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DEGENERATION OF PIE CRUST

The Abandonment of the Rolling Pin the Probable Cause.

In the days of my youth, writes an elderly correspondent, there was no kitchen implement in more constant demand than the rolling pin, and one of the principal accomplishments on which our good, old-fashioned housewives used to pride themselves was the fabrication of light pastry. It was popularly supposed that in order to be easy of digestion all dough or paste intended for consumption should first be thoroughly kneaded and then rolled and re-rolled for a very considerable period of time. In fact, so lengthy and laborious was the process that, in figurative language, the excellence of the product was said to be measurable by the amount of elbow grease devoted to its manufacture.

Nowadays all this has been changed. It is true that rolling pins still exist (though the name has disappeared from at least one popular dictionary), but, alas, how shorn of their dignity and importance! Formerly a rolling pin was a skillfully constructed instrument, of suitable weight and accurately balanced, but now that hurry and superficiality are paramount any round piece of wood will do. Thanks to specially prepared flours and the patent baking powders, whose name is legion, the lump of imperfectly kneaded dough is simply flattened out to the requisite thickness and then without further manipulation incontinently utilized in the production of pie, pudding or tart, as the case may be.

The grandmothers of the impetuous dames who now preside over the preparation of our food were wont to impart varying degrees of elaborateness to their paste, having regard to the species of "kickshaw" it was designed to surmount, subtend or encircle. As a rule, the crisper the product was to be the more protracted was the use of the rolling pin, but not even in the case of a humble "rolly poly" would the dough envelope have been subjected to the brief, not to say contemptuous, treatment now indiscriminately employed for all kinds of pastry.

Never by any chance do we meet with properly made pie crust. The delicious, toothsome morsels that left our mouths unclogged and were pleasant and palatable to our guests are no longer made and for love or money. The airy vol-au-vent, the crisp and saccharous tart let, the delicate puff and the imponderable dumpling, all, all have vanished into the limbo of forgotten excellences, leaving behind them naught save the fond memories of an irrevocable past. There can be no doubt, says our eloquent if melancholy complainant in conclusion that dyspepsia, with its over lengthening train of woe, is largely due to neglect of the rolling pin. Like everybody else, our cooks are in too great a hurry. They grudge the time, he urges, which their forbears lavished so freely, and hence one of the most potent sources of our ever increasing degeneracy of our race to which attention has lately been so prominently directed.

We need scarcely say that we cannot accept our correspondent's views in their entirety, but there may possibly be some foundation for his incentive. The production of wholesome pastry is unquestionably a serious matter, and if the neglected rolling pin be in reality a cause of deterioration the sooner the attention of the wielders of that implement is called to the fact the better it will be for all consumers of the delicacy. In a general way cooks are undoubtedly conservative, but we are inclined to believe that rolling pins have gone out of fashion.—Lancet.

He Was Reformed.

A superb looking couple they made as they strolled the other day from the Hotel Sonora—the man a tall, lithe figure, his companion a dashing Juno, and both of the Spanish type.

"That man had a curious episode in his life years ago, when he was a wild blade, drinking, dueling and gambling. He comes of a rich creole family in Louisiana," said a hotel lounge, "and they couldn't reform him. One night, when he was brought home dead to the world, after a debauch, an old relative then on a visit to the plantation was inspired. She dispatched a trusted negro to New Orleans for a casket, silver handled and satin lined. Another slave gathered flowers, and then came candles and crucifix. When the coffin arrived, they tucked him in it and proceeded to 'sit up' with the remains."

"When he woke up and realized the ghastly closeness of his call, he joined the reform party and is with it yet."—New York Herald.

To Make a Noise in the World.

The little chorus girl had been toiling at a "thinking part" for some months, but the other day she was rejoicing.

"I've got a splendid offer for the road," she cried, "and this time I am going to have a chance to act out loud."—New York Journal.

THE TALE OF THE ANIMATED JUG.

Told by Captain O'Haver, the Prince of Wales of the Memphis Police Force.

"Several years ago," the captain began, "Bill Prydo and I had to go to Little Rock to appear as witnesses in a burglary trial. One mile this side of the town of Carlisle, Ark., there was a freight wreck. The cars were torn up, and the track was twisted. There were very poor facilities for clearing the track, and Bill and I saw it sticking out plain that we would have to stay there in the woods all day if we waited for the track to be cleared. We might have stood it all right, but we couldn't get anything to drink. So we inquired how far it was to the next town. We were delighted to find that Carlisle was only a mile farther. That was just like having drinks sent up to your room, and Prydo and I struck out down the track for the town.

"We walked down the main street and then up and down all the others and never a place did we see where a man could get a drink. Finally we inquired of a citizen if there was a drop of liquor sold in the town. The man looked uneasy and said, 'Not since the local option law went into effect.' Then we tumbled. After walking a mile we had struck a dry town. There wasn't even any ice water. Prydo and I were both accustomed to looking for blind places; but, try as hard as we could, we couldn't find any hole that looked like a 'tiger.' Our mouths were as dry as bones. The day after local option carried in Carlisle the town well went dry out of sympathy. We were in despair, when we met a friend. He opened our eyes by telling us that we had been recognized. The story had immediately gone around the town that some Memphis policemen had been hired to come to Carlisle and run out the blind tigers. Ten minutes after we struck the town every blind tiger in the place was closed as tight as your fist, and the proprietors had all left the country.

"Our friend said that while we were tapping on doors and looking into stairways some of the good citizens of the town were quaking in their shoes. However, he told us that he would put us on to something. He directed us to a little frame house in an isolated part of the town. We went there and would work the thing right we could get a drink there—in fact, several of them.

"We joyously started for the little house and bolted in. There was only one room so far as we could see. In the center was a table. On the table was a jug, a bowl of sugar, a pitcher of water and several glasses. Prydo and I walked right up and were just going to pour out a few fingers when right before our eyes that jug began to soar aloft. 'Grab it!' I hollered to Prydo, but it was too late. From the way the jug hung in the air I thought it must have a string tied to the handle. In a second it was out of sight."

"Well," put in the reporter, "the pitcher of water was still there, wasn't it?"

