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The Demucrats stand a good chance to win the coming election. Twelve years of Republican rule, when they have had full control of all departments of govern inent and havedone nothing fort he people seem to have satisfied the most sanguine and they are ready for a change, During this time trusts have grown wonderfully, expenses of running the govern ment have doubled. extravagances have beetr rampart in every department, the cost of living, has almost doubled, and the worst panic in the history of the country is on us.
All this goes to show their in ability to manage the affairs in the interest of the people and the $p ゃ$ ople will welcome a change. Mr , Bryan and Mr. Taft are likely to be the opposing candidates, and Bryan leaning towards the people and Taft towards Wall street will give Mr. Bryan a great advantage.
The Democrats favoring a ireduction of the tariff, regulating 54 4sts and railroads, and economy c. the expenditure of public funds
many other reforms and Resublicans with their record for
the last dozen years to defend, will thelp our party, The labor ele ment will be with the Democrats if Mr . Taft is nominated as ohis sympathies seems to be against labor organizations. If the Demcrats make a strong platform in favor of reform, with Mr. Bryan as leader they will likely be suc-cesful.-Bellview News.

Chicago. III, April $25 .-$ Okla homa captured the Board of Trade today and for five minutes everything stopped. The brass band of the Tulsa "Boosters": fet itself loose un the main floor, and for once the Chicago traders ac knowledged themselves vanquish ed.
Tne Tuka Commercial club, 130 strong, backed up the band it was $10: 50$ o'clock when the Okla, homans reached the building, af ter a parade through the dowhown streets. The Board of Trade pulice-man had not been apprised of the coming of the Boosters, and at first was inclined to show fight. It took the Buosters about one minute to surround the policeman and bear him almost bodily into the lobby. The invitation of Presi dent Hiram N. Sagar end Secre-
tary Stone of the Board was tary Stone of the Board was enough.

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Before anybody was aware what was happening the band had for-1 med in a circle and was giving vent to some Indian music that made more noise in a minute than the Chicago traders could make in an hour. Then it was that buying stopped Selling stopped. All the telegraph instruments on the floor were drowned out, The market stood still. Over the whole mechanism of the Board a wave of sudden rest set ih. New York feit the break io the usual tension. So did London and Patis.
"What's the matter?" wired New York, London and Paris.
Oklahoma arrived" went flashing back over the wire.
Business will be resumed when
g. Choma goes away.-Ex.

## Big Land Deal.

deal has just been closed in Which the Swinson Bros. of New York have transferred 433,000 aches North. West and No. 111 in the of land to the Espula Land and East part of the county were esCattle Co. of London England for tablished, and the quarterly rea consideration $\$ 2,590,000$ in cash. ports of the several county officiThis land lies in the counties of als were examined and approved, Dickens, Kent, Crosby and Garza It was ordered that notice be which will be thrown open for set- given of the meeting of the court tlement and cut up into quarter as a board of equalization in. June tlement and cut up into, quarker after which the court adjourned.
sections. Hermleigh Herald.

## Estray Notice.

The State of Texas
County of Borden $\}$ Taken up by A. R. Gray and Estrayed before J. A. Scarlett. Justice of the Peace precinct No. 1. Borden county: One iron gray pony, about 4 years old, branded $T$ on left shoulder, 4 N E on left thigh, 12 or 13 hands high. Appraised at twenty-five dollars.
The owner of said stock is requested to come torward. prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be delt with as the law directs.
Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 4 day of may, 1908.

RODWAY KEEN, Clerk
County Court Borden County

## Commlssioners Court Proceedinge

A regular term of the Commissioner's Court was held on Monday and Tuesday of this week, the members were all present.
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TRIBUTE TO A TFXAN.
The Houston Chronicle's staff correspondent, Frank Putman, who spent years in the newspafer work in Washington and elsewhere before couning to Texas, and who is a veteran of many political campaigns, pays this tribute to a Texan:
"I have heard many oratorsBryan at his best, in the con. vention hall in Chicago in that early morning hour when he roused a jaded national convention out of sleepy lethargy and flung it battle-mad against the -nemy's battle line; the cold and claesic Eoldge of Massachusetts; the fiery radical, Pettigrew of Dakota; the Gurly impetuous Rousevelt, hurling his short Saxon words like bullets at his auditurs; the suave and sweet McKinley, luring men with sugared sophistries; the blunt and atubtorn LaFollette, beating down all opposition with a ewift, steady fire of unanswerable facte the stately Beveridge, presenting our day's platitudes in the in the echoed phraees of old lead Demosthenes; the tuge and rotund Dolliver, in honey utterances making the worse sppear the better reason; the wily Spooner of Wisconsin. All these and many more have I heard, and I want in say that Cone Johnson, in his mastery of the art of public oratory, in his shining obvious loyalty to high idesls and in his tremendous convincing power of moral earnestness, is the peer of the greatest
of these men, a fit and worthy representative of the best in Texas life or in the Nation's life."-The Plainsmen.

