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DR. JEKYL AND MR. HYDE

There are two of us. We are composite. There are at least two of us. In some of us there are a half dozen, more or less. In all of us there are both a Dr. Jekyll and a Mr. Hyde. We are two—or more—in one.

For instance: There is yourself when you are cross and crochety and even unjust to those you love. "But for our own bitter tone, though we love our own—the best," is sometimes pathetically true. And there is yourself when you are on the street or in your place of business or at church, when you are smiling, amiable, cordial.

Are you then a hypocrite? Not necessarily. You may be compared to a revolving pedestal, painted on each side a different color. It is one pedestal, but many sided. You show only one side of yourself at a time. When things go wrong at home you are Mr. Hyde; abroad you are Dr. Jekyll. Those who know you best, the home folks, know that you are many sided and that you have your good side.

Again: The Mr. Hyde appears in you when you are irritated or disappointed or when you feel a wrong is done you. You want to "get even." You strike back. At another time some potent force moves you to be the benevolent Dr. Jekyll. Sometimes you feel you can do and dare, and while the mood lasts you can do and dare to do.

Most of us, like chameleons, take color for the moment from our surroundings. When you make sharp speeches to wife or husband or children you are not all there. Only one side of you speaks. Afterward you are sorry for the sharp words. The pedestal has revolved, showing another side.

Now and then a man comes to this earth who is nearly always himself, a totality of personality. He does as he wants to do. He puts himself—all himself—into every effort. In him things converge to a purposeful end.

That is greatness. You and I have rare moments when we are "all there." Every faculty works in harmony. For a moment we are really great. It is in these sublime moments, these really great moods, that masterpieces are made, audiences won, inventions created, battles won. But, alas, most of us cannot long be Dr. Jekylls! The pedestal will revolve. The Mr. Hyde of us will show himself.

THE FRONT PORCH.

During these days the country is being edited from the front porch.

In the south the porch is more or less of an all year institution. In the north for seven or eight months in the year the front porch is like the platform of a street car—of use only to get on. But during the good old summer time it justifies its existence north and south.

The front porch now ceases to be the mere threshold of the house. It becomes sitting room, sewing room, nursery and library. It is the hearthstone transferred to the open.

Here sits the family and solaces itself. Inoffensive gossip floats serenely—and wisdom also. Here is the forum. Here many grave problems are sorted and settled, and laughter and good cheer have a place.

If you would study the average

American family in its normal state, observe the family as it sits on the front porch after supper, amiably criticizing its neighbors or discussing the evening paper or family or state affairs, laughing at the play of children—good humored, satisfied with itself, optimistic, hearty, genial.

And if you will watch close enough you will observe the play of sentiment and the undertone of wise judgment.

It does not matter how pretentious or how humble may be the front porch. It is part and parcel of that home life on which is builded the real strength of this nation. The front porch is related to that family life in summer as is the fireside in winter.

The porch may approximate the grandeur of a wide and storied veranda, or it may be only a humble stoop or only a few steps. But—

Here foregather that little republic, the family.

In America, because of this custom of the family, the front porch arises to the dignity of a national institution. While it is not one of the things for which the fathers fought, it is parcel of the heritage they bequeathed to us. And it is as potent in its day as was the town meeting of its day.

Besides—The American front porch provides that which Americans much need—relaxation.

Alas, the strenuous life! Let the heathen rage. As for us—Let's go out on the front porch.

HOW TO BE HAPPY THOUGH MARRIED

Remember to keep your troubles in the family.

Remember that a quarrel should be "made up" as soon as possible.

Remember that married life is a full and not a limited partnership.

Remember that your partner is a human being—neither a hero nor an angel.

Remember that marriage is for better or for worse, especially the latter.

Remember that there should be a full understanding as to income and expenditures.

Remember to be patient and kind, slow to anger and plenteous in charity.

Remember to dress for one another a little, not entirely for society.

Remember to be agreeable—not so agreeable perhaps as in courtship (which is scarcely possible), but agreeable.

Remember to be scant in the use of endearing terms like "dear" and "darling" in public, but plenteous in private.

Remember that a soft answer turneth away wrath and that grievous words stir up anger.

Remember that the woman who saves money is as good and useful to the partnership as the man who makes it.

Remember that confidence and thoughtfulness and faithfulness in one partner beget like virtues in the other partner.

Remember that a good husband is worth more than millions of money and a good wife is above rubies.

Remember that love believeth all things, beareth all things, hopeth all things; that love suffereth long and is kind.

Remember that the human heart craves fellowship and gentleness and kind words, always and everywhere.

Remember that it is easy to see the failings of another and difficult to know your own weaknesses.

Remember that your partner will meet you halfway or, if not, if you will go a little way further, will surely meet you.

Remember that you cannot afford to dissolve the partnership, save it may be for actual treason to the firm.

And remember—

That you can afford to make every sacrifice and endure many things for the sake of harmony and right relations.

THE MAKING OF A BOY.

Said Superintendent E. R. Wharton of the Friendly Inn, Cleveland, O., to Louis Vosburg, aged seventeen years:

"You can do anything in life that you really want to do."

That was eighteen months ago. Vosburg was a butcher's boy, making \$12 per month. He had his home in the notorious "Andes alley" and was utterly without ambition.

This young man took absolutely no thought for the future. He had enough to eat, a place to sleep and a chance to spend his wages as fast as he drew the money.

He had no envy of the young men who were pushing to the front. He probably thought, if he thought at all, that these young men had some sort of "pull" or "graft" of some kind. That he should aspire to do better never entered his head until Mr. Wharton put the idea there.

Today young Vosburg is still a butcher's boy at \$12 a month—and more. He has an ambition. He is Louis Vosburg plus. The plus is ambition.

He no longer lives in Andes alley. Somehow the old quarters did not fit in with his new plans. He is attending night school and saving his money. Next fall he will enter college. Young Vosburg has decided to be an architect.

A SIMPLE SUGGESTION CHANGED THE WHOLE TENOR OF THE BOY'S LIFE.

Everything is different to Louis Vosburg. He has been made to see the possibilities of life. Things appear to him in their proper perspective. He sees that there is a power inside of him that is able to overcome his old environment. He sees that determination of soul is greater than circumstances. There has been implanted within him a divine discontent.

Blessed is that man who put a laudable ambition in the soul of Louis Vosburg.

Blessed are you if you are able to make a boy see what he can do with his life—HELP HIM COME TO HIS OWN.

Of course much depends upon the DIVINE YEAST that lies dormant in the nature of every boy. There is more to work on in some boys than in others.

But—If you want earthly immortality you can find it by helping some boy to find himself.

A WOMAN'S WAIL.

"I am a victim of consumption, so my physicians say, induced by drink and drugs. I am abandoned of my friends and living on the charity of a great city. I am alone. I am in the depths of despair.

"Late! So late! But we can enter still!"

"Too late—too late! Ye cannot enter now!"

"How the despairing wail rings in my ears! My young life is spent. All my hopes are withered. I cannot turn back. It is too late—too late!"

The cry of agony is not taken from a novel. It is a chapter from real life, the wail of a once famous actress.

