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## A Striking Fact

**L**AST season a money panic swept the country. It didn't last long because the basic conditions that make wealth and prosperity never were better. But while it did last it set business to shivering with fear. Merchants suddenly stopped buying; salesmen were called home; collections fell off; banks refused to loan money; factories closed down or worked on half time, some because of lack of orders, others because they could not raise the money to pay their help. That was the well-nigh universal situation.

But how fared "Queen Quality?"

Listen!

In face of conditions which forced other manufacturers to call their salesmen home, the "Queen Quality" salesmen kept right on booking the biggest business they have ever known.

While other factories were closed or working half time because of lack of orders, the "Queen Quality" factory increased its output from 10,000 to 11,500 pairs per day.

While other factories were closed or working half time because unable to secure currency to pay their help, the "Queen Quality" factory kept its full force of operatives employed full time, paying them over \$40,000 per week in cash.

Amidst all the storm and stress of panic, there stood the "Queen Quality" business, solid and unmoved as the Rock of Gibraltar.

Does not this contrast tell its own story?

Could there be a more impressive demonstration of the faith in "Queen Quality" shoes and "Queen Quality" methods?

Or more convincing proof of the prestige and power of the "Queen Quality" trade-mark, and its value to the wearers?

## C. D. Grissom & Son

The Store With The Goods.

### Sunbeam Program.

Subject: Love.  
Leader: Willie Jones.  
Scripture Lesson: John: 15:9-18  
Song and prayer.  
Scripture References.  
Rec.: Hassie Davis.  
Song.  
Rec.: Versie Coslett.  
Song: Marl and Fadril Parnell.  
Reading: Johnnie Nicholson.  
Secretary's report.  
Song and prayer.

The liquor option crowd have adopted local option after fighting it tooth and nail for twenty-five years. Have they? Till the storm goes by. When a fellow sees a clyclone coming he makes for a storm cellar. When the saloonists saw the state prohibition storm coming they thought they recognized in local option a place of refuge and they wrapped themselves in it's cloak although they hate it worse than the devil hates holy water.

Although we hear more or less talk of dull times, things are still moving along some in Haskell. There are a half dozen or more residences in course of construction, one of which is to be an eight or ten thousand dollar house, and two others will cost several thousand each, and there is one brick business house under construction and others being figured on, we are informed, and a new gin plant of a large capacity is being erected. To say the least of it, this does not look like stagnation.

For some time past there has been running in the FREE PRESS a series of articles calling attention to the mail order business. These articles have contained many suggestions to which the general public would do well to give heed. An article on another page in this issue under the heading "From Small Towns" presents a phase of the mail order business easy to comprehend by any one. What is said of the

injury inflicted upon small towns and local markets is undoubtedly true, and it will in the end overbalance any temporary gain from dealing with the catalogue houses.

### The Haskell Oil Mill.

The Haskell Oil Mill Co. has made some changes in the management and has secured the means to complete mill in accordance with the original plans. Work will commence at once and everything will be put in first-class condition by the time the new crop of seed begins to come in.

Mr. Earl Cagdoll of Granberry, a man of large experience in oil mill operation, has been put in charge as manager.

Mr. Park Caudle of Sagerton was in the city Tuesday.

The Church of Christ meeting which Lee P. Mansfield of Lingleville has been conducting at this place for the past two weeks has met with fairly good success and quite a number of converts have been added to that denomination. We understand the meeting will close Sunday night.

Prof. J. Stone Rives and family returned home Wednesday morning from Cleburne, where they have been visiting for two or three weeks. Prof. Rives is conductor of the State Summer Normal to be held at this place and will have everything in readiness for the opening of the school Monday.

On an inside page will be found the state prohibition question as it will be submitted in the July primary.

### Judge A. H. Kirby Endorsed

The Haskell bar has endorsed Judge A. H. Kirby of Abilene as a candidate for one of the judges of the court of civil appeals of this district. Judge Kirby is one of the pioneer lawyers of West Texas, he having begun the practice of law at Anson about twenty years ago. By his character as a man and ability as a lawyer, he commands the highest respect of the bar of West Texas, and his knowledge of commercial and land law fittingly qualifies him for the office to which he aspires.

We can further say of Judge Kirby that as a young practitioner he shunned the temptation to resort to sharp practices and depended upon continuous, honest effort to know and understand and law to win, rather than to resort to the art of suborning witness, packing juries and unduly influencing courts to lead success. To such men in the legal profession the people owe much for the purity of our judiciary as well as for their restraining and uplifting influence on the general practice, and it is a pleasure to the FREE PRESS to be able to point to such a man and give him its unsolicited endorsement.

