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pending amendment to Section 3,  
Article VII, State Constitution,  
relating to public free schools  
and commend the support of said  
amendment to the voters of Tex-  
as."—State Democratic Conven-  
tion, August 12, 1908.

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people of the amendment to Sec-  
tion 3, Article 7, of the State Con-  
stitution relating to free schools.  
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districts the right by law to pro-  
vide for the erection and equip-  
ment of good schoolhouses, for  
the lengthening of the school  
term where practicable, and for  
the employment of better qual-  
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showing you are with him in the great work, wishing him well, and cheering with a "God speed. How few, methinks, can answer in the affirmative, and yet you often hear of the school and feel that it is not what it should be, and what you wish it was. Will it help it to be constantly finding fault, continually growling and denouncing it with almost every breath? And when some trivial or even grave mistake is made will it better matters to pompously parade the same before the public.

Things are not often just as we would like to have them, and surrounding circumstances not always as we imagine or hear they are, and very often if we knew the exact condition and state of affairs our minds and opinions would be the reverse to what they were without a knowledge of facts.

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"I suppose, Uncle Jim, you remember a good deal about the politics of the early days?"

"Well, I never tuk much int'rest in pollytics, but I kin recollect when John C. Fremont was 'lected president."

"Fremont! Why, Fremont was never elected."

"He wun't? Well, now, that gets me. I heerd a leadin' speaker talk the night 'fore 'lection an' he said if John C. Fremont wun't 'lected the country would fall to ruin an' everybody would have to shut up shop; but, noticin' that things went on about same as before, I calculated John won. So he wun't 'lected? Well, b'jinks! that gits me!—Judge,

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# The Woman In the Alcove

By ANNA KATHARINE GREEN,

Author of "The Millionaire Lady," "The Fitzree Ball," "The House in the Mist," "The Amethyst Box," Etc.

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"I know, I know," Mr. Durand hoarsely put in. "You need not say any more. Oh, my poor Rita! What have I brought upon you by my weakness?"

"Weakness!"

He started. I started. My voice was totally unrecognizable.

"I should give it another name," I added coldly.

For a moment he seemed to lose heart, then he lifted his head again and looked as handsome as when he pleaded for my hand in the little conservatory.

"You have that right," said he. "Besides, weakness at such a time and under such an exigency is little short of wrong. It was unmanly in me to endeavor to secrete these gloves, more than unmanly for me to choose for their hiding place the recesses of an article belonging exclusively to yourself. I acknowledge it, Rita, and shall meet only my just punishment if you deny me in the future both your sympathy and regard. But you must let me assure you and these gentlemen also, one of whom can make it very unpleasant for me, that consideration for you, much more than any miserable anxiety about myself, lay at the bottom of what must strike you all as an act of unpardonable cowardice.

"From the moment I learned of this woman's murder in the alcove, where I had visited her, I realized that every one who had been seen to approach her within a half hour of her death would be subjected to a more or less rigid investigation, and I feared if her gloves were found in my possession some special attention might be directed my way which would cause you unmerited distress. So, yielding to an impulse which I now recognize as a most unwise as well as unworthy one, I took advantage of the bustle about us and of the insensibility into which you had fallen to tuck these miserable gloves into the bag I saw lying on the floor at your side. I do not ask your pardon. My whole future life shall be devoted to winning that. I simply wish to state a fact."

"Very good!" It was the inspector who spoke; I could not have uttered a word to save my life. "Perhaps you will now feel that you owe it to this young lady to add how you came to have these gloves in your possession."

"Mrs. Fairbrother handed them to me."

"Handed them to you?"

"Yes, I hardly know why myself. She asked me to take care of them for her. I know that this must strike you as a very peculiar statement. It was my realization of the unfavorable effect it could not fail to produce upon those who heard it which made me dread any interrogation on the subject. But I assure you it was as I say. She put the gloves into my hand while I was talking to her, saying they incommoded her."

"And you?"

"Well, I held them for a few minutes, then I put them in my pocket, but quite automatically and without thinking very much about it. She was a woman accustomed to have her own way. People seldom questioned it, I judge."

Here the tension about my throat relaxed, and I opened my lips to speak. But the inspector, with a glance of some authority, forestalled me.

