# The Borden Citizen 



 the worse of the balance. Mr. Dalman lont three bales, and Mr. Fields is alao a loser. These perr ple were all insured in Mr. Garrett's companies. W. H. Hale lost one bale, no insurance. The fire consumed soma eighty bales, aggregating a loss of some $\$ 5000$. Colorado News.
Last weel's aleet caused serious trouble for the telephone companies. The line between this place and Tahoka was broken in several places and considerable damage is reported on other lines.
Prof. MoClung reports school moving on nicely, with an excee? lent interest, notwithstanding the bad weather. Our people are to be congratulated on the work the achool is doing and uhould give their beartiest support and ont couragement to the tenchers.
M. E. Thornton and family returned last waek from a visit to osatern points.
Sherift Clark left lasi Saturday for Haskell where he is a witness in Distriot Court.
Reports from difterent parts of ho county indioate that the oold weatier has done very little it any harm to atook. Ungathered rops, however, have been hadly damaged, much ootton having been knocked out on the ground and cane and millo maize blown down.
The housee and sidewalke of Snyder are now greatly crowded with farmers, which gives the town an air of Hfe and bustle.
Higginbotham Brue, have bogun the construction of fitty rent housee in La Mess. This jmprovement will be a Southern suburb of the town and work has already commenced.
Oolorado has Legun a Cotton Seed Oil Mill and Compress, both of which are looated south of the Cotton Yard, between the T, \& P. depot and the river.
The Banta- Fb extenision, south from Canyon, has reaohed Tulia.

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 Lubbock this week.
J. B. Moses, of Emma, wan recently down in this part of the country and gavé Mr. Askins $\$ 30$ for three sows. He also gave Mr Cotten $\$ 25$ for one sow.
Mr. Bud Boren received the cows he bought in this commu nity some time ago, yesterday and D. R. Cotten is helping hio home with them.

Mise Jewel Moses began teaching a private school at L.T. Aski ins' home on the 5th. inst. She reports her school muving on nicely.

Mr. George Wilkes tought 20 oows and calves near Emma this week at $\$ 10$ per head.
Mr. Pleman Nichols has lately sold Will Cravey 100 bushels of corn at 35 cents per bushel. He also sold some to the 24 ranch at the same price. This price was for cornin the ear at Mr. Nichol's barn.
J. B. Cotten, Jr., and sister Miss Della, went to Emma last Thursday.

Walter Greer bought 30 head of stock horses from J. H. Gilmore recently at $\$ 30$ around, colts not counted.
Misa Vena Elkins is to begin her school near here next Monday.

Several men from this neigh. borhood failed to go to the polls election day.

## Garza.

W: L. Self is now prepared to do all kinds of cornice work on his new machine.

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Colorado, Texas,
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It can safely be said that -not for years before has Weatern Texas had so much wet weather in the Fall. The recent snow left everything saturated and, following it, a rain came up laat Tuesday. At this date-Wednesday evening-it is still drizzling, with amall prospect of an early charge.

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Tom Cotten returned last Saturday from Ft. Worth.

See Warren Bros, when in Snyder and get them to fit you with a pair of spectacles.

Lublock has a new paper-The Leader. The old Lubbock Leader, which was published there some fifteen years ago, was an excellent paper and aided much in the early development of its town. May its youthful namesake be equally useful.

