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FEARFUL DAMAGE BY CYCLONE TO LIFE AND PROPERTY NEAR KIRKLAND

Saturday morning about 11 o'clock the worst storm ever in this county originated about the northwest part of Cottle county and crossed the southeast corner of Childress county, traveling from southwest to northeast and leaving death and destruction in its path. So far as known, the total death list in Texas is five: Mrs. D. E. Kennedy, four of the Kemp family, including father, mother and two children, one six years and the other a baby two months old. Other members of this family are injured, one perhaps fatally. These were killed by falling timbers of their home, which was torn into kindling wood. The bodies were buried in the Kirkland cemetery, the four members of the Kemp family being laid away in same grave.

Where the storm crossed the Denver road 3 miles east of Kirkland, 7 or 8 freight cars were blown from the track and rolled over into the public road quite a distance. A crew of concrete workers' who had taken refuge in the cars, were badly banged up by being rolled about in the cars like rats in a barrel. All were more or less bruised but two were sent to Fort Worth on passenger train No. 2, which would have been in the path of the storm except for the fact that it was about ten minutes late.

From the most reliable information it seems that this storm destroyed between 40 and 50 homes on the Texas side of Red River and reports indicate that it continued its mission of destruction for hundreds of miles into Oklahoma, some reports giving the loss of life in that state as high as 30.

At many of the homes the wind blew feathers from the chickens and left them as bare as if they had been picked. The lumber in some homes was twisted into splinters and in places these splinters were driven into the ground with terrific force.

The storm was easily discerned as one of a dangerous character and many saved their lives by going into cellars. One man had put his family into his cellar and was trying to shut the door when the tornado struck him and crushed him on top of the door where he stayed unhurt and watched his house as it was picked up and literally destroyed. Ben Clark, rural mail carrier, was blown against a telegraph pole breaking his leg and otherwise badly injuring him; his wagon was torn up.—Childress Post.

Swat the flies!

RELIEF COMMITTEE AT WORK HELPING STORM SUFFERERS

D. D. Billings of Kirkland, one of the relief committee, was in Hedley Wednesday. He said at least 40 families are homeless, every head of their stock killed, every bit of food and clothing is gone; and every piece of farming tools absolutely gone; and they must have relief.

Rev. Bryant was chosen as the man from this place to receive anything farmers can use that Hedley and community may give and he will send it to Kirkland. The F. W. & D. C. will carry anything to the sufferers free of charge. Our citizens should respond liberally, as it is a worthy cause, and one we may be in the same predicament at some time. Whatever you have to donate Rev. Bryant will send to them.

ANOTHER STORM SATURDAY NIGHT

The people of this community hunted storm cellars Saturday night as there seemed to be a storm somewhere near. It was at Dodsonville, Collingsworth county. Efton Wilkes, merchant of that town, while driving was hurt. A building blew over and killed his horse, smashed his buggy and hurt him seriously.

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

All persons having relatives or friends buried in the Rowe Cemetery are requested to meet at the cemetery on May 18 at 2:30 p. m. for the identifying and paying for said lots. All parts of lots unoccupied and not paid for within a reasonable time will be sold to anyone desiring the same. The cemetery has been plotted and placed on record.

A. A. Beedy,
Hugh Brown,
W. T. White,
Trustees.

WILD PLUMS DESTROYED BY PEST

Rev. Long says the caterpillars have almost destroyed the wild plum crop for this year. They have eaten every green bud and leaf as well, leaving the trees like in dead of winter. He thinks in a few more days the entire crop of plums will be destroyed. Usually the plum crop here is immense, and being of splendid flavor, make fine fruit for canning, preserving, etc., and will be greatly missed this year.

BAPTIST FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Rev. Hembree announces that The Baptist Fifth Sunday meeting will held in Hedley in June. This will be for four counties, Donley, Hall, Childress and Collingsworth, and it will require 100 to 150 homes for the visiting Baptist at that time. So let all Hedley and community begin now to plan for the comfort and entertainment of the guests at that time. Let every home be thrown wide open to them. A mighty good way to get our town boosted is to treat visitors at these meetings so they'll want to come again.

MENDENHALL-BATTLE

Last Sunday at 4 o'clock p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Battle in Hedley occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lurline, to Mr. David Mendenhall, Rev. G. H. Bryant officiating. The wedding was witnessed by only a few relatives and friends, and shortly after the ceremony the young couple left for their new home northeast of town which the groom had furnished for his bride. The young couple are splendid people and have the best wishes of their friends whom they number by every acquaintance.

LECTURE IS GOOD

Rev. Reynolds lectured at the church on Catholicism Monday night. He spoke of many interesting things and showed he had studied the subject.

HEDLEY LANDS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Hedley was selected as the next place of meeting of the Clarendon District Conference, at its session at Claude last week. Rev. G. H. Bryant, Messrs. Dyer, Battle, Naylor, Willis and Wells went to the conference prepared to bring it to Hedley for next year. After a hard contest by several towns' representatives all contestants finally withdrew in favor of Hedley, and made it unanimous for Hedley. This conference embraces territory from Wellington to Claude, and from Memphis to Canadian, and means that from 100 to 150 ministers and laymen will come at that time, and they can do a lot of advertising Hedley provided they are shown a good time while here.

KING-WEST

About 7 o'clock p. m. Wednesday at the Methodist parsonage, in the presence of only a few witnesses, occurred the wedding of Mr. Jesse B. King of Memphis to Miss Lida West, Rev. G. H. Bryant officiating. The groom is a popular young man and the bride is an accomplished and charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. West of near Hedley. The Informer wishes them a happy and prosperous life.

Mr. and Mrs. King departed Thursday morning for Memphis their future home.

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The Texas Welfare Commission will consider the subject of compensation to employees for casualties occurring in course of employment and Tom Finty, Jr., of Dallas, is chairman of the committee having the subject under consideration.

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RING

We had a nice shower Saturday night, which was welcomed by everybody.

Rev. Reynolds of Hedley preached at the school house Sunday at 11. He lectured Sunday night on Roman Catholicism.

J. P. Montgomery of Lakeview was up this week looking after his cattle.

Sy Richardson has moved his cattle where they could get some grass.

Mrs. A. C. Arnold has been confined to her bed for several days but is able to be up now.

Farmers are busy planting corn and maize and listing land.

The fruit prospect is fine.

E. P. Crow went to Memphis Friday and returned via Hedley Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry were in Hedley Saturday tarding.

Mr. Forshee is putting up a new windmill.