The captain only indulged in a pained look and continued: "Bill and I wanted a drink worse than ever then, for we had smelt it and almost tasted it. We were almost wild when Bill was struck by a happy thought. 'Blow your breath, George! Blow your breath!' he exclaimed excitedly. I found a quarter in my clothes and laid it on the table. You may not believe it, but the jug came back as if it had dropped from the ceiling. This time I distinctly saw the string tied to the handle. We poured out our stuff and were so thirsty that we did not notice half how bad it was. The rest of the story is short. Every time we wanted some more we laid down a quarter and bit the jug. After awhile we thought we and the jug were good friends, and Prydo suggested that we try and see if we couldn't work it without putting up a quarter, just for the fun of the thing. We voted down that scheme, however, for we were afraid the jug might get mad next time and not come back. Well, when we left we had fewer quarters, and the jug wasn't nearly so hard to lift by the string as it was when we came in."—Memphis Commercial-Appal.

His Speech.

People in Maine will sympathize with the Penobscot county man who attempted to speak in town meeting on a subject that greatly interested him. "Fellow citizens," he sang out lustily, as he arose—"fellow citizens!" A long and embarrassing pause, and then he added: "If I only had the ideas I ought to have on this subject and had the words to express those ideas I think I could relieve my feelings." How the crowd cheered as he sat down!—Lewiston Journal.

It Is His Business.

Kilduff—That man never hesitates to face the music.

Skidmore—Who is he?
Kilduff—I don't know his name, but he is the leader of the orchestra.—Detroit Free Press.

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The Mexican citizens of Sonora had a grand time in Santa Rosa Wednesday. They had a fine barbecue dinner, sports and games during the day and a dance at Juan Rimeriz at night. The occasion of the celebration was St. John's day.

A shooting party occurred in Del Rio on June 19 at a Mexican wedding in which the father of the bride was shot, if not mortally, at all events very dangerously. Senior Benito Ortiz and Miss Villeral were married at the residence of the bride's father, Senior Gertrudes Villeral, by Judge Gildea, and during the festivities which followed one Salome entered the house drew a pistol and fired a shot, the ball taking effect in the head of the bride's father, who now lies in a very critical condition. After firing the shot Salome ran out of the house, firing as he ran.

A two weeks protracted meeting will be held by the Baptists in Sonora beginning on the 5th Sunday in August. Rev. H. Q. Kendall the pastor writes that he has secured the Rev. J. A. Reynolds of Kilgus to assist him with the meeting.

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**TWO DAYS RACING.
July 4th and 5th at Sonora.**

The following programme of races for the Fourth of July Holidays has been arranged by the Sonora Jockey Club, to be run and governed by the Sonora Jockey Club rules:

Three horses to enter and two to start in all races.
First race—300 yards, for Sutton county ponies, 14 hands high or under, for a purse of \$15 00.
Entrance fee 10 per cent of purse.
Second race—Quarter of a mile dash, for Sutton county horses, for a purse of \$25.00.
Entrance 10 per cent of purse.

JULY 6th
First race, 300 yards, free for all, for a purse of \$40.00.
Entrance 10 per cent of purse
Second race—Quarter of a mile dash, for Sutton county horses, for a purse of \$40 00
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Republican Convention.

St. Louis, June 18.—The republicans in National convention nailed their principles to the masthead today and placed in command of the ship which is to bear them on to fortune or disaster in November their popular idol, William McKinley, of Ohio, and Garrett A. Hobart of New Jersey.

The convention was held in session for ten hours today to accomplish the work cut out for it, and at several different times was tragic and inspiring. Fully 10,000 people were in the vast audience to hiss or cheer by turns. The bolt of the silver men from the West was fully discounted, but it nevertheless furnished the most dramatic incident of the day. Led by Teller, they had yesterday declared their intention of refusing to subscribe to the gold plank platform but today, after Teller had made his final appeal to the convention not to take the step which would drive him and his colleagues out of the ranks of the party which in the past had honored them and which they had delighted to serve and the convention had voted 818 1-2 to 105 1-2 to stand by the gold declaration. None who witnessed the scene will forget to his dying day the picture of Senator Frank Cannon of Utah facing from the platform 10,000 irate, hissing, jeering people as he read the valedictory of the silver men. He stood erect and defiant, his pale face set in grim determination as those before him tried to cry him down, until the very courage he displayed won for him the admiration which compelled silence. When he had finished the reading the crowds in the galleries burst out again with jeers and cries of disapproval, but in most courtly fashion he turned and shook hands with Senator-elect Foraker, chairman of the committee on resolutions, Chairman Thurston and other friends on the platform. Then, locking arms with Senator Teller, the men left the stand and moved down between the walls of yelling delegates to where the standard of the Idaho delegation stood; here they were joined by handsome, stalwart Duboise, and the three men continued their march to the main floor, their followers falling in behind them as they moved along. Never before has there been a bolt from the republican party, although Wendell Phillips and some radical republicans held a convention at Cleveland in 1864 and placed in the field a ticket in opposition to Lincoln and Johnston. The radicals on that occasion, however withdrew their ticket and returned to the fold before the election in November.

McKinley's vote exceeded the expectations of his friends, as he received 661 1-2, within a vote of one and a half more than a majority and almost three times as many as his five opponents. The nomination was immediately made unanimous with enthusiastic speeches from representatives of the opposing candidates and there were the usual felicitations. Mark Hanna was obliged to respond to calls to address the convention. After the decision of the Platt forces in New York not to present the name of Morton, owing to the war waged against him by the Miller faction, the nomination of Hobart of New Jersey became a certainty. The Hanna and McKinley influence was for him and although there was an attempt to consolidate the West and South on Evans of Tennessee the McKinley influence was too potent; besides it was the general sense of the delegates that the logic of the situation required the nomination of an Eastern man for vice president. Hobart received 530 1-2 votes, ninety more than a majority. Evans, his nearest competitor, received 230 1-2.

The following planks of the Republican party platform are of the greatest interest to our readers.

TARIFF.
We renew and emphasize our allegiance to the policy of protection as the bulwark of American industrial independence the foundation of American development and prosperity. This true American policy taxes foreign products and encourages home industry; it puts the burden of revenue upon foreign goods; it secures the American market for the American products; it upholds the American standard of wages for the American workingmen; it puts

the factories by the side of the farm and makes the American farmer less dependent on foreign demand and prices, and it diffuses general tariff reform and founds the strength of all on the strength of each. In its reasonable application it is just, fair and impartial, equally opposed to foreign control and domestic monopoly and individual favoritism.

