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Local News

Ice cream served at the City Bakery.

The Brackett Public School were closed Friday noon for the term.

A. M. Slator left Sunday for San Antonio to be gone a few days on business.

The Del Rio & Western Telephone Co. received a large shipment of telephones this week.

O. F. Seargeant and Prof. R. E. Thomas were in Eagle Pass Saturday on business.

Miss Sadie Dooley is assisting in the Post office this week during the absence of Miss Alice Veltmann.

Bread cakes and pies kept constantly on hand at the city Bakery in the Patrick Building.

Judge R. Stratton was in San Antonio this week on business.

John H. Stadler, our popular assessor commenced work on the tax rolls Monday.

County Attorney Frank Lane was in San Antonio several days this week on business.

Sheriff Tom Perry went to San Antonio Sunday morning on official business returning the same evening.

Ice cream and soda water at the City Bakery.

Black Perry, who spent several days here visiting his brother Tom returned to his home in East Texas Friday.

The young people of the town and country enjoyed a nice dance at the school house Friday and Saturday night.

Tom Welch has severed his connection as night round house foreman and move with his family to Tyler.—Sanderson Times.

Buck Yancy of Laguna came down the first of the week to meet his son and family from East Texas.—Uvalde Leader-News.

Miss Mattie Perry who recently graduated with honors from the A. A. Thomas School in San Antonio arrived home Friday.

Roy Coston, Charlie and Frank Stokley of near Cline were in Brackett Friday and Saturday night to attend the dance.

Mrs. T. J. Martin and little daughter Harriet, of the Martin ranch, were the guests of O. F. Seargeant and family Monday.

For Representative 99th District.

Alpine, Texas. May 26, 1910.

Mr. Will W. Price,
Editor Brackett News,
Brackettville, Texas.

Dear Sir:—

I hereby authorize you to announce me as candidate for reelection to the Legislature of the 99th Representative District of Texas subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held July 23, 1910.

A few of the principles I stand for are as follows:

1st. I am for the development and prosperity of West Texas and the state at large. I believe in such legislation as will encourage the bringing in of capital and the building of railroads and settlement of the vast territory known as West Texas.

2nd. I am in favor of the enactment of a mining law that will open up the boundless mineral resources of this section of the state.

3rd. I am in favor of an amendment to the present land laws so that when a settler has lived on land which he has purchased from the state for a term of three years and has made proof of occupancy and the same has been accepted at the land office that the states as well as all persons will be precluded from attacking in any way the title to the land so purchased; then the purchaser can feel secure in knowing that he has a home which is his own and that he will not be harassed by the state or any person; in time of drought and hardship he can then go to the banks and put his land up as security and get sufficient money on same to carry him through the hard season.

I think that the state should dispose of its lands as rapidly as possible and go out of the land business.

4th. I am in favor of an irrigation law that will enable the people of West Texas to co-operate and put irrigation systems over this whole western country so as to

bring thousands of acres under cultivation that now lies useless.

5th. I believe in the state establishing and properly maintaining experimental farms in this section of the state. With the millions of acres of land owned by the state I do not believe that the people should have to buy these experimental stations, but that the state should furnish them and appropriate sufficient funds to make them successful and of real benefit to the farmers and stock raisers of the state.

6th. I am in favor of sufficient appropriation by the state to properly equip and maintain the A & M College which I think is one of the greatest institutions of our great state.

7th. I am also in favor of a sufficient appropriation for the State University in order to make it a creditable institution for our great state.

8th. I am in favor of the passage of the "Wolf Scalp" bill for the protection of the live stock industry of West Texas.

9th. I am in favor of appropriating sufficient money to properly care for the insane, the deaf, dumb and the blind.

An examination of my record in the last legislature will disclose that I at all times labored earnestly and conscientiously for the passage of laws carrying out the above platform, and invite the closest

scrutiny of my record there.

Yours truly,
A. M. TURNEY.

Bank Cashier Tries a New One.

To Robert A. Crump, cashier of the Federal Banking Company of Mexico City, which closed its business very precipitately two weeks ago, belongs the distinction of having discovered a new method of misappropriating bank funds. Crump, in order to get hold of the bank's money and cover up his track, got a confederate who had no account with the bank to draw large amounts on checks which were kept until the closing hour and thus included in the regular business. Afterwards these checks were taken out and for this reason not transferred to the books. The sum of \$137,000 was abstracted in this manner. Crump has made a confession and now faces a long term in the Mexican penitentiary.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

Sheriff Tom Perry of Brackettville, in Kinney County, was here yesterday to get J. F. Geldin, wanted at Brackettville to answer a charge of theft over \$50. Geldin was brought here several days ago from Amarillo by Deputy Sheriff W. I. Goforth. Sheriff Perry left for home yesterday evening with his prisoner.—San Antonio Express

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OUR FORTUNES AND SACRED HONOR ARE PLEDGED.

O. W. Stadler and wife of Brackett, came in on No. 10 from El Paso Sunday and stopped over on a visit to W. W. Young and family, going east Monday morning.—Sanderson Times.

Tom Welch and family of Sanderson were visiting relatives and friends in Brackett this week. Mr. Welch has left Sanderson and will move to Palestine where he will work as brakeman on the I. & G. N. rail road.

It is reported that a number of goats died last week during the rain. Messrs. Jim Grantland and Dan Rhodes lost 1000 head; Ed Custer 800 head, and S. H. Grantland 150 head.—Rock Springs Ruster

Whit Ellis, of Edwards county, was in our city Friday. He returned to his ranch Saturday morning accompanied by Mrs. R. E. Thomas

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BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

DOINGS OF DAY AND WEEK

Happenings the Wide World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

WASHINGTON.

With the attorneys on one side scoring Secretary Ballinger as a man unfit to be at the head of the interior department, and with the leading attorney on the other side defending him and denouncing his accusers, whom he termed "the Glavis-Garfield-Gifford Pinchot group," the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee listened to summing up arguments by counsel Friday.

President Taft Friday sent to Chairman Tawney of the house committee on appropriations a letter expressing deep resentment at the criticisms by democrats in the house debate on the traveling expenses of the president of the United States. The president says he is especially distressed by "suggested reflections of Southern hospitality."

Hon. Gordon Russel of Tyler, who has represented the Third Texas District in congress since 1902, was Friday nominated by President Taft as of the United States Supreme Court for the Eastern District of Texas, to succeed the late D. E. Bryant of Sherman.

With the exception of a brief reference to the general calendar, the senate devoted the entire session Wednesday to the consideration of the railroad bill. Senator La Follette occupied the floor for almost five consecutive hours in support of the Cummins amendment, requiring the approval of increases in railroad rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission. In the course of his speech he declared it would be necessary to add greatly to the equipment of the commission in order to put it into condition to render effective service.

The president and members of the Ohio delegation in congress, encouraged by the fact that insurgency and the tariff agitation have resulted in the loss of but a single regular at the recent republican primaries, have decided to stake everything in the coming campaign in the Buckeye State on an aggressive defense of the Payne-Aldrich tariff. The plan, as evolved in the past two days, is that President Taft himself shall lead off in the Ohio fight with a few rousing speeches in behalf of the general principle protection in defense of the present tariff act.

DOMESTIC.

The Standard Oil company has increased the wages of its workmen from 6 to 10 per cent. The order is retroactive and became effective May 1. It is estimated that the company will add from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 to its annual pay roll expense. The new scale affects employees engaged in the company's works and factories, but the office men will not be benefited by this increase. Most of the employees who will get the increase are laborers, and the advance applies to all the subsidiary companies in the United States. The company has approximately 70,000 employees. The Standard is one of the very few big concerns of this country which has never had a strike among its employees.

The railroad commission of Texas Friday granted joint application submitted by the International & Great Northern for a rate of \$1.50 per ton on iron ore, carloads from Jefferson to Galveston and Texas City, expiring Dec. 31, 1910. The Texas & Pacific and Texas City Terminal Company join in the application. The application stated that the rate is to cover an experimental shipment moving via Texas City to an Eastern point, the boat leaving early in June.

Christopher P. Connolly, a lawyer of Montana and New York, and a well-known writer for the magazines, Friday filed suit in the Supreme Court for the District of Columbia, at Washington, to recover \$20,000 damages for alleged slander from Oscar Lawler, assistant attorney general for the interior department.

Halley's comet will be visible on its westward flight until June 10, according to an announcement made by Frank Seagrave, the astronomer, who is said to have first computed accurately the comet's ephemeris, or time of appearance in the eastern skies.

James Adkins, convicted of having murdered his brother-in-law, Wm. Jones, a prosperous farmer, was hanged in the Perryville, Ark., jail Friday. He protested his innocence to the last, charging that the son of the man who has been sentenced to the penitentiary for complicity fired the fatal shot.

Suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism, United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina arrived in Atlanta, Ga., Saturday and was taken to a sanatorium for treatment.

