

# The Haskell Free Press.

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Offers large list of desirable lands. Furnishes Abstracts of Title. Writes insurance.  
All kinds of bonds furnished in a standard guaranty company at reasonable rates.  
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Special attention to diseases of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.  
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Calls answered day or night.  
Specially Prepared for Surgery and DISEASES of WOMEN.  
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**Announcements.**

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J C BOHANNAN  
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C C FROST  
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Commissioner Precinct No 4  
E D JEFFERSON

—Get your candy fresh and pure  
Fred Niemann's.

## The New Voice Exposure.

Some of the brethren of the Texas press are raising a mighty howl against the "New Voice" a prohibition paper published at Chicago, because it adopted a detective scheme—the Clarence T. Johnson advertising proposition—and caught them out and exposed their perfidy.

In brief the Johnson letter purporting to come from an advertising agency at Washington, D. C., and it asked the editors to quote rates at which they would run anti-prohibition literature as news matter without any marks or reference to it denoting that it was paid advertising matter. It also asked for rates for publishing such matter as though it were editorial matter written by the editor.

Out of the 700 or 800 newspapers in Texas about 170 editors replied to the Johnson proposition quoting prices for which they would publish the stuff as reading matter without letting it be known as advertising. Only forty-odd, however, were willing to father it for a price as their editorial expression. Some of these are now raving at the Chicago paper for what they term its low down and villainous conduct and are heaping upon it every epithet and term of reproach in their vocabulary and charging it with being in every way a disreputable publication.

The Free Press fails to see the merit of their complaint. The letter came to them as a business proposition and did not promise secrecy (they only presumed secrecy from the character of the work asked) and they (the editors) gave a business reply, quoting their prices and did not ask secrecy—only presuming it. It appears to us under these conditions that "Johnson" or the Voice was at liberty to tell of the transaction; as much so as I would be were I to ask another the price of his horse and after getting it, without any injunction of secrecy, tell it or publish it to others.

The whole truth of the matter is that it hurts these editors because it was not a legitimate thing they were offering to do and they have been exposed in their intention to deceive and mislead their readers and the public generally on a matter of great public interest. Their contemplated action as publishers is indefensible from any standpoint and is nothing short of a prostitution of the press and of their high calling as educators and enlighteners of the public. They would stand in better light, too, if they hadn't "kicked." The Free Press for one was disposed to let the matter rest, if they had done so.

**Mothers**

Who would keep their children in good health, should watch for the first symptoms of worms, and remove them with White's Cream Vermifuge. It is the children's best tonic. It gets digestion at work so that their food does them good, and they grow up healthy and strong.

—Dr. J. E. Lindsey was up from Abilene and spent two or three days here this week, returning home Thursday. His daughter, Mrs. Joe McCrary accompanied him home and will probably remain there most of the winter.

—Children's day will be observed by the Sunday school of the Presbyterian church tomorrow. A special program has been prepared. All of the members are especially urged to be present, and the public is cordially invited.

—Mr. J. L. Jones will leave in a day or two on a trip to Schleicher county to look after his ranch interests there. His sister, Mrs. T. B. Russell, will accompany him, making use of the occasion to visit her parents there.

—Mr. Walter Tandy sold 25 head of horses and mares this week to a party named Grimes from Kentucky at \$20 per head. Mert Maloney also sold five horses to the same party at \$30 per head.

—A fresh shipment of cakes, ginger snaps, jumbles and crackers just received from the celebrated Dozier-Weyl factory at Williams' grocery store.

—Baker has just received a large shipment of school books.

**"It Goes Right to the Spot"**  
When pain or irritation exists on any part of the body, the application of Ballard's Snow Liniment will give prompt relief. "It goes right to the spot," said an old man who was rubbing it in, to cure his rheumatism. C. R. Smith, Prop. Smith House, Tenaha, Texas, writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for several years, and have found it to be a fine remedy, for all aches and pains, and I recommend it for pains in the throat and chest." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. B. Baker's.

## W C T U Column.

**NEWS ITEMS.**

That fully one hundred and fifty Texas editors have entered into a compact with liquor dealers to sell newspaper space for the publication of "news" derogatory to the prohibition cause, without reservation as to sentiments expressed, brands with unenviable notoriety the "Lone Star State." Not only must such an act arouse righteous indignation in the breast of every intelligent, progressive, law-abiding inhabitant, but we believe that the representative press of America will resent prostitution of its literary prerogative, standing in these days, as never before, for law, order, and good report. There are some noble editors in the State who indignantly rejected the offer to purchase their manhood.

The Texas Woodman is the latest addition to the Texas papers that were willing to sell their space "as news matter without advertising marks" to the liquor dealers association. They wanted 12 1/2 cts. per line for regular or 33 1-3 for special number of Oct. 1.

The publishers sign themselves in making this offer, as, "fraternally yours," as though corresponding with brethren of the craft. As a matter of fact, liquor dealers and chronic drunkards are not even admitted to membership in the order.

Mr. Jas. P. Newcombe, editor of the Texas Liquor Dealer in a conversation with a member of the New Voice staff said "All dealers, distillers and wholesalers who do business in Texas are assessed a percentage of their sales in Texas for use in this State. This constitutes the Texas fund of the (liquor dealers') pool; and Mayor Riggins of Waco is merely an employe of the pool." We propose to send a powerful lobby to the legislature next winter. "I believe that the funds of the pool by next winter will be sufficient to buy up any Democratic legislature that ever met in Texas." We spent an awful lot of money in Lamar. The only way we finally beat prohibition was by importing 300 votes from the Indian Territory. We propose to fix the newspapers and politicians. We intend to buy up the nigger vote. By paying a good price, say five dollars per vote, and by working chiefly in the black counties, we can carry any proposition in this State, I don't care what it may be." We place in connection with these admissions of fraud practiced and to be practiced in order to carry their ends, the following declaration from the September number of the Texas Liquor Dealer. "The people are not with the fanatics, and if confronted with the issue, they will certainly down the Prohibition Party at the ballot box."

**Brain-Food Nonsense.**

Another ridiculous food fad has been branded by the most competent authorities. They have dispelled the silly notion that one kind of food is needed for brain, another for muscles, and still another for bones. A correct diet will not only nourish a particular part of the body, but it will sustain every other part. Yet, however good your food may be, its nutriment is destroyed by indigestion or dyspepsia. You must prepare for their appearance or prevent their coming by taking regular doses of Green's August Flower, the favorite medicine of the healthy millions. A few doses aids digestion, stimulates the liver to healthy action, purifies the blood, and makes you feel buoyant and vigorous. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at Baker's drug store. Get Green's Special Almanac.

—Best Flour, per sack, . . \$1.00  
29 lbs. Sugar, . . . . . 1.00  
9 lbs. Arbuckle, xxxx, or Lyon  
Coffee for, . . . . . 1.00  
These are Carney's prices.

**In a Glass of Water.**  
Put a handful of glass coffee in a glass of water, wash off the coating, look at it; smell it; is it fit to drink? Give  
**LION COFFEE**  
the same test. It leaves the water bright and clear, because it's just pure coffee.

## QUALIFIED...

By an experience of twelve years of **UNBROKEN SUCCESS** in selecting goods to meet the wants and wishes of the people of Western Texas, we now place before them our large stock of **...GENERAL MERCHANDISE...** for the Fall and winter of 1902, in the selection of which we have given our personal care and exercised the judgment resulting from long experience in filling each department.

**Our Line of Dress Goods**

we think will meet every wish of our customers as it has been chosen with a full knowledge of their tastes and is complete in all the old standards as well as in the new things that have been added by the dyers' and weaver's arts since last season to tickle the fancy of the ladies.

**We Call Special Attention to Our**

Ready to Wear Skirts. Quite an assortment of these. Come and make your choice of the best \$5.00 skirt to be found anywhere.

Ladies' and Children's Jackets. Top Coats and Monticostoes. We have a stock of these that is unexcelled in quality and style anywhere at the prices we ask.

**Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Notions**

and all the odds and ends that go to make up a complete Dry Goods store.

In conclusion we will say to our lady customers that we have been fortunate in securing the services of a lady to preside over our millinery department who is skilled in constructing all the latest styles of fashionable head gear. You are invited to meet her in the person of Miss BEATRIS McDILL after Sept. 10, when she will be ready to show the latest things in her line.

**F. G. ALEXANDER & CO.**

## TERRELL'S DRUG STORE,

Southwest Corner Public Square  
Haskell, Texas.

Handle only the Purest and Best drugs. Carries a nice line of...

### Jewelry, Notions and Sundries; Stationery, Watches, Clocks, Spectacles, Etc.

### OWN A HOME.

**A Rare Treat**

Rev. H. Bishop, D. D., Missionary secretary of the Northwest Texas conference, will be in Haskell Thursday night, Oct. 9th, and at the Methodist church, by his maps and charts, will in the most unique and fascinating way, display "The World of Missions." Dr. Bishop is a charming speaker of no ordinary ability, and it is confidently expected that his discourse, illustrated by maps and incidents in missionary life, will be of unusual interest. It is free to all—come, see and hear.

**Natural Anxiety.**

Mothers regard approaching winter with uneasiness, children take cold so easily. No disease costs more little lives than croup. It's attack is so sudden that the sufferer is often beyond human aid before the doctor arrives. Such cases yield readily to **One Minute Cough Cure.** Liquidifies the mucus, allays inflammation, removes danger. Absolutely safe. Acts immediately. Cures coughs, colds, grip, bronchitis, all throat and lung trouble. F. S. McMahon, Hampton, Ga: "A bad cold rendered me voiceless just before an oratorical contest. I intended to withdraw but took **One Minute Cough Cure.** It restored my voice in time to win the medal." Terrell's drug store.

In writing the item last week about Mr. E. W. Loe's withdrawal from the tax assessor's race when we should have said the race for treasurer.

—Mr. Mert Maloney returned Saturday from the eastern part of the state, where he carried a bunch of horses and disposed of them to very good advantage, we understand.

—Mr. C. J. Hanson was in town one day this week and said that he was preparing to put a good acreage in wheat. He expected to begin sowing next week and thought he would not stop short of 150 to 200 acres.

—Williams has just put in an excellent line of pants, suspenders, etc. to which he invites your attention, both as to quality and prices.

**Out of Death's Jaws.**

"When death seemed very near from a severe stomach and liver trouble, that I had suffered with for year," writes P. Mose, Durham, N. C., "Dr. King's New Life Pills saved my life and gave perfect health." Best pills on earth and only 25c at J. B. Baker's drug store.

### THE WORST FORM.

Multitudes are singing the praises of Kodol, the new discovery which is making so many sick people well and weak people strong by digesting what they eat, by cleansing and sweetening the stomach and by transforming their food into the kind of pure, rich, red blood that makes you feel good all over. Mrs. Cranfill, of Troy, I. T., writes: For a number of years I was troubled with indigestion and dyspepsia which grew into the worst form. Finally I was induced to use Kodol and after using four bottles I am entirely cured. I heartily recommend Kodol to all sufferers from indigestion and dyspepsia. Take a dose after meals. It digests what you eat. Terrell's drug store.

### His Life in Peril.

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Alfred Bee, of Wellfare, Tex., "biliousness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, can eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run-down people. Try them. Only 50c at J. B. Baker's drug store.

### Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

**Digests what you eat.**

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. By its use many stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspepsias have been cured after everything else failed. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieving all distress after eating. Distasteful. Pleasant to take. **It can't help but do you good**

Prepared only by E. C. Fry & Co., Chicago, Ill. Beware of cheap imitations.

C. E. TERRELL.

## The Old Stager's Family Medicines

Tested y Twenty Years Us. Guaranteed to Cure.

I hereby guarantee every bottle of the Old Stager Remedies to give perfect satisfaction. If not relieved or cured after giving any of these medicines a fair trial according to directions call on the dealer of whom you purchased it and he will promptly refund your money. They are sold to him under that agreement by me.

Following is a brief description of the "Old Stager Remedies." If affected with any of the maladies mentioned, try a bottle of the medicine recommended for it—no cure no pay! That is enough said and there is no need for me to go into the lengthy description of diseases and symptoms usually found in patent medicine advertisements, further than to tell what each remedy is good for.

**Old Stager's La Gripp Specific** This medicine has no equal for La Gripp, Colds, Neuralgia, Headache and Fever.

**Old Stager's Liniment.** The best liniment on earth for man or beast for Swelling, Bruises, Cuts and Sores of any kind.

**Old Stager's Cough Medicine** This is the most reliable cough medicine on the market. Gives prompt relief and permanent cure when its use is persisted in. Give it a trial.

**Old Stager's Catarrh Medicine** This is better than all the nostrums and patent medicines advertised for Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in the Head. Gives quick relief.

**Old Stager's Fistula Cure** No case has ever been reported in which this preparation failed to cure Fistula. On the other hand many old and bad cases have been cured by it. It is easy to apply.

**EMOLLINE** This is one of the world's best and most elegant applications for chapped hands, face or lips. Removes roughness of the skin and makes it soft and smooth.

**McLemore's Guaranteed Prairie Dog Poison** This preparation is too well known in Western Texas, where the prairie dog pest abounds to require comment here. If you have dogs to kill don't fail to get it, because it's the best.

I want a reliable dealer to handle these remedies in every town, address

**A. P. McLemore,**  
Manufacturer,  
Haskell, - Texas.

The following dealers are selling these medicines:

W. H. Wymann & Co. (Haskell Store) Haskell  
Chaupman Bros. .... . Nancy  
Cosins & Howard. .... . Munday

## West Texas Fair.

**ABILENE, TEXAS.**  
OCT. 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18th, 1902.  
For premium list address,  
**Max R. Andrews, Sec.**  
Entry Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
County of Haskell. }  
Taken up by F. M. Winchester  
and estrayed before J. T. Knowler  
Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1  
Haskell county: One Chesnut sorrel  
mare 6 years old, branded P on right  
shoulder. Appraised at twenty (\$20)  
dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested  
to come forward, prove property,  
pay charges, and take the same away,  
or it will be dealt with as the law  
directs.

Given under my hand and seal of  
office, this 8th day of September  
1902. C. D. LONG, Clerk  
County Court Haskell County.  
SEAL By J. W. Meadors, Deputy.

—Prof W. W. Hentz came down  
from Ardmore, I. T., Monday and is  
looking after his ranch interest here.

**Get your candy fresh and pure  
Fred Niemann's.**

**IN ABSENCE.**

Since you are gone, I know not where to wing my thought—  
What star to make my message bear or through the night,  
Upon whose breeze to wave for home-ward evening flight  
The dreams that flit away with you, the next they sought.

Ever, the while I knew where you were housed, and where you sat in quiet when day's frame and fruit were done,  
It was my joy to pray the air, the stars, the sun,  
To bear my love that it might reach and bless you there.  
But now I have not any goal for all my dream,  
And it will have its slanders in the chilly night.  
In your new window, pray you set a little light.  
That they may guide their lonely wandering by its gleam.  
—Douglas Hemingway in Manley.

**Tamer Number Two.**

BY PAUL PERELL.

(Copyright, 1922, by Daily Story Pub. Co.)  
"There are various ways to tame them," said the girl with the big pompadour, "the best of which might be classed under the general head of 'humiliation.'"

"Yes," said the cute girl, curled gracefully in the wicker chair, "puncture a man's conceit, make him ridiculous and you have him on the road to regeneration."

The youngest girl sat on the veranda steps with her hands clasped over her knees and gazing dreamily across the lawn. "I wish," she began, then stopped and sighed gently.

"What is it, innocence?" asked the pompadour girl. "Why, you're troubling! Have the monkeys been troubling you, too? Aren't even the children safe?"

"I'm eighteen," replied the girl on the steps, unclasping her hands and sitting up very straight, "and I come out next winter."  
"But you're fearfully youthful, just the same; and if any man or boy has been mean to you it is the duty of old campaigners like us to stop it. Come, now, what is it?"

"Oh, he hasn't been mean or anything like that," answered the youngest with bashful reluctance; "only he is so kind and so superior. I'm sure he classes me with his small sister. They say he's married thirty, yet the very first time we met he called me 'Bessie' as though I were in short dresses. Come to think of it, I was playing golf with my hair in a braid, but that was no reason why he should have kept it up after he saw me in that lovely white evening gown. He might as well have patted me on the head."

"I suppose you mean Wilford English," said the cute girl, patiently.  
"Why, yes—didn't I say so?"  
"No, you simpleton. Now that's just why he behaves as he does. He can't help seeing that you consider him too splendid for anything; and that would make a saint put on airs."

"Hush, Alice, somebody might hear you."  
"But everybody knows it already. I tell you, if you ever hope to get him—whispers of 'Oh, Alice!'—if you really think he's worth while, that is, you must make him see that you consider him quite beneath your notice. You might make him do anything silly or ridiculous and then laugh at him. He'd probably go off in a huff, to return before long and fawn at your feet. Isn't that so, Marjorie?"

"I think," said the one thus appealed to, in thoughtful tones, "I think that Tamer Number Two would suit his case admirably."  
"Tamer Number Two?"  
"We had several tamers at school, but this was the best. Alice and I worked it beautifully last summer on that conceited West Point cadet."

"Oh, Mr. English isn't conceited. But do tell me about it."  
"It's very simple. All you need is an obliging small boy—preferably about ten years old—and a sofa—preferably one with a high back. You place the boy behind the sofa and then after making yourself, oh, terribly agreeable to the young man, invite him to come and sit beside you. Then you ask him if he wouldn't like to learn a new game that is all the rage in London or Paris or any other place you happen to think of. He says yes, of course, whereupon you take a



The youngest girl sat on the veranda steps with her hands clasped over her knees.

"Certainly he would—and what do you suppose he would do?"  
"I don't know, but I don't know how, but I must have put my face down on his shoulder. I was terribly ashamed and had to hide my face somewhere. I don't remember exactly what happened next; but he smoothed my hair and soothed me as though I were ten years old—acted exactly as he always does—and—well, we're engaged, which is the chief thing I wanted to tell you."  
"Now I call that a remarkable success," declared the pompadour girl. "Success—yes," replied the cute girl; "but what I don't understand

is why you let him catch you. The plan was, as soon as the small boy began his work to get up and out of the way. Didn't you remember?"  
"Yes, I remembered," said the youngest girl. "I did start to run away just as you directed, but when I tried to rise I found that I couldn't. That young rascal Willie had tied the ends of my belt ribbon to the back of the sofa."

