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It seems that Gov. Culberson is having a hard time to get a man to take the vacant place on the railroad commission. The position has been tendered to Ross, Lanham, House and Gunter, all of whom refused it.

Over a hundred and fifty immigrants arrived in Texas by the M. & N. railway last week from the western states, seeking Texas.

The adoption of a resolution by the Texas legislature has caused the state to enter enterprises and capitol investment. Now let the state put his money to the wheel and do his duty, and in a few months there will be a vast improvement in Texas industries.—Weatherford Record.

The crank is one of the individuals who will never agree with you upon the most plausible proposition.

They should pay their own fares. The Courier remarks:

Of course, we accept free passage, and then vote to give 100,000 cents per mile are

The boys when the people need the transportation, it is conclusive that the railroads are not there for the benefit of the people, but to deceive in the most likely manner.

Some six Catholics and some Presbyterians represented the denomination, with the Methodists second and Episcopalians third. We will bet a toothpick against a railroad that if it came to a show of noses the devil could control more votes than all the denominations combined.—Ex.

The committee on appropriations has recommended a reduction in the appropriation for the refund commission of \$1,100 for 1885 and \$1,600 for 1886. Judge Reagan has been seen both in the lobby of the house and senate several times within the last few days; and it is believed by some that he is working against a reduction of the appropriation.—Bill Farmer in Young Co. Call.

No more villainous lie was ever written than the above. Judge Reagan is the very man who recommended the reduction and the Dallas News (which hates Reagan like a snake) published the above charge some weeks ago and refuted it, by saying that Judge Reagan had not appeared in the lobby of either house up to that time during this session of the legislature. Bill Farmer is the same kind of a newspaper correspondent that he is a statesman—a back number. What news he gives when he tells the truth is fully two weeks old, as all who have compared his effusions with the dailies will attest.

The only reason why President Cleveland hasn't been denounced as the instigator and promoter of all this snowy weather is because the kickers are still undecided as to whether it is a blessing or an evil.—Texian.

The Collinsville Times says: No newspaper is published to suit the whims of any particular person. People who become greatly displeased with something they peruse in the paper should remember that the very thing that displeases them is exactly the thing that will most please somebody that has just as much interest in the paper as they have.

The extreme silverite who believes that silver should be the monetary standard, should not be too hasty in denouncing all who differ from him as goldbugs and under the domination of Wall Street. He with equal propriety could be charged with being a plant tool in the hands of the silver nabobs of Colorado for the furtherance of their own selfish ends.—Breckinridge Texian.

Hon. Bill Cobb, late Bandit to the B. I. T. and Texas, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for forty-five years. If the Territory had that style of gentry before Parker he'll attend to the

Ruin to Thousands.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 17.—John Hopper, clerk of Armstrong county, arrived to-night. He says that snow has covered the plains of West Texas for thirty days and the greater part of the time the mercury has been below zero. Thousands of cattle and horses have perished from hunger and cold and the loss is appalling. Representative W. B. Plemons received twenty-three letters this afternoon from citizens of the Panhandle and all tell the same story of great losses to the cow men and small farmers. Plemons said to-night that the storms of February will bring ruin to thousands.

The Texas Harpoon is responsible for the following: We are of and for the great Lone Star State, and we are in favor of having less legislation and better laws, more money and less expense on the people, more work and less tomfoolery, more patriots and fewer demagogues, fewer politicians and better ones, more prosperity and less financial hell. The pay of a legislator should not be less than ten dollars a day, but the roll should be cut down not less than half of the present number. This would give us a class of men who would not go to Austin with a frying pan, canteen, coffee pot, tin cup and a pair of blankets strapped to their persons, and who rent a cot in some hallway for one dollar a month and do their own cooking in some secluded gully near town.

No man who allows his wife to chop stove-wood has any business with his name on the church book. The religion that doesn't make a man kind to his family is a fraud, no matter how loud he says amen in the meeting house.—Ex.