The Grace of Plumes



THE diaphanous picture hats in black or white, and the dead white of chip hats, makes a background upon which the fancy of the designer can pose her "dreams of beauty," in materials and colors. Many colored ostrich plumes have provided color combinations that vie with those in flowers. Ostrich, in two or three shades of one color, in two or three colors, and even in brilliant dashes of many colors in the same plume have been brought out and placed in the hands of milliners throughout the country. It is the grace of plumes that endears them to the heart of every designer of really beautiful millinery. If securely fastened by the stem to the body of the hat and left to its own sweet will (or curve, rather), and the law of gravity, the ostrich feather will dispose its length most gracefully. The trimmer cannot improve these lines which nature has drawn with the supple quill and dainty flumes. Blown by the wind the airy fibers move in graceful lines and come back to rest in the original positions that they held before they were disturbed. This is true of the "skeleton" willow ostrich (plumes with tied flumes) more especially. In tying the flumes to lengthen them, the manufacturer is able to introduce new colors or shades and produce blended

harmony or contrast, as he desires. These plumes are light in weight and very beautiful. In black they have a tendency to come to pieces. For some reason the black dye so effects the feather that moisture makes it shrink or "crawl" and the knots untie. Put in colors they wear fairly well. Women have been buying fragile materials too long to dispense with willow plumes on that account. The natural ostrich plume with wide spread of fibers, slightly curled, should be selected if one is buying black. A good ostrich plume, moderately heavy, and made of uniformly good stock, will prove about the most lasting article and the most satisfactory in which the investor in millinery can put her money. Two plumes of this character will do service summer and winter. They are at their loveliest on the black picture hat for midsummer. This hat, of hemp or hair braid, with broad, sweeping flare of brim, through which the light filters, is the ideal model for a "stunning" effect. It is cool looking and always distinguished. In white with plumes in white and black it looks as chaste as frost, and throws a becoming reflection upon the skin of the wearer. The wide brims require this sweep of plumes in which trimmers delight.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

CLEAR SKIN A NECESSITY

Claim to Beauty Cannot Be Admitted Without the Possession of That Charm.

The fascination of a clear, fair skin is recognized by every woman. No matter how regular her features, if the skin is blotched a woman loses all her power to attract. A good skin is an evidence of health, pure blood and right living. Powder will not cover an imperfect complexion, but will give it a mottled, livid appearance. A new preparation gives a soft, youthful bloom to the skin, will not show and is absolutely beneficial in every way. It contains no zinc, peroxide or white lead, and may be used on a baby—surely a perfect test of its purity. It will remove the tired, old expression engendered by pain or fatigue and the haggard look which the bustle of modern life will give to even a youthful face. Rarely indeed can a beautifier be found which cannot be detected, and the obvious use of cosmetics robs a woman of that air of refinement which makes a lady. A fresh, natural appearance exacts willing admiration from either sex, and such is certainly to be obtained by the use of this dainty preparation.

NEW NAPOLEON HAT.



A new phase of the Napoleon hat, in white linen, lined with dark butcher-blue linen.

As in foulards and other silk materials the polka dot is a favorite in the mixtures of silk and cotton.

SOME OLD FRIENDS RETURN

Materials Familiar to a Past Generation Have Again Become Popular Favorites.

An inspection of the materials for summer wear show that certain old-time, reliable materials have returned under new names, but our mothers will recognize their friends in the shape of the coarse linens that resemble "oatmeal" cloth, hopsacking and the various basket weaves. The feature that commends itself to many women is the fact that the weave is so evident that it serves for decoration, and, therefore, requires very little other ornamentation. Simple braiding designs or buttons are generally sufficient for the morning dress, while the square meshes of these coarse fabrics form excellent backgrounds upon which designs in cross-stitching (done with woolen or linen threads) may be added. When the individual touch of embroidery is added, these materials are excellent for afternoon wear, and although the design is more conventional than the trailing vines worked by the weavers of 50 years ago, the effect warrants the time expended in the construction.

To Use India Print.

Blue and white India print cut into bias strips of varying width makes an excellent trimming for a child's dress.

Here is something unique and yet beautiful, that will not fade and is by no means too old-looking for a little girl.

India print is an altogether desirable and durable stuff in color and quality, and can be used on fine or coarse white linen without the least danger of the colors spreading into the white surface.

Buttons covered with the print will add style and then, too, the end of material you have left will do for a band round the dark blue or white straw hat.

Biscuit Color Liked.

Biscuit color is in great demand. Of course, it is perishable, but dear to the heart of woman.

When this shade forms a background for a cross-bar of old rose in a thin line it is fascinating.

The Texas Sugar Refining Company has been incorporated in Delaware with a capital stock of \$1,600,000. It is the purpose of this company to erect a sugar refinery in Texas City, Tex.

The Meridian, Miss., cotton mills closed Friday for an indefinite period on account of the high prices of raw material. More than 200 employees are thrown out of work.

Boone Gross, census supervisor for the Eighth Congressional District, one of the prominent insurance men in the state, and among the most widely known men of affairs in Houston, died suddenly Thursday.

Oliver Spitzer, former superintendent of the docks of the American Sugar Refining Company in Williamsburg (Brooklyn), who recently was pardoned from the penitentiary by President Taft, explained Wednesday why he did not confess during the trial which ended last February with his being sentenced to two years in prison at Atlanta. Such a confession, he declared on the witness stand, would have carried him to a cemetery. In other words, he would have implicated a dead man—Henry O. Havemeyer, late head of the sugar trust.

Harvie Jordan of Atlanta, Ga., president of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, in an address before the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' Association in Little Rock, Ark., Wednesday declared that the present system of pricing raw products through the medium of speculative exchanges must be displaced by spot produce exchanges at every important market center in the South.

The Hotel Champlain, on Lake Champlain, N. Y. State, was burned Wednesday. It was one of the most magnificent hostleries in the United States. No guests were in the hotel, but one employe is missing.

Cattle receipts took a jump at Fort Worth Wednesday, that swelled the early total to 3,000 cattle and 700 calves, the heaviest in ten days. This opening supply was yet further increased by the late arrivals to a grand total of 4,200 head of grown cattle and 750 calves. South and Southwest Texas sent up the bulk of the shipments, one shipper sending sixteen loads, another ten, several eight, and so on.

The fourteenth annual reunion of the Texas Association of Mexican War Veterans opened at Houston Wednesday for a two days' session. Present at the opening session were fifteen veterans of ripe old age and a large number of their sons and grandsons.

That there has been a vast increase in the prices of food products in Texas, in everything but rice, was brought out Tuesday in the federal arbitration hearing of the wage dispute at Chicago between forty-nine Western railroads and their 27,000 locomotive firemen.

As a result of a free-for-all fight between negroes and white men at Sunburn, La., Tuesday, a negro and white man are dead and another white man is slightly wounded.

The fifteenth great sun council of the Great Council of Texas, improved Order of Red Men, convened in Beaumont Tuesday, with all the officers and every lodge in the state represented.

FOREIGN.

Madriz forces of Nicaragua routed the insurgents Friday and captured Bluefields bluff.

The exodus of Jewish families from Kiev, Russia, has begun. The total departure from that city up to Thursday were 300 proscribed families belonging exclusively to the poorer classes. The expulsion is attended with harrowing sights. The evicted ones were veritable paupers, lacking all means of sustenance. For the moment the Jewish families possessing means are undisturbed.

The Gigante Mountain Tunnel & Railway Company has secured a concession for a railroad from Guadalajara to San Felipe, Mex., and thence to some point on the Gulf of Mexico. A bond issue of \$6,500,000 to build the road has been authorized. Mr. Roosevelt at Cambridge, England, Thursday received the honorary degree of doctor of laws from Cambridge University. The reception given him by the faculty, students and townspeople was notable. The former president was accompanied from London by Mrs. Roosevelt and his daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth.

Nicaraguan government forces from the Venus boarded and searched the American schooner Esfuerzo, near Bluefields, Nicaragua, Wednesday.

Twenty-two persons were drowned as a result of a collision Tuesday between the steamer Skerrymore and the German bark J. C. Vinnen in the English Channel. The Skerrymore sank. Only two of the crew of the steamer were rescued, one of whom died a short time later.

The general opinion of the sinking Wednesday of the dry dock Dewey, at Manila, is that it was due to carelessness rather than deliberate purpose on the part of the station employes, who are Japanese, to cause the damage.

A committee of the British Humanitarian League has addressed an open letter to Colonel Roosevelt in regard to his African hunting expedition, protesting against the slaughter of animals.

TIMBER DECAY COSTLY



TIMBER SALE ON JEFKES NATIONAL FOREST, NEW MEXICO

MILLIONS of feet of timber and finished lumber rot every year in railroad ties, bridges, trestles, piles, farm buildings, fences, poles and mine props. The lumber consuming public of the United States pays perhaps \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 a year to make good the losses from wood decay.

These great drains are a source of more and more concern each year. Chemists and engineers who have to do with the uses of wood are working unceasingly on the problem. The United States forest service has men who devote their whole time to it. The importance of the problem cannot be overestimated. Millions of dollars are annually saved by preservative treatment of timbers, but much yet remains to be learned.

Wood decay is caused by fungus, a vegetable growth sometimes so small that it can be seen only with the microscope. Its roots or branches, like minute hairs, force their way into the wood tissues and absorb or eat away the solid parts. The collapse which results is called decay.

The United States department of agriculture in connection with a study of the wood-using industries of various states is learning what part of the rough lumber output of our American

their cost, as well as other data of value to the growers of timber and to the sellers and buyers of lumber.

In making up the figures, lumber used as bridge timber, house frames, farm fences, trestles, board walks, walls and similar classes of structures, with only such cutting and fitting as is given it by carpenters, was classed as rough lumber; that made into flooring, finish, siding, sash, doors, frames, panels, stairs, boats, vehicles, boxes, baskets, turnery, wooden ware, cooperage, musical instruments, farm implements, furniture, spools, handles, and like forms, was placed in the class of finished lumber.