"Were the gloves open or rolled up when she offered them to you?"

"They were rolled up."

"Did you see her take them off?"

"Assuredly."

"And roll them up?"

"Certainly."

"After which she passed them over to you?"

"Not immediately. She let them lie in her lap for awhile."

"While you talked?"

Mr. Durand bowed.

"And looked at the diamond?"

Mr. Durand bowed for the second time.

"Had you ever seen so fine a diamond before?"

"No."

"Yet you deal in precious stones?"

"That is my business."

"And are regarded as a judge of them?"

"I have that reputation."

"Mr. Durand, would you know this diamond if you saw it?"

"I certainly should."

"The setting was an uncommon one, I hear."

"Quite an unusual one."

The inspector opened his hand.

"Is this the article?"

"Good God! Where?"

"Don't you know?"

"I do not."

The inspector eyed him gravely.

"Then I have a bit of news for you. It was hidden in the gloves you took from Mrs. Fairbrother. Miss Van Arsdale was present at their unrolling."

Do we live, move, breathe at certain moments? It hardly seems so. I know that I was conscious of but one sense, that of seeing, and of but one faculty, that of judgment. Would he flinch, break down, betray guilt, or simply show astonishment? I chose to believe it was the latter feeling only which informed his slowly whitening and disturbed features. Certainly it

was all his words expressed, as his glances flew from the stone to the gloves and back again to the inspector's face.

"I cannot believe it. I cannot believe it." And his hand flew wildly to his forehead.

"Yet it is the truth, Mr. Durand, and one you have now to face. How will you do this? By any further explanations, or by what you may consider a discreet silence?"

"I have nothing to explain—the facts are as I have stated."

The inspector regarded him with an earnestness which made my heart sink.

"You can fix the time of this visit, I hope; tell us, I mean, just when you left the alcove. You must have seen some one who can speak for you."

"I fear not."

Why did he look so disturbed and uncertain?

"There were but few persons in the hall just then," he went on to explain. "No one was sitting on the yellow divan."

"You know where you went, though? Whom you saw and what you did before the alarm spread?"

"Inspector, I am quite confused. I did go somewhere; I did not remain in that part of the hall. But I can tell you nothing definite, save that I walked about, mostly among strangers, till the cry rose which sent us all in one direction and me to the side of my fainting sweetheart."

"Can you pick out any stranger you talked to, or any one who might have noted you during this interval? You see, for the sake of this little woman, I wish to give you every chance."

Inspector, I am obliged to throw myself on your mercy. I have no such witness to my innocence, as you call for. Innocent people seldom have. It is only the guilty who take the trouble to provide for such contingencies."

This was all very well, if it had been uttered with a straightforward air and in a clear tone. But it was not. I who loved him felt that it was not, and consequently was more or less prepared for the change which now took place in the inspector's manner. Yet it pierced me to the heart to observe this change, and I instinctively dropped my face into my hands when I saw him move toward Mr. Durand with some final order or word of caution.

Instantly (and who can account for such phenomena?) there floated into view before my retina a reproduction of the picture I had seen, or imagined myself to have seen, in the supper room; and as at that time it opened before me an unknown vista quite removed from the surrounding scene, so it did now, and I beheld again in faint outlines, and yet with the effect of complete distinctness, a square of light through which appeared an open passage partly shut off from view by a half lifted curtain and the tall figure of a man holding back this curtain and gazing, or seeming to gaze, at his own breast, on which he had already laid one quivering finger.

What did it mean? In the excitement of the horrible occurrence which had engrossed us all, I had forgotten this curious experience; but on feeling anew the vague sensation of shock and expectation which seemed its natural accompaniment, I became conscious of a sudden conviction that the picture which had opened before me in the supper room was the result of a reflection in a glass or mirror of something then going on in a place not otherwise within the reach of my vision; a reflection, the importance of which I suddenly realized when I recalled at what a critical moment it had occurred. A man in a state of dread looking at his breast, within five minutes of the stir and rush of the dreadful event which had marked this evening!

A hope, great as the despair in which I had just been sunk, gave me courage to drop my hands and advance impetuously toward the inspector.

"Don't speak, I pray; don't judge any of us further till you have heard what I have to say."

