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### Order of Commissioners Court.

The State of Texas }  
County of Borden } Be it re-  
membered that on this the 9th  
day of Oct. 1907, there was begun  
and holden a session of the com-  
missioners' court of Borden  
county at the court house  
thereof in Gail Texas, Present  
and presiding Hon. E. R.  
Yellott County Judge, J. A.  
Scarlett, W. P. Coates, C. E.  
Rreeder and J. F. Wicker. com-  
missioners, W. K. Clark Sheriff.  
Rodway Keen county clerk, when  
the following proceedings were had  
to-wit:

After having made a careful  
canvass of the votes cast for and  
against prohibition, Sept. 28, 1907  
at the different voting places in  
said county, we find that votes  
cast are as follows: For prohibi-  
tion 109, and against prohibition

27. It is therefore declared by the  
court that the election is in favor  
of prohibition. It is therefore  
ordered by the court that the sale  
of intoxicating liquors within said  
Borden county shall be absolutely  
prohibited except for the purposes  
and under the regulations specified  
by law until such time as the  
qualified voters therein may at a  
legal election held for that purpose  
by a majority vote decide other-  
wise. E. R. YELLOTT,  
County Judge.

I hereby certify that this is a  
true and correct copy of the order  
passed by the Hon. Commission-  
ers court, this the 9th day of Oct.  
1907.

SEAL RODWAY KEEN, Clerk  
County Court Borden County Tex.

Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Hood were  
in town Tuesday to see their  
sister Miss Irene Hutcherson.

### A Runaway Accident.

On Monday last, Mr Conley start-  
ed to Gail in a wagon driving four  
mules taking with him Mrs. Witt,  
his wife, Misses Lillie Miller, Irene  
and Lora Hutcherson.

On Mr. Conley's getting out to  
open Mr. Long's gate about a  
mile from town, the team whirl-  
ed around and ran off with the  
five ladies in the wagon. Miss  
Irene Hutcherson falling from  
the spring seat under the wagon,  
a wheel ran over her head and  
cut her left ear to the skull, one  
of her arms was knocked out of  
place and broken. The other  
ladies who jumped or fell out be-  
hind the wagon, tho considerably  
bruised, were not seriously hurt.  
Mr. Conley caught the mules  
about a mile from the gate and  
brought Miss Irene to Gail to  
the home of H. S. Bolin for  
medical treatment. The latest re-  
port is that she is doing as well  
as could be expected from such  
serious injuries.

J. M. Kincaid is improving his  
residence in North Gail, doing  
some inside finishing work and  
adding a new porch in front.

L. A. Hicks of the Light neigh-  
borhood was doing Gail yesterday.  
He says he intends to set out a  
nice orchard this Fall.

Fred Petzel was in Gail yester-  
day with cotton. When it comes  
to farming, Fred is always in the  
swim.

Mr. Walter Turner was in Gail  
yesterday.

Mr. Bean Cathey who has been  
here for several days, visiting  
friends and relatives returned to  
Big Springs Tuesday.

Messrs. Tom Ellis and Porter  
Tredway were in town Tuesday.

Mr. Carl Hutcherson was in  
Tuesday to see his sister Miss  
Irene.

Mr. Sid Garrett Justice of the  
Peace of Garza county was in Gail  
Tuesday.

**Special Philippine Correspondence**

By S. E. DeRackin.

Zamboanga, Moro Province, P. I.—It is difficult for any one to realize just what the Philippines really are unless familiar with tropical life. In America, we have four distinct seasons, whereas here it is perpetual summer. Do not, however, confound our summer with yours, as the thermometer here rarely registers above 90 on the warmest days. The night are always cool. Neither should the Philippines be classed with tropical America, where the Caucasian's life is one endless conflict with animal reptile and insect pests, and when not so engaged is battling with the various forms of malaria, poisoning. Here we are practically free from such drawbacks.

