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and livery stable and two business houses. These as well as all other business houses are to be built of stone. The extensive preparations for the work, and the financial ability of the man who is engineering it, warrant the opinion that the town will be speedily built up, and grow almost like another Lawton or Oklahoma City.  
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Colorado Texas. June 19.  
A. L. Wasson was tried here last week on a charge of venue from Dawson Co. charged with killing Earl Seeds and was acquitted.  
The trial of A. L. Wasson on the second count, viz. for the killing of John Puryear was called for trial today. The State was represented by Dist. Atty. M. Carter, L. W. Sandusky, of Colorado and Mr. Crumpton of Lamesa. The defence by C. P. Woodruff of Sweetwater, Douth-

itt & Morrison of Big Springs and Judge Thurmond of Colorado.  
Fifty or sixty witnesses were placed on the stand. Arguments were closed Saturday at noon and the case submitted to the Jury who after being out about 5 hours brought in a verdict of acquittal.  
Miss Ruthie Crossett Who has been going to the Singing School left yesterday for here home near Big Springs. While here she made many friends



**The Quaint Case of Brother Bimmelick.**

"Now, dar was de case ob Brudder 'Lonzo Bimmelick," reminiscently said old Brother Quackenboss, "an', lookin' at it dis-uh-way an' dat, it sho'ly was some quaint! Dar was his wife, Sistah Claudine—well-uh, Brudder 'Lonzo an' dat 'ar yallah lady was most engineer'ly squablin' and squablin' uh-twixt deirse'fs. De bone ob concussion was mostly religion—an' yo' reorganizes, yo'se'f, sah, dat yo' kin accumulate a fight quicker fo' de glory ob de Lawd dan on any udder sediment in all ob woe's appointed ways—yae, sah?"

"Well-uh, an' one day, after dem folks had been disengaged in such a specially piratical qu'ober some 'sputed p'int in de Scripture—de Lamantations of Jerrymire, I b'lieves' twuz—dat de fambly jar had purt' nigh shook de shingles off de roof, Sistah Claudine flouted out an' left Brudder Lonzo to his rectangular medications. Turrectly, dat brudder hatched out a fool notion dat de only way to git even wid de wife ob his buzzom was to whirl in an' commit suicide, an' den when she found him cold in death she'd be sorry fo' de way she'd expurgated him. 'Cawdin'ly, he gallups down a bottle ob stuff, takes a paint bresh an' writes de word 'Pizon' in big letters on de wall, dis-uh-wa'."

**'PIKNI'**

"Den he lays hisse'f down on de couch wid his hands solemnly folded across hisse'f, tickled to death to think how stounded his wife would be at de joke he'd played on her. Well-uh, an' de quaint part was dat de lady had a'picioned him sometime befo', an' switched bottles on him, an' he'd done drunk mucilage 'stidder hahmless compound.

"Whe. his wife gits home de po' man was speechless, wid his mouf stuck shut, his tongue glued to de roof ob it, an' his epilogue an' his gulliver pasted togedder twell he couldn't say a word if he was hung fo' it. An' de lady laughed an' laughed twell she couldn't but jes' guggle-uggle, an' it took two white doctors half an hour to git Brudder 'Lonzo prized open so's he could breathe free, he was dat scan'lous stuck up. An' endurin' ob de exaroise de gen'leman had plenty ob time to cipher out what he ort to uh-knowed long befo'—namely an' to-wit, dat a man ain't got no show in an argymint wid a lady, an' when de trouble begins he mought jes' as well retch up an' pull down his hat on his haid an' take whateber dar may be uh-comin' to him.

"De upshot ob de matter was dat he refawmed den an' dar, an'

ain't tempted to out-talk his wife nar' time since. Dese days whudder Sistah Claudine takes de side ob Joner or de whale, or whatever 'tis, well, sah, Brodder 'Lonzo don't say 'if' nor an' 'nor 'izzard' but jes rolls his eyes like he sawtuh remembers suthin' painful, an' 'grees wid her. Yas, sah, he 'grees wid her, every pop?"—Tom P, Morgan in the May Woman's Home Companion

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## A MODERN OLD STORY

(Original.)

