switch engine making up a train ran into the North Shore engine, and the shock threw the light engine backward, disabling the engineer, reversing the lever and opening the throttle. The switch engine ran away backward and crashed into a yard engine over a block away, telescoping it. The big engine of the North Shore was thrown off the track and the passengers were badly shaken up, though none were injured.

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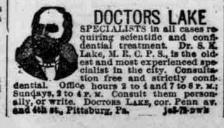
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