## Serious Migtake

Afather who raises a son to man* hood and neglects to teach him some avocation by which he can earn a living makes a serious and sometimes fatal mistake. The big brawny,strapping young fellow in blue overalls and bare arms. black with coal dust and grease. who slings a ten pound sledge, hammer eight or ten hours a day, or heaves tons of coal into a flaming furnace, may not look quite so neat, sweet and kissable as the spider-legged dude in tailor made cluthes, but when it comes to a real bread and meat proposition the latter is lost in the shuffle. No matter particulary what trade or avccation a man follows, just so it is honest and legitimace, and the man has the inclination and the ability to do the task well. A first class ignorant wood chop. per who is willing to work is worth all the educated vagabonds yot could pack in a 40 acre lot Young boys should be educated but they should be taught something practical. That in any event renders them independent soq far as making a living is con-cerned.-Denison Gazette.

## E. R. YELLOTT

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SMIIH SCORES REPUBLICANS $\mid$ H. Reagan of Texas in 1878, The Repiy to Mr. Townsed Shows up a Surprising Lino of Figures. A Hit With Democrats.
Washington, April 11,-R七presentative William R. Smith of Texas. in a speech in the bouse today, presented some surprising figures. He showed that in the eighteen years the Sherman anti trust law has been in force only 53 proceedings have been instituted under it, and that the results have been very meager.
Only eight convictions have been secured in criminal sases and the total fines imposed aggregate only $\$ 90000$, which he said, is less than the people are robbed of by the trusts evry day in the year. The auti-truat law was enacted during Harrison's a 3ministration yet Cleaveland had more anti-trust suits inetituted than either MoKinley. or Harrison.
Mr. Smith's speech was in reply to one by Representative Townsend of Wisconsin, delivered aonte weeks ago, in which all the credit for anti-trust legislation and railway rate legislation was claimed for the Republican party.

RECOUNTS REAGAN'S EFFORTS.'
Mr. Smith showed that the first bill toregulate railroad rates was introduced in the house by Judge
and when continued to press it until 1887, when it passed a democratio house. The senate substitued the bill introduced by Senatur Reagan's bill provided that the courts should have the power to enforce the law governing rates.
Senator Cullom's bill created the interstate Commerce Com. mission, and after ten years the Supreme Court decided that the commission did not have the power to enforce its orders. Notwithstanding this, it was another decade before the RepubHican party would undertake to increase the powers of the commission, althu petitioned to do so, and though the Democrats in the national platforms declare for such legislation.

RATE LAW OF 1896.
"And whef the Republicans at last allowed a rate law to be enacted in 1896," said Judge Smith "they were so afraid of doing something which would hurt the roads that they actually left to the roads themselves the power to fix rates, since the law expressly provides that no rate shall be interfered with except upon complaint to the commission,"
The speech received close attention and many Democraty have said they would distribute it in their districts as a campaign document.-The Avalanch.

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## THE MYSTERY

## By STEWART EDWARD WHITE And _AMUEL HOPKINS ADAMS

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Eles or with voluminous pirsts or ractured English from Perdosa. Pulz his pale green eyes. The light shifted nd wavered from The light shifted the ship swayed; garments swung: the empty berths yawned cavernous. could imagine the forecastle filled with the desperate men who had beaten off the Oyama. The story is told that thes had swept the gunboat's decks with ber own rapid fires turned in.
No one knew where we were going aor why. The doctor puzzled then and the quantity of his belongings. "It ain't pearls," sald Handy Sole mon. "You can kiss the book on that for we ain't a diver among us. It ain' Chinks, for we are cruising sou-son west.
the islands.
We were all below. The captain himself had the wheel. Discipline while strict, was not conventional
"Contrabandista," muttered the Mex lcan, "for dat he geev us double pay. "We don't get her for nothing. agreed Thrackles, "Double pay anc luff on Wednesday generally mean get your head broke,"
"No trade," said