There is in it a fearful warning. And you do not need to read this poor little sermonet to find it. However—

It may not be out of the way to emphasize this warning to the woman or girl who is just beginning to take an occasional drink because she thinks she needs it or because she is tired or blue or discouraged or who takes a drink just for "fun" or because her "set" does this thing.

I wish this editorial might lead you to read again the wail of the poor woman and burn into your soul the consciousness of the irremedial evil of the use of drug potions and drink stimulants—

Because students of social conditions say the drink custom and the drug

habit among women are alarmingly on the increase.

It is not strange that a woman should contract an appetite for stimulants. The habit is not more abnormal than the male habit. Especially are those women tempted who keep late hours and indulge in social dissipation. But they are not more tempted than the poor woman drudge whose vitality is spent in ceaseless toil or because of poverty or of ignorance or of abuse.

Nevertheless—

The curse is the same whether upon man or woman, "for at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."

It is also true that the effect of liquor or drugs habitually used is worse in its effects upon woman. Her finer sensibilities are the more easily ravaged, the fine edge of her better sense of delicacy the more easily blunted.

If she is rich, she may hide her growing coarseness in a sheltered home or disease may take her to a premature end. If she is poor, humiliation may drive her to suicide or poverty may lead her to something worse. There is an awful warning in that despairing cry, "Too late—too late!"

WHAT IS SUCCESS, FAILURE?

The American people are seriously pondering the question, What is success?

In recent years success, in the popular definition, has stood for the accumulation of money. We have worshipped at the shrine of the almighty dollar.

Only of late have we begun to inquire: What shall it profit a country if it shall gain billions of dollars and lose its own soul, or what will a nation give in return for its soul? IS MONEY COSTING US TOO MUCH? We are just beginning to see that under our former definition of things—

Nothing fails like success.

Nothing succeeds like failure.

Under the new revolution of thought or feeling—for it is as yet more a feeling than a thought—we are coming to realize that life is more than meat and raiment; that it is one thing to make a living and quite another to make a life; that perversion of business morals and a mad chase after special privilege and tainted dollars are not success, but abject failure—

Because such a system DEGRADES MEN AND DEIFIES DOLLARS.

We are coming to realize that ignoble SUCCESS IS ONLY SUCCESSFUL FAILURE; that NOBLE FAILURE IS SUCCESS.

We have been slow to learn these things. But a change is surely coming over the spirit of our dreams. We are learning that lying and cheating in business life, the methods of "frenzied finance," the giving of grants and immunities to the riotous rich, the practices of rebating and of graft, are destroying the ideals of our people, and we are demanding a reform.

Just what practical remedies shall be adopted, just what leaders shall be selected to make those remedies effective, cannot be affirmed, but the important thing is not so much the ways and means of reform as the apparent NEED of reform, the DESIRE for reform, the DETERMINATION TO SECURE reform.

Let us thank God and take courage.

We have a new and better definition of success.

Let us be glad that we have within us the spirit of self purification.

Poisonous Plants.

T. C. Bridges, writing on the subject of unsuspected poisons in the Grand Magazine, draws attention to the fact that a large number of plants which are usually looked upon as harmless possess poisonous properties. Those who are employed in picking daffodils and narcissus frequently suffer severely from a troublesome skin affection known as "daffodil poisoning." The

most trying feature of this ailment is the small gatherings which form under the finger nails. It is said that minute crystals of lime exist in large numbers in the juice of the stems of the pretty blooms and that these are responsible for the poisoning. Regular daffodil pickers are accustomed to rub their hands with oil and work tallow in underneath their finger nails before beginning their work. The bulbs of the white Roman hyacinth have similar unpleasant properties.

The Particular Man.

For weeks and weeks the Man with the Sterile Dome had been using a new brand of Unguent Dope to Reclaim the Large Deforested District on the Summit of his Thought Promontory.

One day he noticed a little Tuft of Fuzz growing on the previously Polished Plateau above his Brainery.

He felt an impulse to Rejoice, yet being a very Methodical Man, he Took Thought as to what kind of Tumult would be best to Raise over his Discovery.

At last he Thought of Something that seemed Particularly Appropriate, so he gave with great Enthusiasm and a slight touch of Ecstacy a Hair Raising Shriek.—Chicago News.

And the Minister Smiled.

A certain minister recently called upon one of the families in his parish. He ascended the steps and knocked at the door. Receiving no response, he was about to depart when he heard a window in the next house open and a woman's voice say, "Mrs. Smith, the minister's at your door."

What was the pastor's surprise and amusement when he caught Mrs. Smith's response wafted gently around the corner of the house, "Sh, don't you s'pose I know it!"

The next Sunday after service Mrs. Smith met her pastor and expressed her sorrow that she was away when he had called.

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THE NEWS' WHEAT ESTIMATE.

Some of our land men are finding fault with The News because its estimate of the average yield of wheat per acre for this county, made some six weeks ago after close observation, was put at anywhere between 12 and 15 bushels. At that time a consensus of opinion among farmers pointed to an average of 20 bushels per acre.

The acreage of wheat in the county, fall and spring sowing combined, is said to be near nine thousand acres. Much of this was planted in a very poor way. Drilled and disced in some instances without any prior preparation as to breaking the land and hap hazard as to the amount of seed sown. Much of the grain sown was left near the surface and again some of it was put down with drills to a depth of six inches. The result was that all kinds of stands were had.

The "scratched" in wheat suffered materially from the drouth experienced in the early part of May. In fact acres and acres of this character of sowing was practically killed out. In The News wheat estimate all of this is included and should be to get the general average for the entire county.

But say complainants, "you should not allow for those slovenly put in crops, or for those in the northern part of the county damaged by hail, you ought only to give the good ones."

The News would like to do this—give only the good crops—but this would not be the general average and if claimed to be it would be untrue and therefore do more harm than good.

As stated in former issues of this paper the reported yields are, in the general markets, always connected with the total acreage sown and exaggerated reports always injure the producer to say nothing of the loss of reputation for truth and veracity—on the part of those giving currency to them. They "bear" the market, are doing so at this very writing and thereby deprive the farmer of the price he is justly entitled to.

Had all the land in this county sown to wheat been prepared in a farmer-like manner and the seed put in accordingly the average yield would not have been far short of twenty bushels per acre. As it is some will make as high as thirty bushels per acre while others, on account of sorry work and short seeding will run as low as six or even five bushels.

The land in Randall county except the canyons, is about all of a whatness—a broad rich prairie, one section being as near alike another section in all that makes good land as is two peas. Under such conditions what some men have done made thirty bushels of wheat to the acre all could have done had they only tried for it.

Our readers can always depend on The News giving the facts, as far as it knows them, good or bad, and according to its way of thinking, the facts about Randall county are good enough.

PRIMARY ELECTION TOMORROW.

Tomorrow is primary election day. The ticket for use in this county will be found in this paper. Read it over with proper consideration.

All along down the line vote only for those men whom you believe will best serve the interest of the country.

If your favor submitting the question of state-wide prohibition to a vote of all the people of Texas in a general election to be held for that one particular purpose, presumably sometime next year, vote "for submission; crossing the negative out. If opposed to this cross out the affirmative and let the negative stand.