The present aggregate population of the four states is estimated by their respective state officials to be 9,165,975; the population of the United States in round figures is 90,000,000, according to recent estimates. The average lumber cut in the four states for 1907 and 1908—the one an active, the other a dull year—was 3,753,293,000 feet, and for the United States it was 6,740,261,000. Calculated on this basis, the per capita use of sawn lumber in the four states was 410 feet, and in the United States 408 feet.

The per capita used in the four states of lumber further manufactured was 263 feet. These figures indicate a lavish use of lumber in the United



PROTECTED SEED BEDS, PIKE'S PEAK PLANTING STATION

sawmills passes through a second process of manufacture before it is ready for the consumer. The study is regarded as having an important bearing on the extent to which more economical use of our forest resources can be brought about. So far, the results obtained show that more than five-eighths of the rough lumber sawed is to be counted as the raw material for other industries which convert it into a more highly finished and more valuable product.

In the United States waste in the woods, the mill, and the factory is so great that two-thirds of what was in the tree is lost on the way to the consumer. The heaviest part of this loss takes place in the sawmills. Much of this mill waste is unavoidable under present conditions, but the greater the demand for the product and the higher its value, the better will economy pay. Waste in manufacture is very small compared with that at the sawmill. Study of the demands of the wood-using industries may be a means of finding out how the mill may profitably market a part of what now goes to the burner in sawdust, slabs and trimmings.

Statistics of the wood-using industries of Massachusetts, Maryland, North Carolina, and Wisconsin, lately gathered by the department of agriculture in co-operation with these states, show that of their total sawmill cut put 36 per cent. is used in the form of output. If the same ratio holds for the entire country as for these states, about 13,000,000,000 feet of lumber is used yearly in rough form and 23,500,000 feet is further manufactured.

This is the first time that detailed figures have been obtained on this subject. The study which has yielded these figures has also in view to ascertain what commodities are made wholly or partly of wood, the various kinds of wood used, their origin, and

States, for our per capita consumption is from three to ten times that of the leading nations of Europe.

MONARCH OF SMALL ISLAND

Englishman Owns and Rules the Comparatively Little Known Islet of Barbuda.

With islands in the West Indies bearing names so similar as Bermuda, Barbados, and the Bahamas, it is not surprising that the little islet of Barbuda should be generally confused with its better known neighbors.

On the outer edge of the archipelago, the cocoanut-fringed beach of Barbuda faces the broad Atlantic. The entire island is owned by the wealthy and ancient Codrington family, who settled in Barbados in the days of Cromwell. They have a plantation house on Barbuda, which they rarely visit. Once in a while, however, the head of the family makes a trip of inspection, which becomes a regular march of triumph. To the simple fishermen and the few negroes who occupy his land rent free, he is "Marse" Codrington, governor, magistrate, and lawgiver, all in one. He sits down under a palm tree and decides off hand any disputes which may have arisen during his absence. He issues rules which his people never think of disobeying, and he accepts tribute in the shape of trifling gifts of fish and fruit.

First Lighthouse for Airships.

What is said to be the first lighthouse built for airships has just been erected on top of a small railroad building at Spandau, Germany. It consists of 38 powerful electric lamps which shoot a glaring light skyward. Its purpose is to guide dirigibles of the German army at night.—Popular Mechanics.

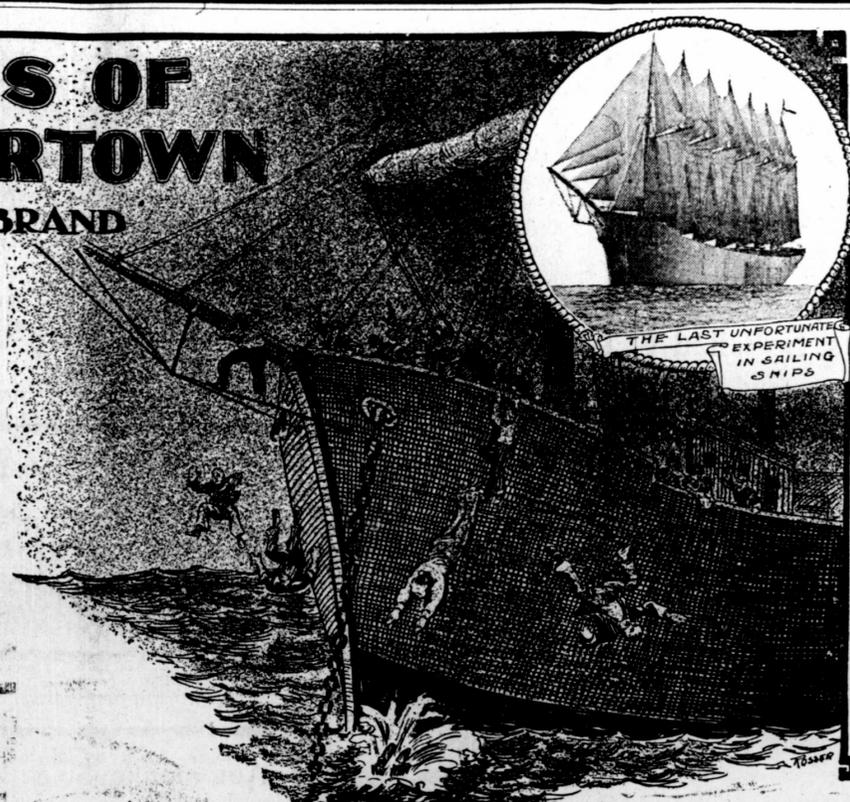
KINGS OF SAILORTOWN

By JOHN BRAND



WITH the passing of the sailing vessel from the sea has gone the sea's romance. Romance cannot live without its villains. Boarding masters, bucko mates, bullying captains—these were the villains of sea romance, and they are gone, or going, with the sailing craft they lived in.

Chief among them in their generations was the boarding master of sailortown. Though he never went to sea, he was the heavy villain in every plot that delivered the unlucky sailor, or the unluckier landsman, into the hands of captains and mates. Mostly they were sneaking, brutal, cunning scamps, these boarding masters, owners of low dives along the waterfront, which they misnamed sailors' boarding houses. They hung in the wake of incoming ships, made friends with the easiest marks among the crews and baited or bullied them into their dens. There poor Jack Tar was kept and entertained with bad whisky and worse women until his money was gone. Then he was shipped aboard some vessel, after signing away one or more months' unearned wages in payment for an imaginary board bill and a "donkey's breakfast," sea slang for a straw bedtick. "Blood money" and "dead horse," the sailors called this robbery. The captains always paid it, taking the sailor's "advance note," which was certain to



a witness" and was dumb. After the "advance note" and a preposterous sloop chest charge had been deducted from his wages, they handed him the balance, a pitiful little pile of small silver, and told him to get out. It was against the law, of course, but he didn't know that.

He was set adrift, almost without money, in a land of strangers. A hostile land, too, for the gendarmes in front of the office eyed him with disfavor. He was desperately lonely, and felt the grip of circumstance keen upon him. As he wandered about the strange streets he discovered, sewed in the lining of his coat, an envelope, until then unnoticed. Its contents were four one-hundred-dollar bills and this note:

Irvington, Oct. 11.
Mr. James Hunter,
Dear Sir: Here's your dust. We kept your gun. It would only make trouble for you. We are not thieves, only boarding masters. You would get drunk and we needed men. Hide your money till you get ashore. You will need it all, for Black is certain to turn you adrift dead broke. Quit boozing and be a man.
Yours truly,
PETER SHERMAN.

sailortown," he said.

The name of Sherman was never coupled openly with the story of that night raid, but the kings shipped all the crews from Irvington afterward.

No ship went to sea short-handed. However blind the shipping commissioner might be in other ways, he saw to it that the shipping laws were obeyed as to the number of men required for types and tonnage of ships. A man might never have seen the sea, but if he were not too drunk to say he was an able seaman and to sign his name to the ship's articles, that settled it. He would probably be an able seaman or a dead greenhorn before his ship reached port.

This official insistence on the letter of the law sometimes caused the kings to do strange things. Toward the end of the season they were at times hard pushed for one or two men to fill out a crew. Then did all men in sailortown not in the kings' special favor hunt cover and stay hid until the last ship was out of sight beyond the bar. For Jack and Pete were no respecters of persons. All men looked alike to them, and they sent to sea more than one who held himself too acute to be trapped into an unwilling voyage. Well-educated, well-dressed and companionable, the kings mixed with the best and worst that drifted into their realms, and once in their clutches no man escaped from them except by the open sea.

Jimmy Hunter, Yale man and cowpuncher, went down to the waterfront alone one day, against the advice of the upper town, to see the sights. He was wise to the world and had a year's thirst and pay with him. He met the kings, who were glad to see him. Just one more man was needed for the square-rigger Good Hope, then lying in the stream waiting for a crew, with her captain, Black, swearing at Jack and Pete for delaying him. The kings attended to Hunter's thirst and were friendly, even confidential. No secret was made of their trade. They told him stories of shanghaied sailormen and of crews they had stolen from one ship for another. He was much interested. Jack took him up to the shipping commissioner's to see the crew of the Good Hope shipped. He was even asked to and did sign his name once or twice "as a witness." A friend from the upper town risked a broken head to warn him. But the Sherman boys were also friends—at least three hours old—and, anyhow, he could take care of himself.

At last he caught Pete in an attempt to drug his whisky and left the kings, with a laughing comment on sailortown ways. Well outside the deadline he stopped in a quiet saloon. It was late and he and the lonesome bartender had a nightcap together. When he came alive next morning he was at sea in the Good Hope and a beefy English mate was kicking him in the ribs. Of the months that followed Hunter never told much. He learned sailors' work; he had to. He picked up a scar or two from the English mate's brass knuckles. Also he acquired a deep desire to kill the kings of sailortown, Captain Black and the mate.