## ily.

"ly.
They turned to him. With one aceow "Why not?" demanded Pulz. br
ing his silence.
"No trade." repeated the nigger.
"Ain't you got a reason. doctor "Ain't you got a
asked Handy Solomon.
"No trade." Insisted the nigger.
An uneasy silence fell. I could but observe that the others held the but olserve that the others held the due them is mere opinions. Subse quently I understood a little more quently I reputation he a litle, more of believed to see things hidden, as thei phrase went.
Nobody said anything for some thme Nobody stirred except that Eandy Solomop, his steel claw removed from it socket, whittled and tested screwe and turned, trying to fix the hook so that, in accordance with the sdrice of Percy Darrow, it wotld turn either "What is it, then, doctor?" he asked softly at last.
"Gold," said the nigger shortly.
"That's what I said at first!" cried Handy Solomon triumphantly. It was extraordinary. the unquestioning and entire faith with which they accepted 48 gospel fact the negro's dictum
There followed much talk of the a ture of this treasure, whether it wa to be sought or conveyed. bought. stole or ravished in fair ight. No furthe soothsaying could they elicit from the nigger. They followed their own ideas which led them nowhere. Some on it the forecastle lamp. They settle themselves. Pulz read aloud.
This was the programme every day during the dog watch. Sometimes the watch on deek was absent. leavin only Handy Solomon, the nigger and Puiz, but the order of the day was no on that account-varied. They talked hey fit the lamp, they read. Alway the talk was of the treasure. As to the reading. it was of the sor nsual to seamen, cowboys, luniberme and miners. Thrackles had a nomber of volumes of very cheap love stories. Pulz had brought mome extraordinary garkis paper covers adomed littiographically.
the collection. The ni opy of "Duvall nigger had hi haven't the slightest lidea where he could have got it.
While Pulz read, Handy Solomon worked on the alteration of his claw He could never get it to hold. and emember as an undertone to Pulz' reading the rumble of strange, exas perated oaths. Whatever the even ing's lecture. it always ended with the book on alchemy. These men had no perspective by which to judge such things. They accented its speculation and theories at their face value. Ex
tremely laughable were the discus sions that followed. I often wished the shade of old Duvall could be per mitted to see these, his last disciples, spelling out dimly his teachinge, mis pronouncing his grave utterances, bu belleving utterly.
Dr. Schermerhorn appeared on deck seldom. When he didsoften his finger beld a pen which he had forgotten to lay aside. I imagined him preoceupled by some calculation of his own but the forecastle, more picturesquely saw him as guarding constantly the heawy casket he had himself carrie aboard. He breathed the air. walke briskiy, turned with the German mill tary precision at the end of his score of strides and re-entered his cabin a the lapse of the hair hour. Aiter he had gone. remained Percy Darrow his his gracerul fgure swaying wita the corn husk Mexican cigarettes which he orn that farthest hand. He seemed from riew the appliances the eabric, the actions sesp ere very thothts, of the entime ship. From them be lected that on which he shoula com ment or with which he should play, al ways with when play. a quite wearted and indifeerent manner His inner knowledge viewed by th light of this manner or mannerism was sometimes uncanny, though per haps the sources of his information were commonplace enough after all Certainly he always viewed with amusement his vietim's wonder.
Thus one evening at the close of our day watch on deck he approached Handy Solomon. It was at the end of ten days, on no one of which the seaman fafled to tinker away at his stee claw. Darrow balanced in front of him with a thin smile.
"Too bad it doesn't work, my amia ble pirate," said he. "It,would be so handy for fighting- See here," he suddenly continued, puling some ob ject from his pocket, "hete's a pipe present to me. I don't smoke em. Twist her halfway, like that, she comes out. Twist her halfway, Ilke this, she goes in. That's your princ ple. Give her back to me when 80 get through."
He thrust the brier pipe into the nan's hand and turned away withou waiting for a reply. The seaman looked after him in open amazement That eveling ie worked on the socke of the steel hook, and in two days he had the job finished. Then he return ed the pipe to Darrow with som
growling of thanks.
"That's all right." sald the young man, smiling full at him. "Now, what are you going to fight?"

## CHAPTER XII

$\square$PTAIN SELOVER receired as his due the most absolute and Implicit obedience imaginable. order in his own person the me fairly jumped to execute It. The mat fer had evidently been thrashed out long ago. They did not love him, not they, but they feared him with a aighty fear and did not hesitate to say so vividly and often when in the privacy of the forecastle. The pre vailing spirit was that of the wild beast cowed but snaring still. Puls and Thrackles in especial had a great deal to say of what they were or were not going to do, but 1 noticed that heir resolution always began to run the companion ladder.
One day we were loafing along, ev rything drawing but the doctor on deck to enjoy the sun. whe ber the plain Sel Ber wor as was hiscustom, his eye cocked out Ike a housewife's for disorder. H found it agatn in the evidence of ex pectoration, and as Perdosa happened to be handiest fell on the unfortunat hexican.
Perdosa protested that he had had nothing to do with it, but Captain Selver, enraged as always when his recious deck was solled, would no isten. Finally the Mexican grew sul ing to heat more. The captain there upon felled him to the deek and began brutally to kick him in the face and head.
Perdosa writhed and begged, but without avail. The other member of the crew gathered near. After moment they began to murmur. Finally Thrackles rentured most respectful ly to intervene.
"You'll kill him, sir," he interposed "He's had enough."
"Had enough, has he?" screeched the captain. "Well, you take what's left."
He marked Thrackles over the eye There was a breathless pause, and then Thrackles, Puiz, the nigger and Perdosa attacked at once.
They caught the master unaware and bore him to the deck. 1 droppe at once to the ratijnes and commence my descent. Beiore 1 had reached the deck, however, Selover was afoo again, the four hanging to him lik dogs. In a moment more he had shak en them off, and before 1 could inter vene he had seized a belaying pin in either hand and was hazing them up and down the deck
"Mutiny, would you?", he shrilled. You poor swabs! Forgot who wa your captain. did ye? Well, it's Cap tain Ezra Selover, and you can lay to that! It would need about eight fathom of stuff like you to tie me down." He chased them forward, and he chased them aft, and every time the pins fell blood followed. Finally the dived like rabbits into the forecastl hatch. Cap
"Now tle yourselves up," he advised "and then come on deck and clean $u$ after yournelves?" He turned to me.
"Mr. Eagen, turn out the crew to cles decks,"