The clauses in regard to local option really amount to nothing, as a vote either way will not change the present law.

There should be held in each voting precinct also tomorrow—Saturday—a convention for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention.

The county convention which selects delegates to the state and district conventions will be held Saturday Aug 1.

The News wants to record every Democrat in Randall county as going to the primaries.

It's the clear duty of every Democrat to do so.

At Argentine, Kansas, last Friday a Mrs. Susan Turner presented her husband with three boys and one girl.

Attorney General Davidson is sure to succeed himself. The News ventures the prediction that his majority over Wynne in to-morrow's primary will exceed that obtained by Senator Bailey in the last primary.

In the humble opinion of The News "Black Jack" Williams falls short of measuring up to the requirements of a Texas Governor and so in the primary Saturday its editor will vote for Tom Campbell.

It is claimed that Bob Williams, candidate for governor, will carry Collin, Denton, Ellis, Fannin and all the other black land counties. The strength of his pull there seems to lay in the fact that those people want their lands taxed at about \$10 per acre. They fail to see that Gov. Campbell is merely trying to carry out the present terms of the law which, fortunately for the rest of the state, is making these black land folks tote fair, something they have not heretofore been doing.

Somebody is writing for the paper that apples eaten just before retiring are a great help to digestion. We tried it, about 2 o'clock we dreamed that a fiery red dragon with pea-green tail and eyes as big as soap plates, was carving us with a meat saw and a sword. We finally awoke to find our good wife fanning us with a bed slat and trying to get the baby out of the coal scuttle, where I had put it to keep the dragon from getting it. Darn the apple. Give us prunes."—Ex.

SOWING THE WHEAT.

Not Enough Seed Put in the Ground at Time of Planting.

A writer in the Hereford Brand of last week had a sensible talk on the amount of wheat per acre to sow. He says:

In this country based mostly on required amount of seed to be used. I have heard one half bushel recommended to be sufficient and also seen men get very much excited over counting as high as thirty-five sprouts from one single grain. This also aroused my curiosity in this important matter and for my own gratification I made special observations of different fields in the last two growing crops and find according to my judgment in the matter that while that amount represents a great saving to a poor farmer, he is a heavy loser in harvest time. I notice in every instance that the stand is not what it should be. All the sprouts that start from a grain of wheat certainly does not produce a stalk and a head of wheat besides many of them that do are very weak ones. And on the face of it all it is very unreasonable to cut the usual amount sowed in the east and north which is one and one half bushel down to one third, and my advice is to sow one bushel to the acre, cutting out only one-third. I did not come here from Missouri, but I will have to be showed seven good crops out of ten before I will believe that one half bushel of seed wheat is sufficient for one acre of land. I wish to remark further that the importance of having a good strong stand of wheat does not rely only on the extra number of heads more, but it helps greatly to hold the moisture longer which has been a great item in the two last years here. Now as there are two sides to all questions I would be pleased to hear from the opposite.

What the above writer says reminds The News editor of something he read in a Farm Journal years ago. It told of an American and a German who owned fields with just a cross fence between them. The quality of the land was the same and it happened that each of these men had wheat in their fields "hand running" for several years. The German always made a good crop and the native always a short one. One day as they met on the turn row—the American said to his German neighbor: "How comes it that you always raise twice as many bushels of wheat to the acre as I do?"

The German, replying said: "Vell I tells you. When you sow de seed you hold him tight mit de hand and say; God save de veet, God save de veet!" And only a leetle gets mit de ground.

Ven I sow de seed I hold him loose mit de hand and say; To h'll mit de veet, to h'll mit the veet! Und plenty gets in to de ground."

The pith of the matter is, that it is a great mistake to sow too little of any thing. "As you sow, so shall you reap," says holy writ and this applies as well to material things as to spiritual.

W. H. Hicks informs The News reporter that the Andy Beckman crop, mentioned last week as making 15 bushel per acre and sold in Ft. Worth, came off a field in which only twenty lbs. of wheat was sown per acre. Too little even if with a drill and this way of doing in connection with the "scratching" methods followed by many in the preparation of the soil and in the sowing accounts largely for the sorry turnouts at the thresher.

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PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

ROWAN WITHDRAWS.

John Rowan, Sr., desires to say to the voters that he is no longer a candidate for commissioner and justice of the peace for precinct No. 1.

Mrs. J. H. Garrison went to Garden City, Kansas, this week.

See the four month's old cub bears at the opera house. Admission 10c.

Miss Della Offield of Newlin, arrived Wednesday on a visit to Miss Maud Brandon.

W. O. Bennett, R. G. Oldham, I. L. Hunt and Harry Howell went to Amarillo Wednesday evening in the latter's auto to attend one session (one night) of the Masonic Chapter lectures, now being conducted there by W. A. Dallas.

The News received Wednesday, thru the kindness of Mrs. W. F. Heller, a copy of the Ohio State Journal containing an account of the Prohibition party national convention at its place of publication, Columbus. Eugene W. Chafin of Illinois, is the nominee for president and Aaron S. Watkins of Ohio, for vice president. According to the Journal the convention was fully as noisy as the one at Denver with "scenes of storm and stress that rivaled Chicago." The Hellers attended.

HAPPY ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood are in Happy for a few days from Plainview.

Mr. P. V. Carlyle spent Sunday in Plainview.

Mr. Carpenter of Wheatling Iowa is in town and vicinity looking after his crops, etc.

Mrs. J. C. Kelly chaperoned a jolly set of young people to the canyon Tuesday.

Oscar Edwards went to Canyon to be with his family Saturday returning Sunday.

C. C. Bradenbaugh of Dallas spent a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Bradenbaugh.

T. D. Lester spent Sunday at his home in Canyon.

Mrs. A. Woods spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. O. Malcome.

Services at Happy Sunday.

Miss Beckett was a north bound passenger Wednesday A. M.

Mr. J. O. Bradenbaugh was a passenger north Sunday.

Happy was visited by a fine rain Saturday and Sunday.

A new Doctor has located in Happy but we have not learned his name so far.

Miss Grace White went to Tulsa Thursday evening to visit T. Gilleland and family, returning Sunday.

July 22, '08. HAPPY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rusk returned from their Denver trip Thursday of last week. Unlike some of the others they secured seats in the convention but it is said that it was chiefly by reason of the fact that Col. Rusk hails from Arkansas.

LOCAL WEATHER RECORD.

Friday and Saturday of last week it rained for us in town and extended pretty well over the county. Indications are for more rain—cloudy and sprinkling yesterday evening as The News was being run off the press.

The fall crop prospects are satisfactory to all concerned, or should be. All other crops doing well.

Still plenty of weeds about town.

