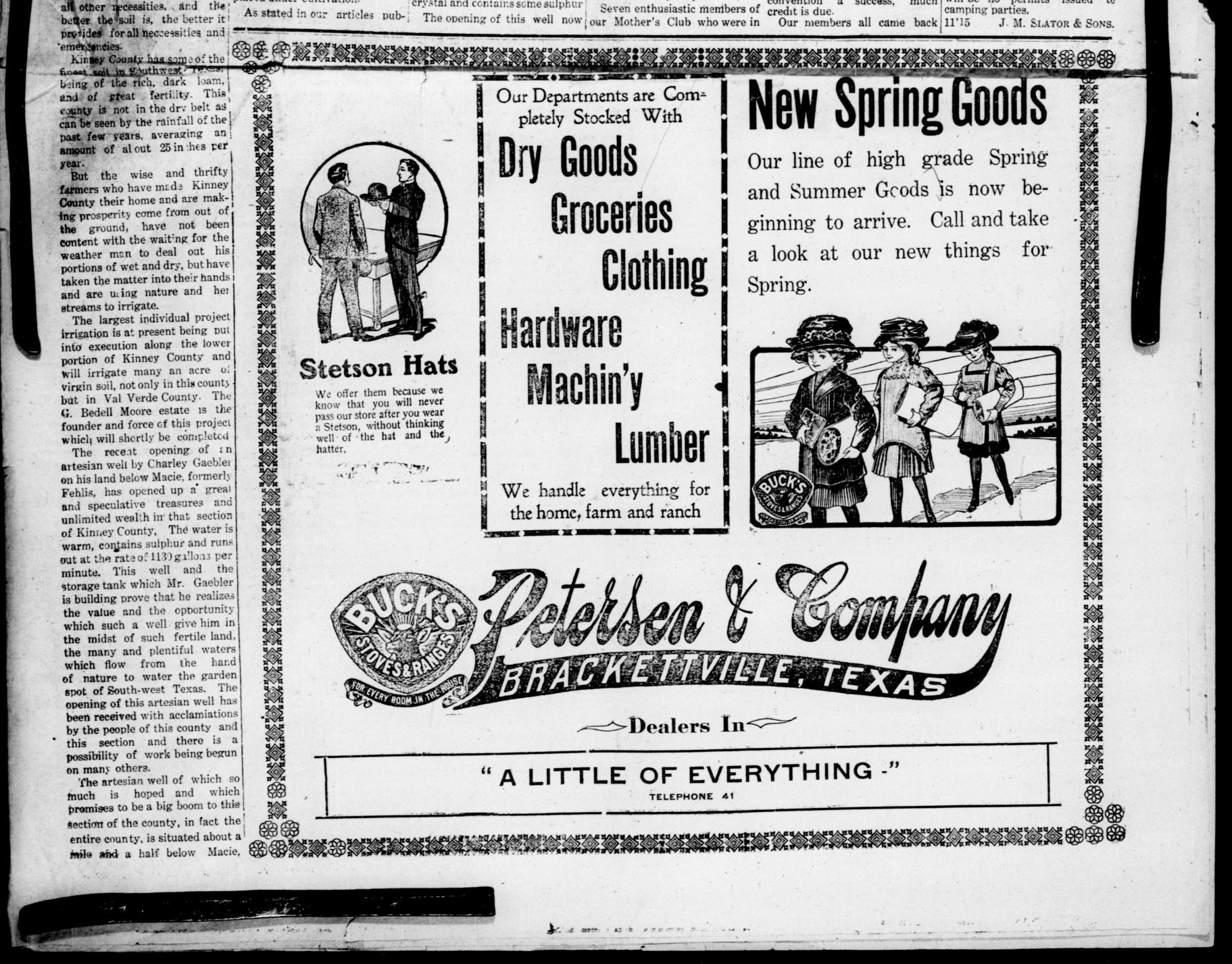


is the first great and which land will now be feet. The water is clear as success in every respect. essity with which to provide placed under cultivation. other necessities, and the:

acres of the best arable land above the casing for about two 7th and 8th, proved to be a grand crystal and contains some sulphur

for the pleasure of the Convention and to the faithful ones who

fishing, cutting wood or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the worked so hard to make this full extent of the law. There convention a success, much will be no permits issued to





The New York supreme court Frisea. Seemingly the Turkish warship day ruled that Harry K. Thaw must be did damage, for the British official returned to Matteawan asylum for the criminal insane thus blocking his re-

as high as sublicutenant.

the Carranza advance below Irapuate, Several bombs have been dropped Guanajuato. It was not considered by a German taube aeroplane in the vicinity of the cathedral at Amiens, France. Ten persons were killed or wounded

they in order?" destined for the Villa army engaging

"They're perfectly in order," was the reply, "but the truth is you're drunk.

torpedoes fired at the Manitou failed | turn to New Hampshire. to hit her, reported that 100 men on the transport lost their lives through drowning.

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statement, although stating that three

The British cruiser Minerva and several destroyers pursued the Turkish craft and drove her aground.

From unofficial sources it is learn ed that warships have been attacking the forts at Bulair, on the Gallipoli peninsula while Turkish reports stated that attacks have been made on the Dardanelles from the outer entrance, and that the Majestic and Swiftsure ment, were \$3,333,293. have bombarded the forts near Gaba Tepeh.

A frontier incident which during ordinary times would pass unnoticed has occurred on the Italian-Austrian border. It is said that an Austrial patrol recently passed through Italian territory, ignoring the protests of the customs officers.

taches to the spectacular flights of there is increased confidence in the German airmen over portions of Carranza camp in Matamoros. Mex-County Kent, England, and the city ico, while Villa is believed to have of Amiens, France, and a bomb-dropping raid by allied aviators on towns in West Germany. While it is said that little material damage and only slight casualties resulted from the attack on several Kentish towns and villages, more than a dozen persons are reported to have been killed or wound- will employ 1,000 additional men to of that country will take the places of ed by bombs dropped from a German taube in the vicinity of the cathedral in Amiens.

Two Zeppelin airships visited the east coast of England shortly after midnight Thursday, dropping bombs twenty-seven were injured in a col- Huisachito, Mexico, thirty miles south on several towns and doing considerable damage to property.

The airships dropped four bombs on day. Maiden, in Essex county, thirty miles northeast of London, but no damage resulted. Bombs also were dropped in to secure permission to take the Lib- sanctioned the sale of medals of her the Heybridge basin, two miles across the river. These set fire to some buildings. The airships came up the position. Black Water river and over the marshes and circled.

At Lowestoft, on the North sea, in Suffolk county, three bombs were dropped, considerable damage resulting to house property. A lumber yard was also set on fire. Three horses belonging to the railroad company were killed.

In the naval warfare two steamers have been added to a long list of those that have gone to the bottom as a result of torpedoes or minesthe Dutch steamer Katwyk, loaded Collins to meet at Galveston, Texas, ference came to an end Saturday with with grain for The Netherlands government, and the British steamer Ptarmigan. Four Dutch trawlers also were said to have been seized by the Germans and taken into Cuxhaven.

On the political side of the war, one of the questions that has long been in dispute between the United States and Great Britain has been settled. The British government has agreed to purchase the cargo of foodstuffs destined for Germany on board the American steamer Wilhelmina. The owners of the cargo have accepted Great Britain's offer. The United States

In Chicago, Ill., 15,000 men are idle

as a result of the lockout of 16,000 union carpenters and Governor Dunne of Illinois has instructed the state board of arbitration to offer its services in an endeavor to arbitrate the

The total resources of the twentynine Texas state bank and trust companies for the month ending March 31, as reported by the state depart-

violations of the 9:30 closing law in Brownsville.

Major General Funston at Browns-Probably the greatest interest at- ville, Texas, has been informed that Tuxpam, Mexico. abandoned the attack.

> United States senator from Rhode walls and shot, while the wounded Island, and republican leader, died men who were unable to stand were suddenly in New York City Friday.

The American Locomotive Company pean nations.

Thirteen persons were killed and lision between a street car and a rail- of Laredo, Villa is said to have lost road train in Detroit, Mich., Wednes- 500 killed, many wounded and a large

A determined effort is to be made

Chief Gunner's Mate Frank Crilley ing what officers declare is the world's tions in London, England. diving record.

in premiums.

The state board of health has been portant matters, including the report in the various countries. of the committee on prevention and control of communicable diseases, maritime and border quarantines.

-00-The grand lodge, Sons of Hermann. in session at Fort Worth, Texas, Wednosday re-elected August Haxthausen president; gave \$1,000 for Red Cross work in the German and Austrian armies and selected Waco, Texas, as the next place of meeting. -00-

Reinstatement of the Texas inter- Wight. The crew was saved. jail; about 200 horses, a large amount changeable mileage credential system has been asked by Great Britain to of ammunition for cannon, rapid-firing and sugar makes a delicious beverage investigate the treatment that is be- was withdrawn and dismissed by the In the eastern theater of war the guns, Mauser .30:30s and a big number instantly. 30c and 50c tins. ing accorded British prisoners in Ger- state railroad commission, which Russians face a front of 851 miles of carbines. We also captured all the Both kinds are equally delicious and Villaista supplies of food this side of cost per cup about the same, many in reprisal for imprisonment of cleared its docket temporarily at the while the Serbians and Montenegrins German submarine crews in England. sitting Tuesday at Austin, Texas. are fighting along a line of 217 miles "There's a Reason" for Postum. Las Rucias.

The ground to the west of the town of Neuve Chapelle, France, from which the British drove the Germans in the

loss of life for both sides, is literally cobbled with skulls. The dead lie buried in shallow graves everywhere, and the vicinity is strewn with wreckage and debris.

Another Zeppelin has been wrecked Seven permits to sell liquor in in Belgium, flying over the district of Brownsville, Texas, were revoked Fri- Ypres. It was heavily shot at and day at the order of Controller Henry badly damaged. It managed to fly B. Terrell. The revocation of licenses as far as Theilt, but in the early followed an investigation of reported hours of Wednesday was a complete wreck amidst the trees near Maria Aeltre.

Carranza forces have re-entered

This is General Obregon's summary It is reported that 200 Villaista prisoners, who were taken after the of the fighting about Celava, where battle of Huisachito, Mexico; Tues- he reported Thursday he had gained day, were summarily executed. The a decisive victory over the forces of Nelson W. Aldrich, for thirty years prisoners were stood up against brick General Villa. The ringing of church shot as they lay on the ground.

Should Italy go to war, the women get out an order for 2,500,000 shrapnel men in industry and commerce and and high explosive shells for Euro- will be paid the same wages as now received by the men workers.

> ------In a battle between La Jarita and quantity of supplies.

Queen Elizabeth of Belgium has erty bell from Independence hall in daughter, Princess Marie Jose, for the Philadelphia to the San Francisco Ex- purpose of procuring milk for the poor babies of Brussels, Belgium.

-00-Boys are so scarce in these war days went down 288 feet in Honolulu har- that it has become necessary to emtop of the sunken submarine F-4, mak- stalls on the underground railway sta-

-00-For some time there has been a To foreign insurance companies private discussion of peace at The Texas in 1914 paid out \$10,648,433.58 Hague by a conference consisting of about thirty delegates from the United States, Holland, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Sweden, Norway, England. called by State Health Officer W. B. Belgium and Switzerland. The con-April 21 to consider a number of im- the drafting of a program for action

> Women are employed as street car conductors in Newcastle, England.