**THAT INDEFINABLE SOMETHING**

There is an indefinable something about the land "where the snowy blossoms never wither from the everlasting hills and autumn never braids its scarlet fringes through the green of eternal summers." When once thoroughly saturated with its influence, it is impossible to shake it off. You hear "the far East a-calling" in every twitter of the birds, in every balmy breeze, in every field of verdure. Americans who have lived here any length of time have been unable to stay away. It is really pathetic to see the many Spaniards who, out of patriotic fever, sacrificed their interests here and returned to Spain upon the occupation of the Island by an American government. Some tired of their change in six months, others in a year, while a few held out against the beckoning East two years, but they are all back now to see their places filled by strangers. But, even so, they prefer these Islands to old Casteel. In the case of Americans, how much better pleased are they to return to the Islands, knowing that they still rest under the folds of Old Glory, and that if reasons why we should give them up were thicker than blackberries, we would never do so under compulsion.

**A VITAL NEED.**

It will be many, many years, if ever, before the American laborer will be able to do so well here as at home. This is pre-eminently a land for the play of individual effort. What this country and its people vitally need is a class of thrifty young Americans to employ and direct the labor of the primitive inhabitants.

None of the drudgery of farm life in America is met with here. It partakes more of the plantation life of the south before the civil war. The simple people here become wonderfully attached to

their homes and employers if treated fairly. And kindly considerate treatment of help will always be found to be the most valuable asset in conducting a plantation in Moroland.

**CHARACTER OF THE COUNTRY**

Mindanao is very mountainous, and therefore has many valleys containing from ten thousand to several hundred thousand acres each. The level areas in these valleys are the result of alluvial deposits from the mountain ranges, being inexhaustible in fertility. And what is more to the point, the soil is being enriched each year through the same processes which caused the original deposits.

What a paradise this Island would be if each of these valleys claimed its American settlement and their prosperous estates!

**THE IDEAL CROP.**

The ideal crop in these Islands is coconuts. While it requires at least seven years to get a return on this crop, it requires less labor to handle and gives the most certain return. At the present price of copra (the meat of the coconut), an acre of full bearing trees can be depended upon to net you \$150 00 per year

for 50 years—the average life of a grove.

Practically all American planters here plant hemp first, which gives a return in two years, and later plant coconuts on the same ground. As hemp does not have to be replanted except every seven or eight years, by the time the coconuts are ready to bear the hemp has disappeared, but the returns from it have more than paid all cost of operation of the estate.

**PLANNING FOR A RUSH.**

Arrangements are being perfected by the engineer of the Moro Province to get reliable data as to the number of valleys in this Island, their area and suitability for various crops. When this work is completed, exact information can always be had by those interested without the expenditure of unnecessary time and money.

**A UNIQUE PLAN.**

The plan adopted by the Americans in this Province is to form an association, putting one of their number in charge of the plantation, the other contributing from their salaries or other incomes until the plantation is on a paying basis. Several hundred

plantations are today being developed along these lines in this Province alone.

This is the plan I would recommend to the young men of America who may be looking in this direction as a suitable field of investment for their labor and capital. They could organize an association or corporation, sending one of their number to establish the plantation and put it on a paying basis, those remaining behind advancing the necessary funds as needed. If we had only one organization of this kind from each county in the United States, a personal interest in this Province would be felt by the people at home which would create an asset very valuable to the Islands as a whole. Doubtless arrangements could be made to employ a plantation manager here, which would not require the presence of any member of the company or the association, and our organization will undertake to find a reliable man for such work if required. However, it will always be very much more satisfactory to you to have your own man on the ground.

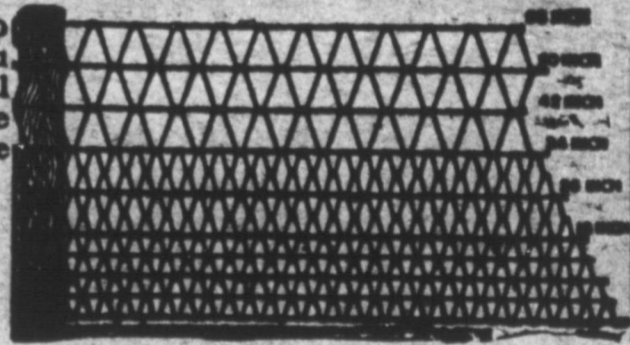
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# THE LION AND THE MOUSE.

By CHARLES KLEIN.

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Jefferson might change his mind and abandon his idea of going abroad, and he suggested to the senator that perhaps if he, the senator, made the engagement public through the newspapers it might have the salutary effect of forcing his son's hand.

