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THE "Queen Quality" factory has no dull periods. It runs fifty weeks out of the fifty-two. Dull times do not affect "Queen Quality" shoes. They are a standard article, always in demand. See our new summer low cuts at \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 the pair.

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FULL DINNER PAIL Guess Who Fills It?

The Free Press is getting a lot of literature from the Secretary of the Wholesale Grocers Association of New York City and as we have become thoroughly disgusted with the greed of the eastern people, we have yielded to the temptation to write an honest letter to this secretary and by so doing let him "see himself as others see him" and believing that the expressions in the letter only anticipate a sentiment that will in time make the "Dinner Pail" and "Soup house" statesmen of the Payne and Aldrich stripe trimble in their boots, we reproduce the letter in the Free Press:

Haskell, Texas, May 1, '09.
F. C. Lowry, Esq.,
Sec. Wholesale Grocers Assn.
New York City.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your second installment of literature touching the issue of free sugar, and as a response, I enclose a clipping reproduced in my last paper of this date.

I do not believe the business interest of your section of country are ever sincere in anything.

With the whole east cut into little states, you dominate the upper house and control the lower and all national legislation is in the interest of the eastern section of the country.

You will notice from the clipping I enclose that the "Solid" west has a tendency to open its eyes, and I predict that before President Taft's prayer for the disintegration of the south is answered, the west will be voting with the south, instead of voting with the east. I believe if your organization (The Wholesale Grocers Association) thought a tariff on sugar would be advantageous to the sugar trust you would be advocating it. The republican polices have corrupted the whole east. When it comes to grafting the eastern democrats are just as bad as the republicans.

When an eastern democrat howls for a change he just wants the graft changed from some republican pocket to his. They bolt party nominees, or do anything, and before they would be just to a southern or western interest, they would still rather see their republican neighbors draw the graft, in the hope of getting some benefit themselves. I believe there is more corruption and boodling in your state than there is in the entire south.

If you are ever reformed, it will be by western and southern statesmen or troops.
Respectfully,
OSCAR MARTIN.

CALVIN CELEBRATION

The morning service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday will be devoted to a celebration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of John Calvin. Several short talks will be made and we expect to have special music. Everybody is invited to attend this service as it will be of general interest to all.
L. O. Cunningham.

FOR SALE

Four standard size lots two blocks southeast of the north side school house, corner lots \$250, inside lots 200.
Oscar Martin.

Society and Club Notes

Saturday, May 1st ended the club year for the Magazine Club, and the usual observation of "Winner's Day" took place. Mrs. A. W. McGregor, presided her home to the club and the guests for the afternoon were the young people who assisted in the entertainment on April 16.

An able newspaper editor recently said: "The club women are able to accomplish things that could not be accomplished without their help or leadership. The country is better for their interest in public and social questions; and the country has accepted them as a part of the great scheme of evolution that is making the world better with the passing of the years. America's club women are solving a problem."

Mrs. O. E. Patterson of Lubbock is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Montgomery.

Mrs. G. E. Langford left on Wednesday for Oklahoma City to visit her mother.

On Wednesday afternoon, May the fifth, the Symphony Club met at the home of Mrs. H. R. Jones. Schuman and Schubert were the composers who were to be studied. The program for the afternoon was:

Paper on Schubert—Mrs. Baker.

Musical Career of Schubert—Mrs. Irby.

Life of Schumann—Miss Houston.

Vocal Solo—Schubert's Serenade—Mrs. McGuire.

Schumann's "Traumerei" was interpreted by each member.

In honor of Mrs. O. E. Patterson, Mrs. R. C. Montgomery entertained on the afternoon of Tuesday, May fourth, from five to seven o'clock.

Mesdames S. R. Rike and S. W. Scott assisted in entertaining the numerous guests who called, while in the dining room were Mrs. Walter Meadors and Miss Annie Ellis who presided at the punch bowl.

Mrs. George Langston of Cisco, President of the First District of the Federated Clubs will visit the Magazine Club on Saturday, May 8th. She will be the guest of Mrs. S. W. Scott.

We earnestly solicit the patronage of each and every individual in Haskell Co. please hand us a list of any property you have for sale or trade and we feel sure you will be satisfied with results.

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White Wolf Stock Feed.

Alfalfa	35 Per Cent
Corn	50 "
wheat	15 "

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Prof. W. P. Betts has located a temporary sanitarium, midway between the Methodist and Christian churches in the W. F. Tompkins cottage, and here you may get well of your ailments. By the exercise of those powers given by an alwise providence to his people and the exercise of which powers makes man normal and stamp out disease—no medicine, no surgery is here practiced. Prof. Betts is not a physician, does not practice medicine, he does not use it, he does not prescribe it, he does not treat disease, but the sufferer by the exercise of those unseen forces and powers which he possesses overcomes the forces of distraction. The unseen forces for healing the sick and afflicted is the direct result of the law of agreement; Matthew 18:19. "Again I say unto you if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in Heaven." Christ is the recognized author of the doctrine of agreement. The idea of agreement is the one central doctrine of the Christ around which all other doctrines cluster in subordination. It is the foundation stone upon which the whole science of drugless healing is built. It is the beginning and end of the whole system, and of the religion of the Christ as well. Perfect agreement which literally means sounding as one with each other and with the Father smoothing the pathway of our unfortunate fellow creatures, is the religion of the Christ, because he said these signs shall follow THEM that believe. Not these disciples only, but them that believe, they shall lay their hands on the sick and they shall be held demonstrating the physical manifestations of the philosophy of the Christ. Health and happiness for all sick and afflicted people at the sanitarium. The instructions the afflicted receives here at the sanitarium is worth more than \$100 in money for future use, and its free.

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SPEAK.

At Fair Grounds Auditorium on May 11th Mississippian Will Deliver His Latest Lecture.

Ex-Gov. James K. Vardaman of Mississippi will lecture in Dallas at the Fair Grounds Auditorium Tuesday night, May 11th. While this is the second lecture tour Gov. Vardaman has made in Texas. It will be the first time that Dallas has been included in his itinerary. His appearance here is under the auspices of the Dallas Woman's Forum, and Mrs. J. B. Vesey, herself a Mississippian, is the chairman of the committee making the arrangements. The social features planned in honor of the visitor will be in the hands of the local organization of Ex Mississippians.

While Gov. Vardaman's reputation rests on his brilliant career in Mississippi, he is really a native son of Texas, said Mrs. Vesey. "No State in the Union has contributed more striking character to the public life of the nation than Texas, and Gov. Vardaman is among the number. As an individual he is unique and in a class by himself. He combines the great human sympathy, the strong heart sound common sense and homely philosophy of Lincoln the fire and bluntness of Tillman, with Tillman's crudities of expression, together with ability as an orator which places him in the class of Ingersoll, Grady and Ingalls. Yet his oratory, his manner, his personality, are all his own. Gov Vardaman lectured in McKinney this last winter. In The News of Jan. 21 appears the account from the correspondent who was present:

"Ex-Gov. James K. Vardaman of Mississippi appeared at the McKinney Opera House last night and was greeted by the largest and most select crowd that has ever favored any lecturer. Here he not already he would have awakened this morning to find himself famous.

"For two hours the great throng of men and women applauded, laughed, wept and cried, or hushed into silence at will.

There was but one complaint—he should have continued at least two hours longer. It is being said on every hand should the Governor return no auditorium could be found large enough to accommodate those anxious to hear him."

"Gov. Vardaman has accepted an invitation to go back to McKinney on this trip and repeat the lecture. It is the same that he will give here. The Impending Crisis." He has given it all through the South and in States in the north. Everywhere its reception is the same. Some one Illinois hears him at a Chautauqua in Alabama; arrangements are promptly made for his appearance Illinois. Some one from Pennsylvania happened to be in the Illinois audience, and so it goes. Many people in Dallas are expressing their appreciation of this opportunity to hear a lecture that is being discussed from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Lakes to the Gulf, and we believe that a large audience will greet Gov. Vardman's appearance.

Dallas News.
He lectures at Haskell May 26th

OBITUARY.

Handsford Tutt Linville the little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Linville of this city was born Jan. 12th, 1907, on April 9, 1909, he was called away by the death angel. There were only two children in their home, the other a little girl who remains as a source of joy and comfort to her parents. The little boy was a happy smiling sweet natural child old enough to talk and talk well, and his death seemed like an unbearable grief to his parents. But they have the consolation of knowing that he is not really dead, for the sinless never die. It seems too hard to part from him when he had been with them for only so short a time; but as for him they can say: "We are assured that he is safe in the bosom of the Father," and as for themselves: "We can so live that we will know that all things work together for good to them that love God."

HOWARD

The people of Howard are still waiting for that rain that is to come. A good rain would be most welcome at present, as the people can't plant until it rains.

The health of the community is good at present.

Howard is coming to the front as we have a good lively farmers union and woodmen lodge.

The entertainment at the school house Saturday night was enjoyed by all.

We organized what might be called a people's social society. Let everybody come out and take part, as it is for everybody, both old and young.

We are beginning to feel almost like we are town folks, as we have a nice grocery store in our vicinity. We wish Mr. Trimmer good luck in his new business.

Mr. Littler and wife of Haskell spent Sunday with Mr. Bowen and family.

Mrs. Ulmer and children visited friends and relatives near Plano Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Kaley of Denton county is looking after his land near Howard this week.

Mrs. Landis of Haskell visited relatives this week. Messrs Green and Graham's families.

Miss Humphries visited Mrs.

Cox Friday night.

Mr. Henry Howard visited Mr. Brown Saturday night, also Mr. Everet Long.

Miss Kate Snyder visited the school Friday evening.

Mrs. Newberry and daughter visited Mrs. Cox Friday.

With best wishes to the Free Press, I remain
Old Joe Clark.

WACO NURSERY

As agent of the Waco Nursery I have located in Haskell, and will take your orders for trees, shrubbery and shade trees. We sell on a guarantee and I will be on the ground to deliver the stock. See me before you give your orders to others.
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HASKELL FREE PRESS

OSCAR MARTIN, Publisher

HASKELL, TEXAS

Explorer Ernest DeKoven Leffingwell will leave Seattle May 1 for arctic Alaska, thus cleverly escaping the perils of moving day.

A London man who started in life as a juggler died recently, worth \$75,000,000. Evidently he turned out to be a juggler of finance.

No matter what the uncertainty concerning the advent of spring, there is none whatsoever about the advent of the spring season for fish lies.

Russia contemplates another loan as soon as it can be made opportunely. So do some of the people who have signed up for automobiles.

They construct dwellings out of blocks of building glass in Silesia, but they seem solid enough so people who live in them can throw all the stones they wish.

That Cleveland woman who says her husband is the "biggest liar she ever knew" doubtless will have the assertion denied by other women who have husbands.

The blizzards of winter will no sooner have retired to their Arctic caves than the tornadoes and strokes of summer will continue the work of populating graveyards.

Japan has 196 warships on her active list, but this number would be considerably and speedily lessened if that much-talked-of tilt with Uncle Sam ever should be pulled off.

London girls are shocking English society by wearing gaudy stockings, ruffles and false puffs. American society would be shocked to see its girls dress in any other manner.

The people should forget kidnapers and kidnaping as soon as possible," says the chief of police of Jersey City. We have no doubt that the kidnapers will eagerly agree with him.

Why is it that a man can argue more pleasantly with any other woman than with his wife, and why is it that she can argue with other men more sweetly than with her husband?

The German emperor is very particular about the manner in which he is discussed in print. And yet he is just as sensitive as anybody about having his name left out of the paper.

It is reported that somebody is trying to consolidate Spain and Portugal under a republican form of government. We suspect that the job will keep him busy until fall, if not longer.

The custom which decrees the propriety of women removing their hats at a public entertainment is a good one if all would observe it. The exception is always the one in front of you.

A German scientist has discovered a means of making men tall by manipulating the legs and ankles. If there's anything to that, we may expect to see pretty tall statesmen in a decade or two.

"Gathering wool among the financial catacombs" is an expression of the New York Times. The editor must pasture his sheep in the cemetery where lie the shades of the mighty metaphor.

Count Zeppelin is leading the way to the organization of aerial navies. Zeppelin's airship carried 26 men 150 miles, and the next one built may carry 52 men 300 miles and so on in geometrical progression.

About the only word fit to characterize the state of mind in Great Britain upon the subject of naval supremacy is "panic." There is panic, or something closely resembling it, in both government and opposition.

A professor of the University of Chicago has discovered that baseball is a prehistoric game. It is simply dreadful for modern enlightened humanity to think what happened to the umpires in those savage times.

It isn't so very long ago that people would have smiled at the very idea of Missouri's voting on statewide prohibition; but times have changed and it is not now regarded as impossible that something may happen.

The weather bureau, which has to make known the significance of great atmospheric disturbances, should be notified of the date on which the presidents of the Central American republics will get together to talk over their troubles.

The philosopher of the Topeka Capital says: "If the wind blows your hat off do not chase it; let the spectators chase it for you." The trouble with the human race is that too many of them chase the other fellow's hat for him.

A congressman is sending the Congressional Record to the public schools in his home town, hoping in that way to induce the pupils to take an interest in the doings of congress. He is counting his readers, too, just as the baseball season is opening.

While some experts are declaring that from a germ standpoint oculation is pernicious, a professor of the University of Chicago says that kissing is sadly neglected as a fine art. When scientists fall out how are ordinary loving hearts to agree on the subject?

COMMODITIES CLAUSE UPHELD BY THE COURT

SUPREME TRIBUNAL OF U. S. GIVES RESTRICTED VIEWS OF HEPBURN STATUTE.

RAILROADS NOT HARD HIT

The Law Cannot be Invoked Against the Coal Carrying and Coal Owning Railroads.

Washington, May 4.—Deciding today that the commodities clause of the interstate commerce law is constitutional, and thereby reversing the opinion of the Circuit Court, the Supreme Court of the United States at the same time deprived the statute of all force and effect by ruling that it does not apply except in cases where railroads actually own the commodities they are engaged in transporting during the course of transportation, and that such ownership does not exist when the railroad merely owns the stock of the corporation producing such commodity.

The definition of legal ownership given by the court is such that the railroads have only to organize subsidiary companies in order to control the production of commodities and the railroads which have been operating in such production through subsidiary companies have not violated the law.

