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### Killed Over Four Bits.

Crockett, Texas, Sep. 12.—Sheriff J. C. Lacy and Constable R. V. Chatman brought to Crockett this morning and lodged in jail Richard Majors and Pete Daniels, colored, charged with the killing of Mary Carpenter, also colored, in the southeastern portion of this country on Friday morning. From the evidence gathered by the officers in their investigation of the killing, it seemed that the tragedy grew out of a dispute as to the price to be paid by Pete Daniels to the woman for picking cotton, the amount in dispute being 50c. The evidence shows that Pete Daniels fired using a double-barreled shotgun loaded with No. 4 shot, fired at very close range.

### Cone Johnson to Speak.

Tyler, Texas, September 11.—Hon. Cone Johnson has been invited by John H. Atwood, chairman of the National democratic speakers' bureau, to speak in the Eastern and Middle States for the National democratic ticket. Mr. Johnson has accepted and will leave October 10 and will be active in the campaign in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and New York until election.

### Notice of Lecture.

There will be a lecture at the Christian church on Friday night Sep. 18. Subject: "Take the sunny side of life," by F. M. Trimble. Admission 15c and 25 cents. Children under 10 years free. Benefit of the Christian church.

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### Oak Grove Doings.

Sept. 14.—Well Mr. Editor, it seems that all your correspondents struck last week. There is not much news from this neck of the woods.

Mrs. Rafe Parker, who has been confined to her bed for the last ten days, is improving.

There was a large crowd at Mr. Chaffin's burying yesterday. It began raining just as the procession got in sight of the graveyard, and had to stop. Those who were waiting at the grave got a good soaking. When the shower was over ye scribe and several others left to hunt dry rags for the little folks.

Rev. Cameron held a series of meetings at this place, preaching only at night. We hope it will bear fruit in days to come.  
Old Timer.

### Passed Examination Successfully.

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn., writes: "I tried several kidney remedies, and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Remedy. After the second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Remedy cures backache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. For sale by Carleton & Porter, druggists.

### Graveyard Working.

Editor Messenger:—Please announce that there will be a meeting at Guiceland cemetery on the 23rd, inst., for the purpose of cleaning off the cemetery and forming some plan for keeping same clean. Everybody invited that is interested.  
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### Will Interest Many

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### Oriole News

Oriole, Sept. 12.—Since writing last we have had preaching twice; Rev. Allen, Methodist, and Rev. Sallas, Baptist, and learn that Mr. Will Warner will favor us on the third Sunday in this month with an all day singing, and I hope he will make up a singing class here on that day.

Sometime back Mr. Calhoun and Mr. Brooks attempted to capture a desperado negro by the name of Tom Payne not far from here. Several shots were fired, but the negro escaped and

has not been captured yet so far as I know.

We are having hot dry weather and cotton is opening fast and will soon be gathered. The Farmers Union I hear will hold their cotton for 12c.

I notice in the Republican platform of Texas that they have taken sides with the saloon men. They must be hard up for votes when they will come out and favor the liquor traffic. Am glad to notice that the democrats are in favor of state prohibition. Dr. Rankin in the Home & State says, the saloon has no defense,

hence its spokesman make no defence for it, in fact they rarely mention the saloon at all but seek to draw the attention to democratic doctrines of local self government, personal liberty, ect. which are by no means involved as an issue. Many good men have been deluded by these fictitious issues and have allowed themselves to be drawn away from the real issue which is the open saloon preying as a mighty vulture upon the life and property of humanity. Let every man who loves his family and

has any respect for himself vote for state prohibition.

Can't you come out Mr. Editor and attend our singing on the third Sunday, and get acquainted with some of our people? We have some pretty girls and nice young widows here.

We have had a new arrival here—young Miss Allen, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Allen. Mrs. B. Smith, of near Arbor, is here on a visit to old friends, and although in her 72nd year, is full of fun and good humor.  
A. K.

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A state yet young and almost wholly undeveloped with resources in sufficient quantities and of sufficient quality to arrest the admiration and challenge the interest of exploiters and promoters everywhere requires the boosting faculties of the men who have captained the industries that have, as they developed and were brought forth on the stage of the world's action, marveled all mankind.

The fact that Texas is too slow of progress is not due to any want of ready money on the part of Texans, for our people have plenty of dough. ... or is it due to fear on the part of Texans to invest and spend money, for the Texas people do not hesitate to do that when they are in possession of all necessary information as to how the game is played.

Not having marshaled industrial forces and not having exploited the regions of industrial progression along lines of venturing that amounts to next of kin to daring the Texas financier await the lead of those who are supposed to have played the game and know the run of the deck in such matters.

All this, too, is quite natural, and it rivets upon the minds of thinking people that our needs right now are captains of industry to point, to show and to lead the way.

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**Organized Truck Growers**

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Unexampled development of the truck growing industry in Southwest Texas, which is best represented by the increase in six years from 318 cars shipped out to nearly 5000 cars, has led to a wide-spread and systematic plan of organization for the purpose of marketing. The South Texas Truck Growers Association, now being organized, will include thousands of raisers of vegetables and fruits in this part of the state and will be one of the most powerful organizations of the kind in the country. Already the onion growers of Southwest Texas have maintained a marketing organization which includes about ninety per cent of the growers, and which last year increased the net profits about one hundred per cent. The fruit growers also have an organization which has been unusually successful. Now, it is proposed to merge all of these organizations into one big organization that should handle all of the vegetables and fruits of this section. An army of organizers is now in the field pushing the work systematically, and there is no doubt of the success

of the undertaking.

The association will maintain head offices in San Antonio with a general manager and sales agent in charge. Past disastrous experiences from unintelligent marketing, which led for example to the dumping of hundreds of cars of onions into one city at one time, inflicting heavy losses on the growers has taught them the necessity of intelligent co-operation. A similar experience this year in marketing the immense watermelon crop, which amounted to from 2500 to 3000 carloads, has emphasized the need of a wide-spread effective association. The idea of the association is not to attempt to uphold prices arbitrarily, but by a system of telegraphic reports from all of the principal cities of the United States to find out what products are needed and in what markets, and to supply these needs with promptness and dispatch. The old method of blindly shipping products to markets in complete ignorance of the demands of the particular market will at once give way to an intelligent disposition of the supply to meet the various and varying demands. Such a method will be beneficial to both consumer and producer. It will furnish the consumer what he wants when he wants it and will bring the producer a reasonable profit on his labor. The association will have a representative in all of the principal markets of the United States, and the movement marks a distinct advance in intelligent co-operation.