We denounce the present Democratic platform as sectional, injurious to the public credit and destructive to business enterprise. We demand such an equitable tariff on foreign imports which come into competition with American products as will not only furnish adequate revenue for the necessary expenses of the government, but will protect American labor from degradation to the wage level of other nations. We are not pledged to any particular schedules. The question of rates is a practical question to be governed by the conditions of the times and production; the ruling Republican principle is the protection and development of American labor and industry. The country demands a Republican rule and then it wants a rest.

RECIPROCIITY.
We believe the repeal of reciprocity arrangements negotiated by the last Republican administration was a National calamity and we demand their renewal and extension on such terms as will equalize our trade with other nations, remove the restrictions which now obstruct the sale of American products on the part of the foreign countries and secure a large market for the products of our farms, forests and factories. Protection and reciprocity are two measures of Republican policy, and go hand in hand, that Democratic rule has recklessly struck down and both must be re-established—protection for what we produce, the free admission of the necessities of life, which we do not produce; reciprocal agreements of mutual interests which give our markets for us in return for our open market to others. Protection builds up domestic industry and secures our own market for ourselves; reciprocity builds up foreign trade and finds an outlet for our surplus.

WOOL AND WOOLENS.
To all our producers of wool of the sheep and factory, to help to wool, to the produce of the great industry of the sheep husbandman, as well as to the finished production of the mill, we promise the most ample protection.

MONEY.
The Republican party is unrestrictedly for sound money. It caused the enactment of the law providing for the resumption of specie payment in 1879. Since then every dollar has been as good as gold. We are unalterably opposed to every measure calculated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. We are therefore opposed to the free coinage of silver except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, and until such agreements can be reached the existing gold standard must be continued. All our silver and paper currency must be maintained with the parity of gold and we favor all measures designed to maintain inviolable the obligations of the United States and all other money, whether coin or paper, at the present standard, the standard of the most enlightened nations of the world.

The platform also touches on sugar, merchant marine, pensions, foreign relations, Armenian massacres, Monroe doctrine, Cuba, the navy, foreign immigration, civil service, lynching, national arbitration, homesteads, territories, Alaska, temperance and rights of women.

London, June 21.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Madrid says: "The platform adopted in St. Louis causes great uneasiness in Spain and it is feared a conflict with the United States has a fixed date. The government has hastened to buy two 14,000 ton iron-clads at Genoa, whose prices a few days ago were thought to be excessive. A great part of the loan of 100,000 placetas made by the Rothschilds on the Atmaden quick-silver mines, will probably be immediately applied to such warships as are now for sale. "The government responding to the undoubted National sentiment and trusting probably in the help of other powers, seems determined to resist American impositions."

Announcements.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce the following candidates for the office specified:

Tax Assessor:
A. J. Swearingen as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing November election.

J. B. Atkinson as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Steve Murphy as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the election on November 3rd, 1896.

For County Judge.
J. O. Rountree as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Sheriff and Tax Collector:
J. P. McConnell as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the election in November.

J. L. Davis as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the election on the 3rd of November.

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And when you want the best that can be produced for the least money, call on the "Old Reliable" and you will get just what you want at
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Lost about April 8th from Frank Larges ranch, one sorrel white face pony, 15 hands high, white spots on each side, branded LL on hip. Will pay \$5 reward for his return to
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Sonora, Texas.

Mayer Bros. & Co. offer the people of the Sonora country a grand chance to buy goods cheaper than ever for the week beginning June 29th and ending July 4th. Read their ad and locals and satisfy yourself.

Hardware, Hagerlunde, San Angelo. The success of Sonora's Fourth of July barbecue depends on the efforts of the following committees:

S. H. Stokes, general manager
G. S. Allison, E. S. Briant, Jno W. Hagerlund, Max Myer and Geo. H. McDonald, committee on finance.

R. C. Dawson, W. A. Stewart and J. M. Bell, committee on arrangements, grounds, seats, etc.
C. F. Adams, J. O. Rountree, J. W. Keene, C. G. Lovelace and W. F. Decker, committee on barbecue, bread, etc.

J. W. Hagerlund, T. D. Newell and Steve Murphy, committee on public speaking.

J. P. McConnell, marshal of the day.

Max Myer general treasurer.

These committees were appointed at a citizens meeting on June 4th and their efforts should be assisted by all the citizens who desire to celebrate the fourth.

From the San Angelo Standard:
Albert Probandt has withdrawn from the firm of Probandt & Co., general merchants.

Henry Moon arrived Monday evening and will play ball with the Angelo boys tomorrow.

The case of Thos. Hill has been reversed by the court of appeals and a new trial ordered.

The court of appeals sustains the decision of the lower court and Simmons goes to the pen for 60 years.

George Hamilton the popular young stockman of Sutton county was in the city Thursday. The Standard thinks that George can make some fair young maiden happy.

J. E. Wright was arrested early this week at Llano, by Sheriff Porter, of that county, by a warrant issued by the grand jury of Tom Green, charging him with the murder of J. N. Powers, who it will be remembered was assassinated at Knickerbocker last January. Deputy Sheriff West brought the prisoner from Llano on Wednesday and he is now incarcerated in the Tom Green county jail. Wright has been a freighter and worked for many years on the Loomis ranch and was engaged in horse raising near Knickerbocker at the time of the killing. He claims that he can prove his innocence. San Angelo Standard.

Sold by GEO. ALLEN
is a good guarantee. It will apply to any Musical goods from pianos downward. Organs from \$35 up. Pianos from \$100 up. You will find wise economy in every dollar. Write for catalogues. Piano and Organ tuning and repairing.
GEO. ALLEN,
Music Dealer, San Angelo.

Well supplies, Hagerlunde, San Angelo
John McKee the Franks Defeat cattleman was in Sonora Monday.
Aermotors, Hagerlunde, San Angelo
Duck McCoy was in Sonora Wednesday from J. L. Davis' ranch.
Oils, C. & G. Hagerlunde, San Angelo
Jud Swearingen the cattleman from six miles north of Sonora was in town Wednesday.

Buggies at Hagerlunde, San Angelo. They had a most enjoyable dance at Eldorado last Friday night.

Glassware, Hagerlunde, San Angelo. Mat Karns the sheepman from 30 miles below Sonora was in town this week for supplies.

Tinware, Hagerlunde, San Angelo. Jo Cheney from the Guest neighborhood was in Sonora Monday.

Hacks, at Hagerlunde, San Angelo.

O. H. Wood and son Hop, were in Sonora Monday with their wagons for ranch supplies.

Eclipse Repairs, B. L. Wilson, San Angelo.

