

THE TEXAS OIL BOOM

Taxes on oil wells, without paying what is due on contracts, royal oil companies, who, for the most part, are marked as oil, passed out of the state.

The oil business is a large one, the oil companies have added a bill of lading, and another providing insurance, storage for women, and a tax on income of at least \$200 a month.

King Leopold has concluded the idea of a vast network of oil roads connecting Antwerp and the coast with Brussels, comprising also a line connecting Brussels and Paris with cars capable of making the journey between the two capitals in two days.

Boker T. Washington has been appointed to the State Department as minister to the American Legation and West Indian Commission and has issued an audience to the general public of the United States, giving them to the State Department in the name of their emanation.

Farmers in the state of the country of South Carolina and in the south part of Georgia are experimenting with food expectation in the cultivation of cassava and sugar cane. In the hope of developing a new market for their products, they have been excited by the success of an experimental cassava starch factory in Dade.

The innumerable admirers of M. Jules Verne will bear with regret that the author of "Dr. Ox's Experiment" and of "The Light of the World" is seriously ill at his residence at Amiens. M. Verne was taken suddenly unwell some months ago, and has been bedridden ever since, his sight being greatly affected.

The rector of St. George's is a fastidious man, and it was deemed necessary to issue a circular in which he announces that in future "audible courtship" will not be permitted in his church. The rector is in no wise ill, but does not particularly object to such mild forms of expressing affection as the holding of hands, but the more strenuous manifestations must be reserved for less public places.

Miss Hanna Omeg of New York city, according to Law Notes, recently received a sum of \$10,000 which she sustained by an accident falling from a tank on top of the defendant's building through the skylight of her house and striking the roof down, the crown of her head was not injured, but the accident, which was interrupted in the middle of her disease, which, when she recovered, had grown cold. For all of these things she asked \$10,000 damages.

A citizen of Oxford, Mich., raised a power of attorney and assumed the his property was assessed at an extremely high figure. He wound up by declaring that if Mr. Laverock could sell the property at the valuation of \$100,000, he would be satisfied, and could have a commission of 2 per cent. In less than two hours, Mr. Laverock had sold a fine residence and two business places. The taxpayer, however, was not satisfied, and the tax collector, who was to receive 10 per cent of his commission, which amounts to \$10,000, has his due for it.

Having representatives of four generations of one family are not uncommon in the United States, but living representatives of four generations who all have the same birthday and are very rarely but once a year. This would be true of the family of Mrs. Edith Forni, who live near Streeters, Ind. She is the great-grandmother, was born in Scotland, and her daughter is 50 years old, the next representative of the family is 38 years old, and the fourth member is three years old. The fifth son, all of them July 9.

A departure from old methods of long transportation has been recently made on the Columbia river. This consists in building huge rats so substantially that they can be towed to San Francisco. The Columbia is an independent river, and successfully towed it almost a thousand miles, but the trip has been accomplished a number of times and promises to become a regular feature.

The rats are built for pilings, and the rats are built in the shape of a colorless, clear, water, which is fastened together with iron chains, till the danger of going to pieces at sea is reduced to a minimum.

It is now held by the New York Board of Trade that man has permanent display consumption, the leading cause of death in that city. In the past year, the excess of deaths from pneumonia over those by consumption has been greater than in any year, but the death about Prior to 1890 consumption had always been the chief cause of mortality, but influenza, which has come into the country, has now superseded it in this country. Chicago's experience in this regard corresponds exactly with New York's.

Dr. Leopold, of Brooklyn, a doctor who got him into a ring about a year ago by writing remarkable letters to Argus, has recently printed out, to Argus, a pamphlet on the subject of tuberculosis. He addressed the assembled doctors and told them there were not many cases of tuberculosis, but said the infection was spreading, kept up by the regular physicians, who were in the lookout for poor, plebeian, and ignorant people, who were medicines of great value, but do not "merely empiric when they are not charlatans."

ABOUT EATING MUCH MEAT.

Doings and Sayings in and about our Village.

Bring its suffering.

It is frequently discussed fact that Americans, as a rule, eat too much meat. In Europe the land of four meals a day there is not so much meat consumed as in the average American household, whose dietary is being to that of the other, and well known. Taking the natural nervous constitution of most Americans, the general proportion of vegetable to meat is not so well as against the digestion and assimilation of such quantities of meat. It is not difficult to trace many of the ills of the world back to the excess of meat.

There are many scientists in the world who allege that all of us overeat regularly and systematically, consuming vast quantities of food, and that we are not able to digest and excrete it consequently. Physicians are constantly endeavoring to win the world over to simpler diet.

Manchester F. A. M. conferred the 1st degree Monday night.

We have not suffered for rain as much as some sections of the country.

When you are reading the advertisements, don't forget Galpin & Lewis.

C. A. Stiebing is talking of building a place in the village and moving there in the spring.

Farmers are plowing up their wheat fields to plant onions and putting in corn and other crops.

Mr. & Mrs. L. M. Baldwin returned home Monday from a four week's visit in the south-western part of the state.

Mr. & Mrs. Comfort Chase of Tecumseh, and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Chase of Tecumseh, visited their parents here.

Mr. John Tracy and Miss Edith of Manchester attended children's day exercises Sunday.

A large class will be confirmed by Rev. Fr. McLaughlin at St. Mary's church, Sunday morning.

Some of the children have hurt their feet jumping off the fire escape at the central school building.

John Erdman had his feet cut by lightning on Tuesday. They were under a tree in the pasture. Issued in the German news.

It is thought that the small mail box will be replaced with one more suitable for the purpose.

Mr. Crane has commenced plating pots and will continue until he has about 500 acres.

The annual reunion will be held at arbor hall next week Friday evening. Banquet at Freeman house and reception as usual.

Children's day exercises were held at the M. E. church Sunday morning. Cap. K. P. Yellen was present and gave a pleasant talk.

A heavy thunder storm passed over here Sunday forenoon and four head of cattle belonging to Elwin English were killed by lightning in Mrs. Logan-Freeman's field.

Mr. Ralph Collarore of Detroit is visiting S. R. Palmer's.

Miss Mary Walker spent Sunday with Mr. & Mrs. Palmer.

Oscar and Lois Lowry drove to Ann Arbor Wednesday to visit their brother.

Miss Agnes Schable and Emma Frey of Manchester visited here on Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. Cory of Brooklyn was the guest of Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Cole the past week.

Mr. & Mrs. Cole are visiting Mr. & Mrs. Chase.

Mr. L. E. Cole has the new fence completed in front of his residence and it makes a very neat appearance.

The village was closed on Friday with a great many people who were well attended and appreciated by those present.

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Becker returned home Monday after a week visit with relatives in Caro and Highland.

Miss Jessie Fay is spending the week with old schoolmates and friends at Hillside.

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