**HIGH PRICE FOR A WELL.**

Mexican State Offers \$3,000 and Privileges to Man Who Can Dig It. A golden opportunity is offered to American well diggers. Andrew D. Barlow, United States consul general at the City of Mexico, has just forwarded a communication to the Commercial Museum. It is the translation of a proclamation issued by the acting governor of the State of Oaxaca, Mexico. The decree announces that a prize of \$3,000 in Mexican currency will be granted to the person or company that, within the next three years, shall drill and put into working order an artesian well in the City of Oaxaca or in the towns of Xochimilco and San Felipe del Agua and Facienda de Aguilera.

Exemption from all local taxes will be granted to those who undertake the work from the date of commencing it and for the period of ten years thereafter if results are successful. During the operations the company of persons engaged in the work, as also all employees, will be exempt from all personal taxes.

The property, possession of same and use of the artesian well will be loaned exclusively to the persons to whom the concessions are granted. In order to obtain the concession a written application must be made to the governor of Oaxaca.

The competition is open to American drillers, and it is expected that as a result of the recent triumphs of American engineers in obtaining coveted contracts for similar wells, an American will carry off the prize.

**NOT IN PHOTOGRAPHER'S LINE**

Crushing Blow Dealt to Army Officer's Pride.

A retired English army officer, of the old-fashioned fire-eating Bombastes Furiose type, whose wife and daughters had been made things of boys and boys forever at the hands of a clever lady photographer, said: "Ah, now, that there is a photographer in London really capable of doing justice to me. I don't mind the trouble of having my own photograph taken." Straightaway the grizzled warrior hied him to his dressing room, where, with the indispensable assistance of his valet, the butler and two understrappers, he was eventually, after much struggling and a liberal use of explosives, invested with the full panoply of war, and, with a painfully tight pair of Wellingtons on, and a tunic, the buttons of which said as plain as words, "Oh, that this too, too solid flesh would melt," was duly escorted to his carriage and driven off in state, his features indicating that he was quite under the conviction that Solomon in all his glory was quite a novice in the art of bedecking himself compared with him. On arriving at the studio, he pruned and clanked his ostentatious way into the operating room of the fair artist, and came to the salute. Madame calmly surveyed him from pince-nez, and, quietly remarked, "Pardon me, sir, but I never photograph gentlemen. I confine myself solely to ladies, children, flowers and pretty things."

**A PROPHECY OF GLADSTONE**

It Was Many Years Ago, and Has Come True.

Prophecies, even when the prophets are politicians, sometimes come true, says the St. James' Gazette. Here is a notable Gladstone utterance which we can now look back upon as quite prophetic. Speaking or writing twenty-five years ago of the "menace which, in the prospective development of her resources, America offers to the commercial pre-eminence of England," the grand old man predicted that America and America alone, "can, and probably will, wrest from us that which is not a native of this country, but which is our commercial primary." We have no inclination to murmur at the prospect. If she acquires it, she will make the acquisition by the right of the strongest; but, in this instance, the strongest means the best. She will probably become what we are now, the head servant in the great household of the world, the employer of all employed; because her service will be the most and ablest. We have no more title against her than Venice, Genoa or Holland, has had against us.

**At the Gates of Night.**

There are two gates that guard the Night:  
The one where shadows creep,  
And fanibles are opening low,  
The other where soft breaths creep,  
Where twilight reaches forth her arms  
To all her lovelinesses,  
And bids them into happiness,  
 serene upon her breast.

And from that gate, all dark and cool,  
The night road stretches far,  
By pathways of sweet content,  
Where many dreamings are,  
Where blind may see and dumb may speak,  
And all eyes laugh and sing,  
Where hungered ones may drink and eat.

The paper is a king,  
All to the Night the good road goes.  
O'er valleys, plain and steep;  
Along its sides, in grandeur, rise  
And many things there be that soothe  
And comfort us, and bless—  
But best of all, the blossom fair  
Of fish eyes and fishes.

The other gate that guards the Night—  
The one that's open to the light—  
Has trumpeters that loudly call  
Us forth into the day.  
And though we fear the foe of Day  
With bitterness and dread,  
We know that through the weary hours  
The best gate is ahead.  
—Baltimore American.

**Longest Days of the Year.**

The longest day of the year at New York is fifteen hours; at London, sixteen and a half; at St. Petersburg, nineteen; at Tornea, Finland, twenty-two; and at Spitzbergen, three months and a half.

**Japan to Make Armor Plate.**

Japan is to complete an armor-plate mill from a Sheffield firm.



**Our Apple Trade With England.**

Our apple trade with England seems to be in a very healthy state. According to the English statisticians England received from this country during the export season of Aug. 10, 1901, to May 3, 1902, a total of 792,128 barrels of apples. From the port of New York were sent 154,223 barrels, from Boston 143,851 barrels, from Montreal 132,405 barrels, from Portland 100,419 barrels, from Halifax 265,181 barrels and from St. John 6,049 barrels. On the other side Liverpool was the leading point of import, 408,655 barrels being landed in that port. The port of London received 229,808 barrels and Glasgow 129,212 barrels.

It is interesting to note that in the above shipments there were 296,427 boxes of apples. These were reduced to barrels in making the returns. These boxed apples were from California. It is somewhat surprising to find so many apples shipped in this form, but it is an indication that the public takes kindly to this form of packing. This trade in boxed apples has grown up largely during the last four years. The first commercial record we have from England of American apples coming in in boxes was in 1895-6, when the number reported as imported into England was 15,471. No further separate mention is made of boxed apples till 1899-1900, when the number is placed at 181,955. The next year there was a slight falling off, the number being 149,515. Year before last the number of boxes of apples imported into England was 223,423. Evidently the box package for apples is to remain a factor in our export trade.

Our apple trade with England shows great irregularity. This is caused by the constant variation in yields of apples in both countries. A short crop in this country means such high prices that the sales of American fruit in England are greatly restricted. This past season the prices were so high on our side of the water that the amount sent abroad was smaller than for six years previous.

Mablon Terhune, a freight broker of the New York Produce exchange, has compiled the following table of apple exports for the years given:

1880-81	1,328,806
1881-82	239,252
1882-83	395,594
1883-84	81,532
1884-85	69,210
1885-86	85,274
1886-87	807,924
1887-88	608,421
1888-89	1,407,409
1889-90	677,762
1890-91	451,285
1891-92	1,450,336
1892-93	1,263,538
1893-94	174,841
1894-95	1,438,153
1895-96	1,219,846
1896-97	751,255
1897-98	812,996
1898-99	1,621,965
1899-1900	1,212,421
1900-01	1,346,650
1901-02	792,128

The coming year promises to be one of large crops and with prices for apples so low that exportation will be encouraged.

**A Newly Imported Weed.**

Professor Moore of the Wisconsin Experiment Station sends out the following warning relative to a newly-imported weed of the mustard family: "I find growing in the newly seeded Turkistan alfalfa plats at the station a plant which belongs to the mustard family and may become an obnoxious weed in the alfalfa fields of this country. It is not a native of this country, but was undoubtedly brought from abroad with some of the imported Turkistan alfalfa seed. The blossom of the plant is of a lighter shade than the native mustard, and the leaves are not so rough and hairy. A strong, disagreeable odor is given off, which is very perceptible. All farmers growing alfalfa for the first time should examine their fields at once, and if the above described weed is noticeable, pull or cut in order to prevent going to seed. If the alfalfa is sown with a nurse crop, cut the crop for hay; if sown without a nurse crop, pull all plants and destroy. Where the acreage is too large to pull conveniently, cut with mower. The alfalfa will come on readily after cutting, and no detrimental effects will be noticeable."

**Timothy Versus Corn Fodder.**

At the Missouri station it was shown that when young beef cattle were wintered on rough feed alone a better gain was gotten in every trial with timothy hay than with corn fodder. "From these trials," says the experimenter, "it is perhaps safe to estimate that timothy hay is worth fully twice as much as whole corn fodder pound for pound for wintering young cattle. This refers to large, coarse fodder from crops averaging sixty to seventy bushels of corn per acre. That grown especially for fodder would presumably have a much higher feeding value and could be fed with much less waste than this coarse fodder. It should be borne in mind that in feeding this large fodder whole nearly half by weight, viz., the lower portion of the stalk is refused by the stock and is only valuable for bedding and manure."

**Use of Roots in Cattle Feeding.**

In all parts of the old world the feeding ration of cattle include roots. In this country little attention is paid to them, though nearly all scientific feeders advocate their use. In the feeding of beaver roots are valuable, especially before the finishing period is reached. The amount to be fed each day must depend on the size of the steer, but to a 1,000-pound steer 50 pounds per day may be fed at first and this may be increased. As the allowance of roots should be decreased as the food affects the hardness of the flesh, too many roots making it soft. The best feeders advocate cutting the roots, slicing them. Some pulp them and mix them with the forage, delay feeding till the forage is moistened by the pulp.



**A Profitable Celery Patch.**

A Philadelphia society that has been running a three-acre co-operative farm, says in a report: One of the most interesting and profitable parts of this three-acre farm was a celery patch of one-sixteenth of an acre. This miniature celery farm, after thorough fertilization and preparation, was transplanted at the rate of one hundred thousand plants to the acre, the rows being only nine inches apart, and the plants sets in drills five inches from each other. The plants were grown in the ordinary way and were transplanted to the plot at the proper season for such work, that is, from the middle of July to the middle of August. The plot was given a shallow or surface cultivation every ten days, but was never handeled or banked with earth as is usually done in celery culture. On this one-sixteenth acre five thousand fine large stalks were raised, and after being bleached, marketed at an average of one and one-quarter cents per stalk. At this rate one acre of land will yield a gross product of one thousand dollars. I am not prepared to say that this can be done year after year, for we attempted the same thing last year and failed, but I am sure that no greater risk is incurred in growing a crop by this method than is incurred under the ordinary way, and I am confident that it can be done with much less labor in proportion to results.

**When to Grind Feed for Stock.**

The following concise advice from a recent book on feeding by Prof. Henry of Wisconsin, a recognized authority on the subject, is commended: "This subject is a difficult one to discuss owing to the great variety of conditions existing as to both grain and animals. Directions are here given which may serve to guide the feeder in his practice. For horses which are out of the stable during the day and worked hard, all grain should be ground. For those at extremely hard work, all grain should be ground and mixed with chaffed hay. For idle horses oats or corn should not be ground, nor need the hay or straw be chaffed. A cow yielding a large flow of milk should be regarded as a hard working animal and her feed prepared accordingly. Fattening steers and pigs may be crowded more rapidly with meal than with whole grain, though there is more danger attendant upon its use. Sheep worth feeding can always grind their own grain. In general, idle animals and those having ample time for mastication, rumination and digestion do not need their grain or roughage prepared as carefully as do those with only limited time for these essential operations. Experiments quite generally show increased gains from grinding grain, but in many cases they are not sufficient to pay the cost of grinding."

**Large Versus Small Pastures.**

Prof. W. A. Henry: The subject of large or small pastures is frequently discussed. The majority of experienced American feeders favor a single large range rather than numerous small pastures. Grasses, both in variety and quality, are never quite the same over the whole of a large pasture, and cattle soon detect the slight differences, and satisfy their desire for variety by ranging from one spot to another. In large pastures the habits of the animals become regular, and it is interesting to study their movements. The herd will be found in the morning on one side of the valley, feeding on the more abundant vegetation. Later, as the sun's heat increases they appear on the hillside, where there is a movement of air and where the grasses are shorter, but more nutritious. At noon they are to be seen resting in the shade at still another point. This regularity in grazing certainly conduces to comfort and quiet and is of importance to profitable returns. Where the pastures are cut up into several lots, the fresh bite of cut herbage which comes with each change leads to irregularity and unrest, thus reducing the gains.

**Skim Milk for Fish.**

The proprietor of a creamery in Kansas has a fish pond near his creamery and he has noticed that the fish seem to be very fond of curd. He, therefore, inquires whether it would be more profitable to feed this curd to fish, which are worth 10 cents per pound, or to feed it to calves and pigs. We are not aware of any specific experiments having been made to determine this question, but as an original proposition, we should be inclined to the opinion that the curd could not be put to any more profitable use than feeding it to the fish. Of course, there should be some care exercised and a very close watch kept to ascertain whether this could be used as a sole diet, or whether the health of the fish demanded something in addition. There is no reason to suppose that the curd would give any unpleasant results in the matter of flavor or texture. We can readily understand, however, that it should never be fed in greater amounts than the fish would consume readily, as otherwise the surplus or refuse might decay and render the water unhealthy.—Loara's Dairyman.

**Percentage of Fall Chicks Saved.**

A correspondent of the Farmers' Review requests information as to the proportion of fall incubator chicks usually saved. We pass the query to the readers that are raising incubator chicks in the fall. Let us hear from them as to their experiences in the saving of the chicks hatched at this time of year. How does the number compare with chicks hatched in the spring of the year?

The loud call of duty may be drowned by the soft cooings of infatuation.

There is little glory in a heavy weight's victory over a feather weight champion.

**ARREST IS MADE.**

Grandson of the Late Head of the Mormon Church

**APPREHENDED IN CONNECTICUT**

William Hooper Young Will Have to Stand Trial for the Alleged Murder of a Woman at New York City.

Derby Conn., Sept. 23.—William Hooper Young, grandson of Brigham Young, for whom the police of New York have been searching in connection with the murder of Mrs. Ann Pulitzer, was put in the Derby jail. He was arrested Sunday night by the local authorities and was fully identified. He consented to return to New York without requisition papers.

In the guise of a tramp Young had been wandering about the country for several days, when he was arrested by the Derby police on suspicion. Although his description corresponded closely with that sent out by the New York officers, the prisoner at first stoutly denied any connection with the murder, and even when he was confronted with a man who was formerly a fellow workman he still denied his identity. But Sunday night upon the arrival of a man with whom he was intimately acquainted, the prisoner acknowledged that he was William Hooper Young.

It was to Mac Levy, a physical culture instructor of Brooklyn, and Detective Sergeant Edward Hughes, of New York, that the prisoner admitted his identity. Levy and the detective arrived here Monday night and were at once conducted to the prisoner's corridor in the jail. The suspected man, who up to this time had insisted that he was Bert Edwards of Portland, Ore., was taken from his cell and met Levy in the corridor.

"Hello, Hooper," exclaimed Levy as soon as the prisoner appeared. There was no response and no sign of recognition from the suspected man, but when Levy again saluted him he said, calmly:

"I don't know you."  
"Of course you know me," said Levy, and placing his hand on the shoulder of the prisoner, he spoke in a low tone for several minutes. The prisoner said:

"You should be sure of your identification. This is a terrible crime for which I am held."

Then at the command of one of the officers Young began to divest himself of his clothing that Levy might complete his identification, but before he had finished he was led back into his cell. Mac Levy and Detective Sergeant Hughes accompanied him. There the officer told the prisoner formally the reason for his arrest and the nature of the crime of which he is suspected.

The prisoner then for the first time admitted that he was William Hooper Young. He talked with the officer regarding his return to New York, and expressed a willingness to go back at once without requisition papers.

**Dropped Dead.**

Clarksville, Tex.: Martha Latimer, an old and highly respected colored woman, dropped dead at her home in the southern part of the city Sunday afternoon. She is supposed to have died from heart disease.

**RIOTOUS TIMES.**

Two Hundred Strikers Take Possession of a Breaker.

Scranton, Pa.: A crowd of 200 strikers, mostly foreigners, ransacked the quarters occupied by forty men employed at the Raymond washery of the Ontario and Western company while the men were at work and then meeting with the men as they were returning home drove them back to the washery. The mob then returned to the colliery proper, drove out the engineers, firemen, pumpmen and guards and took possession of the breaker. The plant of the Crescent Electric Light company, which is supplied with the steam from the breaker, had to shut down and the whole region was left in darkness. In the attack on the breaker two men were shot.

Diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Venezuela are strained.

**THE MARKETS.**

Quotations of the 22d:  
St. Louis—Grain: Wheat, No. 2 red 66½¢; corn, No. 2, 57½¢; oats, No. 2, 29¼¢. Cattle: Receipts, 5000, including 3800 Texans; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.65@4.30; cows and heifers, \$2.45@5.25.

Chicago—Cattle: Receipts, 22,000; Texas fed steers, \$3.00@4.00. Sheep: Texas, \$3.10@3.70.

Kansas City—Cattle: Receipts, 20,800, including 4200 Texans; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.10@3.80; Texas cows, \$1.85@2.85. Sheep: Texas clipped, \$2.55@3.50.

Dallas—Cotton: Middling, 7.87½¢; top price, 8¢. Grain: Corn, shelled, 85¢; oats, 42¢; wheat, No. 2, 70¢. Hay: Johnson grass, new crop, \$7.50@8.50; prairie hay, same. Cattle: Fat cows, \$2.80; good grain fed steers, \$2.75@2.85. Hogs: Good 200-pounders, \$6.75@6.90.

**WICKED WOMAN.**

Negroess Relieves an Engineer of Over Three Hundred Dollars.

Conroe, Tex.: An engineer on the International and Great Northern railroad was relieved of \$390. The negro woman accused made good her escape.

After the matter had been reported by the engineer to the authorities Deputy Sheriff Hargraves went to the house where the woman was stopping. When the officer demanded admission at the door of her room she asked permission to dress before admitting the officer. While he was kindly respecting her wishes in the matter, waiting at the front door, she was making her escape through the back door, so that when he finally forced his way into the room the woman was gone.

The name of the engineer was not learned, but it is said that he had just cashed a check at Palestine and was taking the money to his wife in Galveston. When the officer and his associates appeared at the woman's house she was exhibiting to her associates some costly articles of dress goods just purchased. None of the money was recovered, but the dress goods are in the hands of the sheriff.

**ORIGINAL METHOD.**

A Young Man Charged With Impersonating an Officer.

Marlin, Tex.: The officers of Marlin have under arrest a young man charged with the offense of impersonating an officer. The system employed was new and quite unique. Standing about the streets a young boy would be found alone. He would be arrested on some pretended charge of violating the law, and afterward a proposal to the youngster to release him on payment of some small amount—50¢, \$1—would follow. It was principally country boys who were thus imposed upon.