In great astonishment and with an aspect of severity, he asked me what I had to say now which I had not had the opportunity of saying before. I replied with all the passion of a forlorn hope that it was only at this present moment I remembered a fact which might have a very decided bearing on this case; and, detecting evidences, as I thought, of relenting on his part, I backed up this statement by an entreaty for a few words with him apart, as the matter I had to tell was private and possibly too fanciful for any ear but his own.

He looked as if he apprehended some loss of valuable time, but, touched by the involuntary gesture of appeal with which I supplemented my request, he led me into a corner, where, with just an encouraging glance toward Mr. Durand, who seemed struck dumb by my action, I told the inspector of that momentary picture which I had seen reflected in what I was now sure was some window pane or mirror.

"It was at a time coincident, or very nearly coincident, with the perpetration of the crime you are now investigating," I concluded. "Within five minutes afterward came the shout which roused us all to what had happened in the alcove. I do not know what passage I saw, or what door or even what figure, but the latter, I am sure, was that of the guilty man. Something of the outline (and it was the outline, only I could catch) expressed an emotion incomprehensible to me at the moment, but which in my remembrance impresses me as that of fear and dread. It was not the entrance to the alcove I beheld—that

would have struck me at once—some other opening which I might recognize if I saw it. Cannot that opening be found, and may it not give a clue to the man I saw skulking through it with terror and remorse in his heart?"

"Was this figure when you saw it turned toward you or away?" the inspector inquired, with unexpected interest.

"Turned partly away. He was going from me."

"And you sat where?"

"Shall I show you?"

The inspector bowed, then with a low word of caution turned to my uncle.

"I am going to take this young lady into the hall for a moment at her own request. May I ask you and Mr. Durand to await me here?"

Without pausing for reply, he threw open the door, and presently we were pacing the deserted supper room seeking the place where I had sat. I found it almost by a miracle, everything being in great disorder. Guided by my bouquet, which I had left behind me in my escape from the table, I laid hold of the chair before which it lay and declared quite confidently to the inspector:

"This is where I sat."

Naturally his glance and mine both flew to the opposite wall. A window was before us of an unusual size and make. Unlike any which had ever before come under my observation, it swung on a pivot and, though shut at the present moment, might very easily when opened present its huge pane at an angle capable of catching reflections from some of the many mirrors decorating the reception room situated diagonally across the hall. As all the doorways on this lower floor were of unusual width, an open path was offered, as it were, for these reflections to pass, making it possible for scenes to be imaged here which to the persons involved would seem as safe from any one's scrutiny as if they were taking place in the adjoining house.

As we realized this a look passed between us of more than ordinary significance. Pointing to the window, the inspector turned to a group of waiters watching us from the other side of the room and asked if it had been opened that evening.

The answer came quickly.

"Yes, sir—just before the—"

"I understand," broke in the inspector, and, leaning over me, he whispered, "Tell me again exactly what you thought you saw."

But I could add little to my former description.

"Perhaps you can tell me this," he kindly persisted. "Was the picture, when you saw it, on a level with your eye or did you have to lift your head in order to see it?"

"It was high up—in the air, as it were. That seemed its oddest feature." The inspector's mouth took a satisfied curve.

"Possibly I might identify the door and passage if I saw them," I suggested.

"Certainly, certainly," was his cheerful rejoinder, and, summoning one of his men, he was about to give some order when his impulse changed, and he asked if I could draw.

I assured him, in some surprise, that I was far from being an adept in that direction, but that possibly I might manage a rough sketch, whereupon he pulled a pad and pencil from his pocket and requested me to make some sort of attempt to reproduce on paper my memory of this passage and the door.

My heart was beating violently, and the pencil shook in my hand, but I knew that it would not do for me to show any hesitation in fixing for all eyes what, unaccountably to myself, continued to be perfectly plain to my own. So I endeavored to do as he bade me and succeeded to some extent, for he uttered a slight ejaculation at one of its features and, while duly expressing his thanks, honored me with a very

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Mr. and Mrs Sam Sanford are the proud parents of a fine boy born on last Thursday.

