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We confess to a little pride in presenting to you our carefully selected stock of Millinery. Our Mrs. Miller (who has had 14 years continual experience) with her able trimmer, Miss Hampton and assistants, Misses Mae Miller, Lelan Wheeler and Lorena Gibbs has been exceedingly busy during the past few months preparing for this fall presentation and the weeks to follow. Our aggressive preparations will firmly establish our prestige as the reliable source of exclusive, correct styles in Millinery. We earnestly invite you to come and see. No trouble to show goods.

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THE NEW CORSETS.

Before buying a new suit or dress a woman's first consideration should be a stylish corset, for corset styles change each season. The new long, low bust and long skirt lengths prevail. We have just received the new styles in the "American Beauty" corset. Come in and see them.



B. L. BOYDSTUN.

Mrs. H. Schwartz returned Tuesday from Ft. Worth, where she spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Cale Hall, who has been ill for some time. Miss Evalyn Schwartz remained with her sister.

Everett Driskill left last week for St. Louis, Mo., where he has accepted a position in the Commerce Bank.

See the new ad of Holmes Drug Co. in this issue.

DON'T LIVE IN BAIRD.

The Abilene Daily Reporter says a suit for \$17,000 was filed in the United States Court at Abilene, Monday, by B. L. Shields, a newspaper man of Baird, etc. Mr. Shields is editor of the Cross Plains Review; does not and never did live in Baird. Some of our people ask that in justice to Baird, this correction should be made, lest the town be considered as knocking the T. & P., when we all want to continue the amicable relations existing between the people of Baird and the T. & P. Co.,

QUESTION CLUB.

Mrs. Ford Driskill entertained the "Question Club" Friday. Bridge was played after which the hostess served delicious refreshments to the following members and visitors: Mesdames Hadley, Ely, Will Hinds, Misses Bell, McCoy, Bernice Foy, Hess Franklin.

DUST, THEN RAIN.

A cloud gathered in the west Wednesday evening and before the rain came the dust enveloped everything almost to suffocation; soon a light rain began to fall and all was pleasant again. It rained again during the night, which will help grain, grass and feed crops.

FOR SALE.

I have an upright folding bed, a sideboard and several other little things for sale at a bargain. Also my pony, buggy and saddle.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The Baird Public School will open next Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Supt. Green says he would like to see as many of the patrons out as can conveniently attend the opening. Let us all take an hour off and attend the opening of school and show the teachers and children that we take an interest in our school.

Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Dinwiddie requests THE STAR to announce that he will begin a series of meetings at the Presbyterian Church, Sunday, Sept. 24th, and that Rev. W. A. Irwin will assist him. Mr. Irwin is a fine preacher and a good singer. All denominations are invited to take part in these meetings.

DIED.

A little 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand died Saturday night after a brief illness. The remains were interred in the City Cemetery Sunday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Shope of the Baptist Church.

Appointed by Bishop Joseph S. Key, President; Texas-Georgia Association

Hon. T. E. Parks of Baird was appointed Chairman for the Standard Committee of the Texas-Georgia Association last Monday, by the President; Bishop Joseph S. Key of Sherman. The appointment gives to Baird one of the most important offices of the Association and places the management of the annual Conventions, in the hands of Mr Parks.

MASONIC LECTURES.

Right W., V. C. Karnes lecturer in the Grand Chapter, who has been instructing the officers and members of the Baird Chapter for the past week, will close his labors tonight. Five candidates have received the degree up to the Royal Arch degree and tonight they will take the Council degrees; Companions R. A. St. John, Judge D. K. Scott and perhaps others from Cisco, are expected tonight. The Chapter and Council are now in fine working condition and a good deal of work may be expected during the coming winter.

T. E. Powell handed a STAR reporter a letter yesterday from J. A. Summers at Lorraine, stating that J. R. Harris and many others around there wanted cotton pickers. He says picking will last until Christmas and they pay 75 to 85 cents per hundred.

HOTEL REBUILDING.

Hinds and Bowlus have the contract for rebuilding Hotel Seay, that burned last October. Some work has been done during the summer but now work has begun in earnest. They have five brick layers and are now at work on the second story. Ed Wristen and Conrad Neubeaur now own the building. The building will be the same size as the old building but will only be two stories high.

Luther Carpenter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Carpenter, has an ear of corn from his prize patch that has 26 rows and 53 grains to the row. That is going some, if we are any judge of corn.—Ballard Yoeman, Wickliffe, Ky.,

Uncle Bill Jackson handed us the above item. This corn patch is near Uncle Bill's old home in Kentucky.

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"I'm glad you did."
"So am I. But she is such a good woman herself that nobody can be really bad in whom she believes. And now I'm changed still more. I like you, and I'm sure that we shall be friends, if you will make me one promise and keep it."

"What is it?"
"That you will give up all idea of ever marrying me, no matter what happens, even if I broke—"
"It's no use to go on," interrupted Van Torp, "for I can't promise any—"



Margaret Bent Her Head a Little, and Was Silent.

thing like that. Maybe you don't realize what you're asking, but it's the impossible. That's all."

"Oh, nonsense!" Margaret tried to laugh lightly, but it was a failure.
"No, it's very far from nonsense," he replied, almost sternly. "Since you've spoken first, I'm going to tell you several things. One is, that I accepted the syndicate's offer for the Nickel Trust so as to be free to take any chance that might turn up. It had been open some time, but I accepted it on the day I heard of your engagement. That's a big thing. Another is, that I played a regular trick on Logotheti so as to come and see you here. I deliberately asked him to dine with me last night in London. I went right home, wrote a note to him, antedated for yesterday afternoon, to put him off, and I left it to be sent at the right hour. Then I drove to the station, and here I am. You may call that pretty sharp practice, but I believe all's fair in love and war, and I want you to understand that I think so. There's one thing more. I won't give up the hope of making you marry me while you're alive and I am, not if you're an old woman, and I'll put up all I have in the game, including my own life and other people's, if it comes to that. Amen."

Margaret bent her head a little and was silent.
"Now you know why I won't promise what you asked," said Van Torp in conclusion.

"You have no right to speak like that," she said rather weakly, after a moment.

"Perhaps not. I don't know. But I consider that you have a right to know the truth, and that's enough for me. It's not as if I'd made up my mind to steal your ewe-lamb from you and put myself in its place. Logotheti is not any sort of a ewe-lamb. He's a man, he's got plenty of strength and determination, he's got plenty of money—even what I choose to call plenty. He says he cares for you. All right. So do I. He says he'll marry you. I say that I will. All right again. You're the prize put up for the best of two fighting men. You're not the first woman in history who's been fought for, but, by all that's holy, there never was one better worth, not Helen of Troy herself!"

The last few words came with a sort of stormy rush, and he turned round suddenly, and stood with his back against the gate, thrusting his hands deep into his coat-pockets, perhaps with the idea of keeping them quiet; but he did not come any nearer to her, and she felt she was perfectly safe, and that a much deeper and more lasting power had hold of him than any mere passionate longing to take her in his arms and press his iron lips on hers against her will.

Margaret was not angry; she was hardly displeased, but she was really at a loss what to say, and she said the first sensible thing that suggested itself and that was approximately true.

"I'm sorry you have told me all this. We might have spent these next two days very pleasantly together. Oh, I'm not pretending what I don't feel! It's impossible for a woman like me, who can still be free, not to be flattered when such a man as you cares for her in earnest, and says the things you have. But, on the other hand, I'm engaged to be married to another man, and it would not be loyal of me to let you make love to me."

"I don't mean to," said Van Torp stoutly. "It won't be necessary. If I never spoke again you wouldn't forget what I've told you—ever! Why should I say it again? I don't want to, until you can say as much to me. If it's time to go, hitch the lead to my collar and take me home! I'll follow you as quietly as a spaniel anywhere!"

