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A spider and a fly can't make a bar
rain.
Fine harness does not make a fast
horse.
Gilded gowns is quickly tarnished by
adversity.
Little things consume up because lit-
tle things afflict us.
Better say only half you think than
think only half you say.
Prejudice rests on a perch from
which facts are barred.
Love is sometimes blind, and some-
times it is only a blind.
The more you speak of yourself the
more you are likely to lie.
Poverty may pinch an honest man
but it never destroys him.
Curiosity is looking over other peo-
ple's affairs and overlooking our own.
Some of the blessings that come in
disguise never take their masks off.
There is nothing new under the sun
except the methods of expressing old
thoughts.
The important difference between
the natural and human sponge is that
you can't squeeze anything out of the
latter.
Truth is not a dress suit consecrated
to special occasions; it is the
strong, well woven, durable homespun
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RAGTIME PHILOSOPHY.

Starved goods don't always com-
mand a stiff price.
No man can succeed unless he has
faith in his own ability.
Character writes its name on a
man's face in indelible ink.
A woman never feels dressed up
unless she feels uncomfortable.
Even the pessimist sometimes
laughs at the troubles of others.
It seems queer that contractors
should be employed to widen streets.
Love has nothing but beauty to
keep it alive is apt to be short lived.
It is easier to get the best of an
argument than it is to prove that you
are right.
It is easier to be a little man in a
big town than it is to be a big man
in a little town.
A scientist has discovered that
hens lay eggs in the daytime because
at night they are roosters.
Chances come to every man, but
nearly every man asks them to sit
down and wait till he is ready to
take them, and they move on to the
next.

HEALTH AND SICKNESS.

Prof. Meyer suggests that fire es-
capes be utilized for the open air
treatment of consumption in tenement
houses.
The Reforma Medica states that
with sixty-nine pulses beats to the
minute the blood flows a distance of
seven miles an hour.
The value of X rays in the treat-
ment of cancer depends upon the fact
that the rays induce fatty degenera-
tion of the cancer cells.
Three persons believed to have been
uninjured twenty-five minutes, two
fifteen minutes, one fourteen minutes,
and one three minutes have been re-
suscitated.
The mysterious "tropical worm"
disease which has attacked 20,000
Westphalian miners is being treated
and investigated by 150 physicians
sent by the German government.
Dr. Yamane, a member of the house
of representatives, proclaimed in a
recent debate that more than 130,000
persons succumb annually to tuber-
culosis in Japan, and the number is
constantly increasing.

SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.

Work now; you can rest after you
are dead.
Quit cutting your enemies and cut
your weeds.
Corn is beginning to taste as if you
were cheating the horse.
When a man is drunk he always
holds his cigar in his left hand, with
his thumb on the left side.
There is occasionally at a party a
girl in elbow sleeves whose appear-
ance indicates that she ought to sand-
paper her elbows.
Nothing makes a busy man quite
so mad as for idle people to interrupt
him at his work and ask him for
money they are not entitled to.
There are some people whose use in
the world it would be so hard to de-
fine as the use of the glass of parsley
draped around the neck of the table-
cloth.

"THE MAN WITH THE HOE" HERE TO STAY.

Good crops having been raised
throughout this section of country
for the three years past which has
given the farming contingent en-
couragement to plant larger and
more varied crops this next season
and the talk now is that thousands
upon thousands of acres of the vir-
gin soil of the country will be put
in condition to bring forth the fruits
of labor by the hands of honest toil.
"The man with the hoe" is here to
stay, his object is to acquire wealth
through the products of the land,
hence he is destined to be the main
factor in the development of this
country. The lands of the Panhan-
dle, while they are steadily advanc-
ing in price, are still very cheap,
just as they were many years ago in
the older states when our fathers
and grand fathers made settlement,
and where to lay it requires a for-
tune to own even a small farm. The
repetition of history continues and
the lands of the Panhandle will be
just as valuable as are those of our
father's today. It only requires
labor to develop the resources of our
country. The result of labor brings
capital and the two together accom-
plish the ends to which labor at-
tains. If the Panhandle people will
stay with what they already have,
they can wear diamonds later on.—
Higgins News.

