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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.
We are authorized to announce Hon. S. R. Crawford, of Graham, as a candidate for reelection to the lower house of the State Legislature from this the 10th Representative District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce Mr. Joseph L. Lockett of Stamford, Jones County, as a candidate for District Attorney, 29th District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Callen G. Higgins of Snyder, as a candidate for reelection to the office of District Attorney for the 29th judicial district, subject to the Democratic District convention.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.
We are authorized to announce Mr. Wm. Ogelsby as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. S. V. Jones as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Oscar E. Bates as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce Mr. B. M. Whitaker as a candidate for County Attorney of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. E. Wilford as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Attorney of Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce Mr. C. D. Long as a candidate for reelection to the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. G. T. McClintock for election to the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the Democratic primary.

FOR TREASURER.
We are authorized to announce R. D. S. Stephens as a candidate for reelection to the office of Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR SHERIFF.
We are authorized to announce Mr. T. J. Linnon as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. W. Collins as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. E. G. Bennett as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. M. E. Park as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR.
We are authorized to announce Mr. S. E. Carothers as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. E. W. Lee as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. G. H. Cobb as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. C. M. Brown as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
We are authorized to announce Mr. J. T. Bowman as a candidate for County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. W. S. Fouts as a candidate for County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Tom D. Whitford as a candidate for the office of Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, Texas Peace, Precinct No. 5, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. F. Foster as a candidate for County Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHTER.
We are authorized to announce Mr. W. T. Jones as a candidate for Public Weighter, subject to the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce Mr. W. G. Collins as a candidate for Public Weighter, subject to the Democratic primary election.

Triumphs of Modern Surgery.

Wonderful things are done for the human body by surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are spliced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries, causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

TELL THE TRUTH.

We are told that they are still circulating the statement over the county that the Democratic Executive committee ordered the primary without consulting the wishes of the voters. We published an article last week explaining the whole proceeding and showing the falsity of the statement. In that article we copied the notice published by the committee of their intended meeting to consider the question of ordering a primary, in which notice they invited the people to meet with them and advise with them.

We showed that said notice was published in two issues of the Free Press, to wit; Feb. 6 and 13 and that the committee met and took action on March 5, a full month after they gave the notice. We have copies of those issues of the paper on file to prove this statement and any man is at liberty to call and see them.

At the meeting of the committee on March 5 there was a large crowd present, speeches were made and the question discussed, but no one stated his opposition to a primary, so the committee ordered and published its call for a primary. In the Free Press of March 12 we gave an account of said meeting. That issue of the paper also can be seen by any one calling at the office.

Our comments on the whole thing is that truth is the best policy, and false representation is a poor thing on which to base a campaign.

MR. KNOX'S SERVICES REWARDED.

United States Attorney General Knox has been appointed to the senate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Quay of Pennsylvania. This promotion of Mr. Knox is said to be due to the influence of the trust interests, headed by Mr. Frick of the great steel corporation. It is doubtless in the nature of a reward to Mr. Knox for the valuable services rendered by him to the trust combines, which service consisted of his open neglect of duty in not prosecuting the illegal trusts and his open assurance, after the federal anti-trust law had been sustained by the supreme court in the merger decision that the government was "not going to run amuck," in other words, that he was not going to perform his sworn duty in making use of the law that had just been held good, valid and capable of enforcement in the courts to prosecute the trusts that were operating in restraint of trade, crushing out competition and forcing the people of this country to pay nearly two prices for the food they eat, the clothes they wear and the implements and machinery they are compelled to use in earning a livelihood.

President Roosevelt and the entire administration is as much responsible for this state of affairs—for Attorney General Knox's failure to make an effort to right these wrongs, as Mr. Knox himself is. But the people who stand behind this administration with their votes—and yet are the victims of its policies—are primarily to blame. It is an unsolved mystery to us how any man of the masses who is capable of understanding plain facts and of exercising common reason can get his consent to support with his vote a political party that is responsible for such an administration—rather than lack of administration—of the laws made for his protection.

Acute Rheumatism.

Deep tearing or wrenching pains, occasioned by getting wet through; worse when at rest, or on first moving the limbs and in cold or damp weather, is cured quickly by Ballard's Snow Liniment. Oscar Olsson, Gibson City, Illinois, writes, Feb. 16, 1902: "A year ago I was troubled with a pain in my back. It soon got so bad I could not bend over. One bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Jno. E. Robertson.

THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Kansas City Platform Endorsed.

ROOSEVELT CONDEMNED.

Delegates Elected to San Antonio Convention.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, the democrats of Haskell county met in convention at the court house in the town of Haskell in pursuance of a call regularly issued by county chairman, Capt. W. W. Fields, who, upon calling the house to order, stated the object of the convention to be the election of delegates to the State convention at San Antonio on June 21 for the election of delegates to the national convention at St. Louis on July 6. He then suggested that the convention proceed to organization.

This was done by the election of Capt. Fields as chairman and Mr. Guest Whitaker as secretary of the convention.

A motion prevailed authorizing the chairman to appoint a committee on platform and resolutions, whereupon he appointed Messrs. J. E. Poole, H. S. Wilson and H. G. McConnell, as such committee.

The committee retired and brought in a report, which was upon request read by J. E. Poole, chairman of the committee, as follows:

To the Democratic convention of Haskell county:

We beg to submit the following as embodying the principles and sentiments of the democracy of Haskell county, to wit:

"Resolved, That we, the Democrats of Haskell County, Texas, in convention assembled, hereby declare and reaffirm, our faith in the cardinal principles of Democracy, and pledge ourselves to be in full accord with the platform and principles adopted by the National Democratic Convention in the years 1896 and 1900, known as the Kansas City and Chicago Democratic Platforms, and that we believe it to be the duty of the Democrats of the United States, particularly in the South, as well as to their interests, to use the most diligent, faithful, honorable efforts to secure a platform at the next National Democratic convention, to be held at St. Louis, July 6, 1904, in line and in accordance with the principles heretofore adopted and declared by the two National Democratic conventions above referred to. In view however, of the disturbing conditions in the democratic ranks from different portions of the United States, we declare it to be the duty of delegates to said National Convention, in the event a positive reaffirmation of all the principles of the two previous Democratic platforms above mentioned cannot be obtained, then to undertake to secure a platform as near in accordance with their purposes as it is possible to do.

"Be it further resolved, that the delegates to be selected by this convention to the convention to be held in San Antonio, June 21, 1904, be instructed as to their vote for a candidate for nomination for President, but they are hereby instructed to act in all things in accordance with these resolutions, and to vote for no candidate for President who is not believed on good authority to be in full accord with the declarations of the two democratic national platforms above referred to.

"Resolved, that we desire to emphasize the fact that we regard a high protective tariff as being in the nature of an unearned and unjust subsidy granted to a few at the expense of the many, upon whom it imposes an unjust burden, therefore we demand that our tariff laws be readjusted on a revenue basis, as nearly as may be, so as to afford as little protection as possible and that the rate shall be so scaled or proportioned as to place the smallest tax upon articles of prime necessity to the masses and the greatest upon articles of luxury, in proportion as they are articles of necessity or luxury. And we favor the placing upon the free list all articles or products controlled by monopolies or trust combines in restraint of trade or legitimate competition, or, so reducing the tariff on such articles or products as to take from them the advantage derived from a protective rate. And further, we condemn and protest against the proposition to reduce the tariff on, or place upon the free list, raw materials entering into manufactures unless, at the same time, the tariff is proportionately reduced or removed from the articles into whose manufacture they enter.

"Resolved, that we demand such an enforcement of the laws which we now have, and the enactment of additional laws if necessary, as will

destroy or control and render harmless, all trust combinations and monopolies which are operated so as to control prices, limit production and unjustly hamper legitimate competition in trade, commerce or industrial pursuits contrary to the spirit of right and justice.

"Resolved, that we most emphatically denounce the arbitrary and highhanded usurpation of legislative power exercised by President Roosevelt as well as his disregard of the constitution and laws when they stand in the way of his imperious will, as subversive of the principles upon which our government is founded and as threatening the destruction of the liberties and rights wrested by our forefathers from monarchical power for themselves and for us.

"Resolved, that we hold that such powers as are not specifically delegated to the Federal government in the constitution are reserved to the States of the Union, and we demand of the President, and the legislative and judicial branches of the government, in the exercise of their respective duties and functions, a strict constitution and application of the constitution in accordance with this view.

"Resolved, that we condemn and denounce as degrading, dangerous and intolerable the conduct of President Roosevelt in placing, or attempting to place, negro officials in authority over the white people in any section of this country and, especially, as an insult and attempted debasement of the people of the South. And we hold that, in thus fostering in the minds of the negroes false ideas of social and political equality with the whites, he is their worst enemy, in that he is building in them hopes that can never be realized and is engendering in both races a race prejudice that may lead to sad and lamentable results, especially for the negroes. Respectfully submitted,

J. E. POOLE,
H. S. WILSON,
H. G. McCONNELL,

Committee on Resolutions.

The report was upon motion received and adopted as a whole by unanimous vote.

Upon motion the convention proceeded to the election of delegates to the San Antonio convention, when the following were severally nominated and elected:

H. G. McConnell, H. S. Wilson, J. E. Poole, A. A. Clifton, F. G. Alexander, W. P. McCarty, W. W. Fields, S. W. Scott, E. L. Ridling, J. E. Wilford, R. R. Travis.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, that we endorse Judge H. G. McConnell of Haskell, Texas, for a delegate from the Democratic convention at San Antonio to the National convention at St. Louis."

A motion was adopted instructing the delegates from this convention to vote as a unit at the San Antonio convention.

On motion the convention adjourned.

PREJUDICE BREEDERS.

So far the FREE PRESS has announced none but democratic candidates and it has charged every candidate for a district or county office \$10 and every candidate for a precinct office \$5, no more nor less. We have stood ready to announce any candidate of any party at the same prices and we have not asked any more or any less of any candidate of any party. Is that plain enough to be understood? You will then understand that those who are telling over the county that we have asked more of candidates of other parties are not telling the truth. We have also heard that it is reported over the county that we have refused to print for pay the circulars, etc., that have been distributed by another party and they had to send off to get the work done. That statement also is not true. The work was never offered to us at any price.

We have heard of other false statements in regard to the paper, but which we will not take the space to specify now.

These false statements can be circulated but for one purpose—that of creating a prejudice against and injuring the paper, and for no other reason than that, being democratic in belief, it has championed the party and the principles in which it believes. People who will be guilty of such misrepresentation and falsehood for no ignoble purpose are too contemptible to deserve the notice of self respecting citizens. This is not intended as a general charge against all who differ with the paper politically, for we think they are comparatively few who would be guilty of such reprehensible methods.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Colorado delegates to the Democratic convention at St. Louis will go uninstructed.

Tom Mockford, a McKinney lad fell from a wagon and a rear wheel of the vehicle passed over his left leg, breaking it.

Thomas Sharkey, pugilist, has been married in New York to Miss Catharine McIntosh, of Michigan, a professional nurse, who attended him during his recent illness.

Plans were matured at Muskogee, whereby an electric street car line is to be built at once. One of the officials has gone North to purchase material.

Mart V. Vowel, aged sixty-one, and who served in the Confederate army during the Civil War, was hanged at Paragould, Ark., for the murder of W. F. Lovejoy.

Mrs. William Asselin, a bride of four weeks, is dead of brain fever at La Cross, Wis., brought on by an almost incessant charivari and serenade by persistent friends.

Forty-four leading manufacturers of motor boats have formed the National Association of Engine and Boat Manufacturers. Officers will be chosen at a later date.

Whenever I am called upon to grace an occasion, I spend twenty minutes polishing my pate till it glistens like sparkling sunlight. It is a hair-raising spectacle.

President Diaz has accepted an invitation to be present at the American colony's City of Mexico, celebration on the Fourth of July, which will be a notable occasion.

The Secretary of the Interior has approved contracts for the construction of waterworks at Lawton and Hobart, Ok. The Lawton works are to cost \$75,000 and the Hobart works \$42,000.

Mrs. Samuel M. Clemens, wife of "Mark Twain," the American lecturer, died of syncope at Florence, Italy, Sunday morning. Half an hour before she died she conversed cheerfully with her husband.

Returns to the Department of Agriculture on the acreage of spring wheat sown indicates an area of about 17,140,800 acres, a decrease of 116,194, or .67 per cent from the revised estimate of the acreage sown last year.

J. E. Ashcroft, bishop of the Mormon church and manager of the co-operative store has been accidentally killed while blasting rock in the construction of an irrigation ditch for the Navajo Indians near Fruitland, N. M.

The territorial Democratic Convention of Hawaii, after a long discussion instructed the Hawaiian delegation to the National Convention at St. Louis to vote for Congressman W. R. Hearst for president.

A farewell dinner has been given by the Presbyterian Union to fifty missionaries about to sail for foreign lands from New York. The largest party goes to China. Others go to Africa, Colombia, Guatemala, India, Japan, Korea, Laos, Siam, Syria, Persia and the Philippines.