I descended to the forecastle, follow ed immediately by Handy Solomon The latter had taken no part in the affair. We found the men in horribl shape, what with the bruises and cut and bleeding freely.
"Now, you're a nice looking'Sunday echool!" observed Handy Solomon, eying them sardonically. "Tackle Old Ecrubs, will ye? Well, some needs a baie of cotton to fall on em afore little diverslons, mates? Enjoyed, your rou pect to batn? now Yon poor little Infants: Aln't you never tnokled him nfore? Don't vemember a listle brigrantine, vame of the Petre!! Mry eve, lut you are a poe of fools:" rin
To thes be na $\because \because, 4$ no rebly. The
men sullenly assisted each other. Thel they went immediately on deck and $t$ work.
After this taste of his quality Cap tain Selover enjoyed a quiet ship. We made good time, but for a long while nothing happened. Finally the monotony was broken by an incldent.
One evening before the night winds I sat in the shadow of the extra dor:


Selover was afoot again, the fo
ing to him like dogs.
on top of the decthouse. The meon was but just beyond the full, so I sup pose I must have been practically in visible. Certainly the nigger did no know of my presence for he came an stood within three feet of me withou siving any sion. The companion we open. In a moment some door below was opened also, and a scrap of conversation came up to us very clearly. "You haf dem finished $\%$ "the do tor's volce Inquired. "So, that is well." Papers rustled for a few mo ments. "And the r-result-ah-cxactly -it iss that exactly. Percy, meln sou that maigs the experiment exact. Wo haf the process"
"I don't see, sir, yuite," repilied the voice of Percy Darrow, with a tinge of excitement. "I can follow the logi of the experiment, of course; so can follow the logic of a trip to the moon But when you come to apply it how do you get your re-agent? There's no known method -
Dr. schermerhorn broke in: "Ach, it iss that I haf perfected. Pardon me my boy; it iss the irst i hat worke from you apart. It iss for a surprise. I haf made in small quantities th missing ingredient. It will form a per fect interruption to the current. Now we go"-
"Do you mean to say," almost shout ed Darrow, "that you have succeedel In freeing it in the metal?
"Yes," replied the doctor simply.
I could hear a chair overtur
"I can do efferything," broke in th
 doctor.
"And y
"uantity ?
"I think so. It iss for us to discov
A pause ensued.
"Why!" came the volce of Percy Darrow, With Afty transmute any substance - why, you could make anything you pleased al most! You could make enough dia monds to ill that chest! It is the philosopher's' stone!

Diamonds-yes-lt is possible, iv terrupted the doctor impatiently, "tif it was worth while. But you should see the real importance"-
The ship careened to a chance sweil A door slammed. The voices were cut