At last he found himself in the consul's office at Dunkirk, France, dressed in the clothes he had on when he met the Sherman boys. For a wonder, they had sent them aboard with him. He was in United States territory again, and, first off, he would square yards with Captain Black. But—the consular agent was a Frenchman who would neither speak English nor understand Hunter's French unless he wanted to. Captain Black lolled in an office chair and grinned while Hunter told his troubles. When he had finished, without a word of comment the consular agent spread out two papers, the ship's articles and an "advance note." "Ees thees votre nom?" he asked. It was. He remembered his signing "as



be paid out of the debtor's "hide" or his wages. Boarding masters of this class were petty rascals. They dealt in men at retail. The brothers John and Peter Sherman, of Irvington, on the Pacific coast, were of another type. They dealt in men wholesale, shipped entire crews. Their boarding houses were licensed by the government. The shipping commissioner of the port winked at their devious ways. A crowd of thugs, runners and hangers-on served them and thrived by their favor. They were men of substance and owned or controlled as part of their business every saloon, dance hall and resort in the crooked streets and dark alleys about the wharves. Upper Irvington drew a deadline about the waterfront and seldom ventured over it outside of business hours. Jack and Pete Sherman were kings of Irvington's sailortown.

Every autumn saw a big fleet of "wind jammers"—ships of 2,000 to 3,000 tons register—lying off Irvington. The wheat of the new northwest was in their holds, consigned to ports in Europe or India, by way of the six-months' journey round the Horn. The wheat fleet, Irvington called it, and when the wheat fleet came, upper Irvington stirred itself, sailortown roused to vicious life, and the sailortown kings reaped a harvest of blood money.

No captain shipped a crew from Irvington until he had done business with the kings and paid their price. Captain Brown, of the bark Carmarthaenshire, learned that to his cost. He put into Irvington for a cargo at a time when ships were plenty and men hard to get. He was unconcerned, for his men had been shipped in England and would not be discharged until the home port was reached. Captains of deep-led vessels lying in the stream eyed the Carmarthaenshire's crew enviously. Jack Sherman quietly sent a man or two aboard the "limejuicer" to visit and smuggle in forbidden whisky. By two and threes Captain Brown's crew left him and were hidden about sailortown. The Irvington police were asked to bring them back, but however hard they looked for deserters they didn't find any.

Then one dark night the rest of the crew vanished over the side, to the last man, after knocking the breath out of Captain Brown and tricing the mate up to the main firerail. And before the astonished captain could recover breath enough to roar for "law" Jack and Pete Sherman had his men shipped in one of the waiting vessels and away. Next day the captain was waited on by the kings, who blandly offered to find him a new crew—at \$50 the man. He roared again—to the British consul, to his shipping agents, to the police, who were sympathetic but helpless. Nobody could be found to even hint that the kings had any hand in the affair and the shipping commissioner's records were clear. He had shipped no deserters that he knew of.

But Captain Brown swore that if he couldn't get back his men, or get the dogs of justice to even bark at the kings, he at least would pay them no blood money for a new crew. So he went to another port and brought a new crew to Irvington by steamer. His bark was hauled out into the stream and her crew kept close in her forecabin. That night she was boarded by masked men, who swept her new crew over the bows into the stream. Gossip had it that some of them were drowned. Captain Brown gave up and paid the Sherman boys \$75 instead of \$50 each for a crew, and put to sea in a hurry. "They're bleedin' swine, but they're kings of

IN A LION'S JAW; SAVED BY FRIEND

ENGLISHMAN RELATES THRILLING EXPERIENCE WITH JUNGLE BEAST IN AFRICA.

ANIMAL SUCKS HIS BLOOD

Carried Thirty Yards by Growling, Snarling Lion, When Companion Fires, Killing the Fierce Monster at Side of His Victim.

London.—St. Michael Podmore, F. Z. S., sitting before a cheerful grate fire in the Loungers' club, recently related some of his experiences in the wild places of the earth, most realistic of which was an attack by a lion in Africa.

"I was engaged on the transcontinental Cape-to-Cairo line, and our gang consisted of two white men and 50 blacks," said Mr. Podmore. "We each occupied a separate hut.

"One dark night I was aroused from sleep by hearing something moving backward and forward beneath my bed. Becoming alarmed, I listened breathlessly to a loud, long, indescribable snuff-snuff which broke the stillness of the night. My experience of Africa was not extensive, but I instantly realized that some wild animal was under my bed. Every one of my faculties became immediately paralyzed with horror. I was unable to utter a sound.

"After a moment or two I became aware that a man-eating lion was sniffing his way along the edge of the bed, perhaps a little puzzled at the mosquito curtains. I then felt I must do something, and instinctively, yet noiselessly, I huddled all the pillows and bedclothes over my head. No sooner had I done this than the lion, with a horrible pur-pur grabbed me by the right shoulder and dragged me out onto the floor, and immediately began to suck the blood which streamed down my neck and chest; and every time I moved he bit me more savagely.

"As I raised my knees to get into a crouching, protective position, he gave me a little pat with his paw which nearly broke my leg and inflicted a dreadful wound. Then suddenly the monster dropped me out of his mouth, placed one massive paw on my chest, and then, throwing back his noble head, he gave four terrible roars of triumph and defiance.

"My chum walked round the hut, and then saw with horror the hole made by the lion, who had torn out the mat walls and crawled under my bed. Then it dawned upon him what had happened, so he ran round to the other side and kicked the door down. As he did so, the lion drove his terrible fangs into my right groin, and leaped out of the hut into the darkness. As he ran with me he seemed to be twisting and jerking me round sideways, as though striving to get me on his back.

"The lion ran across the clearing with me for about thirty yards, and



Gave Four Terrible Roars of Triumph.

put me down under a big boabab tree. I lay on my back with the lion on top of me, occasionally gazing with his great luminous, greenish-yellow eyes, which filled me with unutterable loathing, so expressionless and cold were they, yet so diabolical in their ruthless cruelty.

"At last two niggers were induced to make a couple of torches of dry grass and by the lurid and uncertain light of these the lion was seen standing over my prostrate body. He was an enormous brute, over ten feet in length, and with a luxuriant, tawny mane that imparted to him a most majestic appearance. My friend told me afterward that as he approached with his gun I was moaning and crouching softly to myself. For some time he was afraid to shoot, lest he should kill me instead of the lion.

"As he crept nearer the lion took his fangs out of my groin and faced about, growling and snarling horribly. The rifle was leveled, there was a sharp report and the first shot hit the lion in the eye. The ball, as it came out, shattered his lower jaw. Two more shots were fired, and the fierce monster fell dead by my side."

THEY KNEW.



Jigson—When a man's young he's anxious to show his knowledge.
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Sir James Crichton Browne says—eat more oatmeal, eat plenty of it and eat it frequently. 59
Buy it in the regular package, or in hermetically sealed tins for hot climates.

Her Laugh Broke.

She was a little fairy of seven, with eyes like diamonds and hair like spun gold, and she was romping with a half dozen playmates. Touching a fine-looking youngster on the shoulder, she challenged him with, "You can't catch me." Off they started, she twisting and dodging with the dexterity of a half-back on a football team, and he following her every movement in close pursuit. The excitement of the chase made her scream with laughter. The little fugitive finally brought up against a fence, breathless and panting, and her pursuer, throwing his arms about her, shouted: "There, I've caught you!" "Oh, yes," gasped the little fairy, "but it was 'cause my laugh broke and I couldn't run any more."

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Not in the Agreement.
Daniel had been cast into the lions' den.

"My main objection," he said, as he playfully tweaked a lion's mane, "is that I get no moving-picture royalties."—Puck.

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ON HER DIGNITY.

"I should like a drink of water," said the young man, politely.
"You'll have to wait until mother comes down stairs," said the young lady, haughtily. "I want you to understand that I never go into the kitchen."

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Jos. Veltmann authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge of Kinney County at the next November election.

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The News-Mail is authorized to announce N. Castro as a candidate for reelection to the office of County commissioner of Precinct No. 1 of Kinney Co at the ensuing November election.

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Notice to Stockmen.

There is some fresh branded steers branded with U upside down on the left side in the pastures between the head of Mud Creek and the Pinto Mountain belonging to Jim Borroum & Co. in charge of Herbst Bros.

The Gem Ice Cream Parlor

The Big Onyx Fountain next door to Holmes' Drug Store is now ready for business

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Local News

Remember the Court House election Monday.

Confectionery always on hand at the City Bakery.

Moss Slatort of the Slatort ranch spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Flatow of Del Rio, visited Chas Kartes and family Sunday.

Miss Marion Foster of Del Rio, is visiting her sister Mrs. H. E. Veltmann.

Mrs. J. F. Ray left Monday for Millet where she will spend several days with relatives.

For galvanized cistern and guttering see Wm. Haines, of Brackettville Texas.

Watch for the dodgers giving the date for the Ice cream Festival and Mexican Supper some time next week.

Gus Gildea left Monday for San Antonio after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in Kinney County.

The Gem Ice Cream Parlor next door to Holmes' drug store is now opened for business. All drinks are ice cold.

Miss Blanch Seargeant of Brackettville, is visiting her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell.—Sonora News.

Ice Cream Festival and Mexican Supper some time next week for the benefit of the Brackett Base Ball Club. Watch for dodgers.

