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This Week the Fair. Everybody is Invited

HARVEST TIME IS UPON US!

"Whatsoever you have sown, that will you also reap"

Have you, or are you investigating

A Safe Place
to deposit
The Harvestings?

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Deposits are secured against loss from every cause whatsoever in

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McLEAN, TEXAS

Gray County Fair Will Open Today

The McLean News comes out one day ahead of time this week in order to greet the visitors to the 1911 meet of the Gray County and McLean Country Fair. All things are ready and a fair that will rival any county exhibition in the state is now open. The many exhibits of different kinds are being placed and all the big amusements and other concessions will open with a grand rush.

On behalf of the citizens of McLean and vicinity we hereby extend to the visitors a hearty welcome and have only

to say that the fair is yours. Make yourself at home in the midst of it and let joy and pleasure be unconfined. If there is anything resulting from our efforts to add to your pleasure we are glad. If there is anything lacking we beg to assure you that it was not the intention of the fair promoters that it should be so. We want a successful fair and one that will be remembered as having entirely fulfilled its two fold mission—an educational enterprise as well as a medium of pleasure.

The program for the different

days will be posted and also published in this issue and while neither the number of amusements nor the size of the premiums are as large as we had hoped, yet they will serve as a diversion and it is hoped there will be no hitch in the schedule.

A campaign will be inaugurated during the three days of the fair to secure funds for the defraying of the expenses of sending the big exhibit to the Dallas fair where we have hope of making an unusually attractive display. A booth in the agricultural building measuring sixteen by twenty-five feet—one of the best in the building—has been secured and if we can carry a big exhibit of our varied products we will stand an excellent show of getting one of the big county exhibit premiums. This will be of great value as an advertising medium for this great section.

If you have the opportunity do not fail to donate to this fund as it is a matter of the utmost importance.

Another plan has been suggested and will doubtless be carried out that promises to be the best advertising "stunt" of the age. When the exhibits have been placed in the car the balance of the available space will be filled with the famous Alabama Sweet melons. These will be cut in slices and handed out to the Dallas Fair visitors, each slice being labelled with a card telling where they grew and how many cars were shipped from this section this year.

A. B. Gardenhire has volunteered to furnish the melons free of charge and in this manner the expense of the project will be very small. The McLean country has a great future if the outside world were only informed of the fact and it is our business—our duty—to inform them. Let us get busy.

The Requirements.

The premium list in full is given below and every body is requested to clip it out and read it over carefully, saving it for reference. Rules and regulations are not included in the announcement, but those generally employed at fairs of this kind will be followed. All entries in the agricultural department, the textile and culinary departments must be made not later than 10 a. m. Thursday, the opening day of the fair. A. G. Richardson will have charge of the agricultural department and will book all entries. Textile and culinary entries can be made at the ladies rest room, where these displays will be held.

Entries in the livestock department will be looked after by J. L. Crabtree, and it has been decided, on account of the lack of stalls, to receive any entries in this department up to the time of judging. The judging of livestock will be as follows:

Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, all horses, mules, etc. Friday morning at 10 o'clock, all cattle. Friday afternoon at three o'clock, all hogs. Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, all poultry.

The poultry department will be in charge of W. W. Overton, who will book all entries.

Judging in the agricultural department will take place at

10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Competent judges will be selected for every department and no one having entries in any department will be allowed to qualify as judge in that department.

All the cash premiums will be paid in full as soon as the awards can be checked over and the vouchers made out. Stalls for livestock will be awarded to the first that apply as long as they last.

Ten per cent of the premium offered on all classes of livestock and poultry will be charged for entry.

The premium list follows:

Farm Products.

10 ears corn, any variety	\$5 00	\$2 50
Single ear corn	2 00	1 00
Peck shelled corn	2 00	1 00
50 bolls cotton	3 00	2 00
3 stalks cotton	3 00	2 00
Peck wheat, any variety	1 00	50
1 dozen stalks corn	1 00	50
3 sheaves oats	1 00	50
Peck oats	1 00	50
3 sheaves rye	1 00	50
Peck rye	1 00	50
Peck speltz	1 00	50
12 stalks broom corn	1 00	50
Peck alfalfa seed	1 00	50
Peck sorghum seed	1 00	50
Peck millet seed	1 00	50
10 heads red maize	1 00	50
10 heads white maize	1 00	50
1 bushel thrashed maize	1 00	50
10 heads white kafir	1 00	50
10 heads red kafir	1 00	50
1 bushel thrashed kafir	1 00	50
Bale alfalfa hay	1 00	50
Bale sorghum hay	1 00	50
Bale native hay	1 00	50
Bale cowpea hay	1 00	50
Bale thrashed peanut hay	1 00	50
Peck Spanish peanuts	1 00	50
Peck peanuts, any variety	1 00	50

Fruit.

Plate apples, any variety	1 00	50
Plate pears, any variety	1 00	50
Display peaches, conserved	1 00	50
75 cents first and 25 cents second on the best display of each of the following: Plums, grapes, apricots, cherries, dewberries, blackberries, strawberries and nectarines.		

Vegetables.

Peck Irish potatoes	1 00	50
10 pumpkin yams	1 00	50
10 white yams	1 00	50
Biggest sweet potato	1 00	50
10 sugar beets	1 00	50
10 beets, any variety	1 00	50
Gallon string beans	75	25
Gallon dry beans	75	25
Dozen carrots	75	25
Dozen parsnips	75	25
6 egg plants	75	25
Dozen tomatoes	75	25
Display roasting ears	75	25
2 heads cabbage	1 00	50
2 heads cauliflower	75	25
Dozen radishes	75	25
1 bunches celery	75	25
Winter squash	75	25
Winter cantaloupe	75	25
Cashaw	1 00	50
Pumpkin	1 00	50
Watermelon	1 00	50
Alabama Sweet	1 00	50
2 cantaloupes	1 00	50
Peck onions	1 00	50
Peck turnips	1 00	50
5 specimens gourds	75	25
Peck cowpeas	75	25
10 stalks sorghum	75	25
1 gallon sorghum syrup	75	25
1 gallon grape wine	75	25
1 gallon fruit vinegar	75	25

Culinary.

75 cent for first and 25 cents for second on each of the following:
Loaf light bread, half dozen biscuits, half dozen rolls, half dozen teacakes, pound cake, fruit cake, layer cake, sponge cake, brandy peaches, pickled cucumbers, pickled onions, chow-chow, mixed pickles, green tomato catsup, peach sweet pickles, strawberry preserves, plum preserves, peach preserves, apple preserves, tomato preserves, blackberry jam, blackberry jelly, plum jelly, apple jelly, mince meat.

Textile.

75 cents for first and 25 cents for second on each of the following:
Pencil drawing, painting in oil,

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of the business interests of McLean

American State Bank

painting in water, display of six button holes, specimen machine work, specimen hand work, embroidered initials, specimen hemstitching, Mexican drawn work, lace, Irish crochet, embroidery, knitting, quilt, crochet, darning specimen and kitchen apron.

Horses and Mules.

Draft stallion, any age	\$7 50	\$2 50
Saddle stallion, any age	7 50	2 50
Harness stallion, any age	7 50	2 50
Brood mare with colt	4 00	2 00
Draft team	4 00	2 00
Span mules	4 00	2 00
Single driver	4 00	2 00
Double driving team	4 00	2 00
Saddle horse or mare	4 00	2 00
Two-year-old, either sex	3 00	1 50
sucking colt, either sex	3 00	1 50

Cattle.

Hereford bull, any age	7 00	2 00
Shorthorn bull, any age	7 00	2 00
Jersey bull, any age	4 00	1 50
Hereford cow, any age	4 00	2 00
Shorthorn cow, any age	4 00	2 00
Jersey cow, any age	4 00	2 00
Heifer calf, any breed	3 00	1 50
Male calf, any breed	3 00	1 50

Hogs.