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By HENRY SETON MERRIMAN One Generation to Another." Ete." "From
"It is barely two thousand, and-and she has been brought up to something better than that."
"Um! They mostly are. Mine has been brought up to something better than that too. That is the worst of it." "I believe implicitly in this scheme," said Oscard. "It is a certain fact that the men who can supply pure simiacine have only to name their price for it. They will make a fortune, and I beHeve that Durnovo knows where it is crowing in quantities."
II cannot see how it would pay him co decelve us in the matter. That is the best way of looking at it," murmured Jack reffectively. "When I first met him the man thought be was dying, and for the time I really believe that he was honest. Some men are honest when they feel unwell. There was so little doubt in my mind that I went into the thing at once." "If you w!ll go on with. It I will stand by you," sald Oscard shortly.
"All right. I think we two together are as good as any half bred sharper on this coast, to put it gracefully.
During the ensuing silence Jack was apparently meditating over the debt of confidence which he still owed to his companion, for he spoke first and quite seriously about himself, whic was somewhat against his-habit. "I dare say you have heard," he sald, "that I had a-a disagreement with my father."
"Yes, heard something of it," replied Oscard in a tone which seemed to impiy that the "something" was quite ufficient for his requirementa
"It was about my engagement," Jack went on deliberately. "I do not know how it was, but they did not hit it ofr together. Sie was too honest to throw herself at his head, I suppose, for I imagine a pretty girl can usually do what she likes with an old man if she takes the trouble."
"Not with hin, 1 think. Seemed to be rather down on girls in general," gaid Oscard coolly.

Then you know him?"
"Yes, a little. I have met him once or twice-out, you know. I don't suppose he would know me again if he saw me."
Which last remark doss not redound to the credit of Guy's power of observation.
They paused. It is wonderful how near we may stand to the brink and look far away beyond the chasm. Years afterward they remembered this conversation, and it is possible that Jack Meredith wondered then what instinct it was that made him change the direction of their thoughts.
"If it is agreeable to you," he safa, "I think it would be wise for me to go down to Loango and gently intimate to Durngvo that we should be glad of his "ervices."

## "Certatnly."

By 7 o'clock the next morning the canoe was ready, with its swarthy rowers in their places. The two Engishmen breakfasted together and then walked down to the landing stage side by side.
"Take care of yourself," said Oscard gruffly as Jack stepped into the canoe. "All right,"
"And bring back Durnovo with you." Jack Meredith looked up with a vague smille.
"That man," he said lightly, "is going to the plateau if I have to drag him there by the scruff of the neck."

## CHAPTER XH

,is possible even in Loango to havo a fing, but the carouser must be prepared to face, even in the midst that the reverry, the baunting thought omy in exercise or the strictest econmight be a preferable pastime.
During the three days following his arrival Victor Durnovo indulged, ac cording to his lights, in the doubtful pleasure mentloned. He purchased a the best factory the best clothes ob-
tainable; he lived like a fighting cock in talnable; he lived like a fighting cock in
the one so called hotel, a house chiefij the one so called hotel, a house chlefly affected and supported by ship cap. tains. He spent freely of money that Was not his and nagred umseir to be leading the life of a gentleman. He rode round on a hired horse to call on his friends, and on the afternoon of the sixth day he alighted from this quad ruped at the gate of the Gordons' bun alo
A few minutes later Jocelyn came Into the drawing room, where he was waiting, with a brazen face and a sink ing heart. Somehow the very room had power to bring him down towar his own level. When he set eyes on Jocelyn, in her fair Śsaxon beauty, he regained aplomb
she appeared to be rather glad to see him.
"I thought", she said, "that you had sone back to the expedition $?$
"Not without coming to say goodby,"
he answered. "It is not likely," be answered. "It is not likely.
Just to demonstrate how fully he felt at ease he took a chair without waiting for an invitation and sat tapping his boot with his whip, looking her furtively up and down all the while with an appraising eye.
"And when do you go?" she asked, with a subtle change in her tone which did not penetrate througb his mental epidermis.
"I suppose in a few days now. But I'll let you know all right, never fear." Victor Durnovo stretched out his legs and made himself quite at home. but Jocelyn did not sit down. On the contrary, she remained standing per sistently and significantly
"Maurice gone away?" he inquired.
"Yes."
igid you all alone," in a tone of ught badinage.
"I am accustomed to beling left," she answered gravely.
"I don't quite like it, you know."
"You?"
She looked at him with a steady sur prise which made him feel a triffe un comfortable.
"Well, you know," he was forced to explain, shumfing the while uneasily in his chair and dropping his whip, "one naturally takes an interest in one' triends' welfare. You and Maurice are the best friends I have in Loango.
"Maurice has always spoken of you with gratitude," she sald.
"To deaf ears. eh? Yes, he has rea son to be grateful, though perhaps ought not to say it. I have put him into several very good things on the coast, and it is in my power to get him into this new scheme. It is a bl thing; be would be a rich man in no time.,
He rose from his seat and deliberately crossed the room to the sota wher she had sat down, where he recilined with one arm stretched out along the back of it toward her. In his other hand he held his riding whip, with which be began to riaing whip, with her dress, which reached along the foor almost to his feet.
"Would you like him to be in It?" he diked, with a meaning glance beneath dsked, with a meaning giance beneaw his lashes. "It is a pity to throw an so a good chance; his posi
very secure, you know"
very secure, you know
she gave a strange little hunted glance round the room, She was glance ronnd the room, seo
wedged into a corner and could not weaged without incurring the risk of hls rise without incurring the risi of
saying something she did not wish to saying something she did not wish to hear. Then she leaned forwara and eliberately witharew her dress the touch of his whip,
its way, a subtle caress.
"Is he throwing away the chance? "Is he th.
be asked.