### Boys Will Be Boys

and are always getting scratches, cuts, sprains, bruises, bumps, burns or scalds. Don't neglect such things—they may result seriously if you do. Apply Ballard's Snow Lintiment according to directions right away and it will relieve the pain and heal the trouble. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

### WANT A HOME?

Here's Your Chance, Any Size From 50 Acres Up.

I have a tract of choice, smooth, level, prairie land adjoining the town of Sagerton, Haskell Co. which I will sell in any size tracts desired from 50 acres up. This land is a black land easy to cultivate and there is no better or more fertile land in West Tex.

Also in the town of Sagerton, one 2 story brick building, 25 by 70 feet, been used as a bank, and has fire proof vault.

Also the furniture and fixtures of the First Bank of Sagerton for sale.

All of above property must be sold within the next 30 days.

See or write me at Haskell, Texas.

J. F. Vernon. Trustee

### Something for Nothing.

If any of our readers are troubled with constipation, biliousness, sick-headache or indigestion, cut out this notice and present it at Terrell's Drug Store and they will supply you with a sample bottle of Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup, free. Re-Go is a sure cure for these diseases. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold at Terrell's Drug store.

Mrs. C. W. Falkner left yesterday to visit friends at Cleburn.

Messrs. Ellis, Brooks, Pate, McDonald and Burford with Misses McIlvane, Draper, Poole, and Tomkins attended at Pinkerton Tuesday night a box supper given for the benefit of the Methodist church at that place.

### "Concrete Kids" Win Game.

Thursday evening the "Concrete Kids" crossed bats with the Ft. Worth Giants, in a hard fought game which ended in a victory for the "Kids" by a score of 3 to 2. The game was well played, there being only one or two errors on both sides, but the "Kids" showed the so called Giants that they were not the only ball players on the road.

Batteries, "Kids" Odell, McFatter, Giants Barnett, Stegall.

### A Smile

is a pretty hard thing to accomplish when you're blue, bilious and out of sorts. There is a sure cure for all kinds of stomach and liver complaints—constipation and dyspepsia. Ballard's Herbine is mild, yet absolutely effective in all cases. Price 50 cents per bottle. Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

Mr. Press Broach of Munday was in our city Monday and Mr. D. M. Winn tells us that in a conversation with him Mr. Broach told him that from thirty to fifty wagons loaded with wheat were coming into Munday daily and that wheat was selling at ninety cents per bushel, also that a considerable quantity of oats was being sold at forty cents. He said that besides the machines that are now running he saw seven new machines that would start to threshing grain in a day or so. Is there not food for thought in the above facts for our farmers who have gone so heavily into cotton and are depending almost entirely upon it for money. The wheat a great help it would be, not only to the farmers themselves but to every line of business, if every farmer had from 100 to 500 bushels of wheat to turn into cash at this time of the year. The farmer who depends upon cotton alone as a money crop has money coming to him but once a year, has generally to run long time accounts and probably to pay interest, whereas if he had two or three money crops coming in during the year he could pay cash most of the time and his account for the short time the merchant would have to carry it would be considered as good as cash. While there is some considerable wheat here and there over the Haskell county, we believe it is a thing our farmers are neglecting too much. Possibly we may be mistaken in our ideas about diversification in farming, but we will have to be shown before we believe it. We do believe, however, that the farmer who practices an intelligent system of diversification of his crops, raises vegetables and fruits at least for home use, makes his own meat and lard and has plenty of chickens, eggs, butter, etc. all of which can be done in this country, is the most independent and happiest man in the world.

**SCHOLASTIC POPULATION.**  
Haskell Leads.  
Haskell's scholastic population as given by the census trustee is 724; Stamford's, 677; Anson's, 500; Rule's, 412. Now crow!

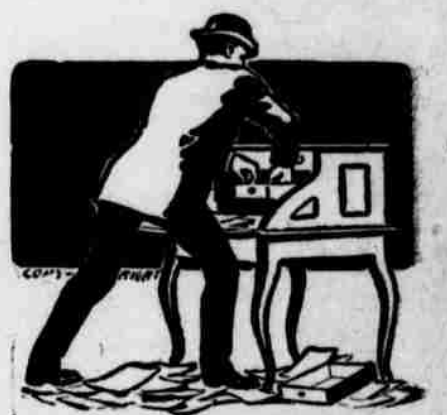


The Man Who Needs a Tonic at all needs a good one. If you have need of a blood and flesh builder come and fill your wants here.