David Adams the North Llano stockman was in Sonora this week. Mr. Adams has been absent at DeLeon, Comanche county for some months and looks well.

Wire, C & G Hagerlunde, San Angelo

Horton Allen has been pulling down the old Max Myer residence which was recently damaged by fire, this week. The lumber will be moved to the Gorman & O'Neal ranch and rebuilt.

Miss Dona Barksdale the popular young lady who has been visiting relatives near Sonora left for her home at McKavett this week accompanied by her cousin Louis Barksdale.

The State-National democratic convention at Austin was very harmonious and the delegates of the party showed the democracy of the State to be of one mind on party integrity. Patriotic speeches were made by the big guns; Hogg, Reagan, Bailey, Chilton, Culbertson, Lanham and Duncan.

The convention will send eight delegates at large to Chicago and is unquestionably in favor of the free coinage of silver but have some difficulty in wording the plank in national platform. The platform also declares for protection for raw materials if there is protection at all. The 12th district caucus decided to recommend ex-Congressman Paschal of San Antonio and W. W. Gatewood of Eagle Pass as its delegates to Chicago. Paschal is a gold standard man and although he was endorsed by two-thirds of the district some of the delegates from the 12th will endeavor to have the convention disregard the endorsement of the district because Paschal is a gold bug.

The 12th district Democratic Congressional convention met at New Braunfels, on June 20th for the purpose of nominating a candidate for congress and electing delegates to the State National convention at Austin and to express the views of the district on matters political. Bexar county was allowed her usual 16 votes although her vote for Houston did not justify it. The contest was between the silver and sound money forces and the silver men were in the majority by about a two-thirds vote.

W. W. Martin of Kerrville was elected permanent chairman. W. W. Gatewood chairman of credentials committee. Everything went along smoothly. The resolutions favored independent coinage at ratio of 16 to 1; tariff for revenue and in levying such tariff we favor an equitable adjustment of the same upon wool hides, sheep, livestock interests and other raw materials of the South and West. The sound money men wanted action on the financial question left to the National convention but the silver men had things their way and were going to keep it. As there was only one candidate for the nomination the convention was surprised when Judge Winchester Kelso declined the nomination because of the 16 to 1 silver resolution. There were two or three would-like-to-be nominees without making a canvass, candidates, but the only thing left for the convention to do, was to adjourn to meet again on the call of the chairman at New Braunfels after the National convention settles the financial plank.

Those who intend being candidates for offices in Sutton county should have their announcements in the county paper before July 4th or as soon after as possible.

The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo. 381f

Mr. Allan the lawyer from Hamilton who passed through Sonora about 30 days ago in poor health was seen by C. F. Adams at Black's Llano ranch this week. Mr. Allen has improved so much that he contemplates coming to Sonora and practicing law.

Hagerlund Bros. are prepared to make liberal cash advances on your fall wools. See them before making arrangements elsewhere.

Full patent flour at Mayer Bros. & Co. for \$2.40.

The local in last weeks issue saying that colic was worth 50 cents a yard at Mayer Bros. & Co. should have read selling prices 5 cents a yard. It may be worth 50 cents a yard but Mayer Bros. & Co. sell it for 5 cents.

Ice cream Wednesday. Friday and Sunday nights at R. E. Covington's ice cream parlor, next to Post office.

Walter Wyatt the 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wyatt, while running a foot race with some other boys Monday evening fell on his shoulder breaking his collar bone. The little fellow is doing nicely. Dr. H. G. Jones having set the broken member.

THE ONLY True Blood Purifier prominently in the public eye today is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Therefore get Hood's and ONLY HOOD'S.

Eclipse Mills, B. L. Wilson, San Angelo
Max Mayer and Don Cooper left on a business and pleasure trip to Kerrville and San Antonio Sunday.

We have 250 pairs of mens extra pants for sale at cost Mayer Bros. & Co.

Mrs. J. M. Bell left on a visit to relatives in Central Texas Wednesday.

Wagons at Hagerlunde, San Angelo.

The boys are trying to keep it quiet but there are several ponies being kept up for the Sonora Jockey Club races on July 4th and 6th.

Pipe and Cylinders at Chris & Geo. Hagerlunde, San Angelo.

Jo Bean returned from East Texas last week and is at the ranch. Wonder if Little Billie will keep the banner this season.

Canned corn at Mayer Bros. & Co. for \$2.00 per case.

Bill Ike Babb has a couple of "scrubs" staked out down at his ranch that will probably be "in it" at some of the races. Bill says they are scrubs but wait and see.

Well Supplies, B. L. Wilson, San Angelo.

Prof. J. C. Johnson of Roscoe has been employed by the school trustees as principal of the Sonora public school.

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Basil Halbert has accepted a position with Hagerlund Bros. as book-keeper.

Kansas salt at Mayer Bros. & Co. at \$1.65 per sack.

Mrs. F. Mayer and Miss Josephine Mayer are in Sonora the guests of Mrs. Max Mayer.

When calling for Beer be sure and call for Fort Worth. 35

M. B. Atkinson the ranchman from four miles below Sonora was in town this week.

Dan Arrington formerly boss for G. S. Long has accepted a similar position with D. B. Cusenbary of Sutton county.

For a pleasant smile, a good smoke and genial company, make Zenker & Maier's your headquarters while in San Angelo.

T. E. Frasier and C. R. Mack of Louisiana, house and sign painters arrived in Sonora Wednesday. They are on the way to Del Rio.

Walter Trimble of Menard county is in Sonora attending his brother Elwin Trimble the barber who has been ill for the past month.

Do not experiment in so important a matter as your health. Purify, enrich and vitalize your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla and thus keep your self strong and healthy.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner will assist digestion, cure headache. 25 cents.

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Venezuela has adopted the gold standard.

Antonio Maceo defeated the Spanish with heavy loss near Havana.

Weyler will compel the Havana "volunteers" to go to the front to strengthen the troops.

A resolution of censure against the United States has been introduced in the Spanish senate.

Massachusetts sound money delegation will not bolt a silver platform at Chicago.

Transval demands that England try Cecil Rhodes and other big conspirators in the Transval raid.

Walling who with Jackson murdered Pear Bryan in Kentucky was given the death penalty.

The London Times says European investors would want American securities if they were thought to be safe.

Silver republicans have issued an address to the public and have invited all silver believers to unite in electing president.