Boar, any age or breed	3 00	2 00
Sow, any age or breed	3 00	2 00

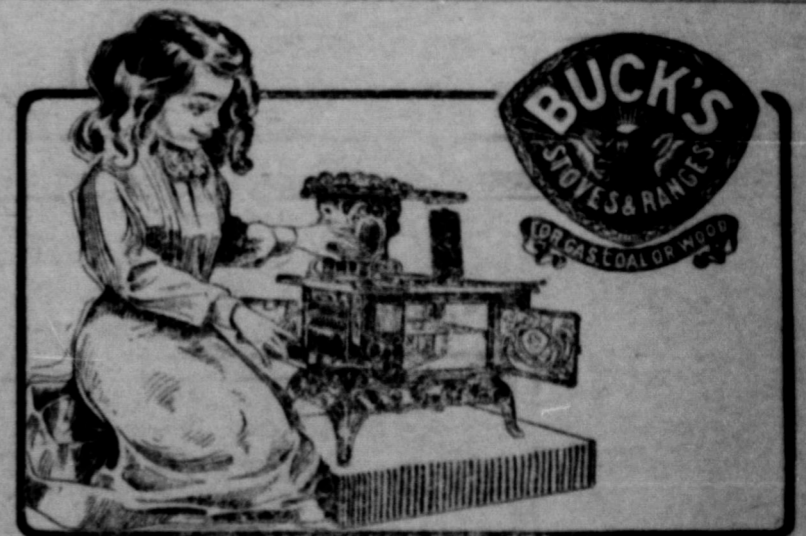
Pair Durocs	3 00	2 00
Pair Berkshires	3 00	2 00
Pair Poland Chinas	3 00	2 00

Poultry.

Rhode Island Red rooster	1 00	50
Rhode Island Red trio	1 00	50
Barred Rock rooster	1 00	50
Barred Rock trio	1 00	50
Buff Wyandotte rooster	1 00	50
Buff Wyandotte trio	1 00	50
Black Minorca rooster	1 00	50
Black Minorca trio	1 00	50
Buff Cochon rooster	1 00	50
Buff Cochon trio	1 00	50
Brown Leghorn rooster	1 00	50
Brown Leghorn trio	1 00	50
White Leghorn rooster	1 00	50
White Leghorn trio	1 00	50
White Wyandotte rooster	1 00	50
White Wyandotte trio	1 00	50

Specials.

Ladies nail driving contest, handsome hand bag—Bassel & Wise.
Ladies sawing contest, \$2 in trade—Mrs. J. B. Paschall.
Fat ladies race, \$2 in trade—Mrs. N. T. Hodges.
Best laugh, \$5—Joe Clark and D. J. Rowden.
Best colt from Star State, free season in 1912—Joe Clark.
Best colt from Ben Hur, free season in 1912—Joe Clark.



A "Buck's" Junior Range Free!

On December the 9th, 1911, we are going to give absolutely free to some little girl under fourteen years of age, a little "Buck's" Junior Range. A real, sure enough Range—just like "Buck's" splendid big Range only small enough for little girls.

We've a puzzle for you to solve, it's waiting here at our store for you—So come now every little girl under fourteen years of age, and get your puzzle. Some little girl in this community will be the lucky little miss. Why not let that little Miss be you. We want all the girls to try.

McLean Hardware Company



Can't Stand The Pressure

No use sitting around thinking about it. Your old corn cribs simply won't stand the pressure any longer. You've put it off too long already. A new crib you must have, and you might as well make up your mind right now that you've got to build—and that mighty soon.

We call your attention to cribs this week because we have a particularly fine stock of bone-dry cribbing material, on which we are making very attractive prices.

You'll find our prices on all lumber satisfactory.

Western Lumber Company



SHAKE?

Oxidine is not only the quickest, safest, and surest remedy for Chills and Fever, but a most dependable tonic in all malarial diseases.

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LOT WAS IMPROVED.



Forebodings. Webster had made his great speech in reply to Hayne.

"Some day, I suppose," he mused, "it will devolve upon Henery Cabot Lodge or Winthrop Crane to squelch Ben Tillman, and I'm not so blamed sure they can do it!"

Lingering. "Did you have a trial before you hanged that horse thief?" "We sure did," replied Plute Peta. "He was a mighty bad man, and we wanted to give him all the unpleasant suspense possible."

A mule seldom kicks without cause, but a man is different.

The Flavour of Post Toasties

Is so distinctly pleasing that it has won the liking of both young and old who never before cared much for cereal food of any kind.

Served direct from the package—crisp and fresh, and—

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WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Great Expense of White House Upkeep



WASHINGTON—More than \$50,000 was spent on the White House in the last fiscal year by the government in fuel, light and repairs, according to the annual report of Col. Spencer Cosby. The executive mansion is the principal building of the department of public buildings and grounds, and is practically the only building of any size that comes directly under the head of the superintendent of public buildings and grounds.

In the year repairs were made to elevators, vestibule, and roof, and the general appearance of the building was kept up. To do this required the services of about 100 men. A new system of lightning protection was installed in July, 1910, the work being done under contract. The old zinc and lead rods were removed from the roof and new copper cable was connected to 100 points on the roof of the house. The rods and points were mechanically connected to the house. A silver closet, with double steel doors and a complete set of shelves and cupboards, was built in one end of the storeroom on the ground floor. A new telephone system was installed, and the furniture throughout the house was repainted or rubbed down while the president was at Beverly.

Queer Features of the New Game Laws

THE game laws for 1911 as compiled by the Biological Survey of the Department of Agriculture make interesting and sometimes odd reading. There is a demand for the information they contain which it is laborious to supply in a compendious form. The volume of the game legislation of 1911 so exceeded that of any preceding year that even to note changes in the laws is quite an undertaking. All but eight of the states put new game laws on the statute books this year.

Delaware forbade the use of dogs wearing bells or other noise producing devices in wild fowl shooting. North Dakota the use of automobiles in duck shooting, and Michigan the employment of guinea pigs in hunting rabbits. New Hampshire has prohibited "the scientific collecting" of birds. Tennessee is one of those southern states that have come under the benign influence of the Audubon society. It has made the sale or shipment of robins a misdemeanor. Michigan seems to have removed all protection of deer in several counties; the editors of "Game Laws for 1911" think it was not the design of the lawmakers.

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Not the least part of the work of the office of public buildings and grounds was the part taken in social functions. During the year the office worked on four state dinners, ten small dinners, four musicales, two dances, two balls, four garden parties, and the president's silver wedding anniversary. At each of these functions the office was required to see that proper decorations were in order and to provide additional help to carry the affair to a success.

Five hundred dollars was paid for telegraph connections between the executive offices and the Capitol and the public printing office. The monument and wharf at Wakefield, Va., the birthplace of George Washington, also come under the head of public buildings and grounds, and a watchman is employed the year round to see that the grounds are kept in repair. Repairs to the grounds during the year cost \$4425. The house where Abraham Lincoln died, in Tenth street, between E and F street northwest, also is kept up by the government, and \$182.34 was expended during the fiscal year in repairs.

GAME LAWS



ers and that a mistake crept into the game code.

Vermont pleased the sportsmen when it barred claims of damages to the crops of landowners who "post" their property. Vermont also abolished the alien license, and in West Virginia and Delaware the resident need no longer take out a license to hunt any game. It is astonishing to learn by inference that Massachusetts expects to number wild turkeys among its game birds. They are growing very scarce, even in Virginia. Nebraska now allows boys under 18 to hunt without a license if accompanied by parent or guardian. Idaho exempts veterans of the Civil war from "license requirements." A bear license is now necessary in Wyoming. It has been the fashion to pay a liberal bounty for bruis'n pelts.