Things is getting mighty mixed Mandy, said Farmer Cornstossel to his wife. The politicians is tellin' the farmers how to farm and the farmers is a tellin' the politicians how to run the government, and I don't emagine that we'll have any better times till folks gets ter lookin' after their own business more and other people's less.

A new Baptist College has been chartered for Greenville, under the name of "Burleson College," in honor of Dr. Rufus C. Burleson of Waco. This is a fitting tribute to a man who has long been devoted to the educational and religious interests of Texas. May the new college turn out more Burlesons for Texas.

Our friends the "pops" claim that after awhile times will get so hard—provided they do not get in power—that people cannot collect their wits.—Guard.

There is still a consolation in even that, for the pops, as they will have so little of the aforesaid article to collect.

What this country needs, as badly as the mother of the present, needs to restore the old slipper regime, is a return to a simpler style of living. The prompt payment of debts and the living within one's income will do more to help the return to prosperous times than any one thing. The people live too fast, spend too fast, and pay too slow. This is one of the great causes of financial tightness. The little fish in the financial people think that they need as much water as the whales in the ocean. They do not think that the bigger their sea the more numerous their dangers.—San Antonio Light.

A thoughtful writer said to a young woman who was engaged to be married: "If you are going to marry a man for his looks, you mustn't be surprised when he gives you black ones," and to the young man he said: "If you are of the opinion that marriage makes a man and wife one, and that you are to be that one, send in your regrets at once."

The reception tendered Mrs. U. S. Grant, at Atlanta, by the Fulton County Confederate Veterans' Association was but a straw, but it showed how a strong, steady and beneficent wind blows. It was a spontaneous indication of that spirit of reconciliation which comes because it must, and just as the spring comes because it is in the order of nature. In coming up and shaking hands with Mrs. Grant the ex-Confederates shook the hands of thousands and thousands, once their enemies, now again their fellow citizens. There was no ulterior purpose in it; no politics in it—nothing except that it is time to shake hands and be friends.

Where Mr. Mills Stands.

The New York Evening Post, the leading organ of the gold-bugs, has made a careful classification of United States senators relative to their financial views. From this we learn that Texas is one of the few Southern states whose influence in the senate is virtually nullified by a division of its vote. It is stated by the Post that Senator Coke is "unsound," or opposed to a gold standard, and that his successor, Mr. Chilton, is the same way of thinking. Senator Mills is rated as "sound," or as favoring a gold standard.

The silence of Senator Mills on this subject has been most profound, and has no doubt astonished those of his Texas admirers who are wont to praise his courage of utterance.

The chief organ of the administration makes up, however, for this deficiency of speech. Either the president and his friends are gravely misinformed, or in the fight which is just ahead Senator Mills will take his place in the ranks of administrationists as a gold standard, a bond issue man, a man who stands for the depreciation of the value of realty and personalty, of labor and of its products, and the appreciation of the Mighty Dollar.

The people of Texas ought to be grateful to the Evening Post for this disclosure of the attitude of their junior senator.—Ft. Worth Gazette.

The Everyday Man.

"And so you are not married yet?"

"No."

"Engaged?"

"No."

"Expect to be?"

"No."

"What's the matter?"

"Well, pa says that my husband must be a keen and experienced man, of good health and good habits. Mamma says he must be frugal, industrious, attentive and moral, and I say he must be handsome, dashing, talented and rich. We are still looking for him."

Mollie's Little Ram.

Mollie had a little ram, fleecy black as rubber shoe, and everywhere that Mollie went, he emigrated to. He went with her to church one day—the folks hilarious grew, to see him walk demurely into deacon Allen's pew. The worthy deacon quickly let his angry passions rise, and gave it an unchristian kick between the sad brown eyes. This landed rammy in the isle, the deacon followed fast, and raised his foot again; but ah, his first kick was his last. For Mr. Sheep walked back about a rod, 'tis said, and ere the deacon could retreat, it stood him on his head. The congregation then arose and went for that ere sheep, but several well directed but just piled them straightway for the door, with curses long and loud, while rammy struck the hindmost man and shot him through the crowd.