Fire has destroyed the Federal custom house at Nogales, Ariz., as well as the Southern Pacific depot. The Wells-Fargo & Company's Express office was completely gutted. Many freight cars in the yards were burned. The total loss is estimated at \$100,000.

The revolutionists of Santo Domingo have accepted in full the terms of peace proposed by the government. Although Gen. Rodriguez had difficulty in convincing his companions that they should accept, every one is satisfied with the arrangement.

John Alexander Dowie has announced his intention, in a public address, to establish a Zion forty miles from Berlin. In it, he said, there would be no liquors, no tobacco, no hogs, and no opera house.

H. L. Farmer, a well known citizen who had resided in the Lone Grove neighborhood near Ardmore, I. T., for about three years, in a fit of desperation shot and killed his fourteen-year-old son Dumet. He then blew his brains out.

The czar of Russia has sent to the New York Stock Exchange a magnificent solid silver gift as a token of his appreciation of the courtesy of the exchange in listing Russian bonds a year or two ago.

In a fit of temporary insanity Robert R. Miller, aged fifty-eight years, who went to St. Louis with his wife and daughter from Tampa, Fla., to visit the World's Fair, has ended his life at his boardinghouse, by cutting his throat and wrists with a razor.

Flanking and Sorties No Important Results.

New York, June 13.—The Journal says this morning: Vessels arriving from the neighborhood of the Liao Tung Peninsula bring news of continuous hard fighting on the peninsula, the garrison having ventured sharp sorties several times in the last two days, inflicting severe losses on the attacking army, but being driven back in the shelter of the forts each time.

The heavy fire of the Japanese has, it is said, resulted in great damage to the Russian fortifications, and the dismantling of several big guns. Oku having occupied positions which command the forts and town and enable the Japanese to deliver a destructive fire.

A report which can not be verified tells of a Russian battleship which had ventured out of the harbor in pursuit of a Japanese torpedo boat being compelled to return to the harbor in an apparently sinking condition. The report does not mention the cause of the injury, and her name can not be learned.

Tokio, June 13.—The military commission assigned to bury the Russian dead in the battle of Nan Shan Hill at Kin Chou on May 26 presented its final report yesterday.

TEXAS IS FOR PARKER.

Dallas, June 13.—The News this morning says: Reports thus far received from the Democratic county conventions in Texas indicate that a majority of the vote in the San Antonio convention has been definitely instructed for Judge Alton B. Parker for the Presidency, in addition to which a number of uninstructed delegations are for him. The total vote in the convention will be 947, and 474 votes are therefore necessary to a

FLOODS IN THE TERRITORY.

Crops Damaged, Trains Stopped and Lives Lost.

Antlers, I. T., June 13.—The flood situation just passed has been the worst in the history of Antlers. At this point the river was nearly two miles wide, and for a time communication of all kinds has been cut off. Antlers has had no mail since Saturday, the 4th inst., and it is hard to say when service will be re-established.

A section crew in from Wadena report the drowning of a family by the name of Smita at that place. The father, mother and three children were caught and could not be rescued.

At Kosoma the water is reported to have risen fifteen feet in fifteen minutes. Deputy Cal Berry and Constable F. D. Copping crossed the river Monday at this place. Firing and shouting had been heard on the other

It Was Gasoline.

Kansas City: A mistake of a grocer in filling a jug with gasoline when vinegar was asked for resulted in an explosion causing the death of Mrs. Barbara Schoen, aged 62 years, and the injuring of Helen Schoen, aged 4 years, burning in right side; condition serious. Antone Schoen and Charles Schoen, hands severely burnt.

Resort To Lawlessness.

Houston: The strike by the union motormen and conductors against the street railway company may be said to be more of a boycott than a strike. One of the street cars on the Houston Heights lines was dynamited Sunday night. The most serious damage was the shattering of the windows of the car. The motorman and conductor not hurt. The offenders made their escape. Efforts are being made to apprehend the party or parties.

Bowie Horsemen Build a Track.

Bowie: A number of gentlemen have established a fair grounds, the same being located a mile and a half west of town. They have secured a tract of land containing thirty acres and have made a half-mile race track. A grand stand, to seat 500 people, is nearing completion, and an ample flow of water has been secured. It is the intention to erect stables to accommodate horses that are being trained.

Hopkins County Likes Prohibition.

Sulphur Springs: The election held in this county Saturday was a most emphatic endorsement of prohibition, which Hopkins County has enjoyed during the past two years. Returns are not yet complete, but hardly a box in the entire county is expected to show an anti majority. The Terrell election law is a wonderful success and not an unpleasant occurrence marred this election.

cers and 664 men who fell in the battle. It was found that ten Russian officers had been carefully buried and thirty men were buried by the outposts, making the total number of killed left behind by the Russians 704.

Tokio, June 13.—The transports which have been leaving many Japanese forts in the last few days are understood to be carrying reinforcements to Gen. Kuroki in Manchuria, in order to enable him to check the expected forward move of Kurapatkin to the relief of Port Arthur. No one here believes the Russians will succeed in breaking through the Japanese line, and even if they should the reinforcements now being rushed forward would enable Kuroki to fall on the rear of the advancing army and cut it to pieces.

It is hinted, however, that the real reason for the reported reinforcements of Kuroki is a threatened flank movement on the part of Russians, whose real object is said to be not the present relief of Port Arthur, but the destruction of Kuroki's army. Little fear is felt here that the Russian move will meet with even the slightest success, as the greatest confidence is reposed in Kuroki's skill and alertness.

choice in that convention. The News has received reports from 125 counties, which have an aggregate of 721 votes in the convention. Of these, 447 are instructed for Parker, and it seems reasonable to suppose that the counties yet to hear from will produce the thirty-seven votes necessary to give a majority for Parker upon instruction. In the counties reporting Hearst has 33 instructed votes, Bailey 17, Reagan 11, Folk 7, and there are 199 uninstructed votes.

side and they found a negro family on an island, badly frightened, but safe. In getting to the river they passed through the tops of the trees, and myriads of insects and vermin crawled into the boat. In mid stream the velocity of the current was almost beyond belief, trees a foot thick being snapped like pipe stems by the water.

The water is rapidly receding, and every effort is being made by the railroad company to repair the track. Northbound No. 6 on the Frisco, which has stood in the water near Tuskahoma since Saturday, came back Sunday night and went to Paris. The train was loaded with passengers, many of them bound for the World's Fair.

The damage to crops and other property can not be estimated. Scores of horses and cattle are drowned, and practically all the hogs that were in the bottoms.

Jack Parker, under arrest for horse theft, attempted suicide in the jail at Eastland. He fastened one end of the cot strap to the cell, then standing on a bucket, tied the other end of the strap around his neck and kicked the bucket from under him. He was in a critical condition when discovered.

When the Railway Commission was organized thirteen years ago there were 8812 miles of railroad in Texas, and now there are 11,294 miles and Texas ranks first in mileage of any State in the Union.

At Comanche Ball Sanford, a fourteen years old boy, and another boy, were playing squirrel. One would climb a small sapling and the other cut it down. Ball had started down a tree when the other struck with an ax and almost cut his leg off above the knee.

At Bend Fred Stamford, a boy 13 years old, was bitten by a moccasin, or cotton-mouth snake, a few days ago. All medical aid failed to relieve him and he died shortly afterward.

Fifteen warrants against meat dealers in Philadelphia have been issued at the instance of the State Food and Dairy Commission. A list has been made of 100 dealers who are charged with selling meat preserved with sulphate of soda.

Miss Lena Morton, daughter of Levi P. Morton of New York, died in Paris, France, from the effects of blood poisoning following an operation for appendicitis. Miss Morton's family was at her bedside when she died.

Abner McKinley, brother of the late President, was found dead in a chair in his home at 8 o'clock Saturday morning at Somerset, Pa. His death came without warning to his family.

At the instance of an old man at Paris, officers have arrested a man who was alleged to be attempting to burglarize his house. The arrested man proved to be the fifty-year-old son of the man causing the arrest, whom he had lost sight of for years.

MAY FORM TAXING DISTRICTS

Supreme Court Holds the Law to be Constitutional.

San Antonio, Tex.: A case of interest to the whole State of Texas has just been finally decided by the Supreme Court, the court upholding the Court of Civil Appeals of the Fourth District in the matter of James Kettle vs. the City of Dallas, from Dallas County, which in effect is a decision against the plaintiff and in favor of the city.

The case is that instituted for the purpose of testing the validity of the law creating improvement districts in a city enabling the city to assess costs against property for the improvement of streets, alleys, avenues and similar improvements.

The law was passed by the Twenty-Seventh Legislature, and was attacked on the ground that it was unconstitutional, enabling homesteads to be taxed.

The Supreme Court rules as follows: "We can not perceive that any Constitutional provision, either State or National, is violated or touched upon this act amending the charter of the city of Dallas or the resolution of the city in pursuance of such an amendment creating improvement districts for the improvement, and the assessment and levy of the tax to pay therefor."

"The appellant's property within the district is enhanced rather than depreciated in value by the provision in the resolution that requires the street railway company to pay cost of paving between the tracks of its railway and for two feet on either side.

"The provision is especially authorized by the original charter of the city and not affected by the amendment.

Ended It All.

Houston: William Meyer, a German poet and musician, Thursday night climbed to the third balcony of the fire escape in the rear of the opera house back of Fannin street, between Preston and Congress avenues, placed the muzzle of a revolver against his head and died by his own hand. At 8 o'clock in the morning the lifeless body, lying high in the air upon the grating, was discovered. The pistol was still held tightly in his hand.

THE ROCK ISLAND DECLINES.

The Southern Pacific Stock is Canceled.

New York: Announcement is made that the Rock Island Company had reduced its preferred stock from \$51,190,200 to \$48,890,200, and the Stock Exchange to strike the \$2,500,000 sock called in from the list. The stock returned to the treasury represents part of the price paid to the Southern Pacific for a half interest in the Texas lines.

Officers of the State of Texas declared that the Rock Island, the parallel road, could not own the lines partly purchased from the Southern Pacific. In 1903 the Rock Island purchased \$5,000,000 of the Houston and Texas Central stock, \$960,000 of the Houston East and West Texas stock, and \$200,000 of the Houston and Shreveport shares from the Southern Pacific. For the securities acquired the Rock Island turned over \$2,500,000 preferred stock, \$1,500,000 in cash and \$3,500,000 five-year 4 per cent note.

It was announced that the entire transfer, or transaction, had been canceled.

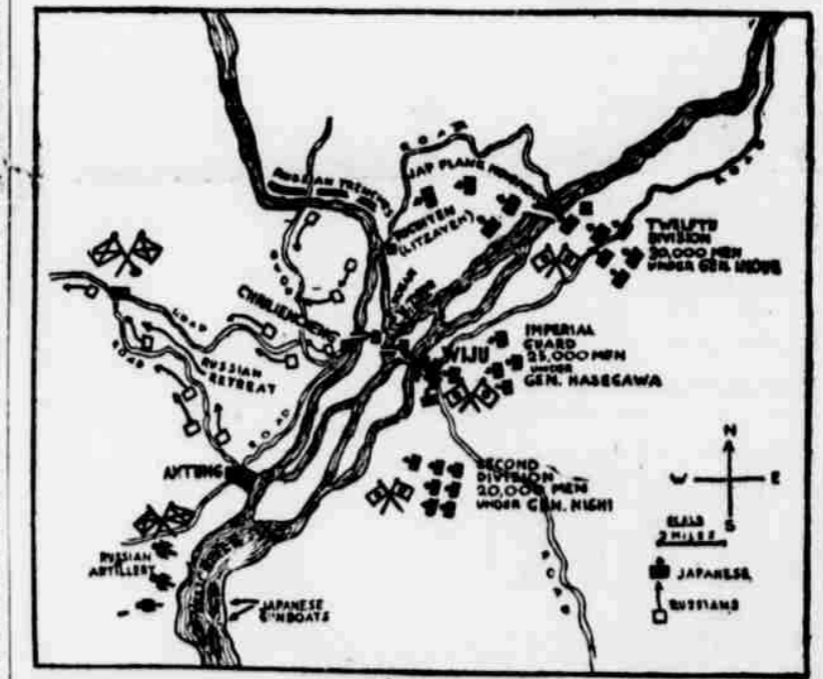
Waterspout in the Territory.

Mill Creek, I. T.: An immense waterspout occurred at this place Thursday night, inflicting great damage to the railway, washing out crops and drowning three women. The drowned were Mrs. R. H. Wilson and baby; Miss Fay Davis, a lady who was spending the night with them. Their house was in the Three Mile Bottom just west of town. When the raging torrent struck it was crushed like an egg shell and the occupants rushed out only to be swept away.

Their bodies were discovered early Friday morning by searching parties, the baby being wedged between two trees about one-half mile below where the house stood. The husband of the family can not be located up to date, he having left two days before in a wagon to work in the Kansas wheat harvest. Several narrow escapes are reported.

