

# COL. BRYAN'S PARTY CARRY HOME A LIVE PANTHER.

### Exciting Chase in Texas in Which the Eminent Nebraskan and Governor Hogg Lead the Other Hunters.

### The Animal, When Tired, Shows Fight and Disposes of Several Dogs Before It Is Lassoed.

### At the Conclusion of the Day's Sport Mr. Bryan Expresses Himself as Greatly Pleased by It.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 27.—Backed by one hundred mounted hunters, fifty hounds and four guides, Colonel W. J. Bryan and ex-Governor Hogg left here early this morning on a big panther hunt. They returned late this afternoon with the panther in their possession, having captured it alive.

Mr. Bryan went out attired in a hunting suit of corduroy and mounted on a fine Texas mustang. He entered into the spirit of the occasion with great zeal, and led the column through the mountains to the animal's lair, fifteen miles from the city. Arriving there the hunters found that the panther, which had been smoked out of his den about three-quarters of an hour before their arrival by parties who had been sent forward for the purpose, had a good start of them. The dogs were at once turned loose.

### Panther Took a New Course.

From the start it was evident the panther had changed all plans by taking to the scrubby country to the east of the mountains rather than the plains immediately to the west. It was two hours before the creature was located. The trail led through the roughest kind of country, dotted with scrubby oaks.

The panther was finally tired about four miles from his starting point. All the dogs were chained up save one or two, which were sent in to have the fight out with the beast.

Ex-Governor Hogg has a small fox terrier who covered itself with glory. The panther had selected a leaning tree for his retreat, and the little dog assembled about the trunk and grabbed the panther by its hind legs. The dog was promptly knocked a distance of fifteen feet by a vigorous blow. The dog returned to the attack only to be knocked over again.

By this time a couple of other dogs entered the contest, and the panther was finally forced from the tree by the hunters. The minute he hit the ground the dogs were on him, but the panther beat them off and succeeded in reaching a rocky canyon from which it was smoked out. The animal showed fight again and laid out several more dogs.

### Caught in Western Style.

One or two expert rope throwers in the crowd volunteered to capture the beast alive, and succeeded in lassoing it. A rude cage was then rigged up and the panther was brought back to town.

### Who Stole His Shoes.

Mr. Bryan expressed himself as greatly pleased with the hunt. He says that it is the most enjoyable thing of the kind he has ever experienced, and he would not have missed it for a good deal.

### SAVED LIFE OF MAN WHO STOLE HIS SHOES.

### Philadelphia in Haste to Escape with Footwear Fell Overboard, But Was Rescued.

William Seymour, of Philadelphia, who had been drowned at Jersey City yesterday but for Charles Satterstein, whom he had robbed, Seymour boarded the Western Union cable boat at Hudson street and stole a pair of shoes from beneath Satterstein's bunk. As he left the deck house he was discovered by Satterstein.

### WATER FAMINE DANGER IN BROOKLYN PASSED.

While Long Island Reservoirs Are Not  
Overflowing, There Is Nothing  
Like a Dry Up.

In spite of the disquieting reports of an impending water famine in Brooklyn, the supply holds out well and there appears to be no immediate cause for alarm. The Long Island reservoirs, though not overflowing, have enough water in them to furnish the population of Brooklyn for many weeks.

### COUNCILMAN MAY GO TO JAIL.

### Ven Nostrand in Trying to Escape Contempt Gets in Deeper.

Councilman David L. Van Nostrand, of Little Neck, L. I., will, as the result of a motion made before Justice Beekman in the Supreme Court yesterday, probably be sent to jail.