Stuck to the Farm, Boys.

The Southern Trade advises the farmers' boys in the South to stick to the farm, and not to believe all the talk made by politicians about the down-trodden farmers and the easy way of making a living in a big city.

The most independent class in this country are the Southern farmers. By proper management they can always make a living, and their job is not dependent on the will of a syndicated trust or the tinkering with the tariff by each succeeding congress.

In all the big cities there are thousands of unemployed men who are capable of doing good work and who lost their jobs through no fault of their own, but simply because the hard times forced their employer to reduce the number of his workmen. The day laborer in a big city is at his best but a slave, and often sighs for the free life of a farmer. At his worst, out of a job, he becomes a nameless tramp and rapidly drifts into the ranks of the criminal class.

The average farmer's boy should be made to realize that there is absolutely no chance for him in the city; there are two men seeking every job offered there; and that he will be healthier, wealthier and wiser if he sticks of the plow.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

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Where does the chaplain of congress secrete himself during the rough and tumble engagements in the house?

A petition has been filed in the county courts of Denton and Hood counties, asking for an election on prohibition. Thus three counties, the two above named and Fannin county, have during the present week applied for orders for an election. There seems to be a growing sentiment all over the state against the sale of whisky as a beverage. This sentiment has been growing ever since the election of 1887, as will fully appear by the numerous counties and districts in the state where prohibition has been adopted. And in all places where it has been carried the law is well enforced, much so as any other law. The reason of its enforcement is because the masses of the people have been, and are still being educated to that way of thinking. They see the evil and are willing to aid in suppressing it.—Baltimore News.

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A STOLEN STONE.

That Has Caused a Very Disagreeable Scandal.

A very disagreeable scandal has come to light in London and Paris gravely affecting the reputation of the French General Baros de Frey. Appointed by the French government to undertake a tour of inspection of the troops in the colonies, he touched during the course of his trip at the Seychelles islands, now an English colony, where he was most hospitably entertained by the English governor. Not only was he put up at the government house, but the English naval squadron in port even fired a salute in his honor.

On the day following his departure it was found that the principal archaeological treasure of the colony, a stone known as the Pierre de Possession, had disappeared from its place in the garden of the governor's palace. It is a curious monument, consisting of a square block of granite, with a turtle, some fleur de lys, a royal crown and the word "Seychelles" carved upon it. It was regarded with particular veneration and interest by the creole population, reminding them of the enterprise of their fathers, who had colonized the island more than two centuries ago. Investigation has brought to light the fact that the French general, anxious to secure the stone, had induced the French owner of the estate adjoining the governor's house to steal the stone at night and convey it on board the mail-steamers on which the general was leaving.

It is only fair to add that the moment the French government was made aware of this strange return on the part of the general for the hospitality which he had received, it took immediate steps for the restoration of the stone, which will be conveyed to the island on board a French cruiser, while it is probable that the general will be placed on the retired list as a punishment.

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CITATION.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Young county, Texas:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. F. McHardy, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct No. 3, Young county, Texas, to be held at True, in said Young county, Texas, on the 18th day of March, 1895, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 25th day of January, 1895, in a suit commenced on the docket of said Court No. 27, wherein S. M. Stringer is plaintiff and J. F. McHardy is defendant, and said petition alleging an account for the sum of twenty-one dollars and twenty cents (\$21.20).

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

Witness, M. N. Hardy, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3, Young county, Given under my official signature, at office in True, this 18th day of February, 1895.

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AN IVY LEAF.

Placed Upon Longfellow's Bust in Westminster Abbey.