"And what would happen if I told you not to follow me, but to go home and lie down in your kennel?" She laughed low as she moved away from the gate.

"I'm not sure," answered Van Torp. "Don't."

The last word was not spoken at all with an accent of warning, but it was not said in a begging tone either. Margaret's short laugh followed instantly.

"You said just now that you would not say over again any of those things you have told me to-night. Do you mean that?"

"Yes, I mean it."
"Then please promise that you won't. That's all I ask if you are going to spend the next two days here, and if I am to let you see me."

"I promise," Van Torp answered, without hesitation.

She allowed herself the illusion that she had both done the right thing and also taken the position of command; and he, standing beside her, allowed himself to smile at the futility of what she was requiring of him with so much earnestness, for little as he knew of women's ways he was more than sure that the words he had spoken that night would come back to her again and again; and more than that he could not hope at present. But she could not see his face clearly.

"Thank you," she said. "That shall be our compact."

To his surprise, she held out her hand. He took it with wonderful calmness, considering what the touch meant to him, and he returned discreetly what was meant for a friendly pressure. She was so well satisfied now that she did not think it necessary to telegraph to Logotheti that he might start at once, though even if she had done so immediately he could hardly have reached Bayreuth till the afternoon of the next day but one, when the last performance of "Parsifal" would be already going on; and she herself intended to leave on the morning after that.

She walked forward in silence for a few moments, and the lights of the town grew quickly brighter.

"You will come in and have some supper with us, of course," she said presently.

"Why, certainly, since you are so kind," answered Van Torp.

"I feel responsible for your having forgotten to dine," she laughed. "I must make it up to you. By this time Mrs. Rushmore is probably wondering where I am."

"Well," said the American, "if she thinks I'm perfection, she knows that you're safe with me. I suppose, even if you do come home a little late."

"I shall say that we walked home very slowly, in order to breathe the air."

"Yes. We've walked home very slowly."

"I mean," said Margaret quickly, "that I shall not say we have been out towards the fields, as far as the gate."

"I don't see any harm if we have," observed Mr. Van Torp indifferently. "Harm? No! Don't you understand? Mrs. Rushmore is quite capable of thinking that I have already—how shall I say?—she stopped."

"Taken note of her good advice," he said, completing the sentence for her.

"Exactly! Whereas nothing could be further from my intention, as you know. I'm very fond of Mrs. Rushmore," Margaret continued quickly, in order to get away from the dangerous subject she had felt obliged to approach; "she has been a mother to me, and heaven knows I needed one, and she has the best and kindest heart in the world. But she is so anxious for my happiness that, whenever she thinks it is at stake, she rushes at conclusions without the slightest reason, and then it's very hard to get them out of her dear old head!"

"I see. If that's why she thinks me perfection, I'll try not to disappoint her."

They reached the hotel, went upstairs and separated on the landing to get ready for supper.

On his side of the landing, Mr. Van Torp found Stemp waiting to dress him, and the valet handed him a telegram. It was from Capt. Brown, and had been retelegraphed from London. "Anchored off Saint Mark's square to-day, 3:30 p. m. Quick passage. No stop. Coaling to-morrow. Ready for sea next morning."

"Stemp," he asked, as he threw off his coat and kicked off his dusty shoes, "were you ever sea-sick?"

"Yes, sir," answered the admirable valet, but he offered no more information on the subject.

neither wasted a second, it is no joke to wash and get into evening dress in six minutes, even with the help of a body-servant trained to do his work at high speed.

"I mean," said Van Torp, when he was already fastening his collar, "are you sea-sick nowadays?"

"No, sir," replied Stemp, in precisely the same tone as before.

"I don't mean on a 20,000-ton liner. Black cravat. Yes. I mean on a yacht. Fix it behind. Right. Would you be sea-sick on a steam yacht?"

"No, sir."
"Sure?"
"Yes, sir."
"Then I'll take you. Tuxedo."
"Thank you, sir."

Stemp held up the dinner-jacket; Mr. Van Torp's solid arms slipped into the sleeves, he shook his sturdy shoulders, and pulled the jacket down in front while the valet "settled" the back. Then he faced round suddenly, like a soldier at drill.

"All right?" he inquired.

Stemp looked him over carefully from head to foot in the glare of the electric light.

"Yes, sir."
Van Torp left the room at once. He found Mrs. Rushmore slowly moving about the supper-table, more imposing than ever in a perfectly new black tea-gown and an extremely smart widow's cap. Mr. Van Torp thought she was a very fine old lady indeed. Margaret had not entered yet; a waiter with smooth yellow hair stood by a portable sideboard on which there were covered dishes. There were poppies and corn-flowers in a plain white jar on the table. Mrs. Rushmore smiled at the financier; it would hardly be an exaggeration to say that she beamed upon him. They had not met alone since his first visit on the previous afternoon.

"Miss Donne is a little late," she said, as if the fact were very pleasing. "You brought her back, of course."

"Why, certainly," said Mr. Van Torp with an amiable smile.

"You can hardly have come straight from the theater," continued the lady, "for I heard the other people in the hotel coming in fully 20 minutes before you did."

"We walked home very slowly,"



Mr. Van Torp's Solid Arms Slipped Into the Sleeves.

said Mr. Van Torp, still smiling amiably.

"Ah, I see! You went for a little walk to get some air!" She seemed delighted.

"We walked home very slowly in order to breathe the air," said Mr. Van Torp—"to breathe the air, as you say. I have to thank you very much for giving me your seat, Mrs. Rushmore."

"To tell the truth," replied the good lady, "I was very glad to let you take my place. I cannot say I enjoy that sort of music myself. It gives me a headache."

Margaret entered at this point in a marvelous "creation" of Chinese crape, of the most delicate shade of heliotrope. Her dressmaker called it a tea-gown, but Mr. Van Torp would have thought it "quite appropriate" for a "dinner-dance" at Bar Harbor.

"My dear child," said Mrs. Rushmore, "how long you were in getting back from the theater! I began to fear that something had happened!"

"We walked home very slowly," said Margaret, with a pleasant smile.

"Ah? You went for a little walk to get some air?"

"We just walked home very slowly, in order to breathe the air," Margaret answered innocently.

It dawned on Mr. Van Torp that the dignified Mrs. Rushmore was not quite devoid of a sense of humor. It also occurred to him that her repetition of the question to Margaret, and the latter's answer, must have revealed to her the fact that the two had agreed upon what they would say, since they used identically the same words, and that they therefore had an understanding about something they preferred to conceal from her. Nothing could have given Mrs. Rushmore such profound satisfaction as this, and it revealed itself in her bright smiles and her anxiety that both Margaret and Van Torp should, if possible, over-eat themselves with the excellent things she had been at pains to provide for them and for herself. For she was something of an epicure and her dinners in Versailles were of good fame, even in Paris.

Great appetites are generally silent, like the sincerest affections. Margaret was very hungry, and Mr. Van Torp was both hungry and very much in love. Mrs. Rushmore was neither, and she talked pleasantly while tasting each delicacy with critical satisfaction.

"By the by," she said at last, when

she saw that the millionaire was backing his foretopsal to come to anchor, as Capt. Brown might have expressed it. "I hope you have not had any trouble about your rooms, Mr. Van Torp."

"None at all, that I know of," answered the latter. "My man told me nothing."

"The Russian prince arrived this evening while you were at the theater, and threatened the director with all sorts of legal consequences because the rooms he had ordered were occupied. He turns out to be only a count after all."

"You don't say so," observed Mr. Van Torp, in an encouraging tone.

"What became of him?" Margaret asked, without much interest.

"Did Potts not tell you, my dear? Why, Justine assisted at the whole interview and came and told me at once."

Justine was Mrs. Rushmore's Parisian maid, who always knew everything.

"What happened?" inquired Margaret, still not much interested.

