

# THE ROBERT LEE OBSERVER.

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## PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR RAILROAD

**Our People are United on Building the Robert Lee & Fort Chadbourne Railroad and it will be Built.**

Shall we have railroad connection with the outside world, is a burning issue with the entire population of Robert Lee and surrounding country, and everything seems to be working smoothly in the direction of success. No set of people were ever more firmly united on one point—that we need a railroad and must have it, than our people, and with the determination they have and a united effort, they will succeed and give us what we need above all things, railroad connection with the outside world. Let everybody boost, let everybody give to the bonus, let everybody talk the need of the road to his neighbor. Line up with your neighbor on this all important decision that we must have the road and success will crown our efforts. A stream of immigration will be poured into our town and country. Men of means will come here, new businesses will be started, land will soar skyward, more farms will be opened up and Robert Lee, from a small village will become a bustling city of several thousand population in a very short while. You who own property will be the winner because your property will be enhanced many fold. Land now worth \$10 per acre will go to \$30 per acre within twelve months after the road is assured. Lots now worth \$500 will be worth \$1500. This has been the case in other towns less favorably located than Robert Lee and it will be the case here. We must have it and we will have it should be the slogan of every citizen.

### Interesting Times.

Quite an enthusiastic crowd was entertained at the Methodist church, at Robert Lee, last Sunday night by the four pictures presented by Rev. T. A. Moore. Each picture represented and taught a valuable lesson on temperance. Several temperance speeches were made and petitions were signed and mailed to the Senate of the Legislature asking that body to submit State Wide Prohibition to a vote of the people. Bro. Moore will also present his four pictures on temperance to the people of Bronte next Sunday night.

### To Much Face.

You feel as if you had one face too many when you have Neuralgia don't you? Save the face, you may need it; but get rid of the Neuralgia by applying Ballard's Snow Liniment. Finest thing in the world for rheumatism, neuralgia, burns, cuts, scalds, lame back and all pains. Sold by Evans & Sturman.

Dr. O. P. Sweet, of Waxahatchie, was here last week and said that he was favorably impressed with the town and country, and it might be that he will locate with us sometime in the near future.

Silas Connor, the irrigation farmer and stockman, of the Silver country was here Saturday on business.

### Caught in the Rain

then a cold and a cough—let it run on—get pneumonia or consumption that's all. No matter how you get your cough don't neglect it—take Ballard's Horehound Syrup and you'll be over it in no time. The sure cure for coughs, colds bronchitis and all pulmonary diseases in young and old.

### Notice Assignee's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Coke, By virtue of a certain deed of assignment on file in the County Clerk's office of Coke county, Texas, wherein the Robert Lee Mercantile Company; a corporation, having its place of business and office in the town of Robert Lee, Coke county, Texas, conveyed to M. E. Trimble all its real and personal estate of whatsoever kind and whereoever found or situated, for the benefit of its accepting creditors, said deed bearing date December the 8th, A. D. 1908, recorded in Book 22 on pages 297, 298 and 299.

Wherefore, I, M. E. Trimble, assignee of said Robert Lee Mercantile Company, duly qualified as such, will proceed to sell for cash to the highest and best bidder, on the 15th, day of February, A. D. 1909, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. before the doors of said Mercantile Company's place of business in said town of Robert Lee, Coke county, Texas, all the remaining stock of goods belonging to said Company, consisting of general merchandise, invoicing about \$7500.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand this 21st, day of January, A. D. 1909,  
M. E. Trimble, Assignee of  
The Robert Lee Mercantile Co.

### The Pure Food Law.

Secretary Wilson says: "One of the objects of the law is to inform the consumer of the presence of certain harmful drugs in medicines." The law requires that the amount of chloroform, opium, morphine, and other habit forming drugs be stated on the label of each bottle. The manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have always claimed that their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made on the label. This remedy is not only one of the safest, but one of the best in use for coughs and colds. Its value has been proven beyond question during the many years it has been in general use. For sale by all druggists.

Rev. Abe Long returned Tuesday from Indian Creek, Brown county. Uncle Abe has been quite sick since he left here and his legion of friends are glad to see him able to be up again.

—Money to lend on vacant and improved town real estate and on farms and unimproved lands. Interest 6 per cent, no commission. Agents wanted. Address First State Mortgage & Bond Co., 409 Commerce St., Dallas, Texas.

# TAYLOR

## The Butcher.

Has Just Received a big Shipment of

# Woernewuerst Sausage,

Bologne Sausage and

# Skinned Premium Hams.

Fat tender Beef and other Market Products, the best to be had and at living prices.

# A. J. TAYLOR,

## The Butcher.

—R. Hickey & Son have had a phone installed in their store and put on a delivery wagon. They are now ready to deliver fresh groceries to any part of the city on short notice.

### They Report Very Favorable.

The Right-of-way committee composed of Rev. W. K. Simpson, F. K. Popplewell, J. F. Sturman, Wylie Byrd and R. L. Barnett made a trip over the right-of-way Tuesday, while they do not give out any thing for publication, they say the trip was a most pleasant one and was a very successful one in the fact that everyone along the line wants and sees the need of a railroad and are willing to work for its success.

E. C. Rawlings, of Rawlings, was in the city on business Thursday.

T. Johnson, wife and sister-in-law, Mrs. Maggie Price left Thursday morning for near Loraine to visit Mrs. Johnson's father, Joe May, who is reported quite sick.

## San Angelo National Bank,

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# THE OBSERVER

GEO. COWAN, Editor.

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ROBERT LEE, - - - TEXAS

At the present rate of growth Manhattan island will have a population of 2,500,000 in 1932.

The wages of women in Asiatic Turkey vary from ten to fifteen cents a day of ten hours.

England reports an enormous demand for second-hand Bibles. Got any you've outgrown?

In the population of New York city there are 187,000 persons who are stockholders in corporations.

Pu Yi, the emperor, has 30 nurses, and is hollering for his old one. What's the use of being an emperor?

The Pittsburg Press says that wealth kills. Well, we'd far rather be hit with it than with a stick of dynamite.

English newspapers say they are sorry for the kaiser. That is an artistic way of piling on the punishment.

Canadian physician says our high school boys are being "effeminized" by women teachers. Noticed it, this fall?

Philadelphia has established an all-night bank, and its citizens no longer need be afraid to go home in the dark.

Mrs. Girard Bancker told a woman's forum in New York that all wives grovel to their husbands. Say—but her sex protects her.

We are still waiting for some scary German general to rise up and explain to an awe-struck public how easy it would be for a British army to devastate the German empire.

The man who lent Mr. Rockefeller that \$2,000 to go into business with would have made a good bargain if he had stipulated that instead of interest he should have half the profits.

A young woman in New Jersey was scared to death at the sight of a mouse. This will reassure those pessimistic persons who fear that the woman of to-day is losing all her essentially womanly qualities.

The Vermont papers are busily discussing the question who shall be elected governor in 1910. Already there are several candidates in the field. Politicians in Vermont are prompt.

Dr. Parkhurst says the wearing of big hats is un-Christian. But that will have little effect upon the devout female sex as long as big hats are stylish. The reverend critic is singularly ignorant of the depths of human feminine nature if he does not know that.

People are talking of undertaking to teach women how to get off a street car without imperiling their necks. Which suggests an alteration of an old proverb: You can take a woman to a street car, but can you make her get off in any other than the woman's way?

According to Dr. Mary Patrick, president of the girls' college at Constantinople, the Turkish women have thrown off their veils, and are lecturing in different prominent cities like Constantinople and Salonica, and are also forming woman's clubs. Now watch Turkey boom!

To avoid misleading ambitious rhymesters, perhaps we ought to say that the late Bloodgood H. Cutter, the poet of Little Neck, L. I., who left an estate of \$665,000, of which more than \$500,000 was bequeathed to the American Bible society, did not make his money writing poetry.

The shah of Persia declares he will protect the rights of his subjects against the wicked designs of the evildoers who want a constitution. But even in the far orient phrases do not mean as much as they used to signify, and the shah's anxiety to protect his subjects from the evils of a constitution will be fully understood.

They ought to get some policemen in New York who in emergencies can show signs of almost human intelligence, says the Baltimore American. A man was arrested there lately for violently resisting an officer in trying to break through the fire lines. His entirely inadequate excuse—in the eyes of the policeman—was that the burning house was his own, his wife and baby were inside and he rated their safety above official red tape.

A test of the soot-laden air in Chicago shows that 7,000 pounds of organic and mineral substances are deposited on an acre of ground in that city from the atmosphere. Now let anyone dare to say that this condition of the air is not injurious to health. As Indianapolis is hardly less afflicted with smoke than Chicago, the deposits are probably as heavy there. No wonder every one complains of the difficulty of breathing and of keeping clean.

## FROM THE HOUSEKEEPER'S NOTEBOOK

Ingenuous Arrangements for Small Apartments.

(Copyright, by Joseph B. Bowles.)

Many persons live in small quarters from choice. Others do so from necessity. The business woman chooses them for every motion counts in strength and the time required to do her housework. In cold sections of the country, they help solve the question of heat. It is a fact that compactness saves time, expense, and many steps in the course of a day. Though we may, sub rosa, long for the spacious rooms and large houses considered necessary by our forefathers, reason tells us that many and large rooms make more work.

Many devices have been adopted to aid the housekeeper who must live in compact quarters. Among them is a bed which pulls out of the wall and can be pushed back when not in use. Generally, it runs back into a closet, the floor of which is raised to the height of the bed. In this way it is completely out of sight and takes no room in the day time. Ventilation is secured by openings which let in the air in various places. People who have tried this bed consider it practical and sanitary. The clothes are placed in a chest during the daytime and this also serves as a seat.

Another labor-saving device is the kitchenette. This is a small room, usually six feet by four feet, much resembling a closet and built in the apartment, where it is desired to go without a kitchen and the sitting room is used for a dining room. This kitchenette holds a small gas stove, usually two burners, a tiny sink, and a small refrigerator. The walls behind these are lined with shelves and closets to hold dishes. It is remarkable how much cooking can be done in these small rooms. Some "cliff dwellers" get their three meals in them, and they are primarily intended for persons who wish to cook their own breakfasts and luncheons and go out for dinner. These kitchenettes are usually found in apartments consisting of two rooms and a bath.