The great love which Americans bear for the memory of Henry W. Longfellow is shown constantly by little acts at his burial place and at his home. In Poet's Corner in Westminster abbey is a bust of the American poet. It is an object of the deepest interest to all American visitors to the abbey, and every one in a while the verger had fastened to it sheets of paper on which quotations from the poet's best known works are written. These are renewed regularly and destroyed. In August last some one left a tribute to the poet which the attendant did not move, and which will probably remain where it is.

It is an ordinary sheet of note paper, to which is pinned a large ivy leaf. Under the leaf is written in a strong hand, evidently a woman's: "Brought by loving hands, many, many miles across the sea, from a spot he well loved." Underneath is written a quotation from Browning: "God's in his heaven, all's well with the world." The dates July 10 and August 5 follow, signifying in all probabilities the time of the placing of the leaf and its being placed in the abbey.

Thousands of visiting Americans have read the little tribute, and the vergers in the abbey guard the paper and leaf zealously. No one connected with the abbey remembers having seen the paper and leaf placed where it is, but the attendants say it appeared there on the afternoon of August 5.

HOW FISH BREATHE.

They Require But the Minimum of Oxygen to Keep Up Temperature.

The gills of the fish are situated at the back part of the sides of the head and consist of a number of vascular membranes, which are generally arranged in double, feingillike rows, attached to the parts by the base only. In some cases these membranes are feather-shaped; in others, mere folds attached to the sides of the gill cavities. The fish is a cold-blooded animal; that is to say its temperature is seldom more than a degree or two higher than the water in which it lives. This being true, the creature needs but a very small amount of oxygen to keep the blood at a temperature sufficiently high to sustain life. The oxygen is supplied to the blood of the fish by respiring large quantities of water or, rather, drinking large quantities of water, and respiring the air separated from it by the gills. This explains why a fish cannot live in a tank of water which has been stirred through the gills time and time again any better than a human being or other animal can in air that has been deprived of all its oxygen by being taken into lungs and expelled without being aerated. Fish that die in the stale water of aquariums may be properly said to drown because they perish for want of air, the same thing which occasions death by drowning to man and other long-breathing animals.

TOOK THE OATH ABROAD.

William Rufus King Who Was Running State With Franklin Pierce.

William Rufus King, born April 4, 1784, died April 17, 1853, a vice president of the United States who never served in that capacity, and one who took the oath of office on foreign soil—something which can be said of no other executive officer elected by the people of this country. King was an invalid, but his friends urged him to take second place on the ticket with Pierce in 1853. Both were elected; but Mr. King's health failed so rapidly that he was forced to go to Cuba early in 1853, some two and a half months before inauguration day. Not having returned to the United States by March 4, congress passed a special act authorizing the United States consul at Matanzas, Cuba, to swear him in as vice president at about the hour when Pierce was taking the oath of office at Washington. This arrangement was carried out to a dot, and on the day appointed, at a plantation on one of the highest hills of Matanzas, Mr. King was made vice president of the United States amid the solemn "Vaya voi, con Dios" (God be with you) of the creoles who had assembled to witness the unique spectacle. Vice President King returned to his home at Cahawba, Ala., arriving at that place on April 17, 1853, and died on the following day. His remains were laid to rest on his plantation, known as "Pine Hills."

Burglars Beaten Off by Girls.

The other night just as the family had retired, three men forced their way into the residence of the venerable Robert Stathers, at Sistersville, W. Va., and began to loot the premises despite the protests of the old gentleman. Two of the men ascended the stairs where they were met by two of the Misses Stathers. One of the girls knocked a robber downstairs with a chair, while the other was grabbed by the second man and both rolled to the bottom. Meanwhile Mr. Stathers had knocked out the third man with a poker, and with the girls was proceeding to charge the other two when they fled.

The Cesar's White Horses.

The czar of Russia has one set of fifty horses, all pure white, with blue eyes. They are beautiful animals, but deaf, as white animals with blue eyes always are. These white horses are used in showy processions on state occasions, and, like the British sovereign's famous green-colored horses, are never sold from the imperial stables. When past use they are shot and buried with due ceremony.