Take the chumps, the easy marks and the fools out of the world, and a whole lot of fellows who now live in mansions on Easy street would have to go to the poor house.

The Ladies of Brachett will give an ice cream Festival and a Mexican supper on the school house yard some time next week for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the old base ball debt. Watch for the dodgers giving exact date.

Some men go on the theory that they can get the same results with a prayer as they do when they put a half page advertisement in the local newspaper.

Doc. Byrne, the inimitable and irripresible, of Brackett, came down to see his ball team defeated last Saturday. That is not what he came down for but that is what he saw. He denies that he came with any view of getting a horse and buggy. Mr. Price, the jolly editor of the Brackett News-Mail, and Mr. Stadler the county assessor, were here to help take care of Doc.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

We handle the San Antonio Express.

Jos Veltmann was in Del Rio Tuesday night.

Cigars at the city Bakery in the Patrick Building.

Mrs. Hannah Morin is visiting friends in Del Rio this week.

Sam, Perry and Lamar Witt were in town Sunday to see the ball game.

Mrs. G. C. Cox and son Joe of Spofford were Brackett visitors Monday evening.

Monday will be the day for the citizens of Kinney County to decide on a new Court House.

Deputy Sheriff Henry Salmon of Spofford was transacting business at the county seat Tuesday.

Ice cream festival and Mexican supper next week for the benefit of the Brackett Base Ball Club.

R. E. Cannon, candidate for County Judge, was greeting friends in town Friday and Saturday.

"Grandpa" and Mrs. J. J. Foster were visitors to Brackett the first of the week.—Del Rio Herald.

Misses Clara and Ella Bergath left yesterday for New York where they will spend summer vacation.

R. O. R. Bergath left yesterday for Berlin-Germany where he will make an extended visit with his parents.

The Brackett Base Ball Club will leave today for Uvalde and will play one game this afternoon returning home to-night.

W. D. Dooley has purchased the Murphy property opposite the school house and moved into it the first of the week.

Prof. R. E. Thomas left Tuesday for the Ellis ranch in Edwards County where he will spend the summer vacation. Mr. Thomas will teach the Sonora school next year.

Fred West is in for a few days from Kinney County, and while he is not inclined, to censure the cowmen from the surrounding counties for not having all the rain they could use, he is inclined to be thankful rather than otherwise that his particular section has fared well in this respect. He does not say that he has all his firm could use, but would like to have it generally understood that Kinney County is not in the dry belt, and grass is good and prosperly cured for putting flesh on steers.—San Antonio Express.

W. H. Kuykendall, the well-known stockman and Sheriff of Llano County, exhibited rare judgment in his selection of an helpmate in coming to South Texas for her. He had been making some mysterious visits to South Texas for sometime, but when the press gang in San Antonio would escort him while he was waiting between trains for the Beeville passenger, he would tell them that he was down to look after matters in connection with his Kinney County ranch. It is fortunate that Mrs. Ella LaHatte, the estimable lady whose heart and hand he won, consented to name the date, for last week, for he had worked that ranch business yarn to about the limit. Congratulations are in order, however, and the friends of the worthy couple wish for them all the happiness and prosperity they so richly deserve.—San Antonio Express.

Found.

One pair of eye glasses. Was found on the Brackett Base Ball diamond Sunday afternoon after the ball game. Finder can have same by calling at this office and indentifying the glasses and pay for this notice.

Give us your job work.

Nice visiting cards printed at the News-Mail office.

San Antonio Express on sale at the News-Mail office.

The San Antonio Express on sale every day at the News-Mail office.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clamp of Spofford were visiting relatives in Brackett this week.

Ice cream at the Gem Ice cream Parlor next door to Holme's Drug Store.

Give us your job work. We have the latest type and can give you a satisfactory job. Give us a trial.

The board of trustees have elected the following teachers: Misses Lamborn, Jones, and Wickham. Four more teachers are yet to be selected.

The Brackett Base Ball Club and the Fort Clark ball team crossed bats last Sunday afternoon. The game was a one sided affair. The score at the end of the game was 18 to 2 in favor of Brackett.

Judge J. J. Foster is associated with Mr. O. B. Franks, in the organization of the Del Rio Bank and Trust Co., and will be the attorney for this strong new institution.—Del Rio Herald.

Victor Talking Machines sold on installments. Fine selections of records in stock. See Geo. Herzog.

The ice cream festival and Mexican supper that is to be given by the ladies of Brackett for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the old base ball debt some time next week, is going to be a grand success. There is going to plenty of everything. Watch for dodgers.

Don't be too critical. The other day I said to a fellow, "Jason, it doesn't show very good manners to whistle in the dining room." "I know it," replied Jason, kindly, "and I'll stop it if you will quit eating potatoes with your knife and sucking coffee out of your saucer. The trouble with Jason is that he can't take advice.

L. B. Allen returned yesterday from a trip to the Moore & Allen ranch at Cline, and says that while that section has been very fortunate as to rainfall, the flies are getting just a little bit troublesome on that account. With the exception of this and the seeming disposition of the buyers to bear the beef market, he had no special grievances to report.

Mr. W. M. Fleming and Green Davidson, of San Antonio, were here this week to wrestle with the board of equalization. They also attended the railroad meeting and were enthusiastic supporters of the proposition. Mr. Davidson says he believes more in doing things and less talk. It has been his experience that rail-roads can be built only by doing things and putting up money, and talk don't help.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

There is an organization in Denmark to insure and re-insure young women who dread becoming old maids. One who takes out a policy in this organization pays a fixed sum every year. If she finds a husband before she reaches the age of forty she is presumed to have received her money's worth and her certificate lapses. What she has paid goes into the general fund for the benefit of her less, or more, fortunate sisters. If she is unmarried after she reaches the age of forty, she receives an annual pension which continues through the rest of her life, or until she marries. Would not such a form of protection be prohibited in this country under our lottery laws?

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Tuesday night Lee Brown saw a meteor of unual brilliancy which appeared to strike the ground back of his barn. He also heard the sound of some falling body, very distinctly. The next morning he investigated and found a round stone about the size of a small apple and entirely dissimilar to any other stones he had ever observed. He brought it down town where it was thought by those who examined it to be a meteorite. Superintendent Evans took the find to place in a scientific collection that is being made for the high school.—Uvalde Leader-News.

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W. O. W. Notice

Rosewood Camp No 128 W. O. W. will hold Memorial services for their dead at the County Cemetery Sunday June 5th at 9 a. m. They will at the same time unveil and dedicate a Monument to Sovereign R. D. Winn.

All sovereigns and friends invited to attend.

F. J. GILSON C. C.

Smuggling of Chinese Continues.

Although a bunch of fifty was deported only a few days ago, jails along the Mexican border are again being filled with Chinese who made their entrance into the United States illegally. Already seven have been captured at El Paso and a like number at points between there and Laredo.

Most of the Celestials gain admission to this country by swimming the river at places difficult to guard. Generally this is done under cover of darkness and with the aid of men said to make the smuggling of Chinese a regular business. Any price from \$300 up is charged the Chinamen for this service. On reaching American soil they are

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kept in hiding until an opportunity presents itself for their transport to the larger cities, usually effected by means of box cars. It is claimed that collusion with American freight trainmen make the latter phase of this illicit traffic possible. A box car intercepted some time ago contained nine Chinamen fully fitted out for a trip to St. Louis, Mo., to which point the car had been billed. The efforts of the immigration authorities to break up the combination making the practice possible has so far not been successful.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

Death of Major Smith.

Major Smith, at one time a member of the Republican Executive Committee of Texas and perhaps the biggest sheep operator anywhere in the West, died sometime last Friday night in his room at the Franks' Hotel.

His lifeless body was found on the floor, face downward, early Saturday morning by a Mexican, who was sent to his room by Mrs. Franks to look after him.

"Maj." as he was always familiarly called by his friends, was in a feeble condition for several days, yet he was out on the street until late in the evening Friday. When he retired that night he called for some ice water and a glass of milk which were sent to his

room. Some one heard a scuffling or struggle in his room at 1 o'clock and it is more than likely that he passed away about that time.

He left a wife and family up at Fort Worth, but we are informed he had been estranged from them for several years.

Major Smith was once a wealthy man and operated in muttons extensively from Del Rio to Throckmorton. Whatever his faults, might have been in later years, we shall bury them with his mortal remains and remember only his best qualities, for in business during those days when his check was good for a hundred thousand, he was regarded as liberal to a fault and strictly an honest man.

His relatives were all notified, together with Solon Smith, the man who raised him, and telegrams of acknowledgement were received in return.

The funeral took place Sunday morning and many acquaintances followed the remains to their last resting place. Services were conducted both at McFadin's chapel and the grave by Rev. Winter Green of the Baptist church.—Del Rio Herald.

PESSIMISTIC.

Wareham Long—How d'ye reckon we'll know it wen the prosperity comes?

Tufford Nutt—It'll hit everybody 'ceptin' us.

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Why He Hadn't Tried It

A party was encamped on the Bear river in eastern Utah, when a prospector came along one morning on a mule. He had his jaw tied up and at first seemed inclined to pass on with-out a word. On second thought, however, he halted and gruffly queried:

"How fur to Salt Lake?"

"Three hundred miles."

"Humph!"

"Traveled far?"

"About two hundred miles."

"Get your jaw hurt?"

"No; it's just an infernal tooth-ache, and I'm a-riding five hundred miles to get it pulled."

We invited him down, and one of the crowd got a piece of string around the tooth and jerked it out as quick as you please. After the overjoyed man had ceased dancing about I queried:

"Why didn't you try the string before starting out on such a long ride?"