No. 7961
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The Canyon National Bank.
At Canyon, in the State of Texas at the close of business, July 15, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$123,484.71
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	4,371.76
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	2,055.47
Bonds, Securities, etc.	5,000.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	7,170.49
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	32,395.79
Due from State Banks and bankers	757.88
Due from approved reserve agents	37,802.11
Checks & other cash items	693.09
Notes of other national banks	980.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	45.10
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	4,752.30
Legal-tender notes	4,515.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	2,500.00
Total	\$276,523.70
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	5,970.45
National bank notes outstanding	50,000.00
Due to other nat'l. banks	3,167.98
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	2,673.85
Individual deposits subject to check	116,511.93
Demand certificates of deposit	8,720.00
Time certificates of deposit	14,344.94
Cashier's checks outstanding	134.55
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	15,000.00
Total	\$276,523.70

State of Texas, County of Randall, ss: I. L. Hunt, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I. L. HUNT, Cashier.
Correct Attest:
R. W. O'KEEFE,
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R. H. WRIGHT } Directors.

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R. A. SOWDER,
Notary Public.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$132,856.47
U. S. Bonds and Premiums	52,055.47
Banking House & Fixtures	7,170.49
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
Cash	81,941.27
Total	\$276,523.70
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	15,970.45
Circulation	50,000.00
Bills Payable	15,000.00
Deposits	145,553.25
Total	\$276,523.70

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COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

County Taxes Reduced From Last Year.

Saturday and Monday the commissioners court finished its labors as a board of equalization for this year.

The roll is now complete showing the total tax values of the county, in round numbers, to be \$6,400,000 as against \$3,300,000 for last year.

The county tax rate last year for all purposes including the sinking fund was 40 cents on each \$100 valuation. For this year the court has put it at 20 cents which considering that the raise under "full rendition" falls short of doubling, is less than it was last year.

The county treasurer's compensation was fixed as follows:

For receiving and disbursing the district school funds 1 per cent; for receiving the special fund arising from the sale of the court house bonds 1-4 of one per cent and 1-4 of one per cent for disbursing same; for receiving and disbursing all other county funds 5 per cent.

MARK FOSTER DEAD.

Mark Foster died on Sunday morning at the residence of his son R. W. Foster. The burial was in the City cemetery.

He came here in the spring from his old home, Ben Franklin seeking to benefit his health.

He was over eighty years old but would undoubtedly have lived several years longer had not dropsy hastened his death.

He leaves surviving him several children and two younger brothers, "Uncle Tom and Bill Foster. The last named was here with him sometime but returned to Ben Franklin about two weeks ago.

HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

We were visited Friday by a heavy rain, that was very welcome.

Mr. Cochran and family spent several days this week with the family of Emmett Reed.

F. Hoffman and wife made a trip to Amarillo Monday.

Several from our midst attended the Baptist meeting in Canyon.

W. C. Johnson delivered a bible message to the people in Wildorado Sunday night.

Crops are looking fine, promise of a good yield.

R. A. Campbell and wife of Canyon spent several days this week with their daughter Mrs. G. R. Stratton.

TASSIE.

Canyon City to Silverton.

Major Gordon spoke yesterday evening at the courthouse in the interest of a railway from here to Silverton.

As the proposition was new to our people the matter was submitted to a committee of five whose duty it should be to consider the question and arrange the time for a general mass meeting of citizens when Major Gordon would submit his proposition.

As this committee Jas. N. Haney, acting as chairman of yesterday's meeting, named the following persons: L. G. Conner, D. A. Park, Dr. Black, Oscar Hunt and Geo. Brandon.

More next week.

OFFICIAL DEMOCRATIC BALLOT.

TEST---I am a Democrat and pledge myself to support the nominees of this primary.

For Presidential Electors	For Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals Second Supreme Judicial District—Unexpired term—One to be voted for—
Hardy O'Neal, Of Cass County	R E Carswell
Jed C Adams, Of Kaufman County	A H Kirby
N P Doak, Of Red River County	Irby Dunklin
W W Dies, Of Hardin County	For Congress, 13 District— John H Stephens
W W Moore, Of Rusk County	For Representative, 106 District— J R Bowman
R S Fulton, Of Grayson County	J C Hunt
Thomas D Isbell, Of Rockwall County	For District Attorney— Henry S Bishop
J W Woods Of Robertson County	B H Baker
Joseph Adams Of Houston County	A A Lumpkin
E A Berry Of Madison County	For County Judge— A S Rollins
G L Haidusek Of Fayette County	A N Henson
Lee J Rountree Of Williamson County	For County Attorney— W D Scott
S P York Of Coryell County	R A Sowder
W H Hawkins Of Erath County	For District and County Clerk— J A Tate
A B Edwards Of Clay County	M P Garner
L L Shield Of Coleman County	For Sheriff & Tax Collector— R A Sanford
Edgar Von Boeckmann, Sr Of Guadalupe County	H J Cavet
J C Son Of Palo Pinto County	S B Lofton
For Governor—	For County Treasurer— C P Hutchings
R R Williams Of Hopkins County	P H Young
Thomas M Campbell Of Anderson County	S V Wirt
For Lieutenant Governor— C W Geer's Of Denton County	For County Assessor— Joe Foster
For Attorney-General— R V Davidson Of Galveston County	For County Commissioner Precinct No. 1— W J Redfearn John A Wallace John Rowan Sr
R M Wynne Of Tarrant County	For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 W J Redfearn John A Wallace John Rowan Sr
For Comptroller— George F Parker Of Erath County	For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2 E W Neece
Bob Barker Of Bexar County	For County Commissioner Precinct No. 3 J D Knicely
J R Blades Of Henderson County	For County Commissioner Precinct No. 4 M S Park
J W Stephens Of Travis County	For Precinct Chairman—
Charles B White Of Fannin County	For the submission by the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Texas, a Constitutional Amendment to the people of Texas, for their adoption or rejection; prohibiting within the State of Texas, the manufacture, sale, gift, exchange and intra-state shipment of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, except for medicinal and sacramental purposes.
For Commissioner of the General Land Office— Thomas P Stone Of McLennan County	Against the submission by the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Texas, a Constitutional Amendment to the people of Texas, for their adoption or rejection, prohibiting within the State of Texas, the manufacture, sale, gift, exchange and intra-state shipment of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, except for medicinal and sacramental purposes.
J T Robison Of Morris County	For the system of Local Option, and appropriate legislative enactment for the perfection of our laws, so as to prevent the barter, sale or exchange of intoxicating beverages or liquors in Local Option districts.
For State Treasurer— Sam Sparks Of Bell County	Against the system of Local Option, and appropriate legislative enactment for the perfection of our laws, so as to prevent the barter, sale or exchange of intoxicating beverages or liquors in Local Option districts.
For Railroad Commissioner— O B Colquitt Of Kaufman County	
Theodore G Thomas Of Harris County	
For State Superintendent of Public Instruction— J M Alderdice Of Ellis County	
R B Cousins Of Travis County	
For Commissioner of Agriculture— R T Milner Of Travis County	
For Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals—Full Term—One to be voted for— O S Lattimore Of Tarrant County	
W L Davidson Of Williamson County	
For Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals—Unexpired Term—One to be voted for— W F Ramsey Of Johnson County	
Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals, Second Supreme Judicial District— Ocle Speer	

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

The only thing that some of us can do that seems to count at all is to earn our own living and incidentally that of our neighbors.

If you can't keep the schedule, transfer to another line.

The oftener a man makes the same mistake the more certain he is that he is right.

When a man acquires a sore spot he is apt to think the whole community is in a conspiracy to rub up against it.