Elijah Chubb, who wrote over the pseudonym of Lionel Malcolm, had been writing realistic stories wherein nothing happened, the humdrum of life went on as it really is, people marrying and dying in the ordinary way, till he was wearied. He determined to try his hand at the old fashioned tale of complicated events. He realized that his story, though old in method, must be new in substance. Unfortunately he could not overcome literary habits that had controlled him for years. Here is the result of his labor:

An automobile, twenty horsepower and of the latest pattern, stood before the door of a stately mansion near the border line between New York and Pennsylvania. Within the house two people on the very threshold of life, a youth of eighteen in leather dress and a maiden of sixteen en princesse, stood in a drawing room furnished in Louis Quatorze style. At the windows were curtains of rich renaissance lace. Over those hung heavy satin brocade. The girl was looking up timidly into the youth's face.

"Luella," he said, taking both her hands in his, "I have a confession to make."

"Make it," she replied, with a shudder.

"I am a married man."

She moaned a low, deep, melancholy moan.

"I was married at eighteen, divorced in South Dakota at eighteen and six months, and my former wife lives in Pennsylvania. A suit for alimony has established the fact that the Pennsylvania laws do not recognize the South Dakota divorce. I am free to wed you here. In Pennsylvania my marriage would be bigamy."

Her head fell on his shoulder. He raised her face and saw that she was weeping. Then she spoke:

"I, too, Lawrence, have a confession to make. I was married at fifteen and only secured my divorce a month ago, as in your case, in Dakota. My husband has contested the divorce in Pennsylvania, from which state we have but recently removed, and lost his suit. There I am free to marry again. But, alas, he has followed me here, and my lawyer tells me that the New York laws make me still his wife."

She had no sooner spoken than there was a sharp ring at the telephone. Going to the instrument, she took up the receiver and said softly:

"Hello!"

After listening a few moments she dropped the receiver, staggering, when her lover caught her in his arms.

"Heavens!" she cried. "It was my lawyer. He says that my divorced husband has got an order for me to show cause for something or other and I must get out of the jurisdiction of the court. What shall I do?"

"My automobile is at the door. Let us go at once."

As she passed through the hall she took up a dust proof wrap and put on a pair of goggles, as did her lover. Both jumped into the machine standing at the door and sped away at twice the speed allowed by the city ordinances.

"Dearest," he said, "why should loving hearts regard these conflicting laws? Let us be married and defy them."

Her head dropped upon his leather sleeve.

Passing the rectory of St. James' church, he saw the rector coming down the steps. Drawing up at the sidewalk, the fugitive hastily asked him to perform the marriage ceremony. Lawrence, turning his head anxiously, saw an automobile coming rapidly down the street. With a herculean effort he pulled the dominie into the machine and was off like the wind.

They were followed by an officer of the

court," he explained, "and cannot... for marriage. Marry us as we go."

The dominie demurred to such an unusual proceeding, but after much persuasion consented and performed the ceremony. Scarcely had he pronounced the couple man and wife when Lawrence gave a groan.

"What is it dearest?" asked his wife—that is, if she was his wife.

"We are headed southward and have either passed or are passing or about to pass the Pennsylvania line."

"There my marriage is legal," she said quickly.

"And there I am a bigamist."

"What shall we do?"

"We cannot turn. We are followed too closely. The slightest curve would upset the machine. We must go on. Thank heaven, dearest, you will be free from these odious laws."

"And you will be liable to arrest?"

Far in the distance appeared a cloud of dust, a cloud as large as a man's hand, which the fugitives supposed was nothing to them but a coming automobile which they must pass by, keeping to the right as the law directs. Alas, how little we know what is in store for us! Just before meeting the coming machine Lawrence saw an opportunity to take a road to the left which curved and would enable him to go northward without upsetting. The automobile behind had gained perceptibly and was close at hand. Lawrence swerved to the left, which was the right of the coming machine. The two met going at a rate of a mile a minute, and the machine coming from the north plunged into the two wrecks. All were killed.

The author sent this story out to the magazines with a note explaining that the complications rendered the death of all the characters inevitable.

HOPE HOPKINS.

Lucky Ganine.



"Since Jobsen's marriage he has been leading a regular dog's life."

"You don't say."

"Fact. His wife pets him from morning till night."—Philadelphia Press.

Dream Happenings.

"We haven't that article in stock," said the druggist.