**Prohibitionists and Antis Planning Campaign.**

**Preparing for Stubborn Fight**

Plans are being matured both by the prohibition and anti-prohibition forces in Texas that promise the most determined struggle at the next session of the Legislature. As a result of the Democratic primary election held on July 25, a plank calling for the submission of state-wide prohibition to the voters of this state was put into the Democratic platform by the Democratic State Convention held in San Antonio August 11th. This submission of prohibition to a vote can only be secured by a joint resolution passed by both branches of the Legislature calling for an amendment to the state constitution. This amendment will have to have a two-thirds majority in both houses, and it is said that a majority of the State Senate is opposed to such a resolution. Current reports say that the prohibition organization will send a thousand delegates to the Legislature to insist that the members comply with the wishes of the Democratic majority in this important matter. Some of the anti-prohibition leaders are said to favor submitting the question to a vote of the people, because in the recent election 142,000 voted for prohibition submission, 139,000 voted against it, and 17,000 restrained from voting. Prohibition submission therefore won by about 3000 votes, and it is claimed that the Republicans are anti-prohibitionists and will vote with the Democratic minority of 139,000 and thus defeat the measure in the general election. But, be it as it may, the contest will be waged with a great deal of energy during the next twelve months.

**San Antonio Clean and Healthy.**

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 10. (special.) According to the report of the health board of this city, San Antonio is one of the cleanest and most sanitary cities in the whole United States. During the last thirty-one days the inspectors have visited 8356 premises, of which 7747 were found in a perfectly sanitary condition. Of the remaining 609 premises, at which notice to clean up had been filed, the records show that 599 complied with the notices. The remaining ten have been given several days of grace, after which time they will be prosecuted. War against mosquitoes, flies and other pests has borne excellent fruit. There are practically no mosquitoes in this city and the number of flies has been materially reduced. San Antonio has one of the most energetic and effective sanitary boards of any city in the state.

**Demonstrating the Cost.**

A practical experiment in railroad construction and operation has been undertaken by the State of Texas. The state is building a line of railway from Palestine to the penitentiary at Rusk; about fifteen miles of the track have been completed and work on the remaining fourteen miles is being rapidly pushed. The state officials say that they expect to learn by actual construction and operation the immediate cost of railway building and running, and that public information so gotten, without juggling bookkeeping, will be a basis of argument for future railroad rates. The fact that the state operates iron works at Rusk gives a financial reason for this government ownership of a railroad.

Close of the fiscal year August 31st brings out the cheering fact that the general revenue fund of the State of Texas has a surplus of about \$800,000. The state treasurer estimates that this surplus will be augmented with other funds and will aggregate at least a million dollars. Three years ago Texas was constantly in arrears, having something like a billion dollar deficit. This deficit is now turned into a surplus in spite of the fact that the state tax rate has been reduced from 16 2-3 cents to 12 1-2 cents, and now this year is further reduced to 6 1-4 cents. This fact proves more positively than any statistics the wonderful growth of Texas as indicated by its taxable values. It will also enable the state of Texas during the coming year to enlarge its scope of public works, especially in the departments of education and the care of the insane.

Paris.—It is announced that August Belmont, president of the Jockey Club in America, has acquired a piece of land near Dieppe to which he will transfer a number of his race horses from America. This action is taken, it is said, because of the passage of anti-betting laws in America. Pere Duryear has rented for the same purpose the famous Gazon stud farm, formerly the property of Maurice Eprussi.

Paris.—Michael Doyle of Philadelphia makes the announcement that he has succeeded in interesting a syndicate in the matter of purchasing the former residence in Paris of Dr. Benjamin Franklin. The house was occupied by the Doctor while he was opening negotiations with France during the American revolution. The house was occupied by the Doctor while he was opening negotiations with France during the American revolution.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

### A Brief Summary of Happenings in the State, the Nation and the World.

#### STATE.

**Gonzales**—Arrangements have been made by the Republican club of Gonzales to have a number of prominent speakers of the State address meetings in this section during the three days of the County Fair. Among those chosen is Judge Charles W. Ogden, candidate for Lieutenant Governor on the Republican ticket.

**Lampasas**—The cotton crop is exceptionally heavy in the vicinity of Lampasas and pickers are very much in demand.

**Tyler**—Robert Harrison kills himself by placing a 38-caliber revolver close to his breast and sending a ball crashing through his heart. Harrison was 35 years of age and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Harrison who live a few miles from Palestine.

**Hondo**—Cotton shipments from Hondo for this season, so far, have amounted to 2900 bales. Very little cotton is being held.

**El Paso**—John McGargle has bought the Dallas and New Mexico railroad from the receiver and given bond to build a road from Dallas to Roswell.

**Greenville**—The residence of C. W. Lewis is utterly destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$2000.

**San Angelo**—The Fair Association have decided to increase their capital stock from \$15,000 to \$25,000. A new site will be purchased for the use of the Association.

**Eagle Pass**—Over \$7000 has been expended during the past ten days by the Government authorities in paying return fare for Japs who had been caught crossing the international boundary, and ordered deported this month.

**Beeville**—The District Court convenes. Among the more important cases on the docket, is that against the Morales brothers for the killing of Gregoria Duffey, the customs guard at Rio Grande City in January, 1907.

**Hondo**—P. W. Robertson files suit for \$10,000 against the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway for alleged injuries to his son which caused his death in February last.

**Goliad**—John Gunewa, a farmer, drinks disinfectant in mistake for whiskey and is unconscious for several hours. He is finally saved from death by the use of emetics.

**Llano**—The State Fair opens with a large crowd in attendance. The city is gaily decorated and the arrangements for the entertainment of visitors are excellent.

**Yoakum**—Gus Ryan, who was scalded while firing a S. A. P. engine, dies as the result of his injuries.

**Laredo**—The Government authorities advertise for bids for the completion of the \$150,000 Federal building which was left in an unfinished condition since about a year ago.

**Kingsville**—The business houses of the Williams Mercantile Company, Dr. J. S. Ragland, druggist, the Harper building, Daffney's billiard hall and a barber shop are entirely destroyed by a fire which originated in the billiard hall owned and operated by H. Daffney. The loss is estimated at \$60,000 with but \$15,000 of insurance.

**Dallas**—A conference is held at Dallas by the Republican leaders with reference to the line-up for the coming campaign. Among those present were, Colonel Cecil A. Lyon, Colonel Simpson, Judge Charles Ogden, W. H. Atwell and E. H. Thayer.

**El Paso**—W. W. Lewellyn, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, opens the local campaign with an address at the Crawford Theater. The hall was filled with an enthusiastic audience and the outlook for the welfare of the Republican ticket in this section is first class.