In other words, the law can not be invoked against the coal-carrying and coal-owning railroads of Pennsylvania, with a view of breaking up their monopoly of the coal business, because the railroads own the coal companies. The court decides that such ownership through stock holding does not give the railroads legal ownership of the coal itself, that ownership remaining with the coal-producing corporations.

Texas Visit Panama Canal.

Washington: Representatives Henry Burgess and Stephens have returned from a tour of the Panama Canal zone which they visited with a party of Congressmen. They were in the canal zone about a week and made a general study of the work and conditions along the canal. Representative Stephens expressed himself as pleased with the progress and character of the work and said the general impression appears to be that it is too late now to switch from a lock to a sea level canal.

Rehear Town Lot Case.

Muskogee: Jury Commissioner Middleton and United States Clerk Harrison Monday drew a venire of sixteen jurors from the old Western district of Indian Territory to rehear the evidence in the alleged Muskogee town-lot conspiracy cases, in which indictments against Gov. Haskell and six other Muskogee citizens were recently quashed at Tulsa.

Chance for Younger Men.

Washington: There was a stir in naval circles here Monday when it became known that President Taft had directed that retired naval officers now on active duty be replaced as soon as expedient by active officers. The President, it is understood, communicated these instructions to Secretary Meyer on Friday, the Secretary of the Navy forthwith informing the Bureau of Navigation.

Fatal Fall of Forty Feet.

Galveston: The sudden twisting of a small plank upon which he sat, forty feet above the ground, painting the steel uprights upholding the conveyor at elevator B, precipitated Willis F. Moldenhauer to the ground at pier 28 Monday about 2:15 o'clock, and caused instant death.

Deposit Guaranty Company.

Topeka: A charter was granted Monday to the Bankers' Deposit Guaranty and Surety Company, organized by National bankers, chiefly for the insurance of bank deposits. Its capital is fixed at \$500,000 and its headquarters are in Topeka.

Capt. Getzender Dead.

Waxahachie: Capt. W. H. Getzender, a pioneer of Waxahachie, died Monday morning at his home on West Franklin street of an acute attack of asthma.

Gotch Defeats Reimer.

Des Moines: Before 5,000 people, the largest crowd that ever attended a wrestling match in Iowa, Frank Gotch, champion heavy weight, defeated Jesse Reimer of Des Moines in two straight falls, 18 and 15 minutes, respectively.

Groom 65; Bride 18.

Battle Creek, Mich.: Samuel Eberly Gross, formerly of Chicago, was married here Monday to Miss Ruby Louise Haughey. The groom is 65 years of age and the bride 18.

Wants Help of Rangers.

Austin: Governor Campbell Monday received the letter from Assistant District Attorney Chambers of Bexar County, requesting the assistance of Rangers to effect the enforcement of gaming and saloon laws.

Negroes Killed in Explosion.

Morgan City: A boiler explosion in the Baldwin Lumber Company's plant at Baldwin, La., resulted in the death of two negroes and the serious injury of a white man, damaging plant between \$15,000 and \$20,000 Monday.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The outlook for a pecan crop in Brownwood section does not seem to be good this year.

Andrews County is receiving many new settlers as a result of large bodies of State school land coming on the market.

A bass weighing six and a half pounds was caught in the Concho on Friday by Tom Watson, of San Angelo.

Good rains fell in the western and northern parts of Runnels county, Monday afternoon, breaking a four months' drought.

The first passenger train of the Galatin-Rusk extension of the Texas and New Orleans Railroad came into Rusk Sunday on schedule time.

Application has been approved in Washington for the organization of the Cleburne National Bank at Cleburne, Texas, with a capital of \$150,000.

Saturday was clean-up day at Pilot Point. The city authorities were aided by the women's clubs of Denton, and all indestructible rubbish was piled up and hauled beyond the city limits.

John B. Grass, a Katy brakeman, running on the north end lost his life in a fire which completely destroyed a rooming house in Denison at an early hour Sunday morning.

Fire, originating in the annex of the E. A. Dryer Furniture Company in Texarkana, Monday night, spread to the adjoining place and caused losses estimated at \$17,000.

Refusal of consumers to buy bread at 6c a loaf caused the Master Bakers' Association of Oklahoma to reduce the price to 5c Tuesday.

At noon Tuesday with three and a half days of the seven days Y. M. C. A. campaign in Sherman to raise \$20,000, the committee reported a total of only a little less than \$11,000.

Pythians and Pythian Sisters from all parts of Texas crowded Beethoven Hall in San Antonio to its doors Tuesday, when the first open meeting of the convention of the grand lodge of Texas was held.

School election to issue \$40,000 worth of bonds to build a new school house and for a special tax was voted on in Lonview Tuesday, resulting 165 for and 9 against.

The North Texas Odd Fellows Anniversary Association, which has just had its annual meeting at Collinsville, Grayson county, will meet next year at Aubrey, Denton county.

The 6-year-old daughter of E. H. Winninger of Clarendon, while crossing the railroad tracks Sunday morning, was caught by a freight train and her right foot was crushed so badly that amputation was necessary.

During an electrical storm, accompanying the rain which fell Tuesday, Sampson Richardson, a well-known colored man of between 60 and 65 years of age, was struck by lightning and instantly killed at Hillsboro.

The Temple Railway Y. M. C. A. building was closed Monday night and surrendered to workmen, who will make additions and improvements to the building at a cost of \$15,000, two-thirds of which was donated by the citizens of Temple. The building will not be ready for re-occupancy under ninety days.

A valuable cow belonging to J. G. Marshall of Paris, that had been ailing for some time, died from an unknown cause. A veterinary surgeon cut her open and found a piece of baling wire in her stomach that had been swallowed while eating hay.

Beaumont was Thursday selected for the 1910 meeting of the grand lodge of Texas Knights of Pythias, and the grand temple of the Pythian Sisters. Beaumont secured the honor only after a hard fight with Waco and Abilene, close contestants for the place.

The El Paso Fair Association is making an effort to have President Taft open the fair there on Nov. 1. If the plans are carried out successfully a notable feature of the day will be the greeting across the international boundary line between President Taft and President Diaz.

A Texas and Pacific freight engine was so badly damaged as the result of a collision head-on with a Missouri, Kansas and Texas engine in the yards at Denton Wednesday, that it had to leave its train and be towed into Fort Worth dead for repairs.

The Civil Service Commission will conduct examinations at Austin, Dallas, Houston, Waco, San Antonio, El Paso and Brownsville on June 2 and 3 to fill a position in the vacancy in the position of local inspector of hulls of steam vessels at \$1,500 per year, at Galveston and such other places as they may occur.

Allison Mayfield was elected chairman of the Railroad Commission Wednesday, at the first meeting of that body since the appointment of Commissioner Williams, who qualified Wednesday.

According to information received from Aguilar, Tex., twenty miles east of Laredo, where prospecting for gas and oil has been in progress for some time, two heroic gassers have been struck, which, it is claimed, will produce on an enormous scale and will undoubtedly mean the establishment of many new industries in this section.

That Fort Worth will have another large factory before the close of the present year seems now well assured. The plant will be that which produces gasoline traction engines and farm implements generally.

GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

George W. Woodruff, recently Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior, was Wednesday nominated for a Federal judgeship in Hawaii.

The Secretary of the Treasury at Washington has sent a check for \$16,500 to John A. Bryant and others at Cleburne to pay for the Federal Building site at Cleburne.

Justice Stafford of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia Friday declined to compel Secretary of Agriculture Wilson to vacate his decision to institute next June prosecutions against manufacturers and dealers in flour, made according to the bleached process.

News from Washington that bids will be received on May 31 for the construction of the Federal Building in San Angelo is received with rejoicing. An appropriation of \$120,000 has been made for the building, and it will undoubtedly be one of the best erected in all the great Southwest.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

As the result of a political feud in Meadville, Franklin county, La., Monday, one man is dead and four wounded.

The planning mill of the Lee Lumber Company at Tioga, La., burned at 1 o'clock Friday morning entailing a loss of \$30,000.

According to a dispatch to the San Francisco Call from New York, E. H. Harriman is planning a billion-dollar railroad corporation, to control 12,000 miles of railroad.

A new factor appeared in the situation in America Wednesday, when a call was issued for a mass meeting Friday Tuesday, in New Orleans, which threatened for a time to extend throughout an entire block in the center of the wholesale district, did damage estimated at \$50,000.

One fireman was killed, another is missing and eight were seriously injured in a fire which destroyed elevator B of the Illinois Central Railroad in Chicago, Thursday.

One person was killed and ten injured by a tornado which wrecked a large portion of Douglas, Kan., Wednesday evening. The storm spread over a wide area, doing much damage to farm property.

A dispatch sent out from Ada and published in the morning papers of Wednesday to the effect that officers were apprehensive of another lynching here is regarded as being without any foundation whatever.

Arrangements are being perfected for a large attendance at the annual meeting of the National Oil Mill Superintendents' association to be held in New Orleans June 2 to 4. Besides the superintendents it is expected that there will be many representatives from oil mill machinery houses and a large exhibit of machinery and supplies.

The special Grand Jury impaneled on April 27 by District Judge A. T. West of Lehigh, Ok., to investigate the lynching at Ada on Friday, reported to the court to the effect that they have examined twenty-eight witnesses and have been unable to get sufficient information to find any true bill, or to even establish the identity of any one present at the lynching of the four men here on April 19th.

While making a daring effort to rescue a small barefoot boy from the tangles of a live wire which was burning and shock him to death, Ignatius J. Raif, a young blacksmith, was electrocuted Friday on the sidewalk in Houston.

The suits of the Attorney General of Missouri against the International Harvester Company and the alleged lumber combine on charges of having violated the anti-trust laws of the State, were both continued to the October term by a ruling of the Supreme Court Tuesday.

Judge Campbell of the Federal Court at Tulsa, Okla., will decide the proposition of another Grand Jury to re-investigate the Muskogee town lot cases, by direction of the Attorney General.

Serious storms at various points in the Middle West and South causing deaths in some cases and resulting in injury to many persons and damage to property were reported Thursday. In the East snow storms were experienced and in Northwestern Pennsylvania the heaviest snowfall of the year occurred.

Fire broke out at Odessa, Thursday in the Buchanan Opera House, destroying property valued at \$20,000.

Preliminary to the meeting of the church extension board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which convened Thursday, representatives from twenty-seven dioceses in the South and West, representing a church membership of 1,750,000, met in Memphis for a two days' conference to perfect plans to be presented at the general meeting, looking to the continuation and enlargement of the work during the coming year.

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A car load of habes will arrive at New Orleans soon in charge of J. C. Butler, representative of the New York Foundling Institute, who has been in the Southern States for several months.

Fire at Palacios Sunday morning in the sheds of the Grant Lumber Company, resulting in loss of probably \$50,000. The postoffice building was damaged about \$900. All letters were saved.

Subscriptions to the Charles W. Elliot testimonial fund have been received in Boston from about 2,050 graduates of the Harvard University and others and amount at this time to about \$130,000.

A largely attended meeting of the citizens of Briscoe county, held at Silverton, took initial steps looking to securing of the new State Normal for Northwest Texas at Silverton, the county seat of the county.

Fifteen dead, several scores injured and 250 houses demolished, as a result of the storm which struck Fayetteville, Tenn., and vicinity, Friday night, according to a reliable man who has just reached Huntsville from that section.

James Hazen Hyde of New York, former vice president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and his chauffeur, Lawrence, were Sunday condemned by default in Paris, France. Mr. Hyde to one month's imprisonment and a fine of \$30.

Swollen by floods resulting from rains the past several days, the Tuscawas River claimed four victims Sunday at Coshocton, Ohio. Two others almost dead from exhaustion were rescued as they were sinking in the swirling waters for the third time.

The monthly circulation statement issued by the Controller of the Currency at Washington shows that at the close of business Saturday the amount of National bank notes outstanding was \$87,648,227, a decrease for the year of \$10,327,471, and an increase for the month of \$3,901,612.

Judge Campbell of the Federal Court in Tulsa, Okla., granted the motion of District Attorney Gregg for a Special Grand Jury of sixteen men again to investigate the cases against Gov. Haskell and six co-defendants, charged with town lots frauds in Muskogee, as requested.

One of the greatest marine strikes in the history of labor on the chain of Great Lakes will begin Saturday, when over 6,000 men, members of the Lakes Seamen's Union, left the boats owned by the Lake Carriers' Association.

The mile of model road constructed near Terrell under Government supervision is attracting much favorable comment. The section of road selected was a stretch in which there was a veritable sand bed but now the road is like a pike.

Measures of far-reaching importance were taken by the members of the board of church extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the session Friday, in Memphis, Tenn., when it was decided to effectually increase the loan fund of the board, and to centralize, if possible, much of the work during the ensuing year.

The increase of the loan fund is made effective by the adoption of a resolution that annually hereafter the sum of \$15,000 shall be set aside from the amount raised by general assessments for the loan fund.

Monday was a gala day for the club ladies of Orange, who are exhausting every means available for the entertainment of the visiting members of the fourth district Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Senate passed the Lane bill Friday afternoon, which provides for the gradual abolition of the convict contract system at Missouri penitentiary. The bill provides that April 1, 1911, the State shall take over into its employ 300 convicts and a like number every year thereafter until all are under employment by the State.

Attempting to rescue two young ladies of Henrietta who, while in bathing on the Little Wichita River, had gotten beyond their depth—both unable to swim—the chaperon and the two were drowned. The dead: Mrs. John Lebus, Miss Mazelle Ellis, daughter of G. M. Ellis; Miss Katherine Weaver, daughter of E. F. Weaver.

Thousands of dollars in counterfeit currency, both of the United States and Italy, was seized by the police and Secret Service agents at New Rochelle, N. Y., Sunday in a house formerly occupied by three alleged counterfeiters.

PROVED POINT BY HOLY WRIT

Granddaughter of Gladstone Proved She Had Not Read Scriptures for Nothing.

Miss Dorothy Drew, who was presented at court a few days ago, was the favorite granddaughter of the late W. E. Gladstone, and among the stories told of her childhood days is the following: One morning she refused to get up, and, all other things failing, Mr. Gladstone was called to her. "Why, don't you get up, my child?" he asked. "Why, grandpa, didn't you tell me to do what the Bible says?" replied Dorothy. "Yes, certainly." "Well, it disapproves of early rising—says it's a waste of time," rejoined the child. Mr. Gladstone was unable to agree, but Dorothy was sure of her ground. "You listen, then," she said, in reply to his exclamation of astonishment, and, taking up her Bible she read Psalm 127:2, laying great emphasis on the words: "It is vain for you to rise up early."—TW-Bits.