Life in apartments simplifies housekeeping in many of its forms. Stairs do not have to be climbed, rooms are few and consequent work lessened, but the servant problem still remains in some modified form and new problems arise in place of the old. To meet the demands of the modern tenant all kinds of apartments are erected with aids like the kitchenette, some practical and others not. So far as known no such absurdity as a stove which serves as a folding bed has been invented, but many ingenious devices have been placed upon the market, among them a set of springs which can be placed over the bathtub at night, and made to serve as a bed. Some inventions are not to be adopted for sanitary reasons, others are worthy of consideration. Many of these fixtures and appliances that relieve housework of much of its drudgery have been patented, others are not and can be tried anywhere.

It may surprise many to know that some of the most novel inventions in the way of reducing living space to a minimum, and at the same time planning apartments so they are comfortable and in many cases luxurious, come from California. The latest features in the best apartments are so novel and sensible that they deserve wide attention. A handsome new apartment consists of parlor, living room, kitchen, private hall, private bath and storage closet. As space is desirable, the parlor and living room are made to serve a double and triple purpose. The parlor is both parlor and bedroom, and the living room is in turn dining room, bedroom and sitting room. So unique are the arrangements that when used for one purpose there is no indication of their having ever been put to another use. Waste room in every form is avoided, and doors, mantels and other architectural features are arranged so they can be converted into a double feature.

Off from the living room and connected with it by doors, which not only separate the rooms but are useful in other ways, is a tiny kitchen. This is complete and arranged so that an ample meal can be provided in a short time. The sink has an attachment whereby the holes in the drain can be closed, thus making a pan which can be used for dishwashing. Other patents simplify work in a similar manner. Undoubtedly the most unusual features are the uses to which the doors are put. On the inside of one of the doors opening into the kitchen, a gas stove is hung, on the other side is suspended a dining table top, four by six feet in size. The small center

table in the sitting room is wheeled to this top, fastened to it by means of clamps and returned to the middle of the floor. This makes a dining table for six persons. This convenience is eclipsed by the wonders of the other door, for this swings on a central pivot so that the stove, with gas still burning, can be turned into the dining room and used as a hot buffet to warm dishes during a meal. Thus the occupants of this unique apartment have living room, kitchen and dining room provided in a simple, up-to-date manner, and few steps are required to accomplish the work which is reduced to a minimum.

A pretty feature in these same flats is a combination book case and writing desk. This is stationed to the left of the mantel. To all appearances this is the only object but it serves another purpose as well, for it is also a door which leads into the storage closet. This closet is arranged to hold the bed clothes as well as wearing apparel. The bed itself is in the daytime a handsome mantel. A spring attached to the top shelf of this mantel lets down the front to form a bed when desired. This turning of the mantel into a bed is a sanitary arrangement for the back of the bed opens into a well ventilated closet. Clamps are fastened to the four corners of the bed to hold the clothes. When the bed is turned up in the day time these clamps keep the clothes suspended, and there is a space of an inch and a half between the various articles the air can circulate freely all day. Nor are these all the Aladdin wonders, for the large cheval glass in the parlor, like the mantel in the sitting room, serves a double purpose and turns down to furnish a full size bed with sanitary conditions like the other.

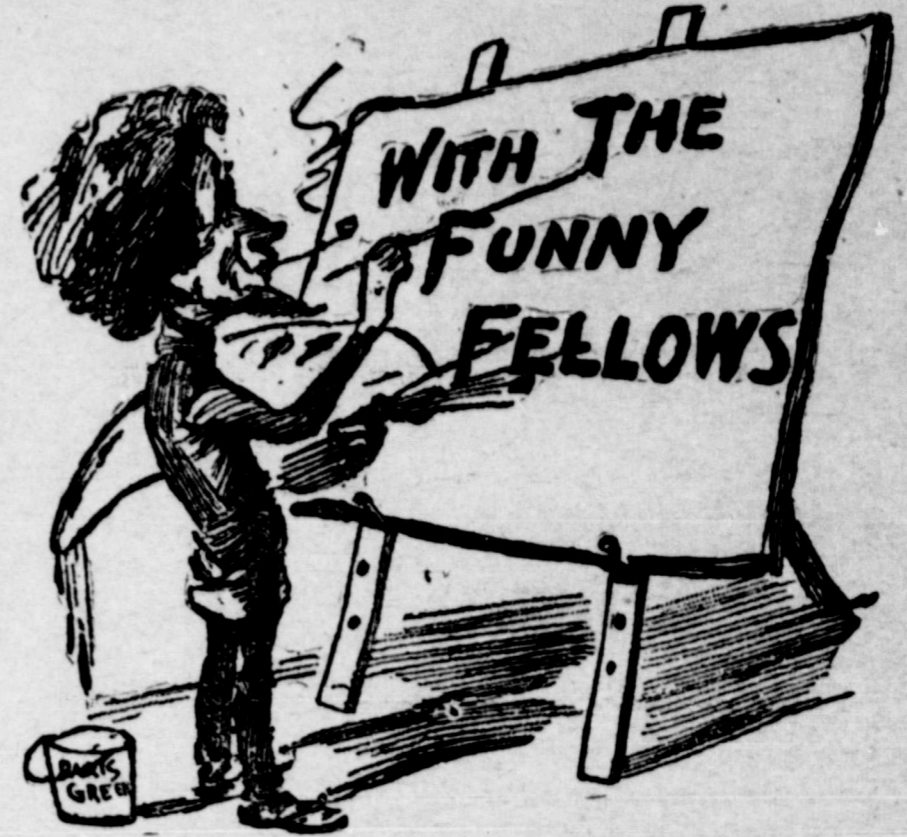
Here, then, are living room, parlor, two sleeping rooms, kitchen, bath room and reception hall, with practically nothing but two rooms to care for. In some of the new apartments where added room is needed, a venetian blind is suspended from the ceiling so that it cuts the room in half. This can be rolled up to the top of the room in the daytime and at night it forms a protection so that the room is divided into two and thus gives opportunity for an extra couch. In other apartments screens are fitted on the reverse side to hold extra clothing. A new patent of this kind consists of a screen with hooks on the back which are concealed when hung with clothing, by canvas covered doors. Dress boxes are utilized for seats in the day time and beds at night in other apartments.

Many of these plans to minimize space and economize labor are worthy of consideration. Space in the kitchen can always be saved by using a kitchen cabinet arranged to hold cooking and eating utensils. The best of these cabinets are costly and an old book case can be converted into one at small expense. The newest kitchen table is made with the molding board under the drawer which holds knives, forks, spoons and enough dishes for a meal. The board slips under and can be pulled out when needed. Hooks are placed at intervals down the legs of the table to hold pans and cooking utensils that must be hung up. In one small apartment where there was no kitchen the housekeeper had a stand made the right height for washing dishes. A large hole in the top allowed the dish pan to be inserted and a perforated piece of tin the exact size of the bottom of the pan made a false bottom which prevented particles from settling in the pan. The water in this way was free enough from sediment to throw down the bathroom escape pipes. The cooking utensils were hung on hooks around the legs of this impromptu sink.

How much can be accomplished in small quarters if the housekeeper has ingenuity and is on the alert for new ideas! One of the latest inventions for apartments of small-space is the sectional chiffonier. It is really a drawer containing two boxes over which another drawer the exact counterpart fits. A detachable mirror rests on top, and the whole is an attractive and serviceable piece of furniture to hold clothing or anything one desires. When more seats are needed in the room, the two sections can be taken apart, the mirror placed out of the way, and the top and bottom sections make seats against the wall. In this way there are seats for four guests who never imagine they are sitting on what was once a chiffonier.

**Woman Known as Sailors' Friend.**  
Miss Josephine R. Upham has just accepted the post of woman missionary and organizer in the new American Seamen's Friend Society Institute in West street, New York city. She has had 15 years' experience in the work for seamen and comes direct from the Sailors' Haven, Boston. She is known personally to sailors from every part of the world, who speak and look upon her as their friend. Her influence with men with whom she comes in contact is very great.

**Not the Right Course.**  
"Why don't you question the utility of your wife's course?"  
"Oh, that method wouldn't answer."  
—Baltimore American



### FATLET'S SOLILOQUY.

Hips must go.—Fashion's Note.  
Mrs. White adjusted the corset with a few deft movements, and presto!—the model was hipless.—News Item.

To lace, or not to lace, that is the question: 'Tis nobler in the flesh to suffer the pinch and squeezing of outrageous fashion Or sit down upon this dire announcement And, by opposing, end it? To gasp, to pant No more, and being fat, to say we end The heartache and the thousand natural shocks The flesh is heir to—'tis a consummation Devoutly to be wished. To tug, to pull, To squeeze, perchance to pinch! Aye, there's the rub! For in this chase of style what frets must come Ere we may nullify this mortal flesh Must give us pause. There's the tight sleeves That make calamity of reaching up; For who would bear the grip of bone and steel. The stifling steam within the Turkish bath, The rubbing of masseurs, the gulping down Of powders and of pills of anti-fat. The shunning sweets and farinaceous food. When she herself might her contentment make In a loose wrapper? Who would corsets wear That neither let her walk nor stand nor sit, But that the dread of being out of style, That bridge-whistless existence, from whose bourne No traveler returns, puzzles the will And makes us rather bear the ills we must Than fly to others that we know not of? Thus fashion doth make cowards of us all And thus the native girth and size and plumpness Is skinned o'er with bands of crushing grip. And lost the name of fatness. Easy, now, My good dressmaker! Nymph, in my director's Be all my fat forgotten!  
—Life.

### DRIVEN TO IT.



Myrtle—What's the matter?  
George—The furnace has been choked.  
Myrtle—Gracious! Has father done anything so desperate as that?

### The Modern Pace.

"Wille," said the kindly old gentleman, "if you work hard you may be president of the United States some day."  
"Well," answered the precocious youth, "I've been reading a great deal about what the president does. Of course I'm willing to work hard, but not that hard."  
—Washington Star.

### His Supply of Knowledge.

"Why," said the boastful one, "I've forgotten more than you ever knew."  
"I cannot," replied the modest man, "deny what you say is true. I think I may safely say, however, that you have never been in a position to forget very much at one time."  
—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Disinterested.

Bacon—Did you ever notice how disinterested he seems to look when he's talking to himself?  
Egbert—Oh, yes; he's probably giving himself some advice.—Yonkers Statesman.