HOW THE APOSTLES DIED.

Matthew was martyred in a city
of Ethiopia. Mark was dragged
through the streets of Alexandria,
Egypt, till he expired. Luke was
hanged on an olive tree in Greece.
John was miraculously rescued from
a caldron of boiling oil in Rome,
and went to the Isle of Patmos
where he was permitted to witness
the wonderful apocalyptic vision,
and is probably the only one who
died a natural death. Paul was be-
headed on Nero's block without the
gates of Rome. James the Elder
was slain with a sword by Herod.
James the Less was thrown from a
pinnacle of the temple and beaten
to death with a fuller's club. An-
drew was crucified on a cross in
Armenia, and preached to the crowd
till he expired. Bartholomew was
flayed alive by order of a barbarous
king. Thomas penetrated away to
the interior of India, and there suf-
fered martyrdom by having a cruel
iron thrust through his body.—Ex.

The Homestead on the Hill.

Fair, fertile fields and grassy meads,
And orchard slopes between,
A verdant lawn and garden rare,
Enriched by fountains green,
Morn's earliest sunbeams gild thy brow,
And Spring's first kisses thrill,
All nature loves thee well, I trow,
Fair homestead on the hill.
For many years I've wandered far,
Mid scenes and faces new,
Yet memory shows like constant star
Still pointing back to you,
Each lovely spot some story holds,
And all my pulses thrill
With memories of past days and loves,
Sweet homestead on the hill.
These nooks my dear grandparents loved,
These flowers their beauty give
To festive scenes of days of grief,
To bridal or to grave,
Each duty, sorrow, hope, or joy
That a woman's life may fill,
You've seen my mother meet them all,
Old homestead on the hill.
This spot my brother set with care,
As though to leave some sign,
Some symbol ever pointing where
He staid in splendor shine,
Still speaks of hope to hearts bereft
Ere his passing, "Come, my child,"
Though he for heaven's home has left
The homestead on the hill.
We meet but seldom round the board,
Nor still they welcome share,
And many rooms are vacant now,
New footings press thy stair,
But when life's checkered curtain falls,
And evening shades grow chill,
My heart's peace never rests,
Dear homestead on the hill,
Dear homestead on the hill,
Dear homestead on the hill,
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REV. HAYDEN LOSES HIS SUIT.

The Texas Supreme Court has
reversed the verdict in the lower
court in the case of Rev. S. A. Hay-
den vs Rev. J. B. Cranfill, in which
\$15,000 had been awarded to Hay-
den for having been excluded from
the Texas Baptist General Conven-
tion at Waco in 1897. The position
held by the Supreme Court is that
the general convention has the
right to exclude Hayden from its
deliberation. At a former trial
Hayden secured a judgment of
\$35,000 damages, but because of ir-
regularities this verdict was set
aside.

AS TO THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

A dispatch from Washington says:
"Published reports that United
States engineers are engaged in re-
locating the line between Texas and
New Mexico and that a newly es-
tablished line gives Texas a strip of
New Mexico about 300 feet wide are
not true. The United States engi-
neers, acting under the direction of
the Department of the Interior, are
locating by astronomical observa-
tions the 103d meridian, which is
technically the boundary between
Texas and New Mexico. The bound-
aries between Texas and New Mexi-
co as surveyed in the 50's, can not
be interfered with by any new de-
termination of the true 103d meri-
dian, for the old line was ratified by
both Texas and the United States
and is the legal boundary, whether
it is the true meridian or not.

It is quite well understood in the
Land Office here that the old bound-
ary is some distance west of the
true 103d meridian. What the ob-
ject of the Department of the In-
terior is in running this new line,
not authorized by congress, is con-
jectural. It can not effect the real
boundary line.