Miss Dona Arnold visited friends in the Quail community last week.

AN OBSERVER.

W. NIPPERT RESIGNS STATION AGENT-SHIP

W. Nippert resigned from the position of station agent at Hedley and Mr. Pyle (who is a son of Prof. Pyle formerly a teacher here) came Tuesday to take the place. Mr. Nippert has been agent here for several years and wanted to embark in another line of business, hence his resignation.

W. H. M. S.

Met with Mrs. A. M. Sarvis April 29. After scripture reading and prayer we had a lesson on foreign work, which was very interesting. The next meeting of the society will be with Mrs. Frank Kendall May 6.

Roll call.

Report of calls on sick and strangers.

Scripture lesson: Matt. 5: 43-48.

Mrs. Sarvis.

Sentence paper.

Open discussion, "Impossible Perfection."

Reading of the minutes.

Woman's Work in Mexico.—Mrs. Dishman.

A Fair Attitude Toward the Negro.—Mrs. Kendall.

Opportunities for Service Among the Negroes.—Mrs. Wood.

Picture of a Transformed Life.—Mrs. Yelton.

Tribute to Missionary Workers at Home and in Foreign Lands.—Mrs. Bryant.

CLUB MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

L. A. Stroud, chairman of Hedley Commercial Club, calls a meeting for Monday night and urges every citizen of the town to be present as there will be many interesting business matters before the club.

BAND BOYS RECEIVE INSTRUMENTS

The Hedley band boys received their new instruments Tuesday and Prof. James was with them that night giving lesson number one. The welkin rings with many discordant notes since then, but there's time and room for improvement.

BOLLIES ABOUT ALL GINNED

The Hedley gin wound up its big supply of storage cotton and bollies this week. The gin may run Saturday to finish up the crops of some of the farmers. This is a record never before made in this country. May first when the crop of the year is finished. The gin will be worked over and will be practically two new gins in one. Another boiler is being unloaded for the gin people.

SECOND SUNDAY TO BE RALLY DAY

All persons interested in the spiritual welfare of Hedley are urged to be present at the church Sunday May 12. Let all, who can possibly do so, attend and help to make it a great rally day.

G. H. Bryant, Pastor.

THE INFORMER HONOR ROLL

Frank Clark.
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J. O. Adamson.
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B. D. Baird.
W. A. Seright.
J. S. Hall.
W. E. Whitfield, Lella Lake.
G. T. Adams,
H. O. Pope, Claude.
John Waldron, McLean.
T. W. Webster, Anna, Texas.
B. E. Harris, San Angelo.
Mrs. Cora Lynn, Hickory Okla.
C. L. Pettit to W. H. Wilson, Woodbine, Tex.

D. Curd and wife were in town trading Wednesday.

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The spring girl is about ready to make her bow.

Milliners say that the size of women's hats will be smaller this spring. But what about the bills?

The war between the hobble skirt and the high cut step goes on in many cities with varying results.

The weather man should realize that anticipation is nearly as bad as realization and let up on it.

The firecracker trust in China can be trusted to make the republic's independence a day a noisy holiday.

An oculist tells us that alcohol hurts the eyesight, and yet we have known it to make men see double.

Burglars in Gary, Ind., stole a horse the other night. Next thing we know they will kidnap the village lockup.

The woman who is dazzling eastern society by wearing diamonds on her slippers is certainly well heeled.

Hens can be taught to talk, according to a Washington scientist, but what we want is less talk and more eggs.

Fighting a duel with wax bullets is a noble sport, but why not use perfume sprays and make it all the rage in Paris?

A New Jersey man has been sent to jail for stealing a loaf of bread, but think of all the advertising he is getting out of it.

Football rules have been changed again, but up to date no step has been taken to equip the rooters with Maxim silencers.

A doctor tells us that anger generates sugar in the blood, and yet we have often met amiable men with sweet dispositions.

A Missouri court has granted a woman \$2 for the loss of her husband's affections. The husband probably feels flattered.

Every wedding is declared to be a culmination of a romance. It is useless to try to change the pet phrases of the newspaper man.

An Austrian archduke is to visit New York during the coming summer. More trouble for those on the outer fringe of the Four Hundred.

The Japanese ambassador tells us that the world is at peace. Aside from the fact that there are a few wars in progress, he is right.

With the per capita money of the country down to \$34.61, a good many people will have to be content with their last year's automobiles.

A woman writer tells us that chewing gum steadies the nerves, but it is more than likely that she derives more money from chewing the rag.

A family of six has lived for three months on \$2 a week, says a Boston paper. It is easier to guess what they didn't have to eat than what they did.

One of the most cheerful aspects of the Chinese situation is the regularity with which Wu Ting Fang lands a big job with each change of administration.

A Yale professor rises to remark that "it is a waste of time to presume that all be gets over and above that amount is turned back into the Yale treasury."

Wearing jewels in the heel is said to be gaining popularity, but only among high steppers.

The race on higher education is expensive. Yale is building this year a \$700,000 stadium.

All musical instruments are denounced as immoral by a New Jersey minister. We would be pleased to have him tell us what harm a bass drum ever did.

Another prophet comes to the front with the prediction that the world will end in the year 4237. We hereby indite a message of sympathy to the citizens of 4237.

A New Jersey woman has been brought into court for carrying a revolver. It won't do to permit the women to take their leap year privilege too seriously.

A Pennsylvania Enoch Arden on his reappearance was promptly sent to jail. This course followed, as a rule, might tend largely to decrease these poetic resurrections.

A set of fanatical Russian women tried to crucify a man whom they had adopted as their "savior." As he called the police we take it that he was merely willing to live, not die the part.

The New York surrogate has refused to upset the will of a rich spinster who believed that her cat was a reasoning being and possessed a soul. An old established belief of that sort, dating back to the days of ancient Egypt, is surely entitled to some respect.

Labor's Victory

Secure Work Day of but Eight Hours

By P. J. FLANNERY

ONE thing at a time. When the eight-hour workday has been extended more generally to those industries throughout the country which have succeeded thus far in obtaining only the nine-hour day, and on the whole, have reason to congratulate themselves upon this measure of success, it may be reasonable to consider whether the eight-hour day marks the limit to labor's aspiration in this direction.

In the industry represented by the international union of interior freight handlers and railway clerks the nine-hour day has been quite generally established. It is felt that this marks a distinct triumph of organized effort, and while of course it is recognized that the eight-hour day in this, as in every other industry, is the ideal toward which organization must constantly strive, those of us who have just entered into the enjoyment of a nine-hour day have hardly begun to agitate for less than eight hours.

