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our place and let us convince you.

one could thank it strange that the

princess went where she pleased. She

found at the end of the suit of rooms

devoted to police affairs a small apart-

ment, the door of which was closed.

Turning, to see that Neslerov was not

"To guard the door to the passage

The key never leaves the pocket of the

Jansky had been constant in his at-

showed the effect of his heavy pota-

of the servants to open a fresh bottle

of wine, which was done. Then a tray

was prepared, and she ordered it taken

to Itzig. Quickly, without a second's

When she returned to the throng, the

"I am exhausted," said Neslerov. "I

"I am." she answered. "I shall not

"Nor I. I hope you enjoyed your

kind attention. And now good night."

"I'm going, but I shall first make a

round of inspection," said Jansky.

"There being no guard this morning.

It will do no harm. It will not be day-

They parted, and Olga went to her

room, but not to sleep. Therese was

asleep in a chair, waiting for her mis-

"Oh, pardon me! I was asleep!" said

"Hush! I do not wish any one to

hear us. I have work for us both to

"I am ready. Command me, prin-

"I know, faithful Therese, but this

is work that will require all your

nerve. Listen. The ball is over and

the guests have gone. Chance has fa-

vored us tonight. It has enabled me to

plot and plan for what we are to do.

Neslerov dismissed the guard, and

there will be in a short time no one

awake in the palace. The superintend-

ent of police carries the key to the dun-

geons, and he is now half drunk. The

door to the dungeous is guarded by a

stupid fool named Itzig. I found him

at his post, and sent him a bottle of

wine and tray of food. Into the wine

I poured that vial of toothache medi-

cine I obtained from you. It is enough

to make any one sleep for hours.

-it is too soon-but in half an hour it

will be safe to descend. Jansky said

it would not be daylight for two hours.

That will give us an hour and a half

guests were leaving. They came in

throngs to bid her adieu, and she saw

seemed to be of a stupid order.

others?" asked the princess.

superintendent of police."

emptied into the wine.

"Take this also," she said,

cousin, must be weary also."

be long getting to sleep."

"Good night."

light for two hours.

"Therese!" said Olga.

Therese, starting up.

tress.

ments."

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CHAPTER SIII.

A TERRIBLE SITUATION. HE palace of the governor of Tomsk was brilliantly lighted, at Tobolsk." and carriages crowded the plaza before it. Gayly uniformed officers and fashionably attired, ladies passed from them into the spacious rooms The governor himself was at his best and was proud of the beautiful relative for whom he had given this suddenly arranged recep-

Princess Olga, who had slept much of the day after her wearying experiences of the night before, showed no effects of her exhaustion, but receivedthe guests with that calmness, that queenly style, which was all her own.

The garrison band blared its Russian music, and the atmosphere in the rooms was laden with perfume. It was a strange and motley gathering, but Olga, who had traveled much in strange. places, as well as in centers of civilization, looked upon the crowd with complacency.

A colonel of cavalry, with his handsome wife, when they came to greet her was followed by a Cossack chief clad in the barbaric splendor of his rank. - A Manchurian mandarin, with a long sword on one side and a short one on the other, wearing his native dress, marched with the crowd, a distinctive figure. He had come to Tomsk to confer for his government with Ne: slerov concerning the crossing of the border into Manchuria. The new railway brought to Tomsk mighty men from places never before heard of by many who lived in Tomsk.

A Persian prince who had but the where be had spent a week studying the convict system-a system impossible to his country-added his gorgeousness to the throng:

If Olga was surprised that at so short a notice so great a gathering could be summoned in that Siberian capital, she gave no sign. She accepted the homage as one who was born to it.

Young officers vied with one another to be near her. Grizzled veterans looked at her and smiled, for it made. them glad to see so lovely a princess at Tomsk. By far the most distin- kept a semiprisoner." guished looking man in the throng was the colonel of cavalry, whose wife had long been a semi-invalid. He found-time to devote some attention to the princess while his wife rested from the weariness the excitement brought upon her.

Olga, whose travels had given her a clear insight to human character, singled Colonel Barakoff out at once as a man of sterling integrity and a fearless soldier. To him she was extremely gracious, and encouraged him to talk, and he was proud of her attention. When the dancing began, the crowd scattered through the palace, tache. and it was not long before Colonel Barakoff and Olga found themselves sitting in a retired spot with the

"It is the first time in my experience," said the colonel, "and that has not been a short one, that one of our have been used in years." noble ladies has condescended to visit our capital. And now one of the powerful house of Nesleroy is here. It causes wonder that she would forsake the pleasures and gayeties of St. Petersburg for this dismal place."

"I have seen enough of St. Petersburg gayeties to last for a time," answered Olga. "My life is not all spent in pleasure. I am not yet your age, colonel, but I have learned that to be happy and to be contented with oneself one must find some work to do, and do it well."

. "You are very young," said the colonel slowly, "and very wealthy to have found that out. I, of course; learned it long ago, but my age is three times yours. You say you have found pleasure in work. Would it be presumptuous to ask what work has

found favor in your eyes?" "Presumptuous? Not at all, colonel. I am always pleased to talk with one who is able to appreciate it. I have become thoroughly convinced that there are faults in our social system. I am neither a nihilist nor a socialist, but I do think that the wealthy nobles of Russia are not doing their full duty to those who, it is true, are dependent upon them, but upon whom also they

are dependent." "It is a bold stand for a young woman to take. Men have been sent to Si-

beria for those sentiments." "And the sentiment sent me to Siberia, but not under sentence. I have come partly to visit the governor, who is a relative, and, more than that, to study the convict system as worked

out under his rule in Tomsk." The colonel became cautious:

"You will find plenty to study," he answered, "but I fancy you will not proceed rapidly. Our system-well, it is the same, I suppose, as that in vogue

"Perhaps it will prove so. I am acquainted with Count de Muloff, governor general, and I know that, while he is a stern man, he is just. When he can be merciful without lending an apparent aid to the unworthy, he does not hesitate to show leniency. I hope I shall find the same spirit prevailing

The colonel smiled grimty.