Flora McJimsey's Creator.

Most people who read and enjoyed the poem "Nothing to Wear" when it appeared many years ago fail to recall the fact that the author, William Allen Butler, was then a young lawyer, and has since become a leading member of the New York bar. His specialty is admiralty cases, and he argued a case before the supreme court in Washington a few days ago. Mr. Butler is the author of a volume of verse literature, and has contributed largely to legal literature.

The Graham Leader. LOCAL MATTERS.

PERSONAL MENTION. Jack Blount of Bryson was circulating on the streets Monday.

A. B. McDonald, J. T. Crawford and several of the boys took a spin with the hounds Tuesday night.

R. L. Pucket and J. W. Kerr, who have been employed on the Whiskey Creek bridge, went to Whitesboro last Monday.

Miss Florence Colston, who has been teaching near Gertrude, went to her home in Fort Worth the first of the week.

Whom shall we cuss for the late cold spell, Cleveland or Hogg?

The late cold spell may work an incalculable blessing to the newspaper editor. It may freeze the freshly budding spring poet to death.

Dr. Tanner of Waco is visiting friends in Graham.

J. B. Norris returned a few days since from a business trip to St. Louis and other points.

R. S. and Henry DeLong and W. H. Ardis, from Elvasville were at court Monday on the special venire in the Robinson murder case.

Watch the New Harness Shop. We have opened a bran new stock of harness and saddlery, which we will sell at rock bottom prices.

Price Bros. Prof. J. N. Johnston is putting lumber on the ground for a new residence which he will soon erect in the east end.

It would, we think, be an act of courtesy to the country people who trade at Graham for the city council to dispose in some suitable manner of the "town horse."

WANTED: A porker weighing 200 or 225 pounds fattened on grain. Call on M. L. MOODY.

Job Wagon. I will be found ready to do any job hauling, about town, at any time on short notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

At the regular examination for teacher's certificates, last Friday and Saturday, Miss Lulu Neal was granted a first grade certificate, Miss Hattie Boyles and a Mr. Collier were granted third grade certificates.

Our Gazette proposition is taking with the people. They know a good thing when they see it. We contemplate some substantial improvements in the way of reading matter for the LEADER in a few weeks.

Watch and Clock Repairing. MY patrons will find me at D. R. Akin & Co.'s drug store, ready to serve you on short notice.

Last Monday a couple of citizens of the county of Young imbibed somewhat too freely of "bug juice" in consequence of which they became belligerent and proceeded to pound each other, regardless of the well established rules of the Marquis of Queensbury.

Parents, have your children's teeth examined. It costs nothing and may save them trouble and you expense.

A new paper will soon launch its canoe on the journalist sea at Archer City, with Taylor and Dunlap as steersmen. Its name is to be Archer Avlanche.

DISTRICT COURT.

The Grand Jury was in continuous session for six days and returned six indictments, five of which were for felonies and one for misdemeanor. The county jail was visited and reported on as needing some repairs. Attention was called to the fact that the public roads have not been worked according to law, some of the overseers not having reported at all.

Monday morning the Jo Robinson murder case was taken up. The day was consumed in securing a jury. Robinson is ably defended by Judge Arnold and Johnson & Akin, while the State is represented by District Attorney J. F. Carter. The testimony was concluded Tuesday evening and the argument commenced this morning. The defense has set up the plea of insanity on the part of Robinson.

Whiskey Creek Bridge. The Commissioners' Court met at the Whiskey Creek Bridge yesterday. The bridge was not accepted. The Court made a proposition to the Chicago Iron Bridge Co., that if they would substitute iron tular piers for the stone pier, at the east end of the bridge and put them on a solid foundation, \$100 would be paid them for said change; also \$10.61 per running foot for every foot that the iron piers was placed below the foundation of the present stone pier.

Hiller Bend.

The weather for the last three weeks has been the coldest for years. Stock has suffered some but we have heard of no serious losses. Health is good at present. Mr. Horner's child has been sick but has now recovered.