The irresistible tendency in every industry like our own is toward the acquiescence by the employer in the eight-hour plan. Under a system of ten-hour shifts or of nine-hour shifts there is left out of the twenty-four hours a period of four or six hours for which there is some difficulty in providing. With the twenty-four-hour day divided into eight-hour shifts there is an equal division into three parts, which is found most convenient to regulate and maintain.

The employer has found also that he can get at least as much and as good work out of the eight-hour man under ordinary conditions, as under the old system he could get out of the ten-hour man.

The agitation for a reasonably shorter work day, it may fairly be said, has been conducted by organized labor with prudence as well as zeal. Certain industries have been fortunate enough to secure shorter work days sooner than others, and those in which the eight-hour day has been established permanently may be expected to devote more of their energy to assisting the nine-hour industries in the effort to obtain the eight-hour day before concentrating all their efforts on a still shorter work day for themselves.

I believe that it will be some time before there will be anything like a general demand for a work day of less than eight hours, although labor will strive to obtain the Saturday half-holiday, which, in practice, will amount to a substantial reduction of the week's schedule.

P. J. Flannery

Useful Birds Should Not Be Killed

By D. Webster Groh

Our pretty, sweet-singing, useful native birds are being rapidly exterminated by improved, long-range, rapid-fire, breech-loading, cartridge-charged, repeating guns, used by thoughtless, reckless boys, ex-convicts and penitentiary candidates, who, uninvited and forbidden, now daily swarm, trespassing over the farmers' fields in numerous gangs, shooting also the farmers' tame pigeons, guineas and other poultry, and sometimes his horses, cattle, hogs and other stock, and occasionally even him, his family or themselves.

Game laws should prohibit minors, ex-convicts and irresponsible people generally from carrying guns anywhere except on their own premises, unless they first obtain the property-owner's written consent to hunt there.

The murderous butchery of innocent, useful birds and animals through so-called "sport," tends to brutalize the "sportsman," until he disregards the rights of his fellow-men and invades their premises as ruthlessly as he slaughters the game.

Increasing intelligence, civilization and progress must eliminate barbarous hunting.

Worry Is True Cause of Many Break Downs

By Frank Crane

One of the bugaboos of the intellectual life is overwork.

I have lived some time and observed quite a number of folks, and never in my life did I know of a case of breakdown that I believed to be due to overworking the brain.

One young man I remember who went to school with me. He was a brilliant student. When he went to pieces, a nervous wreck, everybody, and particularly his mother, attributed it naturally to overstudy. I knew better. He had sat up regularly till very late smoking innumerable stogies and had begun every day with a big cup, twice the size of an ordinary cup, of strong coffee.

The fact is, the human mind is like the old oaken bucket that hung in the well: when it gets full it runs over. It will hold so much only, is capable of only so much power of attention and retention. When you go beyond that limit it simply quits. Further effort is useless.

It is worry and not work that kills. Overeating and overdrinking are the real criminals hiding behind overstudy. Be healthy, temperate and cheerful and you can work till you drop—and then sleep.

Benefits of Little Windward Anchor Fund

By A. HITCHCOCK

Did you ever hear of a "windward" anchor fund? Neither did we until we established one ourselves and so named it.

You see, we had never been able to save money, perhaps because we had never been able to visualize, so to speak, the benefits to be derived therefrom.

But the time arrived when it was desirable and possible to save and we selected a receptacle—a teapot—and determined to drop twenty cents a day into it.

This constitutes the fund, but what makes it easier to drop in the dimes is a pretty definite picture—in our minds—of a cute little abandoned farm among the New Hampshire hills.

When we get \$3 or \$4 worth of dimes in the teapot we take the contents down to the savings bank and get a little higher interest. Or maybe we shall buy a bond.

Anyway we have the teapot waiting for its dimes, then there is the savings account and, lastly, a definite something worth while to save for.

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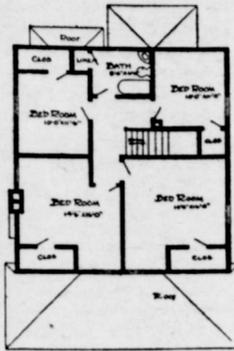
Some general observations on home building will not be out of place for the benefit of the intending builder, before describing the plan shown in this connection. The long-felt want for an artistically expressed and conveniently arranged small house is being filled. The man with \$2,500 to \$5,000 which he wants to put into a house can now have a cottage which will, in design and plan, express his individuality. And it is true that the house should reflect the taste of its owner or occupant.

Home builders have come to realize that a house should possess individuality without being freakish. The hammer and saw square box of a house, or the frightful creation with eaves extending out barely six inches never sells, let alone being a place for habitation. Architects as a rule are putting forth their best efforts in the line of designing houses that will be artistic and beautiful to look upon. The architect realizes that first of all the plan must be arranged to meet the needs of the family.

The court of last resort in the planning of a house should not be the architect, should not be the man of the house. The final dictum must be given and is given in most cases by the wife and mother. And provided what she wants is within the bounds of architectural limits let her have it, for she is there the whole living day and ought to have the last say, as she will have anyway. Another thing, the design will be influenced by the site the building is to occupy. These points decided, the restric-

the other windows. In placing windows and doors in a room see that sufficient wall space is left for the furniture. Many a room has been built in which space could not be found for a bed. Have all the floors and stair treads of hardwood if possible. They cost less than soft wood and carpets and from every standpoint of health, beauty, service and economy in time of labor and housekeeping are far superior. Oak and maple make the best floors, but hard comb-grain pine floors are quite presentable if the better ones are not obtainable.

Now, as to the design of the house shown here. In size it is thirty feet, six inches wide and thirty-four feet



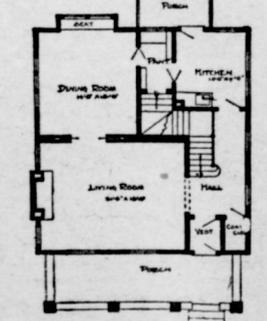
Second Floor Plan.

six inches long, exclusive of porches. This house is planned for finish in cement stucco. A wide porch with massive pillars extends across the front. This itself is a feature and affords relief from the familiar porch columns one sees on every hand. Massiveness is the impression the porch



tions lie only in the materials to be used and the amount of money to be spent. It is safe to use the materials found in the immediate vicinity. They will harmonize with the landscape better. A brick house is as much out of place in the woods as a log bungalow would be on a city boulevard. Most houses are the result of years of thought and study, and one of the chief factors to be considered is the site itself.