By a decision rendered in the
Missouri Supreme Court it is prob-
able that all the convictions in the
St. Louis boodle cases will be nulli-
fied. The court holds that an in-
formation issued by the Circuit At-
torney's office must be sworn to by
prosecuting witnesses. This has
been done in any of the boodle cases,
so it is stated, and proceedings in
the prosecutions now before the
Criminal division of the Circuit
Court have been summarily stopped.
It is said that fully 20,000 cases are
affected in St. Louis alone, and ow-
ing to the effect of the statute of
limitation it is probable new indict-
ments cannot be secured in many of
the boodling prosecutions.

It is said that 50 flings a day are
being made on lands in Beaver
county, Oklahoma.

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

Fort Worth lawyers have organized an association.

The flour mill belonging to E. T. Nichols of Mount Calm was burned early Friday morning. The loss was \$1000, insurance, \$1500.

Mrs. John Green, daughter of Jim Bush, a well-known citizen of Allen county, died Monday afternoon at the age of nineteen years.

E. B. Smith's warehouse, with goods and machinery at Shepherd, was destroyed by fire. Loss is in excess of \$1000, with partial insurance.

The election in San Antonio Saturday for municipal ownership of light and power plant resulted in defeat of the proposition by three to one.

A new well in Batson's Prairie, 1100 feet deep, is said to be the best oil producer in Texas, yielding 25,000 barrels a day of a very high grade oil.

L. F. Swift while in Fort Worth a few days since denied the story that a cannery factory will be built in connection with the company's plant there.

Thomas Cullom of Marshall, a Texas and Pacific brakeman, was killed while switching cars at Reisor Junction, La., Thursday night. His body was terribly mangled.

Thursday night burglars blew open a large safe in the Parker-Lowe dry goods store in Fort Worth, but failed to open the inner drawer in which was a considerable sum of money.

Mrs. Green Cheatham died suddenly at the home of her son at Hillsboro, L. L. Cheatham. She was ill only two days and at the time of her death was sitting up in bed. She was about 60 years old.

Earnest Thompson, a negro, convicted of raping an eleven-year-old white girl at Adkins Station and given the death penalty, was sentenced by Judge Clark to be hanged January 29.

J. B. Roberts, a restaurant keeper at Utsburg, Tex., mourns the loss of a pocketbook containing \$479 in currency. He placed the book in an inside vest pocket before starting on a journey to Wintersboro, and it was not until he arrived there that he missed the money.

Bob Dunlass, a Katy brakeman, had been injured at Cason, on the Shreveport division, by a rail which ran into the caboose of a moving train and struck Dunlass in the back. The rails were broken and a car on a sidetrack at the time. Mr. Dunlass is reported badly hurt.

Polk & Young, proprietors of the Kilben Roller Mills, are having constructed a modern steel fireproof elevator, to be fitted with scouers, cleaners and separators; capacity, 25,000 bushels. This will be a great convenience to the farmers here, as they can store their wheat in the summer and get flour at any time of the year.

Cumby feels proud of her new \$7000 brick up-to-date schoolhouse. It has just been finished, and school will be opened up in it after the holidays. It is a Hopkins county enterprise out and out. It was built by a Hopkins county man, with Hopkins county brick and the bonds to furnish the money were sold to Hopkins county.

To Coleman's gin at Seccury burned Saturday night. About two cars of seed also burned. There was \$2500 insurance in the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance company on the gin and \$200 on the seed.

Frank H. Burness, who has murdered four people, will die in the electric chair in New York. Burness calmly told of the four murders while on the witness stand, discussing them as if they had been ordinary business transactions.

Earnest Fulton, state and county tax collector of Galveston county, died Sunday night. He was 21 years of age and was first elected to his political position in 1898, having since then been re-elected to succeed himself.

A case of acute tetanus has been cured at a hospital in New York by the use of anti-toxin injected in large quantities. The patient was injured by a street car. His body was bent almost double when he was taken to the institution.

E. A. McElroy, of Hill county, made \$20,000 on his farm this year. Mr. McElroy began farming twenty years ago on the halves and has accumulated 1200 acres of land, besides gins, stock and money.

The Gin at Crisp, owned by Feagins and Sparkman, was destroyed by fire at 12 o'clock last night. No cotton was burned. The loss is estimated at \$3000, insured for \$2400. The cause of the fire is not known.