"He arrived in an automobile," answered Mrs. Rushmore, and she paused.

"What old Griggs calls a sudden-death-cart," Mr. Van Torp put in. "What a shocking name for it!" cried Mrs. Rushmore. "And you are always in them, my dear child!" She looked at Margaret. "A sudden-death-cart! It quite makes me shiver."

"Griggs says that all his friends either kill or get killed in them," explained the American.

"My throat-doctor says motoring is very bad for the voice, so I've given it up," Margaret said.

"Really? Thank goodness your profession has been of some use to you at last, my dear!"

Margaret laughed.

"Tell us about the Russian count," she said. "Has he found lodgings, or is he going to sleep in his motor?"

"My dear, he's the most original man you ever heard of! First, he wanted to buy the hotel and turn us all out, and offered any price for it, but the director said it was owned by a company in Munich. Then he sent his secretary about trying to buy a house, while he dined, but that didn't succeed either. He must be very wealthy or else quite mad."

"Mad, I should say," observed Mr. Van Torp, slowly peeling a peach. "Did you happen to catch his name, Mrs. Rushmore?"

"Oh, yes! We heard nothing else all the afternoon. His name is Kralinsky—Count Kralinsky."

Mr. Van Torp continued to peel his peach scientifically and economically, though he was aware that Margaret was looking at him with sudden curiosity.

"Kralinsky," he said slowly, keeping his eyes on the silver blade of the knife as he finished what he was doing. "It's not an uncommon name, I believe. I've heard it before. Sounds Polish, doesn't it?"

He looked up suddenly and showed Margaret the peeled peach on his fork. He smiled as he met her eyes, and she nodded so slightly that Mrs. Rushmore did not notice the movement.

"Did you ever see that done better?" he asked with an air of triumph.

"Ripping!" Margaret answered. "You're a dandy dab at it!"

"My dear child, what terrible slang!"

"I'm sorry," said Margaret. "I'm catching all sorts of American expressions from Mr. Van Torp, and when they get mixed up with my English ones the result is Babel, I suppose!"

"I've not heard Mr. Van Torp use any slang expressions yet, my dear," said Mrs. Rushmore, almost severely.

"You will," Margaret retorted with a laugh. "What became of Count Kralinsky? I didn't mean to spoil your story."

"My dear, he's got the pastor to give up his house, by offering him a hundred pounds for the poor here."

Van Torp left them soon after supper, and gave himself up to Stemp, pondering over what he had accomplished in two days, and also about another question which had lately presented itself. When he was ready to send his valet to bed he sat down at his table and wrote a telegram:

"If you can find Barak, please ex-

plain that I was mistaken. Kralinsky is not in New York, but here in Bayreuth for some days, lodging at the pastor's house."

This message was addressed to Logotheti at his lodgings in London, and Van Torp signed it and gave it to Stemp to be sent at once. Logotheti never went to bed before two o'clock, as he knew, and might very possibly get the telegram the same night.

When his man was gone, Van Torp drew his chair to the open window and sat up a long time thinking about what he had just done; for though he held that all was fair in such a contest, he did not mean to do anything which he himself thought "low down." One proof of this odd sort of integrity was that the telegram itself was a fair warning of his presence in Bayreuth, where Logotheti knew that Margaret was still stopping.

As for the rest, he was quite convinced that it was Kralinsky himself, the ruby merchant, who had suddenly appeared at Bayreuth, and that this man was no other than the youth he had met long ago as a cow-boy in the west, who used to whistle "Parsifal" with his companion in exile, and who, having grown rich, had lost no time in coming to Europe for the very purpose of hearing the music he had always loved so well. And that this man had robbed the poor Tartar girl, Mr. Van Torp had no manner of doubt; and he believed that he had probably promised her marriage and abandoned her; and if this were true, to help her to find Kralinsky was in itself a good action.

CHAPTER VII.

When Van Torp and Logotheti left Mr. Pinney's shop, the old jeweler meant to have a good look at the ruby the Greek had brought him, and was going to weigh it, not merely as a matter of business, for he weighed every stone that passed through his hands from crown diamonds to sparks, but with genuine curiosity, because in a long experience he had not seen very many rubies of such a size, which were also of such fine quality, and he wondered where this one had been found.

Just then, however, two well-dressed young men entered the shop and came up to him. He had never seen either of them before, but their looks inspired him with confidence; and when they spoke, their tone was that of English gentlemen, which all other Englishmen find it practically impossible to imitate, and which had been extremely familiar to Mr. Pin-

ney from his youth. Though he was the great jeweler himself, the wealthy descendant of five of his name in succession, and much better off than half his customers, he was alone in his shop that morning. The truth was that his only son, the sixth Pinney and the apple of his eye, had just been married and was gone abroad for a honeymoon trip, and the head shopman, who was Scotch, was having his month's holiday at Ayrshire, and the second man had been sent for, to clean and restring the duchess of Barchester's pearls at her grace's house in Cadogan Gardens, as was always done after the season, and a couple of skilled workmen for whom Mr. Pinney found occupation all the year round were in the workshop at their tables; wherefore, out of four responsible and worthy men who usually were about, only the great Mr. Pinney himself was at his post.

One of the two well-dressed customers asked to see some pins, and the other gave his advice. The first bought a pin with a small sapphire set in sparks, for ten guineas, and gave only ten pounds for it because he paid cash. Mr. Pinney put the pin into its little morocco case, wrapped it up neatly and handed it to the purchaser. The latter and his friend said good-morning in a civil and leisurely manner, sauntered out, took a hansom a few steps farther down the street, and drove away.

The little paper twist containing Logotheti's ruby was still exactly where Mr. Pinney had placed it on the counter, and he was going to examine the stone and weigh it at last, when two more customers entered the shop, evidently foreigners, and moreover of a sort unfamiliar to the good jeweler,

and especially suspicious.

The two were Baraka and her interpreter and servant, whom Logotheti had called a Turk, and who was really a Turkish subject and a Mohammedan, though as to race, he was a half-bred Greek and Dalmatian. The Dalmatians are generally honest, truthful, and trustworthy, and the class Greek of Constantinople is usually extremely sharp, if he is being more definitely reprehensible, and Baraka's man was a cross between the two, as I have said, and had been brought up as a Muslim in a rich Turkish family, and recommended to Baraka by the Persian merchant in whose house she had lived. He had been originally baptized a Christian under the name of Spiro, and had been subsequently renamed Slim when he was made a real Moslem at 12 years old, so he used whichever name suited the circumstances in which he was placed. At present he was Spiro.

The interpreter spoke broken but intelligible English. He called Baraka his master and explained that the latter wished to see some rubies, if Mr. Pinney had any, cut or uncut. The young gentleman, he said, did not speak English, but was a good judge of stones.

For one moment the jeweler forgot the little paper twist as he turned towards his safe, pulling out his keys at the same time. To reach the safe he had to walk the whole length of the shop, behind the counter, and before he had gone half way he remembered the stone, turned, came back and slipped it into his waistcoat pocket. Then he went and got the little japanned strong-box with a patent lock, in which he kept loose stones, some wrapped up in little pieces of paper, and some in pill boxes. He brought it to his customers, and opened it before them.

They stayed a long time, and Spiro asked many questions for Baraka, chiefly relating to the sliding scale of prices which is regulated by the



"Merciful Providence!" Cried Mr. Pinney.

weight of the stones where their quality is equally good, and Baraka made notes of some sort in a little English memorandum book, as if she had done it all her life; but Mr. Pinney could not see what she wrote. He was careful, and watched the stones when she took them in her fingers and held them up against the light, or laid them on a sheet of white paper to look at them critically.