SHE KNEW.



The Masher—Does your sister know I am waiting out here for her? The Boy—Yes! She gave me a nickel to tell her when you had gone.

Judge Will Wait and See. An earnest plea was made by Attorney Charles Pettijohn to Judge Pritchard of the criminal court for leniency to a client who had entered a plea of guilty to larceny. The burden of the attorney's argument was that his client was the father of twins and was tempted to theft in order to feed the mouths of the infants.

"Your honor, I will say frankly," said Mr. Pettijohn in closing, "that if I were the father of twins and needed food for my family, I would not hesitate to go out and steal it."

"Mr. Pettijohn, when you are the father of twins I will consider your proposition," said Judge Pritchard.—Indianapolis News.

Starting an Endless Chain.

Both father and mother struggled valiantly to teach Effie to repeat the letter "A." The child emphatically refused to pronounce the first letter of the alphabet, and after many vain efforts the father retired from the fight discouraged. The mother took the little girl on her lap and pleaded with her affectionately.

"Dearie, why don't you learn to say 'A'?" she asked.

"Because, mamma," explained Effie, "des as soon as I say 'A' you an' papa will want me to say 'B.'"

OLD SOAKERS

Get Saturated with Caffeine.

When a person has used coffee for a number of years and gradually declined in health, it is time the coffee should be left off in order to see whether or not that has been the cause of the trouble.

A lady in Huntsville, Ala., says she used coffee for about 40 years, and for the past 20 years was troubled with stomach trouble.

"I have been treated by many physicians but all in vain. Everything failed to perfect a cure. I was prostrated for some time, and came near dying. When I recovered sufficiently to partake of food and drink I tried coffee again and it soured my stomach."

"I finally concluded coffee was the cause of my troubles and stopped using it. I tried tea and milk in its place, but neither agreed with me, then I commenced using Postum. I had it properly made and it was very pleasing to the taste."

"I have now used it four months, and my health is so greatly improved that I can eat almost anything I want and can sleep well, whereas, before, I suffered for years with insomnia."

"I have found the cause of my troubles and a way to get rid of them. You can depend upon it I appreciate Postum."

"There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

THESE

THE LION'S SHARE

BY OCTAVE THANET
AUTHOR OF THE MAN OF THE HOUR

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SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the suicide of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1906, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Aunt Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned, apparently as a conspirator. Winter unexpectedly met a relative, Mrs. Millicent Melville, who told him that his Aunt Rebecca, Archie and the latter's nurse, Miss Janet Smith, were to leave for the west with the colonel and Mrs. Melville. A great financial magnate was aboard the train on which Col. Winter met his Aunt Rebecca, Miss Smith and Archie. He set his orderly, Sergt. Haley, to watch over Cary Mercer.

CHAPTER II—Continued.

"Cary was rich, but after he had spent his youth with incredible industry and a great deal of ability to build up a steel business and had put it into a little combination—not a big trust, just a genuine corporation—some of the financial princes wanted it for a club—to knock down bigger game, I reckon—and proceeded to cheapen the stock in order to control it. Cary held on desperately, bought more than he could hold, mortgaged everything else; but they were too big for him to fight. It was in 1903, you know, when they had an alleged financial panic, and scared the banks. Cary went to the wall, and Phil with him, and poor Phil killed himself. Afterward Cary's wife died; he surely did have a mean time. And, to tell you the truth, Bertie, I think there has been a little kink in Cary's mind ever since."

"Did you hold any of Cary's stock?" He was piecing his puzzle together. "Yes; but my stock was all paid for, and I held on to it; now it is over par and paying dividends. Oh, the property was all right, had it been kept in honest hands and run for itself. The trouble with Cary was that in order to keep control of the property he bought a lot of shares on margins, and when they began to run downhill, he was obliged to borrow money on his actual holdings to protect his fictitious ones. The stock went so low that he was wiped out. He wouldn't take my advice earlier in the game; and I knew that it would only be losing money to lead it to him, later—still, sometimes I have been rather sorry I didn't. Would I better try the spade, Bertie, or the diamond?"

The colonel advised the spade. He wondered whether he should repeat to his aunt the few sentences which he had overheard from Mercer and his companion; but a belief that old age worries easily, added to his natural man's disinclination to attack the feminine nerves, tipped the scales against frankness. So, instead, he began to talk about Archie; what was he like? was he fond of athletics? or was he a bookish lad? Aunt Rebecca reported that he liked riding and golf; but he was not very rugged, and since his father's death he had seemed listless to a degree. "But he is better now," she added, with a trace of eagerness quite foreign to her usual manner. "Janet Smith has roused him up; and what do you suppose she has done? But really, you are the cause."

"I?" queried the colonel. "Just you, Archie, Janet argued, is the kind of nature that must have some one to be devoted to."

"And has he taken a fancy to her? Or to you?"

Aunt Rebecca's eyes dulled a little and her delicate lips were twisted by a smile which had more wistfulness than humor in it. "I'm not a lovable person; anyhow, he does not love easily. We are on terms of the highest respect, even admiration, but we haven't got so far as friendship, far less comradeship. Janet is different. But I don't mean Janet, she has grown absurdly fond of him; and I think he's fond of her; but what she did was to make him fond of you, you, Gen. Rupert Winter; why, that boy could pass an examination on your exploits and not miss a jot. Janet and he have a secret, with every printed word about it, I do believe. And she has been amazingly shrewd. We didn't know how to get the youngster back to his sports while he was out of school; and, in fact, an old woman like me is rather bewildered by such a young creature, anyhow; but Janet rode with him; you are a remarkable rider; I helped there, because I remembered some anecdotes about you at West Point."

"But, my dear aunt—" "Don't interrupt me, Bertie, it's a distinctly American habit. And we read in the papers that you had learned that Japanese trick fighting—jitsu—was a wonder—"

"I'm not, I assure you; that beast of a newspaper man—" "Never mind, if you are not a wonder, you'll have to be; you can take lessons in Los Angeles; there are quantities of Japs there. Why, even in Chicago, Janet picked up one, and we imported him, and Archie took lessons, and practices every day. There's a book in my bag, in the rack there, a very interesting book; Janet and I have both read it so we could talk to Archie. You would better skim

it over a little if you really aren't an expert, enough so you can talk jitsu, anyhow; we can't be destroying Archie's ideals until he gets a better appetite."

"Well, upon my word!" breathed the colonel. "Do you expect me to be a fake hero? I never took more than two lessons in my life. That reporter interviewed my teacher, who was killed in the Japanese war, by the way; he went to the army after my second lesson. He didn't know any English beyond 'yes' and 'if you please'; and he used them both on the reporter, who let his own fancy go up like a balloon. Well, where is the book?"

He found it easily; and with a couple of volumes of another kidney, over which he grinned.

"The Hound of the Baskervilles and the Leavenworth Case! I've read them, too," he said; "they're great! And do you still like detective stories? You would have made a grand sleuth yourself, Aunt Becky." Again he had half a mind to speak of the occurrence at the station; again he checked the impulse. "I remember," he added, "that you used to hold strenuous opinions."

"You mean my thinking that the reason crimes escape discovery is not that criminals are so bright, but that detectives in general are so particularly stupid? Oh, yes, I think that still. So does Sir Conan Doyle. And I have often wished I could measure my own wits, once, with a really fine criminal intellect. It would be worth the risk."

"God forbid!" said the colonel, hastily.

There came a tap at the door. "Millicent!" groaned Aunt Rebecca. "I know the creaking of her stays. No, don't stay, Bertie; go and get Janet and a rescue bridge party as quick as you can!"

"The original and only Aunt Rebecca," thought the colonel at the door, smiling. But, somehow, the handsome old dame never had seemed so nearly human to him before.

CHAPTER III.

The Train Robbers.

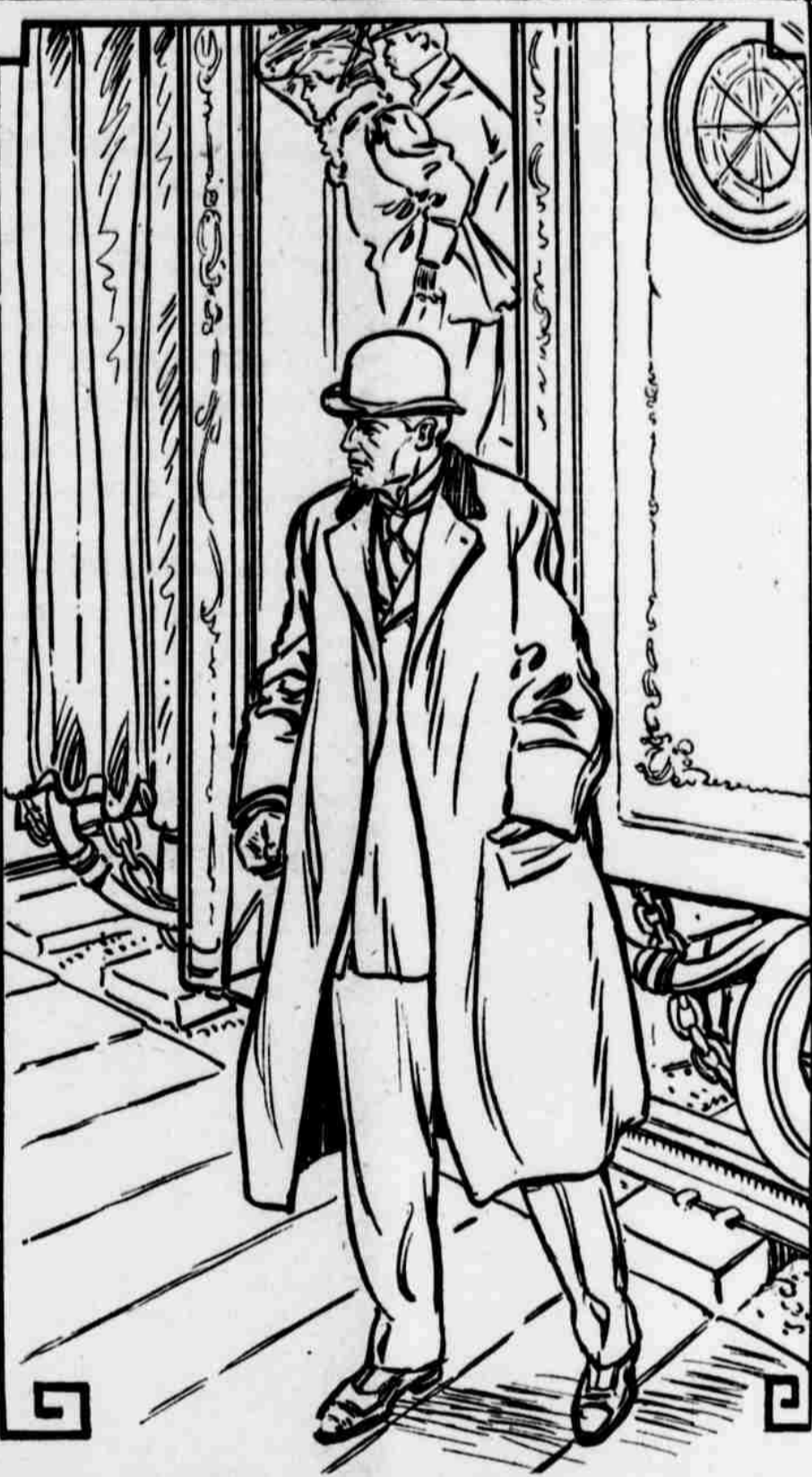
When the colonel awoke next morning the train was running smoothly over the Iowa prairies, while low hills and brick factory chimneys announced Council Bluffs. The landscape was wide and monotonous; a sweep of limitless corn fields in their winter disarray, or bleakly fresh from the plow, all painted with a palette holding only drabs and browns; here and there a dab of red in a barn or of white in windmill or house; but these livelier tints so scattered that they were no more than pin spots on the picture. The very sky was as dimly colored as the earth, lighter, yet of no brighter hue than the fog which smoked up from the ground. Later in the spring this same landscape would be of a delicate and charming beauty; in summer or autumn it would make the beholder's pulse throb with its glorious fertility; but on a blurred March morning it was as dreary as the reveries of an aging man who has failed.

Nevertheless, Rupert Winter's first conscious sensation was not depression, only a little tingle of interest and excitement, such as stings pleasantly one who rises to a prospect of conflict in which he has the confidence of his own strength. "By Jove!" he wondered, "whatever makes me feel so kiddish?"

His first impulse was to peep through his curtains into the car. It wore its early morning aspect of muffled berths and stuffy curtains, among which Miss Smith's trig, carefully finished presence in a fresh white shirt-waist, attended by the pleasant whiffs of cologne water, gave the beholder a certain refreshing surprise. One hand (white and firm and beautifully cared for) held a wicker bottle, source of the pleasant whiffs; her sleek black braids were coiled about her comely head, and the hair grew very prettily in a blunt point on the creamy nape of her neck. It was really dark brown hair, but it looked black against the whiteness of her skin. She had very capable-looking shoulders, the colonel noted, and a flat back; perhaps she wasn't pretty, but in a long while he had not seen a more attractive looking woman. She made him think of a Bonne Celline rose, somehow. He could hear her talking to some one behind the berth's curtains. Could those doleful moans emerge from Archie? Could a Winter boy be whimpering about the jar of the train in that fashion? Immediately he was aware that the sufferer was Randall, for Miss Smith spoke: "Bring the tea, and lie down again, I'll attend to Mrs. Winter. Don't you worry!"

"Getting solid with Randall," commented the colonel. "Which is she—kind-hearted, or an accomplished villainess? Well, it's interesting, anyhow."

By the time he had made his toilet the train was slacking speed ready to halt in Council Bluffs, and all his suspicions rushed on deck again at the sight of Miss Smith and Archie walking outside.



Stood on the Platform Looking to Right and Left.