"Shall you, then, write a book upon the penal system?"

"I may do so, although that is not yet one of my plans. I may tell you in confidence, however, that I have the entire confidence of the ezar and that he is interested in the outcome of my studies.

"In my youthful days we did not hear of such things," said the colonel. "A young woman who at your age and with your wealth and position took



"The key never leaves the pocket of the superintendent of police," upon herself so great a task would be

sent forthwith to a lonely castle and "I fear that some of that same spirit dominates our society today."

"I think it will prevail for a time

"Where would you advise me to go to study the convict system at its worst?" "Its worst? Do you not wish to see it at its best?"

"I understand it at its best." "Well, it is a serious matter to advise, yet if you are working under the protection of the czar we must help you. I should say Tivoloffsky."

the last one leave. Jansky, Neslerov "I shall go there. Where are your and the servants were left. prisons?" The colonel rubbed his grizzled musfeel completely worn out. And you,

"We have guardhouses in all settlements."

"Dungéons?" "Not many dungeons. There are dungeons under this very palace, but wery much. I thank you for the bunch of keys, Swiftly, then, these they are obsolete. I do not think they

"Then they could be inspected." "I see no reason why they should not. But that would be for the governor to say. Shall I ask him?"

"No; since they are under his palace I shall; have an opportunity later. I suppose they are entered by way of a secret door."

"There was a door at the end of the police offices," replied the colonel. - "Of course, being a soldier, I know scarcely anything about them. They are wholly

in charge of the police." "But you formerly had no police in Siberia save the Cossack guards." "True, but I was not at Tomsk then,

I came here from Tobolsk." Olga spoke then to the colonel's wife, and the subject of the dungeons did

not recur.

Nesteroy came and presented a young officer, a member of a noble family, and be asked Olga for a waltz. She thanked the colonel, and they did not meet again. The dancing continued till a very late hour, after which there was a supper served with the true Russian prodigality. Olga was becoming weary, but she maintained her usual spirits. She chanced to pass near the governor

and heard a young officer speaking. "Lieutenant Dermsky is not present Whom will you name as the lleutenant

of the palace guard?" "None will be necessary," answered Neslerov. "Itzig will be at his post, Where Jansky sleeps I do not know; As it is nearly morning, no more wil be necessary. Dismiss the guard, take | but we must find him. We must wait them to the banquet hall and give them

Soon after that Olga found occasion to cross the hall to the offices of police. People were passing to and fro, and no

pleasure to work. We will take pleasure in showing you our stock.

"And that work?"-"To release the American and Vladimir from the dungeous and send them to old Paulpoff to get him to safety. He must not be harmed, for we want his testimony."

in the hall-she did not care for the "Good," said Therese, with a shiver. guests-she entered. Sitting there in "It is grand-but dangerous." Olga opened a traveling bag and took

lonely state was a man. He was not particularly agreeable tooking and therefrom a silver mounted revolver. "Are you not being feasted with the trouble, and I must succeed. Come Low, for the honor of the Neslerovs and the house of Graslov."

The princess opened her door and yonder. Stupid! No one could enter. ing the ball, but no one was in sight. "Come-all is silent as the grave."

she said. "Even if we meet some one, tendance at the bottle and already it will not cause susp!cion." She led the way, and Therese, shiver-

ing with terror, followed. The great "You shail not be overlooked," said stairway and hall were deserted, but Olga. The will send you some refreshfrom the little guardroom at the end of the police quarters there came the She first went to her room and returned to the banquet hall. She ordered one

bim this bottle of wine?"

With a quick motion Olga whisked Therese into the same room where she delay, a small vial in her hand was had crouched to listen to Jansky and unsteady footsteps. Jansky, with the unfinished bottle of Itzig's wine in his hand, went drunkenly to bis office.

> He finished it, and it finished him. It was not ten minutes before his own eyes closed in that terrible sleep from

the effect of the drug had passed off. Nervously and quickly she rifled the and into one of these poor Therese had sleeping man's pockets and found a pitched headlong.

two rushed to Itzig's room and, shutting the door, barred it on the inside. "Now we can work without molestatien," said Olga.

She tried several keys in the lock of on iron door that formed part of the rear wall, but without success. Fipally she found one that turned the rusty bolt, and the door swung open, This door led into a small passage, in which there were various articles-lanterns, whips, chains and weapons. Olga quickly chose a lantern which showed it had been recently used and lighted it. At the end of the passage was an iron grating forming a door, and this, too, she unlocked with Jansky's keys.

Beyond this was a flight of stone steps leading downward, and then all was darkness. Olga, holding the lantern above her head, led the way down the steps. The stones were cold and damp and slippery as she neared the bottom. The dark atmosphere sent a chill through her, but the brave girl did not falter. Therese came creeping ofter her, shivering with fear. They did not count the number of steps, but she lost her bearings and came sudknew there were many. At last they

stood on a cold stone floor. "Now, which way?" she asked, holding the lantern to flash its light as far | the spokes of a wheel. as possible around her.

She could see that they were in a large chamber from which various passages broke away in every direction. "We must not linger-to lose time would be to lose the game," she said. "Choose this passage and follow it to the end."