So a few mornings later there appeared among the society notes in several of the New York papers this paragraph:

The engagement is announced of Miss Katherine Roberts, only daughter of Senator Roberts of Wisconsin, to Jefferson Ryder, son of Mr. John Burkett Ryder.

Two persons in New York happened to see the item about the same time, and both were equally interested, although it affected them in a different manner. One was Shirley Rossmore, who had chanced to pick up the newspaper at the breakfast table in her boarding house.

"So soon?" she murmured to herself. Well, why not? She could not blame Jefferson. He had often spoken to her of this match arranged by his father, and they had laughed over it as a typical marriage of convenience modeled after the continental pattern. Jefferson, she knew, had never cared for the girl, nor taken the affair seriously. Some powerful influences must have been at work to make him surrender so easily. Here again she recognized the masterly hand of Ryder senior, and more than ever she was eager to meet this extraordinary man and measure her strength with his. Her mind, indeed, was too full of her father's troubles to grieve over her own however much she might have been inclined to do so under other circumstances, and all that day she did her best to banish the paragraph from her thoughts. More than a week had passed since she left Massapequa and, what with corresponding with financiers, calling on editors and publishers, every moment of her time had been kept busy. She had found a quiet and reasonable priced boarding house off Washington square, and here Stott had called several times to see her. Her correspondence with Mr. Ryder had now reached a phase when it was impossible to invent any further excuses for delaying the interview asked for. As she had foreseen, a day or two after her arrival in town she had received a note from Mrs. Ryder asking her to do her the honor to call and see her, and Shirley, after waiting another two days, had replied making an appointment for the following day at 3 o'clock. This was the same day on which the paragraph concerning the Ryder-Roberts engagement appeared in the society chronicles of the metropolis.

Directly after the meager meal which in New York boarding houses is dignified by the name of luncheon Shirley proceeded to get ready for this portentous visit to the Ryder mansion. She was anxious to make a favorable impression on the financier, so she took some pains with her personal appearance.

In about twenty minutes the car stopped at the corner of Seventy-fourth street. Shirley descended and with a quickened pulse walked toward the Ryder mansion, which she knew well by sight.

There was one other person in New York who that same morning had read the newspaper item regarding the Ryder-Roberts betrothal, and he did not take the matter so calmly as Shirley had done. On the contrary, it had the effect of putting him into a violent

rage. This was Jefferson. He was working in his studio when he read it, and five minutes later he was tearing uptown to seek the author of it. He understood its object of course. They wanted to force his hand, to shame him into this marriage, to so entangle him with the girl that no other alternative would be possible to an honorable man. It was a despicable trick, and he had no doubt that his father was at the back of it. So his mind now was fully made up. He would go away at once where they could not make his life a burden with this odious marriage which was fast becoming a nightmare to him. He would close up his studio and leave immediately for Europe. He would show his father once for all that he was a man and expected to be treated as one.

On arriving home the first person he saw was the ubiquitous Mr. Bagley, who stood at the top of the first staircase giving some letters to the butler. Jefferson cornered him at once, holding out the newspaper containing the offending paragraph.

"Say, Bagley," he cried, "what does this mean? Is this any of your doing?"

The English secretary gave his employer's son a haughty stare and then, without deigning to reply or even to glance at the newspaper, continued his instructions to the servant:

"Here, Jorkins, get stamps for all these letters and see they are mailed at once. They are very important."

"Very good, sir."

The man took the letters and disappeared, while Jefferson, impatient, repeated his question:

"My doing?" sneered Mr. Bagley. "Really, Jefferson, you go too far. Do you suppose for one instant that I would condescend to trouble myself with your affairs?"

Jefferson was in no mood to put up with insolence from any one, especially from a man whom he heartily despised, so, advancing menacingly, he thundered:

"I mean—were you in the discharge of your menial-like duties instructed by my father to send that paragraph to the newspapers regarding my alleged betrothal to Miss Roberts? Yes or no?"

The man winced and made a stop backward. There was a gleam in the Ryder eye which he knew by experience boded no good.

"Really, Jefferson," he said in a more conciliatory tone, "I know absolutely nothing about the paragraph. This is the first I hear of it. Why not ask your father?"