Hartman of Montana makes an array of figures to show that Teller is stronger than any democrat could be.

It is difficult to tell just now where democracy is "at" with the free silver plank of the populists and protection ideas of the republicans.

The republicans of the Sonora country are pleased with the defeat of Cuney. They don't like his color and they don't like his kind.

Prominent populists in various states have issued an address urging the nomination of H. M. Teller for president by the populists.

Senator Stewart says the Chicago convention will adopt a free silver platform and will carry the country.

Tellers supporters hope the democrats will not nominate a candidate for president but endorse him when they meet at Chicago.

Spanish are again buying warships and the London mail correspondent says war with the United States is regarded as very probable.

Whitney's refusal to go to Chicago as a delegate at large is completed matters. The jury will surely be named.

Consul General Lee is said to have sent a report to President Cleveland which may lead to the United States making armed interference in Cuba affairs.

Foraker says Tiller et al had no more reason to bolt now than they had four years ago; he says the republicans have declared for no new principle, but have simply made a clear declaration.

W. C. Whitney in an address says the democratic party will surely meet defeat if it declares for free silver coinage; counsels against it, and says that the time is nearly ripe for international bimetalism, which would be seriously hindered by the defeat of silver at this time.

The Castle liner Drummond Castle bound from Cape Town to London, with 144 passengers and 103 officers and men on board, struck a reef of rock while heading around Finisterre from the Bay of Biscay and making for the chops of the British Channel on June 16 and all were lost, excepting three men.

The New York Herald on June 2nd gave figures showing that the relative forces of the silver and gold democrats in the national convention will be 533 for silver and 373 for gold and 31 doubtful. Chairman Harry of the National democratic committee on the same date gave his figures to be 387 for gold, 427 for silver and 92 doubtful.

In this issue will be seen an adv. of Cooper's Sheep Dip. The merits of this dip are too well-known to all flock masters to need any special comment. The officials of the World's Fair gave a diploma to Cooper's Dip and has the following to say regarding its merits: "Excellent in its effective destruction of insects; promotes the health of the sheep; increases the strength of the fibre, and weight and lustre of the fleece." This dip is for sale in Sonora by Hagerlund Bros.

Cutlery, at Hagerlunde, San Angelo.

OUR SEMI-ANNUAL Clearing Sale

—OF OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF—

Dress Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats, Etc.,

Reduced from 20 to 33 1-3 Per Cent.
And in order to give all our customers and the people of the Sonora Country the benefit of the sale we will continue same for one week, commencing—

June 29th To July 4th.

Mens all wool suits	worth \$7 50 now \$5 50
" " "	" 12 50 " 8 00
" Clay worsted suits	" 12 00 " 9 00
" " "	" 10 00 " 8 00
Boys suits	" 6 00 " 4 50
" " "	" 5 00 " 3 50
Childs suits	from 90c to 1 50
Marquise dress goods	" 17c to 25c
Organdies	" 6c to 20c
Dimity plain	" 20c to 25c
" figured	" 8c to 15c
Pinas	" 8c to 15c
Challies	" 12c to 13 1-2
Brilliantine	" 18c to 25c
Ginghams	" 4 1-2 to 10c
Embroideries and Laces reduced 25 per cent	
Quilts	worth \$2 50 now \$1 75
" " "	" 1 75 " 1 25
" " "	" 90c " 60c
Ladies Vests	" 50c " 30c
" " "	" 25c " 16 2 3c
Misses "	" 10c " 5c
Turkey red calico	5c

If you want any cash advances on your fall clip, we are prepared to do so and give you choice of markets.

Our grocery department is complete in all lines and our prices cannot be beaten.

Very Respectfully,

Mayer Bros. & Co.

GENERAL MERCHANTS

SONORA, - TEXAS.

SHEEP DIP

—AT—

HARD TIMES PRICES!

We shall soon receive a carload of the world famous COOPER SHEEP DIP and will sell same at slight margin above cost. The best is the cheapest in these times. You cannot afford to experiment with new dips. COOPER DIP is the boss the world over and is still unequalled as a Scab Cure and Wool Improver. It increases the weight and improves the condition and mercantile value of the clip.

HAGERLUND BROS.

The proprietors warn sheepmen against repeated imitations of their well-known dip.

Jas. McLymont expects to leave today for a summer rest in Scotland, his old home.
Geib & Rohrbach, of Del Rio sold 2548 sheep, their entire stock to Franks & Taylor of Beaver Lake, (June) for \$2,912
Among the recent sales of muttons were D. Hart to James McLymont, 500 head at \$2.00.—Del Rio Record.

Pfiester & Null sold to R. S. Campbell 785 ewes and wethers at \$2.05.

H. McKenzie bought from Mr. Blank 750 ewes and wethers at \$1.90.

John Huffman bought from H. Knausenberger 260 ewes and wethers at \$1.90. R. S. Campbell bought from Caruthers and Simons 265 ewes and wethers at \$2.—San Angelo Enterprise.

WOODFORD (1881)

WHISKEY

is the finest article that has ever sailed over the San Angelo bars. No headache guaranteed. For sale only at the Corner Saloon San Angelo.

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THE PRINTING PRESS.
A crowning glory, the printing press;
Mankind to help, to guide, to bless,
Teaching, preaching, noting down
Belly doings of field and town
And wearing well its golden crown
Of glory.

This messenger comes with life and light
From out the regions of hazy night.
Noting darkened hours and brilliant days;
Pleading pleasant paths and sorrow's ways
Within its influential rays
Of story.

It brings fresh news from far and near;
Notes the welcome smile, the falling tear,
At birth and burial, tomb and bier;
Rejoices alike of grief and pain
Or signs of joy to glad refrain
Of song.

It argues, urges, pleads and prays
Mankind to walk in wisdom's ways;
To shun the paths of error's maze;
Good counsel gives to age and youth,
Loved and revered when true to truth.
The press.

All honor when it takes its aim
To turn its guns on sin and shame
On darkened ways of wrong and blame,
When it firmly stands in the paths of right,
Looking well to distance, object and sight
And fires.

Oh, a marvelous thing is the press, we know
We find its products wherever we go
As it rattles away at a pace not slow.
In telling the world what the world's about
It's a wonderful genius for finding out
The news.

The nose for news is a noted nose—
The legend is good as far as it goes—
But it sometimes smells out more than it
knows.
And when in attempting to get a good "scop"
There has been known to fall into the "scop"
The reporter.