Fab inrust rorward fatrly into to
glow from the companionwey mask of his sue companionway. The cyes fairly rolled in ercitemient. His cyes fairly rolled in excitement. His thick inps were drawn back to expose his teeth. His powerful igure was gathered with the tensity of a bow. When the door slammed he turned silently to glide away. At that instant ment I found myself in my bunt ment I found myself in my bunk.
Ten seconds later the nigger, de tained by Captain Selover for some trifing duty, burst into the forecastle. He was possessed of the wildest exto gain the attention of was enough his first words were startling his first words were startling "I found de treasure!" he almo They lenped at him he kept! They leaped at him-Handy Solomon and Pulz-and fairly shook out of him what he thought he knew. He babbled in the forgotten terms of alchemy, dresing modern facts in the garments of mediaeval thought un "And so he say dat he fine him, philosopher stone, and be keep him in dat heavy box we see him carry board, and he don' have to make gol' with it-he can make diamon's-dla-non's-he say it too easy to fill dat box plum full of diamon's."
They gesticulated and exclaimed and breathed hard, full of the marvel of such a thought. Then abruptly the clamor died to nothing. I felt six eyes bent on me, six unwinking eyes moving restless in motionless figures. uspicious, deadly as cobras.
Up to now my standing with the men had been well enough. Now they drew frankly apart. One of the most significant indications of this was the increased respect they paid my office. It was as though by prompt obedience, instant deference and the emphasizing of ship's etiquette they intended to draw sharply the line be tween themselves and me. There was tnuch whispering apart, many prffate talks and consultations in which 1 hat no part. Ordinarily they talked freeiy enough before me. Even the readIng during the dog watch was inter-mitted-at least it was on such days as I happened to be in the watch be low. But twice I caught the nigger and Handy Solomon consulting together over the volume on alchemy. I was in two minds whether to report the whole matter to Captain Sel-
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me. One evening i was awakened me. One evening I was awakened by a sound of violent volces. Cap.
tain Selover occasionally juggled the tain Selover occasionally juggled the watches for variety's sake, and 1 now had Handy Solomon and Perdosa. The nigger, being cook, stood no watch.
"You drunken greaser swab", "You drunken greaser swab!" snarled Handy Solomon. "You son of Yaqui!. I'll learn you to step on a seaman's foot, and you enn kiss the book on that! I'll cut your heart out and feed it to the sharks!"
"Potha!" sneered Perdosa,
cut heem you finger wid your knife." They wrangled. At first I thought the quarret genuine, but after a mo ment or so 1 could not a vold a sort of reminiscent impression of the cheap melodrama. It seemed incredible, but soon I could not doage the conclusion that it was a makeup quarrel designed o impress me.
Why should they desire to do so? 1 had to give it up, but the fact itself was obrious enough. I laughed to see them. The affair did not come to blows, but it did come to black looks on meeting, muttered oaths, growls of enmity every time they happened to pass each other on the deck. Perdosa was not so bad. His Mexican blood Inclined him to the histrionic, and his Mexican cast lent itself well to evil ooks. But randy solomon for the first time in my acquaintance with him was ridiculous.
About this time we crossed into freguent thuiders. One evening Just at

To be conlinued.

## A Statement.

The following statement, signed by officers and members of The El Paso Valley Water Users' As. sociation, which was incorporated under the Act of Congress introduced and secured by Congressman W. R. Smith, for the reclamation of the Rio Grande Valley by ir rigation projected by funds advanced by the Federal Government for the purpose, is self explanatory.
It will be noted that every officer and member of this corporation resides in the State of Texas and owns lands to be irrigated under this project; that in order to be a member of this corporation a person must necessarily own land, and be a bona fide actual settler in their district to be irrigated, and that he cannot own more than 160 acres of such land and can vote only his individual share of stock represented by such 160 acres or less; that no farmer in the district can be forced to go into the corporation, and that his private irrigation system cannot be disturbed in any way by the law without his consent, and that out of the 37,000 votes of the farmers and land owners every single vote was cast in favor of the articles under which the Association was incorporated, and that the money fur the erection of the irrigation plant is to be paid directly into the hands of the Government, and not to any corporation, and that the same law will govern under the general reclamation act which Congressman Smith is about to get extended so as to include the entire State of Texas, and that any community of farmers in the State can incorporate under the same terms if they are situated favorably for the purpose; that under the pres. ent private system of irrigation, it costs at least $\$ 7$ an acre, year in and year out, to secure irrigation, and that under the system secured by Congressman Smith the plant is installed by the Government, and the farmers pay the Government back the actual cost of construction, in ten equal annual payments, without any in terest whatever, after which the plant becomes the absolute property of the farmers, and that thereafter it will only cost about 75 cents an acre a year, instead ot $\$ 7$ an acre a year, as now.
This statement becomes particularly important in view of the fact that Mr. J. F. Cunning. ham, a candidate for Congress against Congressman Smith, is fot campaign purposes telling the people wherever he goes that the irrigation act fosters graft, and was procured to aid the rich at the expense of the poor, which is answered by the fact that no man