The small steamer President was attacked Sanday by a German submarine. The crew of ten men were resued by a torpedo boat destroyer.

The French three-masted ship Chateaubriand, from London for New York, with a cargo of chalk, was sunk by a German submarine off the Isle of

likely that Villa would press his attacks on Obregon's positions at Celaya until more munitions arrived. As far as could /be learned from

local reports, General Obregon has not ventured far from Celaya or yet attacked Villa's base at Irapuato.

Brownsville, Texas, was cleared of Villa troops Saturday when the last of seven troop trains left Reynosa, sixty-five miles west of Matamoros, for Monterey. With the retreat well under way General E. P. Nafarrate, commander of the Carranza frontier division, is reoccupying the border towns evacuated before the Villa advance a month ago. The Matamoros forces are half depleted.

Vera Cruz, Mex .- Five thousand of the enemy dead were counted during the movement northward from Celaya. Six thousand prisoners and forty field pieces were captured.

bells and the parading of soldiers and citizens conveyed the news of the reported Carranza victory to the public. "'Vera Cruz .- Consul Burns, Gal-

veston: Villa was completely defeated, losing all his artillery north of Celaya, Guanjuanato state. This victory is complete and decisive. 'Urueta.' "

Brownsville, Tex .- In a sortie Tuesday the Carransa garrison at Matamoros inflicted a heavy blow upon the Villa army besieging them. General Saulo Navarro, second in command of the Villa troops, was brought to Brownsville dangerously wounded, and the Carranza consulate at Browns-

ville claimed the Villa dead numbered 300. The sortie drew from the Villa force their long-promised shelling of box Wednesday and walked along the ploy girl clerks at several of the book Matamoros, but the shelling stopped when the Carranza garrison returned to the trenches.

> During the bombardment eight shells passed completely over Matamoros and four others dropped in the city, where they did little damage and caused no known casualties.

Both factions refused to permit any one to cross the river to obtain direct news of the fighting and both claimed to have won in the fight. Villa officers said that the sortie first drove in the Villa outposts, but that tho Carranza troops retreated when the Villa cavalry brought up its main forces.

The Carranza consulate issued the ous." following statement, received from General Nafarrate's headquarters:

"The Villaistas lost 300 men killed, the number so far gathered by our forces, and there are still some on the boiled. 15c and 25c packages. field. Our forces captured thirty prisoners, who are now in Matamoros

"Drunk? Drunk?" mused the other, solemnly placing the passports in his pocket. "Of course I'm drunk. If I weren't drunk would I come to a piano recital?"

Thomas A Edison on his sixty eigthth birthday said to a reporter: "The result of this war will be a German republic that in fifty years will forge ahead of all of us." The reporter, impressed by Mr. Edison's war knowledge, asked: "What language do the Belgians use -Walloon, French, German?" "Humph," said Mr. Edison, "I know

well what language I'd use if I were a Belgian."

Makes a Difference.

"There is no sadder sight to me," said the Socialist orator, "than the laborer's empty dinner pail." "Shure!" said a man in the crowd.

"thot all depinds on whether it's impty before th' noon hour or after."

Educated.

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her coffee to look, 'like a new saddle.' "Then I tasted it critically, for I had tried many 'substitutes' for coffee. I

was pleased, yes, satisfied with my Postum in taste and effect, and am yet. being a constant user of it all these vears "I continually assure my friends and

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By

WEBSTER DENISON

The Collapse.

Mrs. Brand did not leave the car. for she did not know her husband had gone to the Reynolds' home. He had merely pleaded a business engagement as his excuse for leaving the party, for he thought that to say he was going to see Reynolds would have prompted more than cursory inquiries from both the young women. As soon as Jane was out of the machine the chauffeur turned and spurted towards the Brands' house, so he was out of call by the time the door had been opened for her and she saw Brand within.

Her entrance could not have been more accurately timed if she had chosen the exact moment of it, for her husband to desperation and the unwritten law that prevents attack when held good no longer.

Reynolds recovered himself sufficiently to smile a welcome and inquire Jane in.

"She certainly would have come if his wife answered.

her and took her hand.

You can't guess who." "Company ?" she asked incredulous- force of Brand's attack had left her in- that money from the cement deal that "Bob," she cried softly, "come back "As late as ruess. Who?" "Dick."

true, is it?" "Take me with him?" she said in

dazed tones. "What do you mean? Oh, doggedly: please don't mince words, Mr. Brand.

Tell me what has happened." "Well, then," he answered almost it." defiantly, "your husband is broke."

"Broke!" Jane exclaimed, rising and sinking back as suddenly to the divan. "You mean he's bankrupt? Penniless?" "Yes, flat. He's been gambling in

vith him."

the street without my advice and to- stubbornly. "I know what I've done its deadly load. He moved to the too far," he added, as he thought of ing hard and doing things that a man is likely to do under such circum- the sore. stances. I'm surprised you haven't

seen it."

in such things. He's been away a good business reasons. Perhaps-perhaps," she faltered, "I have been away a good

deal myself." "Nonsense," the millionaire replied "Bob-Bob, dear," she cried, "don't struggled to and fro until Dick had

haven't got intoxicated or gone broke. ing-" Reynolds hasn't any excuse. And it was closed?

000-"

why Mrs. Brand had not accompanied here and listen to such words. They it?" are not true-"

"Aren't they?" he interrupted in she had known Mr. Brand was here," turn. "Then perhaps you'd better ask your husband. But that's just what tell you that he won a lot of money on the door. She stood regarding the two men in he demanded of me tonight. He says the surprise she felt after Brand's that was saved on the cement for the rather unconventional leave taking on dam and that I have given him only the grounds of business. Bob went to forty thousand. He demands the other sixty or vows he'll tell everything. "Jane, we've got company tonight. Now is that blackmail, or is it not?"

don't want to see him take you along cried, clutching at his hands, "it isn't Then he dropped his hands suddenly and straightened up. His face still portrayed bitter hopelessness, but

bent over it, opening a concealed slide.

"Going out, Bob?" he asked uncon-

"Only for a moment, Dick. I need

"You needn't. I'll be right back."

ioning both his arms behind him. They

"Let me go!" Reynolds shouted.

'Damn you, Meade, I knew you'd do

that. Let me go, will you! You don't

Dick had dragged Bob to the divan

"Can I trail along?"

He pressed her hands, but answered there was mingled with it a demoniacal "Yes, it's true. That's the word for look of resolve. The look did not es-

it-blackmail, and I'm going to have She drew back and looked at him through her tears, startled and afraid. Then she glanced involuntarily at the

his hands and he turned the cylinder table. quickly to make sure that it contained "Oh, don't think I'm drunk," he said

day he went a little too far-decidedly and what I'm going to do now." "But you can't do it; you shan't," slipped down the remaining steps and the overdraft that would have to come she exclaimed. "Brand doesn't owe stepped softly across the room. As out of his own pocket. "More than you money. If you've lost yours we Reynolds looked up the reporter stood that, Mrs. Reynolds, he's been drink- will have to suffer for it, not Brand." before him. Her words acted as an irritant to cernedly. "Rather late, I should say."

> "So, it's Brand, not me," he answered bitterly. "That's what I wantthe air."

"I have seen it," Jane acknowl- ed to know; to know how I stand beedged weakly, "but I don't think it tween you two. You mapped out my was as bad as you picture it. Bob isn't line of march once, but not again. a baby and I don't like to dictate to him Jane, if you side with Brand against er backed along in front of him. As me this time we are done, that's all. they neared the door Revnolds made a deal, I know, but he told me it was for We don't seem to do team work very dash for it, but Dick was too quick for well and I can go it alone." His tone, as cold and hard as his caught his friend from the rear, pin-

words, truly frightened her.

impatiently. "You haven't been out talk to me that way. You're not your- dragged him to the center of the floor. any more than Mrs. Brand has and I self. You don't know what you're say-

"I know exactly what I'm saying," isn't what he has told you, but what he answered, "and I mean every word know what he's done to me or you'd he has not told you. He hasn't in- of it. Brand fooled you once and he's help instead of stop me. Let me go!' formed you, has he, that he overdrew fooled you again, but he'll find I The noise of the struggle brought his bank account for \$10,000-after the haven't been so dull a pupil as he Jane from the dining room. She stood bank had notified him that his account thinks. His game is all right if it's half way a moment, watching the con-

played to a finish, and that is just tortions of the breathless men, like "Don't misunderstand that state what I am going to do-play it to the one charmed and bereft of motility. ment, Mrs. Reynolds. You asked me end. He used me when I was useful not to mince words. I haven't. Your and thought when the right time came now and they fell on it together. With Brand's truculent tactics had driven husband has committed felony and now he could throw me aside. I was weak a quick movement the reporter when jail is staring him in the face he enough to get into his meshes and reached for Revnolds' hip pocket. He means to commit another one by at- I'm strong enough to get out. He found secured the revolver, but as he loosed one is in the other's home would have tempting to blackmail me out of \$60,- stock and trade in your credulity over one hand to do so, Bob, with a lurch, on Staten Island and he thinks he can broke from his grasp and stood pant-

"Mr. Brand!" she cried with blood rely on you again. Did he tell you ing before him. rushing to her cheeks, "I will not sit how I lost my money-the very last of

"In the stock market." "Yes, but did he tell you I invested

the same stock? Did he?" he repeated a quizzical way, scarcely concealing he is entitled to half of the \$200,000 as she sat staring at him in silence. "He didn't say anything about himself. Bob."

Jane had no reply. The sudden framed it up with you for us to take teria. He stopped and looked at her. we were committing a felony and that

TEXAS NEWS CONDENSED

Two new drills have commenced cape a silent spectator on the stairs. drilling in new parts of the Strawn Reynolds stepped briskly now to a wil field. little cabinet beside the piano and

An election is called for April 30 A bit of shining blue metal flashed in to vote on a \$30,000 bond issue for a public school building at Jefferson. . . .

The American Public Service Cortable for his hat and as he did so Dick poration of New York has purchased the Longview Ice and Electric Light Plant and will make some very extensive improvements. * * *

> The Orient Milling company of Chillicothe, has commenced work of enlarging the mill's capacity from 250 to 400 barrels. A \$20,000 elevator is also being built. . . .

He stepped forward, but the report-An oil that yields 60 per cent high grade distillate, something hitherto unknown in Texas has been discovered in the Babbington well, three him. He stepped slightly aside and miles southwest of Coleman. . . .

> John L. Vaughan, who was elected mayor of Mart at the recent city election, is a Republican. The town has a population of 4,000 persons, 95 per cent of whom are Democrats. . . .

Dallas was unanimously as the 1916 meeting place of the Associated Master Plumbers of Texas, incorporated, shortly before the state convention adjourned at Waco. * * *

For the first weekday in nine years, and perhaps longer, there was not a marriage license issued by the county clerk of Dallas county Friday, April 9.

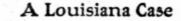
Rust well, four miles north of San Angelo. The drilling is being paid for by San Angelo citizens, who are anxious to find what the bowels of the earth in this section contain. * * *

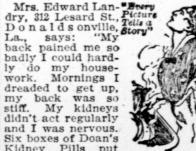
The city of Burkburnett has just closed a contract with the electric power plant of Wichita Falls for a lead wire to that place, which is 18 miles in length. The construction of the line will begin at once.