The Muskogee Bridge and Construction Company.

with \$100,000 capital, has been organized and will put in a large plant at once.



The map shows the present fighting lines of the Japanese and Russian peninsula armies. The left wing of the Japanese line (indicated by the flags with the central sun) has swung to the southeast and taken possession of Dainy, on Talien Wan Bay. The flags marked by the Russian cross indicate the Muscovite forts that lie between the Mikado's army and Port Arthur. The decisive conflict is expected to take place at the outer fortifications of the stronghold, which the Japs are rapidly approaching.

New Interurban Company.

Dallas: An application for a charter for a corporation to be known as the Dallas and Eastern Texas Traction Company is soon to be filed at Austin. Very likely the capital stock named will be \$250,000. The purpose of this concern, as understood here, is to construct and operate an interurban line between Dallas and Mesquite, Forney, Terrell, Elmo and Wills Point, a distance of about forty-seven miles.

Boll Bugs Are Gone.

Corsicana: I. D. Livingston, a well-known farmer of the Navarro Mills community, testifies in favor of ants as destroyers of boll weevils. A week ago, he said, weevils were numerous and easily found in his cotton. Thursday he visited his field and after a careful search found only one weevil. His field, he says, is full of ants of red and black varieties. A neighbor of Mr. Livingston's, Mr. Campbell, has had the same experience.

Temple: The committee having charge of the arrangements for the State reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will have everything in tip-top shape by the time of the meeting, which is scheduled for July 20 and 21. It is estimated that accommodations will be necessary for at least 500 members of the State Association, and this does not include the families, friends and hords of visitors who go to make up an occasion of this kind.

The First Victim.

Dallas: Friday afternoon, about 5 o'clock a negro riding a wheel northward on Ervay street was struck and knocked down by an automobile proceeding rapidly westward on Commerce street. Capt. Hugh Berry of the police department happened to be passing. He says that the wheel was practically demolished, but that the negro was not very much hurt.

To Enlarge the Plant.

Beaumont: The Texas Company has let the contract to install additional stills and agitators at its refining plant at Port Arthur, and the work of rehabilitating, renovating and enlarging the plant is now well under way. The refinery has been operated for some time with ten stills of 1000 barrels each. With the contemplated additions there will be twenty-four stills ready for operation, each having a capacity of 1000 barrels.

Russian Shoots a Russian Minister.

Berne, Switzerland: The Russian minister, M. V. V. Jadovski, was shot in the street and seriously wounded in the head. His would-be assassin was arrested. M. Jadovski's assailant was a Russian named Linitzki. He had been in Berne some weeks and complained that the Russian authorities had confiscated an estate belonging to him. M. Jadovski's wound, although at first thought to be severe, is not dangerous.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

The Texas exhibit in the Forestry palace at St. Louis, has at last been finished, and it is admittedly the best exhibit of timber made at the World's Fair.

The Attorney General has approved and the Controller registered \$50,000 issue of ten-twenty court house bonds of Hardin County, bonds bearing 5 per cent.

Parties living five miles northwest from Lancaster report that a waterspout in that district, causing considerable damage to grain and other crops.

Ants are reported to be eating up cotton lice over Hill County. Farmers report they are more numerous than usual and say they are thick on some cotton stalks.

The gin on the plantation of Mrs. Millie L. Chance at Pitts Bridge, in the Brazos Bottom, was destroyed by fire. Cause unknown. Loss \$3000, insurance \$1600.

A Bohemian farmer near Buckholet set his gun in his barn to shoot parties that were stealing his corn, and his 11-year-old son was fatally shot when he went to feed the stock.

The egg and poultry business in Bonham this year has been the greatest in the history of the town. One firm there shipped over \$30,000 worth of eggs alone in one month recently.

It is reported that William Arthur Earle, telegraph operator at Yorktown for the Arkansas Pass Railway was killed by robbers Tuesday morning. Ten dollars were secured.

Local optionists broke the ice in Tom Green County by voting precinct 5 dry Saturday. Pros. consider this the beginning of the end of legalized liquor selling in that county.

The Attorney General has approved an amendment to the charter of the St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway, increasing its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$3,000,000.

During a heavy rain and electric storm at Paint Rock Sunday morning Jesse N. Everett, a camper on the Concho River, a mile below town, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

Lum Woodruff, an eccentric character, living the life of a hermit, near San Antonio, was found dead near his hut. He was between seventy and eighty years of age, and was much given to scientific study.

A red-haired, light complexioned man named C. P. Sims, sued the Santa Fe for \$10,110 damages, alleging that he was a negro, and that he had been compelled to sit in the white coach while traveling on that road and that he had contracted an illness thereby. The jury decided favorably to the company.

The Katy Fair Special, the new World's Fair train of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad, between points in Texas and St. Louis, will not make its first run Sunday, as has been contemplated by the officials of the Katy, but its inauguration has been postponed another week, until Sunday, June 19.

The Collin County Mill and Elevator Company, McKinney, received the first car of new wheat on the 10th, grading No. 2, testing sixty-one pounds per bushel. The first car of new wheat last year was received on June 15.

Some of the candidates for State office are complaining that a number of the counties are charging to have their names placed on the primary ticket. This has usually been done as a courtesy, and will now cost several hundred dollars.

The peach crop has commenced moving from Rusk in car lots. The first load left Tuesday night. The crop from orchards in that vicinity is estimated at from seventy-five to one hundred cars.

While driving a lively colt, Henry Spann, of Dallas, was jerked over the dashboard and his left arm broken. The Governor remitted a twenty-day sentence against Bob Black and George Woodruff of Ferris for local option violation.

The Irish Potato crop of Hill County is the largest that has ever been raised and the farmers, fearing that the same will rot on their hands, are arranging to ship them in carload lots to the Eastern markets.

At a dance on Steeps Creek, about six miles east of Brownwood, Pat Wells, the fiddler, was seriously if not fatally cut. Wells was cut in four places on the face and head, his clothing was cut in several places. Charles Scott was arrested.

Fire which was considered to be of incendiary nature destroyed the property of the Saratoga Lumber Company at Saratoga Tuesday night, the stock and plant being burned, with no insurance, the loss amounting to \$20,000.

THE PROMOTION OF THE ADMIRAL AND OTHER SEA COMEDIES

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(Continued.)

"I'll report you," said Spiller to Banks, when he left Bombay.

"Go to hell," cried Banks, who rarely swore save in a gale of wind.

"After you," said Spiller, with what is popularly known as a truly oriental politeness; and as a parting taunt he sang out, "What about them rocks?"

"You're an ungrammatical, uneducated man," screamed Banks, dancing furiously.

But Green and Wilson waved their caps to each other. For all their way of passing compliments when one gave the other a western ocean relief at midnight, they were good friends.

The Simoom got to sea inside of forty-eight hours, for Banks lost no time. He had made up his mind to waste some on the next chance he had of looking for his blessed rocks, unless the monsoon blew too hard.

coach would let himself to any beastly new railroad.

The southwest monsoon has backed down to the Line about the time they crossed it; and the Simoom sweated up to the Maldives very comfortably.

"We've made a good passage—a ripping good passage," said old Banks, rubbing his hands, "and I'm con-demned if I don't shape a course for my rocks, Mr. Green."

As he had been shaping for them ever since he had deliberately gone out of his way to take the route east of Madagascar, instead of the inner or Mozambique route, Green winked the other eye and said nothing.

To tell the truth, he himself had a hankering to set his mind at rest on the subject, for he felt his credit involved with the skipper's.

The man at the wheel overheard what Banks said, and when he stumbled forward the whole crew knew that the Simoom was looking for a needle in the Indian Ocean.

"A life's job my bottles," said their informant. "We'll be like the crew of the Flying Dutchman yet."

"I'm wondering whether Spiller came up this way, now," said old Banks presently, with an interrogative cock of his head.

"And not by the channel?" asked Green.

Banks turned about.

"Mr. Green, may the Lord forgive me, but I just hate that Spiller with an unholly hatred. Every time he gets a show he brags he's run right over where I located my rocks, and not only that, but criss-cross in the latitude where they might be. And he set about that he'd herring-boned a course on the chart on the longitude, going back and forth on it like a dog in a turnip field. So now he'll be up here again to have another spy for it. If he saw 'em, he'd swear he never. And why he hates me so I can't tell, unless it was I did my duty once, and let him know what a God-fearing man thought of a blasphemer."

Green nodded.

"That's likely it, sir."

"So it is, so it is," cried Banks peevishly; "he has no grace in him, and he set it about, I know, that I soak at sea if I'm sober ashore. He said my rocks were delirium tremens; and I'm a discredited man, wounded in a tender spot."

It was just four bells in the forenoon watch then, and soon after they nudged her down, as the wind was very heavy in puffs and the sky low and dark. Just before eight bells Green spotted a vessel on the star-board bow, and called the old man.

He came on deck like a white-headed jack-in-the-box.

"Keep her away," he cried. "I'll bet she's the Palembang. Shake out them reefs and hoist the main-t'gal-lin's again."

His grammar failed in excitement.

"We're overhauling her hand over hand, anyhow," suggested Green.

"If I can pass him going two foot for his one, I'd run the Simoom under," screamed the skipper. "And when we come up with him, if my voice in a trumpet can carry, I'll tell him what I think of him. He thinks I'm soft because I sing hymns on Sunday. I'll let him know before I sang hymns I was the biggest tough on the Australian coast. God's truth I wish it. And I wish I was now—oh, how I wish it, and him ashore with me!"

And Green believed it, because he had to! There was something in the old man's eye as he walked to and fro, an unregenerate bloodthirsty snap that was very convincing. So the reefs were shaken out of the topsails, and even that did not satisfy the skipper.

"I'll let him know that a saved and repentant Christian isn't necessarily

such a man oughtn't to live," he cried angrily, as he went off in a tremulous rage. "He's predestined to the pit!"

And he trusted that Providence might one day yield him a chance of getting even. His prayers were fervent towards that end, and if Providence works, as it sometimes appears to do, through rum and ignorance and a good conceit in a man, there was a chance of his appeals being attended to.

On the passage out to the Cape they saw nothing of the Palembang. But there she was heard of as being seen somewhere in the neighborhood of the Agulhas Bank, having a real good time in that native home of the god of the winds, where 50 per cent of all the breezes that do blow are gales that dance in and out and about like a cooper round a cask.

But the Simoom had luck, and slipped through as if Aeolus never spotted her. And old Banks chortled happily, and sang an extra hymn on Sunday, compensating the men (otherwise disposed to growl at the innovation) with an extra lot of grog. For your true sailor man is the real conservative, and things that don't happen in the first week of a new ship have no business to happen afterwards—which is a hint that some young second mates may find handy to remember. And remembering this will enable you to see why no true old shellback will ship in a steam-post, any more than the guard of a

and were as eager as the skipper to overhaul her. Through the bosom and his mate it had leaked out that the old man was keen for a palaver with Spiller.

"He's like a bull whale in a flurry," said one who had been whaling. "Now my notion is that the skipper kin blaspheme if he wants to."

The Palembang was visibly herself and no other vessel by this time, and she carried all she could stand.

"I've got a notion to have the t'gal-lin's set," said Banks, looking up aloft. "And if we weren't overhauling her twenty-three to the dozen, damme, but I would!"

For the Palembang showed nothing above her reefed topsails, and the forecast had a reef in it, and the Simoom came after her like the inside edge of a cyclone.

"Gimme my trumpet," cried Banks. "Mr. Green, take the wheel, and run her as close as maybe."

And the second mate stood at the maintop-sail halliards.

"Palembang ahoy!" yelled Banks through his trumpet as he came tearing up on the weather side of his enemy's ship.

"Where the blue blazes are you coming to?" shrieked Spiller, who was both drunk and angry.

"Passing you as if you was standing still, you low, uneducated swine," said Banks. "And I could do it under jury rig."

"What about them rocks?" jeered Spiller through his trumpet. "What's the price of viglas, you notorious old liar, you disgrace to the profession?"

They were close alongside now not half a cable's length apart; a good cricketer could have shied a cricket ball the distance easily.

"Leggo the main-top-sail halliards," said Banks, and then to the surprise of his crew and the utter astonishment of Spiller he poured out a torrent of the most blood-curdling abuse which had ever defiled the Indian or any other ocean.

"You think I'm soft, you dog," he boomed through his spurt of blasphemy, "and reckon because I've got notions of decency I'm to be trod on. Run on my rocks and sink and burn."

His voice rose to a scream and cracked. He tried to speak, but tried in vain.

"Mr. Green, here," he whispered, and leaving the wheel to the man he had displaced, the mate jumped to the lee poop rail.

"Tell him he's no sailor; my voice is gone. Say he's a—oh, tell him anything you feel."

Green did so, and satisfied himself and Banks and the entire crew. And then, seeing Wilson, he gave him a friendly cheer.

"What cheer, Wilson!"

And hoisting the topsails, they ran on, leaving Spiller choking with help- less rage.