She bought nothing, and when she had seen all he had to show her, she thanked him very much through Spiro, said she would come back another day, and went out with a leisurely, oriental gait, as if nothing in the world could hurry her. Mr. Pinney counted the stones again, and was going to lock the box, when his second man came in, having finished stringing the duchess's pearls. At the same moment, it occurred to Mr. Pinney that he might as well go to luncheon, and that he had better put Logotheti's

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TIDWELL BROS.

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Has any one ever discovered where Senator Hudspeth's seventy-four good dollars went?

Tom Campbell is now wearing a "frost" in place of the "smile" the reporters talked so much about a week ago.

Mt. Etna, in Sicily is on a tear again, and is making almost as much noise as Col. Roosevelt when in a political campaign.

Col. Bryan and Col. Roosevelt recently held a two hours conference. Wonder which one remained silent during the confab?

There were about two hundred pros in attendance on the pro meeting at Dallas and there were just as many candidates, for office as members present.

The split-log drag is said to be the cheapest and best instrument ever used to smooth down roads after rains. They are good for streets too, but if ever one of these instruments was ever used in this county we never heard of it.

It is strange what unbounded cheek some politicians have. This is made evident lately in some of the men mentioned to succeed Senator Bailey. Some of the men are so small that Bailey's toga would cover them like a wagon sheet and THE STAR is not a Baileyite either.

President Taft is out on a jollying tour of thirteen thousand miles, an unlucky number of miles, but the President will need all his optimism to patch up the holes he and his party have kicked out in the republican fence during the past year.

The pros say they will thin their candidates down to one in a hill before the primary. From all indications the pro crop of candidates will need thinning as there were about ten times as many candidates at Dallas Saturday, attending the pro caucus as there are offices to fill and not one-tenth of them were there. Yes they will have a good crop to thin, and then the antis will cut down the stalk they leave.

Germany tried to bulldoze France over the Morocco question, and came near starting a dangerous money panic at home. Money is stronger than emperors, kings and republics. Germany may be stronger than France in numbers, but France is the stronger financially and there will not likely be any war. This trouble all came about because both governments are trying to rob a helpless people.

Secretary Wilson should resign and several of his subordinates who made war on Dr. Wiley should be unceremoniously fired. There is a nest of thieves and grafters in the Agricultural Department that ply their trade right under the nose of the aged Secretary. He is too old or too careless in the administration of the Agricultural Department, and he ought to realize it by this time.

Both pros and antis seem to have overlooked Congressman Randell after Senator Bailey announced his determination not to be a candidate again. Whether they see it that way or not, both sides will have to reckon with Mr. Randell, who has announced as a candidate not as an anti, not as a pro, but as a democrat. Strange both sides have overlooked the fact that Mr. Randell had announced as a candidate long before Senator Bailey decided not to run again.

The pros had one day of rejoicing over their victory (?) and then the tables turned and the returns showed that the state had gone anti. There is this difference, however. The antis in Maine had one day of victory, then the returns indicated a pro victory and the pros had three days of victory and the returns sent to the secretary of state showed that Maine had repudiated prohibition after sixty years' trial.

Dr. Wiley has been completely vindicated by President Taft and he owes his escape from political decapitation to the press of the United States, that balked one of the dirtiest schemes ever concocted to disgrace a faithful and competent officer. President Taft nor any other man is big enough to defy public opinion in this country. The schemers who were trying to emasculate the pure food law demanded Dr. Wiley's resignation because they could not control or bluff him.

Rev. G. G. Hamilton of Clyde formerly one of the hardest fighters against socialism has himself become a convert to the political doctrine he, for years so vigorously opposed. Well, we have great respect for any man who honestly contends for what he believes to be right, though we may not agree with his views. If Rev. Hamilton believes socialism is best for the country then as an honest man he did right in changing his views and showed his manliness in publicly proclaiming his change of front. THE STAR, however, does not agree with the socialistic theory, but merely wishes to commend honesty in politics or in anything else.

When it came to a showdown the pro leaders shied at nominations of pro candidates to run in the democratic primary next year. It took some of the pro statesmen a long time to realize that they are treading on dangerous ground when advocating factional nominations within the democratic party. When the pros call a convention to nominate a pro ticket, right then and there they read themselves out of the party, no matter what they say about it. The democrats who object to such proceedings could and doubtless would enjoin those pro candidates having their names placed on the democratic primary ticket. If a faction of the democratic party can do this, then the republican, socialist or any other party could nominate a ticket and run it in the democratic primary, which would make the primary law a farce, which is mighty near being anyway. If the Thomases, Balls, Rankins, Lightfoots and Lanes think more of prohibition than the democratic party then they should get out of the party and join the prohibition party, where they belong.

The pro committee met at Dallas, resolute and pirouetted around felicitating themselves and condemned the antis from Dan to Bersheba. There were about 200 politicians and political preachers present, and there were as many political lightning rods up; but when it came to naming the pro bunch to run for state offices and United States senator they shied like wild mustangs. Why? Because there were more candidates than office. Tom Ball, Cullen Thomas and Cone Johnson were the lions of the hour. Tom Campbell was there, but it had leaked out that he had for several days been down at Austin trying to frame up a slate with himself as a candidate for senator, Ramsey for governor and Lightfoot for Attorney-General, and the result was Tom got the "frost" of his life. He was not even invited to speak. A. S. Hawkins, candidate for lieutenant-governor, was there and said if there was any indorsement he was entitled to it. Albert Sidney did not get the endorsement. Comptroller W. P. Lane was there wailing against Colquitt, so was Lightfoot. About the only thing this bunch of politicians agreed on was in their animosity against Colquitt. Only three men got anything out of the convention that will help them with the pro faction. Ball, Thomas, and Cone

most astute politician of the bunch. Poor Tom Campbell! What he got was a plenty, and he must have lost his "smile" the reporters have been talking so much about lately. The pros seemed to realize for the first time that all talk of a convention to nominate pros to run in a democratic primary was a dangerous thing. Tom Jones, of Tyler, seemed to realize this and asked several times if this was a pro or a democratic meeting. His fears were quieted, but he and Cone Johnson and Ball had killed the scheme of Tom Campbell, Lane and Lightfoot to get indorsements for themselves for various offices. They all declared with one voice that the time was inopportune to name candidates or call a convention to name candidates to run in a democratic primary, but all said when the time come they would thin out the candidates to one in a hill. One thing noticeable was that while the whole bunch were anxious to defeat Colquitt none seemed anxious to tackle him. Cullen Thomas was often mentioned. The senatorial toga of Senator Bailey seems particularly attractive to Ball, Cone and Cullen and the question now is, which will the pros support? Tom Campbell seems to be out of it. Comptroller Lane did not cut near so much of a swell as he expected, neither did Lightfoot. Tom Love, who hit Texas running for office, was there, and it was whispered around that he wanted John L. Wortham's place on the railroad commission. It will afford many democrats a great deal of pleasure to swat Tom Love when he pops up for some office, as he is sure to do. A number of pro members of the legislature were there, but except Vaughn, the bunch did not seem to meet with much of a welcome. Wonder why Paige, the chairman of the Prohibition party, was absent? He ought to have felt at home among that bunch that took so much pleasure in denouncing the democratic state administration.

GOVERNOR COLQUITT'S VIGOROUS ACTION.

Governor Colquitt is taking the proper course in respect to the charges of violations of the election law. His proclamation offering rewards for the arrest and conviction of men who have committed crimes against the ballot box will be very apt to get results, if irregularities and crimes have been committed, and the people are far more interested in the results than in the political capital the politician are trying to manufacture in Austin. The rewards proclaimed offer the opening for men to tell what they know, anywhere in Texas, and afford the prohibitionists who claim to have been cheated out of the election the opportunity to get the evidence before the grand juries.

The Governor announces his determination to employ all agencies at his command to punish perpetrators to election frauds and acts of unlawful intimidation, and with the allowance of \$27,500, for which he had asked the legislature, there is no doubt of his ability to conduct a real investigation and prosecution if the alleged offenses have been committed.