He joined them, and he had to admit that Miss Smith looked as pleased as Archie at his appearance. Nor did she send a single furtive glance, slanting or backward, while they walked in the crisp, clean air. Once the train had started and Miss Smith was in the drawing-room, breakfasting with Mrs. Winter and Archie, he politely attended Mrs. Millicent through the morning meal in the dining-car. It was so good a meal that he naturally, although illogically, thought better of Miss Smith's prospects of innocence; and cheerily he sought Haley. He found him in the smoking compartment of the observation car, having for companions no less personages than the magnate and a distinguished-looking New Englander, who, Rupert Winter made no doubt, was a Harvard professor of rank and renown among his learned kind. He knew the earmarks of the species. The New Englander's pencil was flying over a little improvised pad of telegraph blanks, while he listened with absorbed interest to Haley's rich Irish tones. There was a little sidewise lunge of Haley's mouth, a faint twinkle of Haley's frank and simple eyes which the colonel appraised at very nearly their real value. He knew that it isn't in Irish-American nature to perceive a wide-open ear and not put something worth hearing into it. Besides, his sharp ears had brought him a key to the discourse, a sorrowful remark of the sergeant's as he entered: "Yes, sor, thim wather touches is terrible!"

He glanced suspiciously from one of Haley's audience to the other. The newspaper cartoonist had pictured on all kinds of bodies of preying creatures, whether of the earth or air, the high brows, the round head, the delicate features, the thin cheeks, the straight line of the mouth, and the mild, inexpressive eyes of the man before him. He had been extolled as a far-sighted benefactor of the world, and execrated picturesquely as the king of pirates who would scuttle the business of his country without a qualm.

Winter, amid his own questionings and problems, could not help a scrutiny of a man whose power was greater than that of medieval kings. He sat consuming a cigarette, more between his fingers than his lips; and glancing under drooping eyelids from questioner to narrator. At the colonel's entrance he looked up, as did Haley, who rose to his feet with an unconscious salute. "I'd be glad to spake wid youse a minnit, if I might, general," said Haley, "about where I put your dress-shute case, sor."

The colonel, of course, did not expect any remarks about a suit-case when he got Haley by himself at the observation end of the car; but what he did get was of sufficient import to drive out of his mind a curt lecture about blackening the reputation of the army with lies about the Philippines. Haley had told him that he had seen

the man with the two moles on his face jump out of his own car at Council Bluffs. He had simply stood on the platform, looking to right and left for a moment; then he had swung himself back on the car. Haley had watched him walk down the aisle and enter the drawing-room. He did not come out; Haley had found out that the drawing-room belonged to Edwin S. Keatcham, "the big railroad man, sor."

"It doesn't seem likely that he would be an accomplice of a kidnaper," mused the colonel. "The man might have gone in there while he was out."

"Sure, he might, sor; 'twas meself thinking that same; and I wint be thinking to the observation car, and there the old gentleman was smoking."

"And you stopped to tell yarns to that other gentleman instead of getting back and following—"

"No, sor, I beg your pardon, sor; I was kaping me eyes open and on him; for himself was in the observation car where you are now, sor, until we come in, and then he walked back, careless like, to his own car. Will I be after following him?"

"Yes; don't lose him." They did not lose him; they both saw him enter the drawing-room and almost immediately come out and sit down in one of the open sections.

"See if you can't find out from the conductor where he is going," the colonel proposed to Haley; and he frowned over his thoughts for a bad quarter of an hour at the window. The precipitate of all this mental ferment was a determination to stick close to the boy, saying nothing. He hoped that when they stopped overnight at Salt Lake City, according to Aunt Rebecca's plan, they might shake off the "brother's" company. The day passed uneventfully. He played bridge with Mrs. Millicent and Miss Smith and Archie, while Aunt Rebecca kept up her French with one of Bentzon's novels.

Afterward she said grimly to him: "I think you must have been converted out in the Philippines; you never so much as winced, that last hand; no, you sat there smiling over your ruin as sweetly as if you enjoyed it."

The colonel smiled again. "Ah, but, you see, I did enjoy it; didn't you notice the hand? No? Well, it was worth watching. It was the rubber game; they were 24 and we were 26, and we were on the seventh round; Miss Smith had made it hearts. She sat on my left, dummy on my right. Millicent had the lead. She had four little spades, a little club, the queen of hearts and a trey; dummy had the queen, the ten and the nine of spades. It had the king of hearts and three clubs with the jack at the top. I had a lovely diamond suit which I hadn't had a chance to top sequence, ace, king, queen; and the jack of trumps and the jack of spades; and the queen and a little club. I hadn't a lead, you understand; Millicent had

taken five tricks and they had taken one; they needed six to win the game, we needed two; see? Well, Millicent hadn't any diamonds to lead me, and unhappily she didn't think to lead trumps through dummy, which would have made a world of difference. She led a club; dummy put on the jack. I knew Miss Smith had the ace and one low heart; no clubs, a lot of low diamonds, and she might or might not have a spade. I figured that she had the ace and a little one; if she would trump in with the little one, as ninety-nine out of a hundred women would have done, her ace and her partner's king would fall together; or, at worst, he would have to trump her diamond lead, after she had led out her king of spades, and lead spades, which I could trump and bring in all my diamonds. Do you take in the situation?"

"You mean that Janet had the king of spades alone, the ace and the little trump and four worthless diamonds? I see. It is a chance for the grand coup; I reckon she played it."

"She did!" cried the colonel with mention. "She slapped that ace on the trick, she modestly led her king of spades, gathered in my jack, then she stole my child away; my little jack of trumps; it fell on dummy's king, and dummy led out his spades and I had to see that whole diamond suit slaughtered. They made their six tricks, the game and the rubber; and I wanted to clap my hands over the neatness of it."

"She is a good player," agreed Aunt Rebecca, "and a very pleasant person. You remember the epitaph, don't you, Bertie? 'She was so pleasant.' Yet Janet has had a heap of trouble; but, after all, happiness is not a condition but a temperament; I suppose Janet has the temperament. She's a good loser, too; and she never takes advantage of the rules."

"She certainly loves a straight game," reflected the colonel. "I confess I don't like the kind of woman that is always grabbing a trick if some one plays out of the wrong hand."

He said something of the kind to Millicent, obtaining but scant sympathy in that quarter. "She's deep, Bertie; I told you that," was the only reply, "but I'm watching. I have reason for my feeling."

"Maybe you have been misinformed," ventured her brother-in-law with proper meekness.

"Not at all," retorted she, sharply. "I happen to know that she worked against me with the Daughters."

"Daughters," the colonel repeated, in a low voice, "your daughters?"

"Certainly not! The Daughters of the Revolution."

"It's a mighty fine society, that; did a lot during the Spanish war. And you are the state president, aren't you?"

"No, Rupert," returned Mrs. Melville with dignity. "I am no longer state regent. By methods that would shame the most hardened men—politicians I was defeated; why? didn't you read about it?"

"You know I only came back from the Philippines in February."

"It was in all the Chicago papers. I was interviewed myself. I assure you the other candidates (there were two) tried the very lowest political methods. Melville said it was scandalous. There were at least three luncheons given against me. It wasn't the congress, it was the lobby defeated me. And their methods! I would not believe that gentlemen could stoop to such infamy of misrepresentation."

The colonel chewed his moustache; he felt for that reporter of the Chicago paper; he was evidently getting a phonographic record now; he made an inarticulate rumble of sympathy in his throat which was as the clucking of the driver to the mettled horse. Mrs. Melville gesticulated with Delsartian grace as she poured forth her woes.

"They accused me of a domineering spirit; they said I was trying to set up a machine. I worked for them, many a time, half the night, at my desk; never was a letter unanswered; I did half the work of the corresponding secretary; yet at the crucial moment she betrayed me! I learned more in those two days of the petty jealousy, the pitiless malevolence of some women than I had known all my life before; but at the same time, to the faithful band of friends—the colonel had the sensation of listening to the record again—whose fidelity was proof against ridicule and cruel misrepresentation, I return a gratitude that will never wane. Rupert—"

she turned herself in the seat and waved the open palm of her hand in a graceful and dramatic gesture, "—those women not only stooped to malignant falsehoods, they not only trampled parliamentary law underfoot, but they circulated through the hall a cartoon called the 'Making of the Slate.' Of course, we had our quarters at a hotel, and after the evening meeting, after I had retired, in fact, a bell-boy brought me a message; it was necessary to have a meeting at once, to decide for the secretaryship, as we had found out Mrs. Elinnere was false. The ladies in the adjoining

rooms and the others of us on the board who were loyal came into my chamber. Rupert, will you believe it, those women had a grotesque picture of us, with faces cut out of the newspapers—of course, and our pictures were in the papers—and they had the audacity and the meanness to picture me in—in the garments of night!"

"That was pretty tough. But where does Miss Smith come in?"

"She was at the convention. She is a Daughter. I've always said we are too lax in our admissions."

"Who drew the picture?"

"It may not be Miss Smith, but—she does draw. I'm sure that she worked against me; she covered up her footprints so that I have no proof; but I suspect her. She's deep, Bertie, she's deep. But she can't hoodwink me. I'll find her out."

The colonel experienced the embarrassment that is the portion of a rash man trying to defend one woman against another; he retreated because he perceived defense was in vain; but he did not feel his growing opinion of Miss Smith's innocence menaced by Mrs. Melville's convictions.

She played too square a game for a kidnaper—and Smith was the commonest of names. No, there must be some explanation; Rupert Winter had lived too long not to distrust the plausible surface clew. "It is the improbable that always happens, and the impossible most of the time," Aunt Rebecca had once said. He quite agreed with her whimsical phrase.

Nothing happened to arouse his suspicions that day. Haley reported that Cary Mercer was going on to San Francisco. The conductor did not know his name; he seemed to know Mr. Keatcham and was with him in his drawing-room most of the time. Had the great man a secretary with him? Yes, he seemed to have, a little fellow who had not much to say for himself, and jumped whenever his boss spoke to him. There was also a valet, an Englishman, who did not respond properly to conversational overtures. They were all going to get off at Denver.

Haley was not misinformed, as the colonel perceived with his own eyes—and he saw Cary Mercer, he was waiting to the great man, who required the low salute with a gruff nod. Here was an opportunity for a nearer glimpse of Mercer, possibly for that explanation in which Winter still had a lurking hope. He caught Rupert just in the car doorway, and politely greeted him: "Mr. Mercer, I think? You may not remember me, Col. Winter. I met you in Cambridge, three years ago—"

It seemed a brutal thing to do, to recall a meeting under such circumstances; but if Mercer could give the explanation he would excuse him; it was better than suspecting an innocent man. But there was no opportunity for explanation. Mercer turned a blank and coldly suspicious face toward him. "I beg pardon," he said in his southern way. "I think you have made a mistake in the person."

"And are you not Mr. Cary Mercer?" The colonel felt the disagreeable resemblance of his own speeches to those made in newspaper stories by the gentleman who wishes his old friend to change a \$50 bill or to engage in an amusing game with a thimble. Mercer saw it as well as he. "Try some one from the country," he remarked with an unpleasant smile, brushing past, while the color mounted to the colonel's tanned cheek. "The next time you meet me," Rupert Winter vowed, "you'll know me."

A new porter had come on at Denver; a light brown, chub— with a face that radiated friendliness. He was filled with the desire for conversation, and he had worked on the road for eight years, hence could supplement "Over the Range" and the other guide books with personal gossip. He showed marked deference to the colonel, which that unassuming and direct man could not quite fathom, until Archie enlightened him. Archie smiled a queer, chewed-up smile which the colonel hailed with:

"Why are you making fun of me, young man?"

"It's Lewis, the porter; he follows you round and listens to you in such an awestruck way."

"But why?"

"Why, Sergt. Haley told him about you; and I told him a little, and he says he wishes you'd been on the train when they had the hold-ups. This is an awful road for hold-ups, he says. He's been at five hold-ups."

"And what does he advise?"

"Oh, he says, hold up your hands and they won't hurt you."

"Well, I reckon his advice is sound," laughed the colonel. "See you follow it, Archie."

"Shall you hold up your hands, Uncle Bertie?" asked Archie.

"Much the wisest course; these fellows shoot."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Burmese Petroleum Production. The Burma petroleum wells in India yielded in 1907 \$3,000,000 worth of oil.

To the City Council of Haskell, Texas:

Whereas, it appears that on the 1st day of May 1909 the city council of the city of Haskell while in session unanimously adopted a resolution reciting in substance that the city of Haskell then had on hand about thirty-five thousand (\$35,000.00) Dollars, which it had acquired as the proceeds arising from the sale of city bonds, and that it would be to the best interest of the city to select one of the banks doing business in the city of Haskell as its depository, the bank to be selected to be the one which would pay the largest rate of interest upon its daily balances and secure the city in the repayment of its deposits by a satisfactory bond, and that Aldermen H. S. Wilson and E. A. Chambers be appointed to notify all the banks in the city of Haskell that bids in pursuance of said resolution would be received at the council rooms in the city of Haskell at 4 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday May 4th sealed as required by law in such cases, and that the bank which offered to the city the largest rate of interest upon daily balance, secure its deposits with a satisfactory bond as aforesaid, would be accepted as the depository of the funds of said city for a length of time authorized by law.

And whereas, the said Aldermen Wilson and Chambers did in person notify each of the banks doing business in said city of Haskell, viz: Haskell State Bank, Haskell National Bank and the Farmers National Bank, of the adoption of the resolution aforesaid, and did solicit each of said above named banks to make their bids in accordance with said resolution sealed as is required by law and have the same before the city council at 4 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, May 4, 1909.

And whereas, the Haskell National Bank and the Haskell State Bank, as provided by said resolution and as they were solicited to do so by said Aldermen, in pursuance of said resolution submitted their sealed bids offering to pay a rate of interest upon daily balances of said city funds and offering to secure the city's deposits by a satisfactory bond.

And whereas, the Farmers National Bank failed and refused to submit any bid under or pursuant to said resolution, and said notification.

And whereas, at the meeting of said city council on May 4th, 1909, at which time said sealed bids as provided by said resolution were to be received and opened, the said city council reconsidered said resolution and refused to open or receive the bids, which had been offered by the Haskell National Bank and the Haskell State Bank in pursuance thereof, and on the other hand they allowed the aforesaid sum of money to remain in the hands of Farmers National Bank without interest and without requiring of said Farmers National Bank bond or other security therefor.

Therefore, be it known that the Haskell National Bank and the Haskell State Bank protest against such action on the part of said city council for the following reasons.

1. Each of said banks is willing to pay interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum calculated upon the daily balances of said city funds in these respective banks.