As it grew darker and they dropped the Palembang they picked up the mainsail, and shortened down for the night.

"We ain't in no hurry," whispered Banks, "and to-morrow we'll be up with my rocks, if I've hit it off right."

He was now somber and dignified, and spoke with particular grammatical and moral accuracy. Not the ghost of a damn issued from his lips. He reproved Green for swearing, and held a service in the cabin, much to the disgust of the entire ship, as it wasn't Sunday. Perhaps to punish himself, for he always liked to stand well with the crew, he gave them no grog after it.

(To be continued.)

What Equality Means.

John Turner, the English anarchist, who was detained by the commissioner of immigration at Ellis Island, is a man of considerable intelligence. He was talking about the average immigrant who comes to America.

"This man," Mr. Turner said, "has too low an opinion of the Americans. He fancies that he will get rich in the New World quickly. He imagines that President Roosevelt and the Vanderbilts and the Astors will treat him as though he were their equal in all respects.

"To him, in a word, equality means what it means to too many of the shiftless. The unuttered definition of equality that lies in the back of his mind would be, if it were expressed accurately, just this:

"Equality—the state of being equal to one's superiors, and superior to one's equals."

Servants in Philippines.

Gen. Luke E. Wright, Gov. Taft's successor in the Philippines, described a native servant in a recent letter home.

This servant, a boy, was ignorant, Gen. Wright explained, and then he gave this case in point:

"I told him, at luncheon to fill an empty pepper cruet, and I waited for the pepper, but it was a long time coming.

"Finally I looked him up impatiently. He sat bent over the cruet, with the pepper beside him.

"How long is it going to take you to do that job?" I said.

"Not much longer," he answered; "but you must remember that it is no small task to force the pepper through these little holes."

"He was filling the cruet, you see, without removing the perforated lid."

Peculiar Underclothing.

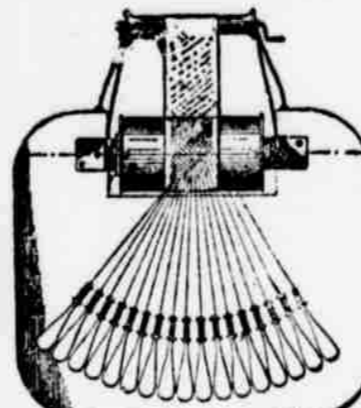
Eskimo women wear curious underclothing made of the skins of birds. These skins before being sewn together are rendered soft by being chewed by the teeth of the women. As it takes about 100 skins to make a garment, it is easy to see what vast labor that chewing must be and that it is quite enough to account for the massive, well-developed jaws usual among Eskimo women.

SCIENCE and INVENTION

Lacemaking Machine.

It would be a revolution to the shoppers who visit the city stores in search of finery to trim their gowns to know the story of how the lace which they so much prize is made—how whole families and even towns in continental Europe are engaged in this work, especially in the long winter months, when they are shut in by the ice and snow. Some of these toil- ers have today the aid of electricity and fine machinery in their work; but for years and years others have been toiling on old-fashioned hand looms, and even with no loom at all, turning out the dainty fabrics with only their needles.

The great value of this product and the enormous amount of labor spent in its manufacture have led the inventor to study out every possible means of simplifying the manual part of the work. A simple little machine, with the aid of which even the young may be taught to manufacture some neat pattern of lace and on which a skillful woman can soon learn to turn out complicated patterns, is that shown in the illustration. The mode of use is to attach the ends of the threads from all the bobbins to a flat strip of ribbon just beyond the pin-covered roller and then interweave the threads on the bobbin to form the



Simple Mechanism for Home Use.

desired pattern, winding up the finished product on the reel as the work progresses.

Sylvester G. Lewis, of Chicago, Ill., is the designer of this machine.

Heating by Electricity.

In the fourth installment of a series of articles on the heating and ventilation of workshops and factories, by Ernest G. Beck, says the Electrical Review, in its book reviews, the use of the electric systems is discussed. With other heating systems it is impossible to realize the ideal conditions, but with the electrical systems there is no such difficulty. The efficiency of the method is nearly 100 per cent, since there is little leakage, and the loss in conducting mains is usually negligible. The system is economical, since it is easily regulated. Although in point of actual cost of the heating medium, the electrical system, as compared with hot water and steam, is at a disadvantage, the bill for electric heating is often less than that for steam, because electrical energy is supplied by meter, and the consumption varies exactly on the power developed. This more than counteracts the higher cost of the current. Some of the decided advantages of electrical systems, apart from the questions of economy and energy efficiency, are the absence of piping and valves, economy of floor space, the ease with which the energy is delivered to the heater and with which radiators can be moved from one position to another. There is no difficulty in maintaining a circulation of current, as is often the case with hot water systems. The disadvantages of the electrical systems are: Care must be taken in installing the wires, to see that they are thoroughly insulated, and the radiators themselves must be constructed so as to guard against short circuits. The actual heating surface must be increased to protect it against accidents. While electric heating systems are not widely used yet, the author believes that they will become very popular in the future. They would seem especially suited for shops which are lighted and operated by electricity.

Electrical Changes Fixed.

A naval physician, Dr. Jolly, has applied the Schliep rule in Madagascar, and by comparing the instruments he has been able to fix the changes of the electrical condition—changes which vary during the day and night. During the dry season there was an excess of positive electricity, Dr. Jolly observing that both in his own case and that of other subjects the best condition of health corresponded to the positive discharges, while during the periods of negative dominance there was weakness and lassitude. These changes also have their echo in the state of general health, notably in fevers.

Tells Amount of Precipitation.

A tipping bucket attachment has been added to the rain gauge of the weather bureau on top of the custom-house at St. Louis. It accurately tells of the amount of precipitation. The rain is drained into a double bucket, so poised that it tips on receiving a certain amount of water. Every movement of this kind is registered by an electrical connection.

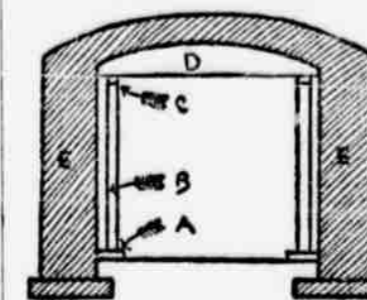
Original medical research of great value has been recently done by Japanese army surgeons upon the influence of insects in spreading germ diseases.

TO BUILD CONCRETE ARCH.

Strong and Lasting Structure Comparatively Inexpensive.

E. S.—Please tell me how to use concrete in building arches over streams and under main roads.

Where the span is not more than ten feet the arch can be moulded all in one. When the diameter is greater the concrete should be moulded into blocks and then laid up the same as stone. If the culvert is not more than five feet wide, the arch may be put on flat, but if wider it should have a little crown. The plan shows describes the mode of building an arch. It has a 2 by 12 inch plank on the bed of the stream; on this stand 2 by 4 inch upright, which should not be



Concrete Arch Over Stream.

A, 2 by 12 in. plank; B, 2 by 4 in. uprights; C, 2 by 4 in. scantling on top; D, center supporting arch; E, concrete.

more than 2½ feet apart; on top of this a 2 by 4 inch scantling is laid lengthways of arch; then a center cut out of the plank, or inch boards and covered with inch lumber to hold the arch. The earth should be well rammed around the wall when filling in.

Fitting Rafters on a Barn.

E. N.—I am building a barn 80 by 32 feet, and wish to put on two sets of rafters, to meet at the perline plate. What length should the rafters be and how should they be fastened?

Each set of rafters should be 12 feet long. The lower set should project one foot over the lower plate. These should be sawed so as to sit squarely on the plate, the projecting foot to be two inches deep. The upper end of the rafter rests on the perline plate, and the lower end of the upper rafter lies beside it. The top sides of the two rafters should be flush. The upper rafter fits on the perline plate with a tongue on the lower side to drop down on the inside of the plate to form a brace. The rafters are all spiked to the plates if necessary. The lower rafters should have a 9-foot rise and the upper ones seven.

Clearing Land of Willows.

Subscriber.—I have some water willows on my farm. I have cut them down, but they grow up again. I think they will have to be dug up. What is the best way to get rid of them?

Cutting willows down will not kill them. Osier beds can be cut for a great many years for the osiers without doing the roots any harm. The only way to get rid of willows is to root out each bush. The easiest way to do this is to hitch a chain round the bush near the bottom and then drag it out by the roots with a horse, after loosening the bush by cutting some of the main roots with an ax. Many acres have been cleared in this way in Manitoba, and it is found the most convenient way of doing the work. If the bushes are not very large the land may be burnt over and then plowed with a heavy scrub plow.

Cement for Kitchen Walls.

I want to put up a concrete kitchen, 16 by 20 feet, and 14 feet high; the end will join the present building, leaving three sides to build, two sides 20 feet long, and the end wall 16 feet, with gable ends. How much gravel will be required and how much cement, the wall being six inches thick?

Your wall would require 19 barrels of natural rock cement and 15 yards of gravel, making the concrete one of cement to one of gravel; or, if Portland is used, 14 barrels would do the work, making the concrete one of cement to seven of gravel. This estimate is given on using all gravel (no stone for fillers) as the wall, being only six inches thick, very little stone can be used.

Support for a Chimney.

A. E. B.—I wish to build a brick flue 18 feet high, 30 bricks to the foot. I want it to rest on a floor having 4 by 6 inch sills, 12 feet long and 16 inches apart. If the sills rest on the 6 inch sides would they be strong enough to bear the weight?

If the chimney is built at the end of the building so that it rests on end of the joists these will provide sufficient support, but if it is built in the center of the room supports should be provided immediately underneath. If the chimney starts from the ground floor a small abutment can be built under the joints or sills, which will hold the weight.

Setting a Cottage.

J. H. A.—In building a one-story cottage, 19 by 23 feet, with a veranda in front on level ground, how high should it be set in order to appear well from the road?

A one-story house should be set about two and one-half or three feet above the grade, if the appearance from the road is the only consideration to take into account, and assuming that the lot is level. The depth of the cellar sometimes has to do with the height from the grade. As the general thing houses of this size are set about that high.

TOOK HIS CUE FROM SOLOMON.

Illustration of Impossibility of Dividing Cat Stopped Family Row.

An amusing incident occurred recently in the home of a Chicago family. Pussy Smith is a monstrous cat, a great pet, especially with Flossie, eight years old, and Jack, four years old. One night after dinner both wanted to carry the cat upstairs.

"It's my cat!" declared Jack, stoutly, which was true.

"But I carried him from the country, and anyhow I'm the biggest," said Flossie determinedly.

"And I'm the littles!" Jack put the animal over one shoulder and started for the stairs. Flossie halted him. Dreadful sounds followed, stormy words interspersed. Papa Smith hurried to the scene of battle.

"Children!" shouted he, "put the cat down; we'll settle this by business methods. Who pays for the cat's board anyhow?"

Flossie and Jack were puzzled.

"Neither of you owns that cat," added the father. "I pay his board; your mother cares for him; you merely own half shares. Jack, carry your half upstairs; Flossie, carry your half. Never again must I hear such a disturbance."

Without a smile those children slowly, laboriously lugged the cat as suggested. Pussy's head held by Jack, the body by Flossie. There has been no further trouble.

SPEED OF TORPEDO BOATS.

Depth of Water Has a Great Effect Upon Power Needed in Operation.

The recent tests of torpedo boats in the Bay of Dantzig, Germany, have resulted in the ascertainment of some facts regarding their navigation not hitherto known. The particular object of these experiments was to ascertain the influence of the depth of the water on the speed of the boat. It is stated that up to a speed of twelve knots an appreciable influence was observed, but from fifteen to twenty knots the unfavorable character of the influence increased in proportion to the diminution of depth. In shallow water—about two fathoms deep—twice as much power was required of the engines to get the speed easily obtainable in deep water.

With an increase of speed, the strange fact was remarked that conditions unfavorable to the boat's way were no longer apparent in two fathoms, but rather at a depth of four or five, and better results were obtained in shallow water than in twenty fathoms. In consequence of these observations the government naval architect, Herr Paulus, at a recent conference of marine engineers, proposed to petition the admiralty to allow of the experiments being repeated with considerably larger warships.

Vast Wealth of Greek Church.

The Chief Procurator of Russia, in a late report to the czar on the state of Russian religion, brings out the fact that the power and wealth of the Greek church are immense. There are 66,750 of these churches in the empire. During the last year 833 new places of worship were consecrated. In connection with these churches there are 16,658 monks and 26,146 nuns. There are 2,950 head priests, and 43,743 ordinary priests. These, together with 58,156 deacons and under-deacons, make a grand total, along with seven other divisions, the figures of which are not given exactly, of 179,000 persons in official positions. A sum of nearly £6,000,000 was paid by the Russian people last year for the support of this vast organization.

He Couldn't Guarantee Ownership.

"It is embarrassing sometimes to pursue a direct line of questioning," said President Eliot of Harvard in telling about a recent visit to New York. He just had dined at a hotel in Fifth avenue where the man who takes care of the hats at the dining room door is celebrated for his memory about the ownership of headgear.