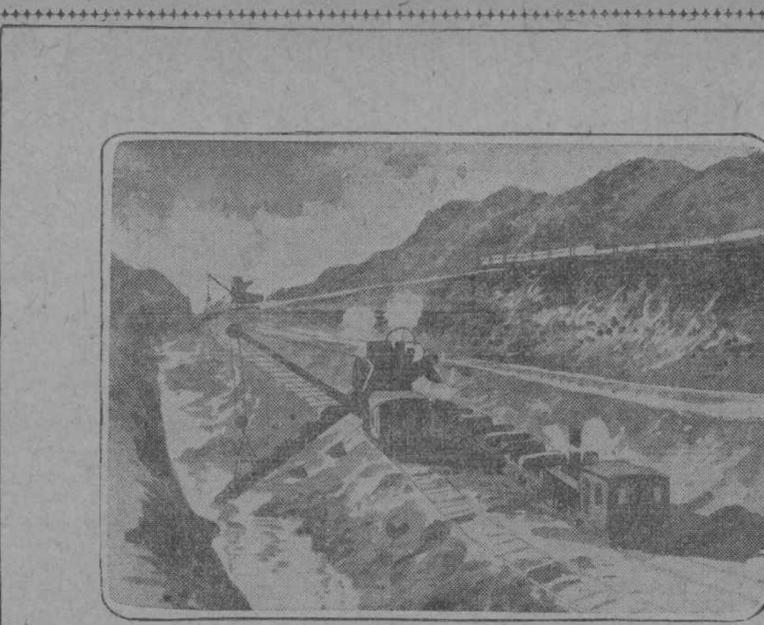
### RAID ON RUM IN ASBURY.

Police of Neptune Township, N. J., Active Against "Beer Arks."

Asbury Park, N. J., Dec. 27.—Neptune township, of which this famous resort is a part, has been seized with its annual indignation against rum-running lawbreakers.

For several weeks a detective has been working with the Neptune township police in an effort to get evidence against the "beer ark" crews, who do business on the West Side. A general roundup began at 8 o'clock this morning, and many drivers were taken to the station. Three were committed and four released on bail.

"If my food would only digest!" It will, and promptly, by using Johnson's Digestive Tablets.



FRENCH EXCAVATORS AT WORK  
IN THE EMPERADOR CUT



COMPLETED CANAL 10 MILES FROM ITS ATLANTIC ENTRANCE

Route of Panama Canal, and Scenes Showing How Work Has Progressed.

An all-American company has just been incorporated in Trenton to complete this great isthmian waterway. Millions have been sunk and thrown away in the vast project, and through it disgrace came to some of France's greatest men. The present plan is for the American company, backed by J. P. Morgan, August Belmont, Levi P. Morton and other great capitalists, to absorb the French company. Negotiations to this end are under way.

## IRISH SYMPATHY FOR BOERS INCITED

### The Ancient Order of Hibernians Assessing Members to Raise \$1,000,000 for a Boer Hospital Ship. Mass Meeting to Be Held Next Sunday.

"The hour of England's doom has struck. That difficulty so long wished for has at last arrived. Ireland's opportunity is at hand. The genius of Irish Liberty will arise, like a Phoenix from the ashes of England's desolation. The cup of misery she has for centuries pressed to Ireland's lips she will herself be made to drain to the dregs."

### LOST, A BOY WITH A VIOLIN AND THIRTY CENTS.

Young Man Strangely Missing from Home for More Than Two Weeks.

### Two Killed in a Street Brawl.

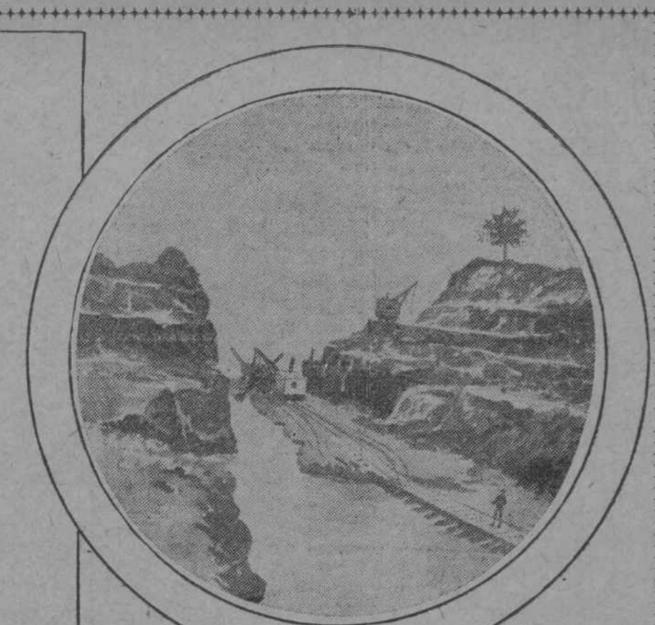
Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 27.—In a street duel at Huntsville, Ala., two men were killed and a third probably fatally wounded. James Harden was killed by his neighbor, Jesse Harden, who also attacked John C. Harden, a brother of the dead man, and as the fight was drawing to a close, Mac Russell shot and killed Jesse Harden. All the parties are prominent in politics.