2. Because such action of the city council in allowing such funds to remain on deposit with the Farmers National Bank without interest and without security is a proceeding not contemplated by law and results in a loss to said city of at least one hundred seventy five dollars per month which could and ought to be received in the way of interest

between said 4th day of May 1909 and July 1st, 1909.

3. In the event said city council will accept it, each of said banks here and now offer to pay 6 per cent interest upon said daily balance, and here and now offer to secure the deposit of said funds by bond to be approved by the city council of the city of Haskell.

Haskell, Tex. May 7th, 1909.
The Haskell National Bank,
Haskell, Texas.
Haskell State Bank,
Haskell, Texas.

FIRE

About three o'clock Friday morning, night watchman T. J. Lemmon discovered fire in the store room of Norman's Paint Store. He gave the alarm and soon a big crowd had turned out with the fire boys and begun the fight. The best that could be done was to confine the fire to the one building which was done.

The stock was a total loss with \$1600 insurance. Caleb Terrell lost all his household goods and piano that were stored in the building, he had a little insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Wit Springer of Aspermont passed through Haskell Wednesday on their way from Dallas and other cities.

Born the 5th instant to Mr. and Mrs. Nealy a daughter.

E. D. Avery who was stabbed last week near the heart is reported to be convalescing.

Misses Florence and Fannie Baldwin left Wednesday night for Honey Grove where they will spend several weeks.

Mr. Bartley of Abilene was in the city Monday on official business with the new Elk Lodge in process of organizing. In this connection we may state that the local Elks are arranging a social feature that will make Haskell famous in Elkdom.

Alvy Couch who is connected with the bank at Knox City, attended the commencement exercises here Monday night.

Mr. C. W. Hamey visited relatives at Avoca this week.

Jno. L. Robertson is getting rather gay, in the absence of Mrs. Robertson who is visiting in Memphis Tennessee.

Mrs. Jack Simmons, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Abilene a short time ago, has recovered sufficiently to return home.

Flennikin and Tompkins a firm composed of J. W. Flennikin and W. F. Tompkins, have opened a land office in the Farmers National Bank Building.

Miss Dollie Wheeler is visiting relatives at Anson.

M. L. Milam of Waco and Miss Lizzie Little of this city, were married a few days ago. Squire Menefee performed the ceremony, it being his first nuptial knot.

Losing Hair.

"A man loses his hair only once" remarked the observer of events and things, "but some women mislay theirs several times a week."—Yonkers Statesman.

Twentieth Century Modes.

There seems to be a tendency among heroines in novels to get themselves crushed, rather than folded, in warm embraces. Styles change, of course.—Pack.

Provoking.

"Dear me," said Mrs. Podgerson, "I do wish you'd quit botherin' me when I'm writin' letters. You've gone and made me leave the o out of Sylvester."

The Lucky Dollar.

When a man finds a dollar he generally keeps it as a lucky piece. He does not feel that the dollars he earns are worth keeping.

Parchment Paper.

Parchment paper is made by dipping ordinary unsized paper for five or six seconds in dilute sulphuric acid and then washing.

Book Made of Marble.

Strozzi palace in Rome there made of marble, the leaves revealous thinness.

DRY, HILL COUNTY

APRIL 28th

Itasca, Texas:

Dear friends of the west, I feel like writing to you, to let you know how your Eastern brethren are getting along. This has been a dry country.

The farmers have planted corn three times and have no corn yet. There are worms eating it up as fast as it come up. The worms are caused by the dry weather.

Early cotton was killed by the hot winds. Oats are a failure, they are heaping out six inches from the ground.

Some people come from the western part of the state complaining of drouth, but we have had a drouth here.

My father W. T. Thomas takes the FREE PRESS.

M. E. Thomas.

We publish the above letter to show that west Texas is not the only place where it is dry. We have our advantages over Central and East Texas. Our season is a month late both in the spring and fall compared to those sections. We still have July to plant corn, cotton, maize and Kaffir, and August and September is still time enough sow fall millet.

Ed.

COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

On last Sunday a large crowd assembled at the court house to hear the commencement service or the benefit of the High School graduating class. The sermon was preached by Rev. Jno. A. Arbuckle. He selected the seven great characteristics of Paul as his subject, and held both the class and audience for about 45 minutes spell bound. We heard many expressions of appreciation of the sermon, and the class seemed to be deeply interested.

The music for the occasion was furnished by select signers, a feature of which was a solo by Mrs. J. B. Baker assisted by Mrs. Chas. Irby with instrumental accompaniment.

OBITUARY

The Grand Architect of the Universe, our Almighty and Heavenly Father, in His wise providence has removed from our midst, by death, our brother, W. J. Cooper, member of Lodge Winthrop, Ark.

Although a stranger to us yet our hearts bow in sorrow to the wise Mandate of our God, who doth not err, but all his dealings are in wisdom and love. While we mourn the removal of our brother from the circle of our fraternity we are sure he has entered into a higher brotherhood, to engage in noble service under the guiding eye and loving direction of our great, grand Master.

May we as Masons strive to live worthy of the honor and respect given the departed. That when we shall hear the gavel from the East, we shall with joy lay down our earthly duties to enter upon those Heavenly and Glorious.

To the dear bereaved wife and family we give our deepest sympathy and say, try to believe that God in his wise providence has taken the beloved from earth's toils to joys beyond. May your hearts be comforted and cheered by the presence of Him who sympathized with the sisters at Bethany. Given in true Masonic love.

Committee: W. H. Wyman, W. J. Evers.

Abilene has withdrawn from the Sanitarium contest. This leaves Haskell and Stamford the only contestants.

There is no way we can see to defeat Haskell as she has the largest bid as well as the best local advantages.

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Mr. W. A. Clifton, with a team and scraper, on his place south-east of town in one day scraped out a basin that filled with a flow of the purest living water. He exhibited to us a jug of water that gave a soap lather almost equal to rain water.

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day thereof, the unknown heirs of O. A. Pattee whose names and residences are unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof, in Haskell on the 16th Monday after the first Monday in February 1909, the same being May 24, 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 10th day of May A. D. 1907, and the answer and cross plea of defendant, A. H. Tandy, filed May 27, 1907, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 433, wherein J. U. Fields is plaintiff and W. T. Hudson, A. H. Tandy, W. C. Wasson and the unknown heirs of O. A. Pattee are defendants.

The nature of the demands of plaintiff and defendant, Tandy being as follows, to wit: Plaintiff's demand being evidenced by original petition alleging substantially: That he is the legal owner and holder of two promissory notes executed by the defendant, Hudson, payable to the order of Jefferson Johnson, executor of the last will and testament of N. S. Walton deceased, each for \$2000.00, bearing date of April 10, 1900, due respectively April 10, 1902, and April 10, 1903, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, payable annually, and providing for 10 per cent additional upon the principal and interest as attorneys fees if said notes should be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or if collected by suit, and that the balance then due upon said notes was secured by vendor's lien upon a certain tract or parcel of land situated in Haskell County, Texas, containing 80 acres, known as block 117 of the Peter Allen survey of 1/2 league and one labor, abstract No. 2, as the same is shown from a map or plat of the subdivisions of said Peter Allen survey recorded at page 400 of volume M7 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas, which vendor's lien was reserved in a deed conveying said property to defendant W. T. Hudson, executed by W. M. Walton acting for himself and the said Jefferson Johnson acting as executor aforesaid, bearing date of April 10, 1900; that the defendants, A. H. Tandy and O. A. Pattee, by judgment liens held by them against W. T. Hudson, were claiming to be junior lien holders against the said W. T. Hudson, and as such junior lien holders to have an interest in the above described property; that the vendor's lien aforesaid was only valid and subsisting as against the north 65 acres of the 80 acres above described, and said suit by plaintiff was for the collection of his aforesaid debt and the foreclosure of said vendor's lien.

The demand of the defendant, Tandy, as shown from his said answer is for the foreclosure of a judgment lien upon said premises with a decree that on sale of said property, the debt of plaintiff, above mentioned, be first satisfied, 2. The debt and judgment of the defendant, Tandy, be satisfied and the surplus, if any, be disposed of by the trial court as the other parties in said suit should show themselves entitled to, and for a divestiture of any title or claims by defendant, to Wasson, said property, and that he be forever debarred from any part of said property.

The allegations in said answer with reference to the claims of defendant, Tandy, being in substance: That on the 26th day of May 1903 in cause No. 341 on the docket of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, wherein W. T. Hudson and J. N. Webb were defendants, he the said Tandy did on that date secure a judgment against the said defendants, J. N. Webb and W. T. Hudson, for the sum of \$3213.17 and for \$7.20 cost, said judgment drawing 8 per cent interest per annum from date; that said judgment is a valid and subsisting judgment and constitutes a valid and subsisting lien against said property

from the first day of June at which date said judgment was properly filed, recorded and indexed in the judgment lien records of Haskell County, Texas; that the defendant, O. A. Pattee, has a judgment lien junior in point of time to the lien of said Tandy, and that said lien of said Pattee and his equity of redemption should be forever extinguished and debarred unless he should take up said lien of said Tandy and the lien of plaintiff in said suit; that on the 26th day of April 1906, the defendant, Wasson, procured from the defendant, Hudson, and his wife for a recited consideration of \$2000.00, a deed to 32 1/2 acres of land off the north end of the property above described.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, this, the 31st day of March A. D. 1909.

J. W. Meadors,
Clerk District Court of Haskell County, Texas.
(L.S.) By Worth Long, Deputy

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Haskell County, on the 26th day of April A. D. 1909 in the case of Hobson Electric Company versus Haskell Light, Ice and Water Company, No. 219, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 16th day of April A. D. 1909, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1909, in the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which Haskell Light, Ice & Water Co. had on the 16th day of April A. D. 1909, or at any time thereafter, of in and to the following described property, to-wit: Lots 5 and 6 in Block No. 2 of the Brown & Roberts Addition to the town of Haskell Texas, same being a part of the Leadore Ramos League & Labor, Abstract No. 351, Cert. No. 605, Survey, No. 109, in Haskell County Texas, said property being levied on as the property of Haskell Light, Ice & Water Company to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$300.02, in favor of Hobson Electric Company and costs of suit. Given under my hand this 16th day of April A. D. 1909.

M. E. Park,
Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

Buffalo Items

The weather is looking very promising for rain now. 'Tis sure if we could have a real nice season every body would feel considerably better.

Mr. Virgil Williams and sister attended Sabbath School at Howard Sunday evening.

Misses Phoney and Rudella Newberry were entertained by a host of friends Sunday evening.

Mr. Joe Smith visited Mr. Williams Sunday evening.

Mrs. Holt who is visiting her brother Mr. Ashton, will start for California in the near future where her husband has settled.

Mr. Newberry has been on the sick list this last week.

Buffalo had a big dance Friday evening. All reported a nice time.

All right Joe Clark, I invite you and your friends to our parties on Buffalo and for my part will show you all a good time to the best of my knowledge.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGregor visited Mr. Jim Andrews Sunday.

Mrs. Cerddie Smith visited Mrs. Maggie Newberry Sunday.

Mrs. Malone who has been sick for some time is improving slowly. Mrs. Newberry was to see her Monday evening and said she was very feeble.

Mr. and Mrs. Brock are the happy parents of a little baby girl that is their sixth child.

Phoney Newberry was entertained by Miss Maggie Williams Monday evening.

Herly Howard and Phoney.

Get your onion sets at Alexander Merc. Co's.

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Locals and Personals.

Stouffer.

Some of the people are planting in this part of the county.

Lester and Pearl Williams have returned home from the Haskell School.

What about Stouffer?

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

For fresh and up to date groceries call on Stephens & Smith.

Wanted—A man and wife, man to do farm work, woman to do house work, to begin about June 1st. R. W. Herren 18-4tp Haskell, Texas.

T. J. Sims has crushed corn and threshed Milo Maize chops put up in 100 lbs and will be delivered any where in town.

E. A. Chambers, Phone 157 for the best bran chops and his special white wolf feed.

Stouffer.

For sale at Haskell or at my farm, the right kind of millet seed for this country.

T. A. Pinkerton.

Have your machines cleaned and repaired, J. L. Tippitt will do the work. 4-t

What about Stouffer?

Mrs. O. E. Patterson of Lubbock is visiting Mrs. R. C. Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peters of Rochesfre were visiting this city this week.

Mr. J. B. Clark of the south side was here Tuesday. He had a bale of cotton ginned and cashed his subscription account.

The Oil Mill will finish its season's crush largely next week. Those desiring cotton seed meal add hulls should secure them immediately. 19-2t.

W. A. Brown and wife of the Ample community, were visiting this city this week.

All who enjoy a good laugh and lots of harmless fun, are urged to attend the play to be given by Mrs. Graham's Sunday School class, ably assisted by some of our best home talent.

Mr. J. B. Tompkins and son J. F. Tompkins have just returned from a trip to Fort Stockton. Mr. Tompkins said he saw some good country, but it was very dry, he said that Haskell County still looked to him like the garden spot of all the west.

I have a few buckets of pure ribbon cane syrup left that I will sell cheap.

G. J. Miller, East Haskell

E. A. Chambers handles nothing but the best. Phone 157.

American Beauty flour best on earth at Stephens & Smith.

I have ribbon cane syrup and East Texas sweet potatoes and many other good things to eat. G. J. Miller, East Haskell.

Mayor T. E. Matthews made a business trip to Stamford Saturday.

Stouffer.

Mr. B. F. Norman left Tuesday to visit his parents in Alabama. The Free Press wishes him a pleasant trip to the old home.

Mr. R. M. Strain was in the city Monday and renewed his subscription to the Free Press.

What about Stouffer?

J. L. Tippitt will come at once and adjust your machine. Satisfaction guaranteed. Phone No. 173.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

J. L. Tippitt will supply you with any kind of sewing machine needle you desire. 4-t

Seed Irish Potatoes, \$1.75 per bu. at Stephens & Smith.

On last Saturday night Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton entertained a party of their friends at their farm seven miles west of Haskell. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fields and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Pitchford.

Stouffer.

Mr. Cate of Dallas, a brother-in-law of Dr. Gilbert was a visitor in this city this week.

What about Stouffer?

Mr. C. E. Bowes accompanied by Miss Cora Lemmon and Mr. Allen went to Sagerton Monday to put on a big dry goods sale.