"How do you know that my hat?" the collegian asked as his silk tie was presented to him.

"I don't know it, suh," said the door man.

"Then why do you give it to me?" insisted President Eliot.

"Because you gave it to me, suh," replied the darkey.

He got his quarter of a dollar.

Tyranny of Chinese Cooks.

In California Chinamen are considered the most efficient domestics, but they are also the most independent. On the Miller & Lux ranches, on whose ground it is said to be possible to travel from one end of the state to the other, Chinese cooks are only allowed to remain six months. This general order was given years ago to prevent the cooks from obtaining too firm a tyranny over the individual ranches.

Love is the Key.

Love is the key of life and death. Of hidden heavenly mystery. Of all Christ is, of all he saith, "Love is the key."

As three times to his saint he saith, He saith to me, he saith to thee, Breathing his grace-conferring breath, "Lovest thou me?"

Ah, Lord, I have such feeble faith, Such feeble hope to comfort me, But love it is, as strong as death, And I love thee.

—Christian G. Rossetti.

American Wheat Exports.

The export of American wheat to Great Britain last year, as compared with 1902 fell from 68,000,000 to 44,000,000 hundredweights, while that of Russia increased from 6,500,000 to 17,000,000; that of Canada from 12,000,000 to 14,000,000; that of India from 9,000,000 to 17,000,000; and that of Argentina from 4,000,000 to 14,000,000. Argentina had a great excess of wheat last year, but Russia had not



"That's likely it, sir."

They had a fairly decent show running down the coast on the inside of the Laccadivis, and, taking the usual circuitous route to the eastward between Keeling and the Chagos Archipelago, picked up beautiful "passage" winds and southeast trades, and first booming. Green found Banks a first-class "old man," and the Simoom as comfortable as a good bar parlor, compared with the sorry old bug-hunted Palembang, where a man's toes got sore with the pedicuring work of cockroaches. He made up his mind to stick to her, as he evidently suited Banks. They both got cracked a little on the Simoom Rocks, and gradually talked themselves into the belief of a shark's-tooth reef about a mile long with one special fang that rivaled a young peak of Teneriffe.

The Palembang came into Liverpool River about three weeks after the Simoom, and Green, back at work after ten days at home, had a high time with Wilson. But the skippers passed each other with their noses in the air as high as squirrels' tails, and never swapped a word in a fortnight.

As luck would have it, they were both for Bombay again, only to give Spiller a chance of getting there first. The Simoom was to call at the Cape. Just before the Palembang cleared, Banks and Spiller fell up against each other on the landing stage, and as Spiller was full up to his back teeth and uvula, he broke silence and went for the upholder of the vigia in high style. He could have taken a first-class in bad language at any Australian back-blocks academy of cursing—and what they don't know in blasphemy there can only be learnt from a low-class Spaniard. So the air was blue from Liverpool to Manchester, and to the Isle of 'lan, and Banks got up and left. For when he was ashore he was very religious. Even at sea he carried a prayer book and an odd volume of virulent sermons, of the kind which indicate that no man need forgive any enemy who is not of the same persuasion. But to tell the truth, Banks could have forgiven anything but an insult to his beloved rocks.

"Such a man oughtn't to live," he cried angrily, as he went off in a tremulous rage. "He's predestined to the pit!"

And he trusted that Providence might one day yield him a chance of getting even. His prayers were fervent towards that end, and if Providence works, as it sometimes appears to do, through rum and ignorance and a good conceit in a man, there was a chance of his appeals being attended to.

On the passage out to the Cape they saw nothing of the Palembang. But there she was heard of as being seen somewhere in the neighborhood of the Agulhas Bank, having a real good time in that native home of the god of the winds, where 50 per cent of all the breezes that do blow are gales that dance in and out and about like a cooper round a cask.

But the Simoom had luck, and slipped through as if Aeolus never spotted her. And old Banks chortled happily, and sang an extra hymn on Sunday, compensating the men (otherwise disposed to growl at the innovation) with an extra lot of grog. For your true sailor man is the real conservative, and things that don't happen in the first week of a new ship have no business to happen afterwards—which is a hint that some young second mates may find handy to remember. And remembering this will enable you to see why no true old shellback will ship in a steam-post, any more than the guard of a



"Mr. Green, here,"

set the mainsail!" "Mr. Green, the Simoom was snoring through it now, and Green stared.

"What she can't carry she may drag," said the skipper, with flashing eyes.

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THE MANNER OF MAN HE IS

The republican party has its complete master in Theodore Roosevelt. The house and senate have yielded to him every point upon which his will or desire has differed from theirs. Some times the yielding has been in a sullen, ungracious manner, but they have yielded just the same when he has applied the lash. Every party leader who has had the temerity to try to carry some plan or scheme without securing the approval of Mr. Roosevelt has been scourged into submission by the same lash. The trusts and the tariff leeches fear him but have lacked the courage to oppose his candidacy, because he has done and said just enough along the line of trust prosecution and tariff revision to make himself an uncertain quantity in their estimation and they fear that if they oppose him he will use the whip and force legislation by congress and action by the attorney general that will cripple or smash them, and they know on the other hand that so long as they are his tools they are safe. It is an open secret that he has dictated his own nomination, that he has written or dictated the platform to be adopted by the national convention. And his last achievement is the forcing upon his party a national chairman who is not satisfactory to many of its prominent leaders but, like everything else, they have accepted him with the best grace possible.

This sketch of the bulldozing tyrant who now is the chief executive of this great country of eighty millions of supposedly free people is not overdrawn, indeed, it is much underdrawn, for not the half of his high-handed acts and overriding of the laws and constitution have been mentioned. He wields more actual and arbitrary power than any monarch in Europe whose sway is limited by a constitution—as nearly all of them are. We believe that in the event of any serious upheaval, or the happening of some contingency while he holds the reins that would give the shadow of an opening, he would not hesitate to declare himself dictator and attempt to swing this government into a monarchy.

He possesses the spirit of adventure, the brass, the cheek, the self assurance, the extreme egotism that lead some men into such acts of desperate adventure and often to success.

CONVENTION AND PRIMARY COMPARED.

The populist's resolutions adopted last Saturday say: "We further believe that it is Jeffersonian democracy for the people to select the public servants from among the people."

That is one really good democratic idea they have absorbed. But the convention method which they have selected for doing it is not as good a method as the primary election method where each man casts his ballot privately and to suit his own feelings and preferences and, if he desires it, so that no other person can know for whom he voted. It is a notorious fact that in making nominations in open conventions certain leaders and the smoothest talkers and wirepullers always control the proceedings and the nominations, while the small fry have practically no voice in them, but are expected afterwards to whoop and vote for the nominees. No man who has ever attended conventions can deny the truth of this statement.

On the other hand every man who is entitled to a vote can deposit his ballot in the primary election box and the most modest, the humblest or the poorest man's vote will count as much in determining results as will the vote of the wealthiest or most eloquent citizen or that of the shrewdest political schemer. You can't deny that that is a fact, either. These being facts, then answer honestly to yourself—"Has not the regularly organized democracy chosen and offered to you the best and fairest plan of expressing your choice for our public servants?"

As to selecting them from among the people, here are some twenty-odd men, your neighbors and friends, old and well known citizens of the county—common everyday men amongst us, who have offered their services and from among whom any citizen ought to be able to select a good set of county officers—with equally as good a chance of securing his personal preferences as he would have by the convention method. Isn't that true? If it is, then why kick out on account of some personal whim or prejudice or to serve the end of some designing individual?

PENSION BOUGHT VOTES.

A Washington dispatch in another column tells with what energy the pension department is working under that (infamous old age disability order of the President, an order in the promulgation of which he went beyond his authority and trampled upon the constitution. It was believed at the time that he was actuated by the sinister motive of furthering his political ambitions by playing upon the cupidity and gratitude, if it can be called by so virtuous a name, of the old soldiers, and the manner in which the order is being executed—so as to make it reach and strengthen the weakest spots, proves that the suspicion did him no injustice.

We repeat what the Free Press has said a number of times in discussing pension matters, that we are perfectly willing for the old soldiers who fought in the ranks and suffered any disability from wounds, or from sickness as a result of their service, to have liberal pensions, but beyond that the pension system of this country is a shame and a disgrace and an intolerable imposition on the masses who pay the taxes.

Discussing the pension order as it is now being applied in Washington, the Fort Worth Record says in part:

"For congress to have passed the bill by a nonpartisan vote would have enabled Northern Democrats to claim credit for the result. No congress was permitted to act. The President reached the result through the instrumentality of an executive order so that the old soldiers might understand that the graft came about through his own graciousness, and that the proper gratitude would influence the recipients of the presidential bounty to vote for the man who gave what congress was not permitted the opportunity to give. That the President issued his executive order to influence the 'soldier vote' is quite apparent to every intelligent citizen of the country.

Have the recipients of this graft been insulted? Not one of them has resented it by declining to receive it and we must accept the statements of the Republican press that the order was successful in producing the desired result."

While the matter was overlooked and not expressed in the resolutions adopted by our convention last Saturday, the democracy of Haskell county is strictly for the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people.

Hopkins county went dry in the local option election last Saturday by a majority of over 1400 votes, being about double the pro majority in the former local option election in that county.

Much Ado About Nothing.

The Abilene Reporter makes the following comment on the populist movement in Taylor county:

The populist chairman of Taylor county, speaking for the executive committee, has flits over the democratic pledge and breaks into print frequently to warn over "self-respecting voters," "free men," and so on. In his last address published in Wednesday's Reporter he again urges voters to stay out of the democratic primaries where they will have "to take a pledge and cast your vote under conditions that would be very objectionable to self-respecting free men." The populist leaders have a very tender conscience—for democrats—and are very much afraid that they are going to wrench their "self-respect." If a populist should go into the democratic primaries and vote a lie he would certainly have little self-respect, because any "self-respecting freeman" would be in honor bound to support the nominees of any primary in which he takes part. The democratic pledge is only an open avowal of a principle recognized and lived up to by all gentlemen.

This prating about the pledge is practical politics, pure and simple, and if any democrat has the wool pulled over his eyes by it he is weak indeed.

Does the populist party executive committee expect honest voters to go into their convention to help nominate a ticket and then help to defeat it? They expect nothing of the kind.

Their "citizens ticket" will be fought for and populists whipped into it under the party lash wherever possible. That is the object of the convention—to concentrate upon an opposition ticket to democracy, whip all the populists into line, and draw away as many democrats as possible. The men who are now holding up their hands in holy horror at the wicked democrats who "favor party nominations for precinct and county officers," are the men who first made such nominations. Let them deny it if they dare.

"Have nothing to do with democratic primaries but come and help us nominate and elect a ticket," is their slogan.

The two first bales of cotton grown this season are on their way from Brownsville to Galveston on the coast steamer Manteo. This cotton was grown in Cameron county on the plantation of Juan H. Fernandez, and is said to be the earliest in twenty-four years. The next earliest bale was in 1896, marketed on July 4 from Duval county. Last year the first bale came from Zapata county on July 18.

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Your Sunday Dinner.

Beginning today the Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church will every Saturday afternoon have on sale at Mrs. E. J. Hunt's millinery store, home made light-bread, pies, cakes and such fresh vegetables as are obtainable.

The idea is to lighten the usual Sunday work of housekeepers and afford them more leisure on that day, and incidentally to earn money for church purposes. The ladies are all invited to call and see what they have.

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I have \$4,000 worth of tickets and a new stock of JEWELRY with which to redeem them. Be sure to take advantage of this big offer at once. Yours truly,

T. G. CARNEY.

Musical Recital.

Miss Ida Maxwell, an accomplished musician of Patton Seminary, will give a recital Thursday night, June 23, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McConnell. All lovers of good music are cordially invited to attend. At the solicitation of his many friends, Mr. Bob Williams has promised to repeat on that night, the oration which won for him first medal at the Texas Christian University.

A social hour will be spent after the recital, and the young people will be given an opportunity to meet Miss Maxwell.

Ladies' Societies to be Entertained.
At the Methodist church, from 4 to 7 o'clock next Friday, June 24, the Home Mission Society, assisted by the Sunshine girls, will entertain the members of the ladies societies of the other churches of the town.

All the members of these societies are cordially invited to be present. Each society is also invited to participate in the program.

The following is the program for the occasion:

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"—All. Prayer.—Mrs. Gregory. Address of Welcome.—Mrs. Morton. Response.—Mrs. Isbell. Solo.—Mrs. Baker. Woman's Work for Woman (paper)—Mrs. English. Dox.—Mrs. Pierson and Miss Rupe. How to Make Money for Local Work. Solo.—Mrs. W. E. Sherrill. Recitation.—Miss Ethel Alexander. Trio, "Beyond the Gates of Paradise."—Misses Carney, Buchanan and Nishett. Doxology.

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Mr. J. L. Jones went to Fort Worth Thursday.