A general knowledge of stars doesn't necessarily fit a man for a chair in astronomy.

Some men look out for themselves, well satisfied that his Satanic majesty will look out for the other fellow.

Don't find fault with your neighbor's work unless he is on your payroll.

Amiability is a good substitute for intelligence and often passes for it.

The woman whose house never is dusty doesn't belong to the Shakespeare club.

You know when some people have been vaccinated with tainted money, for they have the dollar sign to show for it.

So Unusual.



"Something queer about John."
"Think he is a little bit off?"
"Well, I heard him say that he was satisfied with his wages."

When Skias Are Blue.
It's easy enough to be cheerful
When favors are coming your way,
When close-to-success you eagerly press
And all of your ventures spell pay,
When friends are around you in plenty
And every one gives you a show,
But can you be gay and in rapture sing
"Hey!"
When the flatiron drops on your toe?

To smile is not really a hardship
When life runs as smooth as a song,
When friends lend a hand and warmly expand
To pleasantly push you along,
When strangers to you are attracted
And help you promotion to gain,
But, say, can you grin through thick and
through thin
If the sewer backs up through your
drain?

It's really a snap to be joyous,
To spread out your chest and expand,
When money is coming in plenty
And favors fall into your hand,
When trouble is not within calling,
When woe isn't making a sound,
But, say, can your girth grow wider with
mirth
When Bill, the assessor, comes round?

Who couldn't feel gay and light hearted,
Sweet tempered and all to the good
When into his life a dear little wife
Made love signs that he understood,
Whose children were marvels and models,
Whose word in his family was law,
But could he be sweet from his head to
his feet
Through a visit from mother-in-law?

She Knew.
"No, ma'am, we hasn't had nothing
to eat for a week."

"Nothing for a week! Why, how did
you live?"
"Well, we did have some biscuits
from the lady next door, but you know
how that would be worse than nothing."

They got the handout.

Getting Rid of Undesirables.
"You ought to make a merchant of
your son."

"Why should I?"
"He has fine business instincts."
"Been swapping knives with you?"
"No, but I saw him out in the alley
with another boy a little while ago,
and I overheard them trying to trade
parents."

Be a News subscriber.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Five cents per pound will be paid for clean white cotton rags at this office. No scraps or balbriggan goods wanted.

See the four month's old cub mission 10 cents.

Phone 41 when you have an item of local news.

Sidewalks—For the next thirty days I will put in cement sidewalks at 12½ cents per square foot. Frank Zeigler will do the work and we guarantee it.
2ts John Begrin.

Scavenger Notice.

Parties owing for scavenger work are requested to call and pay the city marshal at his office.

Low Rate to Albuquerque, New Mexico.

For the 16th National Irrigation Congress to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 29th to October 10th, 1908, inclusive, the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway in connection with the Eastern Railway of New Mexico will offer unusually low and attractive rates. It is suggested that those desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Albuquerque, and assist in making this national event a memorable and successful one, notify the railway agent as much in advance as possible in order that necessary facilities and train service may be arranged for their accommodation. Tickets will be on sale from September 27th to October 9th, inclusive, with return limit October 31st. The round trip fare from Canyon City, Texas will be \$12.30.

D. L. MEYERS, G. P. A.,
Amarillo, Texas:

O. C. DAVIS, Agent,
Canyon City, Texas. 10-13

Kill The Ants.

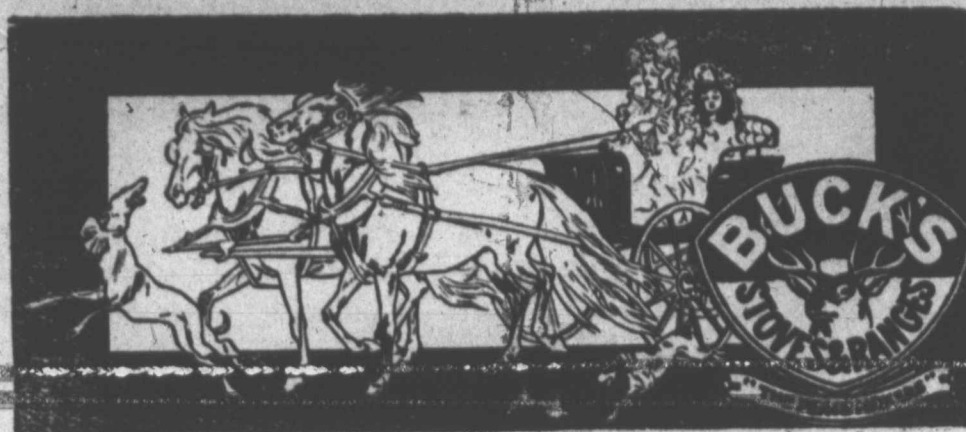
One of the greatest pests about a place is the ants. Given one bed of red ants in the yard and if allowed to thrive you will soon have more. They swarm after the manner of bees.

If taken in time this nuisance can be easily overcome. London purple will do the work for them, or "high life will answer." Another remedy also said to work like a charm is recommended by Floral Life as follows:

"Place two sheets of fresh, poison fly paper in a shallow dish; cover thinly with water and set aside for a couple of hours, or wait until the water is well charged with the poison.

Now stir in a teaspoonful or less strained honey or sugar syrup; find where a colony of ants are located and set the dish on the ground nearby. If the weather is very warm, shade the dish to prevent rapid evaporation; if there are any apiaries about, place a net covered frame over the dish having the meshes large enough to permit the ants to pass through and small enough to exclude the bees; add a trifle of water from time to time, just to keep the paper slightly immersed. The ants will go to the sweet stuff in frantic haste, drink their fill, and carry it down into their burrows to feed the queen and the half developed larvae; in a few days the whole colony will be dead. This will not fail."

Books with cattle bills of sale.



Studebaker Buggies

All styles, in the latest and most up-to-date line.

Buggies, Surreys, Hacks, Phaetons, Runabouts,

with Automobile Seats, Rubber Cushion and Steel Tires. Ball Bearing Axles which only require oil twice a year. Also Long Distance Dust Proof Axles. The material in all our vehicles is of the very best to had, and is fully warranted. Come and see our large stock. We can suit you in style, quality and price, both in a

Vehicle or Harness, also in Saddles

which we can make for you in our own saddle department if we have not what you want. All team harness hand made in our own shop, so you can see what kind of stock it is made from, which is all best California oak tanned leather.

Our Stock of

Eclipse Windmills, Well Supplies, Genuine Baker Perfect Wire, Nails, Implements, McCormick Harvesting Machinery, Shelf & Heavy Hardware

Is Complete

Call and let us show you our enormous stock on east side of public square.



N. E. Hord David Derden Sam H. Morris

N. E. Hord Land and Live Stock Co.

Amarillo, Texas.

Having lands down in Swisher, Hale and other Counties South, we wish to get some bargains around Canyon listed with us.

Large Pope-Toledo automobile just installed. We can sell your property if you will send in your list.

WHEAT AND OATS

We are in the market for 50 cars.
Get our prices before selling.

Early Grain & Hay Co.

Long Distance Phone 874. Amarillo, Texas.