* * * The Panhandle Press association met in Plainview Friday. The address of welcome was delivered by



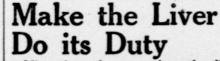
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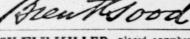


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and powder to make yourself look

. . . Gas is coming from the Guthrie-

"Give me that pistol!" he ordered. He got only a quiet smile and a shake of the head from his friend.

"Then, damn it, I'll do it with my on the advice of his broker? Did he hands!" he cried and rushed toward

Jane staggered after him. "Bob-Bob. dear! My boy! My husband!" she called beseechingly. The tenderness of her tone, the love note "No. of course, he didn't. He didn't in her voice, arrested him for a mosay anything about you, either, I sup- ment where the antagonism of his pose. He didn't tell you that when he friend had only accentuated his hys-

"Dick?" she echoed. "Here? Where?" "Yes, he's here now. Up in the den." real enthusiasm.

may have put up for the night the by this time. I'll see."

With a foot on the stairs he turned. "Mr. Brand and I have been discussing some more business, Jane, and this 000 in good faith and he accepted it halo!" time I want you to know about it from as such. Perhaps if he had asked for the start-as a partner. And I think you had better hear Mr. Brand's side of it now."

He was half way up the stairs. He stopped and looked significantly at the millionaire.

morrow will do." Brand said. "It's late and she must be tired. So am I." But Reynolds only kept backing up the steps.

"No," he said emphatically. "Tonight."

Brand was eager to evade the issue and gain time for further persuasion or compromise. He realized that Reynolds, in his present state of mind, would accept no pacification other than his full demand and he knew, too, that his own bulldog attack had failed. He must either pay the money or be placed in a perilous predicament, and Reynolds' retreat at this juncture had established a cul de sac from which there was only one escape. He turned, therefore, to Jane as to a last resort.

"Let's be seated, Mrs. Reynolds," he said as he approached, her face portraying now unconcealed alarm.

"What has happened?" she asked excitedly. "Nothing irreparable, Mrs. Rey-

nolds," the millionaire answered suavely. "but your husband is in a frame of mind-I might say a mental condi- wife's side. tion that makes it impossible for me to appeal to him either by argument or a straight statement of facts. He is in a bad hole, and now, when he's driven into a corner through his own asinine blundering, he's not only turned traitor to you and me, but he's a drunkard besides."

"Mr. Brand!" Jane exclaimed, turnwith apprehension at the sudden to you and I want to know what he brutality of his words.

"Oh, I don't mean that alone," he answered, indicating the half emptied bottle. "It's his brain that's drunk. No matter in what direction he turns he's intoxicated. He has lost his perspective; his sense of proportion. He tangles everything he goes into and ruined-" now he has ruined this opportunity I be he will to you. But whatever hap how I am going to remedy it?" pens," he added in a patronizing way, "I want to save you out of the crash. | money-blackmail. Oh. Bob." she betraying the depth of his anguish.

my own volition," he said. "Your hus- as any of us. He didn't tell you that "I'll call him," she exclaimed with know. I am not through, Mrs. Rey- that, did he?" nolds. I want to state my side of it. "No, let me," Bob suggested. "He Here it is: For your sake, and for Brand's fondness for you, I'll square I will do. I gave your husband \$40,-

one hundred thousand at that time. I resentment. would have granted the request, but not now when he demands it under duress. You can tell him that. I guess

cording to his view. That is all. We "If I must talk to Mrs. Reynolds, to- are losing good sleep." "Then I won't keep you any longer,"

> answered Jane with dignity. Something of her old mastery and determination had returned. She arose and held out her hand. She shuddered slightly as he took it, and regretted that she offered it. The man who had only smiled and stepped toward the

door. "I am sorry," he said condescending-

ly as he turned. Reynolds appeared suddenly on a

landing of the stairs. "Good night, Brand," he said. "Through with your chat?"

"Quite through, I think." "I'll see you in the morning, then."

The millionaire looked up, his hand on the knob of the door.

"Yes, you can see me in the morning," he answered, "and your wife can was to the wall now and she crouched Jane would not let him go. He sat tell you for just how much. Good almost as if she expected a blow. "Yes, crooks!" he persisted in annight."

it."

swer to her look of horror. "That's He slammed the door behind him as he went out and Bob moved slowly what I said. Crooks!" down the stairs and crossed to his His hand was extended, fist doubled. But of a sudden it dropped to his

strange that I left you with Brand at terror-pierced the mists of his cloudthis time to hear from him the things ed brain. He stopped, limp and helphe no doubt has told you. Don't con- less. demn me too quickly. Our talk this evening was not a success. I have explained it all-I guess." laid my cards on the table and he has

pretended to. But he doesn't play the ing tones. "You have explainedgame that way. He has said one thing about-yourself, and you should have ing red with indignation and paling to me and has probably said another done so six years ago, before I married vou."

has told you." "But, Bob," she answered-and she the dining room and he followed with looked at him through mist dimmed hands outstretched in mute appeal. eyes-"why has he told me anything? "Don't, Bob, please," she cried soft-Why, if this-this terrible thing has ly. "Let me-go." happened-haven't you told me or She passed through the door quickly warned me? Brand said you are and turned the lock. He stood looking after her a moment, a pathetic picture

"I am," he broke in quickly. "He told of complete despair. He tottered to man, I know," he said, bending over gave him. He won't listen to me. May- you the truth there, but did he tell you the divan and sank upon it with face his friend. "You want what the doctor "He said you had asked for more eral minutes, only heaving shoulders

-back with me. I know I've been to "I'm not talking this way to you of you were a party to the crime as much blame. It's all my fault." He only looked and his eyes sudden-

band desired that I tell you everything if I talked and we went to jail that you ly were befogged with tears. His -everything that a partner should would go along with us. He didn't say hands dropped again. The same inertia as before overcame him. He Reynolds paced the floor and his started back toward her, tottered and

voice rose to almost a hysterical pitch. fell headlong to the floor. The terror stricken wife stooped "God," he exclaimed, as he stopped ed her, "I almost believe he's and caught his head in her hands, this thing at the bank. But that is all convinced you that I'm a criminal and showering it with kisses. he's a saint with a double ringed "Bob! Bob! Speak to me!" she

to be crooks let's be good ones."

cried. She had reached the end of her en-

She pressed open his eyelids, her durance and stood up quivering with own tears mingling with his, while

Dick, with more practical mind, forced "You have no right to abuse me this brandy through his lips and sent her way." she cried, "and I won't stand it. to the kitchen for ice. They packed that's your end of the partnership, ac- You know that I only tried to find a the broken ice about his head and place for us among decent people and chafed his hands, but in vain. He gave give you the opportunity to provide no sign of returning consciousness.

Their physician lived only a few "Opportunity?" he sneered. "Yes, doors away and in a few minutes, havopportunity for plain, ordinary thieving been summarily aroused by Dick, ing. That's what it was, and I did it he was bending over his neighbor's for you. Now there are two alterna- side.

tives, Jane. One to go on, and the "A nervous collapse," he said senother to give up. If you want to go on tentiously. He mixed a stimulant and branded her husband as a criminal, I'm going to have my way this time administered some of it. "Get some and Brand will have to deal with me of this into him every 15 minutes and and answer to me, not to you. I'm not he'll come around. His heart action is going to let him off with \$10,000 by good." he added, bending an ear to squaring matters at the bank, and go Reynolds' chest. "It's only a question out into the world penniless. I am go- of time-minutes, maybe hours, but ing to clear my conscience and make there is no immediate danger. Come," a clean breast of it or I am going to he finished curtly, addressing Dick, make it plain blackmail and make it "we'll carry him up to his room."

pay. Either we're crooks or we're Jane followed and, weeping silently, honest and if we've made up our minds helped to get her husband into bed. The doctor, like all others, assured "Bob!" she cried again, backing that there was no pressing peril, preaway while he followed. Her back pared to resume his broken rest, but down resignedly, feeling of the stricken man's pulse and from time to time administering the stimulant as he had directed. At last Reynolds' lids parted and he stared weakly about. He looked vacantly at the doctor, but as Jane "Jane," he began, "you may think it side. Her look of appeal-of abject knelt and pressed her lips to his he recognized her and spoke her name.

> "That's all," the physician said as he arose. "Never mind the medicine "Well, what-about it-Jane? I've now. I'll send a nurse in the morning. Your husband needs a rest, Mrs. Rev-"You have," she answered in haltnolds-a good one. As soon as he is up get him away from business, and -from other things."

> He looked significantly at Dick, who nodded a knowing assent. Then he She staggered toward the door to bade him good night.

> > Reynolds, his hand clasped in his wife's, lay quiet, speaking softly now and then to assure her of his consciousness, and then weakly indicated that he would like to sleep.

"I'll bunk on the divan in Bob's den, Dick told Jane. "You're all right, old buried in his hands. So he sat for sev- crdered-rest, and you want it now." He slipped out and left them alone. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Judge L. S. Kinder of Plainview. He told of the efforts of the citizens of Plainview 27 years ago to get a newspaper.

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A \$15,000 school building is to be erected at Godley, so as to be ready for occupancy at the beginning of the school year. The structure is to be two stories high and will contain eight or nine rooms and an auditorium

C. Klaerner of Brenham, former county superintendent of public instruction of Washington county, at a called meeting of the state library and historical commission, was elected state librarian in place of E. W. Winkler.

All arrangements have been completed in Grand Saline for the putting down of a test well for oil. For many years the surface indications around Grand Saline have been considered very favorably for oil and it is just recently that all interests have gotten together to make this test.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Texas company has been called for May 1 to vote on a proposition to increase the capital stock from \$30,000,000 to \$37,000,000. The meeting will be held at Houston, Texas; \$6,000,000 of the new stock will be offered to shareholders and \$1,000,000 to employes. . . .

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Two \$60,000 bond issue propositions were voted on in Runnels county last week. One at Ballinger and the other at Winters.

Permanent improvements to be made a cost of approximately \$300 .-000 are authorized in the statement of work determined upon during the month of March, issued by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe. Building of three new depots, one at Santa Anna, Goldthwaite and Beaumont was authorized.

Fire destroyed an entire brick block at Thornton. Estimated loss is \$65,000, with approximately \$35,-000 insurance.

One of the most important contracts to be let in Dallas during the current year was closed last week by the Central Presbyterian congregation for the erection of the new church edifice to be designated as the City temple. The cost of the building is to be, approximately, \$200,000.

Hull, England.-The Dutch steamer Schieland was blown up in the North Sea at a point 24 miles from Spurn, on the east coast of England at the entrance to the Humber. One man of the vessel's crew was killed.

Paris .- The senate has adopted a

beautiful. It will not improve your looks. And if you insist upon wearing small, tight shoes with high heels, you can depend upon it that they will bring hard, drawn lines in your face. Another menace to beauty is a fourpound skypiece on your belfry. This is all according to Dr. Ida C. Nahm, who makes a sweeping denunciation of these things. If you want to retain your youthful beauty for ever and ever, follow these dictates, says the doctoress: Plenty of soap and warm water, lots of outdoor exercise, especially walking, and drink two quarts of water every day. These will insure health, red cheeks and a slim, youthful figure. Doctor Nahm recommends the water cure and walks especially for ladies with too much embonpoint. She says it's the safest, surest and quickest way to reduce.