If the prohibition committee does not now come forward and aid the governor to the extent of its ability the people will inevitably reach the conclusion that the alleged frauds were not committed and that the sole object of making the complaints was to promote the incipient political booms which are now shaping themselves at Austin.

We take it that the great body of the people are not interested in these personal ambitions which now seek to take their toll out of the recent prohibition movement as they are in punishing crimes against the ballot. They are sure to feel that the integrity of the election rises above such exigencies as grow out of individual ambitions, and that the governor's vigorous proposal to ferret out and punish such crimes as many have been committed deserves the support of the legislature and the co-operation of all good citizens. It is impossible to place confidence in the claim that the purpose of the proposed legislative investigation is

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to elicit facts upon which to base an amendment of the end that future offences may be punished with certainty. The law is already equipped as Mr. Standifer showed in his argument to deal with such condition when they arise. It is more likely that the intent of the investigation, so far as it relates to the election law, is to further restrict the ballot in Texas by the enactment of measures such as a member suggested the other day, viz: The adoption of the educational test, the grandfather clause, more rigid laws affecting the suffrage rights of foreign-born citizens, and possibly an equal suffrage law. There are, no doubt, men who would be willing to revolutionize society and the government merely to get their one idea rammed down unwilling throats of the people of South Texas.

But what the people of both sides want—the conservative self-contained people—is vigorous action against those who have violated the ballot box, and this is what is the duty of the governor, the grand juries, the courts and all good citizens to promote, and this is the course the governor is determined to pursue. The clearheadedness and courage of the governor amid the difficulties which surround him are commendable and that he will do his duty in the premises, while his enemies evade real issues and play politics is too plain to doubt.—Houston Post.

Soliloquy On Immortality. It must be so—Plato, thou reasonest well!— Else when this pleasing hope, this fond desire, This longing after immortality? Or whence this secret dread, and inward horror, Of falling into naught? Why shrinks the soul Back on herself, and startles at destruction? 'Tis the divinity that stirs within us; 'Tis heaven itself, that points out a hereafter, And intimates eternity to man. Eternity!—thou pleasing, dreadful thought! Through what variety of untried being, Through what new scenes and changes must we pass! The wide, the unbounded prospect lies before me; But shadows, clouds and darkness rest upon it, Here will I hold. If there's a Power above us (And that there is, all Nature cries aloud Through all her works,) he must delight in virtue; And that which he delights in must be happy, But when? or where? This world was made for Caesar. I'm weary of conjectures—this must end 'em. (Laying his hand on his sword.) Thus am I doubly armed; my death and life,

antidote, are both be. This is a mere; But this pent brings me to an end The soul, ms I shall never die. red in her existence, At the drapes dagger, and defies its The stars, nt, fade away, the sun Grow dim self age, and Nature sink But thou wears; flourish in immortal Unhurt amth, The wreckage war of elements, matter and the crash orlds. —Joseph Addison. MA ELECTION. On the f counted by of the returns as the antis wortate election board, —26 votes. Navarro co by about 500 went pro Saturday was already durity. The county

FOR GOVERNOR. Judge W. F. Ramsey has announced for governor against Gov. Colquitt. Ramsey is a pro and expects to win on that ground. The antis expect to defeat him for the same reason and put an anti in his place on the supreme bench. Christian Endeavor. Program for Sunday, Sept. 24th. Leader—Eva Reed. Song No. 60. Missionary Hardships, 2d Tim., 4. 5. Song No. 127. Recitation—Vera Bell Elliott. Reading—Irving Faust. Recitation—Glyndol Elliott. Reading—Pelunia Fraser. 1st Psalm. Recitation—George Thomas Faust. Song No. 61. Benediction. Misses Bess Franklin and Opal McFarlane visited relatives in Abilene a few days the first of the week.

Illustration of a book titled 'The best lesson you can learn is to put your money in the Bank'. Below the illustration is an advertisement for THE NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD, featuring names like J. B. Harn, B. L. Rus, J. F. Dyer, and Henry James, V. Pr, W. S. Hinds Asst. Cas, Turner, Asst. Cashier, Tom Windham.



ARE the CHILDREN READY for SCHOOL?

If the children are not ready for School, bring them in and buy their clothes now, so that when they first start in with their new books they can also have new clothes. Remember, that dressing well is a necessary part of the children's education. We have the rough-and-tumble kind of things for children; also, all of the dainty little things Mother's love their children to wear. We always welcome children in our store.

SCHOOL OPENS SEPT., 25th.

Do not wait until the School Bell rings before you think of what your children are going to wear, but have them ready for they all like to be well dressed when they meet their new teachers and other pupils on the first day. Every Mother should decide what the children need in the way of School Clothes, make the necessary purchases, get through with the trouble and worry before school starts.

For the School Boys and Girls.

My Store is the very place where you can provide your Boys and Girls with everything in the way of School Clothes. If the Girls need dresses, we have a nice line of goods for you to select from. If the Boys should want a nice suit, get him a "Captain Kidd" and buy both the Boys and Girls a pair of "Red Goose" School Shoes. Our new line has just arrived and it is better than ever.

Hosiery for Children.

We have a splendid line of Hosiery for Boys and Girls, just the kind you want for school wear.

See Our Millinery Department.

The Ladies are especially invited to call and see our new stock of Millinery goods. We have a beautiful line of the new felt hats in all shades and styles, and if we should not happen to have a hat trimmed to suit your exact taste Mrs. Ricketts will be glad to take your order for any shape or style in trimming that you could ask for.

White Canvass Shoes

Our line of White Canvass Button Shoes for Ladies have arrived. Get yours while the stock is complete.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

Advertised Letters.

The following list of letters remain uncalled for in the P. O. at Baird, Texas, for the week ending Aug. 18, 1911. When calling for same please say "advertised."

1 cent due on advertised letters.

Willie A. Boyd
Mr. Ralph Clemer
Mr. W. P. Smith

L. F. McMANIS, P. M.

For Sale.—Young Jersey cow and heifer calf, \$40 for both. M. J. Parks Rt. 1, Baird, Texas. 43-2t.

All kinds of Phonograph supplies. They make the home happier. Get one from Holmes. 43

Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones were in from the ranch Monday. Misses Wilhe and Manche Gilliland went out home with them to spend a few days

Tom Windham and daughter, Miss Winnie, of Oplin, came in Tuesday. Miss Winnie will attend Dr. Collier's private school.

Miss Myrtle Boydston is at home from Kansas City, Mo., where she spent the summer with her sister, Mrs. Hensen.

Mrs. L. F. Nolan, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Walker, returned to her home at Whiteright, last week.

Mr. C. H. Walker, of Jacksonville Ill., who spent sometime visiting his son, C. F. Walker, returned home a few days ago.

Mrs. W. H. Shanks, Art Teacher. Three hours per week, four weeks, \$4.00. Water colors, pencil, oil and tapestry. Phone 85. 42-2

Let me write your property, or increase the line you are carrying, in one of my twelve old line stock companies. J. Rupert Jackson. Over Home National Bank. 42-2

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Tatum entertained at their home near Belle Plaine last Friday evening for Mrs. Tatum's sister, Miss Marie Dalmont, of Plainview.

Mrs. John Flores' guests at dinner Friday were Misses Annie Mae and Nannie Bell Tatum, Miss Marie Dalmont of Plainview and Mrs. M. A. Barnhill of Baird.