She turned into the nearest passage. and the gleams of the lantern were reflected from slippery walls. As she walked she examined these walls for

doors. There were arches that led to

dently been once used for prison cells, for chains were hanging on the walls. The lantern in Olga's hand flashed its light into every nook and cranny until at last she reached the end of that

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close behind, she turned her steps into "I do not wish to kill," she said; moother passage, running apparently "but if we are discovered there will be at right angles with the other. This she traversed in the same way until silence began to awe her.

The first courage that had led her to peered into the corridor. The lights the desperate act gradually gave way were still burning as brightly as dur- to the awful gloom and mystery of the Tanks. place. But in its stead there came a determination not to relinquish the nate victims of Neslerov's hate or provi ed that they were not there. She walkdoor at last greeted her vision a real door that swung on hinges.

"At last, perhaps," she said.

She tried her strength against the "Stupid blockhead!" said the voice door, and, though it was not locked, of Jansky. "Drunk! Who brought, yet she could not open it sufficiently to

"Therese, help me," she said, setting the lantern down upon the floor.

The two placed their shoulders agains Unsgethop. There came the sound of the door and pushed, and it suddenly long into the chamber. A rush of foul air almost stifled Olga. There was a

whimpering in her terror. into the chamber. A cry of horror eswhich he could not arouse himself until caped her. She was in what seemed to be an old tomb. At least, there were heaps of bones scattered about,

> Olga swung the lantern and, near to the spot where Therese lay, two skeletons hung in chains. One had lost its head, but the other, by reason of being fastened in a peculiar way, had retained its grinning top piece.

Therese was in a dead faint. Olga was now in a terrible difficulty.

She knelt by the side of Therese. "Oh," she said, "if I had but some water! She will never recover in this

Setting the lautern down, she dragged the woman from the place of horrors and laid her down on the cold floor of the passage. Then she swung the door shut. Again she began working over The rese. Olga saw that she was suffering

hope of restoration of her senses wa immediate removal from the place, Swinging her lantern upon her arm, she seized hold of Therese and began

backward in order to exert a greater pull on the unconscious woman. In some way-she never knew how-

which stood in the center of a sort of court, from which passages ran like

as the horrible fact was borne in upon her, she let the shoulders of Therese lie neglected on the floor while she stared belplessly around her. She could not discover the one through which she Man, Clarendon. had come. She was lost!

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Doubting Thomases.

that "unless something unforeseen and unlooked for transpires, within six weeks from the present writing there will be no doubting Thomases left sition."

Oh, ye of little faith!

no doubt, (?) was a most enjoya in the last named condition .ble affair. We do not feel the Quanah Observer. effects of eating much of a dinfalling time of it. (?)

Last Saturday our stockfarm ers and stockmen filed into town to tell about the big rains they had Friday night. The transformation of their faces was complete and instead of the long, care-worn countenance of anxiety was to be found the broad grin from ear to ear-one of those smiles that won't come

There have been few if any cat tle driven to shipping points on the Pecos Valley road this season for sale in the open market, the experience of shippers in this respect last spring having been sufficient to satisfy the producer that he was in this manner placing himself completely at the mercy of the buyer. The thinning out process will not necessarily have to be repeated this year for the range is not overstocked and conditions were never more favorable for the stockman to hold his stuff until he can set a price at which they are to be sold with some degree of independence. If it is to be a game of "flinch" the producer will not have to do the flinching this year.

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Is to be found at F. P. Wilson's confectionery store on the corner, & Pacific Railway will sell specwhere you can get the best cigars, jal excursion tickets to St Louis fancy candies and nuts, fresh fruits, all kinds of cold drinks and ice their line in Texas at less than Hurrah for Borden county! Hurrah Knight Templar watch charm, with cream. The latter will be served the one way rate-tickets good every day during the season. Call around there and take a look at its addition to date of sale. See neat appearance anyway.

The daily press of Wednesday reported 15,000, Japs killed and wounded and the Russian loss at 3,000 men in a land attack made on Port Arthur by the Japanese. the interests of Randall county and The war reports in the newspapers

A Fine Rain

Fell in this section of the Panhandle last Friday night and Six months, 50 eral in its scope west, to the Texas and New Mexico line, south as far as Plainview and north a good distance from Ama-\$10 00 rillo. This was without doubt 5 00 the best rain that has fallen in 3 00 this immediate locality for over

It is thought by some that in this county a good acreage of wheat will yet be redeemed from what was considered a total failure before the rain. Almost all the farmers had more or less seed in the ground of different field crops common to this country and those who were not so fortunate in having planted before this will now begin the work in earnest.

Later .- And still another fine rain, almost as good as that of last Friday night, fell in this and surrounding counties last Monday evening. It is quite apparent that the rainy season for the Plains country has begun in earnest. .

Mastodon At Newlin.

don, embedded in a bank, have been found in a draw near Newlin, Hall county. Attorney J. E. Wiley, who was in Newlin Sunday, was shown a huge I'm keeping old bache on an elegant I've nothing to lose, I've nothing to tooth, fourteen inches long and weighing ten pounds, that had been brought from the scene of discovery. As further evidence A-starving to death on a school So nothing for nothing is honest he was shown several mammoth bones, and the ball from the hip My home is built of natural soil, joint of the thigh bone, which Its The Amarillo Champion says was about eight inches in di-

The skeleton is well exposed to view and is about fifteen feet And I always get wet when it haplong. A party of men from Newlin were to have finished on the Southern railroad propo- uncovering the remains Sunday Hurrah, for Borden county, the but the saud storm prevented the excursion.