It is not known how long these operations continued in the city or how much was obtained. He was arrested Monday morning while proposing to a negro woman to release her boy from custody upon the payment of 50¢.

**Famous Lion Dies.**

Hobart, Ok.: Nick Wallace, the great "man-eating" lion, who had a record of eleven men and two horses, died in Hobart, Ok., on Sept. 16. He was the property of a circus, which was in Hobart at the time of his death.

Nick Wallace was the oldest and largest lion ever taken in captivity, and during his twenty-five years of confinement has traveled throughout the United States, the property of various circus men.

**Boy Actor Has Leg Broken.**

Detroit, Mich.: One of the boy actors of Gentry Bros' dog and pony show had his leg broken while wrestling with one of the negro boys with the show.

**McConville's Funeral.**

Sherman: The burial of John C. McConville took place at St. Mary's cemetery Monday morning. The deceased had always been a liberal and enthusiastic patron of all progressive moves in musical circles and the weather unfortunately prevented a pretty testimonial of esteem which the musicians of the city had planned. The obsequies were conducted under the auspices of St. Joseph's Branch Catholic Knights of America.

**Some of Trunk's Contents.**

New York: When the trunk of William Hooper Young, for whom the police of the whole country were looking in connection with the murder of Mrs. Anna Pulitzer was opened at police headquarters, the was found in it a sword-shaped stiletto with a blade eight inches long and an ivory handle four inches long, a half dozen mixed cakes which the woman left her apartments to buy, and her set of false teeth with one tooth missing.

**Fatal Feud.**

Eufaula, I. T.: In a fight among feudists at Spokogue, I. T., Monday four men were killed, one mortally wounded and several others slightly injured. The dead are: Willis Brooks, Clifford Brooks, John Brooks, all of the Brooks faction; Old man Riddle of the Riddle faction; John Brooks was mortally wounded.

The Montgomery has arrived at Cape Haitien.

Evangelist Mulky held ten-day meeting at Shawnee, Ok.

**HICKS ARRESTED.**

One of the Parties in the Fight in the Choir Under Bond.

Birmingham, Ala.: William Hicks, the negro insurance agent with whom J. H. Billore, the negro lawyer, engaged in an altercation, which it is said caused the disaster in Shiloh church Friday night, is under arrest. After making bond he gave out the following statement:

"I do not feel responsible for the stampee or deaths of so many Christian people, but how the courts will look at this will be a different matter, and I will willingly abide by their verdict."

"I am ready for trial and am anxious for the matter to be settled."



### Mrs. Emma E. Felch, Treasurer Fond du Lac, Wis., Social Economic Club, Tells How She was Cured of Irregular and Painful Menstruation by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for irregular and painful menstruation, and was entirely cured after using two bottles. I can truly say it is a boon to suffering women, and I would recommend all suffering from the above troubles to try a few bottles and be cured. Very thankfully yours, EMMA E. FELCH, Division St., Fond du Lac, Wis."

WHEN WOMEN are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or obstruction of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

No other medicine for female ills in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

### UNCLE SILAS ON AUTOS.

Old Gentleman Compares Them Unfavorably With the Horse.

"Now," observed Uncle Silas as he hunched a tall keg a few inches so as to keep within the receding shade of a tree in front of the country store, "I calculate I won't hove one of them goddamed otymobels of 'em feller 'n' wud giv' me one for nuthin'. Hain't skashy a day passes that one o' 'em biame sputterin' things don't break down on 'n' road in front o' my house. One o' 'em otymobels will sit up an' git like all Sam Hill fer a few miles and then, fust thing yew know, it will jea stop, clean tuckered out."

"Ez I wuz drivin' intew town this mornin' I kin arriet two otymobels that had balked. 'n' feller that owned one was a layin' on 'n' back in an umber otymobels up sum bolts in its stummk. That feller chap wanted tow know whether I wud charge tew haul his otymobels ten miles tew 'n' nearest railroad station, so he cud ship it hum. I tot 'im that Jiny, my bay mare, was skeer'd 'o 'n' infernal things 'n' that 'o' 'n' feller her tew 'n' otymobels I reckon 'd she wudn't stay hitched long."

"Nav-air-ee—I don't keer fer enny otymobels in mine, thank'ee; I calculate that Jiny will answer my purposes yit for a spell. Jiny is under 23 years old an' mebbe she hain't quite es cpry es 'e uster be, secin' es how she is spavin'd sum 'n' interres in front, but when I start out behind her I hev 'n' consolation o' knowin' that she won't git sick 'n' lay down in 'n' road like one o' them godd-blame otymobels. Jiny, she can't go a mile a minit, like an otymobels kin, but she goes a mile es quick es she kin, an' 'n' that's swif' enuf fer me. 'kosh! I wudn't swap that little bay mare fer all 'n' otymobels that yew cud pile in a ten-acre lot—I wudn't, I gum!—Ohio State Journal.

### NURSES' LIVES UNROMANTIC.

Seldom Marry Physicians or Patients They Have Attended.

It is generally supposed that there is a good deal of romance about the life of a professional nurse and that large hospitals are matrimonial bureaus where men and women fall in love with incessant regularity. Exactly the opposite is true. Nurses, as a rule, do not marry men whom they have nursed as patients, nor do they select for husbands the physicians with whom they come in contact in a professional way.

In the last year and a half but one engagement among the nurses at the Chicago hospital has been announced, and the incident was so unusual that I. created no end of comment. The affair was, in fact, an extreme novelty, although the female attaches of the institution are unusually good looking. "This proves that nurses do not lead the romantic lives that they are credited with by the outside world," said a physician. "I have frequently heard it said that men who had been seriously ill often married the trained nurses who had taken care of them. This is nonsense. I have employed hundreds of these women nurses in the course of my practice, and have yet to hear of a match resulting from one of them. As a general thing the patient takes an aversion to the nurse who has cared for him, and the better she has looked after him and the more strictly she has enforced the doctor's instructions the less he has cared for her.

"Physicians sometimes fall in love with the nurses they meet in their practice, but such affairs, instead of being common, are rare. If any girl enters the profession with the idea of capturing a husband she is apt to find herself sadly sold."

### DON'T GIVE UP.

Don't be discouraged by past efforts to find relief and cure from the myriads of ills that come from sick kidneys. You may pass nights of sleepless tossing, annoyed by frequent urination. Your back may ache like a toothache or sudden twinges and twinges of backache pain make life a misery. Perhaps you have nervous spells, are weak, tired-out, depressed. There is a cure for all of this and for every trouble of the bladder and kidneys. Read this case and note it tells how well the cure was tested:

Charles Lindgren, sealer of freight cars on the J. S. & M. S. R. R., La Porte, Ind., says: "I have greater faith in Doan's Kidney Pills today than I had in the fall of 1897 when I began taking them and made a public statement of the result. At that time I had suffered with lameness and soreness of the back, which was so excruciating that I could scarcely turn in bed, and Doan's Kidney Pills completely cured this trouble. I am always ready to endorse Doan's Kidney Pills personally to anyone requiring a kidney remedy. After a lapse of three years I make this statement, which shows my undoubted faith in the preparation."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine, which cured Mr. Lindgren, will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-McMillan Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, 50 cents per box.

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Take the burn out; heal the wound; ease the pain. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, the household remedy.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure you.

It is said haste makes waste, yet you seldom hear of a hustler being in a poorhouse.

### A Clever Arrangement.

The hotel proprietor was good at reading faces. "What a pleasure," he said before the guest could speak. "When we have a 'kicker' in the house we try to give him something to 'kick' about. We have a room for that particular purpose, which we always reserve for the 'kicker,' and we have an absent-minded waiter that we always give him. What were you saying?"

"I was about to remark," returned the guest, suddenly changing his mind, "that I never knew a hotel that was more to my liking."

### Peculiar Hallucination.

A story is being related to the effect that a gentleman is now being treated at a sanitarium at Lynchburg, Va., for a peculiar hallucination under which he labors is that he is a grain of corn, and that every chicken or other fowl is bent on swallowing him. "I saw a chicken," he is immediately thrown into convulsions. The cackling of a hen or the crowing of a rooster has the same effect on him. Seeing or hearing any fowl that eats corn produces spasms. Hallucinations truly take many and peculiar phases.

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Then use Heligan's Starch. It will keep them white—15c a 10-cent.

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The enemy of the man you hate can do you no harm.

### SECRET'S WELLS.

The famous and original Texas mineral water—the wells of the Thiga famous—a positive cure for Rheumatism and all other ills connected with the bones; trained attendants; complete medical staff; open the year round. For literature and rates call on or write The Thiga Mineral Wells Co., Thiga, Texas. box 8.

Selfish people seldom laugh unless they can do so at the expense of others.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOVEN, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 3, 1900.

Some people never remember the details unless they are compelled to foot the bill.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures swollen, hot, sweating, itching feet, ingrowing nails, corns and bunions. All druggists and shoe stores. 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address Allen S. Ormsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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Halt's Catarrh Cure Is a constitutional cure. Price, 75c.

A cat was never known to cry over split milk.

### Keys for Nose Bleeding.

In the toe chest of a Germantown residence there are always lying four or five tiny keys. This is because the nose of the little son of the house bleeds every few days, and nothing stops the hemorrhage like the dropping of a large, cold key down the child's back. He squirms and cries out and then in a moment he is well, his nose stops bleeding. A physician said recently that the cold key remedy for hemorrhage of the nose was as old, he supposed, as keys themselves are. "It is a very good remedy," he went on to say.

### He Should Explain.

Editor McInnessey of the Maryville, Mo. Tribune, was married not long ago to one of the prettiest young women in Maryville. Now he asks: "How many Maryville girls—those of the fashionable set—could get up a decent breakfast for a man if it had one? There isn't one in ten that could get up a simple meal of coffee and poached eggs on toast." The question which naturally arises under these circumstances is, did Mr. McInnessey get the recipe, or one of the nine? His wife ought to make him explain, and do so quickly.

### Picking Bugs by a Machine.

Robert Manderfeld of Michigan has devised a machine for picking potato bugs which seems to solve problem. He took portions of a fanning mill and installed them on a low cart rigged up a mechanical device connected with the wheels, hitched a horse to the wagon and drove through the rows of potatoes in his field. The bugs are caught off the vines into a receptacle, the labor of several men being saved by the method. In two hours Mr. Manderfeld gathered a bushel of potato bugs with the aid of his machine. It is a wonder.

### Complimentary Epigram.

Gov. France is not credited with making epigrams says the Boston Herald, but he would seem to be entitled to this distinction. If we may judge from a reply he made some time ago to a request that President Elliot be appointed a member of the commission to report on the question of constructing a river dam. "No," said the governor, "I cannot appoint him. The law provides that the commission shall consist of three men. If I appointed President Elliot there would be only one." Truly a compliment.

### Undisputed for Half a Century.

It is a remarkable fact, which for half a century has not once been disputed, that St. Jacob's Oil never fails to cure shooting pains in the arms, legs, sides, back or breast, or soreness in any part of the body.

It has for fifty years been guaranteed by the proprietors, St. Jacobs Oil, Ltd., Baltimore, Md., to promptly cure lameness, sciatica, rheumatism, lumbago, stiff and swollen joints, stiff back, and all pains in the hips and loins, strains, bruises, burns, scalds, toothache, chilblains, and all aches and pains.

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One of nature's remedies; cannot harm the weakest constitution; never fails to cure summer complaints of young or old. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

### Rents on Broadway.

The wonder is, how can a man do business in Broadway, New York, and expect to make a profit, considering rents that are exacted, says the New York Press. The profits in clients may be stupendous, for tobacco dealers pay more rent than liquor dealers. A clear company has leased a lot thirty-one feet front on Broadway for \$40,000 a year for twenty-one years. Not a stone's throw from the city hall is a corner shop hardly big enough to take a long breath in, for which the annual rental is \$10,000. How they do it we know not.

Often the spirit of perseverance strikes a man hardest when he is both young and charming.

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If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does, you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction and will not stick to the iron.

Of all the dead beats, the one who gets his living by visiting is probably the worst of all.

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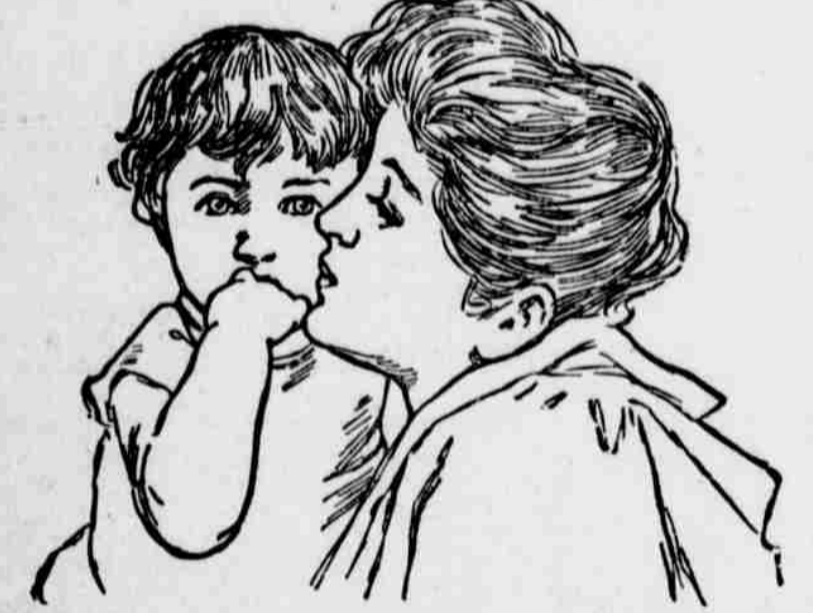
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# JEST and JOLLYTY

**Filial Sympathy.**  
"When I was your age," said Mr. Goldbags, sternly. "I earned my own living."  
His son looked uneasy, but was silent.  
"Well, have you nothing to say for yourself in that connection?"  
"Nothing, sir, except that I sympathize with you, and congratulate you on the fact that it is all over."

**Prowess of the O'Dowds.**  
"Ah, g'wan!" exclaimed Mrs. Gerrity in her wrath. "I have a good amount to? Who did the O'Dowds spring from?"  
"I'll have ye know, Mrs. Gerrity, the O'Dowds sprang from no one," answered a member of that family; "they sprang at them."

**The Joke of a Mean Man.**  
He knew his wife was listening to his conversation with the tramp.  
"So you've had hard luck," said the man.  
"I've had all th' hard luck a fellow can have," replied the tramp.  
"Ah!" said the man, "then you've been married."

**Modern Imps.**  
"I wish to buy a pair of checked bathing trunks," said the Fanatic.  
"Checked trunks!" exclaimed the clerk.  
"Why, certainly. Didn't you ever hear of people having their trunks checked?"

**The Cunning Man.**  
Husband—Come, sit on my lap, my dear, as you did in our old courting days.  
Wife—Well, I declare! I haven't received such an invitation for an age.  
Husband—And—er—bring a needle and thread with you, my love.

**Not Much.**  
Redd—"Can you always tell a be- sinner on the golf links?"  
Green—"Well, as a rule, you can't tell him much."

**Hard to Decide.**  
"Are you going to marry him?" asked the girl in white.  
"I don't know," answered the girl in pink. "It would be dreadful if I married him and then found that that detestable Minnie Wilkins never really wanted him."

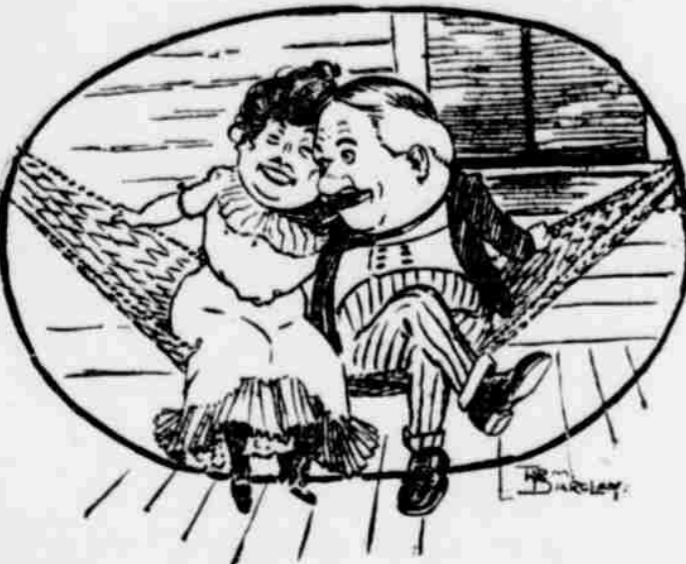
**Keeps Him Tired.**  
"Don't you ever get tired doing nothing?" asked the housekeeper.  
"Lady," replied the tramp, "I get tired doin' nothin' dat I don't do nothin' else."

### A FAIR QUESTION.



George (at the theater)—Maude, positively, you look like an angel to-night.  
Gruff Voice from the Rear—Well, couldn't you induce your angel to wear her wings somewhere besides on her hat.

### HE WAS PEEPING.



"Very considerate father of yours, Jennie. Whenever we are on the porch and he in the parlor, he always carefully draws down the curtain."  
"For George; but that's only a bill."

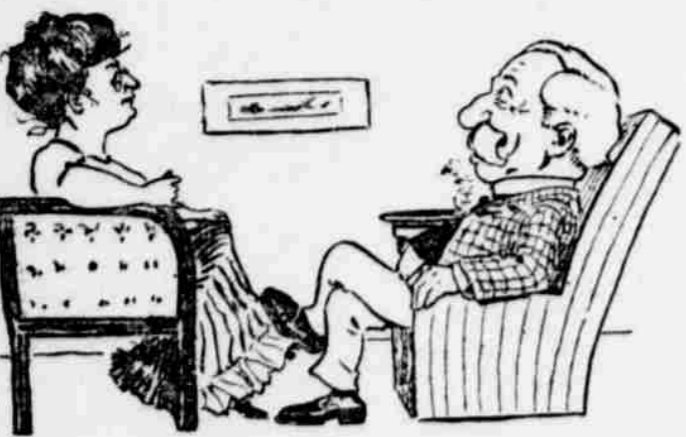
**Not This Winter.**  
Mrs. Billus was dissatisfied with the new addition to the house.  
"You said you were going to have a grate in this room, John," she complained, "and it isn't here. Can't we afford it?"  
"Yes, but we can't afford to use it."