An employe of the Rio Bravo Oil company at Saratoga, who was shot several days ago, was brought to Saratoga Lake and sent to the hospital at Houston. Blood poisoning had set in, and the man is in a precarious condition.

The large barn of J. C. Harney at Oak Grove, six miles south of Bonita, was destroyed by fire, and with it fourteen head of horses and mules were burned to death. A large quantity of corn and hay and other feed were lost.

Fifteen Cent Cotton. Highest Price Since '75.

New York, Dec. 29.—Cotton in New York sold over 14c yesterday, the highest price of the season and higher than during any years since 1875. During the short crop of that year cotton sold at 17c in this city, and the highest price in the interval between 1875 and 1903 was 12 3/4-4 quoted during the speculative advance in 1890. Less than five years ago cotton in New York sold for 5 1/4-4 and in the South for less than 5c a pound. With New Orleans over 14 1/2-3c the advance in five years has been about 300 per cent. It is now estimated that the South will receive over \$700,000,000 for the sale of this year's cotton crop, or \$290,000,000 more than for any previous crop.

During the early afternoon a great many of the commission house traders who sold during the morning bought back the cotton, as prices failed to react. This buying lifted the market into new ground, with May and July selling at 14 3/8c, the pit becoming more excited on the advance with the very heavy trading. Buying of large blocks of stocks was the feature of transactions. New Orleans prices were higher than any reached during the morning and speculative buying by houses in control of the New Orleans market was reported to be a feature there.

The advance yesterday was accompanied by great excitement on the floor of the New York exchange, as few anticipated an advance, and many were short of the market. Liverpool started the whirl with a big advance, and this caused acute excitement in the local pit. Prices opened all the way from 25 to 50 points higher than the close last Thursday and for a while there was pandemonium on the floor. Buying and selling orders had accumulated over the holidays and brokers had the utmost difficulty in making trades. Tens of thousands of bales of cotton changed hands during the day and as a result of the high price tension was acute.

The rapid advance in Liverpool and New Orleans left local orders with but the one course to pursue and the demand for cotton was such to astonish the oldest traders in the business. A number of large lines of cotton were bought in on the advance by those who were unable to stand the rapid rise in prices.

In spite of the bear literature in circulation since cotton sold at 9 1/2-2c prices have advanced steadily until conservative traders are inclined to view the situation with some apprehension. With a price higher than for a quarter of a century, the consumption is being diminished and the relations between supply and demand rendered very uncertain. Prices have advanced 5c a pound in about two months, with practically no reaction. The market yesterday found just as much cotton wanted as at any time at this season, and with bull operators in control. Of all the principal markets prices were marked up easily.

An Italian land owner named Rocky Reibaldi is dead at Bowie from an accidental blow on the head from an ax in the hands of a fellow farmer. The two were chopping wood. While Reibaldi was stooping to pick up a stick of wood the ax wielded by his companion missed its mark and struck deceased.

Smallpox at Troupe. Tyler: Dr. D. H. Connelly, health officer, returned from the vicinity of Troupe where he went to look into the smallpox situation. Dr. Connelly states that seven white families have disease and several other families will take the disease as they have been exposed. At Garden Valley there are several cases reported among white families. There are no negroes in the county that are infected. The disease is said to be in a mild form.

Passing of Grandpa Mills. Dallas: W. H. Mills, aged 94 years, and familiarly known to his friends in Dallas county by the name of Grandpa Mills, was found dead Monday morning at the home of his son, R. J. Mills, west of Oak Cliff. The cause of his death was heart failure. Mr. Mills was a native of Kentucky, and came to Dallas about twelve years ago. The funeral took place at the West Dallas cemetery.

Tracklaying on the new railroad, the St. Louis, El Reno and Western, into El Reno, is progressing at a rapid rate and it will be only a few days until trains will be rolling into El Reno on that line.

At Purnella, in Coryell County, in a sort of a tree for all fight, George Spencer was shot and killed and Dick Dunlet seriously cut. Paul Grey and George Lewis were arrested.