State ownership of a railroad, with all its advantages, as the case may be, is about to be tried in Texas. That commonwealth has been constructing what is known as the Rusk Penitentiary Road, which is rapidly approaching completion. It is to form a connecting link between the penitentiary and the Texas and New Orleans and the International and Great Northern roads. It will be used both for passenger and freight traffic, but its principal tonnage will consist of the products of the penitentiary and the supplies for it. Another road is being built by the board to a sugar plantation owned by the penitentiary and connecting it with the Houston, Brazos and Northern Road, so as to enable it to handle the sugar crop to advantage. These two roads are a considerable distance apart, but they are regarded as being the beginning of state railroad building and ownership in Texas.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB.

A meeting of quite a number of the business men of our town was held Friday night, at the Gail Bank, for the purpose of organizing a Commercial Club, J. D. Brown was elected Chairman and W. S. McClung secretary, an enrollment was made of the names of all who took membership. Jno. R. Williams, W. S. McClung and T. M. Jones were appointed as a committee to draft the by laws for the club, and to present the same to the Club at its next meeting.

The object of the organization was explained as follows: to invite needed enterprises to Gail, to publish abroad the advantages and resources of our section, and to unite in any undertaking that would enure to the upbuilding and improvement of our town and county. The chairman impressed the fact upon the minds of all who were present, that money would be required to carry out the work in hand. The meeting was characterized by a spirit of enterprise and an earnest determination to push the wheels of progress, never shown by our people before. After a short session the meeting adjourned to meet again on Thursday night Nov. 5th at the Gail Bank.

### OUR WAR EXPENSE.

Chairman Tawney of the House Committee on Appropriations declares that we are spending this year for war preparations and on account of wars eighty-four million, nine hundred and seventy five thousand, two hundred and thirty-eight dollars more than England, one hundred and thirty-six million, sixtyseven

thousand, eight hundred and thirty-eight dollars more than Germany, and one hundred and fifty two million, eight hundred and fifty nine thousand, nine hundred and thirty six dollars more than France.—Practical Ideas.

### Time to Call a Halt.

Supreme Justice David J. Brewer recently asked the chairman of the appropriations committee in the house of congress why it was that this nation had not paid off any of its billion dollar debt in the the last ten years. He received this reply:

"In the last ten years the total appropriations for the army were eight hundred and nineteen million dollars. Of course, I omit giving anything but round figures. This is exclusive of pensions. For the prior ten years the appropriations were only two hundred and forty-five million dollars. During the last ten years the appropriations for the navy were eight hundred and ninety-seven million dollars, the ten years prior two hundred and sixty-two million dollars, or an excess in the appropriations for the army and navy during the last ten years over the prior ten years of one billion, one hundred and nineteen million dollars. That is why we have not paid the national debt."

The bugbear of war, and the war spirit and the army and navy aristocracy are yearly plunging this nation more and more into the class of army-ridden Europe. It is time to call a halt and to stop the extravagance. The only way to do it is to elect peace loving and peace-believing men to the highest offices.—Lawler Dispatch.



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 ber.

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 posed upon the American people  
 by a set of political charlatans  
 working under the guise of Rep-  
 ublicanism. Protectionism has  
 had a fair trial and has at last  
 broken down of its own weight.  
 The Republican party that be-  
 came possessed by the devil of  
 greed has gone so far as to declare  
 that protection produces prosper-  
 ity, and yet the words were hardly  
 out of its mouth before tariff pro-  
 tection was helping to produce the  
 causes that culminated in a panic  
 from which the country is still  
 suffering.

There is no true principle or  
 science in protection, but it stands  
 for that infernal Republican doc-  
 trine the few shall profit at the  
 expense of the many. Under pro-  
 tectionism the manufacturing class  
 was subsidised at the ex-

pense of other classes, and very  
 naturally begot monopolies which  
 we call trusts. Foreign competi-  
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 creasing the price of their products  
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 ducts would be.

Still, some of the trusts are not  
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 duty, because some people are so  
 unpatriotic that they will buy im-  
 ported goods. So the Republican  
 platform has declared for a max-  
 imum tariff under which the rate  
 will be so high as to be absolutely  
 prohibitive and prevent any impor-  
 tation of manufactured goods.