**Making Himself Clear.**  
She—Do you know the lady in the far corner?  
He—in a way, I have a listening acquaintance with her.  
"I don't believe I understand you, sir."  
"She is my wife."—Smart Set.

**Joy of Self-Sacrifice.**  
"I do believe little Mrs. Higsworthy loves her brute of a husband so well that she would cheerfully die for him."  
"More than that. She loves him so well that she cheerfully lives with him."

**He Didn't Understand.**  
"Really, Louise, this bill is outrageous. You mustn't try to dress like these millionaire wives!"  
"My dear Ned, control yourself. I'm only trying to appear as well dressed as the shop girls."

### A SURE THING.



"My wife is utterly careless as to my appearance. She never thinks of looking for dust or dirt on my coat."  
"Suppose you try sprinkling a few chestnut brown hairs on it before leaving the office."

**Not Afraid of That Coffee.**  
They were dining out. "But, Henry," she protested, "you know you shouldn't drink coffee at night, it keeps you awake." "Oh, well," he replied, with a polite bow to the hostess, "this coffee won't."

**Unexpected Frankness.**  
"This is a French novel, isn't it?" asked the customer.  
"No," said the bookseller. "It's an American imitation of one. It isn't bright. It is merely nasty."

**Unmanned.**  
"I'll give you five cents, I suppose you're strong enough to carry my trunk?"  
"Geel Five cents! I wuz purty strong, lady, but yer generosity makes me feel weak!"—Puck.

**As a Substitute.**  
Rayner—"Don't you think automobiles will supersede the horse entirely some day?"  
Shayne—"Sure. They have superseded my old nightmare."

### THE EXACTING BOARDER.

Farmer Harrow—"We've had such a spell of rainy weather lately that the boarders is all kickin'."  
The Postmaster—"Well, they can't blame you for the weather."  
Farmer Harrow—"They can't, eh? Some of 'em seems to think I ought furnish moonlight nights."—Puck.

**He Wanted to See.**  
Stylish Lady Visitor (to small boy, while waiting for hostess to come down)—"What is the matter with pussy, that you are watching her so closely?"  
Small Boy—"Mamma said that your hat was enough to make a cat laugh, and I wanted to see her do it."

**All He Worried About.**  
"It's useless to worry," remarked the long-haired passenger. "A man should be satisfied with what he has."  
"Oh, I'm satisfied with what I have," replied the red-nosed man across the aisle. "It's what I haven't that causes most of my dissatisfaction."

**Separate Waist.**  
It should be announced that the separate waist is an established fact, and without delay, since there has been and is a flutter of doubt concerning the independence of this part of the toilet in fall fashions.  
Wouldn't it have been just awful if fashion had decreed that women were cut off from chances to elaborate their attire with a multiplicity of bodices to wear with two or three handsome skirts!

**Buttercup Jelly.**  
The following is a very delicious preparation of gelatine, having the appearance which you desire. It is called buttercup jelly. Half a package of gelatine soaked in half a cup of water two hours, yolks of three eggs, one pint of milk, one heaping cup of granulated sugar, one teaspoon of vanilla. Dissolve a bit of soda about the size of a pea in the milk. Scald the milk in a double kettle, stir in the gelatine until dissolved, strain through a coarse cloth. Beat the yolks of the eggs, add sugar, pour the boiling mixture upon it, stirring constantly. Return to kettle and stir until it begins to thicken. Whip the white of an egg stiff. When the yellow jelly congeals around edges set the bowl, containing the frothed white in ice water; and beat the jelly into it, spoonful at a time, until it is all in and the sponge is thick and smooth. Wet a mold, pour in jelly and set on ice to form.

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Deep tucks that are arranged horizontally are shown in some of the newest waists and have a distinct charm of their own. This attractive blouse shows them on the body and sleeves, and is stylish and becoming in contour and general appearance. The sleeves are arranged in Hungarian fashion.  
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## HEARTHAND BOUDOIR

### SOME TOPICS OF EXCLUSIVELY FEMINE INTEREST.

**Latest Trimming For the Stylish Hat**  
—One of the Prettiest of the New Teagowns—Separate Waist Now an Established Fact.

**A Smart Hat.**  
The charming hat illustrated is trimmed with cherries, but a black bird is substituted in place of the usual bow of black velvet ribbon, of which we are now somewhat wearied. The hat itself is of a golden Tuscan straw, and the combination of colors is one of the most pleasing to the eye. The wearing of birds of large dimensions is a feature of the millinery of the moment, and Paradise sweeping plumes are often to be seen in spite of the outcry made against them by



some people. As a trimming this is essentially a fruit season, but among the flowers most popular are the pom-pom roses, which appear everywhere, and are for the most part arranged in little wreaths. These wreaths are considered very modish, one running into the other and interlacing.

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**Waist with Back Panel.**  
Lovely velvet waists are shown in new exhibits, the material being of short, close and lustrous nap, but of light weight.  
A waist of pale blue velvet fits closely in the back and has pouffant fronts that open over a full vest of yellow chiffon over white taffeta and strapped with black velvet ribbon about an inch wide. The sleeves are elbow length, finished with a ruffle of ecru lace that falls over an under sleeve of yellow chiffon strapped with black velvet ribbon over white taffeta.

**Waist with Elastic.**  
The skirt is also sewn, and many narrow flounces finish the foot of the trailing skirt. A more artistic teagown just completed is of a pale shade of heliotrope crepe, all the fullness of the gown being tucked to the hips, whence it flows out to the

**Waist with Collar and Cuffs.**  
The costume at the left is a calling costume of black taffeta, trimmed in a most original way with applications of black cloth, covered with black silk stitching. The skirt is plaited all round at the top, where it is trimmed with the stitched cloth applique bands. At the bottom it is trimmed with three shaped scalloped flounces, edged with stitched bands of the cloth

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floor. These tucks escape from under a bolero of deep yellow lace, straight to below the shoulders and rounding away in front. The sleeves are artfully built of the same lace and puffs of the crepe are drawn into a lace band at the wrist, which is fastened with a jeweled buckle.

**Beribboned Arm Tops.**  
While too many frills are not to be commended for a tiny daughter a fond mamma occasionally evolves some little touch that is as pleasing as it is becoming. One thought as much upon seeing a rosy little girl in sheerest white, the armbands of her frock being outlined with two or three-inch pink ribbon.

**A Few Stitches.**  
A few stitches had been taken to prevent the ribbon from becoming mere strings. These ribbons were tied on the tops of the arms, the bows being neither small nor very large. The same-sized bow of the very same ribbon was tied around the top hair in the very sensible way which now keeps the unmanageable tresses out of the little one's eyes.

**Shoes.**  
No doubt one reason for the admirable effect gained in this instance was the skill with which the ribbon had been chosen. It was just the delicately rosy shade that brought the hidden roses in the little maid's cheeks.

**Fashions in Footwear.**  
Shoes have changed tremendously this year as regards style. The heels are so much higher, there is so much more curve under the instep and the toes are so much more pointed. The low heels and broad soles on the common-sense plan will never go out of style for people who want to walk and who are more or less conservative. There is always the danger that this style of footwear will become too happy medium, but there is a

**Finish for Negliges.**  
There is a pretty finish that is used for negliges of all sorts. It is the ribbon choux made a little differently. The ribbon is knotted in a hard full knot and from it hang no less than twelve ends. These are cut diagonally and a single knot is tied in each one an inch from the end of the ribbon. Until you have made one of these choux you cannot guess how very pretty it is. It trims the corset cover prettily and if made of very soft ribbon it takes up no room. For the night it is quite ideal, for it gives that long, graceful line that is in keeping, and for the room robe it is also very pretty.

**Sensible Walking Skirt.**  
In London they have introduced a stylish but sensible walking skirt of brown leather cloth, finished with slot seams heavily stitched at each side of the ratched fold. The skirt clears the ground all around and has a waterproof facing that can be easily cleaned. The plaits at the back are held with elastic on the under side, which, without revealing their existence, makes the skirt swing gracefully back and away from the sides. A medium girdle stitched firmly to the skirt does away with any silk or leather belt and holds the blouse securely in place.

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## DOGS GOT THE SCENT

### DOLEFUL EXPERIENCE OF ENGLISHMAN ON THE PRAIRIES.

**Senator Vest Tells Good Story of Hunter Who Would Not Take Advice—Self-Preservation Led Missourian to Desert Friend.**

Senator Vest has told many stories, but one experience of his has not reached the general reader. It occurred many years ago, but the senator telling it not long ago was still chuckling.

Mr. Vest one time received a visit from a rich and famous hunter from London who brought a letter of introduction from a friend living in the English capital. And the Englishman had brought with him his own hunting dogs.

The hunters and the attendants got in the big wagon and the dogs followed. They drove for many miles and finally the wagon was left in the care of the men, and Mr. Vest and the Englishman started out on the quest. They did well. The dogs of the Englishman were not worth much, but the Missouri breed gave excellent sport.

"Just wait and give my dogs a chance," declared the Englishman. "All they need is a stronger scent."  
"They got it," said the senator telling the story. "Yes, they got it. Some distance away was a little hill and in the side of the little hill were little holes. Suddenly the Englishman's dog got the stronger scent and started for the little hill with the little holes.

"Call them back," I shouted to the Englishman.  
"Oh, no," he replied. "Now they've got it. Now they've got it."  
"They will get it if they don't keep away from there," I answered. But he would not listen and he got so excited that he started on a run after his dogs.

"Well, it was my time to be moving, too, for I knew what was coming; so I called my dogs and made for the wagon as fast as the good Lord would let me. Just as I crawled in I turned and saw the show, and I never pitied anybody in my life as much as I did that Englishman with the dogs that wanted a stronger scent. Out of the holes came little animals and you never saw such a mix-up in your life. The dogs ran for the Englishman, and jumped around him for protection. Then the Englishman tried to get away from the dogs for protection, too, and the whole combination started for the wagon.

"Put the whip to the horses," I told my man, and don't let them get within half a mile of us."  
"Oh, there, wait for me!" cried the Englishman.  
"Keep your distance," I responded and to the driver I said, "Whip 'em up."

So we went mile after mile over that prairie. I pitted the Englishman from the bottom of my heart, but there are times when pity must not get too close. I kept him in sight so that he should not miss the way, but he had to wait. Once in a while he would run as though I would allow him to catch up with the wagon, but every time he did we put on more speed. When we reached the town, I had to call back to him that his company would not be desirable for at least twenty-four hours. I never saw him again.

"And the little animals in the little holes in the little hill, senator?" Mr. Vest was asked.  
"Polecats," replied the senator. "The Englishman had read about quail living in holes in the prairie hills and he wouldn't change his mind when I tried to explain things to him. But those dogs of his certainly did get all the scent they wanted—there was no mistake about that."

**Tattooed by Lightning.**  
The lightning bolt that struck a stall at the fair grounds in Macomb, Ill., on Sunday made of Ray Clupper a tattooed man, says an exchange. When the bolt fell Clupper was standing near a large hick oak tree. He was rendered unconscious and came to screaming "Help! and Murder!" After he recovered he kept complaining of a pain in the region of his stomach, directly under the watch pocket of his pants, in which he carried his watch at the time of the accident. He examined his watch and found it had been stopped. He found on his body a perfect photograph of the tree near which he was standing. Limbs, leaves, and trunk being perfectly revealed. The picture is eight to ten inches long, of a bright red, and appears to be burned in the flesh. He suffered no ill effects from the shock in a short time after it occurred. At the fair one of the fakirs offered him \$25 to let him exhibit him at the fair Thursday, but Clupper declined.

**Ping-Pong Cause for Divorce.**  
Thomas Ford, a Southern, Eng., boarding housekeeper, who stated that his wife sat up late to play ping-pong obtained a decree recently in the divorce court.

**Log Cabin Philosophy.**  
Wisdom didn't die wid Solomon, patience wid Job, nor meekness wid Moses. Come ter think er it, Solomon wuz ez wise ez what he revealed; wuz Moses wuz far fum meek, an Job wuz de biggus' growler in de country.

I don't spend any time at all in growlin' at de weather. Wen I'm old, I thank God fer fire—off I got any, en I ax Him fer wood, ef I ain't. Den, wen de summer is hot enough, ter make folks think er de herefter, I bless God dat I'm ten mile fum freeze, en dat palmotto fans is cheap.

No matter whether de work is roun' or flat, de sum en total er de whole business is—we're on de green side er it, en de very best thing we kin do is ter plant shade trees fer summer en strong shelters fer winter.—Atlanta Constitution.

**New Army Field Carriage.**  
F. L. Allen, of Washington, has invented a field carriage which will convey ammunition, water and hospital litter. Such a combination, however, cannot reasonably claim the protection of the Red Cross.

**Birds That Sing in Flight.**  
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## AMUSEMENT FOR THE ARMY.

### Hoped to Prevent Desertions and Aid Sole Soldiers for Loss of Canteen.

Amusement halls are to be provided for the soldiers of the army at the cost of the government, says the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Record, to replace in part the advantages taken from them by the abolishment of the canteens two years ago, the privileges of which have been sorely missed by the troops.

If the records for desertion and petty offenses are compared this year with those of last year, it would appear as if the abolition of the canteen had other than a wholesome effect upon the morals of the service.

Last session, in order to provide reading rooms, gymnasiums and recreation halls which the profit of the canteen allowed, Congress authorized an appropriation of half a million dollars to establish amusement halls at the army posts throughout the country, and a board of officers will shortly be appointed to visit the various posts. In many cases it will be necessary to erect a special building for this purpose. At other places it will be possible to utilize buildings already in existence.

The abolition of the canteen feature of the post exchange materially reduced the revenue from that source, and it has become necessary for the government to provide some means of entertaining the soldiers when they are off duty.

## A SMALL COMEDY OF ERRORS

**Couple Had Been at Cross Purposes All the Evening.**

A young gentleman, who takes a great interest in the education of the deaf and dumb, recently attended a meeting at a large institution devoted to their instruction. The president, before the ball began, asked that the speaking and dumb should mix with each other, and suggested that the circumstances introduced might be dispensed with.

The young gentleman began to look out for a partner, and when he had found one to his liking he, by means of many gestures made her understand that he asked the favor of a dance. This was granted, and they managed to understand each other fairly well. Another dance followed, and more attempts at conversation. Then with much difficulty the young man asked to be allowed to take her in to supper. In going in he was greatly surprised, on meeting another young lady, to hear her accost her companion with:

"Well, Bella, where are you going?"  
"Oh," said Bella, "I'm going in to supper with this dummy."  
"Me a dummy?" almost screamed her companion. "Great heaven! why, I thought you were one."

## Strange Cures for Diseases.

It is remarkable how strongly and persistently the belief in the efficacy of charms for the cure of various diseases still obtains in some foreign countries. An English writer vouches for the truth of this story: "A Cornish farm bailiff went to see some of his master's cattle. A friend who happened to be with him noticed that one of the beasts was ailing. He asked why his friend allowed this and was told that a cure involved a very long process of treatment, whereupon he proceeded to 'charm' the afflicted animal, which, strange as it may seem, was completely cured within about a couple of days. This same 'magician' also told his friend that if he happened to kill a pig by cutting its throat he could stay the flow of blood without going near it."

**Philosophy of Fatigue.**  
Some may be interested to know that there is now almost a new kind of philosophy of fatigue. Some speculators think man became conscious because his intuitions were slowed up by exhaustion, so that the mind has to pick its way slowly and logically, instead of divining instantly as it used to do. It was the fall of man. Wilder dreamers have even described the origin of cosmic gas and nebulae, from which all the worlds come, as due to progressive fatigue of the ether, which is far more subtle and back of it. It is a little as if they were attempting to rewrite the first phrases of the old testament so that it should read, "In the beginning was fatigue."—Ainslee's Magazine.

**Newspapers of Formosa.**  
Wherever the modern Japanese goes he starts a paper. Formosa has been generally blessed in this respect, and its two dailies are well worth the subscription price to those who wish to keep in touch with the affairs in the small but lively world for which they enter. According to accepted notions, indeed, it is not a privilege, but also a duty, to subscribe. Those residents who prefer to see the affairs of their neighbors rather than their own affairs discussed in print lose nothing by subscribing several times over. It is an honor to that effect not frequently evinced in the news column.—Pearson's Weekly.

**Africa's Great Railway.**  
The great scheme of the late Cecil Rhodes, the Cape to Cairo railway, is being pushed forward with all possible celerity. The road has been surveyed as far as the Zambezi river. The whole section from Bulawayo to the Zambezi, 275 miles in length, is to be opened next year. Locomotives for contractors' purposes are now running on it for a short distance north of the present terminus, and a railway exploration party was recently dispatched over the route as far as Lake Tanganyika. From the Bulawayo end of this line the railroad has reached the Arsenia river, so that when this gap is filled and the line completed, it is hoped it will be the end of the present year, trains will be able to run from Cape Town to Beira, thus traversing a distance equal to one-third the length of the continent.

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# VESTRIAN STATUE OF GENERAL SLOCUM ERECTED AT GETTYSBURG



The part which the state and city of New York took in the battle of Gettysburg was celebrated on the battlefield with peculiarly impressive services Friday of last week. The ceremony had for its climax the unveiling there of an equestrian statue of Gen. Henry Warner Slocum, which stands where he stood on that memorable Friday, July 3, thirty-nine years ago.

The people of the little borough of Gettysburg have become used to statues, monuments, reunions and excursions ever since Abraham Lincoln, on November 19, 1863, before the grass had had time to grow over the blood of the battle, dedicated a great national cemetery there, with its massive central monument and its three and a half thousand graves. Every

# FOREST FIRES DO MUCH DAMAGE

For many miles along the Wyoming-Colorado line north of Pearl, Colo., a furious forest fire is raging, devastating everything in its path. Every effort to subdue the flames has been exhausted without effect.