Then she rose from hen seat, and, standing in the middle of the room taced him with a sudden bleam in her | raced |
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do not see what it has to do witi me," she said; "I do not know any hing about Maurice's business ac rangements and
"Then let me tell you, Jocelyn-well then, Miss Gordon, if you prefer itthat you will know more about one of his business friends before you have Inished with him. I've got Maurice nore or less in my power now and st rests with you"-
At this moment a shadow darkene the floor of the veranda and an Instant later Jack Meredith walked quietly by the window.
"Enter, young man," he said dramatcally, "by window-center."
"I am sorry," he went on in a different tone to Jocelyn, "to come in this anceremonious way, but the servan old me that you were on the verand with Durnovo, and"-
He turned toward the half breed pausing.
"And Durnovo is the man I want," weighing each word.
Durnovo's right hand was in his jacket pocket. \& Seeing Meredith's proffered salutation, he slowly withdrew it and shook hands.
The flash of hatred was still In bis eyes when Jack Meredith turned upon him with aggravating courteng. The pleasant, half cynleal glance wandere rom Durnovo's dark face very delib erately down to his jacket pocket where the stock of a revolver was perfectly concealed.
"We were getting anxious about ou," he explained, "seetng that yot did not come back. of consse, twe knew that you were capable of taking care of yourself
He was still looking innocently at the telltale jacket pocket, and Duraovo, following the direction of his slance, hastily thrust his hand into It. "But one can never tell with a reacherous climate like this what a day may bring forth. However, I am glad to find you looking so very fit." Victor Dirnovo gave an atwkwar little laugh, extremely conscious of the factory clothes.
"Oh, yes; I'm all right," he said. was going to start this evening."
ge girl stood behind them, with a lush slowly fading from her face. There are some women who become suddenly beautiful, not by the giory of a beautiful thought not by the exaita praction human fush Jact Meredith when he took his eyes from Durnovo's, whencing at Jocelyn suddenly became aware of the presence of a beautiful woman.
whem,
The crisis was past, and, if Jack new it, so also did Jocelyn. She knew that the imperturbable gentlemaniness the more passionate west Indian the simple, downright fact that n a lady's drawing room there was to be no raised volce, no itching fingers, no flash of fiery eyes.
"Yes," he sald. "th
lendialy. we will trit will suit me He turned to Jocelyn.