### Paris Exposition Space Ours to Fill.

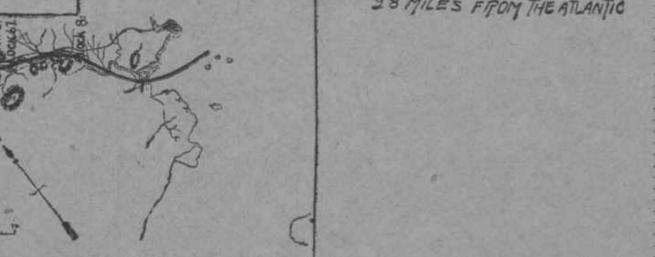
Paris, Dec. 27.—Professor Benjamin D. Wood, U. S. Geologist, has been relieved by the report of John M. Morton, United States agent on the Seal Islands, who announces that the seal herds have increased 20 per cent within the last year.

### Big Cheers at the Meeting.

At the conclusion of the meeting, which lasted till nearly midnight, it was announced that the session had been taken up by the reading of reports and other perfunctory matters, but these reports must have been of an unusually stirring nature, for from time to time loud cheers could be heard far out on the street. It was the General James A. O'Boone, who is the head of the Transvaal in this country, and



ROCK CUT AT  
LA COROSITA  
28 MILES FROM THE ATLANTIC



## AMERICANS WILL FINISH PANAMA CANAL COMPANY, BACKED BY J. P. MORGAN, LEVI P. MORTON AND OTHER GREAT CAPITALISTS, WILL ABSORB THE FRENCH COMPANY AND COMPLETE THE WORK.

American capital is to attempt the completion of the Panama Canal. Articles of Incorporation of the Panama Canal Company of America were yesterday filed with the Secretary of State in Trenton, N. J. The company is to be capitalized for \$30,000,000.

### Part of Canal Completed.

The canal is two-fifths completed, and is now navigable for twelve miles inland on the Atlantic side and four miles on the Pacific side. The statement concludes: "The American company will press the completion of the canal at the earliest practicable date. The diplomatic situation is also most satisfactory. The route lies entirely in the Republic of Colombia, with which a treaty has existed since 1846, assuring the United States privileges of the highest character. Not over nineteen hours will be required in transit through the completed canal."

William Crowwell, one of counsel, was asked last night if the Standard Oil Company was interested in the project. He replied: "I am not at liberty to state definitely the members of the syndicate."

### MEASURED GIRLS FOR SCIENCE SAKE

Yale Professor Compares  
College Women of  
East and West.

New Haven, Dec. 27.—Sessions of the ten national scientific societies at Yale are in full operation. All held their opening meetings today. Addresses were made before all, and their annual social reception took place this evening in Alumni Hall.

### 1,486,413 PERSONS LIVE IN TENEMENTS

Fat Dwellers in Manhattan Are 75 Per Cent of Population.

According to the figures collected by the Board of Health, three-fourths of the population of this borough live in tenements.

### FATHER OF THE OIL TRADE IS DEAD.

He Was Captain John Jay Vandegrift and Left \$10,000,000.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—J. J. Vandegrift died at his home in this city late last night, after attending a meeting the night before in the interest of the Lawton fund.