"I will," replied Jefferson grimly.

He was turning to go in the direction of the library when Bagley stopped him.

"You cannot possibly see him now," he said. "Sergeant Ellison of the secret service is in there with him, and your father told me not to disturb him on any account. He has another appointment at 3 o'clock with some woman who writes books."

Seeing that the fellow was in earnest, Jefferson did not resist. He could see his father a little later or send him a message through his mother. Proceeding upstairs, he found Mrs. Ryder in her room, and in a few energetic words he explained the situation to his mother. They had gone too far with this matchmaking business, he said; his father was trying to interfere with his personal liberty, and he was going to put a stop to it. He would leave at once for Europe. Mrs.

Ryder had already heard of the projected trip abroad, so the news of this sudden departure was not the shock it might otherwise have been.

As Jefferson went downstairs something white on the carpet attracted his attention. He stooped and picked it up. It was a letter. It was in Bagley's handwriting and had evidently been dropped by the man to whom the secretary had given it to post. But what interested Jefferson more than anything else was that it was addressed to Miss Kate Roberts. Under ordinary circumstances a king's ransom would not have tempted the young man to read a letter addressed to another, but he was convinced that his father's secretary was an adventurer, and if he were carrying on an intrigue in this manner it could have only one meaning. It was his duty to unroll a rascal who was using the Ryder roof and name to further his own ends and victimize a girl who, although sophisticated enough to know better, was too silly to realize the risk she ran at the hands of an unscrupulous man. Hesitating no longer, Jefferson tore open the envelope and read:

My Dearest Wife That Is to Be—I have arranged everything. Next Wednesday—just a week from today—we will go to the house of a discreet friend of mine where a minister will marry us. Then we will go to city hall and get through the legal part of it. Afterward we can catch the 4 o'clock train for Buffalo. Meet me in the ladies' room at the Holland House Wednesday morning at 11 a. m. I will come there with a closed cab. Your devoted FITZ.

"Phew!" Jefferson whistled. A close shave this for Senator Roberts, he thought. His first impulse was to go upstairs again to his mother and put the matter in her hands. She would immediately inform his father, who would make short work of Mr. Bagley. But, thought Jefferson, why should he spoil a good thing? He could afford to wait a day or two. There was no hurry. He could allow Bagley to think all was going swimmingly and then uncover the plot at the eleventh hour. He would even let this letter go to Kate. There was no difficulty in procuring another envelope and imitating the handwriting, and when Bagley



"Say, Bagley, what does this mean?" was just preparing to go to the rendezvous he would spring the trap. Such a cad deserved no mercy. The scandal would be a knockout blow, his father would discharge him on the spot, and that would be the last they would see of the aristocratic English secretary. Jefferson put the letter in his pocket and left the house rejoicing.

While the foregoing incidents were happening John Burkett Ryder was secluded in his library. The great man had come home earlier than usual, for he had two important callers to see by appointment that afternoon. One was Sergeant Ellison, who had to report on his mission to Massapequa; the other was Miss Shirley Green, the author of "The American Octopus," who had at last deigned to honor him with a visit. Pending the arrival of these visitors the financier was busy with his secretary trying to get rid as rapidly as pos-

sible of what business and correspondence there was on hand.

The plutocrat was sitting at his desk poring over a mass of papers. Between his teeth was the inevitable long black

cigar, and when he raised his eyes to the light a close observer might have remarked that they were sea green, a color they assumed when the man of millions was absorbed in scheming new business deals. Every now and then he stopped reading the papers to make quick calculations on scraps of paper. Then if the result pleased him a smile overspread his saturnine features. He rose from his chair and nervously paced the floor as he always did when thinking deeply.

"Five millions," he muttered, "not a cent more. If they won't sell we'll crush them!"

Mr. Bagley entered. Mr. Ryder looked up quickly.

"Well, Bagley?" he said interrogatively. "Has Sergeant Ellison come?"

"Yes, sir. But Mr. Herts is downstairs. He insists on seeing you about the Philadelphia gas deal. He says it is a matter of life and death."

"To him—yes," answered the financier dryly. "Let him come up. We might as well have it out now."