### A Lover's description.

Miss Muggs—I don't see how it is your sister failed to find me at the station. You said you would describe me to her.  
Infatuated Lover (who sees a good deal more in Miss Mugg than other folks can)—Yes. I told her to look for a beautiful girl, with the face of a Madonna and the form of a sylph. It's queer she missed you.—New York Weekly.

### EASY ENOUGH.



Clara—How did the football players get into the show without paying?  
Charlie—On a double pass.

### An Encouraging Average.

"I have been looking over my financial operations," said Mr. Easigo. "I must say they are more successful than usual."  
"Have you been making large profits?"  
"No. I don't expect anything like that."  
"But you say you were successful?"  
"Comparatively successful. During the month I have loaned money to five friends and only three of them have quit speaking to me."  
—Washington Star.

### Rather Caustic.

The comedian and the leading lady stood in the observation car admiring the scenery.  
"What a beautiful sunset," said the leading lady, dreamily.  
"Yes," laughed the comedian, "it reminds me of your exquisite complexion."  
"Ah, how kind! Because it is such a beautiful pink and white?"  
"No, because it is swiftly fading."  
And they never spoke from Kokomo to Kankakee.—Chicago Daily News.

### PERHAPS.



The Patient (having escaped from the chair)—I think, perhaps, I'll call again to-morrow.—The Sketch.

### Justice vs. Iniquity.

It is joy to the just to do judgment; but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.—Proverbs 21:15.



# FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

## EAGLE FIGHTS WITH SHARK.

Combat Between One of the "Bald" Species and a Monster of the Deep.

A haughty American eagle of the species known as "bald," is the latest acquisition of the park board of Baltimore.

This magnificent bird, measuring more than six feet from wing tip to wing tip, looks as if he might have stepped out of our national coat of arms. But in fact he was pulled out of the water—a dripping, bedraggled, humbled monarch of the air. He has been put on exhibition in the Zoological garden in Druid Hill park, the largest park in the Monument city.

The eagle's capture was unique, perhaps, in the history of eagle hunting, for he was taken while in a fierce wing-to-fin combat with a large shark in Accohannock Creek, which divides Accomac and Northampton counties, Virginia, and Littell G. McClung tells the story of its capture in the New York Herald as follows:

Several days ago, while Capt. Charles J. Henderson of the Tangier, a steamboat, was standing in the pilot house of his vessel, directing her course up Accohannock creek, he suddenly saw an eagle swooping through the air half a mile in front of the vessel. A moment afterward he saw another eagle—evidently the mate of the first—circling above, far up in the clouds.

The first eagle hovered over the water for a moment, and then plunged down into the waves like a tern. Almost at once the shiny fins of a big fish appeared above the surface. The eagle's claws were fixed in its body, and there was a furious struggle. Beating his wings, the bird tried to rise in the air with his prey, but his efforts were futile. Instead of an ordinary river fish, the eagle had sunk his talons into a shark.

Back under the surface went fish and bird. But in a moment they reappeared, the battle churning the water around them to foam and throwing spray high into the air. The shark must have caught the eagle by his feathers, for over and over they plunged and rolled, one moment on the surface and again out of sight. The crew of the steamboat crowded to the forward deck, absorbed in the fierce battle between the lord of the air and the terror of the sea. Not for a second did the struggle slacken. Meanwhile the other eagle circled overhead watching the conflict. Both fighters seemed oblivious to the approach of the vessel.

At Capt. Henderson's orders the Tangier was steered up against a wharf just below where the eagle and the shark were struggling. As soon as the ropes were thrown out a boat was lowered and manned, and the crew pulled vigorously for the scene of the conflict.

For awhile it looked as if the shark were getting the best of it, for he was dragging the eagle down under the water, and holding him there for several seconds at a plunge. But each time the powerful bird, using his wings as propellers, forced himself to the surface for breath.

Just as the boat came up the eagle wrenched loose from the shark, and struck out for the shore, paddling himself along with his wings. Once or twice he tried to rise from the water, but his feathers were too thoroughly soaked to be of any use for flying. When the boat was alongside one of the men reached out a paddle, and, laying it across the eagle's back, shoved him under the water. Another reached over and seized his feet and head. Then his captors, holding his wings to his sides to keep him from struggling, drew him into the boat. He still showed fight, but he was so

exhausted that his efforts to free himself were ineffective.

His mate came down close, but did not venture within attacking distance of the men. Later, giving up her consort as lost, she vanished into the clouds.

The big eagle was stuffed into a large bag, the top of which was tied about his neck. On shore a big box was procured, and, being put into this, he was taken aboard the Tangier and taken to Baltimore.

After his feathers were dried the eagle seemed willing to make the best of the situation, and ate heartily the



The Eagle's Claws Were Fixed in Its Body.

meat given him. An examination showed that he bore no scars from his battle with the shark, but one of his eyes was gone, evidently having been put out in some previous fight with a hawk or another eagle. His head, breast and back were white, while the rest of his body was gray.

Next morning Capt. Henderson walked into the offices of the steamship company in Baltimore and asked the officers if they could supply accommodations for a "canary bird" he had caught. They replied that they could get a cage without much trouble, but when they saw that the "canary" was an immense bald eagle, they decided that the city might be able to take better care of him. So he was given to the park board for the zoological collection.

## For a Loaf, All Right.

As the tramp looked at Mrs. Godard he felt a thrill of hope. Here was surely an easy and benevolently inclined person. "Could you gimme a dime to buy a loaf of bread?" he whined.

Mrs. Godard's guileless soul looked out at him through her near-sighted eyes, and she fingered her purse hopefully.

"I have only a quarter here," she said, "and I'm really too tired to walk home."

"Sure, I can change it for you," said the tramp, cheerfully, as he took out a dime and a nickel; and not until Mrs. Godard was half-way home on the car did it occur to her that there was anything unusual in the transaction.

## Hurting His Business.

A "prominent physician" advises us not to eat lettuce, onions or celery. Vegetarians getting too healthy to suit him, eh?

## DOLLS OF ALL NATIONS.

An Idea Which Will Furnish Much Entertainment for a Girl.

Nothing is more fun for a little girl who has grown tired of her doll family than to make them into a family of all nations by dressing them in suitable national costumes.

There may be any number of dolls in the doll family—the more the merrier—and it isn't at all necessary that they should be young or fresh, or even whole, when the family is started. A one-armed doll, or one with one leg or eye, will do very nicely for a German soldier who has seen service, or even for one of our own sailors or soldiers who has been to the wars. A battered doll, long past first youth with scanty locks and a damaged nose, will not look out of place as an old peasant woman in the costume of any of the countries of Europe. There should be Chinese and Japanese dolls, whose costumes are not hard to make. If one has not real oriental expression to start with it is not difficult to

make it by a little attention to the eyebrows and the hair. For the eyebrows the water-color paints will be useful. There should be a black-haired Spanish lady in a mantilla and a treader, if possible; a colored Dinah and an Indian squaw; French, German, Austrian, Hungarian and Russian peasants; Turks, savage Africans and South Sea Islanders. All these are necessary in a very complete collection, but of course they can be collected gradually or made over from discarded dolls of the Anglo-Saxon race. It is perfectly possible to paint the white dolls black, brown, yellow or copper colored, and to dye, frizz or braid their hair into suitable wigs. Care must be taken, however, to see that the eyes are dark when the dark-eyed nations are to be represented.

## Apologizing for the Baby.

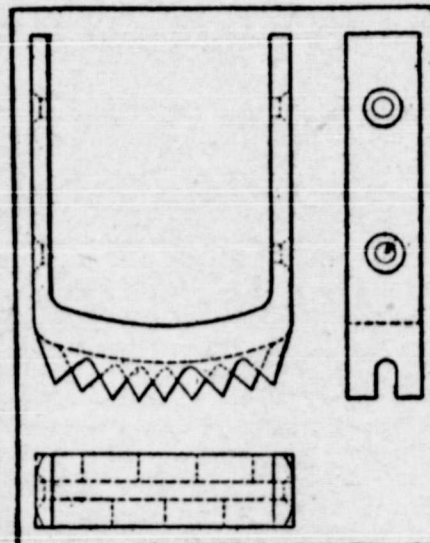
Nellie apologized for the action of her new baby sister by saying: "You see, she hasn't got any sense yet." Her mother objected to such an idea, and Nellie replied: "Oh, of course she's got sense, but it isn't working yet."

# INDUSTRY AND MECHANICS

## PREVENT LADDERS SLIPPING.

Simple Device, Easily and Cheaply Made, and Quickly Put On.

The bottom of machine shop ladders often slip on the wooden floor on account of so much grease. A correspondent of the American Machinist devised a foot as shown in the illustration which has been quite successful. It is made from malleable iron and is inexpensive. The one shown is for a ladder three inches wide at the foot and has ten staggered teeth on the bottom about three-fourth-inch centers. It is fastened to



Keeps Ladder from Slipping.

the ladder with ordinary wood screws, and adds almost nothing to the weight.

## BROOKLYN BRIDGE.

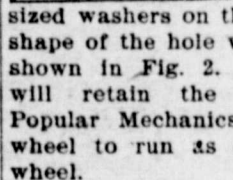
Still Most Popular Route Between New York and Brooklyn.

Travel between New York and Brooklyn has seen a remarkable increase during the past year. The total travel in both directions for 24 hours was 816,000 as compared with 706,000 last year, an increase of about 16 per cent. The opening of the subway tunnel and the growing traffic over the Williamsburg bridge have caused a decrease of travel over the Brooklyn bridge from 423,000 in 1907 to 310,000 in 1908. An analysis of the traffic across the East river shows that the ferries carried 165,000; the subway, 160,000; Williamsburg bridge, 182,000; and Brooklyn bridge, 310,000. Nothing could show more forcibly than do these figures the commanding position held by the famous Brooklyn bridge among the transportation facilities between Manhattan island and Long island.

## REPAIRING A WORN HUB.

Here is a Suggestion Which Will Prove a Big Help.

Cast iron hubs of wheels used on farming implements wear very fast and soon cause the wheels to wobble and not stand upright. The worn hub will have the appearance shown in the cross section (Fig. 1). This may be easily remedied by putting different sized washers on the axle to form the shape of the hole worn in the hub, as shown in Fig. 2. The washer axle will retain the oil longer, says Popular Mechanics, and cause the wheel to run as straight as a new wheel.