The steamships leaving Puget Sound ports for the Orient are carrying hundreds of Chinese and Japanese passengers in the steerage apartments. The Japs are much more numerous in the crowds than the Chinks.

The statement of M. Bunsau-Varilla, the Panama Minister, that his Government is willing to assume a portion of the Colombian debt, has been received at the British embassy and transmitted by cable to the London Government for its consideration.

ROOM FULL OF EXPLOSIVE.

Socialist Strike Leader at San Antonio Loaded.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 29.—Frank Holcomb, secretary of striking Street Car Men's Union, and recent Socialist candidate for mayor, who stands indicted ten times for dynamiting a street car and for assault to murder eight passengers in the car, kept a diary of his doings. This diary has been turned over to the Grand Jury and brings to light a copy of a scathing arraignment of the late President McKinley, which he says he sent the Chief Executive on his deathbed in September, 1901.

Holcomb wrote to the lingering President: "The act of your assassin is no doubt the overflowing of a heart overturned with righteous indignation toward you, who are responsible for the untold misery, want, suffering and crime of this age, brought upon an innocent, unsuspecting people."

"If the law of Moses had been executed upon you, you would long since have been a nonentity, and although you may recover from this onslaught of offended justice, still man's conception of right demands your life."

In Holcomb's room was found a collection of pistols, dynamite, detonating caps and Socialistic literature. He and his cousin, also indicted for dynamiting a street car with passengers, were suspended from the union when these facts became public, and the street car strike, which has been on since October, was called off. In that time seven street cars have been wrecked by dynamite.

It Works the Same Way Up There.

Council Bluffs, Iowa: George Williams and Neely Zimmerman, two negroes charged with outraging Mesdames Sanders and Stark, Friday night, were held in jail awaiting action of the grand jury Monday night a mob of about 500 people gathered about the jail and demanded that they be turned over by the officers. The demand was refused. Until midnight the mob increased in numbers until there were at least 1000 men yelling and battering at the jail doors with clubs. Several times the police charged the mob, but they were unable to break it up. Just after midnight, argued with a bar of railroad iron, a dozen men commenced battering at the jail door. A dozen blows shattered it and a yell went up from the crowd. Congressman Smith, who arrived just at this time, managed to secure the attention of George Sanders, husband of one of the women assaulted, and urged him to go home and let the law take its course. Sanders listened and then started for home. After this the mob was finally dispersed.

Died at Eighty Years.

Waco: Judge Leonard McGhee, a resident of Waco for more than a quarter of a century, died Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, after an illness extending over a long period of time, aged eighty years. He was prominent in Baptist circles as long as his health continued good, and at one time was a trustee of Baylor university, being closely connected with the work of that institution. His children were all with him at the time of death.

TURNED IN TRIPPINGLY.

With cotton going at 12 to 14 cents very little will be left in the fields this year.

Ellis County farmers have bought many more fruit trees and vines this fall than ever before in one season.

At Kemp William Greenway's eleven-year-old son died Saturday from lockjaw caused by a wound from a toy pistol while celebrating Christmas.

The Minnesota Steel Works, property of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company, which was closed some time ago as a result of the coal strike, resumed operations Monday.

The secretary of the interior has instructed G. Matthews, United States geological surveyor, stationed at Lawton, to survey and make plans for a \$45,000 sewerage system for Lawton. Also to draw plans for \$8000 and \$14,000 school houses for Lawton, all to be paid for out of lot sale money.

A strike of gold at 130 feet in the Cheek well No. 1, five and a half miles east of Luling has shown up. Manager J. R. Cheek has sent samples of the gold to be assayed.

At Austin Adolph Toepferwein, with a Winchester rifle, has made a score of 1954 out of 5000 wooden blocks 1 3/4 by 1 7/8 inches thrown in the air. The marksman made a run of 1195 hits. The weather was unfavorable, the wind blowing in fitful gusts.

While Tom McAfee, of Sherman, was hunting in the Territory, he was accidentally shot in the leg with a Winchester ball. The wound is not serious.