Some of the bones are petrified, The first picnic of the season, others seemingly in a natural I'll sing to its praise, I'll tell of its growing out of the suggestion state while still others crumble made by the News last week, with handling. The tusks were

The fossil remains of this ner, nor did we gather many specie of the elephant life is roses, but had a high old snow- furnishing a profitable industry to miners in the Klondyke. It is the theory, of scientific men that some time during the long drift period the mastodons were overcome by some sudden catastrophe, probably by some subsidence of the land and an invasion by the sea, and all killed. The tusks of this animal range in length from 10 to 15 feet and 10 to 12 inches in diameter.

Now that copious rains have fallen almost all over the Panhandle, everything will take a new lease on life. Spring grass is assured, the farmer can now go to planting with some degree of spirit, and business in the towns will be renewed with greater activity. Let us all give due praise to the Creator of so much happiness and go to How happy I feel when I crawl inwork for the upbuilding of our

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CHORUS:

land of the free,

The home of the grasshopper, the bed bug and the flea.

While starving to death on a school

land claim.

My clothes are all ragged, my language' is rough; My bread is case hardened and

solid and tough; My dough is scattered all over the

And the flour gets scared at the

sight of a broom. My dishes are scattered all over the

They are covered with sorghum and flap-jack bread,

Oh, I save time, I live at my ease, common soup, sorghum, old bacon and peas.

CHORUS:

Then come to Borden county, here's a home for you all, Where you can live on your petri

fied gall, Where the sun never sets, but

sweetly remains Till it burns us all up on our school

land claims.

to bed, The rattle snakes rattle a tune at my head,

And the gay little centipede, void of all fear,

into my ear. And the little bed bugs, so cunning

They keep you a laughin' two thirds of the night, And the smart little flea with sharp

and bright,

tacks in his toes, all over the nose.

CHORUS:

for the west! always at rest.

any Texas & Pacific Ticket ag't. Where you've nothing to do but receive reward-

sweetly remain,

land claim. My name I'll not tell; a bach'lor I How happy I feel on my school

land claim.

and fair. Oh, its here I am settled and here I

will stay, My money's all gone and I can't get away;

There is nothing that makes a man hard and profane, Like starving to death om a school

land claim. ,

CHORUS: Then come to Borden county, where blizzards arise.

Where the sun never sets and the flea never dies. Come join in its chorus and tell of

its fame, While starving to death on school land claim.

Now don't get discouraged you poor hungry men,

For we are as happy as pigs in a

Just stick to your claims and battle the fleas, And trust to the Master to send you

a breeze, But as for myself, I'll no longer re-

To starve like a man on a school land claim.

Farewell to Borden county! Farewell to the west! I'm going back east, to the girl

love best, I'll stop in the timber and get me a

And live on corn dodger the rest of

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The St. Louis Republic ot last vigorously for five minutes at each week says that the visiting edibe worn for a few days to protect Igorrotes prepare a dog feast, equaled. For sale by S. V. Wirt, ly mention this generous refusal on the part of the editors in order to displace the prevalent idea among most people that an editor can eat anything, even to a bit of Powser steak.

ice cream are just immense!

From the best information that the News has been able to secure concerning the rains of last week and that of Tuesday, it seems that iment for sprains, bruises, lameness ing invitation to partake of the these, as have been all of those that have fallen this spring, have been spotted. However, it "is a safe assertion, based on creditable reports, that within the last four weeks the entire Panhandle country has been visited with good rains. There is not a question of a doubt but that such favorable con-"Meet me at Wilson's confection- ditions will stiffen the price of steer ery store." His cold drinks and yearlings and 2 year olds from 50 cents to \$1 per head.

THE CLOSING OF SCHOOL.

The Commencement exercises for the closing of Canyon City High School began last Sunday at 11 o'clock A. M. with a sermon by Rev. J. D. Ballard, at the M. E. church.

Though apparently suffering great physical weakness from his recent attack of la grippe, the speaker delivered the discourse in such an impressive manner that the flower-laden words of the "silver-tongued orator" would not have appealed more strongly to the appreciative audience. The text chosen for the occasion was from Phillipians 4:8, and Psalms 119:59. The expressive theme of "The Merit of Thought" was naturally derived from the reading of these scriptures. That man was a thinking being, whether he will or no; that after acquiring a government over our thoughts our dispositions will be suitable to that which we most frequently think on; for the soul is; as it were, tinged with the color and complexion of its own thoughts. That man should elevate his thoughts from the things of this world so that he may be free to master a higher conception of God's thoughts spicuous by their absence. The and will and walk in the higher ways of Him. As Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Elisha, Jesus, Peter, Paul and others in all ages have walked, demonstrating by test and proof that the dominion of thought which God gave man in the beginning has always been and is now man's privilege to use and exercise, should be so trained in the young mind as to enable it to Clarendon being present, and cast out erroneous beliefs and talse education, self-righteous. M. E. church Sunday evening. ness and pride.

exhortation to the attentive churches during 1903 and that graduating class, in which he seven more had either been fin- Texas. Tickets sold at points advised a laying hold of the ished or were in process of con- on "The Denver Road" will be magnificient moral grandeur of struction so far this year. In good for return until June 12th, God's thoughts and to seek a this connection it might not be correct interpretation of His amiss to state that the first

Rev. Ballard also paid a high tribute of praise to the school board and patrons of the school for the interest displayed in educational matters by wise enactments which enabled the town to erect a commodious building, thus securing learned place.-Hereford Brand. teachers, earnest students and a larger enrollment. In commenting upon these external surroundings of the pupil being conducive to a receptive mood for awakening and putting into motion the machinery thought, he very aptly said in substance that we send our children to school not simply to learn the rudiments of an education, but to make them worthy citizens of Texas, of the South land, of these United States. That external environment effects the development of character. We can appreciate this more and more each year. So if we would have our boys and girls love the best, aspire to the best, we must surround them from their earliest years with things that speak for the best.