With such a promise of com-  
 plete monopoly of the home mar-  
 ket, no wonder the trusts stocks  
 are selling higher in wall street,  
 although under the panic condi-  
 tions they are doing but 75 per-  
 cent, or less, of normal business.  
 To deceive the voters and those  
 who speculate in stocks, the trust  
 managers are trying to appear  
 prosperous. Sunshine clubs are  
 busy through their press bureau,  
 publishing statements of works  
 starting up, more men being hired  
 and goods being sold, but after all  
 these efforts business still drags.  
 for high trust prices continue.  
 The trusts control the markets  
 and plunder the people at their  
 own will, for competition is dead,  
 protectionism has killed it.

The price for this tariff protec-  
 tion will be paid by the trusts in  
 campaign contributions.

If the Republicans win at the  
 coming election the trusts will re-  
 ceive their reward in greater pro-  
 tection. If the Republicans suc-  
 ceed the tariff will be revised and  
 the trusts will be compelled to re-  
 duce prices, which will lead to  
 greater consumption and eventual-  
 ly much more prosperity than  
 ever known before. For it must  
 be remembered that tariff taxes

are an embargo on business and by  
 raising prices prevent the people  
 from buying, for a man cannot  
 spend more money than he earns.  
 The cheaper goods are sold for,  
 the more can be bought and con-  
 sumed.

The Republican idea that high  
 prices of manufactured products  
 produce prosperity to anyone ex-  
 cept the trusts or manufacturers,  
 is so absurd that it is a wonder  
 that any voter is deceived by it.  
 For instance, less than one out of  
 a hundred people are able to wear  
 or use woolen goods, because the  
 price is too high. They have to  
 be satisfied with mercerized cotton  
 and shoddy, with just enough wool  
 in some cases, to deceive the eye  
 of the buyer. Every one would  
 like to use when winter comes,  
 clothes made of "all wool and a  
 yard wide," but the tariff-protec-  
 ted woolen trust is protected by  
 the tariff in not only being able  
 to put down the price of wool, to  
 the farmer, but to keep up the  
 price of its products to the con-  
 sumers.

The beef trust has been reduc-  
 ing the price of cattle and sheep  
 and putting up the price of beef  
 and mutton.—Blackwell herald.

One week's time will decide  
 who will be president, Bryan or  
 Taft. If Taft is elected he may  
 prove a good president, in Bryan  
 our faith is much stronger.  
 Whether Bryan or Taft is elected  
 we are satisfied you will get fresh  
 groceries, if you buy them at  
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- For District Judge  
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- For Conty Judge  
**E. R. YELLOTT**
- For County and District clerk.  
**J. S. WEATHERFORD**
- For county Treasurer.  
**M. H. LEAKE**
- For Sheriff and Tax collector.  
**J. R. WILLIAMS**
- For Tax Assessor.  
**S. L. JONES**
- For Commissioner Prect. 1  
**F. M. CHRISTOPHER.**
- For Commissioner Prect. 2  
**WALTER BISHOP**
- For commissioner Prect. 3



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Gail, Texas, Oct., 29 1908

Think about it! Cotton selling at about 8 cents per pound, eggs at 15 cents a dozen, frying chickens 25 cents and lan' sakes bacon so high you can scarcely see the shoats knees; still you waste all your time with most costly products to raise and the cheapest in marketing; cotton. Get the habit of planting eggs, chickens, hogs butter and milk, with a few good mules and horses mixed in to do it with.—Anson Enterprise.

### OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION

The New York Evening Post, as all newspaper people know is one of the most conservative and reliable papers printed in the city of New York and here is what the Post says about our financial condition.

Few business men, comparing their balance sheets of July 1, 1908, and July 1, 1907, can face a more disagreeable showing than the treasury at Washington.

A year ago there was a surplus on the year's operation of \$34,000,000. To-day there is a deficit of \$60,000,000. Net showing to the bad \$144,000,000. In private affairs, such a black result would raise a demand for the most severe economy. Only by drastic retrenchment have railroads and other corporations been able to stand up against the depression. But what federal official has lifted up his voice for economy. But economy seems to be a lost art at Washington.—New York Evening Post

For the sake of both horse and humanity it is my most earnest hope that this terrible expenditure of money on navies and armies may soon cease. GEO. T. ANGELL.