Two "Widows" of Soldier File Claims



TWO women, each claiming to be his widow, and both living in Los Angeles, Cal., have filed claims through Philander C. Knox, secretary of state, for indemnity for the murder of Dr. Arthur Livingston Wilson Foster, at Alamo, Mexico. In June, one of the women, Mrs. A. L. W. Foster, has filed her claim through Dr. Foster's stepfather, Colonel Foster of Newark, N. J. The other, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Woods, has lodged her claim through her attorney, E. E. Kirk, for \$100,000. Mrs. A. W. L. Foster claims she was married to Dr. Foster shortly after he graduated from Hahnemann college, in Philadelphia, and that they lived together until 1901, when they went to California. There Dr. Foster met Mrs. Woods and spent some time with her, though he never sought a divorce and was never legally married to the woman. Later he returned

home and lived with his wife and two daughters until he left for Ensenada, Lower California.

On the trip that ended in his murder, the Woods woman, it is understood, followed him into Mexico and was living with him near Alamo at the time he and three other Americans were slain in a most heartless manner. Until the time of the murder and the filing of double claims Dr. Foster's relatives in the east knew nothing of the kind of life he was leading in the west.

The summary arrest and almost immediate killing of Dr. Foster and three other Americans named Duphois, Carroll and Patrick Brennan, has led to a situation that presages a bitter fight in Washington. Dr. Foster and the three other Americans were in prison at Alamo and the doctor was compelled to treat he wounded brought to that city. Among others he dressed the wounds of Gen. Simon Berthold, of the rebel army. Later he was ordered shot by General Verga and was killed while riding on horseback to what he was told was another prison. All four men were shot in the back and thrown into a shallow hole and covered with rubbish.

Army is Given Praise for Temperance

THE standard of temperance in the army, for both officers and men, is exceptionally high, and is not exceeded in the other walks of life, unless in the church and among railroad employees," says Major General Frederick D. Grant in a report to the War Department. "While the soldier makes a favorable showing in this connection, in comparison with men in other vocations, General Grant, as commander of the department of the east during the last fiscal year, found nevertheless that the chief cause of court-martial trials was indulgence in alcoholic drinks. There was a remarkable decrease, he adds, in the number of trials by military courts in the department last year as compared with the previous 12 months.

Army surgeons are urging the war department to act with greater promptness in discharging soldiers for physical disability, instead of trying to patch up worthless men for duty which they cannot properly perform. The chief surgeon of the department of the east has called attention to some specific instances where soldiers transferred to hospital units with



a view to their discharge had been held under observation and treatment for several months.

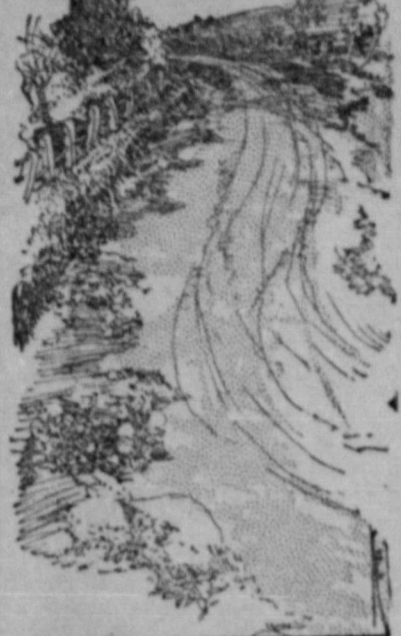
"One case," he says, "diagnosed 'neuritis' remained 213 days; another 'united fracture,' 161 days; still another 'hammer toes,' 123 days. When it is recalled that these men were probably on sick report at their posts an average of 90 days before being recommended for discharge, it is reasonable to estimate that the government lost by the present plan with these cases alone the equivalent of the services of an effective soldier for more than an entire enlistment.

"The army is neither an eugenics laboratory nor a place for the physically inefficient, and such should not be kept in it to the exclusion of fit soldiers."

The Onlooker

by WILBUR D. NESBIT

The Road that Ran Away



The little road lay by the brook Where drooping branches hung a shade; It loafed beside the leafy nook Where butterflies in summer played; It crept along among the fields Where birds sang welcomes to the morn And where, proud with its clashing shields, There stood the army of the corn.

The little road roamed idly on Across the valley sweet the dew, Until the silver sky of dawn Changed into one of deepest blue; The rugged cliffs forgot to frown Upon the little road that wound Around them to the little town— The solemn cliffs asked: "Whither bound?"

It rambled through the village street Where swaying fences hemmed it in— The roses, tremulous and sweet Asked what the goal it thought to win— But on the little road now used to know With newer dreams and never will Until at last well nigh forgot, It climbed atop the highest hill.

And then it ran away! It ran To where there glomed the city's smoke; It heard the rumble of the van, It heard the hammer, stroke on stroke; And now the little road was seized, Was curbed, and held, and fashioned As straight— Ah, it recalled the breeze that teased The roses at the swaying gate!

And it remembered all the nooks Where lazy trees through drooping bent, listening to little brooks That lulled the flowers with their croons; And it thought of the popples hold That hung their banners in the wheat— Now it was firmly in the hold Of city wall and city street.

And day and night and night and day It heard the roses calling low; From far and far and far away Called all the joys it used to know; The grass that bothered it one time Called to the road that it came home And find the hills it used to climb Before it thought that it must roam.

POPULAR GAME.

"Phwhere hov yez been this avin'?" asks O'Tunder of O'Toole. "Sure, I've been playin' Bridget whist. 'Tis a foine game, it is." "Bridget whist? An' how do yez play thot?" "I sit in the kitchen wid Bridget an' ate pie an' cake an' chicken an' whin Bridget bears th' misus comin' she says 'Whist! an' I hide in th' pantry.'"

Not Prepaid. "I," said the eminent lecturer, politician, candidate, and magazine writer, after half an hour of glowing eloquence, "I cannot help but believe that I have a message for the world, and—"

"And you are delivering it collect!" Interrupted a man with a peaked nose and sharp eyes, who sat somewhere in the middle of the house.

The Course of Sprouts. "It is asserted," says the visitor to Experience, "that you are a dear teacher."

"And so I am," explains Experience, "except to those who do not learn their lesson well and have to come to me for a post graduate course."

Candor. "Do you know, when we went into the conservatory I was afraid you would propose to me?" "How odd! I meant to, but I was afraid you would accept me."

Melba Nesbit.

A TRAIN LOAD OF TOBACCO

Twenty-four Carloads Purchased for Lewis' Single Binder Cigar Factory.

What is probably the biggest lot of all fancy grade tobacco held by any factory in the United States has just been purchased by Frank P. Lewis, of Peoria, for the manufacture of Lewis' Single Binder Cigars. The lot will include twenty-four carloads, and is expected from what is considered by experts to be the finest crop raised in many years. The purchase of tobacco is sufficient to last the factory more than two years. An extra price was paid for the selection. Smokers of Lewis' Single Binder Cigars will appreciate this tobacco.

—Peoria Star, January 16, 1909.

An Unsleeping Youth. "What business do you think your son will adopt?" "Can't say," replied Farmer Corn-tassel, "but judging by the hours Josh keeps, I should say he was naturally cut out to be a milkman."

Proper Treatment. "I have a terrible cold," he complained. "My head feels all stopped up." "Have you tried a vacuum cleaner?" she queried sweetly.—Judge.

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The Woman's Tonic

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Helen of Troy

FAMOUS Parisian collection is the author of this home, which by the woman by several of them is a forthcoming American. The band is of green.

FOR SMALL GIRLS

Effective Dress

A simple but effective dress by a young girl striped blue and white with a tunic bound with red belt embroidered with blue chenille, a full bodied skirt hidden by an old-fashioned bodiced white muslin, and with plaited ends of the bodiced muslin, the white an upstanding crown blue tulips set up against blue foulards with la spots and a great deal of garden parties, in deep sailor collar of the with soft blue silk.

Mating Rugs

When purchasing matting rugs extra, with summer rugs. You can place into desired lot let them neatly on the rug out the straw to several inches and try.

Motor Bonnet

New motor bonnets are made of wide and narrow ribbons. These are put on the motor which is a combination of white ribbons and white ribbon. The trills are in black and white ribbon. The trills are in black and white ribbon. The trills are in black and white ribbon.