The program, in which the graduating class and other stu. dents of the school were to have participated, was delayed from Tuesday night, as previously announced, until Wednesday night on account of the hard rain which fell an hour or so before the appointed hour. A large crowd assembled at the school building Wednesday night and eagerly listened to the program, which was really excellent both in substance and execution.

Most of the graduates were assigned different subjects on Gentry, who lives 3 miles norththe program, and they all without exception creditably ac quitted themselves. Their efforts denoted careful research and representative with the belief of the yard.

that in choosing him to represent the school board, the faculty and patrons of Canyon City High School, a better choice could not have been made, for he appeared to be the right man at the right place.

The admission fee of 10 and 20 cents charged each person amounted in the aggregate to some \$46.

The "Old Maid's Convention" did not convene on schedule time as announced last week, owing to the inclemency of the weather. On Monday night however the said old maids appeared in all the requisite regalia for the farce and every body-seemed pleased with the levity with which these old maids are treating a most serious matter. It was clearly evident that the old bachelors in the audience were moved also and a realization of lost opportunities awakened by this comedy farce will, beyond the question of a doubt, cause Cupid to begin a strategical invasion of Canyon City and his conquest of hearts probably will increase the throng at the marriage license office, before the Fourth of July anyway. Several confirmed bachelors of the town were condoor receipts amounted to \$27, which was equally, divided between Miss Patton and the Presbyterian ladies.

Quarterly Conference. On Monday last was held the regular quarterly conference of the M. E. church, South, Presiding Elder J. M. Sherman of Rev. Sherman reported that The speaker gave a word of this district had built eight new church of any denomination built on the plains was erected at Amarillo during the spring of 1889 principally by G. A. F. Parker of this city, but who resided at Amarillo at the time, the church being built for the Methodist denomination of that

SOON TO BE MARRIED.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Milton Pattillo, of Stamford, to Miss Gertrude Suggs, of Gatesville, on Mon day evening, June 6th.

Mr. Pattillois well and favor ably known by scores of Canyon City citizens, having at one time been engaged here with his tather's mercantile business His many friends will be pleased to know that he has found an help meet of his choice and wish him all happiness and prosperity as the result of this sacred

The News gratefully acknowledges an invitation to be present at the marriage of these young people, and joins the large circle of well wishers. Mr. Pattillo and wife will be at home to their friends at Stamford, Texas, after June 10th.

Rev. J. T. Burnett was in town sale by S. V. Wirt Druggist. from his place west of town Wednesday morning and reported that his section of the country got much better rain Tuesday evening than fell here, there being a large quantity of hail mixed with it. He said that the whole country in that neighborhood looked to be covered with six inches of water. S. V. west of town, also reported a big hail mixed with rain at his place.

Judge A. N. Henson has been preparation for this closing devoting a share of his time to irri- the season of 1904 at Tom Row- relative, leaving Wednesday ev- prise a circuit-was held at the eyent. Judge Buie closed the gating the ornamental trees in the ans Livery Stable at Canyon ening. The children will here join Ceta church Wednesday. Presidevening's program with present- court house enclosure of late and Texas. Will be there 6 days in their mother who left a month or ing Elder Sherman, of Clarendon, ing diplomas to the graduates. has planted quite a number of the week, from 8 - A. M. to 6 more ago with her little daughter, Revs. Stephens and Wallace, and The Judge impressed a News water melon seed in different parts P. M.

BARGAIN-COUNTER

We invite the attention of the public to a few of our many cash bargain prices as follows:

21 lbs good Rice	.00	
Best Brand Tomatoes, 3-lb cans,	.10	1
" Hominy, 3-lb cans,		
" String Beans, per case 2	.40	1
" E. J. Peas, per case 2	.40	
" Blackberries, per case 2	.00	
" Strawbefries, per case 2	.40	
Dry Salt Bacon, per lb	.10	
Apples, I gallon cans	.35	
California Peaches, I gallon cans	.45	-
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150 pairs Ladies' Shoes going at a reduced price in order to make room for our new goods:

Our	\$3.50 Sho	es for	\$3.00
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Do not fail to see this elegant line

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If you want the best goods for the least money, we believe that we can please you. Nothing but the freshest goods kept in stock. Try us.

We also have about 250 cedar post for sale at 10c "Ga

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CHEAP RATES.

For Town-Lot Sale at Byers Texas, Friday, June 10th, 1904.

For the above important oc casion, (through which small fortunes will accrue to those wise enough to grasp one or more of the many goodly opportunities to be offered or laid open in connection with the primary establishment of a coming city) "The Denver Road and The Wichita Valley Railway Co., will sell tickets June who occupied the pulpit of the 9th and 10th to Byers, Texas, and return at less than one fare for the round-trip from all points between (and including) Fort Worth, Seymour and Amarillo, and those sold at Wichita Valley Railway points will be good for return until June 13th. "Byers" is situated twenty-two miles is so located as to readily possess and control as its own a rich and highly developed agricultural and newly discovered and partially developed oil territory, thus more than justifying its own quick and substantial expansion as a most important business community. Apropos: "A word to the wise is sufficient." Interested parties may obtain further information upon application to local agents of the General Passenger Depart. ment of "The Denver Road" at

Fort Worth. How To Treat a Sprained Ankle.