A play has been produced in the Trinity German Lutheran church at Baltimore. It took the place of the usual Sunday night sermon and was written, staged and produced by the minister in charge of the church. The tone of the drama, which was in German, was highly religious.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

The Knox dry goods and shoe store was burned at Perry, Ok. Loss \$3200, partially insured.

A carload of 32,000 big Missouri turkeys were shipped to New York and netted about \$3.00 each, or \$100,000 for the load.

A. J. Parks of Greer County, Oklahoma, was killed by falling from a wagon, the wheels of which crushed his body.

Walter Dulaney, son of W. F. Dulaney of this city, died today at Itasca, N. Y., where he was attending Cornell University.

Muldoon McDonald, a well-known negro pugilist, was shot and killed in San Francisco Christmas day by another negro.

At Guthrie, Judge Hainer sentenced Rufus R. Connella, the bank president, to ten years' imprisonment at hard labor for forgery.

Los Angeles, Cal., had a severe earthquake shock Friday morning. People rushed from their houses, but no damage is reported.

The special session of the Oregon legislature convened in extraordinary session Monday for the purpose of revising the tax laws of the state.

Bart Baron, a 17-year-old boy, shot and killed his father, a miner, at Joplin, Mo., Christmas day, while protecting his mother from the dead man's furious attack.

Mrs. Ruth Miller Hoar, wife of Senator Hoar, died at Washington suddenly Wednesday night. She had been ailing some time, but had lately shown marked improvement.

At Bennington, Vt., Mrs. Mary Rogers was found guilty of murder in the first degree in the killing of her husband, Marcus H. Rogers, on August 12, 1902. The verdict carries the death penalty.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons has offered \$50,000 to the Chicago City Missionary society on condition that the money be used as a nucleus for a permanent endowment fund of \$150,000. Under the provisions of the offer the missionary Resolutions have been adopted by the chamber of commerce of Pensacola urging Representatives of Florida in congress to vote for the ratification of the Panama treaty.

Five persons were killed and the large power house of the St. Louis Transit company was wrecked by the explosion of a battery of seven boilers. Several street car lines were tied up for lack of power.

Commissioners say that the great Brooklyn bridge, opened to traffic in 1883, will have to be rebuilt at an early date, as repairs are costing more than the price of an entire new structure.

Lee Branway, a Chicago crank, who has been writing the threatening letters to different wealthy men demanding money, has walked into jail and will finally wind up in Joliet for a term.

In the district court at Alva, Ok., Mrs. Martha McGee was sentenced to seven years' hard labor in the penitentiary at Lansing, Kan., for horse stealing. Her career has been a long one. In Oklahoma's history, she was the fourth woman to be arrested on a charge of horse stealing.

While the 3-year-old daughter of Dan Baughman, near Roxton, was playing around a wash pot in the yard her dress caught fire. Before the flames could be extinguished she received burns believed to be fatal.

Ex-Gov. Isaac Sharp of Kansas died at Washington Friday, aged 71. He was a native of Pennsylvania, but went to Kansas in the early fifties, where as a Free Soiler, he played a prominent part in the Kansas-Missouri struggle.

The little 2-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Young of Chambersville, seven miles north of McKinney, while playing with a fork, which penetrated a jugular vein, from which it died shortly afterward.

The Iowa Indians are demanding the several thousand dollars from which they ran away about thirty years ago. A few days before the money arrived for them on the Kansas-Nebraska line, most of them departed from the Indian Territory.

Sanguinary conflicts between Persians and Turcomans are reported to have occurred on the Russo-Persian frontier. The trouble arose over the establishment of Persian custom houses.

Yale University has tendered to the Connecticut examiners of embalmers the use of a lecture hall to hold a "school of embalming." This is said to be the first attempt to provide free lectures on the subject.

The three main departments of the Illinois Steel Company are now idle, the converter and blast mills having been ordered to close Monday. The roll mills closed several days ago. About 1500 men are affected.

Notices were posted at the Colorado Fuel and Iron Works, Pueblo, that when the works resume, which probably will be within a few days, it will be at a reduction of 10 per cent in wages of the main body of the skilled labor.