Look Out for S. L. Robertson.

His store is on the west side of the square, and is always well stocked with all kinds of Dry Goods and Groceries. His prices are as low and sometimes lower than the other fellows. You are always safe when you buy goods from S. L. Robertson. 19-2t

Stouffer.

COTTON

PLENTY SEED: A car of cotton seed bought especially for planting purposes. That we will sell at 40 cts. per bushel. Those desiring planting seed, will please call and get them immediately, as we expect to be shut down in a few days. 19-2t Haskell Oil mill.

Stouffer.

What about Stouffer?

Come to see the Wiggs family and their friends at the Opera house soon.

Cheapest Flour in Town.

For a short time I am giving my customers, best Missouri flour 50 cts under the market. Only present stock will go at this price. 19-2t S. L. Robertson.

PASTURAGE

The Jarrell and Linville pasture of 1700 acres three miles south west of Haskell now open for stock, rates reasonably in advance, by the month or fractional part thereof. Apply to R. V. Atkins or A. J. Norman, paint store south west corner of sq. Haskell, Tex. 19 4t

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court House in the town of Haskell within the Haskell Independent School district, on the 15th day of May, 1909, to determine whether the bonds of said District shall be issued to the amount of ten thousand dollars, payable forty years from their date and bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, for the purpose of constructing and equipping of a Public Free School building of brick or stone material and purchasing a site therefor in said District, and whether there shall be annually levied, assessed and collected on all the taxable property, in said District for the current year and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest of said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

G. T. McCulloh has been appointed manager of said election, which shall be held as nearly as may be possible in conformity with the general election laws of the State.

No person shall vote at said election unless he be a qualified voter under the constitution and laws of this State, and a tax payer in said Haskell Independent School District.

Those in favor of the issuance of the bonds and the levy of the tax shall write or print on their ballots, "FOR THE BONDS"; and those against on their ballots, "AGAINST THE BONDS."

Said election was ordered by the Board of Trustees of said Haskell Independent School District by an order passed on the 10th day of April 1909. And this notice is issued pursuant to said order.

Dated this the 12th day of April A. D. 1909.

P. D. Sanders, President Board of Trustees of said District.

W. W. Fields, Secretary Board of Trustees of said District. 4t-P

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of April 1909 the Board of Trustees of Haskell Independent School District (a quorum being present) made the following order, to-wit: ELECTION ORDER.

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Haskell Independent School District that an election be held at the Court House in the town of Haskell in said Haskell Independent School District on the 15th day of May, 1909, to determine whether the Board of Trustees of said District shall have power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said District, for the support and maintenance of Public Free Schools in said Haskell Independent School District, of and at the rate of not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation of all taxable property in said District; such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1909 and annually thereafter unless it be discontinued as provided by law.

G. T. McCulloh is hereby appointed manager of said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, none but qualified voters in said Haskell Independent School District, shall vote at said election.

A copy of this Order signed by the President and attested by the Secretary of this Board shall serve as proper notice of said election and the President shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with the law.

P. D. Sanders, President, Board of Trustees, Haskell Independent School District. Attest:

W. W. Fields, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Haskell Independent School District.

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The machinery of the light plant has been repaired and the same started up Thursday. We understand that the plant is being overhauled and new machinery will be added and duplicated in such a way that the lights will be regular and always shine brilliant.

Some of our citizens have put good money in public enterprises and they have taken the most of losses. The local patrons should be patient with the service they get or otherwise the public spirited men may not want to put up for the next enterprise involving risk to themselves, but value to all the common interest of the community.

HIGH SCHOOL Closed CLASS-1909

Emmett Hale Neathery, Pres. Almedia Adelle Camp, Sec. Norma Lucille Cobb, Fay Loula Smith, Paul John Joselett, Edward Pinkney Hurd, Hellen Louise McFatter, Emmett Joseph Couch and Hugh Laurence Smith, Colors; White and Gold Flowers; White and Carnation. motto; Praemium ferat mercat.

The opening address by Capt. W. W. Fields was characteristic of the man, wholesome and highly appreciated.

Miss McFatter with grace and self possession, rendered the "Salutatory." The History of the Class, by Emmett Joseph Couch, was interesting to the audience and calculated to stimulate the aspirations of the Juniors. "The making of the American Nation" by Emmett Hale Neathery as treated by him, was a historical epitome, that treated the institutional development of the country; "Class Poem" Our own Picked Nine by Norma Lucille Cobb, was unique and original; The subject treated by Paul Joselett, "Is Expansion imperialism, showed both analitical, and careful research; "The Crises in American Politics," Hugh Laurence Smith, aroused such interest, the audience could hardly realize they were listening to an orator so young; Fay Loula Smith, in her interpretation of "A Dream," would have won favor and renown with an Egyptian Pharo. "China The Leading market of the world, and Japan, its means of Development,"—Edward Pinkney Hurd; showed an extensive knowledge of current world events; The Valedictory by Miss Almedia Adelle Camp, was full of poetic expression, of noble sentiment and hopeful asperation.

Diplomas were awarded in an appropriate address by Prof. J. Stone Rives.

Solos were rendered by Mrs. J. B. Baker, and Rev. L. O. Cunningham.

A Card Of Thanks.

We take this method of sincerely thanking our many kind and good friends for the kindness they gave us during the sickness and death of our little son Willie, whom the Lord called from us on the 30th of April. Please accept our many thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Redwine

HARVEST In The Haskell Country

May is here and the gin plants have cotton on hand en enough to keep them running at least this week. This is a wonderful country, the cotton harvest laps on to the small grain harvest. Then comes the Kaffir corn, milo maze and forrage crops that lap over into the cotton harvest, cash coming in all the time for staple crops.

NOTICE

Parties owing me on horse and Jack notes will find same at the Farmers' National Bank of Haskell for collection. Please call and settle.

Lawrence Oglesby.

JUST RECEIVED

A large shipment of Window Shades, Linoleums, Kitchen Cabinets, a beautiful assortment of ART SQUARES, call and see them before they are gone.

Cason-Cox & Co.

NOTICE

I have 250 bushels of extra choice planting cotton seed for sale at 50c per bushel.

J. D. Landrum, two miles S. E. of Weinert on J. W. Collins' farm.

A New Store Southeast Haskell

Not having capital to justify me renting costly buildings on the square. I will sell on east side, will handle first-class groceries such as bacon, flour, lard, cottolene and East Texas Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup and canned fruits and berries, also California fruits and some put up at Baltimore, Md., any and all shall be first-class as that is what we all have to eat. I invite trade from all friends. I invite Farmers Union to call and I will do thee good. I expect to handle country produce, eggs, chickens and vegetables and so on.

Call and see the old Soldier. G. J. Miller, East Side.



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More than nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles, due to cold or damp, or chronic rheumatism. In such cases no internal treatment is required. The free application of

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is all that is needed and it is certain to give quick relief. Give it a trial and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain and soreness. Price 25c; large size, 50c.

sold by Collier's Drug Store.

THANKS

The members of Class No. 2 of the M. E. Church desire to thank the public for their liberal patronage at the "Crazy Tea" last Thursday night.

Especially do they desire to thank Mr. McCosh and his excellent corps of "band boys." This band has been organized only a short while and yet all who heard it can not help but pronounce it a grand success. Haskell citizens should be proud of this band of enthusiastic musicians and should lend them a helping hand on all occasions. Think of the many pleasant evenings you are to spend this summer while you listen to the sweet strains of music.

"Music hath a charm to soothe a savage beast." Lend a helping hand to all home enterprises when they tend toward the betterment of humanity.

McIntosh-O'Daniel.

Mr. McIntosh of Waxahachie and Miss Mianie O'Daniel were married Sunday evening, and left on the night train for Waxahachie where Mr. McIntosh has a drug business.

NEGROES LYNCHED IN EASTERN TEXAS

MOB OF ONE THOUSAND CITIZENS 'KANG BLACK FIEND'

MARSHALL TWO; TYLER ONE

Marshall Men Make Short Work of Negroes Charged With Killing Officers.

Tyler, May 3.—(Jim) Hodge was lynched by a crowd of 1000 men at 12:45 o'clock Saturday afternoon. From a huge derrick, used for hoisting stone in the building of the new Smith County courthouse, the lifeless body of the negro swung in the breeze for half an hour before it was cut down. There was no excitement; no howling mob; no evidence of anything except determination.

About the neck of their black-shirted, blue-overalled victim, one of the ropes was adjusted, and fifty or more men lay hold of the end.

A simultaneous pull, and the negro's squirming body was seen to shoot high into the air, and then stop. It turned from side to side from the momentum gathered. There was a twitch or so of the muscles; a struggle—futile in the extreme; and finally the body was still.

Within ten minutes the crowd had dispersed with the exception of the gruesome figure hanging in mid-air within the sight of all who might look.

There was no attempt at disguise. Those who took part in the lynching went about it just as they went about their daily business. Some of the men were in their shirt sleeves, as if they had just come from offices or stores.

County Attorney Roy Butler had already arranged for a special session of the Grand Jury, for the purpose of taking action on the act of the negro, and it was to have convened that afternoon. It is not believed that the body will now get together, although several of the men who took part in the lynching are well known.

The Crime.

Winnie Herman, eighteen years old, was attacked by a negro man Friday evening in her yard two miles east of town. She was securely tied and dragged to the barn, where she remained nearly three hours. Her younger brother found her. She is badly bruised about the neck, arms and waist. She is not certain that she can identify the negro. He wore a black shirt, blue overalls and was very black, which answers the description of a negro under arrest.

Marshall, May 1.—Two negroes, under indictment in connection with the killing of Deputy Sheriff Mark Huffman and the wounding of another officer early Monday morning, were taken from the Harrison County jail between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning by between thirty and forty lynchers and hanged to a large willow tree, near Pope's gin, in the southern section of this place. The soldiers who had been on guard at the jail had been sent away shortly before midnight, no trouble being anticipated by the authorities. The Corporal's verdict was that the negroes were hanged by parties unknown. The negroes lynched were Mose Hill and Mat Chase. Jesse Jefferson was not molested by the mob.

Judge Buford and District Attorney Jones came from Longview and a special term of the District Court was ordered, after a consultation with the officers and citizens.

Special jury commissioners were appointed, the Grand Jury was drawn and as soon as the names were placed in the hands of the Sheriff the men were summoned and the Grand Jury was impaneled and went to work Wednesday morning. They were in session all that day, and on Thursday morning Judge Buford received their report. The prisoners signed a waiver of being present when the special venire was drawn and soon the commissioners were busy drawing a special venire of sixty men to serve as petit jurors.

Last night the city was quiet and the streets were clear and quiet at a very early hour and everything had steadied down to normal conditions and no further trouble was anticipated. About 11 o'clock Sheriff Cargill went to the jail and told the State militia that their services were no longer needed and soon they were busy packing up their traps and getting ready to go home. They had been on duty since last Monday and this was welcome news to them and as they were leaving the jail someone started the song, "God Be with You Till We Meet Again."

After the decision of the Court to hold the trial on next Monday everything became quiet, and it seemed that every one was willing to wait and let the law take its course and all danger of lynching seemed to have disappeared. Then, last night, the militia was withdrawn.

About 5 o'clock this morning the fire department responded to a call and the bell rang, bringing several people to the scene of the lynching.

J. C. Johnson, of Seminole, Texas, reports a rich vein of silver found on his ranch near Cedar Lake.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6. Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:

Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any city or town which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall [be] published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.

At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."

Sec. 3. That \$5000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

W. B. TOWNSEND,
Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5. House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:

Sec. 3a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized, to and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successor shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper

may be published. And the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution in Regard to Formation and Fading Power of School Districts.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6. House Joint Resolution to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxing voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published, and the Governor shall be and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

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Federal Court at Tyler.

Tyler: The April term of the United States Circuit and District Court for the Eastern District of Texas convened here Monday morning, Judge David E. Bryant presiding.

Would Collect \$12 Per Head. Washington: Senator Overman of North Carolina offered an amendment to the tariff bill in the Senate Monday, by which he proposes to place a head tax of \$12 on each immigrant coming into the United States. Mr. Overman proceeded to discuss the amendment by unanimous consent.

Bullet Kills Society Girl. Birmingham: Miss Virginia Whetstone, a popular young society girl of Birmingham, died Sunday from a wound inflicted by a pistol shot last Friday.

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LATE STORM REPORTS 224 LIVES ARE LOST

ESTIMATED 400 ARE INJURED BY TORNADOES IN SOUTH, MIDDLE, WEST AND EAST.

DAMAGE IN CHICAGO HEAVY

Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama and Illinois Are Hardest Hit.

St. Louis, Mo., May 3.—Later reports from the storm-swept area places the dead at 224 and estimate 400 persons were injured. Gradually the property loss grows larger, Chicago authorities estimating that city alone suffered \$2,000,000 damage.

Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Illinois are the States which suffered the most severely.

Scores of dwellings in Chicago's suburbs were demolished or unroofed and their occupants injured. Towns were wooded and cut off from all communication with the world. Trains were damaged and their progress halted by the falling of telegraph poles across the tracks.

One report is from St. Francis County, Arkansas, where near Wheatley, one person was killed and three fatally injured. Wheatley is sixty miles southwest of Memphis, and only a few miles from Brinkley, where many persons were killed in a recent tornado. Eleven were killed and twenty-five injured when a tornado struck the town of Golden, Mo., twelve miles from Little Rock, Mo., about 5 o'clock, completely demolishing the town.

Light flurries of snow fell early Saturday in St. Louis. Reports from Vandalia, Ill., and Shelbina, Mo., say snow fell at those towns Saturday. St. Paul is blanketed with a foot of snow, while reports from Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin state the blizzard raging there has abated but little.

Detroit, Mich., May 3.—Three vessels lost, one of them with her crew of seven men, and a fourth found floating, deserted, on Lake Michigan with the fate of her crew unknown, is the day's summary of disaster from storm and ice on the Great Lakes.

St. Louis, Mo., May 1.—The list of dead in the wind, rain, hail and snow-storm which swept across the country between the Northern Lake region and the Gulf States gradually has grown through the day as reports have crept in over disabled telegraph and telephone wires. The list now totals almost 100, with hundreds injured and the property loss reaching millions. It is thought the loss of life and property will be found to be greater when more complete information is obtainable.