Sam Windham, of Brown county, who was reported in THE STAR last week as seriously ill, is improving and was considerable better when his brothers, H. and Tom Windham and sisters, Mrs. J. W. Jones and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland and Capt. J. W. Jones and Mrs. Tom Windham left there Sunday.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By Virtue of an Execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court Precinct No. 1, Callahan County, Texas, on the 11th day of September A. D. 1911, in the case of J. L. McCammon versus J. F. Vaughn No. 897, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 11th day of Sept., A. D. 1911, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in November A. D. 1911, it being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Callahan County in the town of Baird, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which J. F. Vaughn had on the 11th day of Sept., A. D. 1911, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: All of those tracts of land in Callahan County, Texas, and town of Clyde, to-wit: The first tract being the whole of fractional Block No. 21. The second tract being fractional Block No. 21 as laid down and described in the W. K. Kuykendall addition to said town of Clyde, said Fractional Block 21 being out of the S. W. 1-4 of Sec. 66, surveyed by the B. B. & C. Ry. Co. Beginning at the N. W. corner of fractional Block No. 21 of said town of Clyde, thence W. 241 feet. Thence S. 300 feet. Thence E. 265 feet. Thence N. to the place of beginning. Said property being levied on as the property of J. F. Vaughn to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$62.50, in favor of J. L. McCammon and costs of suit.

Given Under my Hand this 11th day of Sept., A. D. 1911.
43-4
F. F. RAINS,
Sheriff Callahan County, Texas.

Will Franklin returned home Monday from a weeks sojourn at Mineral Wells and has resumed his duties as assistant cashier at the Home National Bank.

Room Wanted:—Good sized, comfortable, furnished room with stove in west part of town. John Wood, at Mrs. Cunningham's rooming house. 43-1p

The dancing school that is now being conducted at the Atrium by Mr. E. S. Rogers, who has recently located among us, is proving to be quite a success from reports given us. It has been sometime since the young people of Baird have had an opportunity of availing themselves of one who is so proficient in the art. It is reported that Mr. Rogers has quite a large class, and that much enthusiasm is being shown.

Try Pheno Lythol for catarrh. Holmes makes and guarantees it. 43

PERSONAL MENTION

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens, a boy.

Brooks Rowland, of Abilene, visit friends in Baird Sunday.

Mrs. Al Young, from near Eula, was shopping in Baird Wednesday.

Mrs. L. Blakley from Crooked Creek was in town Monday.

Ex Sheriff Al Irvin, of Oplin, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. and M. Cliff Hill from the Bayou were in town a few days ago.

Mrs. Harve Finch, of Admiral, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Berry were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Powell, of Caps, visited Mr. Powell's mother and other relatives here this week.

T. M. Slaughter, of Tecumseh, spent several days here this week attending the Masonic lectures.

Oibern Russel and Russell Surles left Sunday for Austin where they will attend the State University.

Misses Cossett and Anna Faust will leave Sunday for Austin, where they will enter the State University.

The Wednesday Club met with Mrs. W. R. Ely this week.

Finis Watts made a flying trip to Ranger Wednesday.

Ever see any W. W. W. rings? Let Holmes show them to you. 43

Mrs. Mike Sigal is able to be out again after an illness of several days

Mrs. J. J. Prude, of Stamford, is visiting her father, H. F. Foy.

Use Kreso and thus protect your stock from flies. Holmes Drug Co. 42-2

Sheriff F. F. Rains and little Miss Stell Rains, left Wednesday for Austin to spend a few days.

W. H. Perry, living out west of town was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office Tuesday.

See J. Rupert Jackson for tornado, plate glass, and accident insurance. 42-2

Farley Bell and Pink Norrell returned Monday from a trip to El Paso and other points west.

Let Holmes sell you your tablets, pencils, pens, inks and school books Phone 11. 43

W. F. Hutchinson, from Putnam, has accepted a position as book keeper for B. L. Boydston.

Born.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Baum, of Dressy, Texas, on Sept. 15th, 1911, a girl.

John Boen and J. F. Price, of Rowden, were in town the first of the week.

Miss Ethel Hinds left last Saturday night for Bonham, where she will enter Carlton School.

Claud Flores, of Belle Plaine, was in town Tuesday to meet his sister, Mrs. Mahon, of Cisco.

Mrs. Price McFarlane and children, of Belle Plaine, were in town, Saturday.

Barry Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Russell, left a few days ago for Mississippi, where he will attend school.

John Asbury made a trip out to Pecos last week to attend a gun club shoot. John won enough prizes to pay all expenses of the trip.

Mrs. Carl Scott has returned to Abilene after a two weeks visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Emmons.

Miss Alice Gilliland returned from Fort Worth, where she accompanied her sister, Miss Vida, who will attend Polytechnic College. Miss Alice visited relatives at Granbury enroute home.

Miss Lizzie Grantham of Oplin, is here attending Dr. Collier's private school.

Mrs. Mahan, of Cisco, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Flores at Belle Plaine.

T. E. Powell returned a few days ago from a trip to the Pecos country to look after some land matters.

Famous Anasco Cameras and films for all standard cameras and kodaks Holmes Drug Co. Phone 11. 43

Earnest Cooke, of Scotland, Archer county, came in some days ago to visit his mother, Mrs. A. Cooke. His wife has been here some time.

See J. Rupert Jackson for all kinds of insurance. Office over Home National Bank. 42-2

Misses Bess Franklin and Opal McFarlane returned from Abilene Wednesday after a few days visit to relatives.

Miss Pearl Hatchett, of Hillsboro, arrived Saturday and began her class in music. She is teaching at the home of Mrs. E. M. Faust.

Miss Pearl Hatchett, teacher of piano, has arrived and is ready to receive all who desire to enroll. Studio in the home of Mrs. E. M. Faust.

When The Bank Says "NO"

The bank says "NO" to the man who wants to be pulled out of a hole.

The bank says "NO" to the man who tries to hide the facts.

The bank says "NO" to the man who doesn't know the facts.

The bank says "NO" to the man who wants to take a flyer.

The bank says "NO" unless it sees convertible facts.

The bank says "NO" unless it believes in customer.

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F. L. Driskill, Asst. C. Will C. Frank

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Hill & Hill	Quart \$1.25	Gallon \$5.00
Casco	" 1.00	" 4.00
Restora	" 1.25	" 4.50
Geronimo	" 1.25	" 4.50
Walnut Hill	" 1.00	" 4.00
Guckenhimer.	" 1.25	" 5.00
O. F. C.	" 1.25	" 5.00

CASE GOODS.

International	Quart \$1.25	Gallon \$4.75
Carlisle Rye	" 1.25	" 4.75
Martin's Best	" 1.50	" 5.50
Murry Hill Club	" 1.50	" 5.50
J. C. W.	" 1.00	" 4.00

BARRELL GOODS.

Hill & Hill	Quart \$1.00	Gallon \$3.75
International	" 1.00	" 3.75
Parker Rye	" 1.25	" 5.00
Stone River Bourbon	" 1.00	" 3.50
Pure White Corn	" 75	" 3.00
Arkansas Apple Brandy	" 1.00	" 4.00
Maryland Peach Brandy	" 1.25	" 5.00
Black Berry Brandy	" 75	" 3.00
Apricot Brandy	" 1.00	" 3.75
Grappa Brandy	" 1.00	" 4.00

WINES.

Virginia Dare	Quart 1.00	Gallon \$3.50
Port	" 75	" 3.00
Sherry	" 75	" 3.00
Zinfandel	" 75	" 3.00

BEER.

Lemp Beer per Keg	\$3.75
One dollar Refunded on return of Keg.	
Lemp Flagstaff Bottled Beer per Cask (10 doz pints)	11.00
15 cents per doz. for Return of Bottles.	

NOLAN COUNTY FAIR

OCT. 4, 5, AND 6.

The annual Fair of the Nolan County Fair Association will be held in Roscoe Oct. 4, 5, and 5th. Several hundred dollars in premiums will be given in first, second and third prizes on agriculture and horticulture products, poultry, and all kinds of live stock.