Morgan Williams of Pueblo and Andy Wash of Montreal fought ten rounds to a draw before the Rover club at Pueblo a few nights since. Old "rounders" say it was the prettiest boxing match ever pulled off in Pueblo.

THE TREES.

I was once a Dryad, long ago; In the trees I love I held my house. Then I read the writings on the stems, Then I understood the singing boughs. Still, because I was a Dryad once, Is for me the leaves' song half revealed; Still my spirit hears the forest prayers, Naught I knew of sorrow, naught of fear; For the gladness that my heart knew there Still I hold the singing branches dear. Ethel Clifford.



JIM WAINWRIGHT'S KID

BY JOHN A. HILL PART ONE.

As I put down my name and the number of the crack engine of America—as well as the imprint of a greasy thumb—on the register of our round house last Saturday night, the foreman borrowed a chew of my fireman's fine-cut and said to me: "John, that old feller that's putting on the new injectors wants to see you."

"What does he want, Jack?" said I. "Why, he says he knowed you out West fifteen years ago."

"So? What kind o' looking chap is he?" "Youngish face, John; but his hair and whiskers as white as snow. Sorry-looking rooster—seems like he's lost all his friends on earth, and wa'n't jest sure where to find 'em in the next world."

"I can't imagine who it would be. What's his name?" "Winthrop—no, Wetherson—no, lemme see—why, no, no, Wainwright; that's it, Wainwright; J. E. Wainwright."

"Jim Wainwright!" says I. "Jim Wainwright! I haven't heard of a name of him for years—thought he was dead; but he's a young fellow compared to me."

"Well, he don't look it," said Jack. After supper I went up to the hotel and asked for J. E. Wainwright. Maybe you think Jim and I didn't go over the history of the "front."

"Out at the front" is the pioneer's ideal of railroad life. I guess we started at the lowest numbered engine on the road, and gossiped about each and every crew. We had finished the list of engineers and had fairly started on the firemen when a thought struck me, and I said:

"Oh, I forgot, Jim—the 'Kid,' your cheery little cricketer of a firey, who thought Jim Wainwright the only man on the road that could run an engine right. I remember he wouldn't take a job running switcher—said a man that didn't know that firing for Jim Wainwright was a better job than running was crazy. What's become of him? Running, I suppose?"

Jim Wainwright put his hand up to his eyes for a minute and his voice was a little husky as he said: "No, John, the 'Kid' went away—"

"Went across the Great Divide—"

"That's tough," said I, for I saw that Jim felt bad. "The 'Kid' and you were like two brothers."

"John, I loved the 'Kid.' When Jim broke down, he got his hat and coat and said: 'John, let's get out into the air—I feel all choked up here, and I'll tell you a strange, true story—the 'Kid's' story.' As we got out of the crowd and into

"That's tough," said I, for I saw Jim felt bad. Boston Common Jim told his story, and here it is, just as I remember it—and I'm not bad at remembering. "I'll commence at the beginning, John, so that you will understand. It's a strange story, but when I get through you'll recall enough yourself to prove its truth. "Before I went beyond the Mississippi and under the shadows of the Rock Mountains, I fired, and was promoted on a prairie road in the Great Basin, well known in the railway world. I was much like the rest of the boys until I commenced to try to get up a substitute for the link motion. I read an article in a scientific paper from the pen of a jackass who showed a Corliss engine card, and I was blackguarded the railroad me-

her drawing board as we approached, shook hands cordially when introduced, and at once entered into an intelligent discussion of the plans of the new record breaker.

"Well, it was some months before the engine was ready for the road and in that time I got pretty well acquainted with Miss Reynolds. She was mighty plain, but sharp as a buzz-saw. I don't think she was really homely, but she'd never have been arrested for her beauty. There was something 'fetching' about her appearance—you couldn't help liking her. She was intelligent, and it was such a novelty to find a woman who knew the smokstack from the steam-chest. I didn't fall in love with her at all, but I liked to talk to her over the work. One day, when the engine was nearly ready, she said to me:

"Mr. Wainwright, who is going to fire the Experiment?" "I don't know. I had forgot about that; I'll have to see about it."