**Victoria**—The dredge boat Guadalupe has reached a point four miles from the city and is making good progress. The channel, when completed under present specifications, is to be forty-six feet wide and six feet deep.

**Houston**—Frank Gautier, a cook, aged 60 years, is found dead in his room. Though the room showed no evidence of a struggle, there are marks of violence on the body which lends color to the belief that Gautier was murdered. The deceased served in the Civil war with Company K of the Twenty-fifth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry.

**Orange**—Walter Lewis is found drowned in the Sabine river. Lewis has been batching it on a houseboat on the river this summer. When found the body was clothed in a nightshirt.

**McKinney**—C. A. Brookman, aged 56, is found dead from gunshot

wounds at his home near Blue Ridge. Brookman has been worried over financial difficulties for some time past.

**Corpus Christi**—There seems to be a universal tendency to ship cotton from Southwestern points through Corpus Christi by boat to Galveston.

**El Paso**—Mining men are looking for a general increase in investments and a livening up of the mining situation as the result of the resumption of work at the Cananea mines. The Douglas smelter has already put on extra men as the result of the opening of the mines and an increase of activity has resulted in railroad circles.

**Rio Grande City**—A water system and pumping plant has been placed in operation by J. Tyson who states that when fully completed the plant will have a settling tank with a capacity of 30,000 gallons.

**Shepherd**—Tom Slade is caught under a falling tree and is killed. The deceased, who was only a boy, was engaged in sawing timber in order to secure money to complete his education.

**Kerrville**—The cotton gin commences operations owing to the rapid increase of cotton receipts. The outlook for this district is very encouraging.

**Gonzales**—The Western Union Telegraph Company have announced their intention of opening up a downtown office in Gonzales in the course of a few days.

**Boerne**—William Rex Jun secures a judgment against the San Antonio & Aransas Pass railroad, for \$2000. The suit was filed by Rex as the result of personal injuries received while he was working for the company as a member of a bridge gang.

#### DOMESTIC.

**Washington**—General Wright's policy of army expansion is looked upon with interest in both army and diplomatic circles and it is understood that the future program includes the establishment of twenty-four additional regiments of the line as well as twelve companies of coast artillery. Secretary of War Wright also expects to put a bill before Congress calling for a three million dollar appropriation for improvements in Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands, which is to be fortified in a manner which will make it impregnable.

**Omaha**—Mrs. Rice confesses to the police that she formed a suicide pact with Dr. Frederick Rustin, who killed himself a few days ago. Mrs. Rice lost her nerve at the crucial moment.

**Oxford, Miss.**—A negro named Lawson Patton is lynched by a mob who took him from the jail. Patton killed Mrs. McMillan, a white woman by cutting her throat from ear to ear.

**Denver**—Five men are burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Belmont hotel. The dead are: Edward Moore, George Burtell, John Kane, George Bode and George Ott.

**Chicago**—L. S. Berg, a former citizen of San Antonio, is made president of the New Orleans, Mobile and Chicago Railroad.

**Portland**—A package containing \$50,000 is stolen from the Wells Fargo Express company at Salem. The money had been placed in the care of the company for shipment by the president of the Capital National Bank of Salem. The affair is shrouded in mystery and no clues can be found which would point to the methods by which the package was stolen.

**Duluth**—The forest fires of the Mesaba Range have abated somewhat and there is some hope that the towns of Chesholm and Snowby will be the only settlements to be destroyed.

**New York**—In the "Hughes Test" as applied to the Republican primaries, New York district gives the Governor a majority while he gets a minority in Brooklyn.

**Cincinnati**—William H. Taft has announced that he will make an extensive tour of both the East and West and is taking a very decided and aggressive stand in Ohio speaking trip.

**Washington**—Orville Wright has established the success of the aeroplane by a series of trials conducted in the presence of a number of Government experts. The aeroplane, according to army experts, will be an important factor in the wars of the future.

**New York**—In the cross examination of Second Vice President Collins during the Standard Oil trial, Mr. Collins absolutely refuses to produce important documents at the request of the Government.

**Mobile**—A white man giving his name as William Booth, falls senseless from exhaustion on the streets of the city. On being taken to a hospital and resuscitated, Booth stated that he was from San Antonio and had been on the point of absolute starvation.

**Little Rock**—The Arkansas Railroad Commission has made an emphatic announcement which states that no compromise will be made with the railroads of the State on the freight rate proposition and that

the matter will be fought to a finish in the courts.

**San Francisco**—Battling Nelson wins in a fight to a finish with Joe Gans. Nelson made the fighting all the way through the bout which lasted until the twenty-first round when Gans was decisively put down and out by the sturdy Dane.

**Cincinnati**—The arrangements for the campaign trip of William A. Taft are now being outlined by the National Committee. The committee receives sacks of mail daily from all parts of the United States containing petitions for dates.

#### FOREIGN.

**Berlin**—Owing to the rapid increase in the amount of public obligations, the German Government has decided to increase the national revenues by increased taxation. In order to prepare the public mind for the proper reception of this increase, pamphlet matter, prepared by statesmen and well known public officers, is being liberally distributed throughout the Nation.

#### Paper from Straw.

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In the last few months much has been written concerning "the conservation of our natural resources." The resources generally spoken of were the forest, field and mine. The waste of forest products and the ever increasing demand for same is being made especially prominent in the matter of paper. Few of those who daily see the almost numberless uses of paper have any idea of how it is made, or what it is made from, and the idea of the book or the newspaper in their hand having been part of a beautiful pine tree in the wilds of Canada a few months previous would be laughed at as a joke, or a fairy tale.

However, the farmers of the United States, from the wheat fields of the Dakotas to the rice fields of the Gulf States, have a "natural resource" in the shape of straw, corn stalks and cotton stalks that can be made to take the place of thousands of acres of timber annually in the manufacture of nearly all kinds of paper. This kind of "conservation of resources" that is "easy," in that it appeals to the self-interest of perhaps the largest and most intelligent class in the whole country, the farmers. Coarse paper and straw board have long been made from wheat straw in many localities. One of the latest concerns to embark in this business is the Hutchinson Straw Products Company, of Hutchinson, Kansas, which concern has applied for papers of incorporation. It has bought a tract of land just east of the plant and property of the Hutchinson Packing Company and the Union Stock Yards Company. There are about 130 acres in the tract and it is a valuable piece of property, being alongside the Santa Fe railroad company's tracks.

It is understood that the plant of the straw board company is to be located on this tract and that arrangements are being made to commence the construction of the plant in a short time.

This is one of the new industries that Hutchinson hopes to have in operation within a few months, using up the straw from the wheat fields its operation. It is capitalized for \$300,000 and it is announced that all of the stock is arranged for.