This Fair is designed to be of especial benefit to the farming and live stock interests in this section, and every person interested in these lines of industry is cordially invited to come and enter whatever products you choose. The management of this county fair wants the co-operation of every person in this part of Texas and will consider it a privilege if you enter something or if attend.

It is expected that one of the most interesting departments will be the display, and the ladies everywhere are invited to take part in the contest for prizes in this department. In addition to the prizes offered on the fair, ranging as high as \$100, will be given on horse races. Information about the races in the Nolan County Fair

Association, Roscoe, Texas, for a free catalogue that will give a list of all prizes offered, rules, etc.

SINGING ASSOCIATION.

The United Singers Association of Callahan County will meet with the Eula Class, on Saturday night before the Second Sunday in October.

All Singers Leaders of the County are requested to be present at the opening of this Association.

We also send invitation to the singing Leaders of others Counties to meet with us in our associational work.

Let all leaders taken courage and look forward for better results in our singing work. Trusting that this will be one of the best Conventions the Country has ever held. I remain,

Yours in song work,
W.L.Pool, Pres.

PAY UP.

We have a number of subscription accounts more than one year in arrears, and unless paid up at once all such will have to be discontinued. The Postmaster General does not allow publishers to carry subscriptions over one year in arrears, but owing to hard times we have let some run over, but we must now collect them or discontinue paper to all over one year in arrears.

FINE AND FLEET HORSES AT FAIR

Many of the Best Are Listed to Be on Hand.

PURSES TRULY TEMPTING

Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars Offered Both for Thoroughbreds and Harness Horses, and Amount Provided for Exhibition Studs.

It has been an axiom from time immemorial that the trite saying "no foot no horse" can have been no more truthful statement than to now say "no horse no fair," for in the years gone by had there been no racing at the Great State Fair of Texas, there would not have been many horses bred or raised. You might say that the Great State Fair of Texas, at Dallas has been God-mother to all breeders of high-class stock and more especially the race horse, whether it has been raced or kept for driving purposes, at home or abroad, it can be said without the possibility of refutation that the Great State Fair has been built on and around the performances of that great animal "The Horse."

Robert Ingersoll has been quoted as having said that "much that is good in man is the dog that is in him." In this we differ with him to some extent, and although the dog is an ever source of pleasure and comfort to man, still it is our firm belief that had we to do without one or the other, man could have best survived the total elimination of the dog, than that of the horse. And though many of us are too young to recall the fact, it is a matter of history that when railroads were first put into operation, it was most generally predicted that the total demise of the horse would follow. How fallacious this statement proved to be we all now well know. Again when with a rub that carried the rich, the poor, in fact all the masses a wheel from the very first invention of the old-time bicycle, again was that ever ready prediction often made, the horse must go, did he? And yet another era, one which does not take an octogenarian to recall, was the incoming of the automobile, then indeed was our old friend and faithful companion, the ever patient and long forgoing horse, to go the way of the ancient Eolippus, again we ask, did he?

If you wish to try an unusual experiment, just hie you forth into the markets of the East, or if you will, elsewhere, and see what a good ordinary everyday horse can be, first found, and next, purchased for. To further illustrate, we might say that not a great time past a combination sale was held in a large city of the East, noted the world over for its millionaires, and that sale seven hundred and fifty horses were sold, can you imagine for one minute that this great number of horses could be gathered from the four corners of the earth and have them all perfect, is it not more likely to have been the case that some of them were too young for immediate use, and yet others too old, and in the ere and yellow leaf as it were, and again might not many of them been afflicted with some of the many ills that horse flesh is heir to, or blemished in drivers and sundry ways, or can you for a moment claim that it is possible to gather that number from the many breeders all over the United States and have a number of them a perfect and technically sound horse. At any rate, the average price of this sale was four hundred and fifty-four dollars each, and yet, there are these who would have us believe that the few days on earth are numbered. Had you ever thought that unlike any other crop raised by the farmers of this great country that it takes just six years to replenish our stock of horses? If our country was suffering from a shortage of corn, oats, barley, rye or cotton, one year would be sufficient to do away with that shortage not so however, with our livestock for from baby beef to horses, it takes from three to six years to have them ready for market.

A few years ago it was possible to find many of our young men mounted on a horse that the trappings were of more value than the horse and the former would most likely be represented by about twenty-five dollars as a cash outlay, this is far from being the case today. An elegant combination horse will command the attention not only along the streets on which he may be driven or ridden, but will also sell on the open market for from five hundred to one thousand dollars. Then we ask—can our farmers do better than to one or more of such colts each year raise one or more such colts each year and feed to them their surplus grain and hay to the end that someone more able to own them than their breeders may purchase and fit them for the market, as breeding and raising them belongs to one class and the educating and fitting of them to another.

Can it not be said that each breeder's success at our annual State Fair when the finished product is shown will be an additional incentive to all onlookers and visitors at the fair meeting to at least try and raise something that can be shown in competition with his neighbor and are we not all ambitious to excel? In conclusion it can be asked—is it not the Great State Fair, held at Dallas, in all its colossal proportions, its various products of the states many farms, its mineral resources, lumber and mining interests built upon and intertwined with the horse. Would any one of the many enumerated industries have been the proven success that they have been without the aid of the horse, then we proclaim, all hail to the greatest of all of the lower animals given by a great and beneficent God, to man, the horse. Again can we say that no other than the Great State Fair of Texas has done more, nor have other interests been able to do as much for the breeders of livestock in the South-west as have they.

At their annual meeting, October 14-15, 1911, twenty-eight thousand dollars will be given in purses to both thoroughbred and harness horses, and in addition to this, there will also be given for exhibition horses fifty-eight hundred dollars, for cattle eighty-six hundred dollars, and still further for premiums on swine, sheep, goats, dairy, farm and mill products, cotton, corn, county exhibits, poultry, etc., etc., will be given a grand total of twenty-seven thousand, three hundred and five dollars.

There will be expended in the fall of 1911, in Dallas, by the State Fair of Texas, in premiums, purses, permanent improvements and operations, a grand total of two hundred and five thousand, three hundred and five dollars.

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We carry a full and complete line of Staple and Fancy Groceries. In fact we have the largest stock of groceries to be found in Callahan County, and guarantee them to be pure and fresh. We also carry everything in the Feed line, such as Hay, Bran, Chops, etc.

We receive daily shipments of Fresh Vegetables, such as Lettuce, Onions, Raddish, Beets, Turnips, etc. When you want fresh vegetables phone us your order and it will be given prompt attention.

We appreciate your patronage in the past and hope by courteous treatment and selling good, pure groceries at reasonable prices to merit a continuation of the same.

We pay the highest market price for your wheat and oats.

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I carry a full line of Men's Work Clothes, Gloves, Shoes, Shirts, Underwear, Boy's Waists, Hose, Laces, Buttons, Combs, in fact I carry a complete line of Notions, Towels, Table Covers, All kinds of Shelf Hardware, Graniteware, Tinware, Glassware, Chinaware, Queensware and etc. I have not cut prices, but have the lowest prices established and will take pleasure in showing you the many bargains here offered.

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Warm weather is here and Ice Boxes, Refrigerator, Milk Coolers, Water Coolers etc are in demand, and we are prepared to meet your needs in this line. We handle the Gurney Refrigerator, the best and most sanitary refrigerator made.

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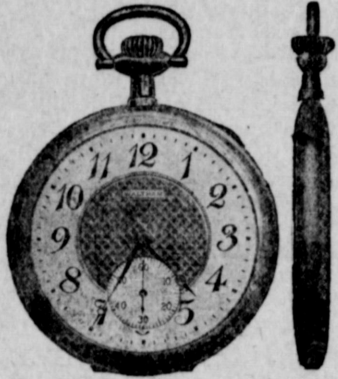
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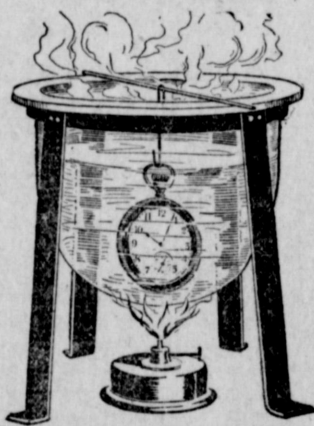
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This watch, one of the South Bend Models, will in all probability be handed down from generation to generation for a century or more, and if it is not abused it will doubtless be keeping time in the year 2011 just as well as today.