"Can't you give me something equally as good?"

"No, sir. There isn't anything equally as good."

"Why do you cease talking?" inquired the visitor to the opera box. "Do I interrupt a tete-a-tete?"

"Oh, no!" replied the charming hostess. "But the curtain is up. Conversation now might disturb the audience or perhaps those on the stage."

"Missus," began the cook, "I have been with you now a year. I hopes my services pleases."

"They do, Marie Antoinette. You may consider your position quite secure."

"Thank yez, mum."—Washington Herald.

## A TASTE OF BLOOD

(Original.)

Jonathan Greenwill was a china merchant of Philadelphia. He had several ships afloat, and his son Robert, having a taste for the sea, was given command of one of them, the Pelican. The old man decided to make a voyage with his son on the Pelican and had a stateroom fitted up for him.

The voyage to China was uneventful. Jonathan Greenwill, who was a Quaker of the mildest type, sat much on deck, looking over old ocean's bosom, which throbbled gently; the clouds above, which rolled peacefully, and the sea birds, which sailed gracefully. Nothing could have been more conducive to a deepening of the old man's noncombatant principles.

The voyage out finished and a goodly cargo of silks, tea and other valuables having been taken aboard, the Pelican started for home. She was sailing southward one afternoon on the China sea midway between the Malay peninsula and the island of Borneo when a low, rakish looking vessel appeared on the eastern horizon that especially arrested Captain Robert Greenwill's attention. The old man sat on deck in his chair, absorbed, as usual, in the peacefulness of the scene. The captain went below, and when he returned strange noises were heard underneath.

"What are those sounds, Robert?" asked the father.

"Guns being hauled into position behind masked openings. Do you see that vessel? She's a pirate."

"But, Robert," exclaimed the old man, rising in great trepidation, "what is thee going to do?"

"Fight!"

The father said nothing for some time, then spoke earnestly:

"Robert, thee knows my principles. If thee fight, I cannot help thee."

"You can go below, father, and await the issue there."

"What arms have thee?"

"I've always carried three guns on each broadside, and I have a plentiful supply of muskets and cutlasses."

"I never knew that, or I would not have allowed it."

"That I knew very well, father."

An hour later the situation was as follows: The Pelican and the pirate were within a mile of each other, both heading for the strait. The owner of the Pelican was in his stateroom. To enable him to keep his principles he had locked himself in and thrown the key out through a porthole. In doing so he caught sight of the pirate just as she "broke" the skull and bones from her peak, and a few moments later she fired a shot across the Pelican's bows. Mr. Greenwill was expecting to hear some response from the Pelican's guns, but he did not. Since this was in accordance with his professed views he should have been pleased, but he was not. He started to go and see what occasioned the delay, but found the door locked. A profane word was on his lips, but he repressed it. Mounting a stool, he called through an opening above the door:

"Why doesn't thee fire, Robert?"

But Robert was too far away to hear, besides being otherwise engaged. Jonathan got down from the stool and went to the porthole just in time to see the pirate fire a gun that struck the Pelican within twenty feet of the opening through which he was looking. The pirate was now near enough for him to see the deck swarming with the ugliest lot of yellow cutthroats he had ever looked at.

Again forgetting that the door was locked, he tried to open it. At that moment there were three simultaneous boomings in his own ship, and he ran back to the porthole to get a view. He saw activity on the pirate and new guns run out.

The fight was now well on, and between the booms were heard sounds of the old man's boot against the door of

the stateroom, which finally yielded, and Jonathan Greenwill rushed on deck with a cutlass that he had picked up as he ran.

"Give 'em—more balls, Robert! Why don't thee fire faster?"

"All hands ready to repel boarders!" was the captain's only reply, seeing that the pirate was hauling in toward the Pelican.

Ten minutes later the pirate had grapping irons on the Pelican and a lot of fiends were climbing aboard. The Pelican's crew were fewer in number, but of a superior race. The Pelican's deck was higher than the pirate's, and as the pirates put their hands on the gunwale they were chopped off by the cutlasses of the Pelican's men. Nevertheless a number of them got aboard, and both sides fought desperately. Finally, when half of those who had boarded were killed, the pirate sheered off and left the rest at the mercy of the Pelican's crew.