There should be a generous living room placed so that it will have the benefit of the afternoon sun if possible. A dining-room is well placed if



First Floor Plan.

It has a good eastern exposure. The placing of windows in groups of two or three or more gives a pleasing appearance to the side walls which form centers of interest that attract the eye. Casement windows are cheaper than the double hung sash, give twice the ventilating area, and are very attractive with their small square or diamond panes, which suggest protection to the inmates from the inclement weather without. Casement windows should be made to open out. Windows should always be placed in two sides of a room to furnish ventilation, if possible.

The kitchen and pantry windows should be higher from the floor than

gives. And the outside chimney gives a hint of the great fireplace within and tells its own story of the cheery rooms of the house. Entrance is had into a good-sized hall from which the living room is twenty-one feet long and fifteen feet six inches wide. The dining-room back of the living-room is fourteen feet wide and fifteen feet long. This room has a window seat. The kitchen is accessible to the dining-room through a pantry of ample size. On the second floor are four bedrooms, each provided with a clothes closet and a bathroom.

The estimated cost of this fine house is \$3,500.

Value of Electrifying Tobacco.

An interesting experiment has been made by a German scientist in connection with the discovery of the value of electrifying tobacco as a means of insuring its flavor and keeping qualities. The flavor of tobacco is said to be largely due to the peculiar fungus or "bacterial flora" with which each variety is associated, and electricity kills the fungus, and electricity kills the flavor. This German scientist has taken the peculiar mold, or fungus, of the best Havana tobacco and transferred it to the more coarsely flavored Bavarian tobacco, and it is claimed that good judges could not distinguish the Havana from the Bavarian. Whether the effect is quite so thorough may be doubted, but much is being learned of the mysterious properties of molds.

Wild Oats.

It is unfortunate that an opinion prevails in the public mind that every man must sow his wild oats. It is equally unfortunate that many men who fall to sow the seeds of folly in their youth insist on going bad at an age that should be filled with honor. The whole proposition is absurd. A man may sow wild oats in his youth and become a comparatively good man when he finally settles down to the business of living; but the bird with the broken wing can never make the flight of the bird that has never fallen.—Los Angeles Times.

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BURNING DAYLIGHT

By JACK LONDON

AUTHOR OF "THE CALL OF THE WILD,"
"WHITE FANG," "MARTIN EDEN," ETC.

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SYNOPSIS.

Elam Harnish, known all through Alaska as "Burning Daylight," celebrates his 30th birthday with a crowd of miners at the Circle City Tivoli. The dance leads to heavy gambling, in which over \$100,000 is staked. Harnish loses his money and his mine but wins the mail contract. He starts on his mail trip with dogs and sleds, telling his friends that he will be in the big Yukon gold strike at the start. Burning Daylight makes a sensational rapid run across country with the mail, appears at the Tivoli and is now ready to join his friends in a dash to the new gold fields. Deciding that gold will be found in the up-river district Harnish buys two tons of flour, which he declares will be worth its weight in gold, but when he arrives with his flour he finds the big flat desolate. A comrade discovers gold and Daylight reaps a rich harvest. He goes to Dawson, becomes the most prominent figure in the Klondike and defeats a combination of capitalists in a vast mining deal. He returns to civilization, and amid the bewildering complications of high finance, Daylight finds that he has been led to invest his eleven millions in a manipulated scheme. He goes to New York, and confronting his disloyal partners with a revolver, he threatens to kill them if his money is not returned. They are cowed, return their stealings and Harnish goes back to San Francisco where he meets his fate in Dede Mason, a pretty stenographer. He makes large investments and gets into the political ring. For a rest he goes to the country. Daylight gets deeper into high finance in San Francisco, but often the longing for the simple life nearly overcomes him. Dede Mason buys a horse and Daylight meets her in her saddle trips. One day he asks Dede to go with him on one more ride, his purpose being to ask her to marry him and they canter away, she trying to analyze her feelings. Dede tells Daylight that her happiness could not be with a money manipulator. Daylight undertakes to build up a great industrial community.

CHAPTER XVII.—Continued.

She led the way through the door opening out of the hall to the right, and, once inside, he stood awkwardly rooted to the floor, gazing about him and at her and all the time trying not to gaze. In his perturbation he failed to hear and see her invitation to a seat.

"Won't you sit down?" she repeated. "Look here," he said, in a voice that shook with passion, "there's one thing I won't do, and that's propose to you in the office. That's why I'm here. Dede Mason, I want you, I just want you."

So precipitate was he, that she had barely time to cry out her involuntary alarm and to step back, at the same time catching one of his hands as he attempted to gather her into his arms.

"Oh, I know I'm a sure enough fool," he said. "I—I guess I'll sit down. Don't be scared, Miss Mason. I'm not real dangerous."

"I'm not afraid," she answered, with a smile, slipping down herself into a chair.

"It's funny," Daylight sighed, almost with regret; "here I am, strong enough to bend you around and the knots in you. Here I am, used to having my will with man, beast or anything. And here I am sitting in this chair, as weak and helpless as a little lamb. You sure take the starch out of me."

"I—I wish you hadn't asked," she said softly. "Maybe it's best you should know a few things before you give me an answer," he went on, ignoring the fact that the answer had already been given. "I never went after a woman before in my life, all reports to the



His Arms Went About Her and Held Her Closely.

contrary notwithstanding. The stuff you read about me in the papers and books, about me being a lady-killer, is all wrong. There's not an iota of truth in it. I guess I've done more than my share of card-playing and whisky-drinking, but women I've let alone. There was a woman that killed herself, but I didn't know she wanted me that had or else I'd have married her—not for love, but to keep her from killing herself. She was the best of the billing, but I never gave her any encouragement. I'm telling you all this because you've read about it, and I want you to get it straight from me."

"I can't marry you," she said. "I like you a great deal, but—"

He waited a moment for her to complete the sentence, falling which, he went on himself.

"I haven't an exaggerated opinion of myself, so I know I ain't bragging when I say I'll make a pretty good husband. You could follow your own sweet will, and nothing would be too good for you. I'd give you everything your heart desired—"

"Except yourself," she interrupted suddenly, almost sharply. "Don't you see?" she hurried on. "I could have far easier married the Elam Harnish fresh from Klondike when I first laid eyes on him long ago, than marry you sitting before me now."