As to what we should do without the press
We may not discuss or attempt to guess.
There would need to be drawn up ready for
battle
An army of tongues for gossip and prattle,
A tithe of this and of that some tattler.
Ah, me!
—Good Housekeeping.

The "Bar of Dionysius."
The most remarkable artificial
cavern or excavation ever made was
that which has been recorded in history
under the heading quoted above. This
queer excavation, which was adjoining
the quarries near Syracuse, Sicily, was
constructed by the slaves of the monarch
by whose name it is known. In reality it
was an exact model of a gigantic human
ear, 250 feet long by 80 high, and was
so scientifically constructed that the
interior of the grotto became the finest
"whispering gallery" the world has ever
known. In a cave adjoining this acoustic
wonder the prisoners of the tyrant were
kept, and every word they uttered came
through an orifice to the "internal ear,"
where Dionysius passed whole days
listening to the plots that were being
laid by the enemies of his government.

The prisoners were, of course, chained in that portion of the
underground dungeon most favorable
for reflection of all sounds to the
secret chamber. By this admirable
system of espionage Dionysius managed
to thwart every conspiracy against his
government which rose during his 39 years'
reign. The "ear," the prison dungeons
and even the staples of iron in the
floors to which prisoners were chained
may still be seen. It is said that the
tyrant put to death the architect of the
"ear" and the slaves who excavated it in
order that its purpose might never be
known. —St. Louis Republic.

High Postage.
In 1831 a public meeting was held
at South Shields, at which it was
resolved to ask parliament for two
representatives in view of the new
reform bill. One of these was sent to
the Marquis of Cleveland, the lord
lieutenant, for presentation to the
house of lords. This petition seems to
have been above the statutory weight,
and in consequence a surcharge of 20
5s. 8d. postage was demanded by the
postal authorities. The Marquis of
Cleveland's letter relating to this is now
before me and is as follows:

Newross House, Feb. 11.
Sir—I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter and the bill which I will
attend to towards the end of this month.
I must remark that 6s. 8d. is charged
postage, which I hope to recover or
must apply very early to you for the
same. I remain, sir, your very obedient
servant.
CLEVELAND.

Notes and Queries.
What the French Maid Thought.
Woody Gallante—I am most
grieved to learn of your mistress's
illness. Nothing serious, no great
cause for alarm, I trust?
The New French Maid—No, monsieur,
nozing beeg, nozing grand, something—
what you call leetle, petite.
Woody Gallante—What is it?
The New French Maid—Eet is
what zey call zo leetle—small—
smallpox.—London Tit-Bits.

A suit of apartments was advertised
at a fashionable watering place as
having among its attractions "a
splendid view over a fine garden
adorned with numerous sculptures."
It was found on applying at the
address that the garden adorned with
sculptures was a cemetery.

A crystal river, diaphanous because
it travels slowly, soft is the music
that would charm forever. The
flower of sweetest smell is shy and
lowly.—Wordsworth.

I hate a style that is wholly flat
and regular, that slides along like
an eel and never rises to what one
can call an inequality.—Shenstone.

The Chinese and Japanese make
many articles of furniture out of
baeur.

Gloom

Of ill health, despondency and despair,
gives way to the sunshine of hope,
happiness and health, upon taking
Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it gives
renewed life and vitality to the blood,
and through that imparts
nerve strength, vigor
and energy to the whole
body. Read this letter:
"Hood's Sarsaparilla
helped me wonderfully,
changed sickness to health, gloom to sun-
shine. No pen can describe what I suffered.
I was deathly sick, had sick headaches
every few days and those terrible
tired, despondent feelings, with heart
troubles so that I could not go up and
down stairs without clasping my hand
over my heart and resting. In fact, it
would almost take my breath away. I
suffered so I did not care to live, yet I
had much to live for. There is no pleasure
in life if deprived of health, for life becomes
a burden. Hood's Sarsaparilla does far
more than advertised. After taking one
bottle, it is sufficient to recommend
itself." Mrs. J. E. SMITH, Beloit, Iowa.

Sunshine

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Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists \$1.
Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, bilious-
ness, headache. 25cents.

WILD CATTLE IN CALIFORNIA.
Their Capture Requires Nerve and the
Best Horsemanship.

The youthfulness of the coast
range and its typically volcanic
origin doubtless explain the occurrence
of localities which are literally inex-
tricable mazes of narrow canyons
leading into and out of each other,
many beginning with a precipitous
waterfall and ending in much the
same fashion. When it is borne in
mind that in these recent formations
every canyon opening upon the
main valleys and potreros has a be-
wildering number of tributaries and
every tributary subcanyons ramify-
ing ad infinitum from both sides,
each an exact counterpart of the
other, the statement that there is a
great deal of country among the San
Rafael and Sierra Madre del Sur
mountains untraced by man or
horse will be given ready credence.

Thus it happens that there are
wild cattle running among these
labyrinths which have never seen a
human being and probably never
will. Scarcity of water and feed
drives stock into unwanted places,
and a percentage never finds its way
back. The exploration of these canyons,
therefore, is attended with
constant surprises, mostly unpleasant.
As a matter of fact, a man is
unconvinced to the sight of man is
an undesirable companion in a narrow
gulch as a grizzly.

Fleet as deer and entirely without
fear of horse or rider, their capture
and subjugation involved a display
of nerve and horsemanship surely
without parallel. Tail in the air, the
steer would race up the mountain
the moment he caught sight of the
vaqueros. Up the steep, through
the brush, over barrancas, the
vaqueros, neither sparing horse nor
heeding obstacles, would succeed in
heading off the fugitive, who would
immediately show fight.

While making a rush at one rider
as quick as a flash the steer is
lassed by another round the horns
and checked with a jerk which flings
its hind quarters skyward. Before
the astonished animal can gather its
wits the vaquero who has him by
the horns turns his horse and begins
to drag the steer toward the main
band. Other vaqueros beat it on
the flanks with their riatas and seek
to overcome the brute's reluctance
by jostling and kicking it from behind
with their heavy tapaderos, one of
the multitudinous uses to which the
ornamental leather covering of the
stirrups on a Mexican saddle is put.