Then for the first time Robert Greenwill got a view of his father. The old man, covered with pirates' blood, his eyes glaring, was hacking away at the remnant of the yellow fiends who had sought to take his ship.

"Hold on, father! We'll take them ashore and let the authorities hang them."

Either the old man did not hear or his blood was too hot to heed. He went on hacking and stabbing, and the men, considering his example an order, went on killing the pirates till none was left alive. Then, when there was no more blood to feed Jonathan Greenwill's thirst, he suddenly came to himself. Dropping his cutlass, he went down the companionway, and soon his voice was heard wrestling in prayer for forgiveness for having sinned in having not only used the sword, but having killed more pirates than any man aboard the ship.

FRANK P. CHENEY.

The First Tiff.



Young Wife—Why were you so awkward and embarrassed when you proposed to me?

Young Husband—Oh, I was only trying not to look so cocksure of being accepted as I felt.—Ally Sloper.

Wise Advice.

Fraulein Laura had put a stopper on the poet's protestations and refused his suit, and the poet, in a great state, drew his knife out of his pocket.

"For heaven's sake," shrieked Laura, "don't kill yourself! I will listen to you!"

"Good!" said the poet, returning his knife to his pocket. "But I was only going to sharpen my pencil to write you a farewell poem."—Lustige Blätter.

Couldn't Hurt His Pride.

"Biggleby tried to humiliate his hired man the other day by shoveling the snow from his walk after the man had made a bluff at doing it."

"Did the man profit by the humiliation?"

"No. He tried to get Biggleby to humiliate him again the next time it snowed and Biggleby fired him."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

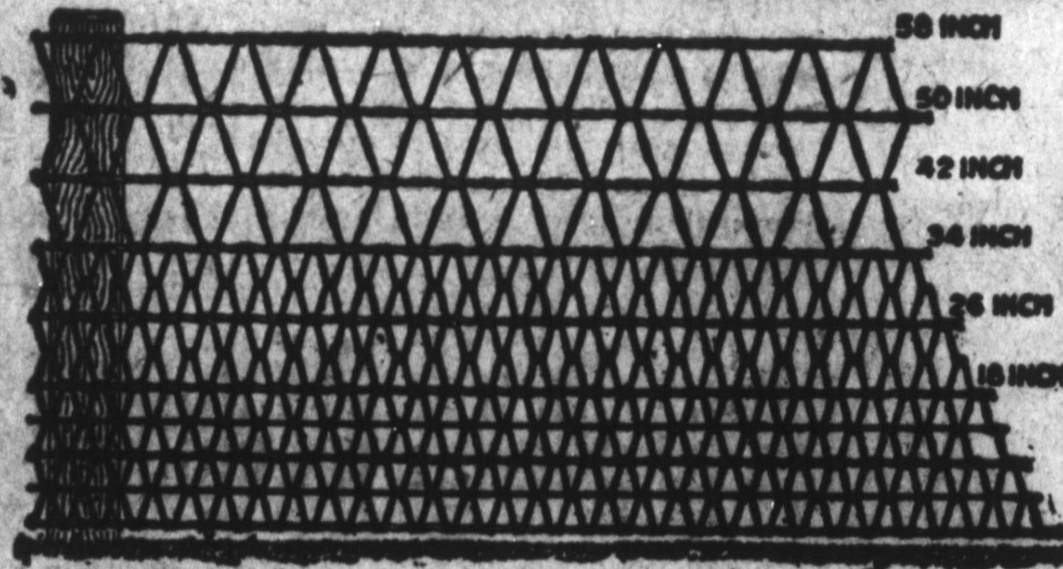


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A man or woman may lead a life of honesty and purity, battling bravely for all they hold dearest, so firm and sure of the rightness of their life that they never think for an instant of the diabolical ingenuity that makes evil and evil report where naught but good really exists. A few words lightly spoken by the tongue of slander, a sufficient expression of the eyes, a cruel shrug of the shoulders, with a pursing of the lips—and then friendly hands grow cold, the accustomed smile is displaced by a sneer and she stands alone and aloft with a dazed feeling of wonder at the vague, intangible something that has caused it all.

In nearly all small towns we find certain busy bodies who having little employment of their own, gad about from house to house to gossip about their neighbors affairs.