Our school had a vacation during the cold spell. "B," who wrote to the Call not long since that he had not heard of any democrats moving to the Bend did not surprise us at all as he never knows anything in the way of news only what he reads in a pop paper. He knows there are three democrats who have moved in here since the election as well as the writer, but they are not entitled to B's notice.

A man, speaking of the cold weather the other day, said: I have frozen to death about three times a day for the last two or three weeks, and I have become like Brick Pomerooy was by eating onions. He said he liked them for three or four hundred meals, but as a regular diet he got tired of them. I have enough winter now to do me for four or five years and am ready for a long hot spell.

Price Bros. new saddle and harness shop is completed and they will be ready for business soon, part of their stock having already arrived.

W. A. Morris, Dentist, over Beckham Bank. Artificial Crowns and teeth without plates. Modern Dentistry in all its branches.

"CITIZEN."

Mr. Editor: Indulge me in a few strictures upon "Citizen's" article in a late issue. I regard it as an adroit piece of irony, but his audience—your readers—may not understand him. If they had been present and heard the teachers censured for contending for their rights, the whole force of his article would flash on their minds at once.

What citizen has to say about free text books and the silver question must be a thrust—political. Well to make a knowledge of silver legislation the only test of scholarship is on a par with the old blue-back craze of the good old days of the past.

Our literary school has never closed a day, and we have never failed to have a good attendance. The disappointment caused by the institute failing to meet here on the 14th will be made the best of, and we will be ready to receive them on the 23rd.

Our old schoolmates and friends, R. Williams and W. Patterson visited our literary school last Friday, and spent the evening and on leaving, expressed themselves well pleased with our efforts. A new shoe shop opened here last week.

Our blacksmith shop will be ready for business next week. It is badly needed here.

There is some building to be done here soon. Prof. Hanson and his sister, from Dallas, who have been visiting here for two months, will remain till spring.

The mail to this place, has been very irregular for the last two weeks. DAISY.

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WHAT IS THE B. B. WAIT AND SEE. Something that will benefit every man woman and child in Young County.

ELECTION NOTICE. Notices hereby given that an election will be held at the Banking House of The First National Bank at Graham, Texas, on Monday March the 4th, 1895, to determine whether said First National Bank will go into voluntary liquidation. This January 29th, 1895. W. D. CRAIG, Pres't.

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The Gazette is a plain Democratic paper, without frills or furbelows in its politics. It advocates:

The free coinage of silver at 16 to 1—the most important issue now before the country.

Tariff reform that will give the producer an equal chance with the manufacturer.

An income tax. Pension reform. The repeal of the state bank tax.

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What makes the conduct of the woman singular is that the smoking cars are much less comfortable and attractive than the Philadelphia newspapers are courageously supporting the men in this emergency, and urging them to stand on their rights. "The women," one newspaper makes bold to say, "must yield the cars to the men or they (the women, must learn to smoke."

A Funny Baby. A Chinese baby that Washingtonians feel much interest in, the small Celestial having first seen the light at the capital, has been following the example of the Western babies, and has posed before the camera, to the great delight, no doubt, of all its admirer female relatives. "The women," one newspaper makes bold to say, "must yield the cars to the men or they (the women, must learn to smoke."

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Such were the questions that passed through the minds of those who had followed the case from day to day.

The judge still waited in dignified silence.

Not a whisper was heard anywhere and the situation had become painfully oppressive, when the prisoner was seen to move, his head was raised, his hands were clinched, and the blood had rushed into his care-worn face, his teeth were firmly set, and into his haggard eyes came a flash of light.

Suddenly he arose to his feet, and in a low, firm but distinct voice, said:

"I have! Your honor, you have asked me a question, and I now ask, as the last favor on earth, that you will not interrupt my answer until I am through."