Mr. Bagley went out and returned almost immediately, followed by a short, fat man, rather loudly dressed and apoplectic in appearance. He looked like a prosperous brewer, while, as a matter of fact, he was president of a gas company, one of the shrewdest promoters in the country, and a big man in Wall street. There was only one bigger man and that was John Ryder. But, today, Mr. Herts was not in good condition. His face was pale and his manner flustered and nervous. He was plainly worried.

"Mr. Ryder," he began with excited gesture, "the terms you offer are preposterous. It would mean disaster to the stockholders. Our gas properties are worth six times that amount. We will sell out for \$20,000,000, not a cent less."

Ryder shrugged his shoulders.

"Mr. Herts," he replied coolly, "I am busy today and in no mood for arguing. We'll either buy you out or force you out. Choose. You have our offer. Five millions for your gas property. Will you take it?"

"We'll see you in tophet first!" cried his visitor, exasperated.

"Very well," replied Ryder, still unruffled, "all negotiations are off. You leave me free to act. We have an offer to buy cheap the old Germantown Gas company, which has charter rights to go into any of the streets of Philadelphia. We shall purchase that company, we will put \$10,000,000 new capital into it and reduce the price of gas in Philadelphia to 60 cents a thousand. Where will you be then?"

The face of the Colossus as he uttered this stand and deliver speech was calm and inscrutable. Conscious of the resistless power of his untold millions, he felt no more compunction in mercilessly crushing this business rival than he would in trampling out the life of a worm. The little man facing him looked haggard and distressed. He knew well that this was no idle threat. He was well aware that Ryder and his associates by the sheer weight of the enormous wealth they controlled could sell out or destroy any industrial corporation in the land. It was plainly illegal, but it was done every day, and his company was not the first victim nor the last. Desperate, he appealed humbly to the tyrannical money power:

"Don't drive us to the wall, Mr. Ryder. This forced sale will mean disaster to us all. Put yourself in our place; think what it means to scores of families whose only support is the income from their investment in our company."

"Mr. Herts," replied Ryder unmoved, "I never allow sentiment to interfere with business. You have heard my terms. I refuse to argue the matter further. What is it to be? Five mil-

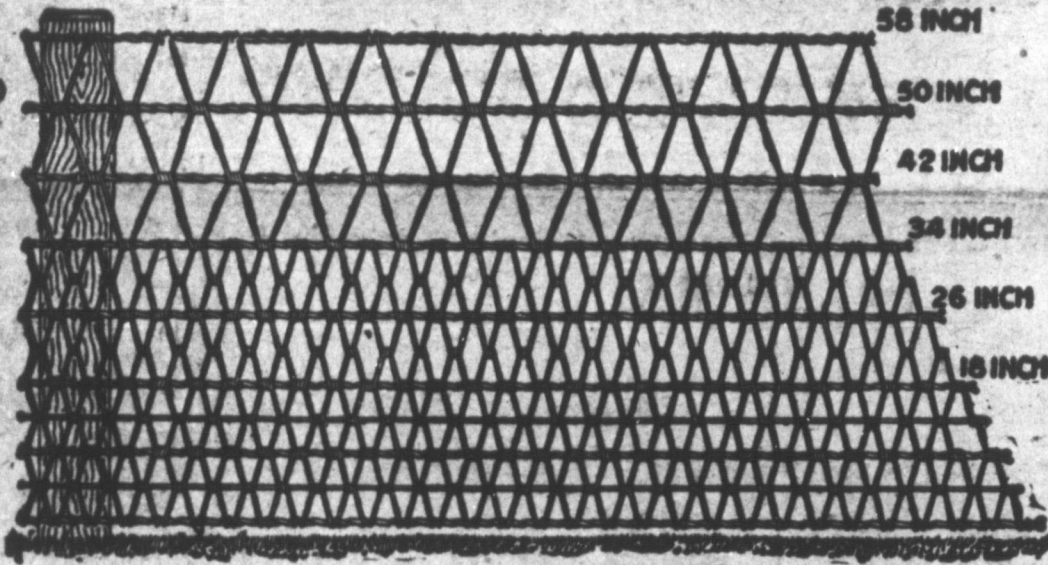
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 February, May, August and Novem-  
 ber.

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 day night.