## He turned to Jocelyn. <br> I hear your brother is away?

## up the-coast."

Then there
paused here was a silence. They both prearrangement, each other as if by suddenly felt that he must go. He rose and picked un the whip which he had
dropped on the matting. There was no help for it-the united wills of these two people were too strong for him. Jack Meredith passed out of the veranda with him, murmuring something about giving him a leg up. While they were walking round the house Victor Durnovo made one of those hideous mistakes which one remembers all through life with a sudden rush of warm shame and self contempt. The very thing that was uppermost in his

"Enter, young man," he said dramatically.
mind to be avolded suddenly bubbled to his lips, aimost, it wouid seem, in defiance of his own will.
"What about the small-the smallpox?" he asked.
"We have got it under," replied Jack quietly. "We had a very bad time for three days, but we got all the cases isolated and provented it from spreading. Of course we could do little or nothing to save them; they died.
Durnovo had the air of a whipped dog. His mind was a blank. He simply had nothing to say. The humiliation of utter self contempt was his.
"You need not be afraid to come back now," Jack Meredith went on, with a strange refinement of cruelty. $\mathrm{it}^{\text {And }}$
"Wjll it be convenient for you to meet me on the beach at 4 o'clock this afternoon?" he asked when Durnovo was in the saddle.

## "Yes"

"All right; 4 o'clock."
He turned and deliberately went back to the bungalow.
There are some friendships where the intercourse is only the seed which absence duly germinates. Jocelyn Gordon and Jack had parted as acquaintances; they met as friends. There is no explaining these things, for there is no gauging the depths of the human mind. There is no getting down to the little bond that lies at the bottom of the well-the bond of sympathy. There is no knowing what it is that prompts us to say, "This man or this woman of al the millions shall be my friend."
"I am sorry," he said, "that he should have had a chance of causing you uneasiness again."
Jocelyn remembered that all her life. She remembers still, and Africa has slipped away from her existence forever. It is one of the mental photographs of her memory, standing out clear and strong amid a host of minor recollections.

I do not believe," she said. "that you know the risks you are, running Into. Even in the short time that Maurice and I have been here we have learned to treat the climate of western Arrica with a proper respect. We hav known so

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## SNOW STOPS FIRE.

Ptamee Sald To Have Swopt a milten Acres of Leed.
Ganta Fe, New Mexico, Nov. 25.-Reports have reached here that a prairie fire has awept from Western Texas into Eastern New Mexico and over a million seres of grazing land and homestead land, which have been burned bare. No loss of life has been reported in New Mexico, but it is belioved that several perished in Texas.
It is eatimated that on both sides of the boundaries between 50000 and 100,000 head of cattle have been left withoot grazing grounds.
Many ránches are preparing to ship livestock at once, while the larger ranchere will drive their oattle to other ranges.
The flames swept portions of Parmer, Deaf Smith and Oldham counties, in Texas, and burned thirty-five or forty miles to the Pecos Valley Rail Road in New Mexico.
Some homesteaders in Roosevelt county, New Mexioc, are gaid the have loot al of their crops,
Soms ranch buildings were Bastroyed but the ranchers generally succeeded in checking the lames by back-firing against

The prairies are now covered with snow.-Dalliss News.

Reports colming in from the country indicate that the loss of hoge during the snow storm has en in some cases very heavy, here being more or less loss all ver the country. J. F. Bacon ports the loss of 23 head Monday night, which is the heaviest oss we have yet heard of, Geo: . Wolffarth also lost two good ogs on the name night.-Lubock Avalanche.

## Saved his Lite.

J. W. Davenport, Wingo, Ky., writes, June 14, 1902: "I want to tell you I believe Ballard's Snow Liniment saved my life. I was under the treatment of two doctors, and they told me one of my lungs was eutirely gone, and the other badly affected. I also had a lump on my side. I don't think that I could havelived over two months longer. I was induced by a friend to try Ballard's Snow Liniment. The first applcation gave_me great relief; two fifty cent bottles cured mesound and well. It is a wonderful medicine and I recommend it to suffering humanity.
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Mrs.W. K. Clark, who has recently been siok, is reported better.
Tom Kennedy returned last week from Et. Worth.