"Best kind of a reason, sir. I hadn't nary a string."

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They Advertised

Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow, it strayed away one day, where lambs should never go. And Mary sat her quickly down and tears streamed from her eyes; she never found the lamb because she did not advertise.

And Mary had a brother John who kept a village store; he sat him down and smoked a pipe, and watched the open door. And as the people passed along and did not stop to buy, John still sat and smoked his pipe and blinked his sleepy eyes. And so the sheriff closed him out, but still he lingered near, and Mary came to drop with him a sympathetic tear. How is it sister, can you tell, why other other merchants here, sell all their goods so readily and thrive from year to year. Remembering her own bad luck the little maid replies: "These other fellows get there, John, because they advertise."—Ex.

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SYNOPSIS.

Miss Innes, spinster and guardian of Gertrude and Halsey, established summer headquarters at Sunnyside. Amidst numerous difficulties the servants deserted. As Miss Innes locked up for the night, she was startled by a dark figure on the veranda. She passed a terrible night, which was filled with unseemly noises.

CHAPTER II.—Continued.

"There's going to be a death!" she wailed. "Oh, Miss Rachel, there's going to be a death!"

"There will be," I said grimly, "if you don't keep quiet, Liddy Allen."

And so we sat there until morning, wondering if the candle would last until dawn, and arranging what trains we could take back to town. If we had only stuck to that decision and gone back before it was too late!

The sun came finally, and from my window I watched the trees along the drive take shadowy form, gradually lose their ghostlike appearance, become gray and then green. The Greenwood club showed itself a dab of white against the hill across the valley, and an early robin or two hopped around in the dew. Not until the milk-boy and the sun came, about the same time, did I dare to open the door into the hall and look around. Everything was as we had left it. Trunks were heaped here and there, ready for the trunk-room, and through an end window of stained glass came a streak of red and yellow daylight that was eminently cheerful. The milk-boy was pounding somewhere below, and the day had begun.

Thomas Johnson came ambling up the drive about half past six, and we could hear him clattering around on the lower floor, opening shutters. I had to take Liddy to her room upstairs, however—she was quite sure she would find something uncanny. In fact, when she did not, having now the courage of daylight, she was actually disappointed.

Well, we did not go back to town that day.

I warned Liddy not to mention what had happened to anybody, and telephoned to town for servants. Then, after a breakfast which did more credit to Thomas' heart than his head, I went on a short tour of investigation.

The sounds had come from the east wing, and not without some qualms I began there. At first I found nothing. Since then I have developed my powers of observation, but at that time I was a novice. The small card-room seemed undisturbed. I looked for footprints, which is, I believe, the conventional thing to do, although my experience has been that as clews both footprints and thumb-marks are more useful in fiction than in fact. But the stairs in that wing offered something.

At the top of the flight had been placed a tall wicker hamper, packed with linen that had come from town. It stood at the edge of the top step, almost barring passage, and on the step below it was a long, fresh scratch. For three steps the scratch was repeated, gradually diminishing, as if some object had fallen, striking each one. Then for four steps nothing. On the fifth step below was a round dent in the hard wood. That was all, and it seemed little enough, except that I was positive the marks had not been there the day before.

It bore out my theory of the sound, which had been for all the world like the bumping of a metallic object down a flight of steps. The four steps had been skipped. I reasoned that an iron bar, for instance, would do something of the sort—strike two or three steps, end down, then turn over, jumping a few stairs, and landing with a thud.

Iron bars, however, do not fall down stairs in the middle of the night alone. Coupled with the figure on the veranda the agency by which it climbed might be assumed. But—and here was the thing that puzzled me most—the doors were all fastened that morning, the windows unmolesed, and the particular door from the card room to the veranda had a combination lock of which I held the key, and which had not been tampered with.

I fixed on an attempt at burglary, as the most natural explanation—an attempt frustrated by the falling of the object, whatever it was, that had roused me. Two things I could not understand; how the intruder had escaped with everything locked, and why he had left the small silver, which, in the absence of a butler, had remained downstairs over night.

In the afternoon a hack came up from Casanova, with a fresh relay of servants. The driver took them with a flourish to the servants' entrance, and drove around to the front of the house, where I was awaiting him.

"Two dollars," he said in reply to my question. "I don't charge full rates, because, bringin' 'em up all summer as I do, it pays to make a special price. When they got off the train I sez, sez I: 'There's another bunch for Sunnyside, cook, parlor maid and all.' Yes'm—six summers, and a new lot never less than once a month. They won't stand for the country and the lonesomeness, I reckon."

But with the presence of the



"I Was Roused by a Revolver Shot."

"bunch" of servants my courage revived, and late in the afternoon came a message from Gertrude that she and Halsey would arrive that night at about 11 o'clock, coming in the car from Richfield. Things were looking up; and when Beulah, my cat, a most intelligent animal, found some early catnip on a bank near the house and rolled in it in a feline ecstasy, I decided that getting back to nature was the thing to do.

While I was dressing for dinner, Liddy rapped at the door. She was hardly herself yet, but privately I think she was worrying about the broken mirror and its augury, more than anything else. When she came in she was holding something in her hand, and she laid it on the dressing table carefully.

"I found it in the linen hamper," she said. "It must be Mr. Halsey's, but it seems queer how it got there."

It was the half of a link cuff button of unique design, and I looked at it carefully.

"Where was it? In the bottom of the hamper?" I asked.

"On the very top," she replied. "It's a mercy it didn't fall out on the way."

When Liddy had gone I examined the fragment attentively. I had never seen it before, and I was certain it was not Halsey's. It was of Italian workmanship, and consisted of a mother-of-pearl foundation, encrusted with tiny seed-pearls, strung on horsehair to hold them. In the center was a small ruby. The trinket was of great value, but not intrinsically of great value. Its interest for me lay in this: Liddy had found it lying in the top of the hamper which had blocked the east-wing stairs.

That afternoon the Armstrongs' housekeeper, a youngish good-looking woman, applied for Mrs. Ralston's place, and I was glad enough to take her. She looked as though she might be equal to a dozen of Liddy, with her snapping black eyes and heavy jaw. Her name was Anne Watson, and I dined that evening for the first time in three days.

CHAPTER III.

Mr. John Bailey Appears.

I had dinner served in the breakfast room. Somehow the huge dining room depressed me, and Thomas, cheerful enough all day, allowed his spirits to go down with the sun. He had a habit of watching the corners of the room, left shadowy by the candles on the table, and altogether it was not a festive meal.

Dinner over I went into the living room. I had three hours before the children could possibly arrive, and I got out my knitting.

The chug of the automobile as it climbed the hill was the most welcome sound I had heard for a long time, and with Gertrude and Halsey actually before me, my troubles seemed over for good. Gertrude stood smiling in the hall, with her hat quite over one ear, and her hair in every direction under her pink veil. Gertrude is a very pretty girl, no matter how her hat is, and I was not surprised when Halsey presented a good-looking young man, who bowed at me and looked at Trude—that is the ridiculous nickname Gertrude brought from school.

"I have brought a guest, Aunt Ray," Halsey said. "I want you to adopt him into your affections and your Saturday-to-Monday list. Let me present John Bailey, only you must call him Jack. In 12 hours he'll be calling you 'Aunt'; I know him."

We shook hands, and I got a chance to look at Mr. Bailey; he was a tall fellow, perhaps 30, and he wore a

small mustache. I remember wondering why; he seemed to have a good mouth and when he smiled his teeth were above the average. One never knows why certain men cling to a messy upper lip that must get into things, any more than one understands some women building up their hair on wire atrocities. Otherwise, he was very good to look at, stalwart and tanned, with the direct gaze that I like. I am particular about Mr. Bailey, because he was a prominent figure in what happened later.

Gertrude was tired with the trip and went up to bed very soon. I made up my mind to tell them nothing until the next day, and then to make as light of our excitement as possible. After all, what had I to tell? An inquisitive face peering in at a window; a crash in the night; a scratch or two on the stairs, and half a cuff-button! As for Thomas and his forebodings, it was always my belief that a negro is one part thief, one part pigment, and the rest superstition.

It was Saturday night. The two men went to the billiard room, and I could hear them talking as I went upstairs. It seemed that Halsey had stopped at the Greenwood club for gasoline and found Jack Bailey there, with the Sunday golf crowd. Mr. Bailey had not been hard to persuade—probably Gertrude knew why—and they had carried him off triumphantly. I roused Liddy to get them something to eat—Thomas was beyond reach in the lodge—and paid no attention to her evident terror of the kitchen regions. Then I went to bed. The men were still in the billiard room when I finally dozed off, and the last thing I remember was the howl of a dog in front of the house. It wailed a crescendo of woe that trailed off hopefully, only to break out afresh from a new point of the compass.

At three o'clock in the morning I was roused by a revolver shot. The sound seemed to come from just outside my door. For a moment I could not move. Then I heard Gertrude stirring in her room, and the next moment she had thrown open the connecting door.

"O, Aunt Ray! Aunt Ray!" she cried hysterically. "Some one has been killed!"

"Thieves," I said shortly. "Thank goodness, there are some men in the house to-night." I was getting into my slippers and a bath-robe, and Gertrude with shaking hands was lighting a lamp. Then we opened the door into the hall, where, crowded on the upper landing of the stairs, the maids, white-faced and trembling, were peering down, headed by Liddy. I was greeted by a series of low screams and questions, and I tried to quiet them. Gertrude had dropped on a chair and sat there limp and shivering.