**Riding the South Sea Surf**

"I shall never forget the first  
 big wave I caught out there in  
 the deep water," says Jack Lon-  
 don in the October Woman's  
 Home Companion. "I saw it  
 coming, turned my back on it  
 and paddled for dear life. Fas-  
 ter and faster my board went,  
 until it seemed my arms would  
 drop off. What was happening  
 behind me I could not tell. One  
 cannot look behind and paddle  
 the windmill stroke. I heard  
 the crest of the wave hissing  
 and churning, and then my board  
 was lifted and flung forward. I  
 scarcely knew what happened  
 the first half-minute. Though  
 I kept my eyes open, I could not  
 see anything, for I was buried  
 in the rushing white of the crest.  
 But I did not mind. I did not  
 mind. I was chiefly conscious  
 of ecstatic bliss at having caught  
 the wave. At the end of the  
 half-minute, however, I began  
 to see things and to breathe. I  
 saw that three feet of the nose of  
 my board was clear out of water  
 and riding on the air. I shifted  
 my weight forward and made  
 the nose come down. Then I  
 lay, quiet at rest in the midst  
 of the wild movement, and  
 watched the shore and the batt-  
 ers on the beach grow distinct.  
 I didn't cover quite a quarter of

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a mile on that wave, because,  
 to prevent the board from div-  
 ing, I shifted my weight back,  
 but shifted it too far, and fell  
 down the rear slope of the  
 wave."

**Saturday Night Reveries.**  
 Saturday night seems to have  
 the happy faculty of making  
 people human; set their ears to  
 beating softly as they used to  
 do before the world turned them  
 into war drums and jarred them  
 to pieces with tattoos. On Sat-  
 urday night the ledger closes  
 with a clash, the iron-doored  
 vault comes to with a lang,  
 click, goes the key in the lock.  
 It is Saturday night and the  
 business man breathes free  
 again. Homeward, ho! The  
 door that has been ajar all the  
 week gently closes behind him,  
 the world is all shut out. Shut  
 out? Shut in, rather. At home  
 are his treasures after all, and  
 not in the vault and not in the  
 book—save the record in the  
 old family Bible—and not in the  
 bank. Maybe you are a bache-  
 lor, frosty and forty. Then,  
 poor fellow, Saturday night is  
 nothing to you, just as you are  
 nothing to anybody. Get a wife,  
 blue-eyed or black-eyed, but  
 above all, true-eyed. Get a  
 little home—no matter how little  
 —a sofa, just to hold two, or  
 two and a half, in it, on a Sat-  
 urday night, and then read this  
 paragraph by the light in your  
 wife's eyes, and thank God and  
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### Career of a Southern Boy.

Eight years ago a Southern boy 19 years of age, whose mother had struggled to give him a fair education, went to New York and secured a position at about \$8 a week involving the superintendence of laborers putting down pipes in the streets. Notwithstanding the expense of living in New York, this boy paid his way, putting up with many inconveniences and hardships, and found time to devote many hours to study. He determined to know everything that could be learned out of books about the line of work in which he was then employed. He was at the bottom of the ladder, but he determined to reach the top if study and efficiency could accomplish the result. Unaided, with no backing except his own honesty, sobriety and devotion to work, he spent his evenings in the libraries of New York fitting himself by constant study for whatever higher position there might possibly be ahead of him. It was but a short time before his efficiency brought a voluntary offer of an increase of salary to \$1,200 a year. When he had been connected with this one company for four years, the general superintendent, who was managing the construction of the largest plant of its kind in the world, involving the expenditure of a great many millions of dollars, resigned to take a position elsewhere. He was asked to find a successor, and he recommended this young Southern man, then twenty-three years of age. The owner said he was too young to be given such responsibility, but the superintendent said he knew more about the business and was better fitted to handle it than any other man in the concern. And so at twenty-three he was advanced and given charge of the construction of this great

plant and his salary advanced to \$7,000 a year. A year or two later one of the great manufacturing concerns of the country which supplied a large part of the material for the construction of this plant became so much impressed with the business ability and efficiency of this young man that after considerable persuasion they induced him to resign and take entire management of their concern, which employs over 1,000 skilled mechanics and carries on large business operations throughout this country and abroad, offering him as an inducement a salary of \$10,000 a year and an interest in the business. At twenty-seven years of age, or eight years after he left his Southern home, with no equipment except his good character and a moderate education, this young man is a partner in one of the most important business houses in the country, managing its great operations and building for himself not only a future, but a name for uprightiness, integrity and honor, which is above all price. The mother who struggled in his early life to provide for him such educational opportunities as he had, now finds in this boy a devotion to her and his brothers and sisters equal in strength to the character which he has displayed in the development of business.—Manufacturers' Record.