This habit of talking may like many other traits be inherited or may be the result of example, but however acquired we believe the love for it increases in proportion as it is cultivated.

The tattler is an enemy to the peace and happiness of the community in which he or she lives, such a person by repeating idle stories is active in stirring up enmity, strife and discord among neighbors. They seem utterly indifferent about the trouble they are making by their vile insinuations and stories. They are more dangerous than the slanderer, as they do not make positive assertions like the latter which can be

traced to their source, but they cowardly hide themselves by repeating it as hear-say, introducing their vile story with the words, "they say." They are a menace to their best friends, and to their neighbors with whom they are most intimate, as they will talk about them when their stock of gossip runs low. Prudence requires that we should shun the tattler or gossip, and not encourage their visits. During the colonial period in New England the common scold was punished by ducking in a stream.

We would not object if the Legislature of Texas should pass a law inflicting some such punishment upon the tattler.

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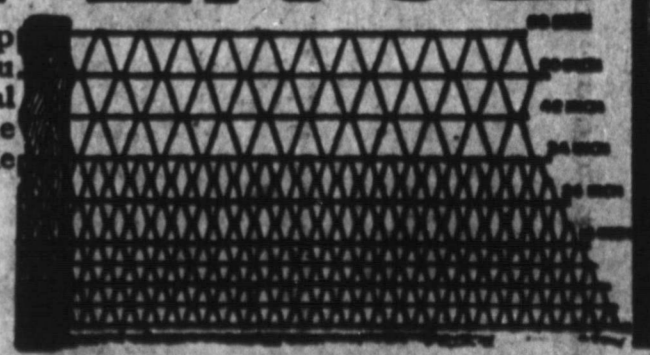
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Gail, Texas, June 27, 1907.

Hope inspires confidence in our ability to achieve success and overcome all difficulties. The man that always looks on the dark side and always sees a lion in the way, will never accomplish much himself and will excite a spirit of distrust in others. This disposition to see obstacles and bugaboos in every venture or undertaking that may be proposed, causes loss and failure not only to the pessimist, but to all with whom he associates. His influence is exerted against progress or improvement of any kind. Like other towns we are afflicted with some croakers. This genus homi utterly fails to see the natural advantages of Gail, that a stranger would at once observe who visits our town and other people are conscious of, who do not look at everything through green glasses. His perverted vision does not take in the picturesque beauty of our location, lying at the foot of the mountains on the East and on the West, with the blending of mountain and valley scenery, the smoothness of the latter contrasting with the wild and rugged scenery of the former. His attention has never been directed to the fact that this is a beautiful location for health, for while we occupy a valley we have a considerable altitude and a sufficient slope for drainage. Consequently we have no stagnant water, no malaria, no mosquitoes nor other cause of sickness. If these facts were properly advertised to the world and a Sanitarium for invalids suitably equipped with corpses of physicians and nurses were provided there is no reason why this should not become a famous health resort. Nor does he consider the adaptability of our soil and climate to the production of almost all the crops, fruits and vegetables grown in the temperate zone, from the corn, wheat and apples of the North, and to

the cotton, sugar cane and peaches of the South. The chronic grumbler thinks Gail will never have a rail road, but that if one should be built through our county it would pass East or West of us several miles, and the town would in that event have to be moved to it. He does not realize that standing as we do between the towns of Lubbock and Tahoka on the north and Big Springs on the South we are on the natural route of a railroad from the T. P. through the Plains to connect with the Fort Worth & Denver railroad. In reply to his prophecy in regard to moving the county Seat we will state that such a thing is almost impossible that this section of land covers the geographical center of the county the court house being just 200 yards East of that point and that the county seat could not be moved without a 2-3 vote of the people. Our school and church advantages are good for a small town. Our town is steadily improving and however the chronic grumbler may view it, we think our prospects are bright.

The omission of the name of J. E. Chinn from the published list of the fortunate ones in the late election in Garza county was not intentional on our part as we did not learn until Saturday of his election as County Attorney of Garza. I am told the office was not one of his own seeking, it should be very gratifying to any man to know that his people entertain so high an opinion of his sterling qualities and fitness for a position, as to support him for office without any solicitation on his part. In the present age the man seeks the office and not the office the man. We hear that there were two others voted for, for County Attorney, but that Mr. Chinn received the largest vote. Without some one to represent the State, violations of the law go unnoticed and unpunished, and there can be no good administration of affairs in the absence of a County attorney. Besides he is the proper legal adviser of the County Commissioners court. We think Garza county should be congratulated for the selection she has made of good material to fill her offices, and this remark is not meant for flattery or buncombe.