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owning more than 160 aeres can first step in his campaign he took become a member of the corpor- by going to El Paso and visiting ation or share in the benefits of in person the chairman of the exthe act; that the corpuration in ; erutive committee and other offlquestion is a foreign corporation, cers of this very same "foreign which is answered by the fact ${ }^{\text {corporation }}$ ' he is now attacking, every member of the corporation He showed them his platform mus tbe an actual bona fide settler wherein he favored the putting in good faith on land to be irrigated, and to remain so, and that if he removes from the district, at any time or acquires more than 160 acres in the district. he loses his interest in the project; that the corporation will collect more money from the farmers than the cost of the project and pav the government less than it collects from the farmers which is answered by the fact that the farmers pay the money directly to the Government, and do not pay the corporation a cent at any time: that the small land owner in the district is forced into the plan and is deprived of what private irrigation system he has, which is answered by the fact that no man or landowner or farmer can be in any way forced into the corporation, and that the government project shall, in no way whatever, interfere with any existing private or state system without the consent of the owner. The distribution of the following statement isdeemed advisable at this time because of the misrepresentations of Mr. Cunningham, as shown below, and because of the further fact that Congressman Smith is at his post of duty at Washington, laboring in the interest of the people who sent him there, and because as an honest man he will remain there until his duty is fully performed, regardless of the number of men who are going over the district misrepresenting his work. Mr. Smith considers that the people elected him to Congress for the purpose of representing them there and he does not propose to neglect their interests in order to return home and spend the people's time refuting misrepresentations that are ridiculous and false on their facc.
Another thing: About a §year ago, when Mr. Cunningham first announced for Congress, he proposed and published a platform, or announcement, to the effect that he was heartily in favor of putting into immediate operation the provisions of the identical Act he is now attacking; and the
wherein he favored the putting
into immediate operation the provisions of this same Act referred to, and on such ground solicited the support of said officers and of the people of El Paso. But the people of El Paso turned a cold shoulder to Mr. Cunningham, telling him that Congressman Smith had made a splendid record in Congress and that they saw no reason for making a change at this time. Seeing that he could not get the support of E1 Paso because of his hearty support of the reciamation Act, he returned to the eastern end of the district, changed front, and has since based his canvass on criticism and bitter opposition to the very same identical Act which he so heartily supported in his original annoucement or platform, and which is the subject of the foregoing suggestions and the following statement.
If Mr. Cunningham. or any one for him, denies this statement, or any part of same, he, or any one else, may have the names of leading citizens of El Paso, who will vouch for every word here stated.
Another thing: The reclamation act introduced by Mr. Smith and which has passed the House over the strenuous opposition of the Republican leaders in that body and is now pending in the senate upon a favorable committee report, is heartily endorsed and supported by every membor of the Texas delegation in both House and Senate, as well as by every member of both houses from the entire South.
Are Bailey, Culberson, Henry, Shepperd, Russell, Burleson, Burgess, Fields, Moore, Gregg. Ste phens, Slayden, Garner, Gillespie, Randell and Broocks, all grafters? Is every Southern member of both House and Senate a grafter?
Or is Mr Cunningham opposing Irrigation and misrepresenting the facts merely as a means of getting into Congress from the Jumbo district of Texas?

The W. R. Smith Campaign COMMTTEEE.
By P. C. Coleman, Chairman, Colorado, Texas, June 1, 1806.


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The man who falls out with an editor because he writes something which does not fit the bump of his little old cocoanut exactly, hasn't good sense But few men see things alike; they are Just built differently and it is not and should nut be an unpardonable sin to be natural-to say what you think. It is often the case that you can voice the sen. timent of a fellow for twelve long months, and then cross him in a single instance ant lose his good will entirely. I have in mind a man right now who used to laud me to the skies because I oppused club houses. He said my paper was worth $\$ 5$ a year and ought to be in every home on earth jammed right up by the Bible. One day he want. ed me to print a long article in defence of faith healing; I refused and from that day to this he has branded me a viper. He guards his door against the paper and says he would shed the last drop of his heart's blood before it should enter his home, Well, I'm not a fighting man, but the darn thief will have to pay his back dues before there would be any warlike effort to send it there. You can feed a dog on liver for a week and then throw him a hard old bone and he will show you his appreciation by, making the best out of it possible. But, Oh, my! How much better a faithful dog is than a man who is an ingrate. The dog will look at you and wag his tail as if to say: [Tnis is poor chewing for a good sweet tempered dog like I am but you have heretofore been very kind and I'll not complain, But the man will forget the past tear his shirt off and want to fight if you don't dish up just what his appetite calls for. Some people would be better if they were only as good as a dog - Jones County falk-

## To Test Gun Law.

San Antonio, Texas, April 20. -It was learned from the mem. bers of the Hardward Jobbers Association, who have been in seseion here. that a thorough
legal test will be made of the law passed by the thirteenth legislature providing, for a prohibitive license on the sale of pistols in Texas. A fund of $\$ 850$ has been subseribed for that purpose and more has been promised. A test case will be made and the figbt taken to the court of last resort. -The Plainsman.

## Importance of Good Roads.

One of the most important and pressing social and economic questions befors the people today is that of improving the highways. Its importance can hardly be overitaced. The foor supply of the world passes on wagons over country roads. In tcnnage it equals or exceedis the aggregate of railway traffic The condition of the public roads affects the market, conditions and thru these it reaches every citizen. Bad roads interfere with the regular diatribution of fond products, supply for a fixed and regular demand. The result is that some of the consumers must go without certain articles for the time being, while othars are forced to pay higher prices herefor. The farmer in the meantime suffurs loss from his inability to reach the market with what he has to sell.
The cost of delivering products over bad ruads is two or three times greater than perfurming the same service over good roaus. The general improvement of the highways of the country is vastly more impor. tant to the people as a whole than the building of the Panama cana!, the improvement of the inland waterways, the irrigation of the semi-arid lands, or the building of the lakes-to-the-gulf waterway.
Every man, woman and child in the land is directly affected by road conditions, therefore the question is not a local issue, but one that concerns the whole people, and is one for the whole people to solve.
The question, "What is a good road?" will be answered by dijferent individuals in the light of their experience. The woman in Arkansas who had been driving laboriously along a muddy bottom land road, said to her companion, upon reaching stretch of corduroy road and beginning to bump over the logs. composing it, 'Gee, but it's nice to get on a piece of gond road. I don't see why they don't make more on ,em."
In the light of twentieth sentury requirements, a good road must have the following features:

1. It must be smooth and remain su, imposing the least possible resistance to traffic.
2. The material composing it must be lasting and not affected
injuriously by rain or frost. at all must be good and usable: gravel, but it is correspondingly times. A road that is bietter. The orushed rock is good at certain seasons only and more uniform, the road made of bad at others in varying de- it requires less repairing, it sheds grees depending upon weather ; Water better and lasts longer. conditions cannot be classed The materials of which a road as a good road, even if it be so, should he built depends largely at times, Such a road has only upon the cost and accessibility of the virtues of a balky horse; it materials, In a general discusscannot be depended upon and it ion of the good roads, stone or more than likely fails when it is gravel roads are meant unless must needed.
otherwise specified. While earth
Practically speaking, a good roade carefully drained and prop-road-one every day in the yearierly drageed after rains can be -is road surfaced with maca- kept in good condition much of dain orgravel. These are the the time, euch highways cannot only naterials that are cheap; be regarded as good roads as enough to be generally used- they periodically fail,-Live A masadam road is usually more Stock Wurld.

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## Local and Dersonal-

John Mason was transacting Business in tiail last Thursday.
Jno. and Chas. Smith from Snyder were visiting friends in Gail last week and part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Bostick entertained a nùmber of friends delightfully last Thursday night.
Dan Bostic returned to Guil last Thursday.
John Freeman was in Gail last week visiting his sister Mrs. Boatic.
Charlie anci Wesley Barry, who have been in Pist City for scme tima returned to their $h$ me in ciail on last Thursday,

We are sorry to state that Mrs, W. K. Clark is ill this week.
Mre, Montie Hudson was in Gail visiting her mother, Mrs. Tay lor, lasuThursday.
Mr. and. Mrs. Martin from near Lou were in tuwn last week, visiting grandpa and grandma Cathey
Miss Neva Cachey was visiting her cousin Mises Zettie Cathey of Giail this week.
Mr. D. C. Stevens, near Tredway had a telephone put in his house last week.

Winnie Chandler is visiting the Misses (Jranillls this week.
Tolbert Benton was trading at the Blue Front last Friday,
Susie Spears entertaned a number of her little friends last Thursaay night.
Mrs. Tom Hale who has been visiting friends in Tahoka, returned to Giail last Friday.

Miss Mary Leake, left Gail Sunday for Libbock where she will take a position with the Avalarche.
Misses, Wilson and Miller were in town last Saturday.
Mr. Eckie Park had kusiness in Gail last Saturday.

Misses Bee and Ruby Burnett were shopping in town Friday.

Mrs. Sam Sanford was sisiting her sister in Gail Friday.
L. L. Williams, who has been here for some time, returned to his home near Tahoka last Saturday.

Mr. Jack Rogers and family were visiting friends and relatives in Gail Saturday.

Mr, W. N, Collier wan trading in town Saturday.

Mr.S.L. Jones was shakeing hands with friends in Gail last Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Smith went down to the Colorado river to fisb, last Monday,

Quite a number of men wen fishing last Monday.
The singing at the church Sunday night was well attended and the singing was reported good.
Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Everett were trading at the Blue Front Satuarday last.
Mr. York and Miss Griggsby from Durham were shopping, in Gail last Saturday.
Mr.T.R. Mauldin was in Gail last Saturd $\ddagger y$, visiting home folks.
(:ol.C. C. Poole, repersenting the Stockmen Journal and the Daily and Weekly Telegram, spent last Thursday in Gail and called to see us while here The Colonel was returning home from a trip to the plaiñs to his hume at Aledo, and was quiet unwell from a case of LaGrippe when here.
H. H. Haley of Robert Lee, arrived Friday evening from Snyder. Mr. Haley is a traveling oculist and comes prepared to fit glasses carrying quite a stock in this line.
W. S. Me Jlung who is surveying our county line came in from the field Sunday. He reports that the work is progressing well, althoush they have encountered some rough ground, that they had run ss far ae anout half of the north line, Mr. Seay the District surveyor will continue with him, until the survey is completed. Whilst the east line was run Mr. Goodwin the Scurry county surveyor was with them.