### What Billy Sanders Thinks of the Japanese.

"Well, here we are worryin' wi' hoodlums that ought to be in jail, an' cut that, in the neighborhood of sunset, the Japanese is gramin' at us. Bekaze some of our gunners help um out when old Alred Omega tackled the Roosuan fleet, they think the men in our navy will fight on any side. When it comes to my reel opinion of the Japanese, it'd be hard for to give it out to you bekaze it run around like the second hand of a brass watch, wi' ever' sign of stoppin' short while you're lookin' at it. I dunner what to think of 'em, but it looks as ef the nation that's got the stomach for to put on the customs an' habits of another, an' strut about like it was civilized, is mighty nigh ready for to run down hill; and talkin' in my sleep, that the nation that's ready to put ever' thing in the discard pile but its granddaddy's ghosts an' a sul-burnt Mickadoc, is some pumpkins for certain."—Joel Chandler Harris in Uncle Remu's Magazine.

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## Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jenkins, J. D. Black and M. T. Hutchinson of the Julia neighborhood visited in Gail last Tuesday.

J. H. Smoot moved his dwelling in from the country to the North side of town and will occupy it with his family at least during the remainder of the school term.

Mr. W. A. Bedell was here Saturday.

Mr. Smith, also Mr. Shum were in town Saturday.

Mr. Black and little daughter were in town trading Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bee Curtis returned home from Lubbock Friday. Mrs. Curtis has been visiting Mrs. Geo. Curtis of that place and expects to return some time this week to stay until the 20th of next month.

Messrs. Walter Hill and Geo. Brazil were in town Monday.

Miss Stella Nisbett was visiting in Gail last week.

Mr. Hester and son Rex were in town on Monday.

Mr. John Williams and brother were in town Monday.

Mrs. H. S. Bolin returned home Saturday from a visit of several weeks to her sister, Mrs. Carl Hutchinson of Julia.

N. M. Harpole and family of Mineola were here last Tuesday. Mr. Harpole is visiting his relatives here, the families of J. B. Jenkins and Mr. Callaway, and also looking at our lands with a view to investment.

S. R. Crane of McLennan county is prospecting in this vicinity. Mr. Crane was here about five years ago and liked our country so well that he was induced to return. He says he is well pleased.

### Banks Victionized.

Will Sparks of Garza county was arrested on the 11th inst. in Garza near the line of Dickens county, and lodged in the Lubbock jail for safe keeping, charged with borrowing money from banks at Tahoka and Dickens City, on cattle he falsely claimed to own. We are informed that he first applied for a loan of \$100 from a Tahoka bank on a bogus mortgage of 150 head of cattle, but that on inquiry they loaned him only \$30. That a few days afterwards he negotiated a loan of \$30.00 on 30 head of cattle with the bank of Dickens City, mortgaging in both cases, it is said, stock he did not own.

### NOTICE.

On Monday, Nov. 11 the Commissioners' Court of Garza county will receive bids from banks for the custody of the county funds until Feb 1909. Bids should be addressed to the County Judge at Post City Texas.

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Mr. Alexander and Mr. Curtis of Lubbock, managers of the Staked Plains Telephone Co., came down Friday in an auto. They returned Saturday during the big rain. Mr. Sid Stephenson who has been telephone operator here for sometime returned with them.

Mr. Jess Walker left Monday for Loving county where he will stay for some time.

Messrs. Will Johnson, Dick Winfree and Will Hester were in town Sunday.

Mr. H. S. Bolin who has been absent for some time on the plains returned Saturday,

During "Bargain Days," Dec. 1 to 15, watch for great subscription proposition—THE FORT WORTH TELEGRAM, daily and Sunday, by mail one year. Postmasters or rural route carriers will tell you.