RUBBER STAMPS AT ONE-HALF PRICE

are cheap enough, but they will not answer for up-to-date business PRINTING. A business man is judged as much by the quality of kind of printing for you at this office—the kind that stimulates business pride, and helps your credit with the outside business world.

OUR ANNIVERSARIES.

A Critic Who Takes Exception to the Celebration of Birthdays.

"While not intending to change the dates of any anniversaries now existing," remarks the meddler, "I do wish to make a few timely and original remarks upon the absurdity of the custom.

"Why should the celebration of a great man be held upon the anniversary of his birth? Was there anything remarkable in that? Did any benefit accrue to the world at that time? Is there any part of his existence for which he is less responsible? Surely not. It is absurd that in a long and illustrious lifetime the date that should be selected for an anniversary is his advent into an indifferent world as a naked, blind animal without developed senses and without a mind.

"Is not April 30, the date of Washington's inauguration as the first president of a new nation, more symbolical of his life than Feb. 22? The birth of the United States—each year it passes without notice. The Declaration of Independence was fine, but it did not assure the hunching of the ship of state. Washington had much to do with the launching of that ship, and it is fitting that he should be remembered chiefly in connection therewith. Feb. 22, forsooth! We might as well celebrate the chopping down of the cherry tree.

"There are many men whose anniversaries might well fall on July 4. It was on that day that Thomas Jefferson signed the Declaration of Independence, which he had drawn up. But since there are many who had a share in that proceeding and in bringing that day to pass it is better that July 4 should remain a national anniversary and not the day of any one man.

"I submit a revised list of anniversaries:

"Benjamin Franklin, Nov. 30. On that day in the year 1782 he signed the treaty of peace between American colonies and England at Paris.

"Thomas Jefferson, April 28. On that day in the year 1803 he bought the Louisiana territory from Napoleon Bonaparte for the sum of \$15,000,000.

"Abraham Lincoln, April 9. On that day in the year 1865 Lee surrendered at Appomattox, this being the thing which Lincoln spent the best part of his life bringing to pass. It meant the preservation of the Union.

"Jefferson Davis, Feb. 22. On this day in the year 1862 he was inaugurated president of the Confederacy.

"Robert E. Lee, May 4. It was on this day that the battle of Chancellorsville was won.

"In at least one conspicuous instance the greatest achievement of a man's life has fixed a date in the public mind. Who knows in what year Columbus was born? Who does not know, from schoolboy to grandfather, that he discovered America in 1492?" — Birmingham News.

Doing as He Was Told.

It is not the plain or garden variety of husband alone who gives his wife "as much trouble as all the children." A very distinguished example figures in "Leaves From the Notebooks of Lady Dorothy Nevill."

"He was a great scholar and had been a traveler in the far east, and one time, after he had become a lion in English society, he was invited to one of the great country houses in which England is so rich. The visit was to last three days. His wife carefully packed three spotless shirts in his traveling bag and bade him take particular care to put on one of them regularly every evening.

"I hope you did as I told you," were his wife's first words on his return.

"Of course I did, my dear," he said. "I put on a clean shirt every evening; so, with the one I started in, that makes four that I am wearing at the present moment."

Saving Him.

"Who is that fine looking man you just spoke to?"

"That is my tailor."

"Introduce me."

"Not much. He has troubles enough as it is."

TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Mrs. J. J. Taylor returned home last week.

District court convenes on Monday the third day of August.

J. M. Craig made 1,600 bushels of wheat and it was sold here in town at 92 cents.

The News would like for farmers to call by and tell of their wheat and oat yields.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ackley on Saturday a ten pound boy. A girl was wanted.

R. H. Wright of the Canyon National Bank returned Sunday from his two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Davis of McLean is visiting her son O. C. Davis and family and will probably be here several weeks.

Charlie Thomas is now the happy possessor of a pair of cinnamon bear cubs. They were shipped here from Denver, Colorado.

Rev. John T. Foster, an Episcopal minister from Dallas was here the middle of the week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Haney.

The J. W. Stoddard crop of wheat 2,500 bushels, tested 61 pounds and brought 92 cents per bushel. He made 21 bushels to the acre.

A considerable falling off in local advertising this issue, but next week the News expects to have several interesting announcements in this department.

Real estate men are expecting to do a big business this fall. It would seem, to The News, that all required is to get people in here who will buy good land at bargain prices.

The brickyard proposition is being talked of again. If as much in it as said to be by those who claim a thorough knowledge of the business the News can't for its life see why a bonus should be given.

The school board was in session this week as an equalization board. The tax which was forty-five cents on the hundred dollars last year they are inclined to believe will be reduced this year to twenty five cents.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Reid left Tuesday for Blair Oklahoma, to visit their son Milton. Ernest Reid went with them and they expect to visit several other places before returning. T. F. says he will be back in time for the Reunion.

Local candidates have been busy with the final touches this week. The entire slate is so good that the News man is undecided how to vote on some of them and the chances are that he will wait an inspiration at the polls.

**WILL BUY
Wheat & Oats
AND PAY
BEST MONEY
Star Mill and Elevator Co.
Depot, Canyon City, Tex.**

Talk up the coming Reunion.

Miss Lorena Cox has accepted a position with the News.

What about turning out the town cow to eat up the weeds?

Jake Weller has an idea that Taft is going to be elected President.

Miss Myrtle Cox is visiting relatives and friends in Amarillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Guthrie came in Wednesday from their Erath county visit.

John A. Wallace is having put upon his farm east of town a four-room residence for a tenant.

W. I. Todd off Tulia was in town several days this week and likely is now attending the meeting.

The political speaking that was set for last Saturday evening failed to come off on the account of rain.

A railroad from here to Silverton and thence on to a connection with "The Central." How does that strike you?

The Baptist meeting will continue during the week and perhaps longer. The attendance has been good and there has been several conversions.

Several and among them Jno. Knight have made their third cutting of alfalfa for this season. John says that his crops have come in every thirty days and each time over a ton to the acre.

Plans are being made for the erection of two brick buildings sixty foot front, two stories high and 120 feet in length on the vacant corner, west side of the square.

We are contemplating a fine school year and we beg to say that all who desire to transfer pupils to this school will have to do so before Aug. 1st 1908.

CANYON CITY SCHOOL BOARD.
Some fifty dollars worth of political advertising—readers at 10 cents per line—sent by the Jno. L. Northam North Texas Anti-Prohibition Committee, has been turned down by the News during the last three weeks.

Mr. Brown, with the Fulton Lumber Co., has moved out of the W. J. Moreland house into the J. H. Dunbar residence in North part of town. The Moreland family is expected here by the first of Aug.

L. Ellison, a representative and booster for the old Fort Worth Star, was here Tuesday. The Commercial club arranged with him, thru its president, for a write-up of the town to appear in about two weeks.

Sam H. Morris, of the N. E. Hord Land and Livestock Co., of Amarillo, was a business visitor in town Wednesday. They desire to do business with our citizens and ask for patronage thru The News. Read their ad.

The old courthouse is now in position on West Houston, on lots belonging to the county, where it will be occupied and used as formerly for public business until the new courthouse is completed. The price paid for moving it, including the foundation restored, is \$700 instead of \$750 as previously stated in these columns. The flues are yet to put back, also the vault which this time is to be placed outside of the building instead of inside.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

The Canyon City bank showings, published in this paper, are good. Read them.