Paper has been profitably made from bagrass from the sugar cane mills, as also from rice straw and cotton stalks, and it won't be many years until the rice, cotton and cane growers of the South will be able to handle at a profit the by-products of their business that today are a source of expense.

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## Grapeland Messenger

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### OUR SCHOOL—ONE CLASS VS. ANOTHER.

The old school bell again chimes out "come," and we look forth and see the groups of boys and girls on their way to school. We note some whose elastic step and cheerful faces are highly indicative of the soul of mind, and all such will prove a blessing to themselves, their teachers and their school. Their actions show their anxiety for work; their lessons will be perfectly prepared; their recitations well given, and they will attain that round on the ladder of fame and learning called success. They will master knotty problems, not only in school but in life. They will not require pushing to teach them the necessity of getting their lessons. They study because they love to; are industrious and energetic from principle; their life will be a success.

Following comes another group of boys whose lagging steps and sullen faces show that the sound of the bell grates harshly upon their ears. These boys will prove unruly, unkind and unlike the other class named; will take but little interest in their work, and at the end of the year, in spite of the teacher's earnest efforts in their behalf, will be but little farther advanced than in the beginning.

We need not say what the result will be in the latter case, but to these boys' parents we wish to say, try to cultivate in their minds a love for the school and the school work. See to it that they are in school every day; that their report card shows a good grade or know why such is not the case. In other words see if you can't control your boys and not depend upon the teacher to do it.

Anyway, the name of the next president of the United States will be Bill

Just as long as a majority of the people are pessimists—looking on the dark side of things—just so long will affairs be dark. The people must think prosperity before prosperity actually arrives.

There are too many men who expect an editor to slave in defence of their pet notions and hobbies, advocate their views against the strongest opposition and then coolly withhold the business support by which alone a small newspaper can live.

A new method for making meat tender is to treat it with electricity. We have seen steaks in our time that needed to be struck by lightning. The next thing they will be inventing a machine for taking hair out of butter.—Palmerine Herald.

It costs more than a billion dollars a year to haul the farm products of the United States to market. On good roads four hundred millions would foot the bill. In other words six hundred million dollars are wasted in trying to use bad roads, which is seven and one half times what the nation spends each year on its public highways. Now wouldn't it be good policy to spend in one year what is accustomed to be spent in seven? Make some good roads and stop that enormous loss.

### The Master Key That Unlocks.

The door that leads to success is business education. Success is achieved by the one who sees clearly the goal of his object and goes straight to it. Young man, there is only one straight road to success, and that road is ability. Ability has never yet lacked opportunity, neither has it remained undiscovered. A great many business men are anxious to secure the services of a good bookkeeper, stenographer, or a general office assistant. To meet the business man's requirement the applicant must be thorough and practical. To this end and aim we put forward our best efforts and because of our good teaching and superior methods we give our students a better training in three or four months than they can get at other schools in five and six months. Bear in mind, it is only a few steps from Hill's Business College to a good paying position. Everything is high grade and right up to date. With us you learn bookkeeping by keeping books. Our system of shorthand is the best and shortest in the country. It is simplified and is easy to learn, easy to read and write and is practical. Big summer reduction Our \$100 combined scholarships are now \$60; \$75 scholarships are now \$50; \$50 scholarships are down to \$25, \$35 and \$40; telegraphy \$25; mail course in shorthand \$20, or \$5 for five lessons. Address Hill's Business College, Waco, Texas, or Memphis Tenn.

#### Best Treatment for a Burn

If for no other reason, Chamberlain's Salve should be kept in every household on account of its great value in the treatment of burns. It allays the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a severe one, heals the parts without leaving a scar. This salve is also unequalled for chapped hands, sore nipples, and diseases of the skin. Price 25cents. B. R. Guice & Son.

Talmage Alexander of Lovelady spent Sunday here.

#### Create a Demand for Cotton

Some of the most enterprising merchants, both wholesale and retail, are boosting the more universal use of articles made of cotton in order to create a demand for the South's greatest staple, for which it is claimed there is another surplus this year. Among the uses suggested is that of cotton rope. It is claimed that rope made of cotton is superior in many cases to that made of jute or sisal, and that while the first cost is somewhat higher, the lasting qualities of the cotton will more than make up for the difference in price. Cotton rope, it is said, is superior for plow line and for well rope, and for many other similar purposes. The wholesale merchants of Fort Worth have sent out notices to all manufacturers with whom they deal that hereafter preference will be given to houses who put up their goods in cotton bags. The southern Wholesale Grocers Association, in a recent meeting at Asheville, N. C., took action along the same lines and passed a resolution to that effect. It is sure to have the effect of replacing the "gunny" sacks with that of cotton bags. Southern farmers should learn to call for cotton rope and other articles made of cotton. It will help to make a demand for the raw cotton, and add to the country's wealth in many respects.—Lufkin News.

# FALL 1908.

## F. A. Faris wants you to make his Store your Headquarters.

His stock of merchandise has never been more complete in all departments; his goods have been selected with the greatest care; quality has not been overlooked, and his PRICES ARE THE LEADING FEATURE and will compare favorably with any house in the county.

### Our House is Full to Overflowing With Bargains for You.

If you want good goods at the lowest prices, see him, get his prices and compare the goods. In dress goods he has all the newest weaves and latest designs; in SHOES we CAN FIT THE WHOLE FAMILY; in men's HATS we handle the celebrated LEOPARD BRAND, to sell as high as \$4.50. In gents' furnishings, we have anything you want.

### OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT IS COMPLETE.

We want to buy your cotton, chickens, eggs, turkeys, bees' wax, at highest market price. We are very thankful for your liberal patronage, and solicit a greater share of your business. Respectfully,

## F. A. FARIS

GRAPELAND, TEXAS

#### Pioneer Texan Dead.

Mr. W. J. Chaffin a pioneer of Texas, died Saturday September 12, at his home near Grapeland of a complication of diseases. He was 79 years old.

Mr. Chaffin came to Houston county in 1847 and resided here until his death. For forty years he has been engaged in the saw mill and gin business.

The funeral was held Sunday morning under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, of which organization he was a member, and interment took place in the family cemetery, near his home.

He leaves a family of five children—three sons and two daughters.

#### It Knocks Malaria Out.

The old reliable Cheatham's Chill Tonic cures quicker and more permanently than any other remedy. One bottle is guaranteed to cure any one case. You can't lose. Try it.