Helen of Troy Head-Dress



Photograph by Underwood & Underwood, N. Y.

A FAMOUS Parisian coiffeur artist is the author of this head adornment, which, by the way, will be worn by several of the beauties in a forthcoming American production. The band is of green velvet with

a long, dull gold fringe. It is very effective where the wearer is possessed of classic features. According to fashion reports, it will be very popular this winter, though not suitable to all.

FOR SMALL GIRL



This pretty dress is made up in flannel in a light shade of blue. The full bodice has a little square yoke embroidered with shades of brown, green or blue silk, the waistband and cuffs being embroidered to match.

The full gathered skirt has two tucks made above the hem; it is sewn to the same band as bodice, and both fasten at back.

Material required. Three yards thirty-four inches wide.

Effective Dress.

A simple but effective dress worn recently by a young girl is a broad striped blue and white cotton, made with a tunic bound with blue, a narrow belt embroidered with currant-stained chenille, a full bodice, pretty well hidden by an old-fashioned embroidered white muslin collar, covering the shoulders, and made in front with plaited ends of the same embroidered muslin, the white hat having an upstanding crown, white and blue tulips set up against it.

Blue foulards with large lozenge spots and a great deal of favor for girls at garden parties, made with the deep sailor collar of the same, bound with soft blue silk.

Matting Rugs.

When purchasing matting get several yards extra, with which to make summer rugs. You can cut this extra place into desired lengths and finish them neatly on the edges by pulling out the straws to the depth of several inches and tying up the ends.

Rugs protect the floor coverings as well as heavier ones and the advantage of being without fringes is easily cleaned.

Motor Bonnets.

New motor bonnets are made up entirely of wide and narrow plaited ribbons. These are put on a thin gauze foundation which is stiffened with wire. The fringe is often made of black and white ribbon and held in place around the middle of the bonnet by a two-inch band of black velvet. There is a favorite color for summer and stone gray has proved popular.

HAVE YOU SUSPECTED YOUR KIDNEYS?

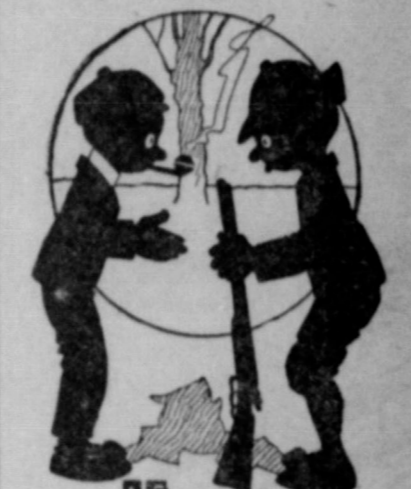
Thousands suffer from backache, headache, dizziness and weariness without suspecting their kidneys.

Mrs. Joseph Gross, Church St., Morrilton, Ark., says: "For weeks I was all doubled over with pain. I became so dizzy I had to grasp something to keep from falling and my ankles were swollen to nearly twice their natural size. None of the doctors understood my case and I felt myself sinking lower day by day. I improved rapidly through the use of Doan's Kidney Pills and at last was entirely cured."

"When Your Back is Lame, Remember the Name—DOAN'S."

For sale by druggists and general storekeepers everywhere. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

ADDED 'EM UP.



Hix—You said your gun would shoot 900 yards.

Dix—I know I did.

Hix—It's marked to shoot only 450 yards.

Dix—I know, but there are two barrels.

PHYSICIAN SAID ECZEMA CAME FROM TEETHING

"When my little girl was about eight months old, she was taken with a very irritating breaking out, which came on her face, neck and back. When she first came down with it, it came in little watery-like festers under her eyes, and on her chin, then after a few days it would dry down in scaly, white scabs. In the daytime she was quite worrisome and would dig and scratch her face nearly all the time.

"I consulted our physician and found she was suffering from eczema, which he said came from her teething. I used the ointment he gave me and without any relief at all. Then I wrote for a book on Cuticura, and purchased some Cuticura Soap and Ointment at the drug store. I did as I found directions in the Cuticura Booklet, and when she was one year old, she was entirely cured. Now she is three years and four months, and she has never been troubled with eczema since she was cured by the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. (Signed) Mrs. Freeman Craver, 311 Lewis St., Syracuse, N. Y., May 6, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 2 K, Boston.

GOOD TO LEAVE HAIR ALONE

Rarely Does it Pay to Seek to Improve on What Nature Has

After all, I would advise no one to change the color of the hair, though it be as black as Erebus. Nature gives each face the framework most suitable to it. She never needs correction on that point.

Why not dress the hair to suit the face, no matter what is the prevailing fashion?

Hair should be allowed to grow gray naturally. All dyes destroy the beauty and color of the hair. Let us gracefully accept the snowy locks of age. They harmonize with the face which has been changed by time and sorrow. Many faces are softened and beautified by white hair. It is more graceful and dignified not to attempt to repair the ravages of time—Exchange.

Street Dresses Featured.

Dresses of blue serge can practically be considered staple merchandise, as they are usually in good demand for general wear, says the Drygoods Economist. This season they will be especially favored and are being featured with bright-colored trimmings and white. The blue and white combination has been particularly popular in Paris, and manufacturers who have several models showing the white or blue and white trimmings anticipate they will take well with the trade, judging from the orders already placed.

The Frill Jabot.

One of the latest novelties from Paris is the frill jabot of plaited muslin, in which a plaited piece of material about twelve inches long is caught together in the center with a strip of muslin and pinned at the front of the lace collar, forming a semi-circle or spreading fan-shaped jabot. Another new jabot which is very striking has the lower edges graduated by being cut obliquely. This is made of marquisette with insertions and zig-zag valencienness or cluny lace being a hint of color is introduced.

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GREAT TRUTH IN EPIGRAM

Few Words of the Late Edwin A. Abbey Contain a Whole Sermon to Misers.

"The late Edwin A. Abbey, the American painter who lived in London, was only comfortably off, where as he might have been rich."

"The speaker, a Chicago art dealer, had just returned from Europe. He continued:

"I dined one evening with Abbey in his house in Chelsea, and after dinner we walked in the blue twilight on the Chelsea embankment.

"As we passed Old Swan House and Clock House, and the other superb residences that front the river, I reproached Abbey for his extravagance.

"Why," I said, pointing toward Clock House, "if you had saved your money, you might be living in a palace like that today."

"But Abbey, with a laugh, rather got the better of me. He rattled off this epigram—and it's an epigram I'll always remember when I'm tempted to be parsimonious:

"Some folks," he said, "are so busy putting something by for a rainy day that they get little or no good out of pleasant weather."

Diary of a Fly-Killer.

Monday—My attention was called last night to a statement that house flies are bearers of disease and should be destroyed as soon as possible. I began my crusade against them this morning. It was a little discouraging, because there was only one fly in the house and it was quite agile. It escaped me. I broke two vases and a photograph frame.

Tuesday—I nearly killed three flies this afternoon, but the lamp got in the way. It was a \$7 lamp.

Wednesday—I saw a fly on the outside of the fly screen and raised the screen so I could hit it. Seventeen flies flew in. I missed it.

Thursday—There was a sluggish-looking fly on the window with closed wings. It stole toward it cautiously, but it flew up just as I let the blow fall. Then I knew it wasn't a fly. It was a wasp. My nose began to swell at once.

Friday—My nose is a sight. Drat the flies.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Left Him Far Behind.

Childish standards of greatness are interesting—perhaps because they are at once so like yet so unlike the standards of grown folk. Many an adult, for instance, has been proud with no more reasonable basis than that which little Johnnie displayed in attempting to "top" the boasting of a juvenile comrade.

"I've got a real railroad train, with an engine that goes, an' a real, live pony, an' a really, truly gun, an'—"

"That's nothing!" interrupted the lad's disgusted listener. "Once I knew a boy that sat up until 11 o'clock twice in one week!"

He Knew Jim.