A sprained ankle as usually treated will disable'a man for three or four weeks. This is an unneces-Pain Balm was promply and freely applied. It allays the pain and soreness and quickly restores the parts to a healthy condtion. For

If you want to save from one to three dollars on a pair of eye for the Southwest? Regular subglasses, get the very best goods scription price is 25 cts a year; made—get a pair that fits you worth double. Send 50 cents (coin sure-see D. N. Redburn. If or stamps) with names and adnot, see some traveling optician dresses of five eastern friends; we with no object in view except an you for six months. Write today exhorbitant price, which his un to, "The Earth," 1120 Railroad limited nerve enables him to re- Exchange Building, Chicago, Ill.

Notice to Breeders.

For the convenience of breed ers, Ranger R 31428 will finish

C. P. Money.

I wonder, says Essie Vane, in a valued exchange, if the reading public have any idea of the favors that the press extended without any compensation? Have you ever assisted in getting up a church entertainment? Have you eyer had occasion to take notices to the papers? Have the newspaper men ever refused arillo Wednesday evening. to receive any pay for so doing? Did they ever ask you for any? Were they not always polite and pleasant about it? Does printers' ink-and all the necessary appendages from the devil upcost anything? Is running a newspaper at all expensive? Are subscriptions always paid in ad- to visit friends a few, days. vance? Are they always thanked as graciously as they should be? Do they receive the support they injured in a runaway. should in the way of advertising etc.? Have you ever thought of this before? Will this blot of ink so, then it was not used in vain.

J. T. Jowell was in town from ously ill with measles, is slowly the ranch Monday, and though improving. northeast of Wichita Fails, on he paraded down the streets the newly constructed Wichita with a weeding hoe on his Falls & Oklahoma Railway, and shoulder it did not excite the suspicions of any one, for it is a well known fact that Mr. Jowell magnificent scope of extremely is a devotee to the cotton-sack brigade.

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A FINE LECTURER.

Rev. Jno. R. Morris, pastor of either of the railway lines men famous lecture on Music at the come off. tioned above, or by addressing Methodist church, Friday night, May 27th. This will be a great treat. You will laugh and cry. Well worth one dollar to hear this lecture. Admission only 25 cents. Ladies H. M. Society,

Do You Want the Earth?

Methodist church.

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sive immigration helper.

Why not have it sent to triends "back east," to do missionary work will mail "The Earth" to them and

Elbridge Gatewood and little sister accompanied their cousin who

The extravagance has been squeezed out of all prices at

THOMAS BROS. Futniture. You should see that brand new finish lumber at Burton-Lingo's.

T. C. Thompson went up to Am-

A new lot of Mattings just received at Thomas Bros.

W. E. Lair and little child have been very sick this week with

Leslie Robeson and wife, of Hereford, came up Wednesday evening

The Amarillo Star of last week

says that Gus Lewis was slightly Jim Burrow and wife of Ama.

rillo, were the guests of C. R. Burrow and wife Sunday. The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith who has been danger-

strawberries on the evening of June 10th, at M. S. Lusby's studio. city. It won't hart you to look over

and it may do you good. THOMAS BROS.

dozen for eggs, \$3 to \$4 per doz for visited his old home in Cooke counhens and 15, 20 and 25 cents each ty while away and says that a for fryers. Canyon City, Texas.

M. N. Gallagher was a visitor in the county capital Wednesday. Morrow St., M. E. Church South, Plenty of rain had caused one of of Waco, Texas, will deliver his those smiles on his face that wont

> L. N. Lochridge and family moved out to their ranch Wedday. Mr. Lochridge will now receive his mail at Happy post

Miss Laura Scott, of Tulia, who has been visiting Mrs. R. W. Foster and others this week, returned home yesterday accompanied by her little friend Pauline Dunbar.

A. Klondyke wave swept over the Panhandle Wednesday night written by farmers, stockmen and and yesterday, registering a temperature of 51 degrees early yes-

> We propose to prop our business with the two pillars "most" and "best" on the foun dation of lowest prices.

> THOMAS BROS. FURNITURE.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Brandon returned home Wednesday from St. Louis, where they have been taking in the Fair. We shall expect to receive a report of the great wonders as seen by the senior, in next week's issue of the News.

The regular quarterly conference has been visiting them for some of the M. E. church. South of this time, to Cleburne, the home of their place and Ceta church-which com-Katy, for the benefit of the latter's Dr. D. M. Stewart attended the conference from this place.

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NOTARY PUBLIC IN OFFICE Call in and see me and let me tell you what I propose to do.

GEO. A. BRANDON. Office-Canyon City News Build-

J. M. Craig was in town Saturday of last week and had his paper changed from this post-office to one in his own neighborhood, a recently established service in the Holton school district. The News has several good substantial subscribers in this community and we congratulate them on being able to get their mail without traveling so far.

Miss Carrie and Frank Jordon were in town this week from the ranch attending the commencement The ladies of the Baptist church exercises of the school. Miss Jorwill serve ice cream, cake and dan was the guest of Miss Minnie Donohoo during her stay in the

Attorney R. A. Sowder returned our stock and get our prices, last Friday from an excursion trip to Galveston where he attended the State Council of the Improved Lee Shifflett will pay 9 cents per Order of Redmen. Mr. Sowder great number of people whom he met in that part of the State signified an intention of attending the reunion which is to be held here in



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BREAD, BUTTER and A FRIEND

By HENRY C. GUEST

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ERE, Hackett, we have a clew to a sensational story. . The people's names are Richmond, and there are to be an exposure and a scandal that will shake up the town," the city editor of the Globe

"And incidentally ruin two or three people's reputations, so be careful of the facts," the managing editor said.