Sheriff Lacy and Constable Chapman were in Grapeland Saturday night and Sunday looking for Dick Barnett, a negro who is wanted on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property. He is said to be a bad character, and bluffed an officer with a six shooter a week or two ago, and sent the sheriff word that he could not be arrested.

#### Man to be Cited.

Possibly there is something on earth that is a surer and quicker cure for cuts, burns, aches, pains and bruises than Hunt's Lightning Oil. If so, I would like to be cited. For twenty years I have been unable to find anything better myself. H. H. Ward, Rayville, La.

## Wanted.

100 boys to call and have their measures taken for a suit of clothes. Satisfaction guaranteed. M. L. CLEWIS.

## CARLETON & PORTER ANNOUNCEMENT

We take great pleasure in announcing to our patrons and the general public that we will have with us for the following days only

SEPTEMBER 28 and 29

an expert Optician, representing the celebrated firm of A. K. HAWKES CO., Atlanta, Ga., the largest and most favorably known optical establishment in the world.

### He will Test Eyesight and Fit Glasses.

The Doctor is a graduate of one of the leading Ophthalmic Colleges in the United States, is thoroughly conversant with all modern methods in refractive science, including Retinoscopy, Ophthalmology, etc., and has had long experience in his specialty.

REMEMBER that we have arranged this engagement and secured the services of a man of ability and reputation, and that we, personally, guarantee his work.

All examinations are free, and only regular prices will be charged for glasses.

### You Can Save Money

and obtain the highest class of professional service in this line by taking advantage of this opportunity.

BEAR IN MIND THE DATES—

September 28 and 29

## Cotton Seed.

I am in the market for Cotton Seed, and it will pay you to see me before you sell. Top prices always paid.

Ed. Harmon.

Jesse Eaves left Tuesday for San Antonio to join his wife, who is visiting relatives in that city. Mr. Eaves is thinking of making San Antonio his home.

## WHITE'S Cream Vermifuge



THE GUARANTEED WORM REMEDY

THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC. BEWARE OF IMITATIONS. THE GENUINE PREPARED ONLY BY Ballard-Snow Liniment Co. ST. LOUIS, MO.

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## A Story with a Moral.

"I had my money and my friend;  
I loaned my money to my friend;  
I asked my money of my friend;  
I lost my money and my friend."

MORAL: Send your friend to the bank to borrow money.

## F. & M. STATE BANK, GRAPELAND, TEXAS

### LOCAL NEWS.

Try that flour at Wherry's.

Dooley's cream at the Bon Ton.

Carleton & Porter sell I. X. L. pocket knives.

Attorney Whitley was down from Palestine Saturday.

Try a sack of Ruth's flour if you want the best, at Howard's.

Everything complete in the way of school supplies at Guice's Drug Store, less the books.

Have you seen our jewelry? More than was ever shown in Grapeland at Howard's.

Pocket knives, all styles, and prices to suit any one. Carleton & Porter.

If you have troubles of any kind, trust in God and buy your groceries from Wherry.

Go to Howard's for cutlery, scissors, table and pocket cutlery, razors ect.

Miss Luna Frank Hollingsworth has returned from Houston, where she has been visiting relatives.

Black board erasers and crayon, pencil boxes, drawing pencils and rulers at Darsey's dry goods store.

Miss Irene Harris of Lovelady is in the city and will have charge of the music department of our school.

If you buy waist goods without seeing our embroidered waist patterns we both lose.  
Darsey's D. G. Store.

Harold Leaverton of this place and Sam Kennedy of Augusta will attend the State University at Austin.

Steady work for axe men at good wages, clearing up brush land, four miles south of Morrill. Inquire for E. C. Butterfield, Morrill, Texas. 274t

Call on us for your school supplies, such as pencils, pens and ink, pencil and ink tablets, drawing crayons, black board crayons, slates, slate pencils, etc.  
B. R. Guice & Son.

#### Instantaneous Action

"I was almost distracted by a terrible itching which defied all treatment until I obtained a box of Hunt's Cure. The first application afforded instant and absolute relief. The one box affected a complete cure. It is simply wonderful in its instantaneous action."  
Geo. Gilliland,  
Manitou, O. T.

Miss Pauline Bromberg of Crockett was in Grapeland last Friday in the interest of her candidacy in the Fort Worth Telegram's contest.

#### Quick Relief for Asthma Sufferers

Foley's Honey and Tar affords immediate relief to asthma sufferers in the worst stages and if taken in time will effect a cure.  
Carleton & Porter.

Call at Howard's for groceries.

A fresh line of fancy candy at the Bon Ton.

Remember our motto: live and let live prices at Howard's.

School supplies at Darsey's dry goods store.

Fresh fruit and celery at the Bon Ton.

Read Carleton & Porter's announcement in this week's issue.

Walter Conoway of Palestine was here Sunday.

Ruth flour will please. Sold at Howard's.

I have just received a fresh car of ice. Howard Anthony.

The best line of post cards in town at the Bon Ton.

You can get a good pocket knife at Carleton & Porters.

Jim McLean and T. S. Cook of Augusta were in town Sunday.

Howard Anthony's restaurant is the place to eat. Back street.

Bully Taylor of Oakhurst is here on a visit to relatives and friends.

Try Wherry's Flour, if it don't please you it wont cost you anything.

Mrs. Cora Williams has returned home from Dallas and accepted a position with S. T. Anthony.

WANTED:—Every boy between 15 and 75 years old to buy a suit of tailor made clothes from Clewis. He will suit you.

Major. J. F. Martin went up to Elkhart Saturday on some business pertaining to the Masonic lodge.

#### A Burglar in Town

his name is "bad cough." He doesn't care for gold or silver but he will steal your health away. If he appears in your house arrest him at once with Ballard's Horehound Syrup; it may mean consumption if you don't. A cure for all coughs, colds and chest troubles. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

#### A Big Show in Town!

Pin this to your coat and take it to the City Restaurant when you get hungry, and get something good to eat.

Admission 10c, 15c and 25c.

Don't forget the place when you want something good to eat. You will find plenty to eat and a nice, cool, clean place. Bring your wife and children.

**Jno. L. Guice**

Cash Produce Buyer

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

Joe Bob Oliphint left Thursday for Creek, where he will teach again this year.

John R. Owens has gone to Palestine where he has employment with the Bratton Drug Co.

Miss Eleanor Granbury has returned to her home in Arkansas after a pleasant visit to her brother.

Oscar Beazley was in town from Reynard Monday and reports a heavy rain Sunday which damaged cotton considerably.

Mart Howard came in from Waneta Sunday to meet Mrs. Howard, who had been visiting relatives at Palestine.

Miss Zuma Anthony arrived Saturday, from Pecos, where she has been residing with her brother, Hosea.