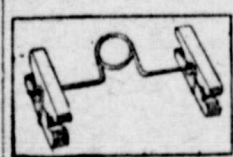


Von Moltke: He who hesitates much will accomplish little.

## HANGER FOR TROUSERS.

Made Out of a Couple of Metal Spring Clothes Pins.

Secure two clothes pins of the metal spring kind for the clamps of the hanger. The pins are fastened one to each end of a looped galvanized wire. This wire should be about 6 inches long after a coil is bent in the center as shown in the sketch. The diameter of the wire should be about 1/8-inch.



## Not for Him.

Mrs. Knicker—Will you have an early English breakfast-room in your new house?

Mrs. Newrich—No; I asked Hiram that, and he said he wasn't going to get up till ten o'clock nowadays.—Harper's Weekly.

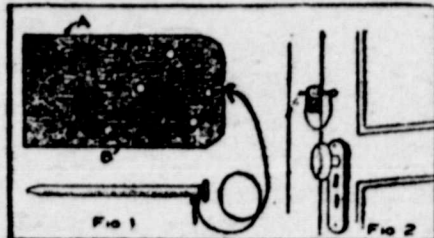
## Pertinent Query.

Myer—There goes a young man who will make his mark in the world.  
Gyer—What's the trouble—can't he write his name?—Chicago Daily News.

## A PORTABLE DOOR LOCK.

Made Out of a Strip of Tin, a Few Carpet Tacks and a Nail.

An effective lock that may readily be adjusted to any ordinary door, and which is especially adapted for the use of travelers, is shown in Fig. 1. The lock is made from a small strip of tin about two inches wide and five inches long, two or three carpet tacks



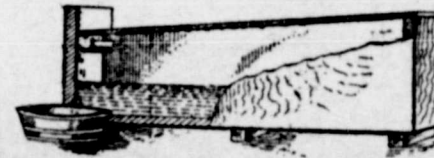
Adjustable to Any Door

and an eight or ten penny wire nail. The tin is bent in the middle of its length so as to form a double thickness about 2 1/2 inches long, as shown at A. Through the end of this tin, about one-quarter of an inch from the end, made three, or four small holes for carpet tacks. The wire nail is driven through the tin at B at a distance from the edge near the holes made for the tacks to equal the thickness of the door to which the lock is to be applied. To accommodate the varying thicknesses of doors, other holes may be punched at different places, suggests Popular Mechanics. The lock is applied to the jamb when the door is open; the plate, A, is placed in the jamb and fastened there by pressing the tacks through the small holes into the wood of the door casing. After shutting the door, merely push the wire nail through one of the long holes and the door will be securely bolted. A stronger and neater lock may be made from a piece of sheet steel of suitable size.

## SIMPLE DISTILLING PLANT.

How You Can Obtain Fresh Water from Sea Water.

A common method of getting salt from sea water is to place the liquid in shallow vats, and expose it to the sun until the water is evaporated.



Simple Apparatus for Distilling Fresh Water from Sea Water.

Someone has suggested that the same process of separation be used to get fresh water out of the sea water. Cover the vat with a pane of glass which is tilted slightly. The radiant heat of the sun passing through the glass will evaporate the water, and the vapor condensing on the under side of the glass will run down the inclined surface and drip into a trough. A receptacle at one side will catch the fresh water that flows from the trough. The condensation may be expedited by pouring water over the glass. The glass will thus be chilled without interfering with the passage of the sun's rays into the vat.

## Typical Harvard Athlete.

Harvard's new football captain, who is a son and namesake of Hamilton Fish, United States assistant treasurer at New York and congressman-elect, is a young giant. Although only 20 years old, Fish is 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighs 198 pounds. The Boston papers unite in saying that he will make "a great Harvard captain." In all the later games of the season just past, after Capt. Burr was injured, Fish was acting captain, and proved a good leader.

## Ship Building in England.

From the returns compiled by Lloyd's Register, it appears that, excluding warships, there were 319 vessels of 733,378 tons gross under construction in the United Kingdom at the close of September, 1908.

The Church of the Advent in Boston, one of the highest of high Episcopal churches, celebrated recently the sixty-fourth anniversary of its foundation. An interesting fact in connection with the history of the parish is that no fewer than seven bishops have been furnished by it to the Protestant Episcopal church of America, Bishop Horatio Southgate, Bishop Knight of Milwaukee, Bishop Hall of Vermont, Bishop Osborne of Springfield, Bishop Codman of Maine, Bishop Parker of New Hampshire, and Bishop Grafton of Fond du Lac.

## His Only Job.

Hannah—Yes'm, but if I do youah laundry work, ma'am, I must have de undahstandin' dat my husban' collects de pay.

The Lady—But why can't you collect it yourself, Hannah?

Hannah—Well, you see, ma'am, I don't want to rob de ol' man of de only job he's evah likely to get.

The man who asks for the breast of the chicken doesn't always get it, but the man who is content with the neck always gets his.

# BURIED 700 YEARS

## TOMB OF LONG-DEAD PRELATE UNCOVERED.

Evidently Place of Sepulcher of a Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church, But His History Has Been Lost.

Workmen at the minster at Basle, Switzerland, while installing a new heating plant a short time ago, discovered in an interior crypt a tomb, which has been made the subject of a curious investigation.

It was evident that the body enclosed in the stone walls was that of a high functionary. It was clad in the vestments of a bishop of the Roman Catholic church. The skeleton hand still clasped the wooden crook symbolical of the shepherd.

Who was the prelate buried in this box of stone? Inquiry showed that the body was that either of Bishop Lutold I., of Arburg, who died in 1213, or of Bishop Heinrich II., of Thun, who died in 1238. It is known, at least, that the opened tomb contained the remains of a man who died nearly 700 years ago.

The proceedings following this discovery were somewhat remarkable. A photograph of the open tomb with the body in it was taken with great difficulty, for it was almost impossible in that narrow underground hole to make a clear picture.

For the purpose of thorough examination the body was taken from its bed of centuries to a room in the museum of the city. This was difficult to do, for the slightest touch was likely to crumble anything in the tomb to dust. The examination required two days, and then the remains were buried again, it is hoped, never more to be disturbed.

The body had been embalmed, but the process only delayed and did not arrest the process of decay. The tomb consisted simply of slabs of stone cemented together, and the remains in their splendid vestments were laid upon a bed of flat stones placed in position without cement.

The head had been pillowed on a stone scooped out a little. But the head had not survived that interval of seven centuries. Nothing of it was found excepting some handfuls of dust, a small bit of the lower jaw and a few teeth.

Some of the fingers were covered with skin that had turned to parchment, but they crumbled at a touch. A few of the cloths plainly retained their texture and ornamental designs, but the greatest care in handling them was required or they would drop to pieces. All were discolored so that they looked like brown tobacco leaf.

The highly ornate shepherd's staff had been made of pieces of ash, linden and oak wood, mortised together, but now rotten to the center, though still perfect in shape.

The most striking results of the investigation was the photographs, 23 in number, of the cloth and embroidery patterns, the tattered leather sandals and the tomb. Some of the embroidery patterns are of remarkable beauty and intricacy.

There was great difficulty in fixing the sandals so that they might be photographed, for they were little more than dust that a breath would blow away. They had been fitted to the feet of a dead man nearly 300 years before Columbus discovered America.

We know of the remarkable scrutiny that has been given to the mummified remains of the ancient kings and queens of Egypt; this is probably the first time that the dust of a Christian prelate has been subjected to similar investigations. The ancient processes of preserving the bodies of the dead far exceeded those of the Christian era as is strikingly shown in the present case, for the attempt to preserve the body from total decay utterly failed.

## State Secrets Given Away.

Judge Mortimer Lewis gives the rhyming race away in the following:

"These Christmas songs you read were writ 'way back in hot July, St. Valentine's day songs were writ beneath November's sky, and that is why the poet should write of Thanksgiving cheer while he is good and hungry for that good time to be here; one deals out country idyls while one's immured in town and signs of city pleasures where the leaves are drifting down; 'tis in this absent treatment way he sings of everything, and so I do not think he ought to have to rise and sing of good Thanksgiving day when he is filled up to the brim with pumpkin pie and gravy brown and turk that died for him. Did I speak of the pumpkin pie? I don't know if I did, but I'm stuffed so plum full of that it's pushing up the lid.—Atlanta Constitution.

## Nor Any Other Kind.

Employer—"When you went to collect that bill from Mr. Tightwad, did he answer you with acrimony?" Office Boy—"No, sir; he didn't give me any kind o' money."



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We have moved our stock of Fresh.....

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to the building recently vacated by Taylor's meat market where we have more room and can better serve you. Everything good to eat and its fresh.

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GEO. COWAN, EDITOR.

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Entered in the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class mail matter.

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LOOK AT YOUR LABEL. The new postal law requires that all names in arrears one year be dropped until settlement is made. The month and year opposite your address is the time to which your subscription is paid.

All papers subscribed for and sent out of Coke county must be paid in advance and will be discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

We have heard the question propounded several times the past week, will the road build only to Rawlings? Col. Spencer stated at the meeting of the Business Club recently that the company was on a deal with a construction company to grade 55 miles of road from Robert Lee as soon as every thing was closed up. We have no doubt but that if we get the road it will go farther than the Orient and that there will be a line to tie onto beyond the Abaline & Ballinger line. Of course this is only a surmise of ours. Anyway the road has to have a starting point and we know of no place better to start from nor a place in more need of it than Robert Lee.

Remember that by subscribing to the bonus and giving the right-of-way for the railroad you not only help yourself but help your neighbor. By not doing this you hurt your neighbor because he has to pay what you didn't give to the bonus and also to go down in his pocket and get the money to buy that part of the right-of-way not given.

Tin repairing, valley's guttering, stoves, also good clean charcoal at L. Schott.