I went at once across the hall to Halsey's room and knocked; then I pushed the door open. It was empty; the bed had not been occupied!

"He must be in Mr. Bailey's room," I said excitedly, and followed by Liddy, we went there. Like Halsey's, it had not been occupied! Gertrude was on her feet now, but she leaned against the door for support.

"They have been killed!" she gasped. Then she caught me by the arm and dragged me toward the stairs. "They may only be hurt, and we must find them," she said, her eyes dilated with excitement.

I don't remember how we got down the stairs; I do remember expecting every moment to be killed. The cook was at the telephone upstairs, calling the Greenwood club, and Liddy was behind me, afraid to come and not



daring to stay behind. We found the living room and the drawing room undisturbed. Somehow I felt that whatever we found would be in the card-room or on the staircase, and nothing but the fear that Halsey was in danger drove me on; with every step my knees seemed to give way under me. Gertrude was ahead and in the card-room she stopped, holding her candle high. Then she pointed silently to the doorway into the hall beyond. Huddled there on the floor, face down, with his arms extended, was a man.

Gertrude ran forward with a gasping sob. "Jack," she cried, "Oh, Jack!"

Liddy had run, screaming, and the two of us were there alone. It was Gertrude who turned him over, finally, until we could see his white face, and then she drew a deep breath and dropped limply to her knees. It was the body of a man, a gentleman, in a dinner coat and white waistcoat, stained now with blood—the body of a man I had never seen before.

CHAPTER IV.

Where is Halsey?

Gertrude gazed at the face in a kind of fascination. Then she put out her hands blindly, and I thought she was going to faint.

"He has killed him!" she muttered almost inarticulately; and at that, because my nerves were going, I gave her a good shake.

"What do you mean?" I said frantically. There was a depth of grief and conviction in her tone that was worse than anything she could have said. The shake braced her, anyhow, and she seemed to pull herself together. But not another word would she say; she stood gazing down at that gruesome figure on the floor, while Liddy, ashamed of her flight and afraid to come back, drove before her three terrified women servants into the drawing room, which was as near as any of them would venture.

Once in the drawing room, Gertrude collapsed and went from one fainting spell into another. I had all I could do to keep Liddy from drowning her with cold water, and the maids huddled in a corner, as much use as so many sheep. In a short time, although it seemed hours, a car came rushing up, and Anne Watson, who had waited to dress, opened the door. Three men from the Greenwood club, in all kinds of costumes, hurried in. I recognized a Mr. Jarvis, but the others were strangers.

"What's wrong?" the Jarvis man asked—and we made a strange picture, no doubt. "Nobody hurt, is there?" He was looking at Gertrude.

"Worse than that, Mr. Jarvis," I said. "I think it is murder."

"At the word there was a commotion. The cook began to cry, and Mrs. Watson knocked over a chair. The men were visibly impressed.

"Not any member of the family?" Mr. Jarvis asked, when he had got his breath.

"No," I said; and motioning Liddy to look after Gertrude, I led the way with a lamp to the cardroom door. One of the men gave an exclamation, and they all hurried across the room. Mr. Jarvis took the lamp from me—I remember that—and then feeling myself getting dizzy and light-headed I closed my eyes. When I opened them their brief examination was over, and Mr. Jarvis was trying to put me in a chair.

"You must get upstairs," he said firmly, "you and Miss Gertrude, too. This has been a terrible shock. In his own home, too."

I stared at him without comprehension. "Who is it?" I asked with difficulty. There seemed a band drawn tight around my throat.

"It is Arnold Armstrong," he said, looking at me oddly, "and he has been murdered—in his father's house."

After a minute I gathered myself together and Mr. Jarvis helped me into the living room. Liddy had got Gertrude upstairs, and the two strange men from the club stayed with the body. The reaction from the shock and strain was tremendous; I was collapsed—and then Mr. Jarvis asked me a question that brought back my wandering faculties.

"Where is Halsey?" he asked.

"Halsey!" Suddenly Gertrude's stricken face rose before me—the empty room upstairs. Where was Halsey?

"He was here, wasn't he?" Mr. Jarvis persisted. "He stopped at the club on his way over."

"I—don't know where he is," I said feebly.

One of the men from the club came in, asked for the telephone, and I could hear him excitedly talking, saying something about coroners and detectives. Mr. Jarvis leaned over to me.

"Why don't you trust me, Miss Innes?" he said. "If I can do anything I will. But tell me the whole thing."

I did, finally, from the beginning, and when I told of Jack Bailey's being in the house that night he gave a long whistle.

"I wish they were both here," he said when I finished. "Whatever mad prank took them away, it would look better if they were here. Especially—"

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"I'm afraid you are mistaken," said Smith, very quickly. "My name isn't Jones. You have the wrong man."

"Nuff said; nuff said," smiled the negro, with much bowing and scraping. "Ah knows all right when to keep mah mouf shut; Ah knows all right, Mr. Jones."—Kansas City Journal.

A Dirge.

She laid the still white form beside those which had gone before; no sob, no sigh forced its way from her heart, throbbing as though it would burst. Suddenly a cry broke the stillness of the place—one single heart-breaking shriek; then silence; another cry; more silence; then silent but for a guttural murmur, which seemed to well up from her very soul. She left the place. She would lay another egg tomorrow.—Princeton Tiger.

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Rose Like Rocket.

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Curtiss Lands.

He landed easily on a stretch of new-made land within forty yards of the shed in which the aeroplanes were housed during the Hudson-Fulton celebration. Dismounting without further ado, he resigned his craft to soldiers.

Refreshments were served in Corbin Hall, and Curtiss briefly related his experience. Mrs. Curtiss, who had meantime arrived in New York on a special train, joined her husband as Curtiss was preparing to take the ferry for New York. Half an hour later Curtiss was in the World office where a check for \$10,000 was handed to him with a short speech of congratulation.

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Increase of From Six to Ten Per Cent. Will Affect 70,000 Workmen.

New York, May 23.—The Standard Oil company has increased the wages of its workmen from 6 to 10 per cent. The order is retroactive and became effective May 1. It is estimated that the company will add from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 to its annual pay roll expense.

The new scale affects employees engaged in the company's works and factories, but the office men will not be benefited by this increase. Most of the employees who will get the increase are laborers, and the advance applies to all the subsidiary companies in the United States.

The company has approximately 70,000 employees. The Standard is one of the very few big concerns of this country which has never had a strike among its employees.

Surveyors in Field.

San Antonio, Tex.—A corps of surveyors are now in the field laying out the proposed route of the Uvalde and Crystal City Railroad from Gardendale southeast to either Corpus Christi or Aransas Pass. It is proposed shortly to begin the actual work of construction from Gardendale to the coast.

Farmers' Institute Dates.

Austin, Tex.—The department of agriculture has announced a new itinerary of farmers' institutes, which follows: Alvarado, Monday, June 6; Grandview, Tuesday, June 7; Itasca, Wednesday, June 8; Hillsboro, Thursday, June 9; Austin, Saturday, June 11.

Taylor Hog Sales.

Taylor, Tex.—G. E. King of Turkey Creek ranch, northeast of Taylor, this week sold to a local buyer forty head of hogs, which averaged 240 pounds each, and for which he received \$8.85 per hundred gross, or \$849.60 for the lot.

Floated Logs From Center.

Orange, Tex.—W. A. Howard, a citizen of Manila, Philippine Islands, arrived this week on a raft of logs containing nearly a million feet, which was floated down Sabine River from Center, a distance of about 350 miles.

Miners and Operators Agree.

Lyra, Tex.—In a conference between the wage scale committee of Texas miners and operators an agreement was reached. Work will resume immediately.

OLD LADY'S SAGE ADVICE

Knoxville Lady Tells How She Tried Advice of Her Neighbor and Experienced Great Improvement.

Knoxville, Tenn.—"If you had seen me, before I began to take Cardui, you would not think I was the same person," writes Mrs. Mamie Towe, of 102 W. Main St., this city.

"Six doctors failed to do me good, and my friends thought I would die. I could hardly get out of bed or walk a step.

"At last an old lady advised me to take Cardui, and now I can go most anywhere."

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THE REAL WRENCH.



Smith—It's mighty hard to get a wife.

Hardup—It's no trouble to get one, but it's hard to keep her.

BABY'S SCALP CRUSTED

"Our little daughter, when three months old, began to break out on the head and we had the best doctors to treat her, but they did not do her any good. They said she had eczema. Her scalp was a solid scale all over. The burning and itching was so severe that she could not rest, day or night. We had about given up all hopes when we read of the Cuticura Remedies. We at once got a cake of Cuticura Soap, a box of Cuticura Ointment and one bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, and followed directions carefully. After the first dose of the Cuticura Resolvent, we used the Cuticura Soap freely and applied the Cuticura Ointment. Then she began to improve rapidly and in two weeks the scale came off her head and her hair began to grow. In a very short time she was well. She is now sixteen years of age and a picture of health. We used the Cuticura Remedies about five weeks, regularly, and then we could not tell she had been affected by the disease. We used no other treatments after we found out what the Cuticura Remedies would do for her. J. Fish and Ella M. Fish, Mt. Vernon, Ky., Oct. 12, 1909."

When Her Faith in the Lord Failed.

During the progress of a big "protracted meeting," for which the south is famous, an ardent sister of the church, who usually came in an old-fashioned buckboard drawn by the family horse, was late for a particularly important service and was being severely censured by the pastor.

Explaining the reason for being late the good sister said that the horse had taken fright at a passing train and bolted and that the wreck of the rig had prevented her from being on time.