He shook his head slowly. "That's one too many for me. The more you know and like a man the less you want to marry him. Familiarity breeds contempt—I guess that's what you mean."

"No, no," she cried, but before she could continue, a knock came on the door. His eyes, quick with observation like an Indian's, darted about the room while she was out. The impression of warmth and comfort and beauty predominated, though he was unable to analyze it; while the simplicity delighted him—expensive simplicity, he decided, and most of it left-overs from the time her father went broke and died.

She re-entered the room, and as she crossed it to her chair, he admired the way she walked, while the bronze slippers were maddening.

"I'd like to ask you several questions," he began immediately. "Are you thinking of marrying somebody else?"

"There isn't anybody else. I don't know anybody I like well enough to marry. For that matter, I don't think I am a marrying woman. Office work seems to spoil me for that."

"It strikes me that you're the most marryingest woman that ever made a man sit up and take notice. And now another question. You see, I've just got to locate the lay of the land. Is there anybody you like as much as you like me?"

But Dede had herself well in hand. "That's unfair," she said. "And if you stop and consider, you will find that you are doing the very thing you disclaimed—namely, nagging. I refuse to answer any more of your questions. Let us talk about other things. How is Bob?"

Half an hour later, whirling along through the rain on Telegraph Avenue toward Oakland, Daylight smoked one of his brown-paper cigarettes and reviewed what had taken place. It was not at all bad, was his summing up, though there was much about it that was baffling. There was that liking him the more she knew him and at the same time wanting to marry him less. That was a puzzler.

Once again, on a rainy Sunday, weeks afterward, Daylight proposed to Dede. As on the first time, he restrained himself until his hunger for her overwhelmed him and swept him away in his red automobile to Berkeley. He left the machine several blocks away and proceeded to the house on foot. But Dede was out, the landlady's daughter told him, and added, on second thought, that she was walking in the hills. Furthermore, the young lady directed him where Dede's walk was most likely to extend. Daylight obeyed the girl's instructions, and soon the street he followed passed the last house and itself ceased where began the first steep slopes of the open hills. The air was damp with the on-coming of rain, for the storm had not yet burst, though the rising wind proclaimed its imminence. As far as he could see, there was no sign of Dede on the smooth, grassy hills. To the right, dipping down into a hollow and rising again, was a large, full-grown eucalyptus grove. Here all was noise and movement, the lofty, slender-trunked trees swaying back and forth in the wind and clashing their branches together. In the squalls, above all the minor noises of creaking and groaning, arose a deep thrumming note as of a mighty harp. Knowing Dede as he did, Daylight was confident that he would find her somewhere in this grove where the storm effects were so pronounced. And find her he did, across the hollow and on the exposed crest of the opposing slope where the gale smote its fiercest blows.

"It's the same old thing," he said. "I want you and I've come for you. You've just got to have me, Dede, for the more I think about it the more certain I am that you've got a sneaking liking for me that's something more than just ordinary liking. And you don't dast say that it isn't; now dast you?"

"Please, please," she begged. "We can never marry, so don't let us discuss it."

Daylight decided that action was more efficient than speech. So he stepped between her and the wind and drew her so that she stood close in the shelter of him. An unusually stiff squall blew about them and

thrummed overhead in the tree-tops, and both paused to listen. A shower of flying leaves enveloped them, and hard on the heel of the wind came driving drops of rain. He looked down on her and on her hair, wind-blown about her face; and because of her closeness to him and of a fresher and more poignant realization of what she meant to him, he trembled so that she was aware of it in the hand that held hers. She suddenly leaned against him, bowing her head until it rested lightly upon his breast. And so they stood while another squall, with flying leaves and scattered drops of rain, rattled past. With equal suddenness she lifted her head and looked at him. "Do you know," she said, "I prayed last night about you. I prayed that you would fall, that you would lose everything—everything."

Daylight stared his amazement at this cryptic utterance.



"Dede Mason, I Want You, I Just Want You."

"That sure beats me. I always said I got out of my depth with women, and you've got me out of my depth now. Well, you've just got to explain, that's all."

His arms went around her and held her closely, and this time she did not resist. Her head was bowed, and he could not see her face, yet he had a premonition that she was crying. He had learned the virtue of silence, and he waited her will in the matter. Things had come to such a pass that she was bound to tell him something now. Of that he was confident.

"I would dearly like to marry you," she faltered, "but I am afraid. I am proud and humble at the same time that a man like you should care for me. But you have too much money. There's where my abominable common sense steps in. Even if we did marry, you could never be my man—my lover and my husband. You would be your money's man. I know I am a foolish woman, but I want my man for myself. And your money destroys you; it makes you less and less nice. I am not ashamed to say that I love you, because I shall never marry you. And I loved you much when I did not know you at all, when you first came down from Alaska and I first went into the office. You were my hero. You were the Burning Daylight of the gold-diggings, the darling traveler and miner. And you looked it. I don't see how any woman could have looked at you without loving you—then. But you don't look it now. You, a man of the open, have been cooping yourself up in the cities with all that that means. You are becoming something different, something not so healthy, not so clean, not so nice. Your money and your way of life are doing it. You know it. You haven't the same body now that you had then. You are putting on flesh, and it is not healthy flesh. You are kind and genial with me, I know, but you are not kind and genial to all the world as you were then. You have become harsh and cruel. I do love you, but I cannot marry you and destroy love. You are growing into a thing that I must in the end despise. You can't help it. More than you can possibly love me, do you love this

business game. This business—and it's all perfectly useless, so far as you are concerned—claims all of you. I sometimes think it would be easier to share you equitably with another woman than to share you with this business. I might have half of you, at any rate. But this business would claim, not half of you, but nine-tenths of you, or ninety-nine hundredths. You hold back nothing; you put all you've got into whatever you are doing—"

"Limit is the sky," he grunted grim affirmation. "But if you would only play the lover-husband that way. And now I won't say another word," she added. "I've delivered a whole sermon."

She rested now, frankly and fairly, in the shelter of his arms, and both were oblivious to the gale that rushed past them in quicker and stronger blasts. The big downpour of rain had not yet come, but the mist-like squalls were more frequent. Daylight was openly perplexed, and he was still perplexed when he began to speak.