### Bonus Committee Met.

The bonus committee composed of J. Q. McCabe, J. A. Russell, W. F. Day, C. W. McCutchen, A. D. Lane and S. B. Kemp met Saturday night to consider the proposition made by Col. J. F. Thomson, general manager of the Robert Lee and Fort Chadbourne railroad to this committee. The terms of the contract are about as follows: Deeds to the right-of-way from Robert Lee to Rawlings, seventeen thousand four hundred and sixty-three dollars additional bonus to what they already have which will make the total bonus \$35000 and the right-of-way together with depot grounds in Robert Lee. This additional bonus is to be paid within 30 days after the road is operating trains into Robert Lee. The Railroad Company agreeing to operate trains into Robert Lee within twelve months from the time the Orient track reaches the town-site of Rawlings. The committee has now a proposition before the railroad company setting out other conditions of the contract which they expect to receive a favorable report from Col. Thomson at an early date, which when received will be published with the consent of the committee. The committee feels confident the amount required can be raised and that within the next thirty or sixty days this road will be a certainty, fully guaranteed both by the railroad company and the people.

Note the terms of the contract is that you don't have to pay a cent until the road is in operation. By that time your property will have increased in value from three to five fold.

### Every Mother.

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia—then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by Evans & Sturman.

### Pay Your Poll Tax.

On the night of the 17th, preliminary steps were taken, looking to a political election contest to come in sometime during the year, an election in which consequences of vast importance in the opinion of many are involved. This opens the supposition that the amendment to the constitution of Texas, touching prohibition is submitted to a popular vote.

Are you willing to sit idly by and let others settle matters for you of such importance? As a citizen and lover of your country, can you afford to do so?

As one of the people who are supposed to rule, you can't do this without just censure. If you are an anti-prohibitionist, and think the saloon a good institution; kind, benevolent, charitable, and its nature tending to elevate the moral sentiment of those who frequent them, and participate in the only delights, there found, by all means you should be ready when the contest is on, and vote for the perpetuation of your measure.

Pay your poll tax. The gist of this question is saloon or no saloon, and I have never heard anyone advocate them upon their own merit, did you? They all know it can not be done to a success.

If you are a prohibitionist and believe the saloon is an evil and only evil and that continually, as a good citizen, a lover of his country and his kind, and who would throw around our boys and young men, upon whom ere long, will rest the responsibility of church and state, those influences that will have the affect of best preparing them for their many duties of the future.

You must act or you are chargeable with censureable negligence, you can not willingly shift your responsibility, any more surely than that of death and Texas. I believe you will be accountable to God, Christianity, and to mankind for the effect of your action in this case, as you are in all other cases.

Pay your poll tax and be ready for the fray. Depend upon it. Every vote is needed, and I hope that Coke county in proportion to number, will be the banner county of the state.

Next Saturday week will end the time when you can pay this tax to be enabled to vote.

W. B. L.

### Rank Foolishness.

"When attacked by a cough or a cold, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldredge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup, and all lung and throat troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee at City Drug store. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### Rabbit for Breakfast.

Our good friend and neighbor, John Fry sent us a rabbit nicely dressed Tuesday for which we are under many obligations. There is nothing better to a Coke county editor than a nice tender young rabbit and we assure him it was heartily enjoyed by our household.

John Sauls was in from the Saul ranch Saturday.

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of all kinds. Now is the time to purchase what implements you will need the coming year. Prices the very lowest.

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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

## Grain and Feedstuffs of all Kinds.

BUYERS OF HIDES AND FURS.

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY OR SELL.

### Words of Praise

For the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed, as given by leaders in all the several schools of medicine, should have far more weight than any amount of non-professional testimonials. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has the BADGE OF HONESTY on every bottle-wrapper, in a full list of all its ingredients printed in plain English.

If you are an invalid woman and suffer from frequent headache, backache, gnawing distress in stomach, periodical pains, disagreeable, catarrhal, pelvic drain, dragging down distress in lower abdomen or pelvis, perhaps dark spots or specks dancing before the eyes, faint spells and kindred symptoms caused by female weakness, or other derangement of the feminine organs, you can not do better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The hospital, surgeon's knife and operating table may be avoided by the timely use of "Favorite Prescription" in such cases. Thereby the obnoxious examinations and local treatments of the family physician can be avoided and a thorough course of successful treatment carried out in the privacy of the home. "Favorite Prescription" is composed of the very best native medicinal roots known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments, contains no alcohol and no harmful or habit-forming drugs.

Do not expect too much from "Favorite Prescription"; it will not perform miracles; it will not dissolve or cure tumors. No medicine will. It will do as much to establish vigorous health in most weaknesses and ailments peculiarly incident to women as any medicine can. It must be given a fair chance by perseverance in its use for a reasonable length of time.

You can't afford to accept a secret nostrum as a substitute for this remedy of known composition.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free. All correspondence is guarded as sacredly secret and womanly confidences are protected by professional privacy. Address Dr. E. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best laxative and regulator of the bowels. They invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. One a laxative; two or three a cathartic. Easy to take as candy.

### Grand Jurors

S. M. Conner, W. H. Campbell, D. I. Field, W. M. Kirkland, G. D. P. Clark, Will Mackey, J. R. Brack, Dock Larkin, W. M. Kirkland, L. H. McDorman, J. S. Craft, J. J. Grimes, John McCabe, W. A. Robbins, J. A. Clift, J. D. Baker.

### Notice.

January is the last month in which to pay your special school tax without penalty and costs. See S. C. Wilkins at the Robert Lee Mercantile Co., for your receipt

### Lame Shoulder.

This is a common form of muscular rheumatism. No internal treatment is needed. Apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely twice a day and a quick cure is certain. This liniment has proven especially valuable for muscular and chronic rheumatism, is sure to give quick relief. Chamberlain's Liniment is also most excellent for sprains and bruises. Price, 25 cents; large size 50 cents. For sale by all druggists.

### Notice.

If any person shall leave the dead carcass or body of any horse, mule, ox, steer, cow, or other animal, which died in the actual possession of such person, in any public road or highway, or in any street or alley of any village, town or city in this state, or within fifty yards of such public road, highway, street, or alley, he shall be fined not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars.

Take carcasses to the dumping ground.

V. O. KEY,  
County Attorney.

### The Meanest Man in Town

is the one who always wears a frown, is cross and disagreeable, and is short and sharp in his answers. Nine cases out of ten it's not the poor fellow's fault, it's his liver and digestion that make him feel so miserable, he can't help being disagreeable. Are you in danger of getting into that condition? Then start at once taking Ballard's Herbine for your liver—the safe, sure and reliable vegetable regulator. Sold by Evans & Sturman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brannon of Sanco were in the city trading Thursday.

## The San Angelo Hide and Fur Company,

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#### The Same Over Here

The fact that Lamesa is a well built, progressive little city makes it attractive to the railroad builders who as a rule are adverse to disturbing local conditions. But if the willingness of the railroad people is not met with the active co-operation of the citizens of Lamesa it would be foolish to suppose that the railroad will be forced upon the town. It is a far fetched theory to take for granted others will force improvements upon a community whose citizens remain inactive and apathetic to their own interest.—Dawson County News.

Its the same the world over. Railroads want to build where they are wanted. The people have to meet them half way. If the people of Robert Lee and surrounding country, want the the Robert Lee & Fort Chadbourne railroad they will have to meet the projectors half way and over to get it. If we get the right-of-way and the bonus we get the road. If we don't we get a very black-eye from a financial and progressive point of view.

The people understand this and have lived up to never let up until success is assured. Will we get it, yes, we can't afford to loose it.

#### Big Pasture Cut Up.

The nine section pasture lying and adjoining the town on the south formerly belonging to J. F. Newman, but which was sold to Missouri parties some time since, has recently been cut up into quarter sections and is being offered for sale at reasonable prices.

With the putting of this land in cultivation by farmers means more cotton, corn, sorghum, maize, hogs, ets, and more trade for our business men and the day is not far distant when all the large pastures around Sweetwater will be cut up into small tracts and sold to farmers which will mean many thousand dollars additional trade to the town.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Mrs. G. A. Beeman returned Thursday from Benjamin where she spent about two month visiting her sister, Mrs. Bessie Wyche.

#### Work has Begun on B. & A. R. R.

Abilene, Tex., Jan. 6.—Track-laying began here on the Abilene & Southern Railway, projection south from Abilene to Ballinger. The road is nearly all graded to Winters and the work of tracklaying will be pushed as rapidly as possible.—Press Dispatch.

Alf Young of Winters was in Ballinger Thursday. He says that on Tuesday a grading outfit that has been at work between Winters and Abilene reached his town Wednesday and will begin at once grading the first five miles of the Ballinger & Abilene railroad between Winters and Ballinger.

It was scheduled that this grading should commence at Ballinger within forty days after the signing of the contract with Morgan Jones and the work would have commenced already but for the fact that all of the right of way in and out of this town has not yet been secured. Grading will begin here just as soon as those who own land make deals with the railroad committee of the Business League.

From the energetic way in which Col. Jones is going after the completion of his end of the contract it looks as though the road will be into Ballinger some months ahead of schedule time unless the land and lot owners hereabout hold too stiff a price upon their property.—Ballinger Ledger.

#### Ballinger Black Kills White Man.

Ballinger, Texas, Jan. 17.—(Special.) I. C. McFadden of Rowena, was shot and instantly killed here last night by a negro. McFadden was trying to get into the negro's cabin, when the negro opened the door and shot him just above the heart.

McFadden's relatives live in Williamson county and are prominent in that section of the state. The remains will be shipped to Taylor for interment.

Signs were posted up over town after the killing, warning all negroes to leave, but little attention is paid to them and no trouble is anticipated. The negro surrendered to the officers and was placed in jail.

#### Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas.  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. G. Owen and C. L. Owen by making publication of this Citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 51st Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 51st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Coke County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Robert Lee, on the 3rd Monday in February A. D. 1909, the same being the 15th day of February A. D. 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 20th day of January A. D. 1909, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No 534, wherein S. M. Conner is plaintiff, and G. W. Tubb, J. B. Robertson, A. D. Lane, C. G. Owens and C. L. Owens are defendants, said petition alleging suit to recover amount of principal, interest and attorney's fees, and to foreclose vendor's lien to secure payment of one note dated 18th February 1904 and executed by defendant G. W. Tubb to plaintiff as follows: for the sum of \$235.50 due three years after date above note being credited with all interest to February 18th 1907 and \$35.50 on principal and bearing 10 per cent interest per annum payable annually, said note having been given in payment of a tract of land situated in Coke county, Texas conveyed by S. M. Conner and W. B. Conner to G. W. Tubb by deed dated 18th February 1904, being 94.2 acres of land out of the West part of the W. F. Benson homestead survey about 20 miles N. 60. W. from Robert Lee. That said note is past due and unpaid and that defendant Tubb though often requested has refused to pay said note or any part thereof, except the amounts above set out as credits thereon, to plaintiffs damage in the sum of \$500.00. Plaintiff says that it has become necessary to place said note in the hands of attorneys for collection and to institute judicial proceedings to enforce the collection thereof and that he has placed same in the hands of Merchant and Kemp for collection and has contracted to pay said attorneys the 10 per cent in said note stipulated as attorney's fees for their services. Plaintiff prays for judgment for the sum of said note, principal interest and attorney's fees, against defendant G. W. Tubb and the foreclosure of its Vendor's lien to secure the payment of said note as against each and all of said defendants herein who are claiming some character of interest in said land, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. S. Gardner, Clerk of the District Court of Coke County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee this the 20 day of January A. D. 1909.