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Mrs. Laura Salyers and Miss Jimmie Brown spent last Friday with Miss Sallie Beach.
Messrs Iri Willis and Harvev Simpson with their families, also Mrs. W L. Davis and family spent last Sunday with R. I. Rains and family.
A. H. Berry made a trip to Big Springs last week returning Saturday eve with his mother-in-law, The party last Friday night at Mr. Ellis Tredway was well attended and a pleasant affair.
Mrs. W. L. Davis visited Mrs. Beach last Saturday.
Mr. Montgomery Simpson and sister Miss Mildred spent last Saturday night with Mrs. Jno. Berry Mr. M. L. Davis and daughter Alta, and sister-in-law Mrs. Annie Davis arcompanied by Miss Sallie Beach went to Lamesa Saturday returning Sunday.
Mr. John Berry and wife visited their grand mother last Sunday.
Harvey Simpson and wife visit ed Mrs. John Berry Sunday,
W. L. Davis and daughter Alta visiter! Mr. Beach and family Sunday.
H. E. Baldridge started for Plainview sunday with cattle.
Cotton planting is about over and nearly all are caught up with thier work since the rain.
M. M. Simpson went to Credway last Monday.
Misses Annie Baldridge and Willie Gibbs called on Miss Sallie Beach last week.

Born to Mr.: and Mrs. A. H


Plainview Community, Plainview Community, May 5.Singing at. Mr. Andrew Best's of Six Mile community last Sunday eve. Several of this community

Moyers last Tuesday a girl.
Mrs. Tom King spent last Wed nesday with her mother Mrs. Beach.

General health of community is good.

Mr. and Mrs J. D. Brown have suffered a sad affliction in the loss of their infant child, whose little spirit took its flight before the eyes of the innocent one had ever beheld the light of day. The burial took place Monday evening. We wish to express our sympathy and condolence to the parents. and the hope that they will take comfort from the thought, that their loss is its gain.

All parties are warned against depredating in any manner on the Munger ranch pioperty, especially cutting wood.
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## NOTICE.

All persons getting wood on the pastures of A. J. Long are notified that they will hereafter be prosecuted to the extent of the law. SAM SANEORD.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For District Judge
Judge Jas. L. Shepherd
For District Attorney.
J. S. Crumpton

For Conty Judge
T. P. Blankenship
E. R. Yellott

For County and District clerk.
T. R. Mauldin

Rodway Keen
J. S. Weatherford

For County Attorney.
H. R. DEBENPORT.

For county Treasurer.
D. DORwARD.
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For Sheriff and Tax collector.
W. A. Olark.
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J. C. Olive

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W. A. Bedell
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## Big Springs,

Cexas
Mre, Tom Hudson is visiting chance for bargains in the dry riende and reflatives in Gail this week
Mrs, H D Pruett was quite sick on Mońday and Tleaday but we areglad to say that she is well enough to be up sind able to at tend to bousehold work again.
Mr, and Mrs Dave Dorward were both very unwell during he week.
J. B. Stokes is having ia well dug on the hotel lot as the supply of water from his clitern aso not alwsys be depended upan. The well digger is ehbours tering seme ruok and the blatting is occasionally beard reminding us of the cannons roar.
A drowth is on, tho the weath en otherwise is all right, as the brepzes ase cool and pleasant, trade is quiet, farmers buying sautiously, to supply actual neceasities, until they have assurance of Sood erops.
J. L. Mann was here yeeterday from Snyder representing the J, J. Pettus Mercantile
a paper yesterd'g, Mr, Davis was hcuse of that city. Mr. Mann traveling to Saridntonio on ace is advertising a sales day of the eount of his wiferpealth. and -will firm at greatly reduced prices. A be only temponarily absonti

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## WANTED.

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The long wished for, has at last happened to Snyder. We learn the Roscoe \& Snyder railroad began तelivering and reteiving freight at the ice plant in the sub. burbs last week, and we presume will begin the erection of a pas. senget and freight depot at once. Atttorneys: M. L Karkey o Post, and J. S. Crumpton of Lamesa had business in the justice court here last Friday.

## TREDWAY HAPPENINGS,

The spring weather that we huve been having for oeveral dsys is making crops look better. Frank Hughes is able to be up again after several dayin sickness.
F. W. Howell and Ellis-Tredway madea flying trip to Gall Mondey.
Mrs. Kincaid and daughter of near Post City are vieiting at J. Morte's.
4. E. Moore who hae been visiting bis old bome in Knox county has returned home.
The singing Sunday night at W, F. Seiglers was the beat we hara had for somg time.
Mr. D. Birdwell and wife have returhed from a short visit to Scurny county.
Nirs. Whmer Russel and Mre. Susir Jones have returned from gitieinta Proy. Bullard's 3near Gatl. Mevts bs or whime? Thad Duret of Gail will sousplete the teltipione lipe afrom Gail to Tredwes to day.
This pary et J. B, Moore given in honor of Mies Maud KChoaid vias a howling hrocese.
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