According to the latest reports there are at least eighteen serious forest fires burning in Wyoming, to say nothing of numerous smaller fires in southern Albany county that are destroying great swamps of fine pine timber in the Medicine range and threatening mining buildings. One hundred miles away from Cheyenne the smoke from these fires obscures the sky here and the odor of burning wood is plainly noticeable.

The fires in southern Carbon county are burning fiercely. A government agent with a large force of men is on the ground, but is reported to be making little progress.

Five or more fires are burning in Fremont county, and more than 300 square miles of magnificent timber land is already in ashes.

In Central Uinta county a fire is burning, and in the Jackson Hole country two big blazes are eating the timber in the game country. Farther east in the Shoshone Reservation a fire has been burning for weeks.

In Natrona county a good-sized fire has been destroying timber for the last ten days.

One big fire threatens the timber of the Big Horn mountains.



**BURNING DISTRICTS.**  
Shaded Spots Show Where Forest Fires Are Raging.

**Replanting Grass.**  
The replanting of grass on the wasted cattle ranges in Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Montana, Idaho and the Dakotas is to be attempted by the railroads penetrating those states. The first problem to be solved is the finding of a grass plant suitable for stock purposes. Nearly 4,000 acres will be fenced in and divided into thirty lots for experiments in planting. These western cattle ranges have been ruined by sheep. It is expected once the feasibility of replanting is proved the federal and state governments will lend their aid to the movement.

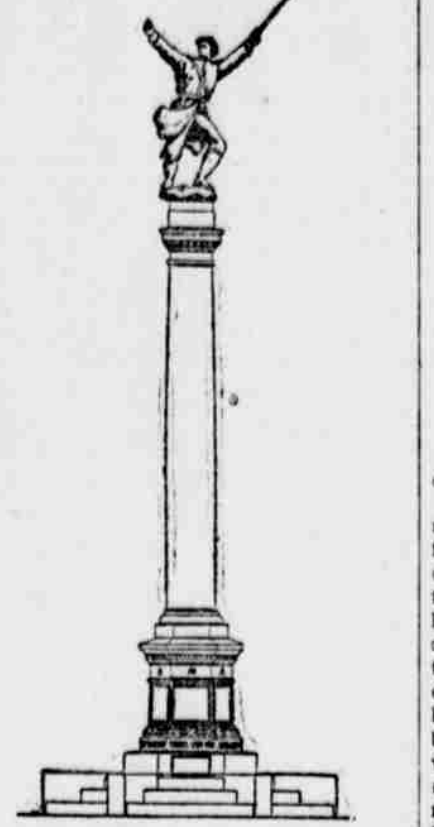
**Remarkable Freak Chickens.**  
A chicken hatched in Guelpich street, Wandsworth, London, recently, and which died soon afterward, had two beaks, three eyes, five claws on the left foot and four on the right, and three sets of brains.

**Can France Get on Customers.**  
The Bank of France can compel customers to accept one-fifth of withdrawal in gold coin.

# PEOPLE AND EVENTS

## NEW SHAFT AT ANTIETAM.

State of New Jersey Puts Up Monument to Her Troops.  
Last Wednesday the monument erected by New Jersey at Antietam to commemorate the part played by her troops in that memorable battle was unveiled. The stone is a plain shaft



of Vermont granite, forty feet in height, surmounted by the bronze figure of Capt. Hugh C. Irish of Company K, Thirtieth New Jersey, and it is placed on the spot where Capt. Irish fell, mortally wounded. Hexamer's battery of Hoboken and the Thirtieth New Jersey did valiant work in the battle of Antietam.

## ONLY LIVING WAR GOVERNOR.

Alexander Ramsey of Minnesota Last of Band of Great Men.  
Former Governor Alexander Ramsey of St. Paul, Minn., who recently celebrated the 87th anniversary of his birth, is the only living war governor, and, although not so vigorous as he was twenty years ago, he still retains in a remarkable degree the vitality



which has so long distinguished him among the pioneers of the territory and state of Minnesota. Gov. Ramsey was born near Harrisburg, Pa., in 1815. He was admitted to the bar in 1839, and was elected to Congress in 1843. President Taylor appointed him governor of Minnesota in 1849, and since then he has been identified with the Northwest. He was twelve years United States senator.

## SYMPATHY FOR MR. STEWART.

Nevada Senator Gets Many Messages of Condolence.  
United States Senator William M. Stewart of Nevada, who is at The Hague in connection with the Pius



fund arbitration case, was the recipient to-day of a host of telegrams of sympathy on the death of his wife, who was killed in an automobile accident at Alameda, Cal. Senator Stewart has not yet decided when he will start for the United States.

## First Discovery of Diamonds.

Diamonds are said to have been first found in the state of Bahia in 1821, in the range of mountains known as Serra do Sincora; but not until 1824 when Jose Pereira do Prado, who was traveling from that region to Bahia City and camped for the night on the bank of the Moengua, a small tributary to the Paraguacu river, and there by accident found a quantity of diamonds—was an impetus given to mining for the precious stones.

## Coch Dogs Out of Style.

The old black and white spotted Dalmatian dogs, better known as "coch dogs," that were so numerous and popular throughout the United States from 1869 to 1882, inclusive, appear to have become extinct in this country, having, like the Newfoundland, which has shared the same fate, gone out of style.

## Cocous the Hardest Wood.

The hardest wood is not ebony, but cocous. It grows in the West Indies and is used for making sutes and similar instruments.

# Sunset

Sunset, with every sense awake  
To catch the beauty of the lake  
Sunset, the sun a dying fire  
The last flame of a soul's desire  
Yet not the last, for every cloud  
Is instilled with new joys allowed:  
Sunset, when all the clouds confess  
The glories of the rainbow's dress:  
Sunset, to all who see aright  
The sign of Everlasting Light!  
Sunset, and when the sun has set,  
His heart seems clouded with regret  
Gill, following the lord of noon,  
Comes the calm splendor of the moon

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## Fontella.

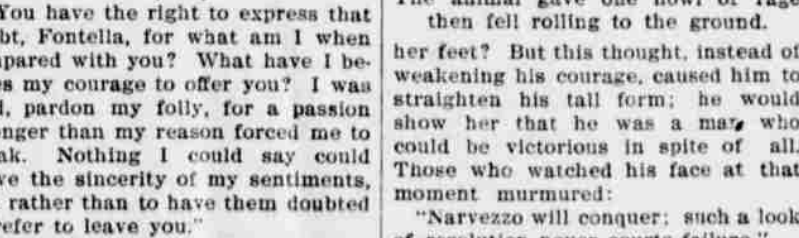
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She had often noticed him in the ring, as with smiling lips he waited for the furious attacks of the maddened bull. At first his courage in the face of danger, his proud defiance, his dark, handsome face and graceful carriage won her admiration, and later this admiration, aided by a romantic disposition ripened into love. As to him, though he admired her magical beauty and her daintiness of form, he was not blinded to the distance which separated him, Jose Narvezzo, the matador, and she Fontella Adrovero, the governor's daughter. Still, when he knew that her dark eyes rested upon him, his form straightened, his lips curled in that disdainful smile of bravery which made him the favorite of the ring, and his sword would bury itself with unerring aim into the bull's flesh.

When a woman of Fontella's type loves it is with a passion which nothing can quench and no obstacle can stop. How she managed to meet him for the first time, how she drew him on to her until his admiration of the first days became the conquering passion of his life, will never be known, sufficient to say that before many weeks Jose had forgotten the distance which separated their two destinies and he has asked Fontella to become his wife.

She remained silent for some time after he had spoken that avowal of love for which she had waited, and with her dark eyes fixed upon him in a searching gaze she seemed to try to penetrate the very depths of his soul. After awhile she said:  
"Are you sure it is me you love, not my wealth, nor my social position, not the fact that I am Fontella, the governor's daughter?"  
A flash of anger glittered for an instant in the matador's eyes, but this was soon softened by an expression of pain as he sadly replied:  
"You have the right to express that doubt, Fontella, for what am I when compared with you? What have I besides my courage to offer you? I was mad, pardon my folly, for a passion stronger than my reason forced me to speak. Nothing I could say could prove the sincerity of my sentiments, and rather than to have them doubted I prefer to leave you."  
He moved a step away as though to leave her, but she extended her hand and with a softening in her haughty voice, said:  
"I believe you."  
He returned to her, his eyes burning with passion; he seized her hands and in a pressure which was almost cruel he cried:  
"You believe my sentiments, but do you return them? Do you love me as I do you?"  
"I do."  
"Then you shall be mine, Fontella; the social barriers which separate us can surely be surmounted. Love will find the way."  
"Love is powerful, but the governor of this province is more so," she remarked, "and my father will never consent to our union. Still I have a plan; I can force my father's consent. When will you have the next fight?"  
"Next Wednesday. I am to fight Deviletto, the terrible black bull from Mexico. He has killed seven matadors during the season."  
She shivered; that record frightened her, but, overcoming this momentary emotion, she said:  
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her feet? But this thought, instead of weakening his courage, caused him to straighten his tall form; he would show her that he was a man, who could be victorious in spite of all. Those who watched his face at that moment murmured:  
"Narvezzo will conquer; such a look of resolution never occurs failure."  
When the bull entered it was easy to see that the stories told of his vicious temper had not been overestimated. He was a beautiful animal, jet black in color, with long, sharp horns and eyes that burned like coals, his heaving flanks, switching tail and the manner in which he scattered the sand with his paw showed that he was used to this display and that he was only too ready to do his part.

It did not last long; in a few instants four horses lay bleeding on the sand, torn open by those terrible horns. One picador was dead; blood was everywhere. Still the fans in women's hands went backward and forward in lazy indolence, while eyes which seemed to have been made only for tenderness gazed with evident satisfaction upon the gory scene.  
At last the matador entered. Jose Narvezzo never appeared so calm, so proudly indifferent as to-day. In his right hand he held the sword, with which he was to slay the now maddened bull. For an instant they stood face to face, the man and the beast. Then, with a bellow of rage, the animal charged his new enemy. Jose did not move, his sword was ready; just as the bull came up to him he raised the weapon, but it fell on one of the horns and broke itself in two.  
"He has lost, the bull has won!" rose on every side.

But no, he had not lost! In one leap he had jumped to one side, the bull charged on, burying his horns in the sand a little distance away. This gave Jose time to take a sword which one of the men handed him, and when once more the baffled bull turned upon him with renewed fury he was ready, sword in hand, a smile of defiance on his lips, a strange expression in the eyes. This time the sword did its work, for as the bull rushed upon him the second time he plunged it to the hilt into the quivering flesh. The animal gave one howl of rage and pain, then fell rolling to the ground. The man had conquered the beast; the spectacle of blood was at an end.

The crowd, mad with enthusiasm, cheered the conqueror; women cried as they cast their rings or jewels into the ring; men threw money. The matador was reaping his golden harvest. Suddenly a deep hush followed the clamor. All eyes turned in one direction toward the door which admitted the performers into the ring. Jose, surprised by the silence, turned also, and could scarcely retain an exclamation as he saw Fontella coming toward him, picking her way amid the dead horses.

When she got up to him she passed in and tones which rang clear and loud in the silence said:  
"Jose Narvezzo, you have conquered to-day the fiercest bull in Spain. Others have cast their tributes of gold at your feet; I bring you mine. Here

is my hand; take it if you want it. I am yours for life."  
The scandal was great. The governor was furious, but Fontella had won. After that scene at the bull fight it was impossible for him to refuse his consent, so some two months later Narvezzo, having left the ring, became Fontella's husband, once more proving the saying that when there is a will there is a way.

# AGRICULTURE

Where Labors Are Legion.  
On the farm where mixed farming is followed, the labors are indeed legion. This is the one objection against this kind of farming. Yet it is the safest kind of farming for the farmer that has small capital. The farm devoted to the raising of one kind of produce is indeed easy to manage, but it is too much of a lottery to be safely conducted by a man of small means. The farmer that follows mixed farming is always finding some crop that pays him well each year. Though one crop may be poor in quality and low in price another is certain to be the reverse. The diversified farm is the one on which we build most of our hopes.

## PRALINES OF NEW ORLEANS.

Delicious Candy Which is Sold on the Streets of Old Town.  
"Among the toothsome memories of bygone years nothing in the form of sweets or candy appeals so keenly to a Louisiana as the praline," says Robert Mitchell Floyd, according to the New York Mail and Express. "A stranger visiting the city and desiring to find some of this dainty would probably go to the first confectioner's shop, to be waved out of the door by the hand of the French maiden in attendance. 'Non monsieur, on vend ca sur la rue!' (No, sir; they sell that in the streets!)"

The manufacturing of the real praline seems to be the accepted right of the descendants of the old Indians whose blood has been intermingled with French negroes. The candy is always carried about in the morning, freshly made, on small neatly covered trays by men only.  
"In the making of the praline the Indian obtains from the hoghead of molasses the sugar that has granulated from the liquid and been precipitated to the bottom. This is flavored more thickly than the ordinary sugar-house product, and when re-boiled and cooled has a most attractive and delicious taste of its own. Pecan nuts are carefully cracked and taken from their shells so that the two halves of the nut are unbroken. The boiling thick sugar is then poured out on a flat stone in little puddles of about three inches in diameter, into the surface of which the pecan nut meats are carefully hunched in conical heaps, with just enough of the hot liquid sugar added to hold them in place."

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Assuming that the United States does not join it the Naval Annual concludes that no combination of naval powers could be made strong enough to destroy British sea power.

## Down on the Prairies.

How still the prairies lie at early dawn!  
These rolling landscapes of unbroken sod,  
Ere yet the shadows of the night are gone—  
These billows stiffened by the voice of God—  
Seem now to hold dim ages as in pawn;  
To witness his prophetic ruling rod;  
That earth's wide turmoil here at last shall cease.  
And man's rebellious heart be awed to peace.

The wind moves slow, as if it would not wake  
The million blades of grass that radiantly  
Mounted jewels of the dew, nor shake  
The clustering blooms within the orchards fair.  
Nor fret the surface of the shallow lake,  
Nor vex the vast sweet silence of the air.  
That he who seeks the sinless morning's calm  
May feel the soothing of the prairie's balm.

How soft the light falls on the gracious scene!  
Field after field, in green and gold array  
Rises distinct; the anchored clouds are seen  
To glide, a stately fleet, upon their way.  
While flutter low within their covert green  
The sandhills seem to dream of coming day;  
And all the sweep of clearing sky and land  
To love and faith man's spirit doth command.

## Best Use of Talents.

Personality has done wonders with both heredity and environment, as the Independent says. It has made moderate gifts, accomplished marvelous things. Men by patient and persistent application, have put to shame the splendidly equipped who have indolently frittered away their patrimony. Out of the most untoward surroundings men have found their way to the grandest achievements. The boy from the log cabin has outstripped the boy from the palace. The barefooted boy has outstripped the boy of pampered indulgence. The plodder has outstripped the genius. The tortoise has passed the hare. Whether a man be richly endowed or moderately endowed, his success will depend on the use he makes of what God has given him.

## Women in Self-Defense.

In his volume, "The Kiss and Its History," Dr. Christopher Nyrop of the University of Copenhagen relates that in England in 1837 Thomas Savland brought an action against Miss Caroline Newton, who had bitten a piece out of his nose for his having tried to kiss her by way of a joke. The defendant was acquitted, and the judge laid it down that "when a man kisses a woman against her will she is fully entitled to bite his nose if she so pleases."

To lose sympathy with men is to lose success with them.

Dallas has a Federal Labor union. Wise county farmers will soon sow wheat. Wilbarger county will put in a large wheat acreage. Bexar county Republicans will put out a county ticket. District court opened on the 15th at Abilene with a large docket. Henry Long, a well-known citizen of Beaumont, died at Hot Springs. State Insurance Inspector Jalonick pronounces waterworks of Wichita Falls excellent. Messrs. John Brock and Will Parks are feeding a large number of cattle near Ennis.

Collin, Grayson, Fannin and several other north Texas counties had a fine rain on the 17th. Charles Gaertner, a Katy railway postal clerk died unexpectedly at Denison on the 16th. President Britton of the Cotton Belt Railway company and other officials were in the state last week.

A man pleaded guilty in a justice court at Temple to writing obscene letters and was fined \$75 and costs.

Work on the new Santa Fe railway depot at Cleburne will soon commence. It will be a modern structure. A lamp exploded in the hands of Miss McDavid at Omen, near Troupe. The young lady sustained serious burns.

Rev. E. L. Wessons of Sardis, Miss., has accepted a call to the First Baptist church of Marshall, assuming charge Nov. 1.

Two coach loads of negro cotton pickers arrived at Hubbard City one day last week. They were from south Texas counties.

The assessed valuation of the city of Dallas for 1902 is \$23,934,500. The increase shown in assessments on real estate is \$114,075.

John Bowman, colored, was shot and instantly killed four miles from Clarksville. Domestic troubles cause Elayer fled to the territory.

The recent grand jury at Marshall returned fifty felony and forty-two misdemeanor indictments, the largest number in the past twenty-five years.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Texas Car Service association was held at Galveston on the 15th. Nothing but routine business was transacted.

The Concho Valley Baptist association held a meeting last week at Ozona. Twelve churches were represented. Rev. T. Sykes of San Antonio was chosen moderator.

Frank Hall, a Hawkins saloonist, was hot in the breast while seated in front of a store. Two loads of No. 2 birdshot was the ammunition and a shotgun the weapon.

Corporal Richard Capers, stationed at Fort Sam Houston, and Miss Ida May McFadden of Glory, Lamar county, were united in marriage at the courthouse in Paris on the 15th.

The new Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Sacred Heart of Dallas is to be dedicated Oct. 28. The building is 104x150 feet. Many distinguished prelates are expected to be present.

The Bell County Press association was permanently organized at Temple on the 17th. J. F. Crouch of the Belton Journal was elected president and J. D. Crow of the Temple Times, vice president. Miss Maud E. Allen of the Bartlett News secretary, and W. E. Bennett of the Kilbuck Recorder, treasurer.

In district court at Belton last week the heirs of the late J. D. Howard got judgment against the Santa Fe railway for \$5000. Deceased, who was a hatter in Temple roundhouse, was killed in February, 1901.

Judge E. D. Simmons, assistant attorney general, has returned to Austin from a ranch fifty miles north of Marba, where himself and family spent several weeks. He reports that section of country as being in splendid condition, with an abundance of grass.