Henry Hackett was receiving instructions to cover the chief news story of the day. Hackett, tall, ruddy, full of courage to cope with almost any physical problem, was always making experiments in the philosophy of human life. He was a fairly well tried man on the staff of the Globe and had the rep utation of never having failed to secure a story to which he was assigned.

"Hold up your reputation and make two columns of the affair. Give us a breezy account of Richmond's manipulation of the tunnel stock as well. You have just time to find him at his home before our last edition goes to press," said the city editor as Hackett fook up his coat and but."

He hurried out and took a cab. The address given him was in the wealthjest part of the city, three-quarters of an hour's rapid drive, and he felt this was an occasion where a five cent car fare was incompatible with the impormonds were rated as semimillionaires. He had but the briefest information of the subject of his errand; scarcely more than the people's names. But he knew that Richmond himself was a shrewd old man who would probably detect the full drift of the most carefully worded question at its first utterance, and as bit of self sacrifice, with gratitude and mond more than you or I can figure the cab rocked him from one side to the other he framed in his head a plausible tale of rumor which might lead Richmond to talk of the tunnel stock deal.

The cab rolled up to the Richmonds' house, and Hackett, telling the driver his card to a polite servant, upon whom the effect of the call standing at the door had not been lost. He walfed a few moments in the library, when some

"Is this Mr. Hackett?" Hackett turned and saw Ridley Haverseized his hand, threw his arm affecexclaimed:

"The very man I wanted to begin a systematic search for! Have not heardof you since commencement at Harvard two years ago."

"You are the last man I expected to meet here," returned Hackett, taking Haverly's hand in both of his and almost crushing it in delight. . . .

"You cannot think I hold you in very loving remembrance, as I have good reason to do, to have lost track of you



"IS THIS MIL HACKETT?"

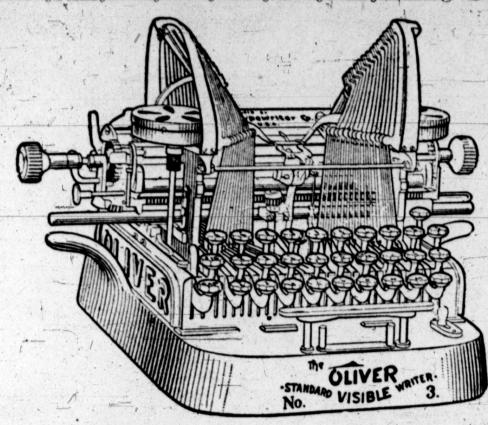
so long. But if you will allow me we will begin our acquaintance exactly where it left off." said Haverly.

"Certainly," said Hackett. "I have tried to find you; heard you were in Europe, but two letters came back to me daopened."

"Yes, I went to the Mediterranean on a long cruise on the Duke of Westminster's yacht, then to Egypt, Italy and the continent, and am home just a week," said Haverly.

"And I found a place on a daily newspaper and have taken trips all over the city every day or two for news that ranges from a prize fight to a society wedding, make a fair salary and have some hope of /climbing up near the top of that ladder we hear so much about," returned Hackett.

"You still believe in that ladder? You used to have all sorts of theories in college, I remember, and you used to experiment with them on me," replied his friend. "Do you really be-



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lieve there is such a ladder or that, onthe contrary, people never rise above the plane to which they are born?" ... "I do believe in the theory of the lad- uneasily.

der just as firmly as 1 used to believe tance of the story. He knew the Rich in my theory of gratitude," returned by and slowly shaking his head, his an-

seen it completely disproved by this ately, time-two years in a newspaper office,"

do one a good turn occasionally."

ing his eight case.

quired Hackett.

now. Can I take a message for you? I he was momentarily tempted to abanone entering the room behind him said: am a kind of privileged character sdon the effort to secure the tunnel here," Haverly said, smiling.

The voice was surprisingly familiar. Hackett puffed at his eigar a moment business is a firm master and that he ly, a well bronzed, slender young man was the same face, with its innecent. Globe staff, and he almost felt, in a of his own age, faultlessly dressed, a affectionate outlines that had first at physical sense, a struggle between his bunch of violets in his coat. Haverly tracted his attention when he met Hav affection for the man and his own erly as a boy, a trifle weak then per- thirst for reputation. Then he regrettionately over Hackett's shoulder and Japs, but strengthened since by devel- ted that he had alluded to the river man of the news story he desired to sehe told him the purpose of his errand.

Haverly's face clouded "I judge from your being here that

you can assist me. All I want now is to see Richmond,"-concluded Hackeft. "Harry, I am here visiting these peocan help you in this"-Haverly paused.

cannot see Richmond." Hackett looked up, a trifle surprised. He had met people who had talked like this before, and then the faintest smile traced itself across his face. It angered Haverly, and his face showed it.

"In times gone by I have helped you," said Hackett gently.

"I know you have," returned Haverly. "I might not have taken my degree if you laid not. But you don't know what you are asking me to do. We did not know the affair had leaked out."

"But it has," said Hackett, with another hint of a smile. Haverly justantly saw, his mistake, and his face colored with anger.

"God knews it is true enough about the old man. We may not know all the facts. What else have you heard?" he

"Less than I should likewito know." This time Hackett grinned a little at his friend's quickly rising temper. He noted that Haverly had not changed i this respect since his days at Harvard.