#### When Trifles Become Troubles

If any person suspects that their kidneys are deranged they should take Foley's Kidney Remedy at once and not risk having Bright's disease or diabetes. Delay gives the disease a stronger foothold and you should not delay taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. Carleton & Porter.

#### TOLSTOY A HARD WORKER.

Tolstoy is one of the most prolific writers of any age. He has published some 120 books, and innumerable pamphlets, most of which have been translated into every European language. The extent of his output is the more remarkable when his laborious methods are considered. Some of his chapters have been written a dozen times, and the pages of his manuscript are disfigured by numerous erasures and interpolations. One of his novels had to be copied out seven times before a fairly legible manuscript could be sent to the printers.

## MONEY TO LOAN

We Handle Real Estate.

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

## ..Millinery Opening.. Friday and Saturday, 18th-19th

We Will Have on Display the Very Latest Designs in

Pattern Hats,  
Tailored Hats,  
Trimmed Hats,  
Hats for street Wear

Beyond Question, this will be the prettiest display ever shown, and every lady is invited and urged to attend.

**RICHARDS SISTERS.**

#### It Does It.

The remedy that cured your mother and your father of chills twenty years ago is sure good enough to cure you and your kids at the present time. Cheatham's Chill Tonic did it and will still do it. Its guaranteed.

#### Good For Billiousness.

"I took two of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets last night, and I feel fifty per cent better than I have for weeks," says J. J. Firestone of Allegan, Mich. "They are certainly a fine article for billiousness." For Sale by B. R. Guice & Son, Sam-ple free.

## A Novelty in Ladies' Waist Patterns at Darsey's Dry Goods Store

A fine silk finished Pongee, a soft, clingy mercerized fabric that will make a handsome and dressy waist.

Three yards of material with very elaborately embroidered front and cuffs and collars to match, in about fifteen different eyelet and French work patterns of unique and original design; can be made open back or front.

You must see these patterns to appreciate their real beauty, and you cannot afford to buy a waist until you have seen them.

The colors are white, black, cream, champagne, navy, allice, new blue, pink and red, and

The Price is \$1.50

**DARSEY'S DRY GOODS STORE.**

NEXT DOOR TO THE BANK

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# Come to San Antonio's Fair Come to the Big Store

Joske Bros. Co. extend a broad invitation to you and every other Texan to visit San Antonio's International Fair Sept. 26th to Oct. 11th. . . . Bigger, better and grander than ever. . . . And when you come to San Antonio,

## Make Joske's Your Headquarters

We have prepared a hundred conveniences and every one is at your disposal. . . . Check your wraps or packages; use our free telephones; rest rooms, with stationery; ice cold drinking water throughout the store; etc. We want you to take advantage of these conveniences. . . . WELCOME!

# Joske Bros. Co.

San Antonio,

Texas.

## Fad-Ridden America.

Numerous and Marvelous Theories Now Being Exploited Everywhere.

A benighted citizen of an Illinois town is attempting to live 60 days on peanuts, and a dispatch from there says that the entire population of the place has become possessed by the idea that health and long life are to be had by confining one's self to a single article of diet. Some choose peanuts, some prefer beans, and others insist that the true panacea is eggs. This is simply an illustration of the extent to which the country is becoming fad-ridden in every department of life.

Diet and food are favorite fields for the exploitation of numerous and marvelous theories. Live on fruit, or on vegetables, or on nuts, or on some patent breakfast food, and you will become young, beautiful, and happy. Give up coffee, tea, and tobacco and you will live to be a centenarian. Drink a great deal of water. Don't drink any water. Then when it comes to other

branches of hygiene, directions are just as contradictory. Take a cold bath every morning. Take a hot bath every morning. Take a tepid bath occasionally. Take gymnastic exercise regularly. Gymnastic exercise is no good; walk or ride horseback. Don't expose yourself to the night air. Sleep if possible, and sleeping out will cure almost anything.

Then there is the man who tells you to chew every particle of food at least 40 minutes, and you can live on \$1 a week and become a Hercules. There are people who are following all these fads, and as none of them the inference is that they are harmless or that by force of the imagination they may be of some benefit.

But the prevalence of fads is not confined to what pertains to our bodily regimen. It is found in all directions. In earlier times practically every one belonged to one of two parties in politics, and was with unimportant differences simply a believer or an unbeliever in religion. Now there are numerous faddists, men of one idea, in both politics and religion, each one confident that if his scheme can be put

through, the salvation of man-nati Enquirer. kind will be assured.—Cincinnati Enquirer.



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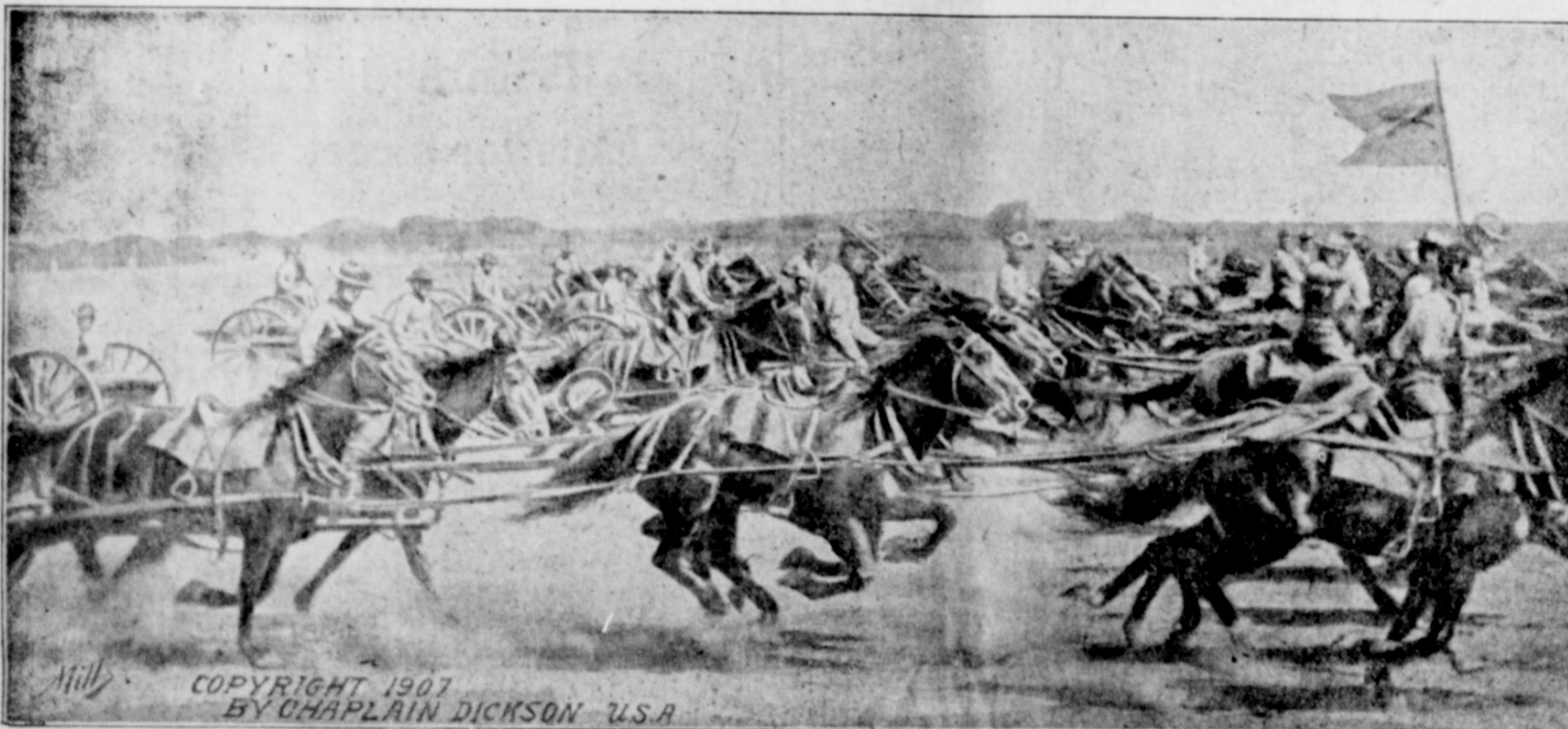
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## At the International Fair