Leaving Engineer Waller of the Mexican Central Railway company has put a second surveying party in the field locating a line for that road from San Antonio to the Rio Grande river. Operations will be pushed at a rapid rate on the line.

Sam A. Beckham and Abe Goodman were held in \$10,000 bond each at Greenville. They are charged with being accessories to the killing of Deputy Sheriff Will Volvin in that city on the night of Sept. 13. Jim Beckham, Sam's brother, was jailed.

The residence of Sol Carpenter in the western part of Ballinger was destroyed by fire on the night of the 15th inst. The family barely escaped with their lives, and lost nearly all of their household goods.

Cleburne McCauley, a young Texan, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States marine corps. He had formerly served in the ranks and was in the war with Spain. The late Congressman DeGraffland urged his appointment.

Paul Smith, about 30 years of age, a laborer, fell from a derrick of the Palestine-Beaumont Oil company at Beaumont and broke his skull and neck. He was a former citizen of New Orleans, where he worked in a restaurant, and other occupations.

OPERATION NEEDED

President Had to Submit to One While at Indianapolis.

DUE TO PITTSFIELD ACCIDENT

He Was Taken to a Hospital, and After the Surgeons Attended to Him Departed for the National Capital.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt's western trip came to an untimely end in this city, caused by the accident at Pittsfield, Mass. He was found to be suffering from a swelling in the left leg between the knee and ankle that required immediate surgical attention, and instead of being taken to the train to continue his journey to Port Wayne and Milwaukee, he was conveyed to St. Vincent's hospital, where he was operated on. The operation occurred at 3:35 o'clock and lasted only a short time, when he was taken to a private room in the hospital to rest. After taking a light luncheon at 7:50 p. m., he was conveyed on a stretcher to his train, which had been backed on the "V" near the hospital, and at 7:50 o'clock the train left for Washington. The first intimation that anything was wrong came in the form of rumors to the great crowd that was patiently waiting around the Columbus club and the soldiers' and sailors' monument for the president to appear. It was about 2:30 o'clock, half an hour of the time set for the president to leave the city, that a few of the favored ones in the crowd received intimations that the president was sick, and that the rest of the trip would probably be abandoned. These statements were promptly denied as fast as they gained currency, but soon the rumors began to take a more serious character. The president was driven to the hospital. He was taken to the operating room at once. He walked to the operating table alone, and as he lay down he remarked with a smile: "Gentlemen, you are formal. I see you have your gloves on." This was a reference to the antiseptic gloves of the surgeons.

"Mr. President," said a surgeon with a smile, "it is always in order to wear gloves at a president's reception."

This caused the president to exclaim: "Good! Well said."

The operation began without delay. The pain caused the president to mutter several times in a low voice, but he said nothing that was distinct except to ask for a glass of water, before the needle had been removed.

After the operation was over he made several laughable remarks concerning trivial matters and asked if he would be allowed to use his leg long enough to walk upstairs himself.

"You will be hauled upstairs in a wheeled ambulance," said the surgeon.

At 7:40 p. m. a white blanket was thrown around him and he was placed on a hospital stretcher and carried by a company of infantry, was carried to the car a block away by four negro porters from the train. He bade good-bye to the nurses as he was carried out of the hall to the elevator and thanked them for their kindness. He did not talk during his trip to the car. Senator Fairbanks, Gov. Durbin and other prominent gentlemen were at the train to bid him good-bye.

CAUSE OF OPERATION.

It Was Owing to the Accident at Pittsfield, Mass.

Indianapolis, Ind. The swelling of the president's leg which made an operation necessary was occasioned by a bruise he received at the time of the trolley car accident at Pittsfield, Mass. Besides being injured in the face and across the eye, the president received a blow upon the inner part of the leg, between the ankle and knee, but, true to his characteristic, he paid no attention to it, deeming it a slight bruise, not worth talking about. During several weeks he took no heed of it, but it began to pain him so that it began to force attention. After starting on his western trip he determined that perhaps Dr. Lutz, who was aboard the train, should examine it. The doctor did so and pronounced it to be a serious matter. When in Detroit the doctor declared that something would have to be done.

President addressed war veterans at Detroit.

Demands Granted.

New York: Delegates of the Piano-Makers' unions have reported to the Central Federation union that 1200 piano-makers had been granted demands for a nine-hour day and 10 per cent increase in wages by twenty-three firms.

Spoke of Indiana.

Kokomo, Ind.: The president was greeted here by 2500 people and a detachment of the 100th Indiana State Guard, who formed his escort to the stand. The children of the public schools were drawn up along the line of march and waved American flags as the president passed. The president, who was introduced by Mayor Braine, thanked the people for coming out to greet him and said he was glad to be able to stop at Kokomo, and speak of the great natural resources of Indiana.

STABBED WITH SCISSORS.

A Prominent Citizen of Waxahachie Wounded Himself Seriously.

Waxahachie, Col. J. C. Gibson, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Waxahachie, lies at his home in a critical condition as the result of self-inflicted scissor wounds caused by the effects of an accidental overdose of morphine.

The gentleman, who is 74 years of age, has been ill for some time, and early Tuesday morning, through mistake of the size of the morphine tablets, swallowed an overdose of the drug. The peculiar sensations resulting caused him to remark to the family that he believed he had taken too much of the morphine. Physicians were summoned and after hard work and the administering of antidotes he was soon improved, but still suffered from the effects.

Tuesday night, as the only other person in the room went after a drink of water, the patient got out of bed and procuring a pair of scissors, stabbed himself on each side of the jugular vein, inflicting severe wounds. He also lacerated his chest and side with many cuts. For a short while he was thought to be dead, but later rallied, though weak from the excessive loss of blood.

DENISON FAIR.

Paid Attendance on Opening Day Much Larger Than Last Year.

Denison, Tex.: The fourth annual fair opened here Tuesday with a paid attendance much larger than the opening day last year.

The poultry show this year is better than it has ever before been. The poultry department is in a new building separate from the other exhibits this year and the building is filled with choice fowls.

The show is better than usual and the agricultural exhibit splendid. There is no better object lesson on crop diversification than that shown at this fair, everything that is grown in this state being on exhibition and there is nothing that can be grown in a temperate or semi-tropic climate that is not shown.

The art exhibit, the art needle work, the culinary department, etc., are filled with samples of the work of the ladies of north Texas, and the showing is the best yet made at this fair.

Katy Wreck.

Denison: The Katy had a bad freight wreck near Woodbine Monday night. The engine and seven cars loaded with stock went into the ditch. S. E. Conway, brakeman on the train, had several ribs broken and his back badly sprained. He was taken to Gainesville for treatment.

Over 100 head of cattle were killed or crippled. The cattle were shipped from Henrietta and were destined for the eastern markets.

No Romance for Him.

Lake Charles, La.: A double elopement was frustrated here Monday night. The quartette were on a train bound for Beaumont, but were taken off by a hard-hearted deputy sheriff on a telegram from the girl's father. The eloping quartette were taken home by him Tuesday morning. He said they could get married at home if they liked, but he set his face against matrimony.

Three Children Cremated.

Navasota, Tex.: Monday afternoon the residence of Allen Taylor, colored, residing near Anderson, in this county, was destroyed by fire and three of his children, aged 3, 6 and 8 years, were cremated in the building.

The children were left alone in the house, and it not known how the fire originated.

Birmingham's Big Blaze.

Birmingham, Ala.: The fire which broke out shortly before 1 o'clock Tuesday morning in the clothing house of Louis Saks, at the corner of Nineteenth street and First avenue, burned until 4 o'clock, destroying their three-story building and its contents. The total loss on building and its stock is \$240,000, with \$180,000 insurance.

Bishop Moore predicts China will become a Christian nation.

Dan Patch paced a mile at Readville, Mass., in 1:54.

Six footpads held up and robbed a lady at Chicago in daylight.

Convict Rode Away.

Better Mounted Than the Guard and Escape Was Easy.

Brenham, Tex.: Road Commissioner Parker had an exciting experience with an incorrigible member of his county convict farm Monday.

A farmer living near rode up to the camp and engaged the guard in conversation. One of the convicts, who has been very refractory lately, saw his opportunity, unlocked the hitch rein, sprang astride the horse and rode away at full speed.

The guard, who had nothing but muskets in camp, saddled one and went in pursuit. He soon saw the uselessness of further pursuit on the mule and returned to the camp for reinforcements and a faster mount.

This is the same man who appeared in the district court last Thursday and made an argument that induced the jury to return a verdict of not guilty on a charge of burglary.

AN AWFUL AFFAIR

Stampede Occurs in a Negro Church at Birmingham, Ala.

EIGHTY OF CONGREGATION DEAD

A Fight in the City Was Announced by Some One, and as it Was Thought He Said Fire, a Panic Prevailed.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 20.—In an awful crash of humanity, caused by a stampede in the Fifth Baptist church at Avenue G and Eighteenth street Friday night, between sixty-five and eighty persons were killed and as many more or less seriously injured, the calamity occurred at 9 o'clock, just as Booker T. Washington had concluded his address to the national convention of Baptists, and for three hours the scenes around the church were indescribable. Dead bodies were strewn in every direction and the ambulance service of the city was utterly incapacitated to move them until after 1 a. m. The injured were looked after and dozens of dead bodies were arranged in rows on the ground outside the house of worship, waiting removal to the various undertaking establishments, while more than a score were laid out on benches inside.

The church is the largest house of worship for negroes in Birmingham and the pastor says there were at least 2000 persons in the edifice when the stampede began. Instructions had been issued to allow no one else to enter, but the negroes forced their way inside the building and were standing in every aisle and the entrance was literally packed.

Just as Booker Washington concluded his address, Judge Billou, a negro lawyer from Baltimore, engaged in an altercation with the choir leader concerning an unoccupied seat, and it is said a blow was struck. Some one in the choir cried, "They're fighting."

Mistaking the word "fighting" for "fire," the congregation arose en masse and started for the door. One of the ministers quickly mounted the rostrum and admonished the people to keep quiet. He repeated the word "quiet" several times and motioned to his hearers to be seated. Again the excited congregation mistook the word "quiet" for "fire" and rushed pell-mell for the door. Men and women crawled over benches, fought their way into aisles, and those who had fallen were trampled on like cattle. The ministers tried again to stop the stampede, but no power on earth could stay the struggling, fighting mass of humanity. The screams of women and children added to the horror of the scene and through fright many persons fainted and as they fell to the floor were crushed to death.

Saucedo met death without fear and made a speech from the scaffold, forgiving every one and asking the forgiveness of any one whom he may have wronged. He blamed no one for his death, and asked that every one take warning from his end.

Queen of Belgium Dead.

Brussels, Belgium: Marie Henriette, queen of the Belgians, died here suddenly Friday night. Neither her husband, members of her family nor her majesty's doctors were present at her death. She was seated at a table eating a light dinner when she was seized with an attack of syncope. Dr. Guillaume, who in the course of the day had remarked upon certain disquieting symptoms in the queen's condition, was summoned immediately, but her majesty was dead before he arrived.

Waco Tragedy.

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The principal attractions of the afternoon were the sham battle and the racing, but the arena programme was also good.

IN FULL BLAST.

The Mayorality Impeachment Case at Waco Excites Much Interest.

Waco: The impeachment proceedings in progress before the city council were in full blast Friday night. A volume of testimony is being taken. The city council is sitting as a court, with Mayor Riggins present as defendant.

The most interesting evidence was that of G. H. Luedde, bearing upon Mayor Riggins' service in the case of anti-prohibition. One article of the impeachment complains of the mayor's spending time in that work. Mr. Luedde also is a determined anti-prohibition worker.

Hon. Walter S. Baker is defending Mayor Riggins. He has applied to one of the appellate judges for relief, but so far nothing has been heard from that source. It is the plan of the city council to go, with short recesses when necessary, and to conclude the business without adjournment until a result is reached.

SAUCEDO SWINGS.

Pays the Awful Penalty for Transgressing a Law of the Land.

San Antonio: Vicente Saucedo, a Mexican convicted of criminal assault on Guencena Morales, the 19-year-old daughter of his wife by a former husband, was executed in the county jail Friday, the trap being sprung at 12:15 and life being pronounced extinct in fifteen minutes. His neck was broken in two places, and to all appearances death was painless. The execution was witnessed by 300 people.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Duncan, I. T., is to have electric lights. Sanitary employees at Santiago, Cuba, struck.

Ardmore, I. T., will have free mail delivery Dec. 1. A seat on the New York stock exchange brought \$1,000.

China will have an elaborate display at the World's fair in St. Louis. Forest fires have been raging in the Jacks Fork mountains, Indian Territory.

Gov.-elect McCurtain of the Choctaw nation will be inaugurated Oct. 6.

Fred Boxlietier, 14 years old, was around to pieces by a train at Dulac, La.

Great development of Cherokee mineral lands is expected to begin after allotment.

J. A. Hudson, aged 86 years, a prominent citizen of Florida, died at Tallahassee, Fla., Sept. 20.

John Selly of Vincennes, Ind., has been arrested charged with obtaining \$10,000 by unlawful means.

The steamer Victoria left Victoria, B. C., for China with 310 boxes of bones of deceased Celestians.

William Brinkley, a wealthy farmer near Brookville, Ind., succeeded by his son. He was 83 years old.

Weyerhaeuser & Deukmann's lumber yard burned at Rock Island, Ill. It covered three acres. Loss, \$42,000.

Four masked burglars entered the postoffice at Arcadia, Ind., dynamited the safe and secured \$500 in cash and stamps.

Reports received from Middleboro, Ky., are that Jim Wright, the leader of Wright's band, said to have been killed, is alive.

Jack Fife, a prominent planter, committed suicide near Hermannville, Miss., by blowing his head with his military shot gun.

Stephen McCormick, said to have been the oldest employe of New York city in point of service and the oldest member of Tammany Hall, is dead, aged 75 years.

John Say, aged 83 years, died last week at Unionville, Mo. He voted for William Henry Harrison and the Republican ticket since the formation of that party in 1856.

The First National bank and the Boynton National bank, both of Boynton, I. T., and each with an authorized capital of \$25,000, have been granted permission to transact business.

In a crap game at Brookhaven, Miss., Dave Robinson and Sherman Swilley quarreled over 25 cents. Swilley fractured Robinson's skull with a plank. The latter walked home, lay down and arose no more.

Benny Yauger and young Mowat, the "Fighting Conductor," fought six rounds to a draw at Chicago. The fight was a rough affair from beginning to end. Honors were about even.

James Robertson has raised on his farm, near Puresell, I. T., some beets measuring one and one-half inches around, twenty-two inches long and weighing seven and one-half pounds. He had in one-quarter of an acre.

Col. John C. Garnett, a West Point graduate, a Virginian, a colonel of artillery under Gen. R. E. Lee in the Civil war and a prominent southern resident of New York, suicided in that city by carbolic acid.

Sir John Gordon Spring, prime minister of Cape Colony, has announced the repeal of martial law and the proclamation of the peace preservation act, which enables the government to control firearms and registration of all arms and ammunition.

Naval Constructor Richmond Hobson, who has been on sick leave since June, owing to his eyes being weak, has reported for duty. His eyes were injured by glare of sun while raising the sunken Spanish vessels near Santiago.

A free-for-all fight was pulled off by about thirty negroes on an excursion train between Rebocha, Del., and Queenstown, Md. One negro was killed and several injured. White passengers fled to a baggage car in order to be protected.

Herbert L. Bridgeman of New York, secretary of the Peary Arctic club, received a dispatch from Luedt. Peary, dated Chateau Bay, Labrador, stating he is on his way home on the relief ship, Windward and all are in good health.

After an expenditure of \$21,000,000 and the sacrifice of twenty-four human lives the rapid transit subway under construction at New York is, according to the World of that city, three-fifths completed.

James Allen, manager of a sawmill near Portland, Ark., was accidentally killed while hunting deer. With rifle cocked he stumbled and the weapon was discharged, the ball lodging in his heart. He was well-known in southern Arkansas.

British government officials deny there is any truth in the report cabled from Paris, dated Saigon, that a British force has occupied the Malay principality of Klantam. They declare the report to be absolutely untrue.

The Mexican gunboats Tampico and Vera Cruz were successfully launched at the Crescent shipyards, Elizabeth, N. J., on the 15th. A large number of people witnessed the launching of the two vessels. The Mexican consul dined 100 guests afterward.

Bury the Past

The past of either a man or woman, says the Pittsburg, Pa. Post, is beyond recall, and cannot be canceled or erased. The future alone will give to the other, and if it is to be a full and generous one, the past should be no question.

In the social interchanges of life, it is well to guard against those who betray the confidences of others. If a man or woman betrays the confidence of others, we should be equally careful to suppose that they will be equally forthcoming in honor otherwise.

He Was Not Color Blind.

"Did you hear how Murphy spoiled his chance of getting an engine?" inquired one railroad man of another. "No," was the reply. "How did it happen?"

"Why, they were testing Murphy's eyes to see if he would be all right on colors. Everything went smoothly until they put out an orange-colored card. When the smoke cleared away, instead of having an engine, Murphy was in jail on seven different charges ranging from assault with intent to kill to willful destruction of property."—Syracuse Herald.

# Maublieck, the Lion-Tamer.

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**CHAPTER I.**  
"Hello, Dick, old Gloomly-face! I'll bet a cigarette you haven't laughed since breakfast."  
"What breakfast? I haven't seen a smile on his face in a week."  
The scene was the Lotus club, New York city, and I, Richard Wilberston, just entering, was the old Gloomly-face alluded to. The facetious person who so alluded to my impassive face was Hilkins, the duke, and youthfully member of our coterie. The second speaker was Major Simmons, who, besides being a first-rate companion, a man of middle age or more, was Park Commissioner of New York.

There was, unknown to the major and Hilkins, a good reason for the absence of smiles. I was desperately in love with Edith Broughton, and Edith was in love with me. So far so good. But in an evil hour a rival came upon the scene, and though he did not succeed in winning Edith's heart, he did succeed in so far winning the father and the mother of Edith as to prevail upon them to espouse his cause; and in the effort to compel Edith to accept him, they had absolutely forbidden me the entrance to their house, and had so restricted all the movements of Edith that all intercourse between us was impossible.