A new cotton chopping implement has been invented by a farmer near Taylor. With this implement 10 or 12 acres of cotton can be chopped over in a day, and it can be adjusted so as to leave plants standing at any distance desired.

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### A tiny Human Machine.

"We met little Joe one day in a Pittsburg toby (cheap cigar) factory," writes Owen L. Lovejoy in the July Woman's Home Companion. "A tenement room twelve feet square, with a low ceiling, not an open door or window, was occupied by twelve or thirteen people, who were rolling this cheap cigar. We had gone with a friend of the children to see little Joe, a boy of eleven, who worked twelve hours a day except one day of the week when his hours continued on to midnight.

"As we watched him bending over his table, his fingers flying deftly at their work, we seemed to see two pictures of little Joe sitting before us. First was the perfect machine, a human organism, trained to lightning motions that produce five or six hundred of these cigars each day, for which he received eight cents a hundred. Second, the sallow face, the lusterless eyes, the narrow chest, the ominous cough, which combined to write with his life blood Nature's curse upon our social neglect. Without speaking a word Joe told us more convincingly about child labor than all the census reports that were ever compiled."

### Cows have to Wear Glasses.

"There are cows that wear glasses in my country," said a Russian. "I once saw a herd of 40,000 cows with glasses on,

"It was on the steppes, the great Russian prairies. Our steppes for six months in the year are covered with snow, but during a part of the time delicate, fresh grass tips protrude from that white and dazzling mantle. The cows then are turned out to feed on the new grass, but if their eyes are unprotected the dazzling of sunshine on the snow gives them snow blindness.

"Thousands of cows suffered horribly and hundreds died of snow blindness until a rude, cheap kind of spectacles, made of leather and smoked glass, was invented and put with great success on the Russian market."—Clyde Progress.

### For Sale

A 3 room house in Ira and lot, 1 acre by 1 acre and 20 ft. With well, wind mill &c. price \$900. For particulars see J. B. DITTO, Ira, Texas.

Borden County now has a good season for crops, and long faces have given place to broad smiles. The rains in the early part of last week were followed by a light rain last Saturday night and we will not need any more for some time.

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### Farewell to the Broom.

"The problems of the housekeeper are receiving from the architects of houses something of the attention they have long claimed in vain," writes John L. Anderton in the May Woman's Home Companion.

"The solution of the sweeping problem is a case in point. In one of the newest apartment houses there is not a broom to be found from cellar to garret, or rather from the third subcellar to the aircleaning chamber on the roof. Every suite throughout the building is equipped with a vacuum cleaning apparatus. There is a pipe connected with the vacuum chamber in the basement in every suite, while a flexible hose long enough to reach to the furthest corner of every room is supplied, which may be readily attached to a nozzle in this piping just as you would connect a garden hose. The vacuum is controlled by a spigot. It is only necessary to pass the nozzle of this vacuum hose over the carpet, rug or drapery, and every particle of dust is instantly drawn up into the hose. The dirt collected in this way passes quickly through the hose into the pipe, and thence, perhaps a matter of a dozen stories, to a chamber in the subcellar, where an attendant shovels it up and carries it away.

"The nozzle picks up this dust allows no particle to escape, so that in all this sweeping there is literally no dust. Incidentally it removes more dust than the most persistent and vigorous broom—the entire operation of sweeping might be carried on with the sweeper in evening dress, so far at least, as cleanliness is concerned. The work of hours is reduced to minutes."

### Barbecue.

Lon C. Wilke, E. W. Clark, A. Sid Garrett, Jeff D. Justice and W. E. Alexander were appointed a committee of arrangement for the 4th of July Barbecue at Post City. The members of the committee are men who will interest themselves in providing everything necessary to make the barbecue a great success and a delightful occasion to all who attend. An address will be delivered by Mr. Crumpton of Lamesa. Shade will be made for the crowd and cold drinks and refreshments and other incidentals for the comfort and entertainment of every body.