Things to Instruct and Amuse.  
All Ages Entertained.

Naval warfare, with a battle between battleship fleets, the bombardment of a fort, the explosion of mines, and the final landing of marines and storming of the redoubts, will be pictured in the greatest fireworks exhibition ever shown in Texas, at the International Fair at San Antonio. W. H. Wilson, whose company is the largest exhibitor of pyrotechnical displays in the United States, will have personal charge of the show.

When the people of California arranged the great celebrations at San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco, in honor of the sailors of Admiral Evans battleship fleet, Mr. Wilson was selected to give fireworks displays at each of the three ports.

He arranged a mimic battle of warships, the largest and most impressive spectacular exhibit ever shown in fireworks. This same exhibit will be a part of the performance shown every night at the International Fair.

The naval battle is only a part of the fireworks display. Another feature, starting in its realism, is a collision between two trains, and the explosion of the engines. Mr. Wilson is the originator of the "moving picture" fireworks, a succession of set pieces which are shown in a brilliant setting of colored fires.

An innocent appearing string is touched with a match. Instantly a yellow fountain of fire leaps up, filling the sky with shooting stars, then a trail of fire leaps across the sky and releases a nest of snakes dart to and fro hissing and spitting sparks. Suddenly a beautiful rose hangs suspended in the air and from its heart a big bomb soars a thousand feet upward.

At the highest point it bursts and a glittering balloon sinks to

earth. Then comes a chase across the sky between two fiery automobiles and the picture ends in a waving American flag etched in dancing lights.

Another wonderful scene represents the Aurora Borealis, with waving banners of light stretching upward for hundreds of feet. A snow storm is shown and through the falling snow a reindeer moves, drawing a sleigh.

These remarkable pictures are the most ambitious ever attempted by fireworks experts and will far eclipse any similar shown in the south. It will be a nightly exhibit at the fair.

That famous feature of East Indian Durbars, and favorite sport of the Roman hippodrome, elephant racing, will be one of the attractions at the International Fair in San Antonio. These racing elephants have been imported from India by M. C. Glassecock, and will be ridden by dusky marabouts from India.

Since their arrival in the United States the three elephants, Mike, Margareete and Blanch, have created a sensation wherever they have appeared. Though cumbersome in appearance apparently clumsy in their movements, the elephants can cover ground at a surprising rate of speed.

They thoroughly enjoy the racing and each makes a desperate effort to land in first place. The elephant race will be a daily feature at the Fair.

The special program for the International Fair has been announced by the directors of the association. Twenty-nine organizations and interests have been accorded special recognition and the program is more attractive than any before arranged.

Following are the special days announced:

### SPECIAL DAY PROGRAM INTERNATIONAL FAIR

Saturday, Sept. 26th, 1908.—

Children's Day.

Sunday, Sept. 27th, 1908.—Automobile Races. Union Labor Day.

Monday, Sept. 28th.—Texas-British Day.

Tuesday, Sept. 29th.—U. C. V. Day. Daughters of the Confederacy.

Wednesday, Sept. 30th.—SAN ANTONIO DAY. MEXICO DAY.

Thursday, Oct. 1st.—Woodmen of the World.

Friday, Oct. 2.—Baby Show.

Saturday, Oct. 3rd.—Railroads' Day. Traveling Men's Day. Farmers' Union Day. Austin (Texas) Day.

Sunday, Oct. 4th.—Automobile Races. Union Labor Day.

Monday, Oct. 5th.—Poultry Day. Press Day.

Tuesday, Oct. 6th.—G. A. R. & W. R. C. Day.

Wednesday, Oct. 7.—Daughters of the Republic day; Printers day.

Thursday, Oct. 8th.—A. O. U. W. Day.

Friday, Oct. 9th.—Military Day. Retail Grocers' Day.

Saturday, Oct. 10.—School day, Feld day and Houston day.

Sunday, Oct. 11th.—Auto Races.

Grand fireworks display and military show daily. Band concerts, horse races daily. Fast auto races Sundays.

Many of the fastest automobiles in the country which have won laurels in speed which have won laurels in speed contests in the east and foreign countries, will compete every Sunday in the motor races. In addition to the fireworks display, a big military show will be given nightly by the soldiers from Fort Sam Houston. Sham battles, field exercises, exhibition drills, and cavalry and artillery drills will be shown.

Owing to the enforced closing of a number of eastern and northern race tracks, the racing program at the fair this year will be the best ever given in Texas. Secretary Vance has received applications from the best known horse owners of this country and Mexico and the best

horses of their stables will be sent to the International Fair.