CATtLE shipmaits.
Ed Ramsey brought six cars from his Gaines county ranch, shipped three and sold three to J. W. Richards and J. R. Arnett.

Godair Cattle Company, 750 head.
F. M. Weaver, of Dawson county, brought in about 725 head.
Jack Alley, Lynn county, 349 head,
Bronsun \& Stokes sold to R. Lucas of Nebraska, 500 calves, which were shipped to that place at once.
Mr. Wilkerson sold to W. F. Wileon, of Baird, Texas, a car of horses which were shipped Wednesday.
Mr. Brunson is holding about 400 calves here waiting for the cars to ship them out.-Stanton News.

SANTA FB CUT-OPF TALK.
Coneiderable activity is reported among the Santa Fe officials in the matter of the cut-off from the San Angelo branoh to Texico. Surveyors are already in the field moving in the direction of Lubbock, F. M. Jones, locating agent of the Santa Fe. has gone on a tour of inspection from Merkel to Toxico, it being the desire of the company to avoid hindranses such as were encountered at Abilene. The present survey was begun at Talpa, which leads the people of Coleman county to indulge the hope that their town will secure the new line.-San Angelo Standard.

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J. I. Willburn came down from Garza county last Tuesday. He reports six inches of snow on the Plains, but na harm done, an excellent winter season in the ground, and everybody contented.
Walter Bishop, from Iatan, is here on business.

Last week the Weyt Texas Real Fritate Exunange made the following deals:
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## The Clairvoyant Found a Way be

Y THE time Freddie Lawrence has made another million or tivo it would not be surprising if he endowed a school for the advancement of clairvoyhave found a greater scoffer at all forms of mysticism. The change came forms of mystiche. The change came about in this way:
some 40 young redaie was one of some 40 young men who wanted to marry a certain young woman. All of Freddie's rivals seemed to have hope
less advantages inherited or acquired over him and Freddie grew so dejected that he became even less attractive than usual. Then the young woman married him, though Freddie has been married him, though to believe it ever since. No one ever accused Freddie of being brilliant, but he stepped into his father's shoes and did even better $\mathfrak{\pi t}$ business than he had at football. For four years. Freddie gazed across his dining table at his wife, like a man astray in a fairly tale. That she looked back at him with a certain light in her eyes was to Freddie one of earth's minsteries.
But one day something happened, or rather something didn't bappen, which was the same thing. At first it was a fleeting, half-realized twinge of dis brain. Thin one corner purest. now here, now gone, that made Fredije fear he was bilious. Then with a sort of dumb instinct he went and bought his wife a daamond and ruby necklace that was worth a maharajah's ransom. But the unrest grew and sat on his
chest. Something had been changed or lost, Freddie knew. but he groped along blindly. Then all of a sudden, one day, the truth went through him like half a dozen doubleedged swords. His wife wasn't lonking at him the way she used to look!
After that the descent into Hades was easy. Freddie's wife not only didn't look at him the way she used to look, but she didn't laugh at his stories the way she used to laugh. In the midst of ope she tried to concea a yawn.
When she took his arm her band rested on it like a bird-but formerIy it was a bird about to build a nest; now the bird was restless for flight ing to the club, and when he replied that he would rather stay at home if he might sit and look at her, she looked bored
Freddie's wife came to dance and talk and laugh with other men and accept Freddie with resignation. These other men were clever, most of them, or otherwise favored of fortune, like the 39 rivals who had once driven Freddie to the brink of despair.

Freddie would have thought sooner of suicide than of finding fault with her. The only wonder be had was He went from 190 pounds to 174, smoked black cigars to excess, spent 13 hours a day at his desk, and had protracted fits of abstraction when time was worth a thousand dollars a minute to him.