Jim had made an unsuccessful attempt to conquer the world and came back to the Tennessee town dirty, worn out and hungry.

"Uncle John," he said melodramatically, "I came home to die."

"No, doc, gash you," said unsympathetic Uncle John, "you came home to eat."—Success Magazine.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* in Use For Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

In Seclusion.

"Is your mistress at home?"

"Are you the manicure lady?"

"No, indeed!"

"Then she ain't at home, mum."

Friendship is the flower of a moment, and the fruit of time.—Kotzebue.

Sooner or later most of us get what we deserve.

Wifely Sarcaam.

"I hear they are wearing nothing but old clothes at Plunkville-under-the-Peak. That's the place for you to go, wife."

"Yes. I can take seven trunks of old clothes. If old clothes are the racket, I can make a splurge."

If you wish beautiful, clear, white clothes, use Red Cross Ball Blue. At all good grocers.

Being a vice-president is almost as unimportant as being the bridegroom at a church wedding.

Pleasant, Refreshing, Beneficial, Gentle and Effective.

NOTE THE NAME

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. In the Circle, on every Package of the Genuine.

DO NOT LET ANY DEALER DECEIVE YOU.

SYRUP OF FIGS AND ELIXIR OF SENNA HAS GIVEN UNIVERSAL SATISFACTION FOR MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS PAST, AND ITS WONDERFUL SUCCESS HAS LED UNSCRUPULOUS MANUFACTURERS OF IMITATIONS TO OFFER INFERIOR PREPARATIONS UNDER SIMILAR NAMES AND COSTING THE DEALER LESS THEREFORE, WHEN BUYING,

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PRINTED STRAIGHT ACROSS, NEAR THE BOTTOM, AND IN THE CIRCLE, NEAR THE TOP OF EVERY PACKAGE, OF THE GENUINE. REGULAR PRICE 80c PER BOTTLE, ONE SIZE ONLY, FOR SALE BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS.

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CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.

W. L. DOUGLAS

\$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 & \$4.00 SHOES

WOMEN wear W.L. Douglas stylish, perfect fitting, easy walking boots, because they give long wear, same as W.L. Douglas Men's shoes.

THE STANDARD OF QUALITY FOR OVER 30 YEARS

The workmanship which has made W.L. Douglas shoes famous the world over is maintained in every pair.

If I could take you into my large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you how carefully W.L. Douglas shoes are made, you would then understand why they are warranted to hold their shape, fit better and wear longer than any other make for the price.

CAUTION The genuine have W. L. Douglas name and price stamped on bottom.

If you cannot obtain W. L. Douglas shoes in your town, write for catalog. Shoes sent direct from factory in wrapper, all charges prepaid. W. L. DOUGLAS, 145 Spark St., Brockton, Mass. TWO PAIRS of ordinary boys' shoes

When Building Church, School or Theater or reseating same, write for Catalog X9, mentioning class of building. Dealers, write for agency proposition. Everything in Blackboards and School Supplies. Ask for Catalog 59. AMERICAN SEATING COMPANY, 218 So. Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

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NO CURE NO PAY A Fine General Tonic. Contains no arsenic or other poisons. Leaves no bad effects like quinine. If your Druggist or Merchant can't supply it, write to ARTHUR PETER & CO., Gen. Agts, Louisville, Ky. NO CURE NO PAY

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One lb. package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without ripping apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. MONROE DRUG COMPANY, Quincy, Ill.

You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzled, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR DRESSING. PRICE, 50c, 1.00, 2.00.

By A. G. RICHARDSON

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One Year \$1.00

Entered as second-class mail matter May 8, 1905, at the postoffice at McLean, Texas, under the Act of Congress.

PROGRAM

The following is merely the outline of the program and may be changed, or rather, added to. The hours set for judging the different departments and the ladies contests will not be changed:

THURSDAY

10 a. m.—Judging agricultural exhibits.
11 a. m.—Ladies Nail Driving contest.
11:30 a. m.—Ladies Sawing Contest.

AFTERNOON

2:00 p. m.—Foot race, 100 yards, free for all.
3:00 p. m.—Judging horses, mules, etc.
4:00 p. m.—Baseball game.

FRIDAY

10 a. m.—Judging cattle.
11 a. m.—Hobble Skirt Race.
11:30 a. m.—Fat Ladie's Race.

AFTERNOON

2:00 p. m.—Potato race on horseback.
3:00 p. m.—Judging hogs.
4:00 p. m.—Baseball Game.

SATURDAY

10 a. m.—Judging Poultry.
11 a. m. Ladies Horseback Contest.
11:30 a. m.—Ladies Throwing Contest.

AFTERNOON.

Turnament, races, ball game, etc.
Steam swing, moving picture show and other attractions open morning, afternoon and evening.

Since going to press with the first page we have secured the following additions to the premium list:

Horses—For the best general utility horse or mare, any age, \$5.00 first, and \$2.50 second.

As a premium in the ladies riding contest John B. Vannoy offers a half dozen cabinet folder photographs.

As a premium for the ladies throwing contest S. O. Cook has offered a beautiful cut glass water set.

To the lady who secures the largest sum of money to help defray the expense of taking the exhibit to the Dallas Fair the Association will give the following premiums:

FIRST—Choice between a handsome silver mounted ladies toilet set and a beautiful gold bracelet.

SECOND—Choice between a pair of solid gold cuff buttons, a solid gold stick pin or a solid signet ring.

This contest is open to any lady above the age of twelve. Funds for the purpose stated can be secured by subscription or otherwise. The premiums offered can be seen at the Vannoy jewelry store—in the display window.

The contest will close Saturday afternoon at four o'clock and committee will award the prizes.

TEXAS NEEDS
GREAT MEN

V. PROGRESS.

GREEK civilization gave us the arch and made it possible to build structures that support great weights. The Phoenicians made the first boat and the Harbor of Phoenicia became the birthplace of the navy of the world. Since the beginning of creation, we have depended upon men who can build for our progress. We need in State government builders who can construct an arch strong enough to support the ponderous machinery of Twentieth Century civilization and create conditions that will make Texas the birthplace of the world's progress.



THE BIRTHPLACE OF PROGRESS.

Nature has given Texas the framework of a magnificent civilization and poured the riches of the universe at her feet. Our rivers, lakes, valleys and hills are a triumph in creation. God has done everything He could for Texas and we now await the master hand of government to awaken to vigorous activity the wealth, talent and enterprise of the people and to raise our civilization to magnificent heights of progress and bring glory and renown to our citizenship. Texas needs great men.

A full line of perfumery—Janice, Locust Blossom, Ascension Lilly, American Beauty, Carnation Pink, White Rose and Royal Cherry Buds. Arthur Erwin.

Miss Mary Grundy left the first of the week for Ramsdell where she goes to teach in the public school. Miss Grundy graduated from the local high school last spring and then took a special course at the Normal at Canyon, from which institution she received her certificate.

If it happened it is in the News.

Hiskamp's
Calendar
Shoes



These shoes represent the newest and best in footwear. Instead of buying \$5 and \$6 shoes get Calendar Shoes at \$3.00 and \$3.50 for ladies, \$4.00 for men. They are stylish, comfortable, serviceable. They are built to give \$1.50 worth of wear for every \$1.00 you spend. Every pair has a calendar attached. The idea is to mark the day you start to wear Calendar Shoes—when you are worn out you will find that you have had more wear than you ever had from any shoes you ever bought.

For Sale by
Bassel & Wise

Mother's Club.

A very interesting meeting of the Mothers' Co-operative Club of the McLean School was held at the school building last Friday afternoon at four o'clock, at which time considerable business of importance was transacted. By vote of those present it was decided to levy an assessment of twenty-five cents per year for each member, which is payable in advance. It was also decided that the regular meetings be held every fourth Friday afternoon, the next one occurring on the third Friday afternoon in October.

Prof. W. E. O'Neal made a short talk in which he gave many valuable suggestions for the operating of the club in a manner that the greatest possible good might be accomplished. The gentleman is very enthusiastic for the upbuilding of the local school and it was at his suggestion that the club was formed.