## The S. A. Machine & Supply Co.

Having bought the entire MANUFACTURING PLANT including Patterns and Material from the COLLINS-GUNTHER COMPANY, we now have added their line of Products to our own, and manufacture and sell after this the

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## INGERSOLL'S LAST POEM

Following is the last poem written by the great agnostic, Robert G. Ingersoll. It was completed by him on the morning of the day of his death, and was read at his grave by the celebrated historian, Dr. John Clark Rhipath:

### DECLARATION OF THE FREE.

We have no falsehoods to defend; we want the facts.  
Our force or thought, we do not spend in vain attacks.  
And we will never meanly try  
To save some fair and pleasing lie.  
The simple truth is what we ask, not the ideal;  
We've set ourselves the noble task to find the real.  
If all there is naught but dross,  
We want to know and bear our loss.  
We will not be willingly fooled, by fables nursed;  
Our hearts by earnest thoughts are schooled to bear the worst  
And we can stand erect and dare  
All things, all facts that really are.  
We have no God to serve or fear; no hell to shun,  
No devil with malicious leer; when life is done  
And endless sleep may close our eyes,  
A sleep with neither dreams nor sighs.

We have no master on the land, no king in air;  
Without a manacle we stand, without a prayer.  
Without a fear of coming night  
We seek the truth, we love the light.  
We do not bow before a guess—a vague unknown;  
A senseless force we do not bless in solemn tone.  
When evil comes we do not curse  
Or thank because it is no worse.

When cyclones rend—when lightning blights, 'tis naught but fate;  
There is no God of wrath who smites in heartless hate.  
Behind the things that injure man  
There's no purpose, thought or plan.  
The jeweled cup of love we drain, and friendship's wine  
Now swiftly flows in every vein with warmth divine;  
And so we love and hope and dream  
That in Death's sky there is a gleam.

We walk according to our light, pursue the path  
That leads to honor's stainless height, careless of wrath  
Or curse of God or priestly spite.  
Longing to know and do the right.  
We love our fellow-man, our kind wife, child and friend;  
To phantoms we are deaf and blind; but we extend  
The helping hand to the distressed;  
By lifting others we are blessed.

Love's sacred flame within the heart, and friendship glow,  
While all the miracles of art with wealth bestow  
Upon the thrilled and joyous brain.  
And present raptures, banish pain.  
We love no phantoms of the skies, but living flesh  
With passion's soft and soulful eyes; lips warm and fresh,  
And cheeks with health's red flag unfurled,  
The breathing angels of this world.

The hands that help are better than lips that pray.  
Love is the ever gleaming star that leads the way;  
That shines not on vague worlds of bliss,  
But on paradise in this.  
We do not pray, or weep or wail; we have no dread;  
And yet we question, dream and guess.  
But knowledge do not possess.

We ask, but no one seems to know; we cry in vain;  
There is no "Master of the Show;" who will explain  
Or from the future tear the mask?  
And yet we dream and still we ask,  
Is there, beyond the silent night, an endless day?  
Is death a door that leads to light? We cannot say,  
The tongueless secret, locked in fate,  
We do not know; we hope and wait.

## The New Woman and the New Man.

Is the present the age of obedient husbands? The Gentlewoman is reported to be anti-anti-suffragette, since the suffragettes are not sufficiently gentle to satisfy the ideal expressed by its title. Husbands, says this woman's magazine, are at the present time "docile to a degree undreamed of in the middle ages or even in the Victorian era of Dundreary whiskers and baggy trousers.

A woman's reason is proverbial. "I think him so because I think him so" used to be given as a sample of lady's logic. But the Gentlewoman is sufficiently imbued with the spirit of the time as to be amply supplied with reasons. No less than three are given for the husbands' obedience. "Some," we are told, "obey through love, some through fear, and others through a desire for peace." The Chicago Tribune shrewdly observes that "it would be extremely interesting if we had the statistics showing the number belonging to each class, though probably those in the third outnumber the other two together."

This is the era of Eve, but has the old Adam become a new man? "Shall the people rule?" is the political issue of the day. Will "Shall the women rule?" be the issue tomorrow? If the demands of the suffragettes were all, they might be granted. But it seems the women will not be content with a vote. They want men to mind. In the olden days of romance a suitor called himself the lady's slave. But that was for the poetry of romance, not for the realities of married life. Will not the demand for obedience of husbands encourage the bachelors' brigade to stay single? Think of that, Mistress Spinster. The Merry Widow does not need to be admonished. She has had experience and assures her wooer

that she really means to 'love, honor and obey,' according to the marriage service, and is careful to conceal from him the twinkle in her eye.—Houston Chronicle.

## The Carpenters Serenade

A lath! I quite a door you, dear;  
I've hallways loved your laughter.  
Oh, window you intend to grant  
The wish my hopes are rafter?

When first I sawyer smile 'twas plane  
I wood re-joice to marry;  
Oh, let us to the joiner's hie  
Nor longer shingle tarry!

And now that I have axed you, dear,  
Plumb, square and on the level  
(I've always wanted 2-by-4),  
Don't spile hope's happy revel.

The cornice waving, Peggy, dear,  
The gables all are ringing;  
Why let me pine?—for, oh, you know  
I'm sawdust when I'm singing!

—Nixon Waterman.

St. Petersburg.—A case of Asiatic cholera has been found in St. Petersburg. The disease has travelled gradually eastward from Siberia and Irkutsk is now within the cholera zone.

The Hague.—Queen Wilhelmina expects daily a visit from the stork and extraordinary precautions are being taken for her safety. The Queen is under the immediate care of Professor Kouwer, a very prominent gynecologist.

Copenhagen.—The embezzlements committed by President Alberti from the savings bank of which he was the head, have caused much financial distress among the peasants who were among his heaviest depositors. M. Alberti surrendered to the police to whom he made full confession that he had been robbing the bank of funds for more than fifteen years.

New York.—Former Mayor Seth Low will take the stump this fall for William H. Taft.

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### A Traveling Man's Experience.

"I must tell you my experience on an east bound O. R. & N. R. train from Pendleton to Le Grande, Ore.," writes Sam A. Garber, a well known traveling man. "I was in the smoking department with some other traveling men when one of them went out into the coach and came back and said: 'There is a woman sick unto death in the car.' I at once got up and went out, found her very ill with the cramp colic, her hands and arms were drawn up so you could not straighten them, and with a death-like look on her face. Two or three ladies were working with her and giving her whiskey. I went to my suit case and got my bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy (I never travel without it), ran to the water tank, put a double dose of the medicine in a glass, poured some water into it and stirred it with a pencil; then I had quite a time to get the ladies to let me give it to her, but I succeeded. I could at once see the effect and I worked with her, rubbing her hands, and in twenty minutes I gave her another dose. By this time we were almost into Le Grande, where I was to leave the train. I gave the bottle to the husband to be used in case another dose should be needed, but by the time the train ran into Le Grande she was all right, and I received the thanks of every passenger in the car." For Sale by Guice & Son.

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