Wrong Spoons. Store Proprietor-What has become of that clerk we hired last week? Department Manager-I had to fire

"Nope. Too much of a joker." "I don't understand." "Miss Giddigad telephoned for a spoonholder and he asked her if a hammock would do?"-Youngstown

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been already imprisoned since Novem- out the order Mrs. Davis repeated, "I all, and both judges and laymen apher. 'On hearing the sentence, Mrs. protest as a woman and a mother." pear surprised at it .- London Votes for Woman's Speech Reached the Con-Davis, who with her husband, Rev. G. After she had been removed the judge Women. science of All People Who Had H. Davis, assistant vicar choral of gave instruction that "that woman" a Desire to Think. Hereford cathedral, has done so much should not be admitted again; but her Most Glowing. We have now before us an account for the protection of women against point had been gained. Mrs. Davis, by An old man attended a public fuin the Hereford Times of the fine pro- injustice, rose in court and protested her action revealed not only to the neral in honor of an American statestest made by Mrs. Davis in court at against the proceedings as unfair. "If court, but to the whole surrounding man a few years ago. In describing the recent Herefordshire assizes. The the father of the child were hore," she district, that, in all justice, the man it to a Boston friend, a close relative. case was the trial of a domestic serv- began, but interruptions made her in- who is at least equally guilty with the he said enthusiastically: "Jim, it was ant for causing the death of her new- audible, "no man would dare to pass woman in these cases should not es- grand. It was the most glowin' pareborn child. She was found guilty and sentence," she continued; but the cape scot-free while all punishment goric of words I have ever had 'casion sentenced by Mr. Justice Avory to six judge ordered her to be turned out of falls on the woman. This might seem to listen to!"

PROTEST HAD MUCH WEIGHT | months' imprisonment, she having | court. While the police were carrying | an axiom of law, but it is not law at

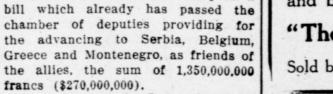
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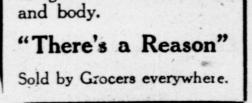
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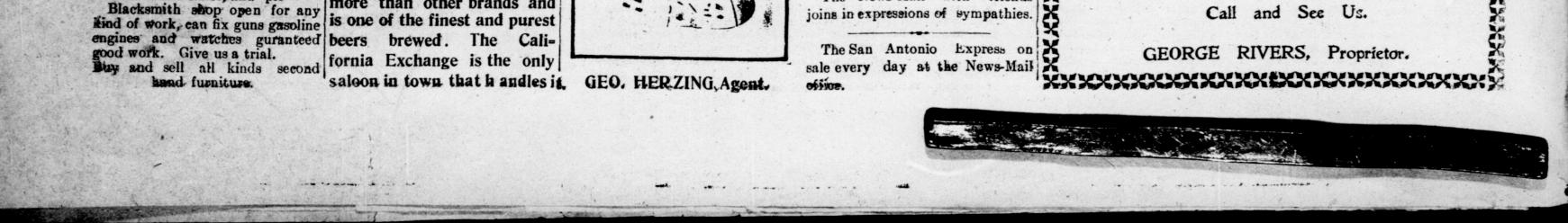
him. "Incompetent?" Telegram.







here. to note, is now out on the street: here Sunday after an extended picture. Brackett has one of the again, although he is still in deli-Alex Wickham came in to town visit to relatives and friends in most beautiful natural locations. cate health. last week but stayed only a day or Calvert, San Antonio and other The Farmers' Dry Goods Company It is nearly 1100 feet above the two instead of a month or so as we points east. Mr. DeWitt is building an addisea level and the summer heat is IOHN STEFFEN, Manager. expected. tion to his home on the hill, a two always tempered by the southern Visit the Fornomy Cash Store. Located in The Mendeke Lot. room house, to be a kitchen and We are glad to repot that our High prices knocked out. M. breezes from the Gulf. It is one of the healthiest towns in the dining room. Dry Goods, Clothing, Notions, Hosiery, old amigo Jimmie Nolan is about Stool. Fritter Bldg. western part of the state, and this A special session of the Com- recovered and will soon be up and Mrs Rutledge and children who Laces, Embroidery, Silks, Ladies Skirts, is due to the pure drinking water chasing around. missioner's court met Monday. have been here on extended visit and dry, bracing air. The great Shoes, Hats Etc. Special on Flash Lights Fifteen hundred jack rabbit scalps Mrs. James Yarbray left the with Dr. and Mrs. Nipper returned "White Plague" consumption, is were turned in. latter part of last week for Atlanta, Tuesday to thier home in Uvalde and Batteries. unknown, except for cases brought Now, since the days are growing Georgia where she will visit friends accompanied by Mrs. Nipper. Agent for the Best Jewelry House in St. Louis here, and many who have come warmer, come to Henze Cafe and and relatives. here in the early stages of this For a real good smoke try try our cold drinks and crushed thread disease have found relief All work on Mr. Sauer's house a "Queen of Saba" cigar. fruits. The best ever. and prolonged their lives many which he has been having repainted You can get them at the Just received another Shipment years. and re-fixed has been finished and California Exchange. Brackett dates its birth with of Embroideries, 25 cents values now it presents a credible appear-Automobile, Stage and Express Line Fort Clark, which was established at 121/2-65 cents values at 35 cents. The Million Dollhr Mystery in 1852, and was named after M. Stool; Fritter Bldg. The California Exchange and the Adventures of Kathlyn began Tuesday night at the Star BETWEEN O. B. Brackett, who built the first Ben Nolan returned Monday can save you from 25 to 50cts Sunday night at the Empire, house.' The town built very slowly afternoon from San Antonio where on all barrel goods. Only the making three serial plays now at first, as the surrounding country SPOFFORD and BRACKETT he had gone to attend the Scottish was a wilderness infested with Rite Reunion last week. very best and purest brand going on. rathless savages, with whom the Whenever and where ever you handled. We noted the other day while settlers were constantly at war. se a motion picture show think of taking a walk that many of our The presence of troops so close at Pat Sheedy, and Joe Graham, of Feed and Livery Stable the Universal, the world's best fellow citizens have beautiful front hand saved the settlers many the Las Moras, and Geo. Jones, of plays, here at the Star. yards with many pretty flowers times from massacre. On the site Macie, Texas, motored over here All liquors bottled in bond Tuesday afternoon returning the blooming. But as yet we have HENRY VELTMANN, Proprietor. of the pleasant homes of today not seen any boquets come down prowled the dusky foes whose formerly \$1.50 per quart-now same day. our line. blood-curdling war whoop caused \$1.25 at the California Exthe settlers to more securely bar change. George Horton, chief musican of ****** their doors and place their weapons the 14th cavlry band stationed This is the Victrola IV, \$15. The telephone building was ready for the defense of life and Other styles \$:5 to \$:50. here Friday night gave a surprise You Can Find What You Want in Fine practically completed last Friday, Easy terms if desired. home. dance in honor of Mrs. Horton at although no attempt was then DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED WINES the Post Hall. Refreshments were made to transfer the switch board served and everybody reported a LIQUORS AND CIGARS AT there as it was raining. For Sale good time. THE EXCHANGE SALOON Do you ever remember of seeing Thoroughbred Buff Orpington such actors as Kerrigan, King eggs. \$2.50 per setting of fifteen. Died. We earnestly solicit a share of your patronage Baggot, Francis Ford, Grace W. W. Nipper, M. D. On Tuesday last the mighty Cunard, Cleo Madison and others and will treat you right. angel of Immortality summoned to The Victrola in other pictures? The Star has O. W. STADLER, Proprietor. the Creator the soul of little LA ESTRELLA DEL NORTE STORE them all. provides splendid Elizabeth Marie Christensen, the J. J. ARREDONDO You will find the goods and entertainment ********* beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brackettville, Texas the Prices at the Economy Cash Music and fun of every kind, V. Christensen of this city, aged Store beyond your expectations. and always ready to entertain 1 year 8 months, and bore away Dry Goods Hardware Come and See. You wont be every one. Boots Wagon Oil with him a life the departure of dissapointed. M. Stool, Fritter And there are Victrolas in Shoes **Paints and Oils** which has plunged the happy THE O. K. SALOON great variety, so that every home Hats, Etc. Ammunition Bldg. J. Hymans, manager. household into gloom and caused may easily possess one. Groceries **Finware** Thomas Graham returned Sun-Cur deferred sorrow in the hearts of the many Fruit Hay Fine Old Whiskies day from San Antonio and was payment plan Coał friends of the family. Oranges makes it casier yet. Corre in and hear accompanied as far as Uvalde by Lemons Wood Funeral services were conducted WALDORF CLUB Cocoanuts, Etc. Nails his motorcycle. Graham states from the Episcopal Church Wedthe Victrola-we're Candies Harness always glad to dennesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, that he received thirty-two degrees And Many Other Brands. Peloncillos Mexico Ware onstrate it. while down there. Chaplain C. C. Bateman officiat-C der, Sodas and Ginger Ale on Ice Agents for the Lone Star Beer Variety of nice fresh San "Royal Pilsner" costs no The News-Mail with friends Antonio eakes, and pie more than other brands and joins in expressions of sympathies. Call and See Us.





Colonel Sibley returned from the east last Saturday afternoon.

Everything quiet about the Post this week after the many changes of last week.

It is rumored around the Post that Editor Price got lost last week in San Antonio while trying to find a suit case that was not lost:

The Carranzistas lost a big man when Hererra fell last week near Laredo at the hands of his own men who mistook him for a Villista.

Sergeant Bauer who had his hip broken last week by a bucking bronc is getting on as well as could be expected under the circumstances of s) painful an accident.

Il you see it in the News-Mail it is so; if you do not see it in the News-Mail it is not soz-good. Now that is right and if anything is wrong charge it to the princer's devil who can stand it all right.

Cn Thursday of this week Chaplain Bateman completed two years of duty at Fort Clark. He came here from Fort Bayard N. M , the seat of the great government sanitarium where he was on duty nearly eight years.

Mr. Horton, the Chief Musician, had a big fishing trip a'l fixel up and then it rained so hard that he could not go. He intended to beat Sergeant Bursley's record and bring in a car load.

There are so many stories about that suit case that no one can tell which is the correct version; a long editorial is now due giving the facts in this important case suit case. Not a suit for damages we

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Each member of the club is asked to prepare more than enough lunch to serve her own family so that all will be looked after. Our delegates brought back so many good working points that we expect to get busy at once on those things that will be a benefit to our community.

A motion was made and carried that we have a committee to see Mr. Petersen about establishing a rest room in his store for the farm women and children when they come to town to shop. Mrs. Jos. Veltmann, Mrs. J. E. Fritter and Mrs. Will Dooley are the committee.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mrs. Terres. of Karnes City, for catalog on play grounds. The secretary was also instructed to write to Dr. Ellis for plans and specifications on heating process.

A motion was made and carried that a committee be appointed to interview the trustees. Mrs. N. P. Petersen, Mrs. Wickham and Mrs. Birnsteil being the committee, to write concerning magazines.

Moved and seconded was the resolutions that were adopted at the convention of the fifth District of the Texas Congress of Mothers, be spread upon our minutes. Teachers asked for music for the May Day Picnic, The motion was made and carried that they be so supplied for the programme Miss Wick-

ham and Miss Dudley are a committee to call on Mr. Herzing to try and secure a Victrola and purchase records needed.