The cause of this was plain enough. While I had a comfortable income, my rival, Ralph Gravis-court, was a millionaire, lived in magnificent style, drove splendid horses, spent money lavishly, and notwithstanding his forty odd years, was the greatest catch of the season in New York.

The conversation turned on Gravis-court, and the major became reminiscent. "He was called the 'lucky uncle,'" said the major, whose years gave him a deep knowledge of the past. "He had an elder brother, Charles Gravis-court, who was a successful stock operator, and who amassed a fortune of over a million dollars. Charles had a wife and one child. His wife died when the child was only six months old. One year afterward Charles died, leaving the child, a girl, sole heiress of his fortune, and Ralph Gravis-court, next of kin, his executor and guardian of the child. Six months after Charles died, his daughter died, and Gravis-court inherited the fortune. That is why he was called the 'lucky uncle.'"

When the major had finished, I sat moodily engaged with my thoughts, which were unpleasant enough. "Pshaw!" said he. "Don't get blue. Let's go to the circus to-night. What do you say?"

After a little chaff about the program, we both accepted the major's invitation, and a few hours later we found ourselves at Madison Square Garden, elbowing our way with the rest of the throng in through the entrance and into comfortable seats provided by the major.

As one circus is like another, so the gaudily uniformed band was like every other circus band, and blared out circus music until the throng was seated.

Then came the clown, and after him a herd of trained elephants. We watched them attentively, and were rather sorry when the great, clumsy, sagacious brutes moved out of the ring.

"St! Here's a sight!" said Hilkins, digging me in the ribs.  
It was a sight, indeed!  
The next occupant of the ring was Maublieck, the Lion-Tamer!

He was not particularly tall—not more so than myself, but of such massive musculature that I gazed at him with undiminished admiration. I had, in my college days, been something of an athlete myself, and I had an honest admiration for the strength and iron-like limbs of the man before us. He was clad only in tights, and through them the swelling muscles of his thighs seemed about to burst. About his waist he wore a bejeweled girdle, the bangles of which seemed to be gold and silver coin.

He appeared before a New York public. Her features were matchless. She had a wealth of dark-brown hair, which was tightly drawn into a knot so that it would not interfere with her in her performances on the bar. Her face was perfect in its contour, and every feature was a poem. And yet it seemed to me that she looked sad—woefully sad—not like one who enjoyed the triumph of a successful appearance, but like one who was ashamed, or who loathed the part she played, or to whom some great sorrow or bitterness had come that had driven all the brightness from her life.

The trapeze queen drew herself onto one of the bars and hung lightly in mid-air, head downwards, with no support but her toes. Then she swung to and fro, and letting go from the bar, she seemed to soar through the air and cling to the flying or swinging trapeze. On this she gave a marvelous exhibition of her fearlessness and wonderful skill, in all of which her writhing white muscles shone and every beauty of her form seemed to display to advantage.

The audience watched her in breathless silence, and when at last she had finished, there arose an uproar the like of which was never heard before in Madison Square Garden.

There were two men in that audience who were evidently much interested in the queen of the flying trapeze. I had seen Maublieck, the lion tamer, clad in ordinary evening dress, looking like a handsome powerful man of the world, standing near the ropes, watching the beautiful acrobat narrowly. There was a smile of encouragement on his face, and he was among the first in the applause.

Then, as Nita reached the ground, a tall, black-bearded, mean-looking Italian forced himself through the group of attendants, and taking the girl's hand in his, led her away from our sight.

And I noticed that, although her countenance was dead to us, she had won from the people—when she passed Maublieck it was to him that her beautiful face was bowed, and one bright, fleeting smile showed itself on her lips when her eyes looked into his.

The next act fell flat, and as neither Maublieck nor Barloti, who was billed to appear a second time, we soon lost interest, and before the crowd began to get restless, we left the Garden and went home.

"Don't forget Gravis-court's star tomorrow evening," said the major, as I was leaving him. "You will be there, I suppose."  
"Hang Gravis-court!" I replied. "Yes, I will be there, if for no other reason than to show the fellow I am still alive and in the arena."  
"Good!" said the major. "And good-night!"

"Gravis-court's genius for entertaining is indisputable," said the major, on the following evening, as he, Hilkins and I sat together, among a score of more kindred spirits, all forming an appreciative audience at Gravis-court's "star" entertainment.

"True," I replied, with a tinge of malice. "One almost forgets who his host is, with so much to amuse."  
The program was a sort of vaudeville. There were songs, skirt dances, comic sketches by more or less famous artists in their line, and the time was so well filled and passed so pleasantly that the hours glided by almost imperceptibly.

Dilkins, with his usual curiosity and push, was rummaging around in some cabinets he had succeeded in opening, and he suddenly electrified us all by exclaiming:  
"By Jove! Dick! Major! Look at this!"  
The major, Gravis-court and I reached him at the same moment.  
"By Heaven! That face!" he cried, thrusting a photograph into the major's hand.  
"That is a likeness of Alice Gravis-court, my brother's wife, taken some four years before she died," said our host, calmly.  
"Is it?" almost shouted Dilkins. "If it isn't the Queen of the Flying Trapeze, 'I'm a Dutchman!'"  
"What do you mean?" asked Gravis-court.

And the major told him about Nita and Malign's circus.  
"Probably more a fancied resemblance than a true one," he said calmly, as he took the photograph and replaced it in the cabinet from which Dilkins had removed it.

Nothing more was said that night about the occurrence, but it had produced in my mind an impression that could not be shaken off.

On the following day, when I awoke, the first thoughts that came to me were of Gravis-court's picture of the dead woman. With some wild fancy that I was furthering my own affairs and helping myself by seeking to overthrow Gravis-court, I was led by the extravagant phantom of my brain to Trinity cemetery. Having arrived there, I nought and found the family plot of the Gravis-courts, in which a marble monument reared its head over three graves.

over the death records of sixteen years before, the year in which occurred, according to the marble shaft in Trinity, the death of Alice, daughter of Charles and Alice Gravis-court.

At last I found what I was looking for. I held in my hand the certificate of death of the child whose untimely removal had made Ralph Gravis-court a millionaire.

Nothing was wrong about the certificate. Every form of law had been complied with. The cause of death was small-pox. The signature of the physician attached was "C. Sigmotta, M. D."

Doctor Dinmore, the Secretary of the New York Medical Society, was a friend of long standing. I felt I could rely upon him, and was soon at his door.

He greeted me cordially, and I had no difficulty in telling him what I wanted to know. He smiled, and proceeded to look over some old folios he had taken from a recess in his bookcase.

After a few minutes spent thus, he said:  
"I find here the name of Charles Sigmotta as a member of our society fourteen—fifteen—even twenty years ago. He does not seem to have been prominent, but I recall the fact that he attended meetings. I barely recall the name, and do not recollect the man. But there is no doubt he was a physician in good standing. He is not a member now. Wait, ah, here it is! He resigned thirteen years ago. Where is it now, I do not know."  
"It is not important," I said. "What I want to know is this: Sixteen years ago documents—say death certificates—signed by him would go above suspicion, would they not?"  
"To the best of my knowledge and belief, they would," replied Doctor Dinmore. "I know of nothing that indicates to the contrary."  
Having once more had my suspicions laid to the ground, I thanked the doctor and hurried home.

**BRIGANDS QUEER IN GREECE.**  
Treat Prisoner Well, But Insist on Ransom Money  
M. Stravopolous, a young man, who was captured recently by brigands, has returned to Athens. He states that he was about to go on board his yacht at Egion he was accosted by a fashionably dressed young man, who kept him in conversation while four other men crept up behind him and seized and cuffed him. They then carried him off to the mountains to which they were accompanied by the fashionable young man, who turned out to be a notorious brigand chief named Panopoulos. M. Stravopolous was taken to a large cavern or grotto, very comfortably furnished, where the brigands compelled him to write to his father, a rich banker, for a ransom of 4,000 in gold. His captors gave him plenty of food and wines, and even insisted on his saying his prayers twice a day. They also made him read various improving books, of which there was a large supply in the grotto. On the arrival of the money it was conveyed to a monastery in the mountains, where one of the monks counted it and handed it over to the robbers. A great feast was held the same evening in the grotto, and the brigands becoming intoxicated, the prisoner made his escape and reached the railway after a journey of five hours on foot. He returned to the grotto as soon as a force of police had got together, but the brigands had all decamped.—London Globe.

**She Remembers Ella.**  
Probably Mrs. Cox of London is the only person living in England who has personal recollections of Charles Lamb, says the New York Mail and Express. More than seventy years ago she was a little girl living at the Wildford water mill, and because of her quickness in catching a mischievous idea she was a great favorite with the genial essayist. Some of her recollections of V. V. Cox, the well-known Lamb scholar, has transcribed as the result of recent conversations with her. She remembers Lamb's affected conviction that her hair curled only by artificial means, and his repeated warnings at bedtime that she must not forget to put it in papers. "If beggars, she says, he always gave just what his hand happened to draw from his pocket. He was fond of treating the village children to candy, his favorite confection being "Gloriant rock." Here is a pen picture of him as he appeared to the child:  
His clothes were rusty and shabby, like a poor dissenting minister's. He was very thin and looked half starved, partly the effect of high cheekbones. He wore knee breeches and gaiters and a high stock. He carried a walking stick, with which he used to strike at pebbles. He smoked a black clay pipe. No one would have taken him for what he was, but he was clearly a man apart. He took pleasure in looking eccentric.

**Why Russell Sage Works.**  
Although Russell Sage, the famous financier, will be 86 years of age on August 4 next and has recently had a severe turn of illness, he has expressed his determination to continue at his business the same as before. It was some five years ago that Mr. Sage was asked why he did not retire and take a rest and enjoy what he had made. His reply then was doubtless what it would be now if he were asked the same question: "I don't know that I could stop if I would. I fear I should not live long enough. I believe I like work better than I do play. My chief happiness today is in my work and I suppose my machinery will go on at this same rate as long as I live."

**An Unlikely Event.**  
Despite the conclusion of the Boer war, it is unlikely that King Edward will be known to posterity as Edward the Conqueror.

In order to forecast the weather with a reasonable degree of accuracy all you have to do is to predict anything you don't expect.

## TROUBLE IS FEARED

**Boxers in China Are About to Cause Disturbances Again.**

### NECESSITY TO PAY INDEMNITY

Leads to the Levying of Exceedingly High Taxes and as a Consequence Celestials Are Wrathful.

Washington, Sept. 19—China is on the verge of another Boxer uprising, which may equal that of 1900, according to mail advices received at the state department from Minister Conger dated last month. The troubles appear to arise principally from extortionate taxation, combined with resentment against the presence of missionaries, thus justifying the judgment of the department of state, which pointed out to the powers that demand for excessive indemnities would result in serious internal troubles in China.

Mr. Conger's first advice bears date of Aug. 5 from Peking and he reports serious anti-foreign riots near Chen Tu in the province of Sze Chuan, in which a number of native Christians had been massacred and chapels destroyed. Mr. Conger appears to have acted with energy upon telegraphic complaints from Dr. Canright, an American missionary at Chen Tu, not only addressing the Chinese foreign office by letter, but calling there in person to impress upon the officials the importance of an immediate and effective action, and finally succeeding in causing the removal of the local Chinese officials who had failed to suppress the riots and preserve life and property.

Mr. Conger incloses with his report the communication that passed between himself, Dr. Canright and the foreign office.

### LYNCHING IN OREGON.

Negro Who Assaulted a White Woman Shot and Hanged.

Marshfield, Ore., Aug. 20, reported, who assaulted Mrs. Dennis near Libby Wednesday, was lynched Thursday. A body of coal miners, heavily armed, marched into town Wednesday evening. The marshal, who had Tucker in custody, attempted to take him from the jail just as the miners entered and a rush was made for the negro. He managed to give his custodian the slip and jumped under the wharf in to the mud flats and eluded both officers and mob until Thursday.

The miners stationed armed guards at every point of egress from the city. The patrol was kept up all night, and at one time there was loud talk of lynching the officers who allowed Tucker to escape. Every corner of the town was searched and finally two boys located the fugitive under a store. The boys fired at him with air guns and drove him from his hiding place. As he emerged a ball from a rifle caught him in the right leg. Tucker ran into the store and was followed by the miners, who started to string him up in the store, but they decided to take him to the scene of the crime. A start was made, but the negro died from his wounds and the mob hanged him to a beam on the south Marshfield bridge.

**Nude Body Found.**  
New York: The nude body of a young woman was found in the Neris canal near Jersey City Thursday. A long hitching strap, to which was attached a 20-pound iron weight, was around the woman's waist. A few inches long, was found in the abdomen. Detectives are at work on the case.

**Chinese Catholics Killed.**  
London: A dispatch to a news agency from Peking says:  
"Catholics here understand that from 300 to 1800 converts have been killed by Boxers in the province of Sze-Chuen."

President Castro of Venezuela is in sore straits.

President Roosevelt left Oyster Bay Thursday on his western trip.

**ESTATE OF RICE.**  
Letters of Administration Have Been Granted at New York.

New York: William M. Rice, Jr., John D. Hartine and James A. Baker, Jr. were Thursday granted letters of administration on the estate of William M. Rice under the will executed in 1896. They are required to give bond, which is said to be in the neighborhood of \$7,000,000.

Albert T. Patrick, who was named as residuary legatee in a will alleged to have been executed in September, 1900, shortly before Mr. Rice's death, is now in Sing Sing prison awaiting the hearing of his appeal from the conviction of murder of Mr. Rice, who left an estate valued at \$8,000,000. Both will be hotly contested before Surrogate Fitzgerald, who admitted the latter will, usually known as the Patrick will, was a forgery. The bulk of the estate is in Houston, Tex.

## IMPEACHMENT MOVE.

Case of Mayor Higgins of Waco Up Before City Council.

Waco: Judge William Poindexter, sitting in chambers at Meridian, Bosque county, entertained the motion of attorneys representing Mayor J. W. Higgins in the representation that Judge Surratt of Waco was disqualified in the case and Judge Scott absent from Texas. Judge Poindexter gave an injunction, returnable on the 20th instant in the Fifty-fourth district court, temporarily restraining the counsel from proceeding in impeachment proceedings.

The writs were duly served and the city council applying to Judge Surratt for an order dissolving Judge Poindexter's injunction, which after full hearing, Judge Surratt granted.

The Poindexter injunction being dissolved, the city council Thursday night took up the articles of impeachment presented at the regular meeting of the council last week and went into trial, Ben Richards, mayor pro tem, presiding.

The council chamber became densely crowded, making it necessary to adjourn to a large room in the city hall known as the blue room, fitted up to seat 700 persons, and in less than five minutes the blue room was crowded to suffocation.

At 11:15 o'clock Thursday night the city council adopted a motion adjourning until Friday night. At the hour of adjournment the impeachment proceedings were less than half through. A squad of peace officers remained in the blue room throughout the trial, intense interest continued until the hour of adjournment.

**Peary Arrives at Sydney.**  
Sydney, N. S.: The Peary Arctic club relief steamer Windward, with Lieut. C. E. Peary on board, arrived here from Cape Sabine.

Lieut. Peary says: "Our expedition did not reach the north pole, but we made most important scientific discoveries. We are all well and glad to get back to civilization."

Lieut. Peary recovered and brought back the instruments and library abandoned by the Greeley expedition.

**Cannot Come to Texas.**  
Washington: Senator Culberson received the following communication from Secretary Cortelyou:  
"Your letter of the 15th received, and I regret, as yet, it has been impracticable to make any plans for a trip to Texas this fall."  
"The president hopes, however, to visit that state at some future time."  
This means that the president's latest plans eliminate his promised trip to Texas.

**Satisfactory Well Test.**  
Clarksville, Tex.: A test of the stream of water recently struck by the well borer was made on Wednesday in the presence of the city water committee and proved entirely satisfactory. The test was made with four-inch air pipes, the quantity secured being between 70,000 and 100,000 gallons per day, and the quality of the water the purest artesian. The stream was struck at a depth of 300 feet. Another well will be sunk immediately.

**Negro Boy Convicted.**  
Bryan, Tex.: Ira King, a young negro boy, charged with criminal assault upon a negro girl, has been convicted in the district court and his punishment fixed at five years in the penitentiary.

**Three Indicted.**  
Vinita, I. T.: Granville Bell, Henry Goldman and Alice Jones were indicted by the United States grand jury at Muskogee on a charge of murdering a man at Wagoner on election day last spring. The man, whose name is unknown, was a stranger in Wagoner.

**Struck by Lightning.**  
Pilot Point, Tex.: During the electric storm Wednesday R. B. Newman's house was struck by lightning and burned. Loss about \$2000; no insurance.

**Vote Was a Tie.**  
Temple, Tex.: As a result of a local option election held in Ocker school district in this county (Bell) on Sept. 10 the vote was a tie, there being eighty votes in the district.

In the Odd Fellows' parade at Des Moines, Ia., 25,000 participated. Hot Springs holds next convention.

**FEDERAL CLERK KILLED.**  
The Official Accidentally Shot Himself While Out Hunting.

Tyler, Tex.: This city was saddened to learn of the sudden death of D. W. Parish, clerk of the United States circuit court for the Eastern district of Texas.

Mr. Parish was out hunting at Lake Park, three miles from Tyler, Thursday, and in climbing over a fence his gun was discharged, the load taking effect in his body. When found by two citizens an hour later he was dead.

Mr. Parish was 50 years old and had been a resident of Tyler twelve years. He practiced law awhile after coming here and was appointed deputy district clerk of Federal court here and a few months ago appointed clerk. Mr. Parish was married, but had no children, and his widow survives him. He was a native of Illinois and a prominent member of the Knights of Pythias and Masonic lodges.

## RATE IS REDUCED

Important Action Taken to Promote Immigration to Southwest.

### REMARKABLE FARE REDUCTION

Passenger Agents Hold an Interesting Conference at St. Louis and Decide to Push Development.

St. Louis, Sept. 22.—The great southwest will be colonized. This was decided here Saturday by the unanimous vote of the passenger officials representing the railroads traversing that section of the United States, at the second meeting of a general conference held at the headquarters of the Southwestern Passenger Bureau in St. Louis.