J. D. Gamble has further improved his residence by having a cement sidewalk put in.

A crippled foot and several other things have interfered with this week's paper.

Jeff Key has rented the Shinebarger residence, the place where G. S. Ballard used to reside.

Propping up peach tree limbs to support the fruit is not an uncommon thing in Canyon City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rusk have returned from their trip to Denver and report having had a most enjoyable visit.

J. F. McReynolds and daughter, Miss Flora, of Sanger, and Mrs. M. M. True of Munday, Texas, are here visiting J. L. McReynolds and family and other relatives.

Reunion matters are moving along nicely. The dates being after the primaries it is proving a difficult matter to secure speakers, but then we can get along without many of them.

Mrs. J. F. Halsell of Fort Worth, and Mrs. J. H. Martin of Chico, aunts of Mrs. R. A. Sowder, visited the latter a couple of days this week leaving Wednesday for Lubbock.

G. A. Dougherty was able to be out Wednesday from his last misfortune—poisoned feet caused by hose coloring. Broken ribs and this together has had him "laid up for repairs" several weeks. Before putting on new socks 'tis always best to have them washed.

No. 5238.
**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The First National Bank**
At Canyon, in the State of Texas at the close of business, July 15, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$238,807.47
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	14,607.60
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	4,746.65
Bonds, Securities, etc.	50,000.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	9,695.00
Other real estate owned	3,500.00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	5,471.91
Due from State Banks and bankers	4,577.20
Due from approved reserve agents	49,546.94
Checks & other cash items	452.04
Notes of other national banks	1,650.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	148.61
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	13,972.35
Legal-tender notes	15,947.35
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	4,400.00
Total	\$503,550.77

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	9,481.54
National bank notes outstanding	100,000.00
Due to other nat'l banks	35,092.22
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	3,145.33
Individual deposits subject to check	182,731.68
Time certificates of deposit	13,100.00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	30,000.00
Total	\$503,550.77

State of Texas, County of Randall, ss:
I, D. A. PARK, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. A. PARK, Cashier.
Correct Attest:
L. T. LESTER }
J. F. SMITH } Directors.
R. G. OLDDHAM }
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of July, 1908.
B. F. BEWE,
Notary Public Randall Co., Texas.

Grocery Opening!

The White Swan Grocery Co.

of Canyon City, Texas,

will open for business at Canyon City

Saturday, July 25.

We will have a complete stock of strictly new goods and of the very best grade and propose to sell them as close as any cash house will.

**White Crest Flour
Honey Bee Flour**

These flours are the best made, the first a soft and the other a hard wheat flour. Every sack of this flour has our guarantee back of it.

We expect to make it to your interest to deal with us and pay cash when you get the goods. If not no trade.

**We Pay Cash
You Pay Cash**

and we both make money.

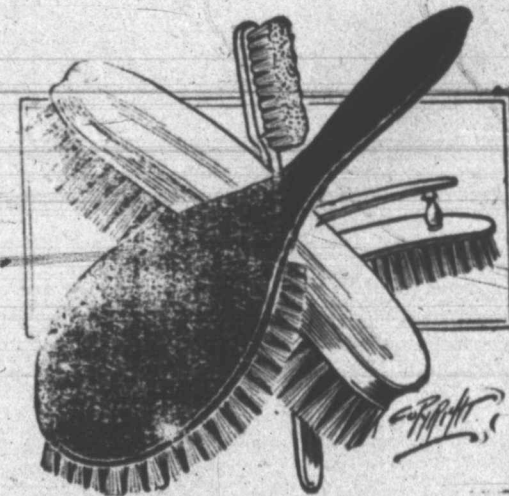
Southeast Cor. Public Square

Phone No. 109.

Amarillo Optical Company

Optical, Astronomical, Mathematical and Engineering Instruments. Field, Opera, Readers and Magnifying Glasses. Fitting glasses to the eye a specialty. Hearing tested, latest appliances for assisting the deaf properly adjusted.

Dr. Claude Wolcott, the well known eye and ear specialist, has personal charge of the eye and ear department. Finest and most complete working equipment in Texas. Examinations of the eye and ear free.



BRUSH UP

with a brush from our fine assortment. We are showing

BRUSHES

for the hair, the teeth, the nails and the flesh, besides others for the clothes, hats and shoes.

Needless to say much about quality. Almost everyone knows that only goods of excellent quality are permitted in our stock.

Some prices that may prove interesting to you.

A. H. Thompson, Druggist

East Side Square.

Hotel St. James

W. E. LAUGHERY, Prop.

One block south of courthouse. Good table; good beds. Board \$4.50 per week.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

The quotations here given are from the Canyon City grain dealers and show the market the day before the issue of this paper. The prices are for grain in sack unless otherwise stated.

Wheat, No. 2, bushel..... \$00 92
Oats, best, bushel..... 40
Maize and Kaffir in heads, old crop, ton..... 17 00
Millet hay, per ton..... 10 00
Johnson grass hay, ton... 10 00
Alfalfa, per ton..... 10 00
Corn, best..... 60
Maize, threshed, bushel.. 50
Kaffir corn, threshed, bu.. 50
Chickens and Eggs
Fryers, per dozen..... \$3 00
Eggs, per dozen..... 12 1/2



This is the Day of Folding Go-Carts

Let us show you the model cart for your baby—the ALLWIN Folding Go-Cart. It is rapidly taking the place of the old-fashioned, cumbersome baby carriage everywhere. It is better, cheaper, more stylish and more convenient. Can be folded and carried with one hand—on the street car or anywhere. Comfortable for the tiniest baby. Roomy enough for pillows and wraps. Has extra sensitive springs which prevent injurious jarring. The ALLWIN is the most stylish, most attractive folding cart made. No other cart gives you a choice of twelve beautiful enamel finishes with nickel trimmings. Built to last—best materials only are used. Come in and let us prove to you that the ALLWIN is the best go-cart for your baby, at any age.

(Dealer's Name)

THOMAS BROS.
The Quality House.

Northwestern Title Co.

Complete Abstract of All Randall County Property
R. A. TERRILL, - MANAGER

CARDS PROFESSIONAL.

D. M. STEWART,
Physician and Surgeon,
Office in Wallace Building over
'A. H. Thompson's Drug Store.
Calls promptly answered night or day

GEO. J. PARSONS, M. D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Office—Thompson's Drug Store.

F. M. Wilson, M. D.
Physician & Surgeon
OFFICE
CITY PHARMACY.
Calls answered promptly day or night. Residence Phone No. 46.

R. A. SOWDER,
Attorney-at-Law and Notary.
Complete Abstracts of Randall County Lands.
Office Over Canyon Supply Company
Phone No. 222.

B. Frank Bule W. D. Scott
BUIE & SCOTT,
LAWYERS
CANYON CITY, TEXAS.
Court Practice a Specialty. Titles Examined. Notary in office.

DR. S. L. INGHAM
-DENTIST-
Canyon National Bank Building
ALL WORK WARRANTED.