Motion was made and seconded to pay Mr. Price what is due him. The following officers were elected for the coming year!

Plans and specifications are are being made it is said for an open air lunch and, soft, drink Presont in connection with the Post Exchange and the new place will the in full blast just as soon as possible. There will be fee cream and soda water on the half shell.

The Empire Theatre is now selling its tickets at the Post Exchange on the same footing with the Star Theatre and everybody goes to the shows who can: find the dinero and mighty few around here who are too poor to go to the movies.

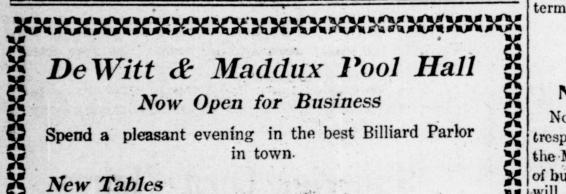
-Mr. Hunt is now improving and hopes are entertained of his recovery at an early date. Dr. Pratt and the hospital corps are certainly doing their utmost to put him on his feet again. He is making a good fight for the returnof his health and he deserves to succeed and it is believed he will.

The Post Carpenter is a very busy man these days putting roofs on the hay sheds. Some day if this cruel war in Mexico continues perhaps it will be found desirable to put in a railroad from Spofford. and rebuild the whole shebang and put Fort Clark on the map again. There are several maps which do not show Fort Clark at all despite its more than sixty years.

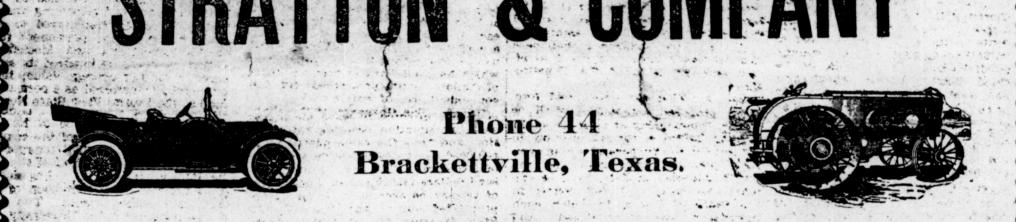
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Misses Lillie and Clio Sockwell phome Company has instructed de Spotford Locals and Master Herbert Neely of to notify the public that hereafter Moulton are the guests of Mrs. no calls will be answered after ういうであるとなるないないないであるという Mary Neely and family at their eleven o'clock, unless it be of J. M. Linam is visiting friends home on the Las Moras this week. importance or in case of necessityin San Antonio this week.

Miss Katie Curtis is visiting friends in San Antonio this week. Mrs. E. J. Pearce is visiting with relatives in San Antonio this week. Miss Lorah Clark is visiting

friends in San Antonio this week. R. S. Salmon, J. M. Linam and L. N. Lewis were transacting business in Brackett Friday.

Misses Katherine and Gertrude complimentary to Mrs. S. P. Adams Zuchl are the guests of their Aurt of Ft. Clark.

Mrs. F. Voeleker in San Antonio this week.

Moras spent Saturday and Sunday home talent play in the near future O. W. Zuehl.

The American and Mexican base- School auditorium. evening, the 'American team winning.

of life and death, or sickness. W. W. May who has been in the The above notice, however, does telegraph, service of the S, P. RR not apply to the long distance

calls.

here has gone to Staff. rd where he will be connected with the S. P. RR in a similar capacity.

Mrs. T. J. Martin of the Las Moras and Mrs. Hans Petersen of Brackett entertained with a bridge party at the home of Mrs Petersen in Brackett Wednesday evening

The Mothers Club met Monday afternoon at Mrs. Jas. Ballantyne Miss Bessie Zuehl of the Las Jr residence and decided to give a

here with her Parents Mr. and Mrs. for the purpose of raising funds to purchase a Piano for the Public

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Mothers Club. Minutes for the Mother's Club, April 12th, 1915.

order by the president at 4 p. m., fund. Another motion was minutes of the previous meeting made and carried that the deleand two called meetings, were read and the Treasurer reported incurred in their visit to the \$105.60 on hand, there being no Convention in Del Rio. disbursments.

The District Dues were paid in February. Sixteen Dollars and eighty five cents were cleared at the last Saturday sale. The General arrangement. Com-

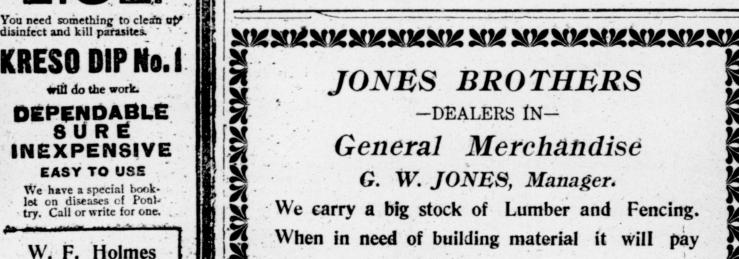
mittee on the May Day Picnic constitute the programme com- steadily and continually.

Hans Petersen a committee to drying up is now soaked and the ask all the business men to close crops are doing fine. Much on the day of the picnic; Mrs. benefit in all departments of Will Dooley and Mr. Reming, farming and stock-raising are to ice-water committee; Look-out benefit from this rain. A short Committee, Miss Petersen, Mrs. down-bour Sunday morning A Hodges and Mrs. O. W. Stadler amounted to about half an inch to be assisted by the entire Club; of rain.

Mrs. O. F. Seargeant and Mrs.

you to get our figures.

John Stadler, on transportation; Committee of grounds Mrs. Chas. nicely furnished and give good Hodges, Mrs. Keplinger, Mrs. satisfaction.



Mrs. Chas. Hodges, re-elected President; Mrs. N. P. Petersen; elected 1st Vice President; Mrs. Will Dooley, elected 2nd vicepresident; Mrs. John Stadler elected 3rd vice-president; Mrs. Jos. Veltmann. re-elected secretary; and Miss Petersen, reelected Treasurer. The following school visiting committee was appointed: Mrs. Will Dooley! and Mrs. N. P. Petersen.

A motion was made and carried that the Treasurer pay tor the books in full. A motion was also made and carried that the money left from the founts The meeting was called to be transferred to the general gates be paid their expenses

Adjournment.

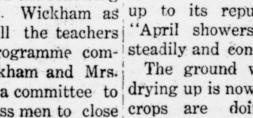
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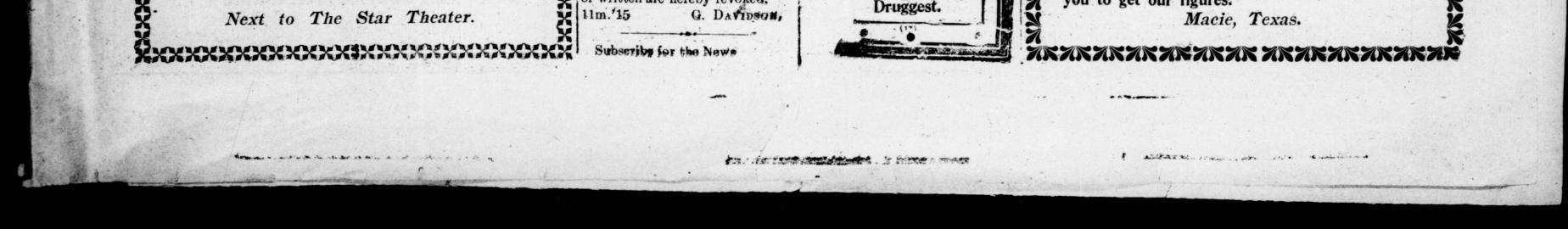
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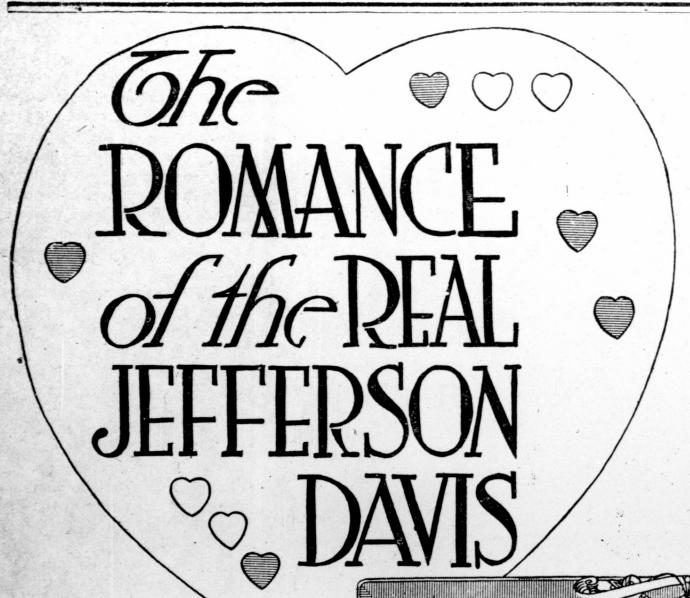
The month of April is at met, and appointed the following present busily engaged in living Committees: Mrs. Wickham as up to its reputation and the chairman and all the teachers "April showers" are falling

mittee; Mrs. Wickham and Mrs. The ground which had been

Mrs. Henze's lodging rooms are







THE BRACKETVILLE NEWS-MAIL, BRACKETVILLE, TEXAS

nouncing the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. His_thin face went deathly white. Handing the telegram to his secretary, he quietly said: "I am sorry. We have lost our noblest and

best friend in the court of the enemy." The president left Charlotte with an escort of a thousand cavalrymen for Abbeville. His journey was slow.

On hearing that the Federal cavalry were scouring the country Breckinridge and Reagan proposed that Davis disguise himself in a soldier's clothes, a wool hat and brogan shoes, take one man with him and go to the coast of Florida, and ship to Cuba.

His reply was firm.

"I shall not leave southern soil while a Confederate regiment is on it. Kirby Smith has an army of 25,000 men. He has not surrendered. General Hampton will cut his way across the Mississippi. We can lead an army of 60,000 men on the plains of Texas and fight until we get better terms than unconditional surrender."

The soldiers were dismissed and the money still remaining in the treasury was divided among them. A picked guard of ten men rode with the fallen chieftain in search of his loved one.

The president and staff traveled with his wife next day and made 28 miles. At Irwinsville their presence was betrayed to the Federal cavalry, his camp surrounded by Colonel Pritchard, and the Confederate president and party arrested.

The soldiers plundered his baggage, tore open his wife's trunks and scattered her dresses. In one of these trunks they found a pair of new



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Stop using calomel! It makes you | spoonful and if it doesn't straighten sick. Don't lose a day's work. If you you right up and make you feel fine feel lazy, sluggish, bilious or consti- and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodpated, listen to me!

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver son's Liver Tone is destroying the which causes necrosis of the bones sale of calomel because it is real liver Calomel, when it comes into contact medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it cannot salivate or make you sick. it up. This is when you feel that aw-ful nausea and cramping. If you feel Dodson's Liver Tone will put your "all knocked out," if your liver is tor- sluggish liver to work and clean your pid and bowels constipated or you bowels of that sour bile and constihave headache, dizziness, coated pated waste which is clogging your tongue, if breath is bad or stomach system and making you feel miserable, sour just try a spoonful of harmless I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire fam-

Dodson's Liver Tone. Here's my guarantee-Go to any ily feeling fine for months. Give it to drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent your children. It is harmless; doesn't bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

"COUNT" TOO ABSENT MINDED EXPLAINING SONGS OF BIRDS

tional Marriage Was Permanently Called Off.