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Burnt Branch Locals:

Sept. 17th.—Our old friend Dad Chatham of Turkey Creek country called on his way to Dressy community.

There seems to be a general rush to get over the cotton which generally is opening very fast. Every one who can pull a sack and rassel with a boll seems on the go and have a job if only a short one.

J. G. Aiken has wound up road-work in the Cottonwood country and is at home gathering his crops and harvesting feed.

Visited Cottonwood this week and found things lively indeed for a non-rail road town. Paul Ramsey, our old friend, is there dispensing the filthy lucre from the counter of his nice and well arranged little bank; and Paul has every appearance of a Banker, in flesh, in intellect and money sense. This is a branch of the 1st National Bank of Baird and we wish them well in this new enterprise. Our old friend Fred Griffin seemed to be up to his ears in business, and he and the other merchants of the town purpose to sell goods at R. R. prices. Carter & Kenady, Millard Ray, Walter Robbins were all smiles and seemed to be strictly in business. The shops of the town were making forge and hammer ring which added much to the life of the town. Friend Cooper informed me they had ginned over 100 bales of cotton up to Monday. This is a good and as well arranged gin as there is in the county. Did not get to see the "Courier" man as he was not in. He is running an up to date newspaper and we wish him well and he shall have laid down the law. He may find something better to do great beyond. All in all Cottonwood is a "live wire" and it is good to visit there.

Do not forget to mention my

old friend of half a century, Uncle Abe Cochran, who I always go to see.

Mrs. Jno. W. Aiken, who has been very sick is much improved, thanks to the skill of Dr. Griffin of Cottonwood.

Mrs. S. H. Barton and daughter, Miss Susie, of Holland, Bell Co., Tex are with their sick sister and aunt, Mrs. Jno. W. Aiken, and will remain several days with other relatives. Mrs. Barton informs your correspondent that we have better prospects in this county than in Bell county, considered by many the garden spot of Texas. They are dry with little corn raised, no grain, and cotton light. You see that others fall as well as us.

Have not gathered much news for this week and hope The Star will overlook our short comings and will try to do better next time.

R. B. Garrett and wife of the Terminal visited their sister, Mrs. Aiken, this week.

J. W. Aiken and family hereby tender to their kind neighbors of the Burnt Branch country and all others of other localities, their sincere thanks for the many kindnesses extended and favors shown Mrs. Aiken in her illness. God bless you all in our sincere wish.

Callahan County Teachers Institute in Session at Baird Texas.

The teachers of Callahan county have again assembled in the Baird High School Building for Institute work.

From the beginning the teachers have taken an active part in all discussions with an interest that shows they are greatly concerned in the welfare of the school children of this county. Everyone seems to

have come with the intention of imparting and receiving just such information as will enable them to do more efficient work when they get to their respective fields of labor.

In addition to the general discussions of the entire body of teachers the Institute is this year divided into Primary, Intermediate, and High School sections, which meet in different rooms for the purpose of solving problems peculiar to these spheres of work. We believe this to be a judicious change in Institute work as it saves time by allowing each teacher to participate in just the kind of exercises as are suitable to his or her grade of teaching.

The teachers will leave this meeting with an inspiration and a determination to do better work this year and to raise the standard of education in the county to a higher plane.

Miss Elizabeth Manning, of Dallas will open a Kindergarten School in the old Presbyterian Church, Monday, Sept. 25th. Miss Manning comes highly recommended as a teacher and will appreciate your patronage. 43-1tp.

We have a fine jeweler and optician in charge of our jewelry department, also a new line of watches, buttons, bracelets, chains, lockets, and W. W. W. rings. Holmes Drug Co. Phone 11. 43

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Halsted and children left Thursday, of last week for their new home in Winkler county. They are making the trip overland and will probably be on the road a week or more. We are sorry to have Mr. and Mrs. Halsted leave us but wish them happiness and prosperity in their new home.

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TEXAS COTTON PALACE.

The second annual Exposition to be given by the Texas Cotton Palace will take place November 4 to 19 inclusive.

This event is in a class by itself and is not only entertaining and elevating, but decidedly educational, and there are opportunities in these lines at the Cotton Palace that no other fair in Texas possesses. During the past year the management has added a great machinery hall and floral building to the large buildings of last year and with those additions and others many entirely new features have been added.

There will be everything to amuse, entertain and instruct and from the reports that are being received already the Cotton Palace will be attended by more than twice as many people this year as last.

One of the great features of the Exposition will be the two concerts daily by Ellis Brooks' famous military band, which is recognized all over the world as the largest, the best equipped and the greatest musical organization of the present age.

Very low rates will be given on all railroads during the Exposition and Waco will give all visitors a most cordial welcome.

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AN OBJECT LESSON.

In this time of demand for compulsory Sunday observance, an object lesson may be found in the fact that there are in this country more than one hundred thousand Christians who observe the seventh-day Sabbath, and their number is constantly increasing. They are scattered throughout every state in the union, and live in the cities, in the towns, and in the country districts. The day which they observe as the Sabbath has become the busiest day of the week in the commercial world, and they are surrounded by those who are pursuing their ordinary work on that day. When they go to their places of worship their eyes necessarily behold what they regard as a desecration of a holy day, and their ears are saluted with the hum of secular industry. They would be glad to have all observe the Sabbath "according to the commandment," and thus honor the Creator, but they never have asked, and never will ask, for legislative enactments which would compel those to pay an outward regard to this day. They must be fully convinced by their own consciences that they ought to keep it holy. They simply ask to be left free to observe the day of their choice without being fined either directly or indirectly,—without being compelled to pay a fine in money into the state treasury or to pay a fine in the way of loss of time by enforced idleness upon a day which the Scriptures designate as a working day,—and they freely concede to others the civil right to work on the seventh day of the week and to rest on another day if they choose to do so, or to refuse to observe any day as the Sabbath.

Now if such a body of Christian observers of the seventh day of the week can be developed in this country by the power of conscientious conviction alone, in the face of all those circumstances which the advocates of Sunday observance regard as so fatal to their cause, is it not apparent that no Christian institution needs the support of the civil power? We commend this object lesson to the consideration of those who are claiming that what they designate as "the Cristian Sabbath" will perish from the earth unless they can secure the passage of laws to protect and preserve it.

W. W. PRESCOTT.

H. A. McWhorter was in town yesterday.

Miss Anna Bauman is able to be out again after a very severe attack of rheumatism.

J. A. Ayers, of Cottonwood, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office yesterday.

Iley McWhorter, who recently bought Capt. J. W. Jones' old home in the east part of town, moved in Wednesday.

Miss Elizabeth Manning, of Dallas will open a Kindergarten school in the old Presbyterian Church, Monday.

Miss Rexie Gilliland has been elected to the position of assistant teacher in the Cottonwood Public School.

C. E. Walker, at Terrell's drug store, has an ear of corn, mentioned in THE STAR before, raised near Jacksonville, Ill., in the main corn belt of the state. The ear contains 18 rows, 56 grains to the row, total 1,008 grains. The yield of corn in the field from which it was taken was one hundred bushels per acre.

Jim C. Jones, accompanied by his wife, has returned from Dallas, where he has been for almost three weeks in a hospital. We are glad to state that he is recovering from his recent illness caused by appendicitis and which came so near costing him his life.—Alvarado Bulletin.

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