Throughout Wisconsin and in parts of Minnesota the storm has been succeeded by a great blizzard. The heaviest snowstorm of the year has fallen at Duluth, La Crosse and Superior. Thirteen persons are known to have been killed in Missouri, two north of Summerville, Texas County, and eleven at Golden, Barry County.

Two sections at the extreme eastern and western borders of Arkansas, were the greatest sufferers from the wind, according to reports. In Washington and Crawford Counties, in the north-western part of the State, fifteen are reported dead. The same part of the storm which visited this section extended across the borders into Barry County, Missouri.

Chicago was the worst sufferer of the cities. Three persons were killed there in accidents and otherwise, many injured and \$2,000,000 damage done.

Reports of forty-four dead have been received at Memphis from points in that section, including parts of Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi.

In the Northern States the gale was accompanied by heavy snow. Throughout Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and Ohio there were heavy rains and hail. The storm began soon after noon Thursday and continued until Friday morning. A tornado blew down 600 feet of the west wall of the Northern Indiana penitentiary at Michigan City and troops are mobilizing to prevent trouble with the prisoners.

A tidal wave in Lake Michigan did great damage in Waukegan and Kenosha.

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ROBBED OF HIS SILKY BEARD AS HE SLEPT

KREUTZER WEEPS AT LOSS OF "PRIDE OF 40 YEARS" AND HAS BARBER ARRESTED.

New York.—Samuel Steigler, a barber, No. 16 Thatford avenue, East New York, will explain to Magistrate Hyland in the New Jersey avenue police court how it happened that Morris Kreutzer, 65 years old, No. 180 Thatford avenue, was bereft of a silky set of whiskers that had been the pride of the Kreutzer household for 40 years.

Kreutzer, with many tears, told the magistrate how the barber swept down upon him while peacefully dreaming in the red plush chair and



The Barber Bereft Him of His Silken Whiskers.

bereft him of his patriarchal aspect. It was a long, sad story.

He said he had climbed into the chair, told the barber that he wanted those 40-year-old whiskers neatly trimmed, not to their loss, but so as to add to their symmetry and then he went to sleep.

Rip Van Winkle, answering the call after his 20-year nap, had no such painful surprise as had Kreutzer when the barber called him. When he had dozed away he was the most dignified-looking Hebrew in East New York. When he awoke a perfectly clean chin came on the reflex to his astonished eye.

He wept, raised his hands in grief that knew no bounds. The barber laughed.

In rage and sorrow Kreutzer went home. His good wife saw a strange figure coming to the door. His dog barked at the apparition that made bold to come at least time to disturb the household.

"It is I, Morris," wailed the old man.

"Do not the Scriptures direct that you shall not be shaved?" his wife stormed. "Out of my house!"

Sorrowful, the old man turned away.

Boys in the streets hooted at him. He was made the butt of all sorts of gibes and jokes. Homeless and in bad repute with his neighbors, the old man sought Magistrate Hyland. A summons was issued for the barber.

TOTS IMPRISONED; DOG SAVES

Three Little Girls Near Death Locked in Closet of Vacant House at Bay City, Mich.

Bay City, Mich.—The barking of a stray dog the other day saved three little girls from death by starvation locked in a dark closet in a long vacant house in this city. For 24 hours the tots were close prisoners, apparently without hope of rescue, but the little dog they had picked up as playmate proved their salvation, and the three little ones are again with their parents, who had given them up as dead.

Agnes Phillips, aged 11; Helen Phillips, aged ten, and Guleth Carpenter, aged 11, are the victims of what was nearly a tragedy. They were missed from their homes the other afternoon, and, as they had been teasing to be allowed to go fishing, it was believed they had been drowned when they failed to return at night.

Searchers spent the night in a vain attempt to find trace of the little girls, and hope finally was given up.

The bark of a dog in a house long unoccupied and believed locked was heard by two women passing it next day. They sought to free the animal, but he refused to go and led them to a closet fastened with a spring lock.

The children were playing with the dog in the street, and when they entered the vacant house to enjoy a romp it followed them. All got into the closet to hide from the dog when the door swung shut and the spring lock made them prisoners. The dog was faithful, and after locating the girls stood guard until he saw them released.

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WARNING TO ALL CONCERN

Simple and Comprehensive Sign Put Up by Small Boy with a Grievance.

The Langworths lived in a corner house so easily accessible from the street that they were constantly annoyed by persons ringing to ask where other possible inhabitants of that block were to be found. Finally, goaded to desperation by these interruptions, the family boy attempted to put a stop to the nuisance.

"I guess," said he, complacently, "there won't be any more folks asking if the Browns, the Biddles or the Hansons live in this house. I've fixed 'em."

"What have you done?" queried Mrs. Langworth.

"Hung out a sign."

"And what did you print on it, ladie?"

"Just five words," replied Harold, proudly: "Nobody lives here but us." Lippincott's.

PROOF POSITIVE.



"Do you really love me, George?" "Didn't you give me this tie, dear?" "Yes, love. Why?" "Well, ain't I wearing it?"

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Rutherford, Tenn.

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Winifred—They why did you tell me about it?

Isolde—I was in hopes that you could confirm it.—London Opinion.

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine. The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—25, 50 and 60¢ at Drug Stores.

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Bardstown, Ky.—"I suffered from ulceration and other female troubles for a long time. Doctors had failed to help me. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended, and I decided to try it. It cured my trouble and made me well and strong, so that I can do all my own work." Mrs. JOSEPH HALL, Bardstown, Ky.

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If you belong to that countless army of women who suffer from some form of female ill, don't hesitate to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs. For thirty years this famous remedy has been the standard for all forms of female ill, and has cured thousands of women who have been troubled with such ailments as displacements, fibroid tumors, ulceration, inflammation, irregularities, backache, and nervous prostration.

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will do the same work as costly wagon outfits, for cleaning residences, hotels, stores, and homes, etc. Big profit on each sale. Big profit on each job of cleaning. Big profit in renting machines to private homes. Only one representative wanted in each town writes today for full information.

J. W. Duntley, Free, DUNTLEY MFG. CO., 68 Plymouth Bldg., Chicago.

MERELY A DUCK STORY.

Nothing About It Suggests Fish—Except Its Size.

Dick is the name this time not of a man nor of a dog, but of a duck, a big drake mallard living on Mud lake in Arkansas, and there acting in the capacity of live decoy to his fellow web-footers and a friend to duck hunters.

thority of Brodie Finley, a local sportsman.

"He'll sit up there with you and look as wise as anybody until he sees a drove of ducks way off in the distance. Then he'll jump out of the boat into the lake, get in a good feeding pocket and raise a terrible fuss, quacking and flapping his wings.

"The ducks will decoy right in to him and it's easy to get several out of every drove. If they don't decoy, Dick just gets right up out of the water and goes away. You think he's

THE STATE LEGISLATURE

SOME HOPE TO START FOR THEIR HOMES ON EIGHTH OF MAY.

APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED

Without a Dissenting Voice the Senate Passes Guaranty.

Austin: With the House through considering the general appropriation bill by sections, but the measure yet pending in the body and subject to further amendment, many of the members of the Legislature have high hopes that the curtain will be rung down for good next Saturday evening. However, the House didn't have hopes high enough today to induce it to adopt a resolution providing for sine die adjournment next Saturday.

The fact that the Governor is still submitting subjects of legislation daily and that the air is full of rumors to the effect that he will call another special session if the guarantee of deposits bill doesn't come through in good form, and that he has decided that he will veto the appropriation bill unless it shall be cut down, all tend to unsettle the legislative mind and to cause the legislators to wonder where they "are at."

In considering the appropriation bill by sections the House adopted only sixteen amendments. These add \$68,340 to the bill and deduct \$13,993, making the net increase \$54,347.

As the bill stands, the totals are \$4,784,577.66 for the first year and \$3,962,138 for the second year; grand total \$8,746,715.61.

The total amount of appropriations thus far made by the Thirty-First Legislature, exclusive of the general appropriation bill, is \$1,700,317.09, which almost equals the net amount of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company fine paid into the State treasury, the latter being \$1,718,009.14. This, added to the total amount carried by the general appropriation bill as it stands in the House indicates a grand total of \$10,411,032 made available for expenditure by this Legislature.

In addition, several other bills carrying appropriations are pending, among them one to appropriate \$100,000 for the penitentiary iron industry, whereas in the Senate it is proposed to appropriate from the general revenue, \$300,000 to complete the State Railroad and to repay the school fund \$150,000, taken from it two years ago for this railroad.

It seems that the total appropriations by this Legislature will reach at least \$10,500,000.

The total appropriations made by the Twenty-Seventh Legislature was \$6,200,000. Increase in Confederate pensions and the establishment and enlargement of various State institutions are the chief causes of the growth in appropriations.

Governor Submits Proposition.
At the request of Judge Pardue and a hers of San Antonio, Gov. Campbell Friday submitted to the Legislature the subject of additional County Courts for civil and criminal business or with criminal jurisdiction alone, legislation thereon to provide for the "appointment" of the Judges of such courts. In substance this is the same proposition submitted to the first called session of the Legislature, upon which there was no bill introduced. The recent visit of several San Antonians, who solicited the measure, makes it virtually certain that Bexar County is the county particularly designed to be affected by any legislation that may be enacted upon the subject. The additional County Court for civil business, sought to be given Bexar County by the bill introduced

Austin: The House of Representatives Saturday finally passed the general appropriation bill, after making several additions thereto, the most notable being the amendment by Mr. Hill and others appropriating \$1,068,900 to pay off State bonds maturing July 1 of the present year. This amendment was adopted, notwithstanding the assertion made by Mr. Mobley that it was a slap at the administration of Gov. Campbell and intended to bring upon him the blame of raising the tax rate.

New House Bills.

Bills Introduced in House Friday:
No. 7, by Standifer (by request): Providing for the appointment of Deputy District Attorneys for the criminal district composed of Galveston and Harris Counties.

No. 69, by Fant and Fuller: Providing that any legislator who absents himself from the Legislature on account of illness of himself or family shall be entitled to his per diem pay, provided he gives his written reason to the above effect for being absent.

No. 73, by Munson: Regulating elections in districts embracing two or more counties so as to require district chairmen to certify to county clerks the name of district nominees, and providing that a majority of the votes cast on a proposition to go in the State platform, etc., shall prevail in lieu of an election. (This same bill was introduced last session.)

No. 71, by Cable: Providing that a license to run a "frosty joint" must be taken out for each joint" simply specifying in order to make the statute clear.

and passed by Representative Terrell at the regular session of the Legislature was vetoed, it will be recalled, on the ground that the civil business of Bexar County did not justify an additional court of such character.

Another proposition suggesting amendments to the law passed at the regular session, relating to occupation taxes on retail dealers in intoxicating malt liquors, was submitted in the same measure. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to require a license for each place at which such retail business may be conducted. It is contended that under the law passed at the regular session a license granted a retail dealer in nonintoxicating malt liquors entitles him to the privilege of selling his goods anywhere in the county.

Thus far this session the Governor has submitted thirty subjects.

IN THE SENATE

The Senate Friday failed to furnish its daily explosion, but the House, having a clear field, furnished sensation sufficient to satisfy the habitues of the galleries who relish that sort of thing. In the forenoon the House solemnly declared that no final bill or recognition should be given by the students of the University of Texas with the official sanction or recognition of that institution, otherwise no money would be paid from the State Treasury for the support of said institution. Later in the day, after the members had partaken of dinner and perhaps felt better, they reversed their action as expeditiously as an engineer reverses a locomotive when he sees a broken rail ahead, and removed the ban from the bill.

Senate Kills Ward's Bill.

Because of the objections raised by Lieut. Gov. Davidson, who declared his belief that the measure, if enacted, would abate the indictments pending against H. Clay Pierce, and would enable the Waters-Pierce Oil Company to return to this State, the Senate Thursday killed Senator Ward's bill providing for the issuance of permits to foreign corporations, the conditions under which said corporations shall do business and methods for the expulsion and exclusion of such corporations as may violate the law. Lieut. Gov. Davidson and others who spoke in criticism of the bill acquitted Senator Ward of any purpose to bring about such result, indicating their belief that some one else had such purpose in view, and, before they had proceeded far, lying that charge at the door of the Governor and the Attorney General's Department.

Bank Guaranty Passes Senate.

Without a dissenting voice, except that Senator Real, who was absent, was announced on a pair as opposed to the measure, the Senate Friday passed a guarantee of deposits bill appended to the title and enacting clause of the Alexander bill. It is a substitute prepared by Senators Alexander and Terrell of McLennan and combines the features of the original Alexander mutual guarantee bill and the Senter-Hume bond security bill, as modified in the Meachum-Greer bill. Those who favored the Cureton bill or the Meachum-Greer bill, or the Mayfield-Sturgeon bill are not well pleased with this measure, but are pleased because practically the entire Senate has given recognition to the guarantee principle, and by their act asserted the necessity of some legislation along this line.

No one except the authors of the measure has had time or opportunity to give the new bill a critical examination, but supporters of the Cureton bill are disposed to question its merit because of the fact that Senators who strenuously opposed the guarantee proposition as wholly unfit have voted for it. Also, so far as they have studied the bill, they find specific objections.

Bills in the Senate.

The following bills were introduced in the Senate Friday:
By Mr. Holsey: Providing that all banks chartered before 1876 shall be placed under the supervision of the Department of Insurance and Banking, or all other State banks, that they shall be subject to the examination by the examiners of that department, but that they shall not come under the provisions of the bank guarantee law.

By Messrs. Harper and Sturgeon: Authorizing cities, towns and villages to construct permanent street improvements and assess part of the cost against property owners whose property adjoins.

Alexander-Terrell Bill.

The Alexander-Terrell guarantee of deposits bill, which passed the Senate Thursday, provides that every bank and trust company incorporated under the State banking laws shall at its option protect its depositors either by availing itself of the 'depositors' guarantee fund' or of the 'depositors' bond security system,' therein provided.

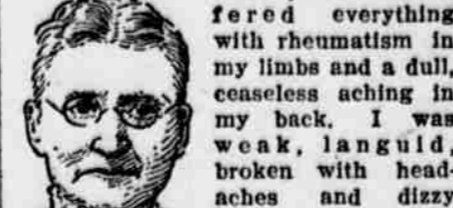
Six Bills Approved; One Vetoed.