Principal Reason Why One Interna- Beautiful Notes of the Nightingale, for Instance, Are Inspired by Paternal Love.

Henry P. Davison of the Morgan national marriages:

Spanish count.

That was his undoing. The girl's hatching. plates.

lionaire host said to him gently:

for gracious sake!""

More:

It is generally assumed that a bird banking firm was talking about inter- sings because he is happy, but science goes deeper for an explanation "Well," he said, "I know of one in- of the why and wherefore of the ternational marriage that failed, bird's song. Nature's optimistic joy thank goodness, to come off. The girl in constructive progress is expressed was the daughter of a Paint Rock in the singing of the male birds who millionaire. The man was a count, a charm their mates to further their wooing, and continue after eggs are "The count was absent minded. laid to encourage the fulfillment of

father gave a dinner for him in the The song stops when the little birds Paint Rock castle overlooking Paint come out of the shell. The nightin-Rock, and at the dinner's end the gale for weeks during the period of count got up to light a cigarette, and nest-building and hatching, charms then, by jove, started to remove the his mate and human ears near him with the beautiful music of his love "The guests watched him in an song. But as soon as the little nightopen-mouthed silence. His napkin ingales come from the eggs the song slung over his arm, he had got nearly changes to a sort of guttural croak, all the plates removed when his mil- implying anxiety and sense of responsibility.

"'Wake up, George. You're not If the nest and contents were dewaiting in the beanery now, you stroyed the nightingale would at once know. You're pretending you're a resume his beautiful song to inspire count in Paint Rock. Wake up, man, his mate to help him build another nest and start all over again the loving work of being fruitful and multiplying.

ERY little has been written about the personal and intimate life of Jefferson Davis. On the other hand a great deal has been written about him of a very biased nature. Thomas Dixon set himself the task of correcting the false impressions that have gone out. For a long time he assiduously gathered data and material for the work, which later appeared in the form of a novel called "The Victim,"

published by D. Appleton & Co. In introducing the story the author says: "In the historical romance which I have woven of the dramatic events of the life of Jefferson Davis I have drawn his real character, unobscured by passion or prejudice. Forced by his people to lead their cause, his genius created an engine of war so terrible in its power that through it five million southerners, without money, without a market, without credit, withstood for four years the shock of twenty million men of their own blood and of equal daring, backed by boundless re-



sources

"The achievement is without a parallel in history, and adds new glory to the records of our race.

"The scenes have all been drawn from authentic records in my possession. I have not at any point taken a liberty with an essential detail of history.'

After Davis graduated from West Point he was assigned to the regiment commanded by Zachary Taylor. The young lieutenant promptly fell in love with his colonel's beautiful daughter, but old Rough and Ready did not fancy a soldier for a son-in-law, and especially one whom he could not domineer over, so he refused his consent to the engagement and forbade Davis the house.

Black Hawk was leading his red warriors in a great uprising. A wave of fierce excitement swept the frontier. There was stern work now for men to do and women must wait alone.

The regiment marched to the front. The colonel as a man was freezingly formal with the lieutenant. As an officer he knew his worth and relied on it in every emergency. The state of Illinois had raised two companies of raw recruits to join in subduing the Indians. The colonel sent his most efficient subordinate to swear in the new soldiers. On the morning of the muster there appeared before the tall lieutenant a man full three inches taller and famous in his counry as the gawkiest, slabsidedest, homeliest, best natured fellow in the state. He was dressed in a suit of blue jeans.

In slow, pleasing drawl he announced:

"I am the captain of this company-" And he waved his long arm toward the crowd

of his countrymen on the right. Lieutenant Jefferson Davis promptly admin-

istered to Abraham Lincoln his first oath to support the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Two men destined to immortal fame had met and passed with scarcely a glance at each other. A strange new light was burning in the eyes

of the woman he loved on the day he returned in safety.

She seized his hand and spoke with decision: "Come with me."

Her father was standing at the gate. She faced him, holding defiantly the hand of her lover.

The old man saw and understood. His jaw was set with sullen determination and his face hardened.

"We have waited two long years," she began softly. "We have been patient and hopeful, but you have given no sign. My lover's character is beyond reproach and I am proud of him. I am sorry to cross you, father, but I've made up my mind. I am going to marry him now."

The colonel turned in silence and slowly walked into the house.

Davis had hardly begun his career as a lawmaker when war was declared against Mexico. He resigned his high office, raised a regiment and once more found himself a soldier under the orders of stern old Zachary Taylor.

On his first battlefield at the head of his Mississippi regiment he planted the flag of the republic on the Grand plaza of Monterey. And in the supreme crisis of the battle of Buena Vista. with the blood streaming from his wounds, he led his men in a charge against overwhelming odds, turned the tide from defeat to victory and gave the presidency to the man who had denied to him his daughter's hand.

He hobbled back on crutches to his brother's home in Mississippi amid the shouts and frenzied acclaim of a proud and grateful people. Within three years from the day he entered public life he took his seat in the senate chamber of the United States beside Clay, Calhoun and Webster, the peer of any man within its walls, and, with the conscious power of knowledge and truth, girded himself for the coming struggle of giants.

deavoring to strengthen his position instead of evacuating the fort the commissioners again communicated with Mr. Seward.

The wily secretary of state assured them that the government had not receded from his promise. On April Mr. Seward sent them this message:

"Faith as to Sumter fully kept; wait and see." His war fleet was already on the high seas, their black prows pointed southward, their 120 guns shotted, their battle flags streaming in the

sky! Lincoln's sense of personal honor was too keen to permit this crooked piece of diplomacy to stain the opening of his administration. He dispatched a special messenger to the governor of South Carolina and gave notice of his purpose to use force if opposed in his intention of supplying Fort Sumter.

On the eve of the day the fleet was scheduled to arrive this notice was delivered. But a storm at sea had delayed the expedition and Beauregard asked the presidency of the Confederacy for instructions.

His cabinet was called, and its opinion was unanimous that Fort Sumter must be reduced or the Confederacy dissolved. There was no choice.

Their president arose, his drawn face deadly pale:

"I agree with you, gentlemen. The order for the sailing of the fleet was a declaration of war. The responsibility is on their shoulders, not ours. To juggle for position as to who shall fire the first gun in such an hour is unworthy of a great people and their cause. A deadly weapon has been aimed at our heart. Only a fool would wait until the shot has been fired. The assault has already been made. It is of no importance who shall strike the first blow or fire the first gun."

With quick decision he seized his pen and wrote the order for the reduction of Fort Sumter.

The first aggressive act of the president of the Confederacy revealed his alert and far-seeing mind.

At Bull Run the victory of the South was complete and overwhelming. Jefferson Davis breathed a sigh of relief for deliverance. The South had won a victory destined to prove

itself the most fatal calamity that ever befell a nation.

From the moment Sherman's army pierced the heart of the South the Confederate president saw with clear vision that the cause of southern independence was lost. Lee's army must slowly starve. His one supreme purpose now was to fight to the last ditch for better terms than unconditional surrender, which would mean the loss of billions in property and the possible enfranchisement of a million slaves.

never worn. An enterprising newspaper man immediately invented and sent broadcast the story that he had been captured trying to escape in his wife's hoopskirts. His escape from Fortress Monroe was a phys-

hoopskirts which Mrs. Davis had bought but

ical impossibility without one of the extraordinary precautions taken.

The damp walls, the coarse food, the loss of sleep caused by the tramp of sentinels inside his room, outside and on the roof over his head and the steady blaze of a lamp in his eyes at night within forty-eight hours had completed his prostration.

But his jailers were not content.

On May 23 Captain Titlow entered his cell with two blacksmiths bearing a pair of heavy leg irons coupled together by a ponderous chain.

"I am sorry to inform you, sir," the polite young officer began, "that I have been ordered to put you in irons.'

"Has General Miles given that order?" "He has."

"I wish to see him at once, please." "My orders are peremptory."

"You shall not inflict on me and on my people through me this insult worse than death. I will not submit to it!"

"I sincerely trust, sir," the captain urged kindly, "that you will not compel me to use force."

"I am a gentleman and a soldier, Captain Titlow," was the stern answer. "I know how to die-" he paused and pointed to the sentinel who stood ready. "Let your men shoot me at once-I will not submit to this outrage!"

The sentinel cocked and lowered his musket, advancing on the prisoner, who met him defiantly with bared breast.

The captain sprang between them.

"Put down your gun. I'll give you orders to fire when necessary."

He turned to the officer at the door.

"Bring in four of your strongest men-unarmed -you understand?"

"Yes, sir-"

The men entered, sprang on their helpless victim, bore him to the floor, pinned him down with their heavy bodies and held him securely while the blacksmith riveted the chains on one leg and fastened the clasp on the other with a heavy padlock.

The doctor's report that day was written in plain English

"I find Mr. Davis in a very critical state, his nervous debility extreme, his mind despondent. his appetite gone, complexion livid and pulse denoting deep prostration of all vital energies. I am alarmed and anxious over the responsibility of my position. If he should die in prison without trial subject to such severities as have been inflicted on his attenuated frame the world will form conclusions and with enough color to pass them into history."

Cobb-Is it a privelege to know Short? Helpful Advice. "Some of these social workers Webb-Yes; an expense, also .-evolve some profound theories." Judge. "What now?" This would be a much better world "This one advises the poor to modif people would only finish everything ify the cost of living by purchasing



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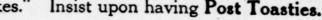
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On Beauregard's report that Anderson was en-

At midnight on the day of the evacuation the president and his cabinet left Richmond for Danville. He still believed that Lee might cut his way through Grant's lines and join his army with Johnston's in North Carolina. At Charlotte Davis was handed a telegram an-

Doctor Craven was getting too troublesome. General Miles dismissed him and called in Dr. George Cooper, a physician whose political opinions were supposed to be sounder.



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coats of this kind is shown in the picture. It is cut with almost looking.

normal, and only a suggestion, at most. In many of them lines are perfectly straight or show a gradual flare from the shoulders down. JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

New Towels.

Some of the newest Turkish towels have an initial quite four or five inches long, worked in French kpots at the these neutral colors they go well with left of the towel, above the border, instead of in the center, as is usually One of the newest and smartest of done. For a man's use towels worked with these large letters are very good Among the newest designs for small guest towels is one of a fine damask of "EARLIANA" tomato plants 2 months old, bear ripe tomatoes in Mar; 100, 50c prepaid Daily. Evergreen Plant Go., Evergreen, Ala a very small pattern without a woven border. The latter is hemstitched on and consists of an inch-wide hem of PLASTOGRAPH BOOKLET duce from nature colored linen, pink or blue. The initial may be embroidered in imitation marble, etc., Statuary-Life busts of your friends. Inexpensive: easily learned; profitable; \$L School plaques made to order. T-P. B. Spahr, York, Pa white on the hem or worked on the towel itself in a color to correspond Tells What's the Matter With Him. with the hem.