J. S. GARDNER Clerk.  
District Court, Coke County.

#### Found a Spider in His Paper

When Mark Twain was editing the Virginia City Enterprise he received from a superstitious subscriber a letter stating that the writer had found a spider in his copy of the paper and wanted to know whether that was good luck or bad luck. Mark replied in his "Answer to Correspondents" columns as follows: "Old Subscriber—The finding of a spider in your copy of the Enterprise was neither good luck nor bad. The spider was merely looking over our pages to find out what merchants was not advertising so that it could spin its web across his door and lead a free and undisturbed existence forever and ever." There are a few stores in Robert Lee that would make good homes for the spider.

#### Trespass Notice.

All parties are warned not to hunt, with fire-arms, or dogs or otherwise trespass in my pasture near Silver. W. R. Walker.

We understand the gin at Sanco, has ginned 699 bales of cotton to date. There will be about 15 bales more to gin this season.

#### DOUBLE STAMP

## CORN WHISKEY.

(Pure Goods)

Send three dollars (\$3.00) to Eddie Maier for a gallon and see if it isn't the best you have ever bought; the same as in Grandpa's days.

## EDDIE MAIER

SAN ANGELO

#### A Cure For Misery.

"I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. "Its called Electric Bitters and comes in 50 cent bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at the City Drug store.

#### 12,470,436 Bales Ginned.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9. The Census Bureau today reports that 12,470,436 bales of cotton were ginned from the growth of 1908, and that 27,386 ginneries operated. The percentage of the whole crop ginned to January 1st is 90 per cent for 1907 and 90 4-10 for 1908.

#### Don't Take The Risk.

When you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic bronchitis, or develops into an attack of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of prompt relief. From a small beginning the sale and use of this preparation has extended to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries. Its many remarkable cures of coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and extensive use. Sold by all druggists.

#### Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I own and control every acre of land in Grape creek pastures situated in Coke and Tom Green counties, and that all trespassers for hunting, fishing, hauling wood, gathering pecans working stock or any other trespass will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law,  
N. M. MARCH,  
San Angelo, Texas.

#### Stomach Trouble Cured.

If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. P. Klote of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by all druggists.

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# The REAL AGATHA

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## SYNOPSIS.

Lord Wilfred Vincent and Archibald Terhune are introduced at the opening of the story, in England, the latter relating the tale. The pair on an outing miss their train and seeking recreation, meet "the Honorable Agatha Wyckhoff." Her hand is much sought after, because of her wealth. On visiting the Wyckhoff castle they are introduced to two other girls, both known as Agatha Wyckhoff. At dinner three other Agatha Wyckhoffs are introduced and the plot revealed. The deceased step-father, in an eccentric moment, made his will so that the real Agatha, heiress to his fortune and the castle at Wye, England, might wed her affinity. Thus Mrs. Armistead, chaperon, was in duty bound to keep the real Agatha's identity unknown and suitors were invited to tryout for the hand of the heiress. An attempt by Terhune to gather a clew from the chaperon fails. Vincent shows liking for the chaperon's secretary, Miss Marsh.

## CHAPTER III.—Continued.

My new knowledge, while it robbed the affair of its piquant mystery—for I had decided that Agatha Sixth was in truth the real Honorable Agatha—made my game even more exciting, now that the stakes were assured. I read with Agatha Sixth, walked with her, talked with her, and played chess with her all the first week; and as nearly as I could make out Vincent's program ran something like this: Before breakfast he took a horseback ride with Agatha Fifth; after breakfast he played golf with Agatha First; tennis with Agatha Third; and took Agatha Second out sketching. In the afternoon Agatha Fourth played Chopin to him by the hour. Agatha Sixth he had not approached, fearing me, as was natural. In the evening he played games with them all or retired into the library with Agatha Fifth, who seemed to have lost her head over him completely.

This program he repeated day after day with reckless lack of generalship and yet every now and then, to my surprise and disgust, I caught him deep in his unfortunate flirtation with Mrs. Armistead's secretary. It wasn't fair to the poor girl, and I told Vincent so plainly. We were sitting on the low stone balustrade of the castle—Vincent in riding clothes and looking as fine a lad as any in old England. He was waiting for Agatha Fifth to go riding with him, although it was later than usual, all of us having breakfasted. For myself, I wore my tennis things, which become me greatly. If I do say it, for I intended to play a set with those tennis fanatics, Agatha Second and Agatha Third, as the aristocratic Agatha Sixth was a late riser and had not yet come downstairs.

"No, Vincent," I said, "it won't do. Flirt with all the Agathas, if you must, but when it comes to the secretary, let her alone. To say nothing of what is due her, think of the time you're wasting. We have only six weeks—think of it—six weeks to make a try for twenty millions of dollars!"

"You forgot to say that a wife goes along with the filthy lucre," he said, and somehow I felt uncomfortable. Vincent has a faculty for making one feel uncomfortable. It makes me quite angry—he's no better than the rest of us, but he's so confoundedly innocent about some things.

I was going to explain to him that he needn't speak as if he thought that I were the sort of a man to marry a girl merely for her money—when his face lighted and he spoke more rationally.

"Gad," he said, "what a rare lark it would be to toss up a coin and take a chance at it. Six to one only—you'd have a good show to win out!"

"How foolish you are, Vincent!" I responded. "Suppose you took a chance at it, as you say, and just proposed to any one of them, when you had made no attempt to win her—wouldn't she know you were fortune-hunting? And if it should happen to be the real Agatha she'd refuse you on that account because it would defeat the object of her father's will; and if it were not the real Agatha she'd refuse you, too, because she'd know she had no fortune to give you."

"Of course," said Vincent, sighing, "you're right about that. But I tell you, Archibald, I'm not flirting with Miss Marsh. She's an awfully sensible little girl, and I go to her for advice about the course I'm pursuing with the Agathas. I need encouragement, you know. It's all such a beastly mess. One doesn't know with which one of the attractive young ladies to fall in love. It's so difficult to decide with that twenty millions hovering in the background. Just think, Arch, what the governor would say if his penniless younger son should bring that amount into the family. And the daughter of a baroness, too, it would be such a match! I can just see how tickled he'd

be to have his youngest so well provided for. The dear old governor! And Vincent's eyes moistened. "So you see," he went on hurriedly, "Miss Marsh's attitude toward me is entirely friendly. She is merely the confidante of my difficulties of the heart, and her taste, I find, is excellent."

"It is also changeable," I said dryly, "if the course you have been pursuing is through advice of hers."

Vincent smiled. "And then you know," he went on, ignoring my thrust, "she's writing a very interesting book, the history of the barons of Wyckhoff, and I'm helping her. I'm awfully interested in genealogy, y'know."

This was true. Incongruous as it may seem, Vincent's one serious hob-

so early?" and he looked at the papers carried under her arm.

"Yes," she said, "I have a new idea about that last chapter we wrote."

"I'm sorry I can't be with you this morning," he answered, and she passed into the house. She wore a white frock and a natty little blue apron, and I must admit looked very fresh and dainty, but Wilfred's tone was so cool and conventional that I mentally freed him again from my accusation that he was in the midst of a warm flirtation, though you will agree with me that appearances had been very much against him.

But that evening when he and I were having our nightly bedroom colloquy I was obliged to admit that Vincent, considering his methods, had accomplished a great deal. With some embarrassment he related to me the tale of his horseback ride in the morning, and I must say it completely unsettled my belief in the discovery I had made as to the identity of the real Honorable Agatha Wyckhoff. Neither Vincent nor I knew what to make of it.

"Do you know, Arch," he said, striding up and down my room, "I've been through a horrible experience to-day? It was an awful shock to me, and a lesson."

"I'm glad it was a lesson," said I. There are so few lessons in Vincent's life.

"Yes," he said, "I felt like a beastly

Here he broke off and went into a rhapsody over the skyline and the grazing sheep, and said something about Utopia and Eden and other things like that, until he got through at last and came to the interesting part. They can't help going on like that, these artist fellows, and Vincent never loses an opportunity to get in a bit of description.

"Well," he continued, "I was just enjoying that view and saying nothing, when she stopped switching the tops off the harebells with her crop and, turning those warm hazel eyes of hers on me, she said in a low voice, as if what she said didn't matter at all, 'I love you!'"

"What!" I shouted. "She didn't?"

"She did," asserted Vincent ruefully, but with firmness—"She did. Just like that, out of a clear sky. Simply folded her hands and looked at me and told me she loved me."

"Angels and ministers of grace, defend us!" I ejaculated. Nothing else seemed adequate. "What under the sun did you do?"

"Why, I told her simply that I didn't love her, and couldn't marry her, and I was very sorry, but I thought we'd better get on our horses and go home."

"Quite right, if you don't really care," I said, "but oh, Vincent!" as a thought struck me, "just think, she might have been the Honorable Agatha—the real and only honorable!"

"She was!" said Vincent.

I was speechless. This was the end of it, then. I saw the millions taking unto themselves wings, and my pan of milk spilled. The real Honorable Agatha had been discovered, the secret was out, but she had avowed herself as loving Vincent and he had spurned her. After such a performance there was no chance for either of us.

"How do you know she was?" I asked, weakly.

"She told me so herself," he answered.

"But after you refused her, I suppose?"

"Of course," said Vincent, resignedly.

"But, Wilfred, my boy," I cried, springing up, and knocking off my glasses in my excitement, "couldn't you change your mind, couldn't you fix it up? If she really cared I should think you could!"