"You've left me no argument. I know I'm not the same man that came from Alaska. I couldn't hit the trail with the dogs as I did in them days. I'm soft in my muscles, and my mind's gone hard. I used to respect men. I despise them now. You see, I spent all my life in the open, and I reckon I'm an open-air man. Why, I've got the prettiest little ranch you ever laid eyes on up in Glen Ellen. That's where I got stuck for the brick-yard. You recollect handling the correspondence. I only laid eyes on the ranch that one time, and I so fell in love with it that I bought it there and then. I just rode around the hills, and was happy as a kid out of school. I'd be a better man living in the country. The city doesn't make me better. You're plumb right there. I know it. But suppose your prayer should be answered and I'd go clean broke and have to work for day's wages? Suppose I had nothing left but that little ranch, and was satisfied to grow a few chickens and scratch a living somehow—would you marry me then, Dede?"

"Why, we'd be together all the time!" she cried. Then was the moment, among the trees, ere they began the descent of the hill, that Daylight might have drawn her closely to him and kissed her once. But he was too perplexed with the new thoughts she had put into his head to take advantage of the situation. He merely caught her by the arm and helped her over the rougher footing. At the edge of the grove he suggested that it might be better for them to part there, but she insisted that he accompany her as far as the house.

"Do you know," he said, "taking it by and large, it's the happiest day of my life. Dede, Dede, we've just got to get married. It's the only way, and trust to luck for it's coming out all right."

But the tears were threatening to rise in her eyes again, as she shook her head and turned and went up the steps.

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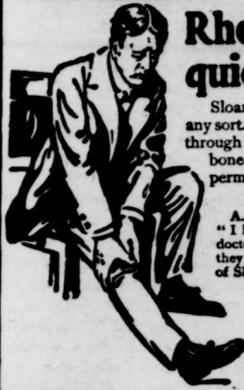
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Overdrafts.....	3,005.11
Items in Transit.....	50.00
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Currency.....	3,308.00
Specie.....	1,744.19
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund.....	444.51
Other resources as follows.....	57.28
Total	\$70,206.15

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Surplus Fund.....	5,600.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	4,602.62
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	42,054.73
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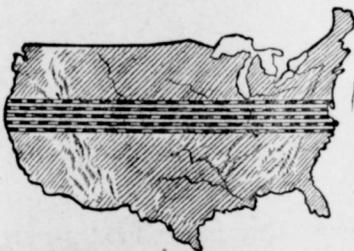
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If you have mysterious pains, irregularity, backache, extreme nervousness, inflammation, ulceration or displacement, don't wait too long, but try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound now. For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and such unquestionable testimony as the above proves the value of this famous remedy and should give every one confidence.

Mexican Mustang Liniment

For SPRAINED ANKLE.
Chas. B. Wheeler, Haines City, Fla., says:
"Several days ago my horse sprained his ankle and your Mexican Mustang Liniment helped him very much. Please send me your circular about poultry ailments as I intend going into that business soon."
25c. 50c. \$1 a bottle at Drug & Gen'l Stores

It's difficult for a man who is broke to break into society.

Nothing disappoints some women more than to find that a scandal isn't after all.

Logical.
The car labored heavily over wet and deeply scarred roads.

"Have you any idea where we are?" asked Hinks.
"No," said Garryway, "though the roads suggest we are near either Waterville or Rutland—I don't know which."—Harper's Weekly.

Denied the Allegation.
"You are being trodden under foot," howled the campaign orator. "You are surrounded by neurotics—there is a paranoiac standing at your very elbow, an—" "Stop right there," yelled Pat, "stop there. There's not a par-par—there's not one of them there fellers in the whole crowd. Me and Mike don't associate with such bloomin' furriners."

His Number.
He gazed tenderly into her eyes as she spoke.

"Life," she murmured dreamily, "is, after all, nothing but a romance in which we are characters, moving hither and yon as the supreme author of our being directs."
"And by the novel of your life," said he, tenderly, "where do I come in?"
"You?" she answered with a smile. "Oh, you are—let me see—one, two, three—you are Chap Seventeen."—Harper's Weekly.

A Tempting Treat— Post Toasties

with cream
Crisp, fluffy bits of white Indian Corn; cooked, rolled into flakes and toasted to a golden brown.

Ready to serve direct from the package.
Delightful flavour!
Thoroughly wholesome!

"The Memory Lingers"

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Postum Cereal Company, Limited
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Lines for A Golden Wedding



The long, long path together,
The pathway of the years
Through the sunshiny weather,
Through days that rained with tears,
Gleams with a sunlight golden
And flowers bloom each side
As recollections olden
Deep in your hearts abide.

Folk who grow old together,
Who journey hand in hand
Find care sets loose its tether—
But few may understand.
The sharing and the giving
That no one else may see
Thus keep forever living
The days that used to be.

What though white hairs come creeping
As drifts the silent snow?
Your hearts today are keeping
The olden sunny glow.
Hearts that can still be singing
The songs the days have sung
Into your lives are bringing
The thoughts forever young.

Ah, fifty years! Why sum them?
Life is not made of time.
Yours hearts have overcome them
With faith that is sublime.
God bless you then, and keep you
With songs and laughter blent,
And make you glad, and heap you
With all of life's content.

The Helping Hand.
We get a good many contributions for this column, but for various reasons we cannot use them. One reason is that some of them do not fit the column, being either too long or too broad—as was the case with Hector Burnoff's virile and vigorous chant royale on the subject of the directorate gown. Another reason is that we love to work. Nothing is so delightful to us as to sit down and, having decided upon the shape, size and general contour of a poem, select a well-ripened idea and adorn it with words, oscillating, as it were, between the Century dictionary and Walker's justly celebrated aid to rhyming. Mr. Walker often rhymes by spelling and not by sound, and you have to pick the words out by their terminal facilities instead of by their initial letters, but at times he is a help. We have hung back coyly with regard to spring poetry this year, waiting for the simon-pure inspiration, when the divine afflatus would sift into our soul and we could throw ourselves, so to speak. The other day we took off our hat and stood beneath the orchard trees, waiting for the naiads and dryads to dance through the distant forest, but the nearest we came to such a vision was the tobacco and corset ads on the billboards impinging upon the perspective. Just while we are in much dolefulness over the fallure of the afflatus to afflate, and also filled with quinine and regret as a result of standing in the damp grass, we receive a poem on spring from the facile pen of Lucile Geraldine Putts. Miss Putts does not mince matters nor gloss over anything, but strikes at the heart of her subject and dares it to dodge. We feel that she has so thoroughly poetized this spring that it needs no attention on our part. Her poem is as follows:

The orchard is in bloom
And the bees begin to hum
Among the many trees;
Some are apple, some are plum.
How fine it is to see
The grass grow on the ground
So green, and velvety
It is growing all around.
The geranium is transplanted
To the outdoors once again,
And the little visiting children
Merrily chase the hen.
The little birds are twittering
At sunrise in the east,
And everybody is happy,
Considerable, at least.
All nature is enraptured
When spring's glad word is spoke
And life is musical,
But Oh, my heart is broke!