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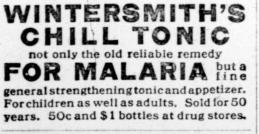
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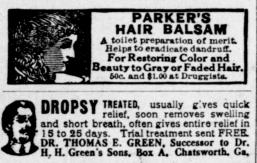


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in Humanity. The habit of birds in migrating

South when winter comes on is influenced by the need of finding a sufficient supply of food. As food grows scarce when winter approaches in the farthest northern places where birds live they naturally turn to the South. where, their instinct tells them, food will be plentiful. The return of the dences of their possession of an instinct which is also strong in man. The environment in which a bird or human being is brought up generally becomes a permanent part of its nature. Ornithologists have not yet

bird to find its way back and forth to the same spot every year, and our It is an absolutely pure medicine, adapt- knowledge is confined to the fact of what the "homing instinct" does. After they mate and build their first nest and bring up their first fam-

> ily, birds cherish a fondness for that spot much the same as the attachment that man feels for his early home. The spring migration of birds is their joyful return home after a temporary sojourn abroad to secure the means of livelihood.

Home, Sweet Home.

Wife-What, going out again tonight? Husband-Yes, dear. Going out occasionally, you know, heightens the pleasure of staying home when one gets the chance to.

Wife-But you go out so often.

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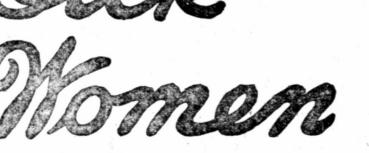
and disagreeable to listen to.

would be able to live, at any rate.

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straight lines at the front and back and trimmed in braid and buttons with a crisp military precision. At each side, a little below the waist line, there is an insert of fan plaits, giving the desired flare, and the double turnover collar, set on at the back, is another concession to demands of the vogue.

The skirt to match is plain, fitted about the hips and with a very conservative flare from hip line to bottom edge. It is a little longer than ankle length, but short enough to be a correct tailored model.

fit is vague, the waist line either length.

everyone to the out-of-doors, devotees

of motoring are happily busy getting

together their "motor togs." Coats

and headwear for rain-or-shine driv-

ing must be considered from every

that becomingness is not as impor-

tænt in motor apparel as in any other.

until the very best model is found.

good service. They are made of silk.

But this is a hint hardly needed for

Headwear for All-Weather Motoring

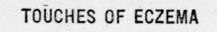
Separate Coats.

deal of attention; motor coats continue to be full length or seven-eighths. In nearly all coats of this kind the Some of the newer coats are of uneven factor.

manded Squire Peacy, the well-known Arkansas justice of the peace, as Separate coats are receiving a great there entered his office Constable Slackputter escorting a colored male-

> "De complaint, yo' honah - and t'anky for de 'terrygation-" replied the culprit, before the officer could make answer. "am a posthumous creech in muh back, dat kotches me ker-blick every time I tries to run. Yassah, if it hadn't uh been dat-uhway, de cap'n, yuh, wouldn't uh overtook me in a munt o' Sundays!"-Kansas City Star.

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Cat-Doesn't her singing move you? Nip-It did once: when I lived in the next flat .-- Town Topics.

A beautiful theory is upset by the Most of the good is accomplished by fact that some men are much worse those who do not make a profession than others. of that line of work.

Helpless Man.

young man, but when they pick out : The late Fanny Crosby, author of ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE for the TROOPS 'Nearer, My God, to Thee" and inwife for you it's your cue to kick. Over 100,000 packages of Allen's Foot-Ease, the autiseptic powder to shake into your shoes, are being used by the German and Allied troops at numerable other hymns, was blind, being used by the German and Allied troops at the Front because it rests the feet, gives in-stant relief to Corns and Bualons, hot, swollen aching, tender feet, and makes walking easy. Sold everywhere, 25c. Try It TODAY. Don't accept any substitute. Adv. but this did not prevent her from seeing straight into the hearts of men. pelled to seek the man. A Brooklyn friend of the aged hymn-

writer was repeating some of her epigrams.

"A Brooklyn bank clerk," she said, She-But if I can't live on my in-'had stolen a lot of money and run off come and you can't live on yours, with a chorus girl. When I told Fanny where would be the advantage of our Crosby about this she sighed and said: "'Every man becomes a fly when a He (thoughtfully)-Well, by put-

web of lace is spread.""

Enjoyed a Joke.

Jimson-I just tell you, you can't find a man anywhere who enjoys a good joke better than I do. Friend-Guess that's so. I have heard you tell the same joke forty times, and laugh at it every time .-

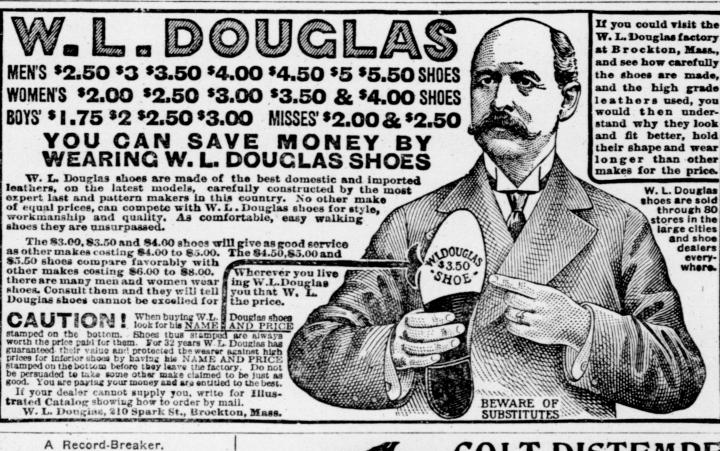
New York Weekly.

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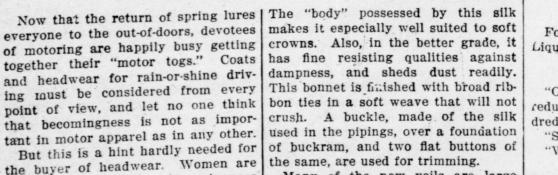
Every woman's estimate of the sex Some men are pleasant to talk to is confirmed by the fact that the devil is a man.





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the buyer of headwear. Women are accustomed to placing becomingness Many of the new veils are large as the paramount essential when squares of chiffon hemmed all around. choosing any kind of millinery. In Among them is a novelty showing a the choice of motor hats there is so square insert of net or lace in the great a range this spring that one chiffon at one side. This is placed can afford to be exacting and to look over the face, when the veil is not needed for actual protection, and al-Two motor bonnets are pictured lows the wearer to see clearly. here that may be depended upon for

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

Spring Waists.

One of them boasts a brim and is quite like a hat in shape. It is developed Spring waists are both novel and in pongee with brim-rever turning up wearable. The most noticeable feaat the back over the folded-over tures are the continued use of high crown. A silk cord and fan of fringed collars and the return of jabots and braid supply the decoration and these ruffles. That the jabot has returned i are supplied in an, color demanded. good news, for never did worgen The bonnet at the left of the picture more attractive than when they is made in changeable taffeta piped jabots and ruffles of crisp liner with a dark color in the same silk. lace .- Vogue.

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CHAPTER XXI.

"Only an idel." Idols don't talk."

ous, Harry Wilkerson stared pers. at it stupidly. His mind went back Thomas Gallon-scheming for his lit- when it presented glazed, mysterious swered. tle daughter-had drawn a plan by eyes. candlelight, to the quarrel, to his own, desperate flight and escape. a curse.

And now he was about to see for the first time the fatal paper-to know the derision. secret of the wealth of the "Master Key." He forgot his surroundings.



Thomas Gallon and His Little Daughter

bis shoulder as he knelt, and the per fume of her breathed into his nostrils He looked up, laughed and then ordered the box taken aft.

"Some sailor's curio. Well, go oil. said. "That idol is what we are after, Ruth.'

IEN the chest was hove on An hour afterward Harry Wilkerson deck, dripping with ocean rose to his feet and kicked the scatter. mourned. slime, corroded and mysteri- ed contents of the chest into the scup-

The idol rolled away and came to man. Our best plan is to look into the idol that was in the chest?" down the years to that night when a stop upright against the bulwarks, pawnshops, I think, Ruth," he an-

> The first places they visited gave up "No plans!" muttered Wilkerson with no information of value. The third pawnbroker looked at Dorr curiously "Only an idol!" laughed Jean in wild when he asked whether a man had

been in to dispose of an idol. Then her handsome face flamed with wrath. She turned her back con- ty much," he remarked. "But I bought meh about that image." It was Jean Darnell who recalled tempthously on Wilkerson and stared it in good faith and sold it to a Hindu him to the present. She leaned over across the water at the launch which a little while after for a rug. Maybe

you would like to buy a rug?"

They made it plain that rugs did not In the bitterness of her heart was no mingling of pity for her tool; only self interest them and departed with the contempt that she had depended on poor satisfaction of knowing that the object of their search was in the hands him. helped him. of an unknown wandering peddler of When she could control herself she

rugs, who was presumably an East Inwent forward to get out of sight of the mocking heap of rubbish that had dian. "We can't do any more just now," cost so much.

John told Ruth. Presently a sailor made excuse to "No," was the response. "But I am come aft and peered at the pile of

junk. The idol caught his eye, and he rug seller. I don't imagine there are stealthily caught it up and hid it in very many of them here, so it ought to be an easy matter to pick him up." "Good in a pawnshop." he chuckled.

Ruth grew more cheerful. "At any rate, Wilkerson and Mrs. Darnell missed it." she remarked.

When the launch put into San Pedro Mrs. Darnell did not walt for Wilker-

son. "I'm going to Los Angeles," she said. 'You'll find me at the hotel-if you think it worth your while." He looked up from his business of

settling with the divers and made a gesture to detain her. He seemed to call out some inarticulate plea.

was pursuing them.

his shirt.

gers.

She merely smiled again and left. She paid no attention to one of the sailors who brushed by her, clutching a concealed object beneath his jacket. This individual, once clear of the wa ter front, quickly made his way to a pawnbroker's shop, and the idoi changed hands for a small sum after much haggling.

Before Wilkerson had settled with the diver John Dorr's launch also made its landing, and the two enemies would have met except that Wilkerson had to go to bank to cash a draft. As he slipped away he saw the other

boat and laughed bitterly. Dorr was welcome to what there was in the old chest.

"There is just one thing to do," Johr told the broken bearted Ruth, "and

"I'm going to Los Angeles," she said.

that is to find out what Wilkerson did

with what he got from your father's

"What is that?" demanded John.

A few moments later Dorr had learn-

cles scattered on the deck.

chest."

out."

self.'

ing.'

moldy sea chest.

of them took it."

strained, "Well, once more your "But where can we find it?" she schemes have failed." Not failed," he said boldly. "I ad-

"We must trace the sailor. Ten to mit we nearly passed up what we were one he'll try to sell it to a secondhand looking for. Do you remember that heaps of gold, gold that ran over, that his neck. Jean stopped her nervous pacing of

eyes on Wilkerson. "Harry," she said huskily, "I am bathed in it. weary of this." "Wait a moment," he pleaded. "When I went back to the launch I

"And I suppose he had got it."



"Wait a moment," he pleaded.

had picked it up and taken it to a pawnshop and sold it." She stamped her foot.

"Where is it? What has it to do with the plans?" "I don't know where it is," he responded sullenly. "A Hindu rug ped

dler bought it." "And Dorr bought it from him?"

ment. "Now all I have to do is to find Mr. Peddler and get it back." Mrs. Darnell flung herself into a chair and laughed hysterically. "You mean to tell me Tom Gallon hid his plans in a heathen idol and that we overlooked them and that a rug peddler has them now?" soft hands on her knees.