Aiso he struggled for awhile against fate. The conblancy and delicacy princess.
Then he complained to her reminis cently, and she did not understand and was annoyed. Then he tried simple dignity. Then mute pathos. At end he was see
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week at dinner. Freddie slammed his
One afternoon Oesk to and left his office in the middesk to and left his ombe in the mid
die of the afternoon because he felt if of the aterout and walk around if he did have aposy. He tramped he would have apoplexy. He tramped about the streets for en miles or so, hearing nou until he ran into or over and nobody until he yan
them.
For a man whom nobody had eve accuised of being sentimental or imaginative, Freddie was thinking queer
thonghts. He was wondering if he thoughts. He was wondering if he
should do some heroic deed-save a should child ome heroic deed-save a
little ch old man or half a little child or an old man or half a
dozen penple-and was mangled or crushed (fatally perhaps) in the operacrushed (fatally perhaps) in the opera-
tion; whether when he was brought tion; whether when he was brought
home by an admiring policeman and home by an admiring policeman and
ambulance surgeon, his wife wouid ambulance surgeon, his wife woula brush back his hair from his forehead pathetic that Freddie almost wept. He might have wept, had his eye not been arrested at that moment by a gorgeous black and gold sign on the ground floor of a flat house which he was passing. This was the sign:

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Freddie read the sign over two or three times. Then he pieked out the clauses about the "separated"and the Then ailections, bastily, plunged into the flat house and knocked at the Veiled La dy's door A young woman with her hair in curt papers ushered him into a halfdarkened front room hung with Orien-tal-looking and very dirty draperies. There was a stuffed baby alligator on a center table, with something burning in a bowl beside it which smelled bad, ind various other outlandish but inexpensive bric-a-brac.
"Now, don't say a word," said the Veiled Lady, as she appeared from behind a velours portiere. "You're in love, poor tellow, and the lady is cold. Now, ain't 1 right?
Freddie started. There seemed to be something in psychics. His funereal face relaxed a trifle.
The Veiled Lady was a jovial, fat little prophetess, and she seemed to like Freddie's looks. - She took off her veil after the first formal moment, and even offered to send out for beer, if Freddie was dry. But Frecidie dicin't want any beer. He wanted clairvoyance.
"Well, then, you tell me the whole story, dear," said the Veiled Lady, "and I'll go into a psychic state and fix y' up in a minute. You're a married man, ain't you?
Freddie started again. The Veiled Lady certainly was a wonder. He told her his story, omitting names and points of identification, of course, and the most harrowing details.
It seemed more tragic and hopeless to him as he told it. But the prophetess surveyed Freddie's personable figure and her black eyes flashed like matches.
"I don't have to go into a psychic state for such an easy case," she said "You've jnst got to tell me one thing the lady's first name.
The lady's Arst name was Mildred. as I supposed the Veiled Lady, "just as I supposed. The whole trouble comes from your not calling your lady Mildred, you nowe. She was named ber psychic name by mortals. Now, when youcallhe anthossie, and the astral influences-disarrange jar auspicious confunctions disarrange the Isn't that plain $7^{\prime \prime}$, you know. Freddie remart ded the prophetess with a strong and sarcastic eye.

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dear," said the Veiled Lady. "This is different."
She stopped and regerded Freddie searchingly.
"You don't think my reading is worth $\$ 50$ ?" she asked.
"I don't think it's worth two cents," replied Freddie.
"Well, I'll tell you what we'll do then," said the prophetess. "Don't pay me a cent now. You go home and trymy scheme. Then come around next week and pay me just what you think it's worth. Is that tair?"
Freddie didn't like the plan. He wanted to be rid of the Veiled Lady. Continued on last page.
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## BORDEN COUNTY.