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Miss Laura Garren is visiting friends in town this week.

Born on Saturday night last, to Mr. and Mrs. Jno. E. Robertson, a daughter.

A good meal any time for a quarter at the Daylight Restaurant.

Mrs. Rike and daughter, Miss Lillie, left Wednesday evening on a visit of a week or so with relatives at Graham. There will be a vacancy in Haskell social circle until they return.

We have a select stock of drugs and two houses in Erath county to exchange for land in Haskell county. West Texas Development Co., Haskell, Texas.

Mrs. J. E. Cox and Miss Mollie Williams of the Rule neighborhood returned Thursday from a visit to Throckmorton.

Mr. J. E. Fitzgerald returned Tuesday from a trip on the plains country. He reports good rains and fine grass out there.

Mrs. J. C. O'Bryan returned home Tuesday night from Central Texas, where she has been visiting relatives and friends for the past month.

We haven't time to describe and tell you about all the good things to eat and drink at the Artie, but we cordially invite you to come and see.

Miss Bertha Irby and Miss Iva Caddel, of Denton Texas, who is visiting the family of Mr. J. E. Irby, spent a day or two with friends in town the first of the week.

Mr. S. W. Scott has recently furnished through the surety company which he represents, a \$16,400 guardian's bond for Mrs. Lou Donnell at Throckmorton.

Eld. C. N. Williams and Miss Dullin Fields went to Seymour Monday to attend the district convention of the Christian church at that place. Miss Dullin will visit friends at Holiday before returning home.

In the ball game last Saturday between the Haskell and Rule teams, the score stood 19 to 21 in favor of Haskell. The Haskell team will play the Aspermont sluggers today.

We are requested to state that the protracted meeting which was to have been begun at the Christian church tomorrow night, has been postponed one week, or to Sunday, June 26, on which date it will commence with Eld. Burnett of Seymour assisting the pastor.

Mr. L. Lumsden who recently moved his cattle to Dickens county, came in Tuesday to get a remnant of cattle he left here. He says the range is good in Dickens and that section since the rains of a few weeks ago.

You can take a cold drink or a dish of ice cream at the Artie with the pleasing certainty that the materials used in it are pure and unadulterated and that all the vessels used are scrupulously clean.

Those farmers who are now buying high priced grain for their teams should profit by the experience and plant plenty of milo maize. It would be well, too, to have a bunch of pigs coming on to help eat it, and later on, be eaten.

Mr. T. L. Atchison, one of our enterprising farmers, was in town Thursday and paid for the Free Press to be sent to each of two sons-in-law in Comanch county, for six months. He thinks by the time they read the paper that long they will learn enough about this county to want to come to it.

A gentleman in Haskell received a request his week from a gentleman in New York for several copies of the issue of the Free Press containing the write-up of the "Lemon Squeeze" recently given by the Sunshine society. He had seen a copy of the paper containing the item, which had struck him as being unique and altogether funny. Perhaps he intends to introduce the lemon squeeze into New York society. There are lemons here with two m's in them, but we only squeeze the kind with one m in them, and we suggest that he be careful to observe the same rule, should he introduce the diversion there, as New York probably has some of the double m variety.

Public Speaking.

At the request of the Democratic campaign committee of Haskell county, the gentlemen named below have consented to make speeches at the several places named, at the time specified opposite each place.

PLACE AND TIME.

Windmill School House, June 24, 8 p.m.	
Moore " " " 25, "	
Ward " " " 27, "	
Sagerton " " " 28, "	
Pinkerton " " " 29, "	
Marcy " " " 30, "	
Mid " " July 1, "	
Cliff, " " " 2, "	
Lone Star " " " 5, "	
Brushy " " " 6, 2 p.m.	
Gray Mare " " " 6, 5 "	

SPEAKERS.

W. W. Fields,	H. S. Wilson,
Oscar Martin,	S. W. Scott,
Hardy Grissom,	Bob Williams,
H. G. McConnell,	J. C. O'Bryan.

One or two of the above named gentlemen will be assigned by the committee to speak at each place and the people are respectfully asked to go and hear them.

These speakers will be under the auspices of the several Democratic clubs.

DEM. CAMPAIGN COM.

Assessor Brown says the renditions this year show a very large increase in hogs over last year. And that is good news.

Commissioners court has been in session all the week as a board of equalization, going over the assessors' tax lists.

On account of the rush to get their crops cultivated after the rains, farmers have been scarce in town this week and business has been dull, but merchants can stand a temporary dullness in trade from such a cause with a very good grace as they know it means good business later on.

Mr. J. A. Creaser, the genial bachelor ranchman of the southeast part of the county, was in town last week and arranged for the Free Press and Dallas News to visit and cheer him in his loneliness.

Mrs. Cox, wife of Mr. G. W. Cox of the western portion of the county, died on Thursday morning at the home of her son, Mr. Tom Cox, in the southern part of the county, where she was visiting when she was taken sick. She was quite aged and leaves a still more aged husband to pass his closing years in loneliness.

"Kienzoza," the best cleansing fluid made, is for sale by Mrs. E. J. Hunt. It cleans kid gloves, silk mitts, velvets, laces, ribbons, and the finest fabrics of grease and soil of any kind without injury to the color or fabric. Try it.

The Masonic lodge at this place had a big time Tuesday night initiating candidates in the Chapter degrees. Messrs. D. J. Brookerson, County Judge G. B. Landrum and County Clerk Ed Young of Benjamin and R. M. Dickenson of Stamford were the initiators. Messrs. W. A. Earnest, J. A. Martin and W. A. Baker of Monday were here to participate in the initiatory ceremonies.

The protracted meeting at the Baptist church closed Tuesday night. During the meeting a series of very practical, forcible and interesting sermons were preached by Rev. T. Joe Talley of Albany, who held good congregations throughout the meeting. While several conversions were made it was a matter of surprise and regret to many that there were not more. But it is believed that good seed were sown which will yet bear fruit.

We were at a farmers house a few days ago and saw a bunch of eight fine shoats in his pen that will easily make him two thousand pounds of meat next winter together with plenty of lard for his family use. This man ridicules the idea some farmers have that they can not profitably raise their own meat in this country. He says he has done it for years with much satisfaction and profit and that others can do it too. He is right, they can do it. This man's table was well supplied with vegetables from his garden, produced in spite of the spring drouth by means of windmill irrigation. He is one of the "get there" sort—what sort are you?

Two women of salacious character from some town "down east," who were seeking adventure and recreation, spent last Sunday at the booze dive in the southern part of the county with a lot of men in a general carousal, and were arrested by the town marshal of Stamford Monday and brought before Justice Knowles at this place, who fined them. One man had an ugly scalp wound and the marshal also arrested and brought up two men under suspicion of having inflicted the wound on the other, but the dive keeper followed the marshal up with an affidavit made by the wounded man stating that he received his hurt in falling from a buggy, and the two men were released. The women were also discharged upon the payment of their fines by the saloon man.

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Use my soul as you used the sky—
Gray sky of the sunset day,
When the dove as you sped its way
Of storm cloud, bringing its sponsor
back.
Giving it gold for gray!

Bring me word of the moving ships,
Playful and striving, swift;
Come to me from the sea's side,
While the last lights die in the glow
of sunset.
Under the first white stars!

Enter the closed doors of my heart
And set my spirit free,
For I am here in this crowded place,
With the heart's desire of a crowd,
Wind with the tang of the sea!
—Arthur Ketchum.



Pretty Lena Winters tripped into the shoe store of E. Perkins & Co. and walked directly up to the sour-visaged proprietor.

"O, Mr. Perkins," she said, in her most coaxing tones and manner, "won't you buy a ticket to the wishbone social our church is to give Thursday night—only 25 cents?"

She looked so sweet and winsome that Walter Hodge, standing near, wondered how anyone could refuse her anything she asked.

Twenty-five cents, however, looked more handsome to E. Perkins than any vision of feminine beauty.

"No, I won't," he snapped out. "It's nothing but give, give all the time, and the more we give the bigger the church debt grows. It's just a big steal cloaked under rummage sales, fairs and all kinds of tomfoolery—just to give you women a chance to gad and hear an entertainment. You ain't working for the Lord. You're just trying to have a good time and catch a fellow."

Walter Hodge's eyes looked dangerous, but Lena's only twinkled merrily.

"Oh, Mr. Perkins!" she said, "you don't know how hard we work. It's no play to get up a church entertainment."

"I tell you that you don't know what work is. I'd give \$100 to see any two of you church women do a half a day's work—man's work. I mean, if you could plow a field, you'd know what real work is."

Deacon Holmes had dropped in during this conversation and was a silent, but interested listener.

Lena contemplated Mr. Perkins reflectively for a moment.

"You've given me a new idea, Mr. Perkins," she said thoughtfully. "I was the member chosen to get up some sort of an entertainment this week. My wits suggested nothing but a wishbone social. Now I shall do as you suggest. With your \$100 and the number of tickets I shall sell for such a novel entertainment the church will realize handsomely."

"What do you mean? Come back here!" cried Mr. Perkins.

But Lena was vanishing down the street. That night in the tri-weekly issue of the Hollyville Patriot appeared the following announcement:

"E. Perkins, the well-known shoe dealer, has offered \$100 to see any two of the Plymouth church members plow a field. Mrs. Charles Logan and



"No, I won't!" he snapped. Miss Lena Winters have accepted the challenge and will plow a field at the Lucas farm southeast of Hollyville, on Thursday, 2 p. m. Price of admission 25 cents. Reserved seats on the rail fence. Proceeds of tickets and \$100 offered by Mr. Perkins to go to the church!

Mr. Perkins gasped and paled and foamed at the mouth when he read this. He swore it was an outrage and a setup job, and that he would not pay it. It was all a trick of that little upstart of Lena Winters, but Deacon Holmes and Walter Hodge quietly reminded him that they were witnesses, and that the offer and transaction had been explicit and exactly as Miss Winters had stated.

Mr. Perkins groaned in apprehension when posters announcing the contest stared him in the face for the next two days. Handbills were constantly thrown in his door and thrust into his hand.

One ray of hope was left to him, Lena Winters, that slight, frivolous little thing, would not be able to plow one row.

From different motives Walter Hodge was also concerned about Lena's part in the program. He met her on the street Wednesday evening and they strolled away in an opposite direction from Lena's home.



"I didn't mean it, and I'll never pay it!" he cried wrathfully.

for her father had quarreled with Walter's father, and he did not accord the young man welcome to his home.

"Lena," said Walter, "I am glad you took old Perkins up, and I will be glad to see the old miser shell out, but you two women can never do that plowing."

"I'll tell you a secret, Walter. Mrs. Logan in her younger days lived on a farm, and had often helped with the plowing when they were short of help, so her part will be perfectly done. A year ago I was at Uncle Joe's and helped with the plowing for the fun of it. The furrows may not be very straight, but we'll plow the field all right."

"But it's such hard work for you, Lena," he said deprecatingly. "Why didn't you let some of the other women do it?"

"Because, Walter, well—more depends on my plowing that field than you know. It isn't the church debt and coming up with old Perkins alone that inspired this plan—or the carrying out of it."

"What do you mean, Lena?" he asked in surprise.

"I'll tell you to-morrow after the last furrow is furrowed," she said, laughing. "There is one thing you must do. You must use your influence to help make old Perkins cash up."

The sale of tickets to the novel contest had been unprecedented. Thursday afternoon almost the whole town flocked to the field of Farmer Lucas, who lived on the outskirts of Hollyville.

In readiness for the signal stood Lena and Mrs. Logan, in short skirts, stout shoes and broad-brimmed hats. A pair of steady, sober dapple grays were hitched to the plow. Lena and Mrs. Logan were to share the labor equally, alternating in driving and guiding.

When the appointed hour came a bell sounded and amid the cheers of the multitude they started on the first furrow. Across the field they went and back again to the starting line.

"Good!" commented the men approvingly, noting the tolerably straight furrows.

The women halted long enough to drink a glass of refreshing lemonade Walter Hodge offered them, and then resolutely took up their work again.

When the field was plowed Mrs. Logan and Lena were escorted to their homes by the Hollyville band.

"I'll collect of Perkins," volunteered Walter, and as it was a commission no one else sought, he went alone to call on the irate shoe dealer.

"I didn't mean it, and I'll never pay it!" he cried wrathfully. "I'm surprised at your expecting me to, Walter Hodge! I thought you were a friend of mine."

"I am, Mr. Perkins," replied Walter gravely, "and that is why I have come to you—to give you a pointer. A great many of the church members anticipated your refusal to pay, and will meet it by a resolution to boycott your shoe trade, and you know what stuff the women of that church are made of—you saw it in their afternoon's work. What they set out to do they'll do. My advice to you as from one business man to another is to pay the \$100, which is the cheapest way out."

So, with groans and imprecations the old miser wrote his check for \$100, and Walter triumphantly took it to Lena's father, who was the custodian of the church funds.

"I'll believe anything now," was the comment of Mr. Winters, as he read the check.