"Do you know all you have made Like many prophets, he found himally getting us, you tell me that a salvation.

tramp has got what we want! I'm,

He left immediately without uncove | who had stolen it dead in a lane with ering his plans. He knew that the a knife between his shoulders. And final victory would not be won until his murderer they discovered in a Chihe could fill Jean Darnell's soft and nese seaport gaping horridly at the avaricious palms with glittering gold, sky, with a rope twisted tightly about

spilled in luxuriant streams over her clutching fingers; gold that rang under the floor and fixed her great, tawny her feet, that mounted like an enveloping flood about her till her flesh was

That night he paced the floor of his room, dreaming of gold and of blood. So the next morning when John Dorr "That thing seems to be wanted pret- found that Dorr had been quizzing the fared forth on his quest for the rug peddler Harry Wilkerson was not far behind him, watching his every move.

"No, he didn't. One of the sailors studying him, trying to read what was in his mind. And all with the great

question before him: Had John Dorr the idol? While these two were seeking for

the strange image of an unknown god ple. there was a third who had found in it the goal of his life's toil. When God conceals himself from us

in time of stress and agony, when he has closed his brazen heavens and our prayers die in the empty air it is hu man to build for ourselves a tangible God, one whom we can see and feel, into whose face we can look and before whose feet we can lay our offerings and our petitions.

In a far city in India men had died of famine. The earth had turned to fron under their plows and the heavens to brass above them.

They had implored a hundred gods for help and made offerings at a thou sand shrines. There had been no response. The smoke of the burning ghats by the side of the shrunken riv. er told the sorry tale of prayer unanswered.

And in their last misery men turned. as men will, to one who dreamed. Re ality was death. Dreams held out the promise of life.

And this dreamer, as do all who fol "Not yet." he said, risking the state low a vision, made his dream into a god.

People listened to his tale of a deity who was merciful to listen and powerful to save. They fed on the dreamer's words and called him a prophet. Yet still the earth refused food, and the river shrank within its bed. Then they went to the prophet and called on She leaned forward, clinching he. him to save them and to call his god to their aid.

me go through. Harry? Kidnaping self forced to materialize his dream in theft, murder-yes, murder-and at the order that the common folk might see end of it all, when we neither of us and believe, for he had taught them dare breathe for fear of the police find that unless they believed there was no

"How can we believe in a god whom we cannot see?" they cried.

for it and set the image in the shrine.

A Hindu Selling Rugs.

When they had been saved and their

prospered: his temple was never empty.

And one day a drunken sailor wan-

dered into the temple to stare at the

heathen wonders, and when he slipped

away the niche of the god was vacant.

terrified priests and concealed the theft.

But the high priest senf several of his

chosen acolytes throughout the world

"He has gone on a journey," said the

And the people prayed to this new

where all might see and worship.

So the image passed from hand to hand, always bringing with it death, until some sailor hid it in his chest, and when he had been washed overside in a storm and his effects were distributed a captain bought the idol for a curio.

It was in his chest that Thomas Gallon had found it when seeking a safe place to hide his precious papers in time of mutiny and fire.

Now, at last, it had fallen into the hands of one of the seekers, and he took it to his little tenement room and prayed to it and swore that he would return it to its proper place in the tem-

There was no response from the image, but when the Indian fell asleep on his rug that night in the alien Amer-



going to keep an eye out for a Hindu As they walked back to the hotel

Thus once more the plans of the mother lode of the "Master Key" mine escaped from Wilkerson's filching fin-

> "I never understood just why that woman mixed berself up in this," John

was dreaming," be said slowly Then he looked at her directly, and she saw the flame in his eyes. "Why dream when things are com ing true?" she parried.

"I wonder whether they will all come true," he said moodily and followed the chest aft.

The curious sailors set the box down and waited. It was evident from their attitudes that they expected to see bothing less than great treasure. Oth erwise, why this costly expedition? -But Wilkerson did not start immediately to open the chest. Its very appearance seemed to bewilder him, and his hands shook. It was Jean Darnell

who stirred him to activity. "Now you've got it." she said impatiently, "hurry and open it! The other haunch is chasing us!"

Wilkerson stared around and picked to a marlinspike. He began to pry af the lock. Mrs. Darnell angrily jerked at his shoulder.

"Harry, you fool, here is the key!" He took the article she handed him and nodded. "Sure enough," he assent ed, "we have the key! Funny 1 had forgot that."

With some difficulty he managed to clear the lock and insert the key. It furned with difficulty.

A moment later he had pried the lid back from its setting of rust and slime and they were all staring at the sodden contents.

There was no sound except the trundling of the swiftly revolving propeller and the heavy breathing of the sailors.

Suddenly Wilkerson swung round angrlly and ordered everybody forward. Then he began his slow search.

Old fackets almost disintegrated by the action of water, pulpy papers and



Wilkerson Stared at It Stupidly.

various odds and ends came to his Sand. The pulp he carefully laid aside as being possibly what he was lookfog for.

the old thing was worthless, and you "I'm afraid the plans are gone," Jean know a sailor will grab at just that whispered. kind of thing. Better ask some of the

"We must find them!" he sharled and crew." went on with his task.



"All she is after is money."

said thoughtfully. "You must have got some notion, Ruth. You were with her some time."

"Yes, I have an idea," she responded. "I'm not sure of all the details, but it seems Mrs. Darnell knew both father and Harry Wilkerson in the old days and-and"-

"And what?"

"Well," she went on, blushing divinely. "father didn't like Jean and wouldn't have anything to do with her por allow me to either. She always bated father after that." "Wilkerson is certainly in love with

ber," John said presently.

"I think he is," Ruth asserted. "But she doesn't care anything about him, I'm sure. All she is after is money."

Later in the evening as they discussfor the papers again and recalled the fact that old Tom Gallon had always insisted on Wilkerson's knowledge of something.

"I wonder just what it was," he went on. "If he knows just where that rich lode is he's concealed his knowledge pretty well, and the engerness be is showing to get hold of the plans is proof that he isn't sure."

"He is spending lots of money," she sighed. "How much longer can we kcep this up. John? Surely we are The captain of the other boat re- broke again?"

ceived them with a good bungored "Not so long as good old Everett grin and in answer to their inquiries sticks by us," was the response. pointed to the open box and the arti-"But-maybe father was mistaken,

and we can't pay it all back!" "So far as I could make out." he

went on, "there wasn't anything in the can make the mine pay just as it old chest worth the trouble of going stands. But I promised your father I'd after. At any rate Mr. Wilkerson and see that you got all your rights, and he the lady seemed disappointed and put certainly meant for-you to have the wealth hidden somewhere in the 'Mas-"Didn't they take anything?" de- ter Key' mine."

manded Ruth, peering eurlously at the "And we've lost the deeds and the key, and we haven't found the plans," "Not a thing, so far as I could dis- she sighed.

cover." was the reply. "In fact, 1 "I'll find that Hindu and his preheard the two of them kind of quar- clous idol if I have to go to India," he reling, and the lady went off by her. said promptly. "One thing-we won't have Harry Wilkerson spoiling our

The three of them stared down at schemes. He'll give up now." But Wilkerson had not given up. On dy, and then the captain suddenly ejac- his return from the bank he had learnulated, "Yes, there is one thing miss. ed from the launch captain of Dorr's interest in the idol, and he had promptis followed this clew, with the result that he knew as much about its whereabouts as John and Ruth did, so far as its getting into the hands of an East Indian peddler was concerned.

> CHAPTER XXII. The Quest of the Hindu.

HAT night Wilkerson sought

Wilkerson had expected and feared;

for nothing. Without her assistance, not satisfied and menaced him with death. and her money he was helpless. And profounder even than his hatred

of Dorr and his desire for the hidden an image of his god and made a shrine wealth was his agony at the thought of his fuilure to win this woman whom he loved.

Love is a noun which monveys to the god and laid offerings at his feet and ordinary mortal no definite meaning without an adjective. There is, indeed an essence of love, a complete and all absorbing passion, before which even the gods bow and against which the world is powerless. Too often we must describe it as lawless. Net it also exists when it evokes the

reverence of the most cynical. Wil kerson's love for Jean Darnell was the very essence of his being. It had made a brave of a coward

It had welded a dozen strands of vi ciousness, weakness, wickedness and treacherousness into a strong charac ter-strong only in its relation to the woman.

The past few weeks, with their wildness, risk, crime and continual plot ed the events of the day John brought | ting, had made the Harry Wilkerson up the subject of Wilkerson's anxiety who was a weakling and sport of circumstances into a personality who must be dealt with.

Jean Darnell realized something of this when he next spoke.

"All this has been disappointing," he said quietly, his eyes burning steadily on hers. "But the more disappointments I have to overcome the more worth while it will make you."

"Quite an old time knight," she said scornfully, but with an effort. "I am going to get that idol," he went on. "I know just two things-



the 'Master Key' mine, and the plans are concealed in that image." "When will you have them?" she

cried. trying to fight against the man's evil power. "Tomorrow." be returned. "Even if Dorr and Ruth"-

He nodded gravely. She read the

"I believe, though I do not see nor this. He saw his wild efforts going feel," he told them. But they were

ican city he dreamed that his god appeared to bim and spoke of death and So he took metals and fire and made destruction yet to follow, commanding him to start instantly for the east.

> The next day, while Dorr was seeking for a Hindu selling rugs and Wilkerson was shadowing him the new possessor of the idol was hastening to San Francisco to take steamer for India and the city by the river.

Dorre Dreams of Love

. The image was conceased with all reverence in his bundle of rugs; and he moved cautiously, because of the dream.

Strange destiny that centered old Tom Gallon's plans for his daughter's happiness, Dorr's dreams of love, Jean Darnell's lust for wealth and Harry Wilkerson's passion for a woman without a heart in the possession of a grotesque image made by a dreamer in faroff India centuries before when : city died and a river waned within itbed.

NOTICE.

My pastures formerly known as the Furnish Ranch are posted, There will be no fishing, camping or hunting allowed in any of them, any one found violating this notice will be prosecuted. 3m. '15 A. W. WEST

Notice.

The public is hereby notified that hunting will be strictly prohibited upon my tract of 7665 acres of land, known as a looked into his eyes and called upon him to save them, as his prophet had part of the old Furnish Ranch. except by special permission in Thus, with the folk believing on the each case, either from myself, or god of his vision, the prophet prayed also to the spirit of the delty, and the from parties residing upon the rains came from the hills, and the riv- premises 9'15 W. E. McDowell.

Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all Yet always in time of trouble and stress they remembered the god who parties found hunting, fishing. had saved them and returned to his cutting Wood or otherwise worship, so that in season other proph- trespassing in our pastures known ets of him arose and crected a temple and taught the people to bring offer as the Palmer, Rothe and Perry pastures, will be prosecuted. 7m. Thus the image became the image of 8m'15

J. C. Hybarger.

Centuries passed, and the god still Hamilton's Barber Shop maintained his place. His priesthood

Sharp Razors

Clean Towels

Good Workmanship

the mementos of the long past trage-"An old idol. But I'm sure neither

"But what became of it?" John continued, trying to conceal his anxiety. "Maybe one of the men picked it ap Whether Dorr had recovered the image for a curio," the skipper said apolo- from him he did not know. getically. "Everybody seemed to think

out Jean Darnell. She re- message in his eyes and shuddered.