The season has come again when we should prepare to set out new orchards and to improve old ones, by replacing missing trees, shrubbery and vines. Do not wait longer to make your Fall orders.

I am prepared to supply you with nursery stock of all kinds.

T. M. Jones.

### NOTICE.

My new gin will now run regularly, through the week. We solicit your patronage and promise you good work and prompt attention try us.

W. C. FULLILOVE.

If you can "raise the money for the advertising," the advertising will raise the money for every thing else.

To expect a store to forge ahead of its advertising, is like expecting a train to run faster than its engine.

Do you like to see enterprise and progressiveness? When you buy at a store that does not advertise you encourage non-progressiveness, lack of enterprise

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### \$40 Per Acre For Alfalfa in a Year.

Canyon City Farmer Gets Good Results on Non Irrigated Lands.

Canyon City Texas Oct. 10—J. R. Blanton of Canyon City has been making special efforts this year in different methods of cultivation and he thinks that he has solved the problem of some of the kinds of crops that can be raised here at least. He made 22 bushels of wheat to the acre on measured land, 43 bushels of oats per acre and from 6 acres of millet which he cut, baled and sold, amounted to \$152. His alfalfa averaged more than a ton per acre each cutting, but taking a ton as a basis, the yield has been four tons per acre and at the prevailing price of \$10 per ton he has realized \$40 per acre, and after deducting \$3 per ton for cutting and baling he will have cleared \$28 per acre.—Stockman Journal

### The Literary Society.

The meeting which was called for Thursday night at the Court House to organize a literary society met pursuant to notice and proceeded with the work of organization, as follows: John Howe was chosen President, Thad Durst asst. pres Miss Ethel Atwood sec. Miss Verda Layton treas.

Thad Durst, Miss Verda Layton and Cora Berry on the Query Comm. and S. B. Wallace Editor.

The Society will meet every Friday night as formerly at the Court House.

### SORRY HE SPOKE.

"Matilda," said Sam Sunflower as he stretched back in his chair with a yawn, "Pete Green's wife am cumin' obeh to trade yo' chickens en yo'll hab to gib her somefin' wuthless."

"Somefin' wuthless," laughed Matilda. "All right! Suppose Ah gibs her yo'?"

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"Are they what brought you here?" asked the merchant. "Yes; ma said get a quart of whitt and I've come for the least-gallons paint."

That boy'll be a man before his mother.

Yours truly

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### Local and Personal

See J. D. McDonald for new and secondhand goods, Big Springs, Texas.

Mrs. Frank Berry and Jess Smith made a business trip to Big Springs this week.

The singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Xellot on last Sunday night was well attended and is reported to have been a very pleasant affair.

Mr. Tom Tredway was among the Gailites on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brown left here on last Saturday for Comanche and from there they will visit Marlin and try the virtue of its famous mineral water for the benefit of Mrs. Brown's health.

Mr. Sealy and family will spend a few weeks on their farm this and next month.

Miss Verda Layton left here on last Saturday for Dallas to enjoy the sight seeing at the big show.

Grandpa Jeter from near Lamesa visited his little granddaughter, Alpha Jeter, the first part of the week.

J. F. Maxey and J. M. Mason of Garza were in from their ranches yesterday. Mr. Maxey stated that the cotton was opening all the holes and with a good stand a fine crop would have been made in his locality as it was expected it to average a quarter of a bale per acre.

J. Y. Everet who lives about 3 miles from town was in from his place yesterday and reports his cotton opening well and thinks he will get 35 bales from his crop of ninety acres.

M. T. Hutcherson from the Julia neighborhood was here yesterday and gave a 1-4 of a bale per acre as his estimate of crop in that vicinity.

F. W. Park had business in town Monday.

Mr. Smothers, representing J. M. Radford Co of Abilene was in Gail last Saturday. Mr. Smothers has accepted a better position with the Pecos Mercantile Co. of Pecos City.

A. N. Edwards arrived here Tuesday from the Davis mountains. He represents it as a good country and a popular resort for invalids from the East.

The dwelling of Julius Lester of Garza County was burned last Tuesday week. It was a new 3 room house and is a total loss. It was occupied at the time by Jim Burris who lost all of his household goods in the fire.