"My dear sister, such little things should not make you late for divine services. You should trust in the Lord."

"Well, brother," she replied, and there was a look of calm peacefulness on her face. "I did trust in the Lord till the bellyband busted and then I had to jump."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

No man can love evil for evil's sake, as he can love good for goodness' sake.—Schiller.

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SURELY NO PLACE FOR HER

In the Presence of Such Magic There Seemed But One Thing for Maid to Do.

Prof. Percival Lowell, the eminent Martian astronomer, said in a recent interview in New York:

"The Martian canals are not Panama canals. The word 'canals,' you know, really means 'lines.' It shouldn't be taken literally, as the servant girl in Boston took the parlor magic."

"An amateur magician in a Beacon street house was going through his tricks while a maid passed in and out with refreshments.

"The magician was reading letters placed under a rug as the maid brought in a tray of lemon ices.

"What is this?" a spectator asked.

"That is B," the magician answered; and, sure enough, his answer was correct.

"The maid looked with astonishment at the letter which had been hidden under the thick rug. She turned her gaze on the handsome young magician who had read it. Then, setting down her tray of ices, she hid her rosy face in her hands and ran out of the room.

"What's the good o' me clothes?" she cried."

WOMEN'S ILLS.

Many women who suffer with backache, bearing-down pain, headaches and nervousness do not know that these ailments are usually due to trouble with the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills remove the cause.

Mrs. Joseph Cross, Church St., Morrilton, Ark., says: "For weeks I was bent double by pain in my back and the kidney secretions were profuse. My feet and ankles were badly swollen and I had headaches and dizzy spells. Six doctors treated me without relief and I finally began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured me."

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An Unusual Attribute.

Little Johnnie, who cannot pronounce S, has been frightened into keeping out of the attic by tales told by his nurse of a dreadful ghost that lives in the dim recesses under the eaves. The other day he was overheard to say confidentially to a small friend:

"We've got an old gh'o'p up in our attic!"

To which his friend, much interested, responded: "Do he butt?"

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Not Exactly What She Meant. She—We've bin very busy at the mothers' meetin' gettin' ready for the sale of work.

He—Oh! I 'opes it will be a success. She—Yes, I think so; yer see the vicar is goin' to take most of our clothes off of us.—Tatler.

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In discussing the cost of transportation the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association says that, as a rule, the producer pays the freight to the factory or market and the consumer pays the freight from the factory to the point of consumption. Texas has comparatively few factories, and the cost of transportation is, therefore, of paramount importance in fixing the value of our articles of production and consumption. We have but few methods of transportation, viz.: Public Highways, Railroads, Waterways and Pipe Lines.

Public Highways.

We have 121,500 miles of public highways in Texas with only 2,000 miles classed as improved public roads. The average cost of hauling freight over the public highways of Texas is 43 cents per ton per mile.



43 Cents Per Ton Per Mile.

The average cost of hauling freight over the public roads of the United States is 23 cents per ton per mile. As a producer the farmer gets the same price for his products whether hauled over good roads or bad roads, and as a consumer the farmer pays the same price for merchandise whether he hauls it over good roads or bad roads. The farmer receives the benefits of good roads, but pays the penalty of bad roads.

The Texas farmer in 1903 raised 5,000,000 tons of products. It cost approximately \$17,000,000 to haul these products to town. By improving our public highways to the government average we can reduce the cost of transportation one-half and save \$8,500,000 per annum.



Mud Road Tax \$8,000,000 Per Annum.

The Texas farmer pays in State and county taxes, all purposes, \$7,000,000 per annum, which is a million dollars less than the bad roads tax. The money paid to support of government continues to circulate; it is not destroyed. But the tax levied by the mud hole is lost as completely as if it were destroyed by fire.



Fire Losses \$4,000,000.

The fires of Texas last year burned \$4,000,000 worth of property while the bad roads loss was \$8,000,000. Bad roads cause an unnecessary and useless waste of time and money, increase illiteracy, destroy society and encourage profanity in the community.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch known as the Mariposa ranch for the purpose of hunting, fishing or cutting wood will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. All permits previously issued, either verbal or written are hereby revoked.

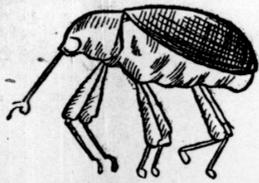
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Public Highways

The ravages of the boll weevil in Texas are estimated at millions of dollars, but the mud hole has been a more costly foe to the producer than the boll weevil. The Federal government has spent over a million dollars in trying to find a way of eradicating the boll weevil, but we do not have to spend money to learn how to eradicate bad roads—build good ones.

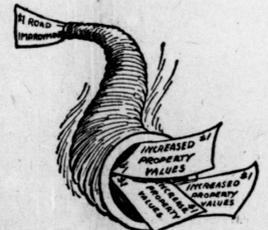


Boll Weevil \$1,000,000.

The boll weevil in destroying cotton decreases production and consequently increases the price of the remaining products, but bad roads levy their deadly toll against the producer and destroy the value of the remaining roads. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and a mud hole or a hill between a farm and town reduces the carrying capacity of the wagon to the level of the bog or grade.



The improvement of public highways add three times their cost to adjoining property, and every argument that applies to the improvement of private property will apply with multiplied force to the improvement of public property, and especially to public highways, as every farmer must use the public roads.



As individuals we are ready to make any investment that will return \$3 for \$1, but the community we sometimes hesitate to close such transactions, comments the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association.

The miner has the railroad into the mine, the manufacturer has the railroad into the factory and the merchant has paved streets to the railroads, but the farmer must use the highways, and his time is too valuable to spend in pulling wagons out of bog holes.

Improved public highways make communities prosperous, happy and contented.

A Duck.

A schoolboy assigned to prepare an essay on ducks, submitted the following:

"The duck is a low heavy-set bird composed mostly of meat and feathers. He is a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice, caused by getting so many frogs in his neck. He likes the water and carries a toy balloon in his stomach to keep from sinking. The duck has only two legs and they are set so far back on his running gears by nature that they come pretty near missing his body. Some ducks when they get big have curls on their tails and are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set or hatch, but just loaf and go swimming and eat everything in sight. If I was to be a duck I would rather be a drake."

A New One on Him.

A well known actress desiring to iron some handkerchiefs, called up the bellboy, "Send me a hot iron," she ordered.

She waited quite a while and finally the boy returned. "Did you get it?" she asked.

"Naw" replied the boy, "the bartender don't know how to mix it."

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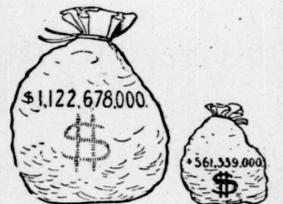
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Increasing Production.

The increase in agricultural production has both an individual and community interest. The farmer is vitally interested in increasing the yield, as it costs no more to cultivate an acre of land that produces two bales of cotton than it does an acre of land that produces one bale of cotton, and the second bale is clear profit to the farmer. The farmers who have followed the advice of our agricultural departments in selecting seed, methods of culture, character of crops, combating pests, etc., have been able to double production. The farms of Texas are yielding an average of \$1,540,000 per day, and by doubling production in that portion of the land now under cultivation we can produce \$1,122,678,000 instead of \$561,339,000 per annum as shown in the figure below.



Increase in Production.

A concrete example would perhaps be more satisfactory than an imaginary standard, says the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association, and we will, therefore, compare Texas with Illinois. Our lands are more fertile, our seasons more reliable and our climatic conditions more favorable to farming than in Illinois. In Illinois the average farm contains 124 acres and yields \$1,209 per farm. In Texas the average farm contains 357 acres and yields \$681 per farm.

The cut shown below illustrates the growth the Texas farmer must make to reach the Illinois standard.



The Farmer Must Grow.

To build up the Texas farmer we must improve our public highways build railroads, build factories, open mines, build cities, and otherwise increase our markets and facilities for reaching the market. We must look to our Agricultural Department, A. & M. Colleges, Experimental Stations and agricultural agents to build up the farm and instruct the farmer. These institutions ought to be liberally supported by appropriations and co-operation in their work.

Census Taking On The Pecos

Noah Rose, who for the past month has been enumerating the people of the Pecos Country, is home again, and he says that it is no picnic finding people out in those roughs.

"I was two days getting five names" he said, "and I had to climb down a thousand foot bluff to get two of them. I used a wagon, bicycle, rope ladder and needed an air ship before I reached the ranch. It was away down on the Pecos where there is rock enough to build a Chinese wall, but not grass enough to pad a crutch for a crippled grasshopper.

"One thing a man has an abundance of out in that country is privacy. I don't think Halley's comet had one chance in a thousand to find those people. But they are hospitable; every one of them have the latch string hanging on the outside of the door and keep open house for every thing that comes along from a book agent to a diamond rattler.

"If all the United States was like the canyons of the Pecos where I have been it would take half of our population to enumerate the other half in the time allowed, and I am glad that the work is over. It may be that when they take the next census in 1920, the flying machine will be a common thing and then one could sail around over those Pecos canyons all right."—Del Rio Herald.

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The Brackettville Chapter U. D. Order of The Eastern Star meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8. p. m. Visiting members are cordially invited. Mrs. AGNES DOOLEY, W. M. Mrs. ROSA G. PERRY, Secretary.

Echo Lodge No. 279 I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday night at their Lodge room in Fillipone Hall. Visiting Brethren cordially invited to attend. FRANK A. ROSE, N. G. WILL W. PRICE, Secretary.

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