There is a touch of poignant sadness in the last stanza which reminds us to some extent of Alfred Austin's "You and Me," but aside from that Mr. Austin himself could not have written a spring poem to equal this one. No, not even though he were doused with Merian sarsaparilla until the last vestige of that tired feeling had left him.

W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 15-1912.

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Until You Get
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Typical Case—
Mrs. D. K. Jeffers, Colfax, Wash., says: "For two weeks I had to be propped up in bed and I lost 50 pounds in weight. I was in a terrible condition, in fact, I came very near dying. As a last resort I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. Since then I have gained back my lost weight and feel wonderfully improved."

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REGEY—How is this in the second chapter of my great story: "The beautiful girl dropped her eyes?"
PEGGY—How pathetic! Were they glass eyes?

RASH ALL OVER BABY'S BODY Itched So He Could Not Sleep

"On July 27, 1909, we left Boston for a trip to England and Ireland, taking baby with us. After being in Ireland a few days a nasty rash came out all over his body. We took him to a doctor who gave us medicine for him. The trouble started in the form of a rash and was all over baby's body, head and face, at different times. It irritated, and he would scratch it with all his might. The consequence was it developed into sores, and we were afraid it would leave nasty scars on his face.

"When we reached England we took baby to another doctor, who said his condition was due to change of food and climate, and gave more medicine. The rash got no better, and it used to itch and burn at night so bad that the child could not sleep. He was completely covered with it at different times. It was at this time that my mother advised us to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. After using Cuticura Soap and Ointment for about nine months the places disappeared. There are not any scars, or other kind of disfigurement, and baby is completely cured by the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. We have no further trouble with baby's skin. Nothing stopped the itching, and allowed baby to sleep but Cuticura Soap and Ointment." (Signed) Mrs. Margaret Gunn, 29 Burrell St., Roxbury, Mass., March 12, 1911.

Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston.

Remarkable Bible Verses.
The eighth verse of the third chapter of Zephaniah contains every letter, including the initials, of the Hebrew language, while one will find in the twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra every letter of the English alphabet except j. The verse reads as follows: And I, even I, Axtaxerxes the King, do make a decree to all the treasures which are beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you, it be done speedily.—Youth's World.

Accounted For.
"The boy has the aviation fever."
"That accounts for the rise in his temperature."

Outwardly most people are cheerful givers, but how about the feeling inside?

FOR HUBBY TO PONDER OVER

Innocent Answer of Quiet Little Wife Got Him Started on Train of Thought.

The husband and wife were on their way to the theater when the husband began kicking because his wife took such a long time dressing.

"What delayed you this time?" he growled.

"Seeing the children to bed," she responded, quietly.

"What's the nurse for?" snapped the man.

"The nurse is for our convenience—yours and mine, especially mine," she answered. "But the boy certainly takes after you. He asked the same kind of a fool question just as I was kissing him good night."

"Fool question, eh? Well, what was it?"

"I asked him if he had said his prayers. And he said no. And I asked him if he didn't want God to take care of him during the night. He answered: 'What's the nurse for?'"

For the remainder of the way the man pondered on this answer.

Misunderstood 'Gator.

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Superficial Impression.
"A detective is a mysterious personage."
"Yes," replied Mrs. McGudley. "And one of the most mysterious things about detectives is that their arduous literary labors should leave them any time to detect."

A splendid and highly recommended remedy for tired, weak, inflamed eyes, and granulated eyelids, is Paxtine Antiseptic, at drugists, 25c a box or sent postpaid on receipt of price by The Paxton Toilet Co., Boston, Mass.

Flat Hunters' Geography.
"Where is Van Dieman's Land?"
"The van demon's land? Gosh, it's anywhere in this country, on the first of May!"

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA
AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM
Take the Old Standard GROVES' TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle. It is simply Quinine and Iron in a palatable form, and the most effective for grown people and children. 50 cents.

There are men who see that dignity may be disgraced, and who feel that disgrace may be dignified.—Bolling-broke.

Talent in the kitchen and a balance in the bank should form a combination for generating domestic bliss.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES' signature is on each box. 25c.

The most visionary thing about the average man is his estimate of himself.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, always pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

It must be some satisfaction to sailors to know that buoys will be buoys.

To overcome constipation and resultant ills, take Garfield Tea, a pure herb laxative.

The more a trust magnate wants the less the other fellow gets.

"Pink Eye" is Epidemic in the Spring. Try Murine Eye Remedy for Reliable Relief.

It takes a man of originality to pose as a successful liar.

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ALCOHOL-3 PER CENT
Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of
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Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral
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You will get full value for every penny you spend on Gal-va-nite Roofing. Although it is 15 pounds heavier than the ordinary roofing, every ounce of its weight serves to make it more durable and serviceable.
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"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

"It certainly has no equal for la grippe, bad colds, liver and stomach troubles. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she had no more trouble.
"I shall never be without

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

"You are at liberty to publish this letter if you wish, and I will gladly answer anybody that might write me, concerning your wonderful medicine."
Thedford's Black-Draught can be used freely, by young and old. It is non-mineral, harmless, without bad after-effects. It acts in a perfectly safe and natural way, on the liver, stomach, kidneys, and bowels, cleansing, strengthening, and stimulating them to do their work. In common use for over 70 years. Sold everywhere. Get a package to-day. Price 25 cents.
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If Yours is fluttering or weak, use "RENOVINE." Made by Van Vleet-Manfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. Price \$1.00

FIVE QUESTIONS.

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CAN YOU DO WHAT THE BUSINESS WORLD WANTS DONE? When you apply for an office position the business man will ask you if you can keep books or write shorthand. If you cannot he will tell you he has no use for you. The young person who has these advantages get the place while you go to look for another, only to have the same experience the next time.

ARE YOU MAKING AS MUCH MONEY AS YOU THINK YOU SHOULD? If you are not it is because you haven't prepared yourself for something better. You cannot depend upon luck. The fellow who has the pluck is the one who wins.

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None of its graduates are out of positions. It produces results where others fail. Best board and room at \$10 to \$12.50 per calendar month.