There were quite a few members enrolled at this meeting

Furniture For Sale

One piece or the whole stock. It is cheap but good. Come and get it.

J. A. GRUNDY.

A New Photographer

After July 12th I shall take charge of the Photo Studio, and will continue to use the same class of materials and charge the same prices for work as is charged here now but I will make you a better photograph than you have ever had made at McLean before. Call and see for your self.

John B. Vannoy

DRAGHON'S Business College

More BANKERS indorse DRAGHON'S Colleges than indorse all other business colleges COMBINED.
POSITIONS. Draughon gives contracts, backed by a chain of 48 Colleges, \$50,000.00 capital, and 22 years' success, to secure POSITIONS under reasonable conditions or REFUND tuition.
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CATALOGUE. Asking for FREE College Catalogue or Catalogue on Lessons BY MAIL will NOT obligate you. Write TODAY. Address 250 E. DRAGHON, President, Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Galveston, Abilene, Austin, San Antonio, Amarillo, Denison, El Paso, or Texarkana, Texas, or Nashville Tenn.

Listen to Me

If you have anything to sell or want to buy anything in the way of real estate or town property see

J. L. Crabtree & Co.

Nine Years at McLean, Texas

ALL PURPOSE RIGS

We are equipped to furnish you a rig for any purpose. New buggies and good horses. We are in the livery business to please.

CRABTREE LIVERY BARN

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Neat and stylish rigs to let at reasonable prices. Call on us (at the old Voyles barn) when in need of our services.

Phone 29

McLean, Texas

WE WELCOME YOU

While you are in the city to visit the fair drop in and make us a call. Plenty of seats to rest you and plenty of ice water to drink. We want you to see our big stock of everything for the home.

C. A. Cash & Son



Sawee-Sawee

Once a poor heathen Chinese tried with a poor saw to saw-ee. Now his troubles are o'er. For he's at last found the store That sells only saws that saw-ee. For tools that do the best work and last the longest come and see us and don't forget that we handle everything in the hardware line from needles to engines.

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Until about the 15th

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Had You Noticed!

That we have been adding to our stock almost daily until our shelves, counters and storage room is all jam full? We are preparing for

Big Business

and if fair treatment and close prices count we will get it.

Will make special price on your full bill.

TRY US

C. C. COOK

Local Happenings

Items of Interest About
Town and County

A wire corn crib from McLean Hardware Co.

Miss Ruby Rice has been engaged this week with the C. C. Cook store.

Buy your lunch baskets and drink cups from McLean Hardware Co.

The watermelon activity in McLean continues unabated.

Binder twine and row binders at the McLean Hardware Co.

Alan Parker of the Alanreed country is visiting with friends in the city the latter part of last week.

If ever gets cold we have a heater to warm you. McLean Hardware Co.

Miss Olive Haynes was down from Rich Saturday and Sunday for a visit with her father and family.

Miss Mamie Cheney has accepted a position with the Owen Dry Goods Company.

It will always pay you to figure with Cal and Bill.

Wm. Abernathy left the first of the week for a short business trip to Roff, Okla.

Buy corn binders from the busy boys—Cal and Bill.

The Board of Equalization managed through their session Friday of last week without any serious casualties.

Large shipment of that beautiful Thistleware at Cal and Bill's.

Charlie Slavin and wife of Alanreed were among the visitors in the city Saturday of last week.

Buggy top stuff at McLean Hardware Co.

Geo. Woodward made a short visit to Sayre, Okla., Saturday afternoon of last week.

The Worth hats at C. C. Cook's.

T. H. and H. L. Hext, both of Newman county, were here this week the first of J. B. Hext and family.

Just received a shipment of Hamilton Brown shoes. C. C. Cook.

T. J. Davis of Alanreed was shaking hands with friends in the city the first of the week.

The poor you have with you always come too. C. C. Cook.

M. K. Guertin arrived the first of the week from Shamrock and will make his home here for the present.

That Thistleware at the busy hardware store is "shore purty", and lots of it. Cal and Bill.

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J. A. Grundy made a short business trip to Oklahoma the latter part of last week.

Fresh bread and pies on hand at all times. Drop in to the Panhandle Cafe when you are hungry.

Ross Cooke and John Jackson are in Alanreed this week engaged in the construction of a residence for Chas. Slavin.

Cook stoves, cook stoves. Superb and Bucks—two of the best. McLean Hardware Co.

Jack Hodges arrived last week from Oklahoma and will spend some time here with his family, who are visiting at the J. L. Collier home.

Lost—Clasp pin, engraved "Ester Howard". Finder please notify Mrs. F. H. Yokley.

Wm. Price, Jr. of Beckham county, Oklahoma, was in the city the latter part of last week the guest of his uncle, Rev. J. P. Lowry.

See and figure on a wire corn crib, they hold 400 bushels; \$4.00. McLean Hardware Co.

S. R. Jones, manager of the Western Lumber Co., is making arrangements to build a handsome new home in the near future.

See Joe Fox for anything in the hardware line. First door north of American State Bank.

C. C. Cooper and W. P. Rogers went out to New Mexico the first of the week to look after the purchase of a bunch of cattle.

Binder twine, the real kind. See Joe Fox, first door north of American State Bank.

Mr. McCorkle, representing the Turner Produce & Commission Co. of Elk City, was here yesterday in the interest of his firm.

All of the best makes of cook stoves and heaters can be had from Joe Fox, office with S. O. Cook, the watermelon crank.

It is understood that E. F. Barnes will erect another nice house on the old Davison block in the very near future.

I am handling the J. N. Saye sorghum syrup and will keep a big stock of it on hand at all times. J. C. Biggers.

Mrs. Geo. Woodard and children have returned from Amarillo and will visit with friends here for awhile before going on to her home at Oklahoma City.

Strayed—I have taken up at my place a black sow weighing about 155 pounds. Owner can have same by paying for this notice. John Waters.

Mrs. C. E. A. Pollard returned the first of the week from a two week's visit with her daughter at Groom. While away Mrs. Pollard attended the Carson County Fair at Panhandle.

Drop in next door to the American State Bank and see Mr. Fox and his new line of heaters and cook stoves. The best makes. Including those old "Bucks" you can get them cheap.

W. W. Sugg of Wellington stopped over in the city the latter part of last week for a visit with his father J. W. Sugg. The gentleman was enroute home a business trip to Panhandle.

We have just received a fresh stock of the old reliable Stearns Paint, including House, Carriage and Wagon paint and Cres-o-lac. The paint that holds. Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

Dr. W. C. Montgomery returned the latter part of last week from Chicago, where he went to undergo a surgical operation. He is considerably weaker than when he left but otherwise stood the operation fine.

Joe Fox has received a big new shipment of heating and cook stoves. See them. First door north American State Bank.

D. W. Owen and Al Ellington of Amarillo arrived in the city the latter part of last week to superintend the opening of the Owen Dry Goods Co. stock in the Christian-Cousins building.

If you don't believe "Bucks" stoves are good ask any Hardware Dealer. I have both cooking and heating stoves in this line that I will sell at cost and less if necessary. See about this right away. S. O. Cook.

For Sale—Grand piano, in perfect condition. Small cash payment and balance on your own terms. Phone 54 or call at the News office.

Every young lady in the McLean country should make an effort to secure the handsome prize offered for securing the largest amount of money to send a local exhibit to the Dallas fair.

The ladies of McLean and vicinity are invited to make my store their headquarters while in the city. I have a beautiful new line of up-to-date millinery that I would be glad to show you. Mrs. N. T. Hodges.

Rev. Bryant arrived in the city the latter part of last week from Central Texas and preached at the local Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening. The gentleman will probably accept the pastorate of this church in connection with the one at Groom and the one at Shamrock.

It pays to figure with Cal and Bill.