A. S. ROLLINS
LAWYER
CIVIL PRACTICE SOLICITED.
Office in Courthouse.

Blacksmith Shop
Harter & Chesser

If the best of material, skilled workmanship, courteous treatment and reasonable charges will make and hold a business in Canyon City we shall succeed.

IS WOMAN A MARTYR?

Life to most women, says Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, is a martyrdom. She specifies.

No person, she says, who has ever heard the confidences of the sex can recall without emotion the confessions of these women "tied to traditions they dare not question, broken on the wheels of drudgery whose iron revolutions crush their spirits out of the soul and personal powers out of life."

She says there will be no happier citizen in the heavenly country than these "prisoners of sex."

Well—
There is no denying the fact that the average woman's life is largely given to ceaseless drudgery and monotony. The doing of the same thing, mostly in the same way, day in and day out, and getting nowhere comes to be an actual tragedy.

You see—
The rooms once swept clean must be swept again. The dishes that are washed after breakfast will be dirty after dinner. Things will not stay clean. And the victuals that are cooked for one meal will not suffice for the next. If only the stuff could be piled up for installment consumption!

But—
Come to think of it, the life of most men is also largely made up of drudgery. They are perhaps not so much tied up to traditions, but they are bound to a system that kills, a machine that crushes. Few of them but are broken more or less by this mental or physical routine.

Indeed, it is the remark of foreign observers that American women are better off than any other women in the world and that American men are the hardest worked men in the world.

The difference is here:
Women are more idealistic than men. Drudgery tells on them. The daily round frets their more delicate nature. There is more poetry in their souls.

It is difficult for women to get over the idea that life ought to be all sweetness and unalloyed happiness. And there is so little poetry in peeling potatoes!

Woman needs some outside interest (and there is where the much abused woman's club comes in) to save her from the nervous tension of doing one thing all the time.

And by the same token—
So does the man who lives a life of drudgery.

Indian Cure For Cancer.

The Chinese and Japanese surgeons cure cancer with a common weed. A small cone made of the dried leaves is placed on the diseased part, which has been previously moistened, and is lighted at the top, when it burns down with a temperate, glowing heat and produces a dark spot, the exulceration of which is promoted by the application of a small quantity of garlic. The ulcer is kept open or healed as the indications of the case require.

Apropos of this oriental cure, the American Indians undoubtedly came from China, crossing Bering sea, swooping down through Alaska and the valley of the Columbia and scattering over this continent. They must have brought the Chinese heat cures along. A medicine man was asked to cure a paleface of cancer. He said: "Indian no cure cancer; Indian cure burn." He was told to go ahead and do his best, as the white man was falling fast. So with a redhot poker he burned out the sore wide and broad and deep, then applied his remedies of herbs, etc., and quickly healed the wound. The patient recovered.—New York Press.

The Breathless Model.

When Sir Luke Fildes was painting his famous picture, "The Village Wedding," he employed a rustic to pose as model for the bridegroom. Soon after the artist had begun to paint the model turned deadly white. "Are you ill?" asked Sir Luke anxiously. "Naw," said the man; "I be all roight, zur." However, the painter made him rest awhile, but when he resumed work a little later the unfortunate "bridegroom" became even paler than before, and in serious alarm Sir Luke asked him what was the matter. "It's nawthing at all except the 'olding of me-breath so long," replied the model. For some extraordinary reason he had imagined that it was necessary for him to refrain from breathing all the time he was having his portrait painted.—Bellman.

Have You the Gout?

The following cure for the gout is taken from an old work: First, the person must pick a handkerchief from the pocket of a maid of fifty years who has never had a wish to change her condition; second, he must wash it in an honest miller's pond; third, he must dry it on a parson's hedge who was never covetous; fourth, he must send it to a doctor who never killed a patient; fifth, he must mark it with a lawyer's ink who never cheated a client; sixth, apply to the part affected, and a cure will speedily follow.

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Dr. Carl Eckstein of the University of Chicago got tired of the complex life of civilization and went to Idaho to live the simple life.

Dr. Eckstein went far away from the haunts of men and on the barren and unfrequented side of a lake built himself a shanty and divested himself of the clothes of civilization. He answered the call of the wild.

The desire to get away from civilization is an impulse that comes to all betimes. Every day the doctor spent two hours in the water. He lounged on the sandy beach by the hour. He hunted and fished to the full. He ate when he was hungry and slept when he felt like it. He obeyed only the primal instincts.

So far so good.
But one day he had a shock. He was surprised in his wilderness—as much surprised as was poor old Robinson Crusoe when he came upon the human footprints in the sand.

The learned doctor, who had turned savage, one day accidentally stumbled upon one of the richest gold mines ever discovered in that part of the country.

Whew!
That discovery quickly changed his point of view. It awoke in him the dormant desire of the white man for loot. Almost in the twinkling of an eye the sight of the yellow nuggets overcame the gentler teaching of Pastor Wagner's simple life and the primal joys of freedom.

Then Dr. Eckstein put on again the garments of conventionality. It is reported that he has sold his claim for a fabulous sum. He will go back to the fatherland a millionaire. It is even hinted that Eckstein is negotiating for a baronetcy.

He will try the gold cure for his ennuil.
The call of the gold was stronger than the call of the wilderness.

Is that a reversion to type?

However that may be, the story illustrates the age long struggle of humanity forever oscillating between the sordid and the ideal, forever drawn by this call and that, like children chasing phantoms.

Only when we get to heaven shall we be absolutely sure of what we really want.

DISINHERITING A CHILD.

Some years ago the father of a minister disinherited his son because the latter changed his denominational creed, quit one church and went into the ministry of another.

By the recent death of his mother this minister received the share of the estate to which he was originally entitled.

The incident raises the query:
Has any father the moral right to disinherit a child?

Which raises another query, Who is responsible for the child's being in the world? Certainly the child came without its own consent. It was not consulted. It is not responsible for its birth.

Manifestly the parents are responsible. The child comes into the family by invitation. It is entitled to all the rights and privileges of the family. Whatever estate may be accumulated belongs to the entire family. Each child is entitled to a share, and justice dictates that the property be divided equitably.

It matters not what the child may have done. It cannot disinherit itself.

The fact is our inheritance laws need reformation. Those laws had their origin in the old English jurisprudence which recognized not only the right but the duty of the father to practically disinherit all the children of the family save the eldest.

Our laws ought to be changed to correspond with the moral sense of our day.

A man may say:

"The property I hold is mine. I have made it. I have conserved it. Shall I not do as I like with mine own?"

The man is mistaken. The property, in the true sense, is NOT his own. The property is simply held by him IN TRUST for the family of which he is the head. He has no more MORAL RIGHT to divert any legitimate share of that property from any member of the family than he has to spend that property in riotous living.

And yet—

Every little while one hears of some father who has disinherited his child because the child happens to differ on some point of religion or politics or business or who marries against the father's wishes, or any number of inconsequential things.

It is not right.
It is wicked.

To be honest; to be kind; to earn a little and spend a little less; to make, upon the whole, a family happier for his presence; to renounce when that shall be necessary and not be embittered; to keep a few friends, but these without capitulation; above all, on the same grim condition, to keep friends with himself—here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

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