#### Bargain in Land.

The best in Dawson County, 12 miles N. E. of Lamesa, all on the Plains for \$8.50. For terms see

Thornton & Pearce,  
Gail, Texas.

D. Dorward and family and Mrs. J. C. Dorward left us Monday evening to attend the Dallas fair.

#### Plainview Community, LEFT FROM LAST WEEK.

General health of community is good.

Several of this community attended the Literary at Midway last Saturday night which was good.

Mr. Howell Johnson went to Tahoka Lake ranch last Wednesday night to see M. G. Bessy.

A Singing given at the home of M. M. Simpson last Sunday was a pleasant affair.

Mr. T. A. Harris and Miss Willie Gibbs were married in Tahoka last Sunday. Mr. Albert Mayfield and Miss Annie Baldrige accompanied them to Tahoka, we wish them much success and happiness through life.

Miss Nora Luttrell is spending a few days with her sister Mrs. Minnie King near T — ranch.

Cotton picking is the order of the day with us.

Mrs. Rains and Mrs. King visited their mother Mrs. Beach Sunday. U-NO-ME.

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T. M. JONES.

Admiration alone will not run a newspaper. Sooner or later such admirers will find that the object of their affection has become wedded to other ways that they do not admire—in other words, a newspa-

per is compelled, in order to live, to seek the friendship of those who are not so platonic in their love, but unite their practical esteem with sentiment that binds mutual admiration in other professions. There are too many men who expect an editor to slave in defence of their pet notions and hobbies, advocating their views against the strongest opposition, and coolly withhold the business support by which alone a small newspaper can live.

### Why I shall not vote for Taft.

Because the Republican party is the party of graft and corruption. Because it has proved its incompetency to cope with the present crisis, which has settled like a pall upon the century, paralyzing all business enterprise, or if competent, recreant to its obligations in administering the government and unfaithful as the custodians of public affairs.

Because it stands for high tariff, which is the mother and nurse of the trusts.

Because it opposes a guaranty of the peoples money deposited in the national banks, and in lieu thereof passed a currency bill, which encourages speculation, reducing instead of increasing the margin of safety for depositors.

Because it advocates the policy of placing the country in a time of profound peace on a war footing, entailing an enormous expense upon the government, and converting us into a military nation, in imitation of the European powers.

Because it has created numberless new official positions, boards and commissions, for the purpose of entrenched itself more securely in power and perpetuating its control of the government.

Because through its speaker in congress it has arbitrarily suppressed legislation, thereby destroying free and untrammelled representation.

Because from its long lease of power it has become utterly corrupt, and administers the government in the interest of the powerful and wealthy as against the masses of the people.

Miss Verda Layton who has been attending the fair returned yesterday

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dorward who attended the fair at Dallas returned home Sunday.

Dillard Denton was in Gail on last Wednesday.

D. Dorward Jr, who has been attending the Dallas fair returned to Gail on Wednesday.

Gibbs Doyle was trading in town on Saturday.

### FOR NOVEMBER.

A table and a pitcher,  
A tumbler and a stand,  
A man in double-breasted clothes,  
And music by the band;  
A last appeal to reason,  
A crowd with cheering daft—  
Some folks think it's Bryan,  
And others think it's Taft.

A speaker on a Pullman,  
A little pantomime,  
A hasty diagnosis of  
The pulse of our time;  
A farewell and a promise,  
A benediction aft—  
Some folks think it's Bryan,  
And others think it's Taft.

A man with twenty dollars,  
Another man with ten,  
A swift exchange of challenges,  
And two excited men;  
A show-down and a wager,  
A bank note and a draft—  
Some folks think it's Bryan,  
And others think it's Taft.

A homestretch and a tumult,  
A spyglass and a shout,  
A feverish excitement while  
They try to make them out;  
A flying dust cloud leading,  
A second cloud abaft—  
Some folks think it's Bryan,  
And others think it's Taft.  
—C. H. Rieth.

Thad Durst, telephone operator was at work all day Wednesday repairing telephone instruments in Tredway neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. G. Pou from Lubbock are spending a few days in town this week en route to Ballenger Texas to visit relatives.