In this manner, with many wild
plunges from side to side, the open
mouthed bullock is snaked close to
the rest of the cattle, lassoed by the
hind feet, stretched out, thrown
and the rope slipped from off its
horns. As he rises the steer's hind
feet are allowed to free themselves.
As a rule a refractory beast after
such a dressing will at once join the
main band. Our 9-year-old friend
does nothing of the sort. With a
bellow and a rush, seeing every other
channel blocked, he cuts right
through the herd and is off across
the potrero at a swinging gallop.
Before many yards are covered he
is again "lass'd," dragged back to
the herd, thrown and released.
Nothing daunted, with lowered
horns he makes a vicious rush at one
of the horses, which is either avoid-
ed, or, if unavoidable, received on
the thick leather flap from which
the stirrups and tapaderos are pend-
ent. Recovering for another charge,
he now thoroughly infuriated
brute finds himself strung up by the
head and heels and thrown on his side.
This time one horn is secured to a
front foot before the steer is allowed
to rise. It was found necessary to
handicap more than a dozen head of
cattle in this manner, many being
broncico cows, as wicked in every re-
spect as steers. Fifty miles and more
they traveled on three legs and a
hobble.

While the condition of the majority
of the stock was indifferent, a
proportion being rejected by the
butchers with contumely, the wild
cattle were sleek and fat, their flesh
firm, sweet and of splendid color.—
Overland Monthly.

LUCK OF OLD BOATS.

In Collisions on the Lakes the Valuable
Vessels Fare the Worst.
"Did you ever notice," said an
old mariner, "that when a collision
occurs on the lakes the better boat,
in nine cases out of ten, gets the
worst of it and generally goes to the
bottom? On the other hand, the old
boat—for in a great many instances
it is an old boat—receives little
damage, if any. If she is damaged,
her owners send her to some drydock
to be patched up.

"I have always found that to be
the case," continued the old man
who for the past 40 years has earned
his livelihood on the lakes. "In all the
collisions that I can remember be-
tween a new and an old boat the old
one, somehow or other, managed to
stay on top of the water. Take, for
instance, the sinking of the Lehigh
Valley liner Cayuga, which occurred
on the 10th of last May. She colli-
ded with the steamer Joseph L.
Hurd and was sunk in Lake Michi-
gan, near Skelligalee light. The
Cayuga, which was one of the best
steamers on the lakes, was bound
down with a load of grain and mer-
chandise. The Hurd was an old lum-
ber barge, which had been condemn-
ed once and then rebuilt. She was
not worth much, while the Cayuga
was worth somewhere in the neigh-
borhood of \$200,000.

"At the time of the collision the
fog was very heavy and lay close to
the water in banks. A fog bank is
a peculiar thing to run up against,
because one minute you are right in
the midst of it and the next you are
through it, only to meet another.
For this reason they are very puzz-
ling and have a tendency to get a
fellow rattled for a minute. A minute
is not very long, but a man is
likely to lose his boat as well as his
life in that short space of time. A
captain has no business to get rat-
tled, and especially when running
in a fog. The best of them will lose
their heads, and when in that state
are liable to give orders they ought
not to have given.

"That was the way the fog acted
on the night that the Cayuga went
down. The right signals had appar-
ently been given, but with hardly a
minute's warning the Hurd took a
sheer and struck the Cayuga amid-
ships. The Cayuga went down in
about five minutes, and the Hurd
made for the land, which was not
very far off, where she was beached.
She was leaking quite badly. Tem-
porary repairs were made, and she
was then towed to a drydock. She
came out again later in the season
and ran in the lumber trade on Lake
Michigan.

"The Cayuga, however, is still at
the bottom, lying in about 101 feet
of water, and her chances for re-
maining there are very good.
"Let me cite you another instance
where the better boat was sunk by
an old one—well, I won't say she
was old, for she had only been in
commission very long. She was an
ungainly looking craft and about the
unluckiest boat that had been built
on the lakes in some time. She was
called the Jack. Her first feat that
brought her before public notice was
when she collided with one of the
locks in the Welland canal. Naviga-
tion was delayed for several days
by the accident.

"The next prominent feat that she
accomplished was to sink the big
steel steamer Norman, which was
owned by the Menominee Steamship
company. She sunk her in the mid-
dle of Lake Huron and in deep water.
In fact, it has been a mystery where
she did go down, for they have never
been able to locate her. She was
worth \$200,000. The Jack sustained
little damage and was soon in com-
mission again. Now, there are two
boats which were worth about \$400,
000, and both were sunk by boats
which could be bought for \$20,000,
and that would be a big price for
them."—Buffalo Express.

Still Bilad to Her Little Jokes.
"Monster Bill, Jason?" said Mrs.
Calliper to her husband as she
glanced at the billboard of the the-
ater they were passing. "Isn't that
an extraordinary thing to do, to ex-
hibit a monster on Broadway, and a
monster named Bill?"
"Why, Cynthia," said the absent-
minded colossus, in a deprecatory
sort of way, "that doesn't refer to a
creature named William. The 'mon-
ster' refers to the character of the
attractions offered as to profuseness
and so on. It means a great bill of
entertainment."

"Oh, is that it?" said Mrs. Calli-
per, and she smiled pleasantly
enough, but in her heart she did re-
gret that the colossus was still so
blind to all her little jokes.—New
York Sun.

The Same Old Dish.
Two thousand years ago the chaf-
ing dish was used by the Greeks and
Romans. It was so popular that it
was used for a table ornament, just
as floral pieces are used now. Pto-
lemy, had a dish worth 1,000 sesterces.
No doubt then, as at the present
time, the actor enjoyed his hot mid-
night meal filled with grateful ap-
preciation of the chafing dish.

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Europe is that of France. The two
chambers cost the nation \$1,500,000
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BELLS ON SHIPS.
The Mariner's Clock in the American and
English Navies.

The big white cruiser New York
has a bell on board weighing 600
pounds, which is, in all probability,
the largest bell ever put aboard a
ship for use at sea. The ship's bell
is the mariner's clock. The nautical
day begins and ends at noon, when
eight bells is struck. The bell is
struck half hour day and night, one
stroke being added for each half
hour until eight is reached, when
the count begins at one bell.

In the United States navy the
ship's bell hangs usually under the
forecastle or just forward of the
foremast. The captain's orderly
keeps the time and reports to the
officer of the deck the hour in terms
of "bells." The officer of the deck
then bids the messenger of the watch
strike the bell. There is somewhat
more formality at eight bells than
at other times, for then the hour is
reported to the captain and the bell
not struck until he has said, "Make
it so."