Rates and dates have been agreed upon. It was agreed that a coinage rate of one-half of one fare plus \$2 for one way tickets be promulgated. The basis to apply from all Southwestern Passenger bureau terminals to all points in the homeseekers' territory, to be first effective on the third Tuesday of next October and to continue on every homeseekers' date to the end of April. The dates are to be the first and third Tuesday of every month. The homeseekers' rate, which has long been effective, will continue to be one fare plus \$2 for the round trip, effective on the same dates. This arrangement will enable homeseekers to accompany land agents on round trips of inspection in the country to be colonized and in addition give low rates one way for colonists who may decide to move into the states and territories of the southwest on the reports submitted by the homeseekers.

It was also recommended by the passenger officials that a central bureau be organized, with headquarters in St. Louis, with a general immigration agent in charge, to be under the management of four active members. This bureau will be necessary to carry on the plans for advertising the southwest, by setting forth in pamphlet form the resources, climate, government, etc., of the lands to be occupied. The four principal gateways to the southwest, St. Louis, Kansas City, Memphis and New Orleans, will be invited to work with the central bureau in pushing the colonization scheme and locating industries of the various lines of railroad.

The passenger officials also contemplate asking the freight departments of their respective railroads to agree upon a reduction in the freight rates on emigrant movables, effective on the same dates as the passenger rates.

**Texas Parties Get Franchise.**  
Pauls Valley, I. T.: The city has granted permission to Texas parties to put in an electric light and ice plant. Work is to begin inside of sixty days and is to be completed within six months.

**Glimer Slain.**  
Okla. I. T.: John Fearrell of this place has been killed. Mr. Fearrell was a prominent glimer and a well-to-do citizen.

**HITCHCOCK'S WARNING.**  
Government Employees Must Not Interfere with Pending Election.

South McAlester, I. T.: Hon. Tams Doby has received the following from secretary of the interior relative to the pending election in the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations.

Washington, Sept. 21.—On the Choctaw-Chickasaw supplemental agreement, the department of justice in cooperation with the department of the interior will deal summarily with any government official attempting to in any way interfere, directly or indirectly, in the matter of the pending agreement except for the preservation of public order in accordance with specific departmental instructions, and you will give notice accordingly.

**E. A. HITCHCOCK, Secretary.**  
A monument to Gen. H. W. Sherman was dedicated at Gettysburg, Pa., Friday.

In a speech at Cincinnati Saturday president opposed tariff revision.

Grayson and Collin counties had a heavy rain on Sunday.

**ONE HUNDRED DEAD.**  
This Number of Victims of Shiloh Church Stampede Known.

Birmingham, Ala.: Sunday was a day of funerals in Birmingham and the remains of thirty-eight victims of the panic in Shiloh church were interred in the various cemeteries for negroes around the city.

All of the negro churches were crowded and the naturally excitable nature of the southern negro was wrought to a high pitch by the eulogistic sermons over the dead bodies at the various churches.

The death list now is known to number 105, and 100 of these have been identified. The police assert that at least five bodies have not been taken to private houses that have not been reported. This would swell the number to 110. Every undertaker had his hands full.

## TEXAS TOPICS.

Matters of Interest that Have Just Come to Pass.

Henderson receives much cotton. Temple is to have a free kindergarten.

Work will soon begin on the Galveston seawall.

Four prisoners escaped from the Texas State Penitentiary at J. P. Roper's city prison.

Hopkins county's taxable values are \$5,982,000, an increase of \$16,923.

John C. McConville, a wholesale grocer of Sherman, died on the 19th.

Jacob Sink, 84 years old, was run over and killed by a freight train at Corsicana.

Total assessed valuation of Collin county is \$13,174,320, an increase over 1901 of \$139,360.

C. B. Bruton, a well-to-do farmer of Houston county, was caught in a shafting at Wherry's gin near Crockett and killed.

One Mexican laborer was killed and three wounded on the El Paso Southern railway near El Paso. Ninety-eight sticks of dynamite exploded.

**DIED OF HYDROPHOBIA.**  
Little Boy at Fort Worth Succumbs to the Terrible Disease.

Fort Worth: John F. Prosser, Jr., the 3-year-old adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Prosser, residing at No. 1209 East Bluff street, died Saturday afternoon of hydrophobia. The child was bitten here by a dog which is supposed to have been had some weeks ago. Mrs. Prosser and the boy had just returned from a several weeks' stay at Waukesha, Wis., where the hoated term was spent.

On the day of the death the child showed signs of hydrophobia and suffered the most intense agony from hysterical spasms. The attending physicians did everything possible for the patient, but without avail.

The boy was made an orphan by the Galveston storm and soon after that disaster was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Prosser, who were very much attached to him and are prostrated with grief.

**Restraining Order Issued.**  
Waco: Proceedings in Higgins impeachment case were brought to a halt Saturday night by a temporary restraining order from court of the Third supreme district.

After a lengthy recess the city council met that night in the blue room. All was expectancy, for private telegrams had been received informing the people of the action of the appellate judges at Austin restraining the city council from proceedings in the matter of the impeachment. Adjournment was taken until Wednesday.

**Caused by Carboic Acid.**  
Sherman: After lingering over twenty hours and having regained and retained consciousness for several hours Saturday, Mrs. Mary Tynan, who Friday evening swallowed an ounce of carboic acid, died.

**Thirty Dollars for Cottonseed.**  
Paris, Tex.: On account of a fight between buyers from different points the price of cottonseed at Annona ran up to \$30 per ton Thursday and sold at that figure all day. Farmers for miles around took advantage of the price to rush their seed in.

**Verdict for Father.**  
Hites, Tex.: In district court the jury gave W. B. Thompson \$1500 damages against P. O. Cox of this town, whom he sued for selling whisky to his son on the ground that he is a minor.

A light frost fell in Red River county on the 20th.

John H. Kirby denies he has purchased the Austin Statesman.

Tommy Ryan defeated Kid Carter in the sixth round at Fort Erie, Ont., Monday night.

**Water Pipe for McKinney.**  
McKinney: The city of McKinney closed a contract Saturday with Birmingham, Ala. pipe company for 10,000 feet of water main piping for use in the extension of the waterworks system. Piping will be shipped soon and work begun on arrival.

In Accord With Roosevelt.  
Chicago: David B. Henderson, speaker of the house of representatives, passed through Chicago Sunday on his way to Atlantic City. Before leaving for the east Speaker Henderson reiterated his decision to retire from the congressional race in Iowa, denied any intention of abdicating his present position until his term of office shall have expired and declared himself in perfect accord with the tariff views of President Roosevelt as enunciated in his Cincinnati speech.

J. E. POOLE, Editor and Proprietor.

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LOCAL DOTS.

Turnip seed—Racket Store. Miss Eva Fields returned from Stamford Tuesday evening. Mr. Bob Robertson has gone to San Angelo, where he has secured a position in a wholesale house. Mr. J. H. Peak sold his farm of 200 acres on Wildhorse last week and will go further west. Mr. and Mrs. Hazlewood of Palo Pinto county are visiting the family of their son Mr. G. W. Hazlewood of this place. Mrs. R. L. Penick of Stamford visited in Haskell Tuesday. Tremendous racket in falling prices at the Racket Store. We learn that a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Major Smith at Stamford on last Saturday. Mr. Cecil Koonce who now resides in Hunt county is here on a visit to his father. Let Baker sell you what you will need in the school book and school supply line. Mrs. W. J. Sowell visited at Stamford several days this week, returning home Thursday. Mr. Dan Warren left yesterday with his father for Hill county where he probably will arrange to locate. Some standard literature, in cheap form for summer reading, at the Racket Store. Mrs. Kate Garrison, of Garrison, Nacogdoches county, is visiting her sister Mrs. J. W. Bell of this place. Mrs. R. H. Fitzgerald and son, Mr. Hubert Fitzgerald of Sweetwater are visiting relatives here. For a bad taste in the mouth take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by J. B. Baker. T. G. Carney has the prettiest lamp ever seen in this town to give you as a ticket premium. It is a \$16 lamp—who will win it? Mr. S. W. Scott, district deputy organizer and lecturer for the Masonic order, is away this week visiting the lodges in his jurisdiction. Baker's Drug Store will be headquarters again this year for school books, tablets, pencils, pens, ink, etc., and in fact everything in that line. Dr. Griffin and Messrs. Neal were out on Lake creek gunning the other day and bagged ten ducks. The Fields fishing party came in Saturday evening and reported having had fine success. They killed a lot of quail and squirrels and caught more fish than they could use, a forty pounder being their largest catch. Messdames H. R. Jones, W. E. Sherrill, J. W. Meadors, H. S. Wilson and S. W. Scott went to Stamford on Thursday and on Thursday night were initiated into the order of Rathbone Sisters, which is an auxiliary to the order of Knights of Pythias. Messrs. Frank and Fleet Neal of Weatherford, uncle and cousin of our townsman A. B. Neal, are here this week visiting the latter and prospecting with the view of buying land and locating in this county. Messrs. Henry Alexander, Walter Tandy and Charley Hutchings of Stamford and Mr. E. H. Tinsley went out to the ponds or lakes on Lake creek the other day duck hunting and bagged twenty-six teal. We will expect all parties indebted to us to call and make settlement October 1st. Your account is due then. We must have means to meet our obligations. Respt., W. W. Fields & Bro. Mrs. Wm. Daniels formerly of this county, but now residing at Portales, New Mexico, arrived here Wednesday evening and spent the night with her old friends, the family of Mr. N. C. Smith. On Thursday she went out to the Marcy neighborhood to visit the family of her daughter, Mrs. John Lee. Best Flour, per sack, \$1.00 25 lbs. Sugar, 1.00 9 lbs. Arbuckle, xxxv, or Lyon Coffee, 1.00

Boys, there are lots of school tablets at the Racket Store, also pencils, pens, ink, slates, etc. Messrs. Harkrider and Wells, Abilene insurance men, were here a day or so this week. Mr. H. Vancleave, of the Pinkerton neighborhood, who moved to this county last winter from Ellis county, dropped in to see us the other day and in conversation expressed himself as well satisfied with Haskell county. He thinks seasons and all considered, it has made a remarkably good showing in the farming line this year. While in Mr. Vancleave subscribed for the Free Press for himself and to be sent to his son in Ellis. Miss May Brockman of Ellsville, Young county, is here visiting the family of her brother, Mr. Bert Brockman. LADIES, Mrs. Martin will arrive today and be at her post Monday. To get your trade she bought the goods she knew you wanted—come, see and be convinced. T. G. Carney. We have employed Mr. A. P. McLemore as collector for our firm this fall. Having had to carry our business through two hard years in succession, we will need the assistance of all who owe us this fall and we ask that each one be prepared to do something for us when Mr. McLemore calls on you later on. On the response to this call we can judge how our efforts to help our customers is appreciated. Respt., F. G. ALEXANDER & CO. At the meeting of Camp Raines ex-Confederate veterans, held at the court house on last Saturday, the old officers were all reelected, to wit: B. F. McCollum, commander; D. H. Hamilton, vice commander and S. L. Robertson adjutant. A resolution was adopted by the camp requesting the sons and daughters of Confederates to meet with the camp at its next regular meetings, which will be the second Saturday in October and form an organization. Baker has just received a large shipment of school books. You want the goods—we want the money at the Racket Store, hence prices are raked way down. Mr. Douglass Warren and family of Hill county are here on a visit to the family of Mr. Dan Warren, son of the former. FOR SALE—One full blood Durham Bull, yearling past. Will sell cheap for cash. Apply at this office. Fresh pure candies just from the Brownwood factory, also bottle soda, lemonade, etc. at Fred Niemann's, proprietor of the N. W. corner restaurant and confectionery. A large stock of wall paper, many pretty patterns, excellent quality, just received at McCollum and Cason's. Fred Niemann will keep constantly on hand a stock of fresh, pure candies from the Brownwood factory.

Getting Good. The following items clipped from the news columns of the Dallas News give a very forcible illustration of the potency of the prohibition sentiment, which has been growing in Texas for years until it now threatens to sweep the state. The liquor interests have read the signs of the times and are thoroughly alarmed for the permanency of the nefarious traffic, even to the extent of trying to be good, as evidenced in the accompanying items. The goodness is only external, however, and does not arise from any moral conviction. The idea is to put on an air of respectability and outward decency in the hope of staying the tide of prohibition. Galveston, Tex. Sept. 13.—A meeting of the executive committee of the Brewers' and Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association is being held to consider matters of interest to them. Among other ideas considered was the elevation of the retail business and the elimination of such features of the traffic that are considered objectionable. Several new plans were discussed and the committee were a unit in their determination to compel such members of the trade who are not lawabiding to obey the law. This class of dealers constitute a small minority of the entire trade, but are the ones who cause all the prejudice against the business. One of the committee members stated to The News representative: "We are in earnest, and if all good citizens who are honest in their desire to reform any evils that exist will join us in an effort to arrive at a practical and sensible plan instead of wasting their energies on the impractical operation of prohibition the desired result can be easily accomplished." Nacogdoches, Tex., Sept. 13.—A somewhat sensational move was made here today in reference to the Sunday law in the saloon business. Heretofore in spite of every effort, several saloons sold liquors on Sunday. But these Sunday law violators seem to have learned that the public sentiment is strong against the practice, and that the continuation of it would increase the prohibition strength. So the saloon men and the leading citizens held a harmonious meeting today, resulting in an understanding and agreement that hereafter the whole town shall be strictly dry from Saturday night at 12 o'clock until Sunday night at 12 o'clock. The saloon men unanimously agreed to sign a binding legal obligation to see and enforce the shut-up rule. Josh Westhafer, of Loogootee, Ind., is a poor man, but he says he would not be without Chamberlain's Pain Balm if it cost five dollars a bottle, for it saved him from being a cripple. No external application is equal to this liniment for stiff and swollen joints, contracted muscles, stiff neck, sprains and rheumatic and muscular pains. It has also cured numerous cases of partial paralysis. It is for sale by J. B. Baker. There is little to report this week in connection with our new railroad enterprise. Mr. Finsley, chief of the surveying corps, was delayed several days from beginning work on the line south because of the delay in the arrival of some of his instruments which had been shipped by express. His instruments arrived Thursday night, however, and Friday morning he got his crew together and his supply wagon out and made a start on surveying the line, beginning at the north end of the depot grounds and running south, marking with stakes as he went. We presume the work will proceed now without further hitch. Raised from the Dead C. W. Landis, "Porter" for the Oriental Hotel, Chanute, Kan., says: "I know what it was to suffer with neuralgia indeed I did, and I got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment and I was 'raised from the dead.' I tried to get some more, but before I had 'desposed' of my bottle, I was cured entirely. I am telling 'de truth too,' 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. B. Baker's. As we go to press late Friday evening the clouds have thickened and a slow rain has set in with every appearance of continuing. A good rain now would be a great benefit to the winter range. Mr. D. M. Graham was in town Thursday with a load of fine watermelons and presented the FREE PRESS with one of the finest in the lot, for which we make our best bow and wish that his patch may never run short of the luscious fruit.

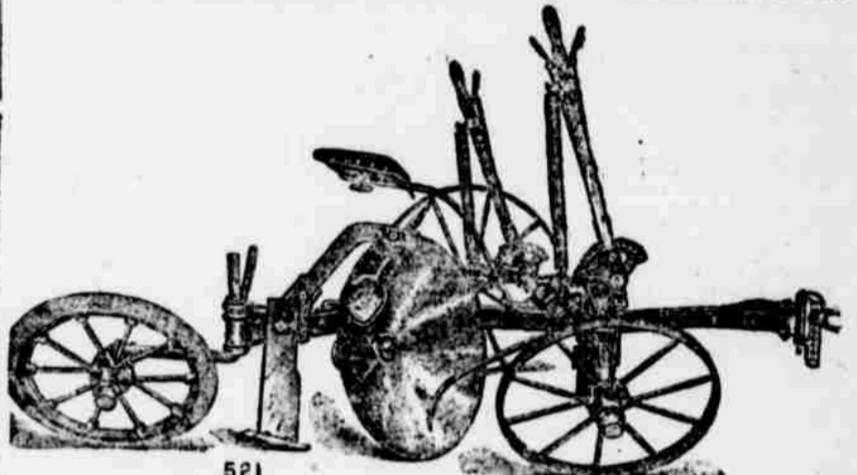
The Commissioners' Court. The Commissioners court met at 10 o'clock yesterday and proceeded to count the vote in the local option election and declare the result in favor of prohibition, to wit: 346 votes for prohibition and 335 votes against prohibition, being a majority of 11 votes for prohibition. The vote in each precinct tallied out exactly as it was shown in the returns made by the election officers and as published in the Free Press last week. The next step in the proceeding is the publication of an order by the court declaring the result of the election and prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in precincts 1, 3 and 4. When this order shall have been published for four successive weeks the local option law will be in full force, unless the saloon men take some legal proceedings sooner to contest the election. When the vote was being counted by the court attorneys Judge O. E. Oates and A. C. Foster were present representing the Pros and Judge H. G. McConnell was present representing the Antis, for the purpose of securing any information he could upon which to base a contest. In pursuance of that purpose he kept a memorandum of the numbers of all the pro tickets for the purpose, it is presumed, of investigating the legal right of the voters to vote in that election. The attorneys for the Pros objected to such procedure on the ground that it tended to violate the secrecy of the ballot, hence was contrary to the spirit and intention of the election laws, as an individual in possession of the numbers could go to the poll lists and ascertain how every man voted, and they asked that the court should not allow the numbers to be taken. Judge McConnell contended that the court was not bound by the same rules or laws in making the count that govern the election officers and that at any rate he as a bystander could take down any information he could get as their work proceeded and that as he was not doing it by their permission or authority he alone and not the commissioners was responsible if it was any violation of law, which he contended it was not. The court made no ruling on the point but proceeded to count the ballots and Judge McConnell continued to take down the numbers. The Free Press believes that the whole proceedings and the persons present in the court room were under the jurisdiction and control of the court and that they could and should have prevented any person from taking the numbers, or doing any similar act, unless a formal contest had been pending. It is not clear, however, that any harm can result from it to either side. Mr. Frank Glasscock will leave this, Saturday, morning for Galveston where he will enter the medical department of the State university for a two year's course in pharmacy. Frank is an ambitious and worthy young man and we wish him success.

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