### Plainview School House.

We are having wet weather in our community at present.

Mr. Brooks and family, and son and wife have moved to our country from Eastern Texas. We can assure them that they are welcome to our community as good citizens and neighbors.

Mrs. Austin of our community is very sick at present.

We learn that the people have the railroad fever very bad. We hope the road will come so their

fever will cool.

Preaching last Sunday at Plainview. The ministers name we were unable to learn.

Mr. A. H. Berry has purchased some cattle from Mr. Alexander.

The people are in full force gathering their crops at present. Mr. F. G. Dargitz has returned from Snyder where he was called on business.

### LEFT OVER FROM LAST WEEK.

We have been having some cool weather on the plains.

Mr. Luke Riley moved his house down near his wind mill.

Messrs. John Berry, Riley Rains and their families made a flying trip to Tahoka Saturday.

Cotton picking is the order of the day on the plains.

Prof. Duckworth of Draw has suspended school until crops are gathered.

A crowd of young men of Miles school house went to Draw Sunday.

Mr. Willie Farris has returned home.

Mr. Beach has gone to Big Springs to meet friends from Beckville, Texas.

Mrs. Preston Mayors accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Edwards, spent last Monday with Mrs. Beach.

Mr. Oscar McCarley of Plainview, attended services at Mesquite Sunday. I C U.

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### Notice to the Farmers of Texas

The law creating the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture says:

"He" (the Commissioner of Agriculture) "shall encourage the organization of Agricultural societies, and for the benefit of agricultural communities, he shall cause to be held Farmers' Institutes at such times and at such places throughout the state as will promote the advancement of agricultural knowledge and the improvement of agricultural methods and practices."

The law also provides that the commissioner "shall co-operate with the Agricultural and Mechanical College in all lines looking towards the agricultural and horticultural interests of the state."

In this connection, it affords me pleasure to announce that this department is now ready to proceed with the work of organizing farmers' institutes, and I am sure that it will be gratifying to the farmers of Texas to know that one of the ablest and most experienced men in agricultural work in the South will be supplied by the A. & M. College to be present and talk to the farmers at all these meetings. As it will be impossible to visit more than a limited number of counties between now and January, only those counties which will be included in said visits which will make application for the same. It is expected that some live farmer at each place, desiring institutes, shall take the lead, secure the names of at least a dozen farmers and forward them to me at Austin immediately, so that the appointments can be made in such a way as to avoid

any conflict. It will also be the duty of those petitioning for these meetings to advertise them in their local papers and give publicity to them in such other manner as they may select; also, to choose local speakers and arrange generally for the meetings. Several petitions have already been received, asking for the organization of institutes, and it is important that all such petitions be sent in within the next two weeks. In counties where agricultural societies are already in existence, such as truck-growers' associations, etc., the work will continue in the names already adopted. It is the purpose of this department, working in absolute harmony with the A. & M. College, to serve the best interests of the great mass of farmers, stock raisers truck-growers, etc., of this State. But there must be a live local interest to make these institutes a moving force in agriculture. In getting up these petitions for institutes, no form is necessary; any method which will convey to this department a desire for institute work will be sufficient.

R. T. MILNER,  
Commissioner of Agriculture, Austin, Texas.

Miss Irene Hutcherson was thrown from the wagon Monday. Her arm was broken at the elbow her face was bruised considerably, one ear being cut pretty bad. She is at the home of H. S. Bolin. We hope she will recover soon.

Mr. Witt and wife were in town Tuesday visiting,

Mr. Jack Cross and wife of near Sparenberg were in town Tuesday. They spent the night at the home of J. G. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller from Post passed through Tuesday on their way to Big Springs where they will spend several days.

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W. C. Fullilove of the Gavitt neighborhood was here yestereay.

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T. M. JONES.

Mr. Dave Benton and family of Emma passed through Gail this week. Mr. Benton goes to San Angelo and his family to the Dallas Fair.

Mrs. M. E. Barry left this morning for Big Springs to visit her daughters, Mrs. Huse Benton and Mrs. J. L. Wood

Mr. Sam Burk arrived in Gail yesterday from Big Springs from a visit to his brother Frank who has been sick with slow fever, but went off again today.