Austin: This being the last day upon which Governor Campbell could act upon bills passed at the first called session of the Legislature, Governor Campbell cleared up his docket of such bills, approving six and vetoing one. The bill vetoed was that which was meant to validate sales of real estate made by the executors under foreign wills, which was disapproved because of a defective caption. The bills approved were as follows:

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Mrs. Joanna Straw, 526 North Broadway, Canton, S. D., says: "For three years I suffered everything with rheumatism in my limbs and a dull, ceaseless aching in my back. I was weak, languid, broken with headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were thick with solids. I was really in a critical condition when I began with Doan's Kidney Pills, and they certainly did wonders for me. Though I am 81 years old, I am as well as the average woman of 50. I work well, eat well and sleep well."



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Patient—Ah, that's lucky! You are quite familiar with my complaint, then?

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"My little boy had an awful rash all over his body and the doctor said it was eczema. It was terrible, and used to water awfully. Any place the water went it would form another sore and it would become crusted. A score or more physicians failed utterly and dismally in their efforts to remove the trouble. Then I was told to use the Cuticura Remedies. I got a cake of Cuticura Soap, a box of Cuticura Ointment and a bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, and before we had used half the Resolvent I could see a change in him. In about two months he was entirely well. George P. Lambert, 139 West Centre St., Mahanoy City, Pa., Sept. 26 and Nov. 4, 1907." Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Salting a Diamond Mine.

Howard DuBois, the noted mining engineer, told a good story to the Tech men recently, illustrating the "art" of salting a diamond mine. The story was told of a man in South Africa who, while walking one day over his property, suggested that they assay some of the soil.

In the search that ensued eight rough diamonds were found and offers began to fly through the air at a rapid rate for the land, when the host's wife called out to her husband: "Why, John, where are the other two?" The sequel of the story was left to the imagination.—Boston Record.

By Elimination.

"All the latest popular novels," sang out the train boy. Then, holding out a copy of the "The Guest of Quesnay" to a prosperous-looking passenger, he urged: "Buy Booth Tarkington's latest work, sir?"

The man looked annoyed.
"No! I am Booth Tarkington himself."

"Then buy a copy of 'Three Weeks,'" persisted the boy. "You ain't Elinor Glyn, too, are you?"—Everybody's Magazine.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are cured by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 15c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Omissions of History.

Romulus, having built Rome, was constructing a wall around it. "What's the use of putting a wall on the north side?" jeered Remus. "Evanston will never try to break in." Then ensued the first boxing contest in the new city, with the result, as all the world knows, that Remus was permanently knocked out.

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"Nothing startling about that."
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When Irritated by Chalk Dust and Eye Strain, incident to the average School Room. A recent Census of New York City reveals the fact that in that City alone 17,228 School Children needed Eye Care. Why not the Murine Eye Remedy for Red, Weak, Watery, Watery Eyes, Granulation, Pink Eye and Eye Strain? Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain; Is Compounded by Experienced Physicians; Contains no Injurious or Prohibited Drugs. Try Murine for Your Eye Troubles; You Will Like Murine. Try It in Baby's Eyes for Scaly Eyelids. Druggists Sell Murine at 50c. The Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago. Will Send You Interesting Eye Books Free.

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Too Wise.

"Will you take a chance on kissing a pretty girl?" asked the young lady with the raffie tickets at the church fair. The crusty and confirmed bachelor held up his hands in horror. "What me!" he gasped. "No, indeed, I don't take any such chances as those. Chap took a chance like that one time and six months later he married the young lady."

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Mamma's Orders.

"Mamma has given me orders that when a young man gives me anything I must give it right back."
"All right, prepare yourself."
"What for?"
"I'm going to give you a kiss."—Houston Post.

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Dull.

"There goes the dullest man in town."
"Is that so?"
"Yes; he's the only man I know that hasn't a first-rate solution of the street car problem."—Detroit Free Press.

No Others.

It is in a class by itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil. 50c and 25c bottles.

What Did He Mean?

Miss Bore—Do you ever think of me when you are driving your car?
Auto Enthusiast—Why, certainly—especially when I run over somebody.—Harvard Lampoon.

A Rare Good Thing.

"Am using ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and can truly say I would not have been without it for a long time. I know the relief it would give my aching feet. I think it a rare good thing for anyone having sore or tired feet.—Mrs. Matilda Hoyt, Providence, R. I." Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Ask to-day.

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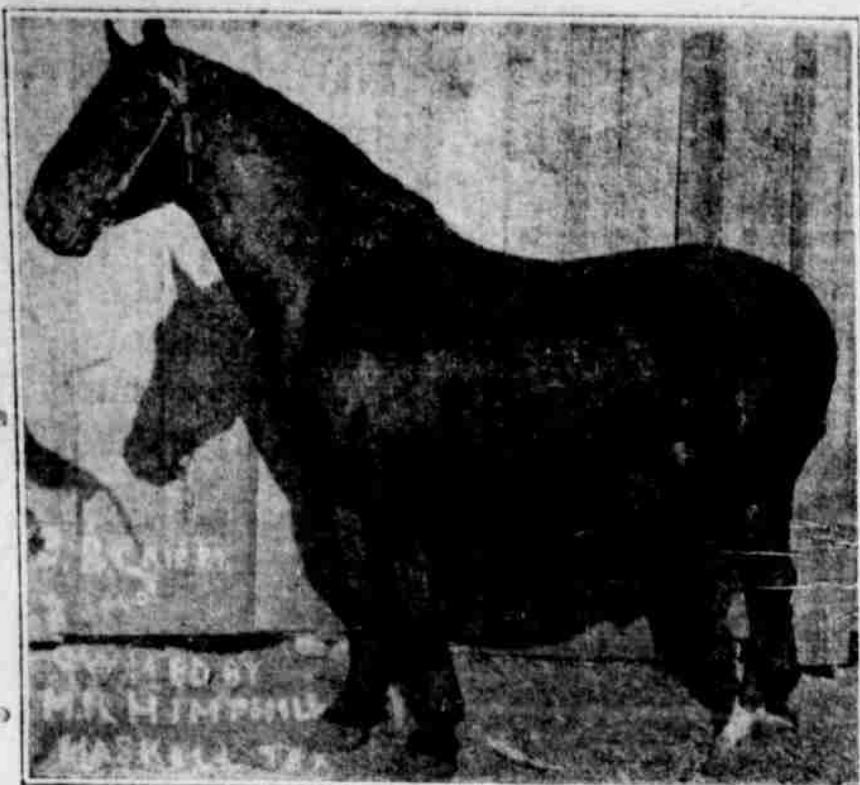
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And o'er the Grave—With Every Sigh and Tear,
Conviction tells that Heaven is very near. (c. a.)

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CITATION

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You are hereby Commanded, That you summon, by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 39th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 39th judicial district, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, R. L. Keister whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof in Haskell, the 24 day of May, A. D. 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 22nd day of April A. D. 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 587, wherein G. Muns is plaintiff and R. L. Keister is defendant. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit: Suit in trespass to try title and for the recovery of of the title to and possession of real property and for damages thereto and rents thereon under allegations substantially as follows:

Heretofore, to wit, On the 8th day of November A. D. 1908, the plaintiff was lawfully seized and possessed of a certain tract of land situated in Haskell County, Texas, hereinafter described holding the same in fee simple that on the day and year last aforesaid, the defendant, R. L. Keister—unlawfully and wrongfully entered into possession thereof and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and still withholds the possession thereof from the plaintiff to his damage of Five Thousand (5,000.00) Dollars.

That the premises so entered upon and wrongfully withheld by the defendant from the plaintiff are bounded, and described as follows: All that certain tract or parcel of land on Mule Creek, a tributary of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River about three and one-half miles South, 15 West of the town of Haskell, being a part of the William Walker league, No. 63. Beginning at the North East corner of said William Walker league a stone mound; thence West 1026.14 varas on the North line of said William Walker league for North West corner of this tract; thence South 1100 varas cross Mule Creek to a stone mound for South West corner of this survey; thence East 1026.14 varas to a stone mound for South East corner of this tract on E. B. line of William Walker survey from which an elm bears North 78 West 9 varas a china tree bears North 23 East 6 varas; thence North 1100 varas cross Mule Creek to the place of beginning, containing 200 acres.

That the annual rent of said property is of the value of Five Hundred (500.00) Dollars.

Plaintiff's claim and title to said property is as follows, to-wit: (a) Said land was patented by the State of Texas on the 27th day of January 1857 to the heirs of William Walker by patent No. 793, volume 12. (b) Plaintiff holds a regular chain of transfer from and under the heirs of William Walker down to himself. (c) Plaintiff and those under whom he claims, long prior to the acquisition or claim by the defendant to said property, or any part thereof entered into actual possession of the same by enclosing it with a wire fence and by actually using and occupying it for a home thereon and otherwise using and occupying said property exclusive to all others. For further plea in this behalf

this plaintiff says that the defendant ought not be permitted to have and hold said property against him because he says that he, and those whose estate he is claiming, are claiming the same under deeds duly registered, have had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of said land and tenements, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years after any cause of action by defendant accrued and before the commencement of this suit.

Plaintiff does not know the nature of defendant's claims to said property, but has been informed that he is claiming the same by virtue of some right under one G. W. Keister, the extent and nature of this being unknown to the plaintiff, but the plaintiff says that the defendant has no right or title to said property what-ever.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, this, the 22 day of April A. D. 1909.

[L. S.] J. W. MEADORS, Clerk District Court Haskell County, Texas.

By WERTHER LONG, Deputy.

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell county—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, That you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Haskell, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, Elizabeth Abernethy whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Haskell at the court house thereof, in the town of Haskell on the 16th Monday after the first Monday in February, 1909, same being the 24th day of May, 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 578, wherein T. W. Abernethy is plaintiff and Elizabeth Abernethy defendant, the nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff sues defendant for a divorce on the ground of 3 years abandonment, and alleges that plaintiff resides in Haskell county, Texas, and that defendant's residence is unknown, but that the last time he heard of her, she resided in Fresno, California. That plaintiff is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in Haskell county for more than 6 months next preceeding the filing of this suit, that on November 17, 1905, Plaintiff was legally married to defendant in Houston, Texas, and continued to live with her until December 20, 1905, when defendant left his bed and board with intention of abandonment.

Plaintiff prays that defendant be cited, and that he have judgment dissolving the marriage relations between plaintiff and defendant, for cost of suit and general relief.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Haskell this, the 26th day of April A. D. 1909.

[SEAL] J. W. MEADORS, Clerk Dist. Court Haskell Co. Tx. By Werther Long Deputy.

They are fine, those onion sets at Alexanders.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-manded, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, the unknown heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court at the next regular term thereof to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof, in the city of Haskell on the 24th day of May A. D. 1909 same being the first day of the next regular term of said court, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 16th day of March A. D. 1909, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 581 wherein Myron M. Parker and Hattie G. Neal and her husband, Sydney C. Neal are plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, are defendants. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to wit:

Suit for the title to and possession of a certain tract of land hereinafter described, situated in Haskell County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: A part of the Oliver Smith league survey situated on the waters of Lake Creek about fifteen miles north and 85 degrees east from the junction of the Salt Fork and the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River, located by virtue of headright certificate No. 188 issued by J. S. Gillett, Adjutant General, on the 13th day of January 1856, and patented on the 9th day of May 1874 to the heirs of Oliver Smith, deceased, by patent No. 176, volume 20. The part hereby referred to being bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stake 903 varas South to the S. E. corner of 246 acre tract set apart to John A. Green and Mary Smith by a decree of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas made and entered on September 21, 1891 in cause No. 81, styled M. M. Parker, guardian vs. John A. Green et al, to be found at page 352 of volume one of the minutes of said district court; thence west 1666 varas to stake in west boundary line of said Oliver Smith survey; thence south 903 varas to stake for corner; thence east 1666 varas to stake for corner; thence north 903 varas to place of beginning, containing 266 2/3 acres of land, and plaintiffs allege that the nature of their claim and title to said property is as follows:

Patent from the State of Texas to the heirs of Oliver Smith in patent No. 176, volume 20.

2. Deeds from the heirs of Oliver Smith to I. G. Searcy, recorded at page 287, volume 10, at page 289 of volume 10, at page 293, volume 10; at page 296 of volume 10; at page 299 of volume 10 and at page 302 of volume 10 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.

3. Deed from I. G. Searcy to Boulds Baker, recorded at page 38, volume 4 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.

4. Deed from Boulds Baker to Mrs. M. E. Davidson, recorded at page 40 of volume 4 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.

5. Certified copy of the will of Mrs. M. E. Davidson together with certified copy of the probate thereof devising said property to H. G. Parker and L. L. Parker.

6. Hattie G. Neal and the said H. G. Parker are now one and the same person.

7. Deed to M. M. Parker by

which he acquired the title of L. L. Parker to said land, recorded at page 401 of volume 40 of the deed records of Haskell County, Texas.

Plaintiffs further claim of title to said property is as follows: Plaintiffs say that defendants ought not to be allowed to have or to hold said property against them because plaintiffs say that they have had and held peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under title and color of title from and under the State of Texas of the lands and tenements above described for more than three years after any cause of action by defendants accrued and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

Plaintiffs further say that defendants ought not to have and hold said property against them because plaintiffs say that they and those whose estate they have claiming the same under deeds duly registered, have had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of the lands and tenements above described, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years after any cause of action by defendants accrued and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

For further plea and claim in this behalf, plaintiffs say that defendants ought not to be allowed to have and hold said premises against them because plaintiffs say that they claiming to have a good and perfect right and title to the lands situated and described above, have had and held peaceably the land claimed and adverse possession of the same, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for a period of more than 10 years after any cause of action by defendants accrued, and before the commencement of this suit, and this they are ready to verify.

Plaintiffs also allege that they do not know what kind or character of title to said property the defendants are claiming to have, but they say that defendants have no title thereto and that plaintiffs are the legal and equitable holders thereof.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas this, the 31st day of March A. D. 1909.

J. W. Meadors, Clerk District Court Haskell County, Texas. By Werther Long Deputy. (SEAL)

MARKET REPORT

Corn per bu.	55c
Wheat " "	\$1.15
Oats " "	60c
Maize in head per bushel	55c
Kaffir Corn " "	55c
Old Roosters 10c each	
Hens,	25c
Chix,	25c
Turkeys	8c to 9c per lb.
Eggs per doz.	12 1/2
Butter	15c per lb.
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