Here is the routine on board a
man-of-war at 8 o'clock in the morn-
ing: The orderly says to the officer
of the deck, "Eight bells, sir." The
officer of the deck replies, "Report
to the captain eight bells and chro-
nometers wound." The orderly then
goes to the captain and says, "Eight
bells and chronometers wound, sir." The
orderly goes to the officer of the
deck and says, "Make it so, sir." The
officer of the deck says to the mes-
senger of the watch, "Strike
eight bells," and if everybody has
been prompt the messenger strikes
eight bells at exactly 8 a. m.

As a matter of fact, the report,
"Eight bells and chronometers
wound," is intended as a check upon
the navigating officer. To him the
ship's chronometers are confided.
There are three chronometers and a
"back" on each man-of-war. The
back is simply a portable chronome-
ter that may be taken ashore, if
need be. The others, once affixed to
their place in the navigator's room
or the chartroom, are never remov-
ed. The navigator knows his chro-
nometer even better than he knows
his shipmate. The error and the rate
of the chronometer, as compared
with a Greenwich mean time, are ac-
curately known, and it is pretty sure
if you want to order the "back" you
will get it.

The chronometers and ship clocks,
which are kept to local time. Some
of the ship's clocks are now
made to strike the bells, but the old
routine is retained, except that the
clock does the work of the mes-
senger. Whether or not the clock
would stop should the captain at eight
bells withhold his "Make it so" is a
question yet to be determined.

They do things rather differently
in the British navy. On the English
men-of-war there is a curious devo-
tion from the American naval meth-
od of indicating the hour. Before the
British naval mutinies of 1797 the
bells were struck on board British
men-of-war just as they were and
are on board the ships of other na-
tions. But in one of those mutinies
the signal agreed upon by mutineers
was the stroke of five bells, 6:30 p. m.
When that signal came, the mutineers
rose to slay their officers. In the
fight that followed the officers
upon one ship at last were driven
over the starboard side, and the mu-
tineers for a time were in possession
of the ship. When order was re-
stored throughout the navy, the
stroke of five bells at 6:30 p. m. in
the second dog watch was dropped
from the place in sequence, though
five bells are retained at 6:30 a. m.
The stroke at 6:30 p. m. in the
British navy is one bell at 7 two bells,
at 7:30 (three bells) but at 8 it is
eight bells. From that hour to 6:30
p. m. the sequence of strokes is the
same as in the United States navy.
—Chicago Record.

Nothing to Worry.
Suitor—This may seem sudden to
you, Miss Kreesus, but I have loved
you for many years. The first mo-
ment I saw you I was struck with
your unparalleled beauty, and every
time I have seen you since you have
appeared more and more beautiful.

Miss Kreesus—Very complimentary,
I'm sure, but I am absolutely
certain that you never saw me be-
fore this evening in all your life.
Suitor—Possibly you are correct,
but the fact is I am so nearsighted
that I thought I might have seen
you before, and it would be impolite
not to acknowledge the fact and the
startling effect which your putative
beauty naturally made upon one so
impressible as myself. But we will
waive that. How would you like
to have me take charge of your
monetary affairs? You need not fear
to burden me. I assure you that I
have no monetary affairs of my own
to bother me.—Boston Transcript.

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THE DUTY OF PATRIOTS.

Constant and Hard Work Needed to Over-
throw Political Bosses.
To overthrow the bosses and their
methods, to establish in place of the
low and narrow door to political dis-
tinction a high and broad one, all
men who love their country must go
into politics, into the primaries and
nominating conventions, and insist
upon their right to select the candi-
dates. It is said by some, in excuse
of the present indifferent character
of candidates for legislative and other
offices, that first rate men will
not consent to accept nominations,
but experience has shown that this
is a mistake. It is very seldom that
much trouble is found in inducing
men of character to stand for public
office, provided they can be assured
that they will be faithfully support-
ed and will have to make no com-
promising pledges in return for the
nomination. Politics can be purified
if the people will insist upon the
purification. The trouble is that
while the politicians work every day
of the year to keep politics down to
their level their opponents work
only spasmodically, usually a few
weeks before election, and during
the remainder of the year dismiss
the subject from their minds.

It requires great fervor of patriot-
ism to carry on this work, but he
must be a very poor American who
is willing to admit that there is not
enough of saving grace in our people
to produce a sufficient body of men
to accomplish it. The kind of patriot-
ism required is of the highest order.
It must be willing to give time and
labor and money, to sacrifice the
best that a man has on the altar of
his country. It is undoubtedly more
praiseworthy than dying for one's country
on the field of battle, but the man
who devotes his life to preserving
the honor of his country and perpetu-
ating free government is as much
a hero as the one who falls upon the
field of battle. Happily there is no
demand for him to prove his patriot-
ism in war, while there is a great
and pressing demand for him to
prove it in the peaceful duties of
citizenship.

He is not the truest or most use-
ful patriot who boasts of his willing-
ness to fight for his country in a war
which may never come or ought
never to come, but he who gives
his service in a struggle that is al-
ready in progress. What our country
is in need of today is an army of
patriots who will enlist for the
extermination of an army of po-
litical pirates and freebooters who
are slowly but surely siphoning from
us all "that made it the best to
live in and the easiest to die for."
We need recruits in every town
and village and great city, men who
will not give up the fight till the
victory is won. This is a patriotism
which tries men's souls, for it calls
for quiet, self sacrificing, unremitting
labor, but it is the only patriotism
which will save American institu-
tions from destruction and make the
American name as the symbol of
human progress honored through-
out the world.—"Patriotism That
Costs" in Century.

The Hands.
One of the greatest difficulties the
young actor has to overcome when
he first enters his profession is to
keep his hands in a natural and un-
affected position. Until he can en-
tirely forget to think about them,
and at the same time continually use
them to emphasize his words, he
cannot consider himself more than
an amateur.

For this reason it is an excellent
training for the young actor to take
the part of a lady. It is then impos-
sible for him to put his hands in his
pockets or to hide them behind his
coat. He can no longer cross his
arms or rub his chin or curl a mus-
tache.

It is true that ladies often carry
something in their hands, such as a
flower or a fan. If a man, however,
was to do the same, it would at least
keep him out of mischief. A man is
never natural unless he has a pipe
to hold or something with which to
fidget. This on the stage is, of
course, impossible.

Soldiers invariably carry canes to
give them a smart appearance.
Nothing could look more slovenly
than the man who lounges along
with his hands in his pockets. Some
regiments even provide the canes on
this account.—Pearson's Weekly.

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