### Rich Woman Dies in Squalor.

Mrs. Julia Shea, sixty years old, was found dead in her rooms at No. 278 Second street, Jersey City, yesterday. She had been dead several days. Her husband was wealthy, but she was a commission merchant, having left a large estate when he died several years ago, but the widow hoarded her cash and lived in squalor.

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# THERON DOREMUS'S "BOAT SUICIDE" WAS A RUSE.

### His Pretended Sad End Failed to Deceive Creditors, for His Son Had Tried It Before, So the Sheriff Acted.

### Now Doremus Has Reappeared in Los Angeles, but His Upper Montclair Feed Store Has Been Sold on Attachments.

### Deserted Wife Mourned for Him, but Persons Who Knew the Missing Man Wouldn't Believe Story of Drowning.

The next time a member of the Doremus family leaves aboard a ship a coast, a had and a farewell letter addressed to the community saying he has drowned himself, and then vanishes, very few persons will take any stock in his statement.

Henry Doremus three years ago abandoned a coast, but and a letter saying, "I am out of the way forever," on the ferryboat Fulton, plying in the North River. After his friends had bought mourning and dragged the river a few times for him, he turned up and laughed at them. He had been hiding in Hoboken.

Theron A. Doremus, the father of Henry, vanished just two weeks ago from the Providence steamer Malina. In his state room was discovered a letter saying:

Please notify Mrs. T. A. Doremus, of Upper Montclair, that I have thrown myself overboard. I was understood that he was going away on a pleasure trip and not in quest of an untimely or watery grave. The next day when the Providence liner Malina reached Rhode Island his disappearance was reported.

"He had a dress suit case when he went aboard," said a detective. "Suitcases rarely bother about taking their trunks with them when they hop into the sea." Then he smiled knowingly.

The only person who took the matter so all seriously was the Sheriff who seized the Doremus feed store on an attachment for debt, and carried off wagons full of straw and corn and realized on them before the elder Doremus could change his mind and swim ashore.

No particulars have been received by the family as to how Mr. Doremus reached California or why he issued the alarmist proclamation as to his impending demise.

### MISSING MAN FOUND IN AN INSANE ASYLUM.

Oliver Disappeared from Oneida Three Months Ago and Wife Discovered Him in State Hospital.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Three months ago James Oliver left his home in Oneida, N. Y. His wife heard nothing from him until last week, when she was notified by the superintendent of the Hudson River State Hospital for the Insane that her husband was a patient in that institution.

Mrs. Oliver arrived here to-day and visited her husband. He told her he went to Troy, where he was arrested and committed to the asylum.

Mrs. Oliver said a clairvoyant had told her that her husband was in "a big brick building, containing big rooms and rows of beds along the sides," and in such a place she found him.

### FRANCES BOYNGE, OF CHICAGO, DEAD.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Frances Boynge died here last night after an illness of several months. She was a brother of W. Boynge, No. 43 Fifth avenue, New York, who was killed by a street car in the city of New York. Her husband, Mr. Boynge, a brother in London often asked him to return to England, but he replied that he was satisfied with his law practice in Chicago.

### Just Missed Being a Centenarian.

Lockport, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Dated Mail, whose one hundredth birthday was to have been celebrated one month from to-day with a grand family reunion, died at St. Johnsbury this morning. He was born in Germany.

### SALE OF MINK CAPES A Deep Cut in Prices.

23 inches deep, 90 sweep..... \$75.00  
24 and 25 inches deep..... 125.00  
27 deep, dark and very handsome 250.00  
Extra dark Eastern, 30 and 33 in., deep..... 350.00  
Muffs, boas, scarfs in proportion.  
Skunk Capes, 23 to 34 inches deep, \$65, \$80, \$100 to \$150.00  
Alaska Sealskin Capes, elegantly finished, \$200 up; trimmed with border of mink, 27 in. deep..... 350.00  
Hudson Bay Sable, trimmed..... 700.00  
Handsome Skunk, trimmed, 23 in. deep, \$175; 27 in. deep..... 250.00

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