Though this event would have proved the deathblow to my own hopes, still my interest in Vincent's welfare is so genuine that I couldn't help this anxious expostulation. But again he misunderstood.

"You don't mean that, I know, Arch," he said. "Of course I wouldn't marry the girl when I really don't care for her. But wasn't it the deuce of a position to be in?"

"Oh, Wilfred, Wilfred!" I mourned, "twenty millions right in your grasp, and you threw them away. I wish I'd had your chance. Your poor father, how disappointed he'd be if he knew."

"He'd be more disappointed in me if I had changed my mind and said I would marry her just for the sake of the money," said the young man, crossly, and turning on his heel he left the room. Vincent's getting more quick tempered every day lately, and he used to be so good natured. I'm sure it was only natural and very disinterested in me to bewail for him the result of the unfortunate affair that morning.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## HOTEL MAN HAD A CONSCIENCE.

His Letter, with Enclosure, Surely Proved the Fact.

Whoever says that hotel men are without conscience will have an adversary in a young advertising man. He was at one place up in the mountains the other week and determined to stay all night. Before dinner he complained of a slight headache to the proprietor, but the remark was passed apparently without notice. He ate a big meal, but did not enjoy it much because of his headache.

Next day he moved on to his next stop, and upon his return to the city was surprised to find a letter from the proprietor of the house where he had spent the night. It said: "Through an act of carelessness on my part I allowed you to eat the regular dinner the other night—a dinner not suited for a man with a headache. Now I should have prepared some eggs and toast and tea for you, but I allowed you to eat something you did not enjoy. It is, therefore, my duty to apologize, and to make restitution for the same." In the envelope containing the letter was a quarter.

"Howlers" Better Than "Healers," Rokitansky, the father of the well-known operatic singer, was professor of pathology at the Vienna university. Besides the two singers he had another couple of sons, who had acquired a certain celebrity as medical men. One day, when the old professor was asked how his sons were getting on, he replied, shaking his head:

"You see, friends, two of them heal and the other two howl, and the howlers earn four times as much as the healers."



AGATHA FIFTH.

by—I don't consider his paint-dabbling serious—which had to do with research and scholarship, was his love for things ancient in general, and family trees in particular. It had been Baroness Wyckhoff's wish that some review of the lives of the barons of that name should be made, since the last one had died, and Mrs. Armistead had given her secretary this work to do. I eyed Vincent searchingly as he spoke, but his face was so thoroughly unconscious that my suspicions were disarmed completely.

"Yes," he said, "there are a lot of very interesting old books in that library."

"Yes," I said, "that's why you and Miss Marsh spend so much time there. I suppose, I'm glad to hear it. I really couldn't see what you thought was so attractive." A sharp blow in the chest interrupted my speech.

"Shut up," Vincent hissed in my ear; "don't you see Miss Marsh?"

As he spoke that young person tripped lightly up the wide stone steps of the veranda and was about to pass on when Vincent stopped her.

"Good morning," he said, his hat in his hand. "Are you beginning work

cad. And I don't see what I've done to deserve it. Of course, I've held her hand a couple of times—"

"That bad habit of yours again," I murmured.

"And I've looked at her a lot—she's got the most soul-moving eyes y'know."

I didn't know, but I nodded. The boy was very much in earnest.

"But I never thought," he went on—"I never thought she—she—" He stopped and the words seemed to stick in his throat.

"Great heaven, man," I cried in my impatience, "get it out. What didn't you think she'd do?"

"I never thought she'd really care for me," he muttered, shamefacedly, and turned his back on me.

"What do you mean?" I demanded, impatiently. He is most exasperating.

"Why, this," he ceased his restless walk and stood on the hearth rug, facing me. "We'd been out about an hour this morning, Agatha Fifth and I, and we'd been getting up into the hilly country, when suddenly we came out of the woods and saw below us the grandest stretch of country you can imagine."

## REAL GRIEVANCE.



"Boo-hoo! Johnny Jones has got de measles, an' can't come out." "Ah! And you miss your dear little playmate?" "Yis-m, he's de only kid in the town dat I kin lick—boo-hoo-oo!"

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# SO WAGS THE WORLD

By ANNE WARNER

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February first.

My birthday and I exceedingly merry thereat having in divers friends and much good wine beside two pasties and more of all than we could eat and drink had we been doubled. Afterwards to the playhouse and a very good play and hence to a supper the which most hot and comforting with a butt of brandy and divers cocktails and they being very full did make great sport and joke me that I had never taken a wife to which I replied neatly saying that for my part in my twenties did feel myself too young and in my thirties did never chance upon one comely and to my taste at which great applause. The applause being over did continue my speech and say that in my forties had had little time to think of aught but my own personal affairs, but that now being come to my fifties was well disposed to share them and they did all drink to that and smash their glasses with right good cheer prophesying my marriage and drinking long life to Her and me. My mind then a blank but home in some shape and the maid did get me to my room and what a head this morning! Misliketh me much to be think me how I did comport myself, but a man is 50 but once.

To mine office where did buy and sell as usual.

February eighth.

To dine with H. Nevil and his wife and she a monstrous pleasant lady and the dinner good only the wine poor and my vest too tight which vastly misliketh me, I being loth to grow stout and yet all at odds with my



"Married This Day."

belts, the which trying me sadly for I do pay my tailor as many do not. And the niece a striking fine girl modest. To the Country club for a late supper, the which well-cooked but my vest much tighter and so home and to bed. Railway stocks risen two points.

February twentieth.

Did take a box at the play and ask H. Nevil, his wife and niece and a supper afterwards and pretty to see how miss did refuse mine eyes and hardly speak two words, the which greatly to my admiration and after supper did lead her to the coach and press her hand.

March nineteenth.

Much agitated and all trembling and of a cold sweat. The Lord have mercy and me all unwitting until in some strange way do find myself today betrothed the which I do heartily pray to be for the good of all concerned.

No heart for stocks, but the same arising.

April sixteenth.

Do find the being betrothed more to my taste than anticipated and tell H. Nevil he shall be remembered with pointers when the market turns again. Comes one Lasselle and makes a great tale of a mine and I with no time for him, but do set the office boy to look him up in Bradstreet.

These be busy days with a corner on parsnips.

May tenth.

The business of being director in Lasselle's mine ended this day and to a great dinner that he giveth in my honor and my portrait on all the cards the which pleaseth me mightily and I all complimented and congratulated and sly hints on my approaching marriage to the which I all smiles for

Lord the thing being done one must be of good courage.

Quotations low, beshrow them.

June seventh (the Mountains).

Married this day and to do in a turmoil wheat being all a-rage and me, forced to go home to dress before noon. Did scarce know where I was with Extras being cried outside the church window and H. Nevil giving the bride away and on the wrong side of the market by my advice. The bride hystericky in the carriage and at the station wept so that I was fair beside myself. Did bethink me to kiss her in the train, but small comfort to either. What will become of my affairs I know not, this place being all without stock reports and I half mad and with naught to pass the time.

August tenth.

This do be the hottest summer in many years and lest I forget to set it down more mad dogs than can well be handled. My wife very hystericky and forever in a smock and declareth she would be dead and married life a delusion, the which opinion I take small issue with having my hands full of business and Lasselle forever at my heels with our affair of the mine not to speak of H. Nevil which walleth continually over how he was caught short in the month of June. Beshrow me if I repent not of June on mine own behalf but am determined to live properly and so have dispatched a messenger to my cousin Sarah Badminton asking that she come to keep mine house.

August twentieth.

Comes Sarah Badminton this day and Lord but a plain woman, being flat like unto a board from her heels up unto her head.

Last night to the play where comes Lasselle and makes very merry and telleth jokes the which of great amusement to my wife while I find no mirth therein.

To my office where did buy and sell as usual.

September sixteenth.

My wife not well and strangely indisposed towards me yawning unduly and complaining that life is dull, yet gay enough for others and of a great joy over riding horseback with Lasselle.

To my office and H. Nevil all excitement over his margins.

October twentieth-ninth.

Returned this day from a trip to the coast and find my wife no better although the doctor hath been with her each day. She saith the doctor adviseth quiet until spring.

November sixth.

My wife most nervous and there being no peace with her did discuss the same with Lasselle to-day and although unmarried yet did sympathize much and advise for me with a right good will telling me of a place in southern France where he had been and the same beyond all else for the nerves only lonely but that not so bad since he proposeth going there this winter himself and can see after my wife somewhat the which greatly to my relief and so home and did discourse thereon with Mistress Badminton the which drew a long face and plain to see was dead against the plan the which putting me in a fine temper with what a woman hath for brains.

Wheat rising and A. B. & C. going down comes H. Nevil short to borrow the which crowneth my fury his niece being so far from making me happy and he being the cause of all. But did indorse two notes for him and so home and to bed with a bad grace and glad that my wife has betaken herself to another room.

December ninth.

From the dock and my wife do be gone and now we may look for some peace the which sad enough needed.

December tenth.

Comes H. Nevil all distraught to say that it is about at the clubs that my wife will have a divorce and marry the doctor, on the which hearing I much annoyed and summon Mrs. Badminton who denyeth the doctor but asserteth Lasselle.

To mine office and D. & E. going up comes H. Nevil to borrow again the gall of which doth take me greatly.

January sixteenth.

Am all of a taking for that the papers in my wife's divorce do be filed into me this day and great to do when I learn that the cause she declareth is Sarah Badminton a woman as little comely as never was and mine own cousin. Verily the ways of a wife be past understanding.

April eleventh.

Free this day and being free comes

Mrs. Badminton weeping and declareth she be ruined if I marry her not next the which doth so overcome me that ere I have time to rally she hath kissed me and called me her's.

To my office with a heavy heart having no assurance of how this second marriage will turn out and little hope but seeing H. Nevil with a long face did refuse to give him any inside information the which led to his going under about noon to my great joy for it was he who did get me in this marrying habit.

February first.

My birthday and Lord what eatin and drinking the which being good be yond compare my wife staying in the partry to keep the whole in trim and all my friends discoursing on my joy the which is truly great she being so plain that a man will never look at her and so loving that she adoreth me come smiles come frowns.

But that which doth astonish me much is that H. Nevil telleth me that she that was once my wife is of exceeding content with Lasselle a piece of news which I can scarce credit comparing him with myself.