WHEN IS THE BEST TIME

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Bowie, Texas.

Locals

Old clothes made new at The Imperial.

C. O. Wood and P. L. Dishman went to Claude Wednesday.

Let me clean and press your suit. Benton Moreman.

D. B. Albright went to Childress last night.

W. E. Stone and J. F. Randall were in town this morning.

J. W. Bond went to Electra Wednesday.

Cleaning and pressing at the Imperial. Ladies work a specialty.

Grandpa Newman is very low, not expected to live many hours longer.

Dr. Tomlinson was here Wednesday and Thursday doing dental work.

A. L. Miller and S. A. McCarroll were courting in Clarendon Thursday.

Mr. Kendall, brother of Chas Kendall, is very sick, and not likely to live much longer.

If you want the best Grave-stone for the money, Leon O. Lewis has it. Let him show you.

The Albright Drug Co. has the best assortment of drugs and sundries.

None better—those shaves and hair cuts at The Imperial.

The Informer is a candidate for your patronage, as a subscriber or advertiser.

Robt. Dishman returned home from Oklahoma last week after an absence of several months.

The Stetson Hatters are in town for a few days. Old hats made new. Now located at Hedley Hotel.

Jewelry and Watch repairing, anything that is broken I can do up in first-class shape, if it can be fixed at all. Baird, Jeweler.

R. W. Scales has shipped out three cars of grain the past two weeks. Quite a showing for one farmer to make.

FOR SALE—About 15 bu. fine Cotton Seed; also a few sacks of Maize at \$1.50 per cwt. J. G. McDougal.

"Please the people," is the motto of the Imperial Shop.

Rev. J. W. Hembree announces his meeting will begin in Hedley the 4th Sunday in August. He will make more announcements later in regard to it.

Call on Stewart & Ready and see the left-handed meat cutter work. He is auger-eyed and snaggle-toothed, but he is pleasant.

Miss Sarah Porter, Milliner, has the best and largest assortment of all the latest shapes in Spring millinery in Clarendon. Ladies should see her hats before buying. 21-4t

Bring your dirty clothes to the Imperial and let us send them to the Troy Steam laundry and you are sure to get first class work.

The protracted meeting of the Church of Christ will begin Saturday night before Third Sunday in August by Elder J. P. Nall of Pritchett, Texas.

Last Sunday being the 95th anniversary of the Odd Fellows the Hedley lodge had a special service Sunday afternoon at the church, Rev. J. W. Hembree preaching a special sermon.

Benton Moreman and Editor Brumley of Memphis were here first of the week. Mr. Moreman has opened up a tailoring business in the Imperial barber shop.

FOR SALE!

Whippoorwill Peas, clean and good; \$1.50 per bushel.

W. R. McCarroll at M & M Co.

The play "Tony the Convict" by home talent at the auditorium last Friday night was one of the best plays ever put on in Hedley. Aside from the forgetting of their lines a time or two the rendition was splendid.

The democratic precinct convention meets in Hedley Saturday at 2 p. m. for the purpose of sending delegates to county convention May 7. The convention is to be held in respect to candidate for president and vice president.

When you are blue, your face itches, and you have that don't-care feeling. Get in shape by being worked over at Imperial.

TEXAS NEEDS GREAT MEN

XXXIII. PATRIOTISM.

DURING a famine the Roman government commissioned Pompey to procure food from foreign countries and when the expedition was confronted by an angry sea and he was urged to delay in order to avoid danger, he replied, "It is not necessary that I live, but it is necessary that I go," and he went. The human race moves forward only when it has great men to meet the emergencies of civilization and a citizenship that applauds self-sacrifice in leadership.



THE PATRIOTISM OF POMPEY.

Let those who would make their names ring across continents and reverberate through the corridors of time, brave the perils of civilization and sacrifice their lives to succor humanity and preserve the resources of their country.

It is better to wear a diadem of good deeds than to don the purple of authority, and more noble to contribute a life toward the prosperity of one's country than to spill blood on the field of battle. Texas Needs Great Men.

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Every 1st and 3rd Monday nights
John D. Waldron, Consul
A. N. Wood, Clerk

I. O. O. F. Lodge meets every Saturday night.

C. Y. Tate, N. G. J. H. Richey, Secretary

A. F. & A. M. Meets Saturday night on or after the full moon.
W. R. McCarroll, W M
S. A. McCarroll, Secretary

CHURCHES BAPTIST, Jas. A. Long, pastor. First Sunday in each month.
PRESBYTERIAN every Third Sunday.

METHODIST, G. H. Bryant, pastor. Every Second Sunday morning and evening.

BAPTIST, J. W. Hembree, pastor. Every Fourth Sunday
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Preaching every First Sunday, Rev. Holmes, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL every Sunday morning. T. R. Moreman, Superintendent.

PRAYER MEETING Every Wednesday evening.

DONLEY COUNTY OFFICIALS

Judge, J. H. O'Neal
Clerk, Wade Willis
Sheriff, J. T. Patman
Treasurer, Gus Johnson
Assessor, G. W. Baker
Surveyor, J. C. Kilough

Commissioners:
G. A. Anderson, Pct. No. 1
R. E. Williams, " " 2
J. G. McDougal, Pct. No. 3
Roy Kendall, " " 4

Justice of the Peace Precinct 3, K. W. Howell
Constable Pct. No. 3, J. W. Bond

District Court meets third week in April and October.

County Court convenes 1st Monday in February, May, August and November.

TIME TABLE

North bound	
No. 1.....	7:15 p. m.
" 7.....	9:35 a. m.
South bound	
No. 2.....	9:05 a. m.
" 8.....	9:05 p. m.

REV. BRYANT ANNOUNCES DATES OF MEETINGS

Rev. G. H. Bryant announces his revival meetings will begin as follows:
Giles the 3rd Sunday of June;
McKnight 1st Sunday in July.
Lelia Lake July 28.
Hedley August 11.

Insure your dwelling. J. C. Wells

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XXXII. GOVERNING

PETER THE GREAT, standing at the tomb of Richelieu exclaimed, "Thou Great Man, I would have given thee half of my dominion to have learned of thee how to govern the other half," and Peter the Great was one of the most progressive monarchs of any nation or age. The greatest rulers the world has ever produced are those who sought wise counsel from their associates and profited by the experiences of others.

Knowledge is the most valuable element known in human life and to government it is the most powerful asset in civilization.



PETER THE GREAT AT THE TOMB OF RICHELIEU.

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