"I stand here before this bar convicted of the wilful murder of my wife. Truthful witnesses have testified to the fact that I was a loafer, a drunkard and a wretch; that I returned from one of my long debauches and fired the fatal shot that killed the wife I had sworn to love, cherish and protect. While I have no remembrance of committing the fearful, cowardly and inhuman deed, I have no right to complain or condemn the verdict of the twelve good men who acted as jurors in this case, for their verdict is in accordance with the evidence.

"But may it please the court, I wish to show that I am not alone responsible for the murder of my wife."

This startling statement created an instant sensation. The judge leaned over the desk, the lawyers wheeled around and faced the prisoner, the jurors looked at each other in amazement, while the spectators could hardly suppress their intense excitement. The prisoner paused a few seconds, and then continued in the same firm, but distinct voice.

"I repeat, your honor, that I am not the only one guilty of the murder of my wife. The judge on this bench, the jury in the box, the lawyers within this bar, and most of the witnesses, including the pastor of the old church, are also guilty before Almighty God, and will have to appear with me before His judgment throne, where we all shall be righteously judged.

"If twenty men conspire together for the murder of one person the law power of this land will arrest the twenty, and each will be tried, convicted and executed for a whole murder, and not one-twentieth of the crime.

"I have been made a drunkard by law. If it had not been for the legalized saloons of my town, I never would have been a drunkard; my wife would not have been murdered; I would not have been here now, ready to be hurled into eternity. Had it not been for the human traps set out with the consent of the government I would have been a sober man, an industrious workman, a tender father and a loving husband. But to-day my home is destroyed, my wife murdered, my little children—God bless and care for them—cast on the mercy of a cold and cruel world, while I am to be executed by the strong arm of the state.

"God knows I tried to reform, but as long as the open saloon was in my pathway my weak, diseased will power was no match against the fearful, agonizing appetite for liquor. At last I sought the protection, care and sympathy of the church of Jesus Christ, but at the communion table I received from the hands of the pastor who sits there and who testified against me in this case, the cup that contained the very same alcoholic spirit that is found in every bar-room in the land. It proved too much for my weak humanity, and

out of that holy place I rushed to the last debauch which ended with the murder of my wife.

"For one year our town was without a saloon. For one year I was a sober man. For one year my wife and children were supremely happy, and our little home a perfect paradise.

"I was one of those who signed a remonstrance against re-opening the saloon in our town. The names of one-half of this jury can be found to-day on the petition certifying to the good moral character of the rum-sellers, and falsely saying that the sale of liquor was "necessary" in our town. The prosecuting attorney on this case was the one that so eloquently pleaded with this court for the license, and the judge who sits on this bench, and who asked me if I had anything to say before sentence of death was passed on me, granted the license."

The impassioned words of the prisoner fell like coals of fire upon the hearts of those present, and many of the spectators and some of the lawyers were moved to tears. The judge made a motion as if to stop any further speech on the part of the prisoner, when the speaker hastily said:

"No! no! your honor, do not close my lips; I am nearly through, and they are the last words I shall ever utter on earth.

"I began my downward career at a saloon bar—legalized and protected by the voters of this commonwealth, which has received annually a part of the money from the poor deluded victim. After the state had made me a drunkard and a murderer, I am taken before another bar—the bar of justice (?) by the same power of law that legalized the first bar, and now the law power will conduct me to the place of execution andasten my soul into eternity. I shall appear before another bar—the judgment bar of God, and there you, who have legalized the traffic, will have to appear with me. Think you that the Great Judge will hold me—the poor, weak, helpless victim of your traffic—alone responsible for the murder of my wife? Nay, I, in my drunken, frenzied, irresponsible condition, have murdered one, but you have deliberately and wilfully murdered your thousands, and the murder-mills are in full operation to-day with your consent.

"All of you know in your hearts that these words of mine are not the ravings of an unsound mind, but God—Almighty's truth. The liquor traffic of this nation is responsible for nearly all the murders, riots, poverty, misery, wretchedness and woe. It breaks up thousands of happy homes every year; sends the husband and father to prison or to the gallows, and drives countless mothers and little children into the world to suffer and die. It furnishes nearly all the criminal business of this and every other court, and blasts every community it touches.