But so wags the world.

## PROBLEM FOR THE PREACHER.

Hard Work Necessary to Reach the Comfortable Classes.

Now, as in all ages, the knottiest problem of preaching is to reach the comfortable classes. Now, as in the time of St. Paul, the scholar is prone to rest content with agnosticism, in its various forms. In the America and the England of the twentieth century, as in the Rome and the Greece of the first, there is scant audience for him who disparages wealth and the haubles that wealth buys. "Great is the Man of the Ephesians," was the cry long ago. "Great is the captain of industry" is the cry of this hour. But, as St. Paul and his humble colleagues overthrew the pagan cults and set the cross above the eagle, so the resolute preachers of self-sacrifice will again prevail and lift their symbol above the seats of the mighty. A famous prelate said: "When the preacher's dull, you must think God takes the text and preaches patience." The reverse is likewise true: "When the congregation's callous, you must think God takes the text and preaches patience to the pulpit in turn." For, in this materialistic and complacent era of ours, there are Damians who "die daily" within the walls of fane and parsonage, suffering an anguish as poignant as the touch of the leper can bring. The missionary to the elect of this world can but cast the seed upon the stony soil, leaving the harvest to him who made both the soil and the seed.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Not Like the Story.

Johnny had broken a window. Johnny's first impulse was to run away as fast as his feet would carry him, but then he thought of the story he had read about the noble little boy who had broken a window and who had at once avowed his fault to the owner. How nicely that boy had been treated, and how he had been respected! So, on second thought Johnny decided to confess, too.

A moment later there was the sound of a cuff that could be heard a block away, followed by an angry voice.

"Broke my window, eh? You little rascal! S'pose you smashed the other two that have been broken this week. Take that, and that!"

But even if he wasn't rewarded for his truthfulness, Johnny was honest and did what was right. One isn't always rewarded for doing right, you know.

Plant for Cooling Oranges.

There is an experimental plant for the pre-cooling of oranges in cars at Los Angeles, Cal. It consists of two 30-inch square insulated ducts leading from an ammonia coilroom capable of supplying from 16 to 20 tons of refrigeration in 24 hours. The cold air is forced in either direction through the car and back to the coilroom by a motor fan. In experiments, says Popular Mechanics, the air was varied from 20 degrees F. when first entering the cars to higher temperatures. The air is forced through the cars at different velocities and in volume varying from 4,500 to 6,000 cubic feet a minute.

Enormous Amount Paid in Pensions.

The total amount of pensions paid by the United States between 1866 and 1908, inclusive, was \$3,654,663,364.42, and the cost, maintenance and expenses of the organization for the payment of these pensions during the same period were \$122,574,462.96, a total of \$3,777,237,828.38, exceeding the amount of money in circulation in this country in 1907 by more than \$1,120,000,000.—Army and Navy Life.

Division of Man's Work.

The intellectual man of 40 is the world's greatest asset as far as work is concerned, though the discoveries which have advanced the world are all made before that age. The planting is done before 20, the crop grows from 20 to 40, and the golden harvest is from 40 to 60, occasionally until 70.—Army and Navy Life.

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Disillusion.

Little Johnnie had just learned the heartbreaking fact that there wasn't a "really" Santa Claus, and he felt that the world had collapsed about his ears. "I d-d-don't believe n-nothin' at all," he sobbed. "I d-d-don't bu-believe there's any George Washington neither!"

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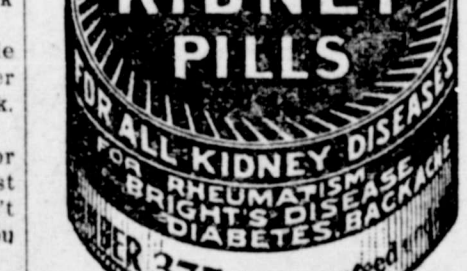
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Robert Lee, Texas.

### LOCAL NEWS.

#### Club Meeting

The Business Club will hold its regular weekly meeting at the court house Friday night at 7:30. Everybody come out. There is considerable business to attend to and those attending will gain considerable information on what is being done on the railroad proposition by attending.

C. W. McCUTCHEN,  
President.

W. R. Owen of the Divide was here Wednesday.

Alf Key, of Edith, was in the city Tuesday on business.

Jack Adkins, of Sanco, was a visitor to the city Saturday.

Dr. F. K. Turney bought a piano from G. A. Beeman this week.

Rev. Warren Graham was in from his ranch on the Divide, Saturday.

Henry Briscoe, of Sanco, was in the city last Thursday on business.

J. H. Campbell and wife, of Sanco, were shopping here one day last week.

Marvin Stephens was here last Thursday from his farm near Hayrick.

Rev. A. M. Lackey, of near Tennyson, was a visitor to the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Webb, of Edith, were shopping in the city last Thursday.

Will Whiteside, of the Olga country, was in the city this week on business.

W. R. Walker, of the Silver community, was in the city Saturday on business.

Ol Tubb, of Sanco, passed through town last Thursday enroute to San Angelo.

Chas Payne, of Alpine Texas, is here on a visit to his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Payne.

B. F. Brown, of the Divide, was here last Thursday to attend the R. A. Masonic meeting.

Gus Franks of the Graham Valley community was in the city Saturday on business.

W. P. Hunt, the spaulding buggy man of Blackwell, was in the city Tuesday on business.

Dr. W. J. Adams is adding several rooms to his home and when completed will be one of the nicest residences in the city.

## The Alfalfa Lumber Company

San Angelo, Texas.  
"Wants to see you"

### Lumber, Sash, Doors, Coal, Cement and Brick.

Estimates carefully given. You will make a mistake not to let us figure your bill.

#### Petit Jurors

List of petit jurors for first week.

O. D. Spoons, J. D. VanZandt, T. J. Sneed, J. A. Baldwin, L. H. Spencer, F. D. Copland, R. B. Ross, C. H. Whitiker, Sam Chumly, Ed Merchant, W. J. H. Rogers, J. W. Meek, M. T. McCleskley, R. Whiteside, A. Teneycke, C. N. Stubblefield, M. B. Sheppard, W. O. Tubb, L. A. Jackson, I. G. Adams, Morgan Modrall, Bob Harwell, W. P. Walling, Ira Bird, S. N. Walker, Sam Kykedall, Wesley Meek, J. M. Brannon, F. S. McCabe, J. D. Couch, W. T. Hazlewood, W. H. Wyatt, Joe Schoot, J. H. Hardin, M. G. Reed, Jas Blanton.

#### A Higher Health Level.

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at City Drug store, 25c.

#### From Sanco

The Observer.—I find that there are a great number of people that believe that they will vote on their poll tax receipt issued this fall (in the land issue to be held the 30th, of this month) which is not the case. Sec. 61 for qualifications to vote reads: and the Judges of election shall be satisfied that he paid his poll tax, or received his certificate of exemption before the first day of the preceding February. Now if the election had been held one month later, then one would have to have had a poll tax receipt for this year, to have voted, and one to be a qualified voter in the present election, must be a property tax payer also.

TOM GOSS.

#### Notice Note Holders.

All parties holding Masonic notes from No. 1 to 15 will present same to W. K. Simpson treasurer of Hayrick Lodge No. 696 A. F. & A. M. and the same will be paid in full by order of the lodge.

F. K. POPPLEWELL, W. M.  
Geo. Cowan, Secretary.

## The Cough of Consumption

Your doctor will tell you that fresh air and good food are the real cures for consumption. But often the cough is very hard. Hence, we suggest that you ask your doctor about your taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It controls the tickling, quiets the cough.

We publish our formulae  
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One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime will cause an increased flow of bile, and produce a gentle laxative effect the day following. Formula on each box. Show it to your doctor. He will understand at a glance. Dose, one pill at bedtime.

Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

Mrs. Mary Crabb and children left Friday for San Angelo where they took the train for Brady where they will make their future home.

—New furniture, matting, art squares, window glass, paint. Now is the time to buy. Fall stock at lowest prices. W. K. Simpson.

Dr. A. J. Marberry passed through the city Tuesday enroute home from Maryneal where he had been to see a patient.

## TO THE CITIZENS

### OF COKE COUNTY.

We have bought the L. SCHWARTZ & CO., Dry Goods business at San Angelo and have planted ourselves at the old Schwartz stand as citizens of San Angelo. We placed this stock on sale Saturday, January 16th at

## SLAUGHTERING PRICES

and created a sensation in San Angelo. The people came in such crowds that we were compelled to close our doors for a while.

About 20,000 Worth of  
This Stock is Going at

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and Everything in the  
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For the benefit of distant trade we will continue this sale for 10 days, so don't fail to see us during this 10 days sale.

Thousands of yards of Dress Goods at half price.  
Shoes from 25 to 50 per cent discount.  
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Embroideries and Laces at exactly one half off.  
All men suits at one-half price.  
Stetson hats at one-fourth off.  
Overcoats at from one-fourth to one third off.  
All hosiery reduced one fourth.  
We are strangers to you as merchants but we refer you with pride to where we are operating three other stores as to our methods of store-keeping. Come and bring all the family.

## Baker, Hemphill & Co.,

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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

#### It Does The Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "Is does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c. at the City Drug store.

C. F. Landers bought the farm of C. A. Adams on the Divide and is moving there this week and will make a crop next year.

John Cauley bought a number of yearlings at Sanco, last week. The price paid was \$13 per head.

#### Notice to our Customers.

The amount we paid out last year on express and hack charges for extras, was considerable, and we can save you both money and time if you will carefully examine all your farming implements and let us know what extras you need thereby enabling us to order for all at one time.

Lane Hardware Co.

#### Fever Sores.

Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely, but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and diseases of the skin. For sale by all druggists.

John Findlater Jr., J. B. Moore and J. W. Knapp, of San Angelo, come over last Wednesday afternoon and assisted in setting the R. A. Masons to work under their charter.

The three months old infant of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kirkland died Thursday morning at the family residence near Hayrick. The Observer extends condolence to the bereaved parents.

B. Jackson sold his ranch near Cedar Hill, containing 327 acres to a Mr. Hightower, of Colorado, Texas, at private terms. Some Colorado property was taken in exchange on the deal.

## THE TEMPLE SANITARIUM

A private institution built and equipped especially for the care of patients requiring surgical attention. Contagious and infectious diseases not admitted.

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