"It wouldn't be of much use to get an experienced man, would it—the engine will burn a new fuel in a new way?" "No," said I, "not much."

"Now," she said, coloring a little, "let me ask a favor of you. I have a brother who is just crazy to go out firing. I don't want him to go unless it's with a man I can trust; he's young and inexperienced, you know. Won't you take him? Please do."

"Why, I'll be glad to," said I. "I'll speak to the old man about it."

A MYSTERY OF INDIA.

Orders from No One Knows Where Obeyed to the Letter. Things sometimes happen in India which puzzle even those who have made a life-long study of Indian matters. Tree-daubing and well-poisoning are well known, and a very remarkable movement, which has lately been taking place in Behar, must be added to the list.

A strange order was circulated some weeks back in the district that for the space of 2 1/2 days sons should not look on their fathers, nor fathers on their sons, and that if the order were disobeyed the time would be extended to 2 1/2 months.

Only Hindus were affected, and even they could not, or would not, say whence the order emanated. "Thousands of individuals immediately left their villages, to the serious detriment of local business."

It all seems very funny and childish, but those who know India well seldom treat such incidents lightly. For these queer "waves of underground excitement" indicate that there are millions in India still who can be swayed by mysterious agencies over which even a government such as ours has no control, and to which it can sometimes find no sort of clew.—King.

LATEST FASHION IN DOGS.

London Women Paying Extravagant Prices for Little Pets.

The fashion in dogs changes so quickly nowadays that it is difficult to know what articles are "in." Ladies are the chief movers in the matter of canine modes, and the proverbial feminine fickleness causes much trouble to the dog dealers, who are suddenly called upon to supply an unexpected demand for some hitherto neglected breed.

A short time ago, for instance, Japanese pugs were all the rage; before then the ugly little Belgian scruffs, chows and schipperkes. Now it has been rumored that the fashion of Charles II's time of carrying "arm dogs," which has been revived by one of the leading London actresses, will create a new demand for miniature species.

One novelty is the Cuban poodle, a tiny dog about the size of a small toy terrier, but with the characteristics of a poodle and shaved as such.

It is scarcely likely that the Cuban poodle will become fashionable for some time yet, as there are only a few specimens of the breed in England.—London Mail.

A Man of Many Titles.

Perhaps no nobleman in the world owns a greater collection of titles than the Duke of Hamilton, premier peer of Scotland.

He is thrice a duke—Duke of Hamilton in Scotland, Duke of Brandon in England, and Duke of Chateaufort in France—and thrice a marquis, of Hamilton, of Douglas, and of Clydesdale.

As an earl he only owns two titles, those of Angus and Arran; but as a baron he holds no fewer than seven—the baronies of Aven, Polmont, Machanshire, Inverdale, Abernethy, Jedburgh Forest and Dutton.

The Duke is the head of the Douglas family, so famous in Scottish history. He has never done anything remarkable. He served in the British navy, but never rose beyond the rank of lieutenant.

Ready for His Fate.

Marcellus Hartley Dodge, who has given \$300,000 to Columbia university, was president of the class of '93. One of his classmates said the other day that Mr. Dodge had been a capable and conscientious student.

"I remember, though," he went on, "a day when we had a singularly hard recitation in geometry. Before a certain difficult proposition student after student was stumped. The instructor said to each of them in turn: "Very poor, indeed, sir. Come and see me at the end of the hour."

"Finally this very difficult proposition reached young Dodge. He rose, bowed to the instructor, and said gravely: "I will come and see you, sir, at the end of the hour."

Trampling Rebellious Spirits.

Should a Korean girl die before marriage her life has been a failure, since she has never been under the rule of a "lord of creation." Were she to be buried in the family cemetery on the hillside her unruly spirit would cause trouble among the ancestors, so a hole is dug in one of the great highways and her remains are deposited therein without ceremony. It is believed that as travelers pass day by day over the grave they will trample her unruly spirit into subjection.