Then he looked at Walter and gave an odd little laugh.

"You'd better go down and see Lena, Walter."

"Why, Mr. Winters," gasped Walter, "do you mean it?"

"Yes; I can't help myself, Walter, and perhaps it's just as well. Run along. Lena will explain matters."

"Will you tell me how this happens, Lena?" asked Walter tearfully a few moments later.

"It was just like this: When I told at dinner the other day about plowing the field and Mr. Perkins, papa said: 'Don't ever expect impossibilities, Lena. You can't plow a field, and you can't make old Shylock Perkins pay.' 'What'll you bet, papa?' I asked. 'Anything,' he replied. 'All right,' I answered. 'If we plow and Mr. Perkins pays, Walter shall come to the house again.' He agreed. He didn't expect me to win, but Walter, he was glad of a chance to give in gracefully, for I know he likes you."

—Boston Globe.

A Short Ride.
P. A. B. Widener, the traction magnate of Philadelphia, told the other day a story of the boyhood of his son Joseph.

"When Joe," he said, "was a little fellow, a visitor, calling at my house one day, found him in the drawing room, busy with the drawing room chairs, which he had ranged in a row. The visitor sat down on one of the chairs and Joe remonstrated.

"Here," he said, "this is a train of cars."

"Very well," said the visitor, "I'll be a passenger."

"But Joe didn't want this grown-up man for a passenger, and so he said:

"Where do you want to get off?"

"Chicago," was the reply.

"All right," said Joe, "this is Chicago."

Little White Lily.
Little white lily, adrift on the stream,
Open your tender heart, wake from your dream:
Lift up your face to the kiss of the sun,
Wake and rejoice that the winter is done!
Though you are tiny and humble and frail,
Live and be happy, and fear not the gale;
Little white lily, though soon you must fade,
He loveth all things Who all of us made!

Little white lily, there's given unto you,
Something to live for and something to do,
If to one heart you bring, seeing you there,
Thoughts of the Hand that created you!

If you lift one soul from earth for a space,
Twas for that Heaven gave you beauty and grace;
Little white lily, although you are small,
You are His servant, Who fashioned us all!

—Pearson's Weekly.

Speaker Cannon Saved \$1.50.
William H. Crane, the actor, was introduced to Speaker Cannon one day in the latter's office at the capitol. After shaking hands with the star the speaker backed off from him, tipped his head to one side and, looking at him critically, exclaimed: "Well, do you know, it is a peculiar pleasure to me to see you to-day. It is the first time I ever looked at you without being obliged to give up a dollar and a half for the privilege."

"That is the embarrassing part of visiting among these public men," reported Crane. "It's awfully galling to have to show yourself without getting paid for it."—New York Tribune.

Offered a Substitute.
George Otis Draper of Hopedale, whose new book has caused much interest not only for the fact that he is a Draper of Hopedale, but also because his two works now published are unique and unusually original, tells of a humorous experience that recently befell him in one of the public libraries of a large city. He was interested for a personal reason in getting a copy of Patmore's poems. The young woman attendant looked puzzled at the request and said:

"I'm very sorry, sir, but we haven't a Pat Moore's poem. I have here a copy of Tom Moore's poems, perhaps they will do just as well."

United States Battleships.
Our oldest battleship, the Texas, has a length of 391 feet and a displacement of 6,315 tons. The new Maine has a length of 388 feet and a displacement of 12,500 tons. The Georgia is to have a length of 435 feet and a displacement of 15,000 tons. The California, just launched at San Francisco, has a length of 503 feet and a displacement of 14,000 tons. The Texas has a speed of sixteen knots an hour. The California is to have a speed of twenty-two knots, or is to be, in spite of her great size, a faster ship than the Brooklyn or New York, and as fast a ship as that greyhound of the sea, the Columbia.



The Improvidents.
"The grocer sent his bill to-day, and what do you think he charged us for butter?"

"How much?"
"Twenty-eight cents a pound."

"Good land! It's downright robbery. No wonder we're always poor. By the way, Gen. I found a parrot to-day that talks in three languages. The man wants only \$10 for it."

"What a bargain! We must have the bird, by all means."

No Reflected Glory for Him.
"After all, what's the use marrying a woman who has the ability to make herself famous?"

"Well, a wife of that kind, you know, may make herself known to posterity."

"Nothing of the kind. Consider the case of Mme. Du Barry's husband. I'll bet \$10 that nine out of every ten people honestly believe there never was a Mr. Du Barry."

Good Reason.



Grace—He says Friday is his unlucky day.

Marie—Why, do you suppose?

Grace—Oh, I guess he was born on that day.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Worse Than Green Goods.
Uncle Wayback—I jus' tell you, th' city is an awful place. Skin yeh alive there.

Farmer Meadow (gloomily)—That's so.

Uncle Wayback—Eb? Did yeh meet some green goods men while you was in th' city?

Farmer Meadow—No-o, but my wife met some dry goods men.—New York Weekly.

Peace to His Ashes.
Mrs. DeSwell—"You seem to be a great lover of the weed, Mr. Puffington. Does your father smoke as much as you do?"

Puffington—"Well, I should hope not."

Mrs. DeSwell—"What do you mean?"

Puffington—"He has been dead ten years."

It Worried Him.
"That land," said the city nephew, "is valued at \$800 a front foot."

"Thunderation!" exclaimed the old farmer, hastily moving back onto the sidewalk. "An' I stood on it most five minutes! Do you reckon they'll charge me rent?"

Crown of an Irish King.
One of the most highly prized relics in the British museum, that great storehouse of wonders and curiosities, both natural and artificial, is the crown formerly used by the Irish kings in the coronation exercises which made them monarchs of the Emerald Isle. Strictly speaking, there were two of these Irish crowns, the one in question being that used by the MacMurroughs, a family who were anciently kings of Leinster. This regal relic, all that remains of the old Irish monarchy, is a plain gold band, rising to a kind of peak or point in front.

Old Soldier's Story.
Sonoma, Mich., June 13.—That even in actual warfare disease is more terrible than bullets is the experience of Delos Hutchins of this place. Mr. Hutchins as a Union soldier saw three years of service under Butler Barke in the Louisiana swamps, and as a result got crippled with rheumatism so that his hands and feet got all twisted out of shape, and how he suffered only a rheumatic will ever know.

For twenty-five years he was in misery, then one lucky day his druggist advised him to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Of the result Mr. Hutchins says:

"The first two boxes did not help me much, but I got two more, and before I got them used up I was a great deal better. I kept on taking them and now my pains are all gone and I feel better than I have in years. I know Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure rheumatism."

Ant Colonies.
An ant nest or colony arises from eggs laid by one or more "queens." The developing young are tended by the sexless neuters, or "workers." The maggots, or larval ants, are fed by them, often nourished out of the nurses' mouths, and are as carefully watched in respect of the temperature and other conditions of the nurseries as are infantile human beings. When full development occurs the pupae change into ants, which are either winged or wingless. The latter are the "neuters," or workers. They may develop big jaws and appear as the "soldiers" of the colony. Those which are winged are the founders of new colonies. They are of both sexes and they produce the eggs whence the new generations will be evolved.

Destructive Styles in the Kitchen.
Lady of the House—Lorena, you break more china and glass than any cook we ever had.

Lorena—I can't help it, ma'am; it's these big sleeves drags 'em off'n the tables.

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He—One who will trust you.

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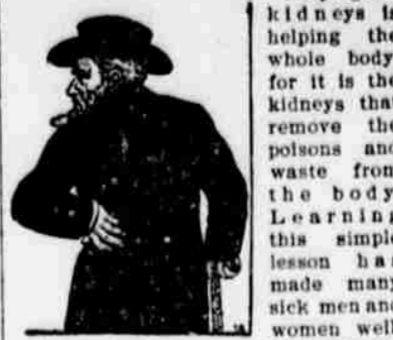
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Know thyself, but be prepared for the worst.

Texas Gulf Resorts.
Making the coast country into a summer and seaside resort is one of the aims of the Southern Pacific as evidenced by recent events. Successful endeavors have been made to interest foreign as well as local capital and special managers have been placed in charge of such resorts as La Porte, Pahrados and Seabrook, and at the latter place has been erected a new \$30,000 hotel owned and managed by Mr. Chas. Rogers, of New Orleans, which was formally opened on May 14, and already has resulted in securing a large number of Texas visitors who ordinarily go to the Eastern water-side. The ground has just been broken, but all indications point to a new era in the thriving Texas coast country.

A Cowboy in New York.
Chas. M. Russell, a Montana cowboy artist, who visited New Jersey recently, has returned to his Montana home, and in an interview says: "I'd rather live in a place where I know somebody and where everybody is somebody. The style in some of these New York saloons is something to remember. The bartender won't drink with you even. Now, I like to have the bartender to drink with me occasionally, out of the same bottle, just to be sure I ain't getting poison. They won't even take your money over the bar. Instead, they give you a check, with the price of your drink on it, and you walk yourself sober trying to find the cashier to pay for it."

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What Converted Him.
This story regarding a converted barbarian is told in the English papers: A negro clergyman was entertained at tea by the president of a college. The guest, who came from west Africa, related some particulars of his early life, when a lady asked him how he became a Christian. "The story of Jezebel converted me," he answered. "You know, we are told the dogs did not touch the palms of her hands. Well, that convinced me of the truth of the narrative, for we never eat the palms of the hands in my country. They are too bitter."

The Engines of War.
At a dinner during the Franco-German war Disraeli did not open his mouth till near the end of the entertainment, when he observed in his most sententious manner: "The French embarked in this war because they conceived that they had the superiority in arms of precision; they had the chassepot and they had the mitrailleuse (which he pronounced 'mitrail-louse'); but of the third engine, called a man, they did not possess even a single specimen." This said, he relapsed into perfect silence.—Diary of Sir Mountstuart Grant Duff.

A Young Merchant Prince.
J. E. Manix is 38 years old, and a native of Northampton, Conn. At 14 he swept the floor of a small retail store in that town and made himself generally useful at \$2 a week. Up to about ten years ago he was a clerk of the Edward Malley Company, of New Haven. Today he is president of a company that represents forty-two large retail stores which do an annual business of \$30,000,000. Here's a self-made man for you. He worked his way from bottom to top. Associated with Mr. Manix is William T. Barr, son of Thomas Barr, vice president of the Corn Exchange syndicate of banks. The head of the company wears no frills. He is the most cordial, genial and approachable of men, worshipped by his personal staff of fourteen buyers.

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Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Swollen, Hot, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Quick Finish for Smoke Nuisance.
President Melville E. Ingalls, of the Big Four road, was passing through Cleveland a few days ago, and while waiting in a railroad station for his Cincinnati train found the smoke from locomotives to be of almost stifling density. Learning that this was the normal condition there, he sent word to the other railroad companies using the Union station that conditions must be improved at once. Before he left town plans were under way for the substitution of electric motors for coal-burning engines in depot work. Then he started for Cincinnati, having shown once more that he is a man of quick action.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

Some bachelors sigh because they are lonely, and some married men sigh because they have no chance to be.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye-water cures sore or weak eyes. Don't hurt. Feels good.

When a man's hair begins to get thin he needs either a tonic or a divorce.

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Don't think because a girl's complexion is a dream that all dreams are hand-painted.

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 16 oz. package contains 16 oz., while all the other kinds contain but 12 oz. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other, quality and quantity must win.

You must walk a long time behind a gander before you find a peacock feather.

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Bone Pains, Itching, Scabby Skin Diseases, Swellings, Carbuncles, Scrofula

Permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm. It destroys the active poison in the blood. If you have aches and pains in bones, back and joints, itching scabby skin, blood boils or thin; Swollen Glands, Ringworms and Bumps on the Skin, Mucus Patches in Mouth, Sore Throat, or offensive eruptions; Copper-colored Spots or Boils on Skin, all run-down or nervous; Ulcers on any part of the body. Hair or Eyebrows falling out, Carbuncles or Boils, take Botanic Blood Balm, guaranteed to cure even the worst and most deep-seated cases where doctors, potent medicines, and hot springs fail. Heals all sores, stops all aches and pains, reduces all swellings, makes blood pure and rich, completely changing the entire body into a clean, healthy condition. B. B. B. has cured to stay cured thousands of cases of Blood Poison even after reaching the last stages.

Old Rheumatism, Catarrh, Eczema are caused by an awful poisoned condition of the blood. B. B. B. cures Catarrh, stops Hawking and Spitting cures Rheumatism, with Aches and Pains, Scabby Skin, Scales, Eruptions, Watery Blisters, with Itching and Scratching of Eczema, by giving a pure, healthy blood supply to affected parts.

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PE-RU-NA CURES CATARRH.