No Doubt it will attract the biggest gathering ever before seen at any one point in Garga county.

George Riley of Tohaka brought Bert Ramsey, Collector for Cole and Strayhorn of Big Springs to Gail last Saturday, on his way back to the Springs.



### Helps to See.

Prof Burt, the old reliable optician of forty years experience is with us again for a time and can be found at the harness shop of H. D. Pruett. He carries his stock with him, no sending off for goods. New glasses set in old or new frames, to suit the sight. Also all shapes and makes of frames to suit the nose or face. He does not go around telling the people that if they do not purchase from him they will go blind. Call and see him and he will tell you just what to do, free of charge. He carries the largest stock of optical goods of any man in Texas. Call and see him.

Mrs Lissie Warren of Mineral Wells Texas is visiting her brother Troy Bullard near Gail.

Miss Ruthie Croseett Who has been going to the Singing School left yesterday for her home near Big Springs. While here she made many freinds

Miss Sammie Morrow of Borden and Miss Mamie Powell of Big Springs were in Gail this week and attended Prof Easterlings musical concert.

Mr. Renau of Snyder who sold his place in Borden last year to Mr Frost was in Gail to day.

### Old-Fashioned Honesty.

We need more of those old-fashioned conscientious folks who adhere to the simple way of living and who believe that every fortune should be earned honestly and fairly by the man who gets it. The honesty of our country shows, that the citizen who lives close to the soil and to the influence of nature is far more apt to shape his own political convictions, instead of being a mere obedient fraction of a political machine. He is certain to be more self-reliant and more stubborn in holding fast to his own idea of what is right. No matter how wonderful the progress of the future may be, the standard virtues of independence, industry, honesty and patriotism can never be improved. As long as the world lasts they will be the basis of true National greatness and prosperity. —Grover Cleveland.

Jerry Kelly got in from Big Springs to day with some new good for D. Dorward and Co's Drug house. This house has a very pretty stock and it is creditable to the town.

Jim York of Durham was in town to day.

## Local

Dr. J. F. Riggs Dentist of San Angelo, will be in Gail on or about July 13.

Plainview school house.

We have had a fine rain and all are busy with their crops. Hands are in demand.

Had a right hard wind near Mr Suits last Thursday eve, no damage was done to amount to anything.

Misses Sallie Beach, Annie and Odessa Cyphers visited the school last Friday.

Mr. Cyphers and daughter Mrs. Matthews spent last Saturday and Sunday in Lamesa attending the Holiness meeting.

Preaching last Sunday was well attended, we had two services.

The six mile school was out last Friday. Had a few speeches in connection with the debate, which was a pleasant affair and was well attended.

Mssrs Moyers, Riley and Beach and alsot Mrs Moyers and King made a flying trip to Tahoka last Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Rhodes, and son and daughter of San Angelo were in our community last Tuesday enroute to Texico to visit their sou.

Mr and Mrs. Beach carried their daughter Miss Sallie to Lamesa last Saturday returning Monday. Miss Sallie will remain as she expects to attend the normal.

Mr. Roy Miles will attend the normal at Lamesa,

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### Land Sale.

H. C. Dillahunty to Thornton & Pearce one section land. Consideration \$3840.

Miss Lizzie Turner who has been visiting her relatives here, returned to Memphis Tenn. last Monday to accept a position as stenographer with a R. R. Co.

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W. A. Wallace and T. M. Gourley of Colorado, Federal Cattle Quarantine Inspectors have been here inspecting cattle in the work of eradicating ticks.

B. F. Hughes of the plains was in Gail on Monday, with him were J. L. Gammon, W. C. Doolin, P. C. Parker, and H. Thomas who are working with him with a well drill and farming.

H. D. Pruett has some nice sets of Harness single and double, call and see them.

To the Voters of Garza County. You will please accept my heartiest thanks for the very creditable vote you gave me in the late canvass for the office of County-Treasurer. It shall be my earnest desire, to so discharge the duties of the office that you may never have cause to regret the kindness and favor so generously shown me.

Most respectfully yours  
B. F. Wilkes.

The new Park school house has been completed. It is a neat building 16x30 feet, which will afford ample room to accomodate all the pupils of the community.