Borden county is located partly below and partly above the "cap ruck." The altitude below the cap rock is abuut 2300 feet. Soil fertile, climate pleasant. About 25 per cent of the land to some extent is rough and better adapted to stock raising than to farming. Timber for fuel is plentiful, below the foot of the plains, mesquite being the most abundant. This country is well sat in good grass, the principal grasses being the neeale and mesquite.
The rainfall here is sufficient for abundant and successful farming. The products of the farui are cotton, corn, maize, cane Kaffir, wheat and oats. Wheat and oars have not been grown extensively in this cuunty, hut some parts are specially adapted to the raising of small grain. We find the gardens bedecked with beans, peas, turnips, onions radiohes, beets, potatoes, peanuts and watermelons. The orchards furnieh peaches, pears, apples, grapes, plums and apricots. The wild fruits are grapes, plums and mulberries. At present orchards are comparatively few, but bear good and abundant fruit. Agriculture is fast becoming the leading industry. The lands which only a few years since were trodden under the foot of the t-uffalo and mustang pony, and the howl of the lobo and the yelp of the coyote were the only signs of life now are under fence and the soil beneath the plow. At present the whistle of the farm boy, the songs of the milk maid, the bark of the neighbor's dog, the rattling of wagons, and the bum of gins are some of the indications of life and civilization.
Stock raising is atill a leading factor in the progress of our county. Borden county takes pride in raising some of the beat horses, cattle and hoga. Póultry does extremely well in this locality.

The development of this county has been quite rapid the last six monthe, During that time there has bsen a nice little town built up. The Methodists have erected a handsome church building at Durham in the South-Eastern part of this county.
Gail, the county seat, is a small town but is huilding fast. There are four new business hnuses and new gin, all of which have re. cently been erected. Bordencounty is almost sure to average onehalf bale per acre to all lands planted in cotton. I bave lived in Borden county for eight years and have never witneseed a complete fallure in crops. The lands sbout Gail have not heretofore been for sale, hance the slow de-
velopment. At the present some of the pastures are for sule in small tracts,

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 He offered to compromise for five dol lary. then for ten. He would havepaid the $\$ 50$, finally, but the Veiled Lady pushed him gently to the door and out. She seemed to like the prop sition the more she thought of it. "That's sall right," she said. "Yo come around next week. But be Then she shut her door and Fredd made for the open air.
His wife dined at home the nex night. Freddie hadn't the remotest in tention of making a 1001 of himself o the Veiled Lady's prescription, but Mrs. Fredare was so wholly unrespontion he had said before he knew it: "What have you been doing to-day
Flossie dear?"
Mrs. Freddie looked up with a sud denness that jolted Freddie.
"What did you say?" she asked "I merely asked you what yo
been doing to-day," said Freddie "Well, what," asked Mrs. Freddi "did you call me?"
She hadn't looked at Freddie with such interest for six months. Freddie onldn't believe his senses. "Why, Mildred, I auppose, wha else? asked Freddie, lying without \& told him of her doings that day. Two nights later Freddie was ing on the library couch, when his wife came home from a dinner, She passed hy him and he put out his hand and seized her sleeve
"Hello, Flossie, dear" said Freddie Freddie
Freddie weighs at least 600 pounds then he is sleepy, but she had him'by the shoulders sitting upright in less "Fit takes to tell it.
"Freddie-Freddie Lawrence," she demanded, her eyes and cheeks blazing and looking far more lovely than Fredbeen calling me? What do you mean by calling me Flossie? Who is Flossie Freddie dear-?"
Freddie lost his mind temporarily but his soul expanded like' a balloon, and the rest is sacred history. The next afternoon Freddie was ush "Well, birdie," asked that genia prophetess, "do I get my $\$ 50$ ?" genial "You do," said Freddie, handing her a bill. "I might have sent it to you,
but I wanted to come-" Freddie hut I wanted to come-" Freddie
showed emotion-"and tell you that showed emotion-"and tell you tha The Veiled Iad a as a matter of business. It was a $\$ 500$ gold certificate.
"oure all right, too," said the rophetess. "But say, dear, don't you ver try that psychic name again. It wouldn't work."-N. Y. Sun.

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