THE OWEN DRY GOODS

New Store

COMPANY

New Store

Opened for business Tuesday morning and had a good crowd. The people showed their appreciation of our low prices by buying goods. We invite the people of McLean and Gray County to

VISIT US!

and get acquainted. If you will come in and examine the goods you will see what the cash will do in McLean now. We buy for cash and sell for cash only. So will save you money on your bill. Please do not ask us to charge anything for we have no books and we cannot afford to charge anything.

SPECIALS

- 11-4 All-wool Plaid Blankets \$5.00
- 12-4 All-wool Plaid Blankets 7.50
- 10-4 Cotton Blankets - - 1.00
- 12-4 Cotton Blankets - - 1.75
- Cotton Comforts - - - 1.50
- Large Comforts - - - 1.75
- 81x90 Pepperell Sheets - .75
- 18x35 Cotton Towels, pr - .25
- Linen Fringed Towels, pr - .50
- Bath Towels, pr - - - .25

STAPLES

- Best Calico - - - 5c
- Dress Gingham - - 10c
- Hope Bleached - - 10c
- Heavy Cotton Flanel 10c
- Best Outing - - - 10c
- 6 Spools O. N. T. - 25c
- Dress Duck - - - 10c
- Yard Wide Percale 10c
- Brown Domestic - 7½c

These Prices are for the
Spot Cash

Come to us for Ladies Suits, Ladies Coats, Childrens Coats, Infants Coats, Ladies Skirts, Ladies and Childrens Underwear, Ladies Shoes, Childrens Shoes. Best line Hosery in Texas for 25 cents pair. Kabo Corsets, Ladies Shirt Waist, White Goods, Wool Dress Goods, Flannelettes Sheeting, Shirtings. Remember we

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only and you can depend on Owen's advertisements being true. Make our store headquarters when in town.

Yours for Good Goods Cheap,

Owen Dry Goods Co.

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens with a scream from Britz in the opera box of Mrs. Missioner, a wealthy widow. It is on that night when Mrs. Missioner's diamonds are scattered by the diamonds all over the floor. Curtis Griswold and Brunton, the society men in love with Mrs. Missioner, gather up the gems. Griswold, who is supposed to be the collector of the original, declares it was not the genuine. An hour later he announces all the stones are the original. Detectives Galt and Carson investigate. They find that the theft of the original gems is accomplished by some one in the company of Mrs. Missioner, confidential man Miss Elinor Holcomb, who is suspected of the missing diamonds. One of the diamonds is found in her room. Mrs. Missioner protests that Elinor is innocent, but she is taken to prison. Meantime, in an attempt to recover the Maharanees, a diamond case is opened. Detective Britz takes up the case. He evidently believes Elinor innocent and asks the co-operation of the past and present. He is running in the rear of the real criminal. He advises Elinor to seek help. Britz investigates the Maharanees' home. He learns that the Maharanees had the diamonds in Paris. He takes them to the Maharanees.

CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

As the detective left the office, he could not help a feeling of depression. The slow progress of events. As yet, the intricacies of the mystery were vaguely outlined in his mind. He saw them as a floating mist, heavy with possibilities but charged with delusive signs of beckoning trails that he instinctively knew led to nowhere. He was still treading lightly the mazes of the case. One false step might be fatal, and he preferred to remain in a crouching attitude of watchfulness, ready to spring from cover at the proper moment.

Such as he deplored his enforced activity, he nevertheless had faith in the final outcome. A quick mental survey of the case convinced him that the first necessity was to find the maker of the paste stones. Whoever made the duplicate Maharanees would recall having done so. There were few European firms that could have made the stone. It was doubtful whether any American manufacturer could have turned out a substitute to fool the eyes of Mrs. Missioner, even for a night. It is hard enough to get the compact brilliance of the diamond in a small paste gem; infinitely more difficult is it to manufacture a counterfeit Maharanees. Britz knew that whoever copied the cut and luster of that marvelous stone was an expert of high caliber. No faint shimmer of glass could have availed to deceive Mrs. Missioner. The laboratory fire that gleamed from the duplicate was the work of years of experiment, and only in Paris, Britz believed, was the art of manufacturing paste gems successfully developed to bring forth a satisfactory duplicate of the Maharanees.

Three weeks, at least, must elapse before word would come from Logan. The emissary sent abroad was himself a diamond expert. Before entering the Detective Bureau, he had been a foreign agent of the United States Treasury Department. If the duplicate necklace was manufactured abroad, Logan would find the manufacturer without delay. Britz had faith in his man, and he waited impatiently through three weeks of torment for the first cablegram. It came finally, and he opened it with nervous fingers.

Missioner necklace manufactured from drawings by three firms. Original never in possession of manufacturer.

Britz let the telegram flutter to the floor.

"I knew it!" he burst forth. "They wouldn't have dared to take the original out of the safe without immediately replacing it with the duplicate."

He picked up the message and burst into the Chief's room.

"Read it!" he exclaimed.

The Chief's eyes drank in the words, but his brain failed to grasp their underlying meaning.

"I don't see that this proves anything," he remarked.

"It proves everything," volleyed Britz. "It proves that the thief was a clever draughtsman. It proves that he spent weeks sketching the necklace, stone by stone, and it proves, that he went to Paris to have the duplicate made."

"It proves all that," agreed the Chief. "But who had the opportunity to see the necklace a sufficient number of times and long enough to make the sketches? Who but Miss Holcomb?"

"I will find someone who had almost as good an opportunity," Britz returned confidently.

"And if you do, what will it mean?" asked the Chief.

"It will mean something to work on," the detective said.

The next twenty-four hours Britz spent in the quiet of his home. His mind focused on the problem before him, trying to map out his line of procedure. Plan after plan he discarded as worthless. He could have struck out blindly in the hope of stumbling on a trail, but that was not Britz's method. Crime mysteries were to him scientific problems to be solved by scientific means. Step by step he swept over the ground already covered, and then swept the outlook with the keen sunlight of his mind.

In a process of elimination he tried to find the real thief from the group of suspects on whom his mental efforts were concentrated. He was unable to drag forth the culprit. Then he sought to discern the motive for the crime in the action of each possible criminal, but he could come to no satisfactory conclusion.

"More information, more information is needed before the real work can begin!" he murmured.

In his preoccupation he did not observe the door open and the servant show in a subordinate from Headquarters. Not until the visitor spoke did he become aware of his presence.

"Two cablegrams for you, sir," the subordinate said.

The first cablegram aroused no emotions in the detective.

"Have obtained original drawings. Will sail tomorrow with them," the message from Logan read.

He opened the second envelope and read the contents half a dozen times, as if to stamp them indelibly on his mind.

"Drawings for duplicates taken to manufacturer by young woman. Gave name of Elinor Holcomb."

Britz dismissed the visitor, left the house, and hastened to the office of Dr. Fitch. Taking the important cablegram from his pocket, he handed it to the physician. The doctor's eyes lingered on each word. His face paled, his eyes bulged forward, a violent tremor ran up and down his frame.

"This is awful!" he groaned.

"It's great news for you and Miss Holcomb," the detective smiled.

Fitch eyed him in perplexity. The detective met his inquiring gaze steadily, and slowly folding the cablegram, he said:

"It proves beyond question she had no part in the crime."

"How?" Fitch demanded eagerly.

"If Miss Holcomb had been clever enough to plan the theft, she'd have known better than to go about Paris ordering the duplicates. Also, if she had taken the diamonds, she'd never have permitted one of them to remain in her room in Mrs. Missioner's house. No, whoever stole those gems deliberately tried to throw suspicion on her."

"But who could have conceived such a dastardly crime?" Fitch blurted, a wave of anger sweeping his frame.

"Whoever it was," Britz returned, "either was actuated by enmity toward the young woman, or knew enough about the Missioner household to realize that suspicion would naturally fall on her, and therefore he decided to use her as a cloak to hide his own identity. However, I now have something to work on, something that will produce quick results. Dr. Fitch, you may tell Miss Holcomb that in my calculations she is entirely eliminated from participation in the crime. You may inform her also that the hunt for the thief has begun."