Blame you quiet people! What business is this of yours?" exclaimed Haverly, springing to his feet, his eyes blazing. He seized a heavy paperweight from the table and raised it to strike his friend.

Hackett leaped up and caught his hand in the air.

"Don't do that. - Don't you remember. the river?" he asked softly. There was an expression of deeply injured affection in his voice which contrasted strongly with Haverly's violent tone and action.

Haverly's color reddened with shame even above his anger; and he allowed Hackett to gently slip the paperweight from his fingers. The slooked at each other steadily. The mention of the river recalled vivid memories to each of

Hackett saw a mental picture of one vacation time when they were camping by a river. He was standing on a float at the water's edge. He saw. Haverly's face in the water too yards away. He beard him call for help and saw him gasp and sink. In retrospect Hackett saw himself dive from the float, swim away, grasp something under the water and struggle back to shore against a current that almost swept them both

Hackett laid both hands upon Haverly's shoulders, and there was a question in his look. Haverly answered it

"I cannot help you," he said earnestger vanishing as quickly as it had ap-"You believe in that, too, yet? I peared. Hackett's hands touched his might have thought you would have shoulders more firmly, more affection-

"I am to marry one of Richmond's daughters," said Haverly. "The story No. I believe even yet that people, does not concern/me directly, but you a few at least, will remember a favor, a cannot print it. It would cost Rich-

out in money. And think of the girl!" "Well, maybe they do. Light a cigar | Hackett recalled one day when he and tell use how you came to stumble himself was in despair over a fallure upon one here," said Haverly, pulling, in a mathematical examination and the armebair close to a table and offer. that Haverly came up behind him and took his hand without a spoken word. to wait, hurried up the steps and gave- "It was pure accident. I came here It had profoundly touched him, and to see Rickmond. Is he at home?" in . Hackett thought that perhaps lie, too, owed Haverly something in return for "Yes; he is busy with a lawyer just that incident of silent sympathy, and stock story. Then he remembered that and studied the face of his friend. It had a position to maintain on the opment and contact with people of the and the rescue, and he knew that Havworld. Hackett knew from his training erly felt he was determined to secure the fundy sability of telling the wrong the story of the stock affair at a sacrifice of every personal feeling and that cure, but he knew that Haverly had be was classing Haverly as an ingrate. never fied to him in his past life, and As if his reflections had been spoken in words. Haverly proved his conclusion

to be correct. "Harry," he said, "you are fitting one of those theories upon me that I used to call absurd when we studied logic together. I am grateful I am your ple. I received your card by mistake. I friend, and I have not forgotten what I owe you, even without your reminder. "but I will not," he continued. "You You want the tunnel story confirmed. I have already unguardedly said it was true. It is so, every-word you have of it, and more. Sit down." And Haverly gave him briefly a score of details that would send the headlines into the wood letter case, with double column-

"Now you have the entire thing. I owed you a debt, and I have put its payment into your hands. You need not see Richmond. He would deny it all on the Scriptures. But I may be suspected of confirming the rumors. and if I am you can judge for yourself what will come of it. Will you promise not to print it?"

Hackett thoughtfully twisted his mustache and made no reply.

"I do not mean a libel suit. But be careful what you do. Won't you for old times' sake?" asked Haverly.

"I promise to be careful," replied Hackett. And the two parted as cold blooded business men do.

Hackett Fiff the Richmonds' house with the power in his hands to shatter reputations and perhaps a life's happiness, and the drive to the newspaper office was the shortest be ever knew! His mind was in confusion at the situation in which Haverly's information had placed him. His first thought was that if he suppressed the story it would eventually become public.

"I could not expect him to consent to printing such a story, but he confirmed it, after all. He did understand that was experimenting with my theory of gratitude upon him. As long as I can remember him he always took exception to acting as my moral lay figure, once shying a bootjack at my head in college and wrecking a mirror when L dodged his materialistic argument." thought Hackett.

"Strange place to meet a man one has not seen for two years. But I migh have expected it, the world is so small. after all." Hackett thought of the time when they roomed in the freshman I year on the same staircase and of their living together the next term.

Then he thought of the coldness in which they had just separated, the first real interruption of a feeling of cordial regard since the days of mathematics and Greek. He weighed Haverly's position against his own, on, one hand

owing him his life and refusing to consent to the publication of a stain upon the family of the woman who was to be his wife and yet to remove a suspicion of ingratitude placing him in possession of the family skeleton; on the other hand, a remorseless search for sensation, read in a minute and not forgotten in a lifetime, and yet one step up on the ladder of the pocketbook and

"Back so soon? Get the story?" inquired the city editor in one breath as Hackett entered the Globe office. Hackett hesitated a moment, looked boldly at the man and blurted out:

The editor raised his eyebrows in cold surprise and displeasure, as if to ask an explanation. Mackett went to a vacant desk, scribbled a few lines and handed the paper to the editor, saying,

There is no explanation." In the paper Hackett resigned from

the Globe's staff. Again the city editor raised his eyebrows, but Hackett promptly left the office. All the street knew of his resignation within an bour, and the Globe out the Richmond exposure

The other staff men met Hackett the next day, and one of them wanted to know the connection between the suppression of the story and his resigna-

"Met a man there I wanted to oblige," said Hackett curtly.

"How much in it?" asked the staff man, fingling money in his pocket. "Not a cent, as God is my helper," replied Hackett.

The managing editor heard rumors of the affair and sent for him. Hackett told him briefly that Haverly was an old friend who was soon to marry Richmond's daughter.

"I saved his life' some years ago;" said Hackett, "and could not see why I should destroy the chances of his happiness now, and the quickest way out of the difficulty was to resign."

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