"You legalized the saloon that made me a drunkard and a murderer, and you are guilty with me before God and man for the murder of my wife.

"Your honor, I am done. I am now ready to receive my sentence and be led forth to the place of execution, and murdered according to the laws of the state. You will close by asking the Lord to have mercy on my soul. I will close by solemnly asking God to open your blind eyes to the truth; to your individual responsibility, so that you will cease to give support to this hell born traffic."

A Full Confession.

A story of Scotch honesty comes from Dundee. A boy there, a pupil in one of the schools, had taken the prize for an exceptionally well drawn map. After the examination the teacher, a little doubtful, asked the lad:

Who helped you with that map James?

Nobody sir.

Come now, tell me the truth. Didn't your brother help you?

No sir, he did it all.

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Trying to Atone.

A sea captain who lived in Washington during his stays on land had a great fancy for fowls of all sorts, and especially prized an old gobbler which had been long in his possession. From one cruise he brought home a mischievous young monkey, which made as much trouble as the proverbial 'white elephant.' One day, hearing a terrible commotion in the henney, the captain entered and found Jocko with the gobbler under his arm, while he was deliberately pulling out the poor bird's last tail-feather. The Captain rescued the turkey and punished the monkey severely, who knew very well why he was chastised. The next day, again hearing a commotion among the feathered tribe, the captain went out to the scene of action, and there sat Jocko with the much persecuted gobbler between his knees, while he was trying to put the feathers back. His intentions were good, but the turkey seemed unable to appreciate them.—Ex.

Mishaps at a Wedding.

The bride's little sister (up in Michigan) had purloined a quarter section of a wedding cake, and not having time to eat it before the company came into the room she hastily placed it on a chair. The bridegroom in his lavender trousers, sat in that chair and stained them. It was an embarrassing matter, but the thoughtful bride promptly applied gasoline to the stain, and it was doing very well until the groom in striking a match on his trousers, put the gasoline in motion. "There was a puff, a blaze, a yell of agony," the report says, and the flaming bridegroom frantically seized his coat-tails, while everybody ran for water but the bride, who extinguished the fire with a mat.—Ex.

Condensed Truth.

What were crimes one hundred years ago are mere irregularities now.

Half of mankind lies awake nights thinking how to outwit the other half.

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For every family contention Satan puts an extra pound of fat on his ribs.

Religion and temperance will always agree. Both are the sprouts of reason.

If it were not for the weaknesses of the majority the success of the few would be a myth.

When we do not understand other people it seems to be a second nature to ridicule them.

Profit by others' success and failure, and you get a reliable experience at less than club rates.

Those who are honest from fear rather than principle have no more to brag of than rascals.

Always appear to agree with the world, and you will get on smoothly without soaping the track.

In itself lying is a base passion, but its tendency to injure others renders it also a dangerous one.

It isn't always the man who knows the most that wins, but the man who can apply what he does know.

So long as a woman is on friendly terms with modesty, just so long is woman vindicated, and no longer.

Decorum itself is simply good sense and good will, but society often ruins it by empty ceremonies.

Of ten young men nine can be found who are vain of their fine exterior, while the tenth one is proud of a well stored mind.

Do away with Christianity and its influences, and mankind would run itself into the ground in a brief century.

How He Collected It.

"If you think you've got such a dead sure thing on that claim against me, why don't you sue me for it?" asked the man with the double chin.

"I could sue you and collect it easily enough, and you know it," replied the man with the bushy eyebrows, "and would have done it long ago, but for the reason that it would have brought your other creditors down on you like a thousand of bricks. I don't want to break you."

"I—I'll pay you this afternoon, every cent," said the other, rubbing his jaws thoughtfully, "but that won't work with the next man that tries to work it on me."

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