Captain James L. Dempsey, Captain 2nd Precinct Troy Police Force, writes from 198 Ferry St., Troy, N. Y., as follows:

"From my personal experience with Peruna I am satisfied it is a very fine remedy for catarrhal affections, whether of the head, lungs, stomach or pelvic organs. It cures colds quickly, and a few doses taken after undue exposure prevents illness. Some of the patrolmen under me have also found great relief from Peruna. It has cured chronic cases of kidney and bladder troubles, restored men suffering from indigestion and rheumatism, and I am fully persuaded that it is an honest, reliable medicine, hence I fully endorse and recommend it." **JAMES L. DEMPSEY.**

Officer A. C. Swanson writes from 607 Harrison St., Council Bluffs, Ia., as follows:

"As my duties compelled me to be out in all kinds of weather I contracted a severe cold from time to time, which settled in the kidneys, causing severe pains and trouble in the pelvic organs. I am now like a new man, am in splendid health and give all praise to Peruna."—A. C. Swanson.

Samuel R. Sprecher.
Junior Beadle Court Angelina, 3,122 I. O. O. F., 205 New High St., Los Angeles, Cal., writes:

"I came here a few years ago suffering with catarrh of the kidneys, in great degree of health. I thought the climate would cure me, but found I was mistaken. But what the climate could not do Peruna could and did do. Seven weeks' trial convinced me that I had the right medicine, and I was then a well man. I know of at least twenty friends and members of the lodge to which I belong who have been cured of catarrh, bladder and kidney trouble through the use of Peruna, and it has a host of friends in this city."

Samuel R. Sprecher.

Catarrh of the Kidneys a Common Disease—Kidney Trouble Often Fails to Be Regarded as Catarrh by Physicians.

Catarrh of the kidneys is very common indeed. It is a pity this fact is not better known to the physicians as well as the people.

People have kidney disease. They take some diuretic, hoping to get better. They never once think of catarrh. Kidney disease and catarrh are seldom associated in the minds of the people, and alas, it is not very often associated in the minds of the physicians. Too few physicians recognize catarrh of the kidneys. They doctor for something else. They try this remedy and that.

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OLD AGE PENSION ORDER.

Administration Working It For Votes

Washington, June 14.—Something of a sensation has been caused here by the publication of a story to the effect that the old age disability pension order, the recent promulgation of which caused a great amount of criticism of President Roosevelt, is worked for all it is worth at present so that as many "old soldiers" votes as possible may be clinched between now and November.

Hundreds and hundreds of the old age certificates are being issued daily it is said, and the prospects are that the number will continue to increase. The pension office has a deficiency appropriation of something like one and one-half millions on hand and if this is not expended between now and July 1, it reverts to the treasury.

Consequently the administration is making hay while the sun shines. Most of the money is being distributed among the ex-federal soldiers of doubtful states like New York, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, but other commonwealths having considerable numbers of old soldiers are being well cared for.

Everything is being done on orders, written copies of which are unobtainable. These verbal orders, incidentally are solely for the benefit of those who can vote.

Widow's claims and applications which will take a great deal of clerical attention are being passed over.

Furthermore, it is stated on what is regarded as the best of authority that old age pensions are being handed back to January 1, despite the fact that old age order did not go into effect until April 15 of this year and was not supposed to be retrospective. It is not doubted that all of the \$1,500,000 will be placed where it will do the most good between now and July 1.

Administration officers deny the story but it is well authenticated.

Cures Old Sores.

Westmoreland, Kans., May 5, 1902. Ballard Snow Liniment Co. Your Snow Liniment cured an old sore on the side of my chin that was supposed to be a cancer. The sore was stubborn and would not yield to treatment, until I tried Snow Liniment, which did the work in short order. My sister, Mrs. Sophia J. Carson, Allenville, Mifflin Co., Pa., has a sore and mistrusts that it is a cancer. Please send her a 50c bottle. Sold by Jno. E. Robertson.

Mr. W. T. Jones places his announcement before the people this week as a candidate for re-election to the office of public weigher.

Mr. Jones has in one capacity or another become acquainted with most people in Haskell county, so that it is unnecessary to go into details as to who or what he is, more than to say that he has been a citizen among us for ten years or longer and we have never heard his honesty or morality called in question, or heard of his doing any man a wrong. He is competent and capable of doing the work required in the office he seeks, a fact which he has proven during his present term. We have never heard any complaint as to his efficiency, accuracy or promptness in the discharge of his duties as public weigher.

Mr. Jones is a straight up and down democrat and announces subject to the democratic primary, July 9th.

MARCY NOTES.

A Newey Letter from our Regular Correspondent

Editor Free Press.

My last letter fell in the waste basket or went astray some where, as it failed to get in print. But I don't feel one bit discouraged, so here I am again.

Since the rains, General Green has made his appearance, and farmers are rushing things right along.

Cotton chopping is the order of the day, and hands are reported scarce in this community.

Quarterly meeting will begin at Marcy tonight. Preaching tonight, and tomorrow by Presiding Elder. Dinner on the grounds on Thursday.

Measles seem to have right of way now, and a number of people who have not had the pleasure of "tasting measles" are having such enjoyment as there is in it. It is a bad time to have the ailment, but we hope everybody will get them that wants them, and then let the pesky things go out of business.

Mrs. Mary Bristow will leave tomorrow for Missouri and Kansas to visit the home of her childhood. She will be away about six weeks, and we wish her a pleasant outing.

There will be Children's Day at Marcy on the 4th Sunday.

They are expecting to have a nice time and probably have dinner on the ground.

NELLY BLY.
(Sorry your last letter failed to reach us.—Eds.)

Call for Republican Convention.

To the Republicans of Haskell County: You are hereby requested to meet at the Courthouse in Haskell county on July 9th, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, Legislative, Senatorial and Congressional nominating conventions and to better organize our party in Haskell county, and to attend to such other business as may come before the convention.

I earnestly urge every true republican in the county to be present at this convention and let us talk over our party affairs.

JNO. B. BAKER, Co. Chm.

A Great Chance.

A splendid \$65.00 steel range, having all the latest improvements and constructed to burn either wood or coal will be given to some cash customer by Alexander Mercantile Co. This firm is introducing a new baking powder and this offer is made to induce everybody to try it. Every person buying for cash one or more 25c cans of this powder will be given a ticket for each can purchased, each ticket being good for one chance in the drawing for the range. Call in and see it, it is a beauty.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Public and my Friends and Patrons: I wish to announce that I have returned to Haskell and have resumed my general practice.

I will gladly fill all calls, day or night, that come to me. In addition to my general medical practice I am now prepared to treat diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat in a scientific and up-to-date manner. I will fit glasses to any eye that will respond to light. In this special work I guarantee the result I promise.

NO CURE NO PAY.

Call on me at Dr. Gilbert's office, northeast corner of square, or phone me at residence, No. 58.

Yours respectfully,
DR. M. T. GRIFFIN.

Sued by His Doctor.

"A doctor here has sued me for \$12.50, which I claimed was excessive for a case of cholera morbus," says R. White, of Coahuila, Cal. "At the trial he praised his medical skill and medicine. I asked him if it was not Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy he used as I had good reason to believe it was, and he would not say under oath that it was not." No doctor could use a better remedy than this in a case of cholera morbus, it never fails. Sold by C. E. Terrell.

The Barbecue Goes.

The committee working up the barbecue have secured about \$200 in money and thirteen beaves, and it has been decided that the barbecue will come off on time—Saturday, July 2. Some noted speakers will be here, everybody in the country will be invited and a big time generally is anticipated. Full particulars will be published next week.

Mr. W. G. Collins announces this week as a candidate for public weigher. Mr. Collins resides seven miles north of town. He has been a citizen of the county about five years, having come here from Mills county. He is a man of more than ordinary intelligence and claims to have had experience in handling and weighing cotton and other farm products, and we presume there is no question of his ability to fill the office properly. He is an old Confederate veteran and says he has been a democrat from his earliest recollection, and is of opinion that he was born a democrat, but that is a little father back than he can remember. He announces subject to democratic primary.

Homemade Fire Extinguishers.

If these simple grenades were more commonly in use, there would be much less loss by fires than there now is. A simple fire-extinguisher may be made at home, and kept always on hand, will prove sometimes of great value. To prepare a hand-grenade, take twenty pounds of common salt and ten pounds of sal ammoniac (nitrate of ammonia). This may be had from any druggist. Dissolve these in seven gallons of water. Put this in thin glass bottles, the common sort holding a quart each, cork tightly and seal with any good sealing preparation to prevent evaporation. When a fire breaks out, throw one of these bottles so that it will break in or near the flames, or if this is not possible, break off the neck of the bottle and scatter the contents. This is absolutely an extinguisher, and has been tested. In case of need, more than one bottle can be broken and quite a large fire extinguished. Next to absence of body, presence of mind is the best available thing in case of an emergency of any kind, and presence of mind is an excellent thing in case of fire, especially in conjunction with the hand-grenade mentioned.—NEW IDEA MAGAZINE.

STORMING PORT ARTHUR.

Final Assault on the Russian Stronghold Begun.

Chief, June 14.—The final assault on Port Arthur began today, according to reports which reach here from sources hitherto found reliable.

The Japanese warships are taking part in the battle. They have drawn in closer than at any time since the sinking of the Hatsuse and are pouring a storm of shell into the fortress.

It is reported Admiral Witsoeff made another sortie last night but was greeted with such a hot fire that he was compelled to go back into the harbor and avoid annihilation.

It is believed now that Admiral Witsoeff will at the final moment destroy the ships of his squadron rather than send the men under his command to certain destruction.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland Bentonsville, Va., serves as an example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by all Druggists. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c, and \$1.00.

The way to cure that deficit in the State's revenues is to enact some law so drastic in its provisions that it will result in putting all property on the tax rolls at something near its reasonable value. Go straight after the tax dodger.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets Better than a Doctor's Prescription.

Mr. J. W. Turner, of Truhart, Va., says that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done him more good than anything he could get from the doctor. If any physician in this country was able to compound a medicine that would produce such gratifying results in cases of stomach troubles, biliousness or constipation, his whole time would be used in preparing this one medicine. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Dingleyism renders cheap ship-building in this country impossible, and so the Republicans propose to impose a special tax for the benefit of the ships. One robbery treads upon another's heel so fast they follow.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Deatur, Ala. "For three years" she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by all Druggists.

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THAT TIRED FEELING!

If you are languid, depressed and incapable for work, it indicates that your liver is out of order. Herbine will assist nature to throw off headaches, rheumatism and ailments akin to nervousness and restore the energies and vitality of sound and perfect health. J. J. Hubbard, Temple, Texas, writes, March 22, 1902: "I have used Herbine for the past two years. It has done me more good than all the doctors. When I feel bad and have that tired feeling, I take a dose of Herbine. It is the best medicine ever made for chills and fever." 50c a bottle. Sold by Jno. E. Robertson.

Attorney General Knox's sympathies for the trust having been proven to the satisfaction of the trusts, they have secured his promotion to the United States senate where he can render them more active service. It will be easy to fill the attorney general's office with a man capable of sitting still and refusing to prosecute them.

Have You a Cough?

A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will relieve it. Have you a cold? A dose of Herbine at bed time and frequent small doses of Horehound Syrup during the day will remove it. Try it for whooping cough, for asthma, for consumption, for bronchitis. Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st street, Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my family for five years, and find it the best and most palatable medicine I ever used." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Jno. E. Robertson.

TAMMANY AND TEMPERANCE.

We reprint this week a temperance lecture which comes from a source from which few persons would expect to hear such doctrine—that is, from one of Tammany's political captains, "Senator" Geo. W. Plunkett.

It is well understood that Tammany is the most potent political organization in the United States. It in a large measure controls the policies of New York and wields a large influence in national politics. Its politics and methods are unscrupulous—anything to accomplish its ends. It is organized with the system and works with the precision of a trained army, having its chief, its district managers, its ward managers and slum heelers, raking in and holding by a system of bribes or rewards every thing that can cast a vote from congressman to the most ignorant and depraved creature of the slums.

Knowing this much about Tammany, it would be supposed that it cared nothing for sobriety or any other virtue; hence the surprise when we find one of its hundreds of "captains" lecturing his under heelers on temperance and impressing upon them in his peculiar way the necessity of keeping clear heads in order to do their work intelligently and effectively.

We think it is a fact that this man cares nothing for sobriety and temperance from a moral point of view, but that it is a cold business proposition with him in realizing the value of clear heads in the accomplishment of any undertaking, hence, we get so much the stronger argument from it in favor of strict sobriety and temperance. It is a lesson that every man, especially every young man, should take to heart, if not for moral reasons, then for its influence on his future business career. Get the point, will you—sobriety and temperance is as valuable to the rascal as to the saint in the successful prosecution of their several purposes.

This proposition is further proven by the fact that the rule is rapidly growing with large mercantile establishments, manufacturing concerns, railway companies, banks, in fact with every sort of concern where any responsibility or trust must be reposed in its employees, that the intemperate and even the occasional dram drinker must be excluded from its employment. There is food for thought in this, young man.

In making up the forms for the paper the article referred to above had to be left out, but it will be printed next week.

Driven to Desperation.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c at all Drug Store's.

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Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by all Druggists.

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