Before the physician recovered from the pleasant shock of the detective's words, Britz was hurrying down the steps.

CHAPTER X.

Dorothy March Talks.

Matinee girls in the Forrest Theater differ from their sisters of other New York playhouses in that they are far more serious than anybody in the evening audiences. Caramels, marshmallows, chocolate creams are forbidden by the unwritten law of their cult. The utmost nourishment one of them can allow herself is a salted almond nibbled surreptitiously between decorous little outbursts of kid-gloved applause. It is not the sort of gathering in which one would expect to find the busiest sleuth of the headquarters staff, especially with a great diamond mystery on his hands. Yet, on one of those warm January afternoons that make the metropolis wonder if it is being metamorphosed into a winter resort, one of the most interested auditors in the select little theater was Detective-Lieutenant Britz, of Manning's staff.

Britz found the somebody he sought when his gaze fell on a slim little figure in the trimmest of dove-colored gowns, sitting in the fifth row of the center aisle. Instantly his last pretense of attention to the play vanished. Keeping his eyes on the gray curves of the girl in the fifth row, he quitted his post at one side of the house and walked slowly to the main exit, whence he watched her until the curtain fell on the first act. Meanwhile, he scribbled on a card, slipped a liberal tip into the receptive hand of an usher, and indicated the object of his interest. When the curtain fell on the first act, the usher hurried down the aisle, and presented the card to the girl in gray.

"If Miss March," read the young woman, "will spare a few minutes to Britz, of Headquarters, she will confer a favor and serve her friend, Mrs. Missioner."

Dorothy gathered her wrap glasses and program quickly and followed the usher to the back of the theater. The youth led her to the famous detective, whom, though she had heard of him through Doris Missioner, she beheld for the first time.

"You wished to see me?" inquired Dorothy. It was a banal question, and a flush tinged her cheeks as she realized his superfluity could not be



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of the greatest detective in New York. But Britz seemed not to notice it, and the simple directness of his manner put the girl at her ease.

"I took the liberty, Miss March," he said pleasantly, "because I saw you across the orchestra, and I need a short course in social knowledge." His smile robbed the reply of flippancy.

"Fancy!" said Dorothy. She was so utterly at sea as to the detective's purpose she could think of nothing else to say save: "I fear you have sought a poor teacher."

"Well, I don't know now," Britz returned, looking at her with respectful admiration. "You see, you're a society girl, and I know nothing of society, and there's something I want to know—something I ought to know."

"If there's anything I can tell you, Mr. Britz, I'll be glad to do so," Dorothy volunteered. "Especially if it will help you to find Mrs. Missioner's diamonds."

"I'm not sure it will," said Britz. "It may, however, save me from seeking them in the wrong place. You seemed to enjoy the play, Miss March."

This shift of subjects was so abrupt that if Dorothy's breath had not already been coming in catches, she might have gasped. It was evident detectives were more original than society men. She wondered absently if the type was worth studying.

"Why, yes," her hesitating answer came. "I believe it's considered one of the best hits of the season. Very elevating, you know, and—well, different."

"Modern, Miss March?"

"It has two periods. The first deals with the life of today, the second harks back to the early Victorian period with, I understand, an abrupt return to the present."

She was chatting quite easily with the detective now. Had she been reared in Mulberry street instead of on Murray Hill, she could not have felt more natural.

"Now, this society subject—by the way, Miss March," Britz switched again, "is there as much difference between social life then and now?"

"Oh, a great deal, I should say." Her eyes twinkled. "Of course, I cannot speak with authority—from personal observation."

"I wouldn't ask you to tell me anything about Ward McAllister from personal observation, Miss March," said the sleuth. His gallantry on occasion was the wonder of the Central office.

Dorothy looked alarmed. Could it be great detectives wasted time on compliments, too? But a side glance at the detective's serious expression reassured her. It was manifest even to a debutante he had no idea of making an impression along that line.

She laughed frankly and looked at him again in the friendliest way.

"I know you don't want to ask me about anything so recent as the Spanish war," she said, "now, do you?"

"Candidly, I don't," he rejoined. "To tell you the plain truth, I don't know exactly what I wish to ask you nor how to ask it, but I have an idea you can help me, and I am sure you will for Mrs. Missioner's sake."

"And Miss Holcomb's?" asked the girl eagerly of mine.

"And Miss Holcomb's," answered the headquarters man warmly. "Let me say, too, my dear young lady, as one old enough to be your—your—"

"Don't say my brother, Mr. Britz," interrupted Dorothy mischievously. "I—well, I don't really see how I can be a sister to anybody else." She felt impelled to treat this strangely natural man naturally—she, who despised her inexperience, could freeze spite and presumption with a glance, felt that way. It was a tribute to his adaptability.

Britz laughed. He said with more heartiness in his tone than had colored it in many a day. "If I were not so busy, it would be a delight to be an elder brother to you. But I guess you're not interested in my impulses



Britz," she said as primly as her prettiness permitted. "But I've enjoyed our little chat very much."

"Which means I must be going," said Britz promptly, "if I'm not to spoil your enjoyment of the mid-Victorian scene. The orchestra has finished speaking its little piece."

"Yes, there goes the curtain," agreed Dorothy, rising hastily. "So glad to have met you, Mr. Britz. I hope I've been of some assistance about dear Mrs. Missioner's jewels. Good-afternoon."

"But, Mr. Britz," she cried, "there was something you wished to ask me—something that was to help you find the diamonds?"

"Some other time, Miss March, thank you," said Britz, smiling. "I won't detain you now. Perhaps we'll meet at another matinee soon, with a longer intermission between the acts. Delighted to have made your acquaintance, Miss March. I know you're in a hurry to get back to your seat. Forrest audiences don't like to be disturbed, you know. Good-afternoon, Miss March, and—thank you so much!"

He had cause to thank her, he believed. For, in her girlish talk, she had given him the first Missioner clue of the week—or, rather, she had extended for him a thread of the mystery that had occupied much of his thoughts from the moment when he received Logan's cable saying the paste jewels were made from sketches. For days, he had sought to learn who among Mrs. Missioner's intimates was artist enough to make such delicate draughts of the diamonds as would be required by an artificer for the manufacture of imitations. With that object, he had ascertained Dorothy's intention to go to the matinee in the Forrest and had gone to the theater to meet her under conditions not likely to interfere with such gentle questioning of her as he meant to do. His veiled interrogation of the society girl had brought forth the fact that Curtis Griswold could sketch—that the clubman was sufficiently master of his pencil to have his skill pretty generally known among his acquaintances. Lorimer and Daubigny, the other society artists she had mentioned, were not, he knew, in Mrs. Missioner's circle.

It was fortunate for Lieutenant Britz, as well as for Elinor Holcomb and Doctor Fitch, and everybody whose hopes hinged on the detective's success in solving the great Missioner diamond mystery, that long custom made him thread the traffic of the city's throbbing artery automatically, for so deeply did the sleuth ponder the possibilities of his newest information that he had several close escapes from taxicabs, private automobiles and trolley cars as he crossed Broadway and bent his steps toward Fifth Avenue. The case had cleared a little, but his course was not much plainer than it had been when he dropped into the theater in quest of further knowledge.

"It won't do to call Miss March as a witness," he mused, walking north in the carriage-crowded avenue, with that briskness characteristic of him when his brain was most active. "She

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forth a larger one and there are several other farmers who have been keeping their melons in the dark and any one of them may spring a surprise.

In the Alabama Sweet class Frank Chambers has the largest melon so far on exhibit, his offering weighing 62½ pounds. There are several others that come close to this mark. Charlie Goebel's melon being second.

As to watermelons local interest centers in the Alabama Sweet, as it is the melon that is rapidly making this section both famous and rich, but at the big state fair the variety cuts little ice—the biggest melon takes the premium. Who will win the watermelon ribbon is yet a matter of conjecture, with Israel and Chambers the favorites.

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