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of known and proved merit. Our guarantee as well as that of the makers goes with every bottle. We shall be glad to recommend a variety of reliable remedies if you have no particular choice. If you have a favorite that has done you good before, you can get it here at a reasonable price.

COLLIER'S DRUG STORE



### THERE'LL BE SOMETHING MISSING

some day, and then you'll regret that you didn't put it where it would be safe. In a word, the place for your surplus cash is the FARMERS NATIONAL BANK. It will be absolutely safe there, and you'll find your account growing. And you'll be afforded every accommodation consistent with conservative banking. Put your money where it will do most good to you.

**FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.**  
R. C. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.  
Haskell, Texas.

### A Surprise Party.

On last Tuesday evening, The Sunbeam Children, of the Baptist Church, accompanied by Mr. Maddox and Mrs. Falkner, surprised me with some birthday presents, which caused my heart to leap with joy. When the presents were presented to me, it seemed as if my voice failed me I felt so unworthy knowing that they were given to show their appreciation, I had to ask myself the question, What have I done for my Saviour, that I should have the love of children so innocent and pure? Dear children I can not express to you in words, the gratitude of my heart, but the God who rules all things only knows it. But I must say your kindness has drawn me closer to the Saviour whom I am trying to serve in my weak way, and I wish now to thank each and every one of you for your kindness to me. My earnest desire is to live in this life so as to hold your love and confidence and at last when we shall stand around the Great White Throne where we shall be face to face with Jesus, may he accept each one of us and may your crowns be adorned with stars, is the wish and prayer of your true friend.

Mrs. A. M. Pelphrey.

## West Texas State Summer Normal, June 15 to July 30, 1908

TO BE HELD AT HASKELL, TEXAS.

### A FEW STRONG FEATURES:

UNION OF FOUR—Haskell, Stonewall, Throckmorton and Baylor. FACULTY OF FIVE. Lectures will be given by the following prominent educators; state Supt. R. B. Cousins, Dr. O. H. Cooper Simmon's College, Abilene; Dr. Boaz of Polytechnic College, Ft. Worth; President Lockhart of Christian University, Waco.

### A Rare Opportunity for Teachers to Improve their Scholarship

A special instruction given to those desiring to take the examination for teachers certificate. Further information address

J. STONE RIVES, Conductor, Haskell, Texas.

## MANY HOMES

have been burnt to the ground by LAMP EXPLOSIONS due to use of new experimental coal oils.

### EUPION OIL

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All the world guys the lover.

How could a breathless man be without pants?

In a favorable wind a fox can scent a man one-quarter of a mile away.

The number of victims of tuberculosis in Germany exceeds 120,000 a year.

Spain is spending \$10,000,000 on new battleships and lockyard construction.

Fortunately the girls aren't wearing the old-fashioned hoopskirt along with the Merry Widow hat.

The largest quill toothpick factory is in Paris. It was originally started as a manufactory of quill pens.

When a tornado makes one of its flying visits unannounced you have to forego all previous engagements.

The Sunday Rest league, with headquarters in Sacramento, is spreading rapidly all along the Pacific coast.

Sun spots are causing a great deal of talk among astronomers, and also, it may be remarked, among beauty doctors.

Remember that while your own home city is the fairest in the land, all towns must look alike to the railway manager.

The Colorado man who panned his false tooth for food may have planned for a case of dyspepsia which would make fasting easier.

Culture, said Prof. Shailer Mathews, is going to hum in Chicago, and then retired when George Ade read one of his fables in slang, thus giving culture a running start.

The power of mind over matter may be seen in the fact that what President Eliot has to say about athletics is attracting a great deal more attention than anything John L. Sullivan might have to say about education.

Count Tolstol naturally considers that a jubilee will hardly add to his honors. Besides, propriety at such an event might require that he wear shoes, and, at his age, he has no intention to court unnecessary misery.

A French physician claims to have photographed the soul of his wife 80 hours after her death. He explains that the picture shows a nebulous globe. This being the case, the wearing of corsets cannot have any effect on the soul.

Ten years ago at this time the schoolboy who could locate the Philippine islands would have been rated as a class wonder. To-day the geography of that quarter of the globe is almost as familiar to the average American youth as that of the baseball world.

By a new law in New York hunters are not allowed to shoot other hunters or guides by mistake without being charged with homicide. This looks like a retrograde from the governing principle of the game laws, that all other rights must give way to the supreme end of hunting.

A new kind of gas which can be bought by the bottle and used for illuminating purposes has been invented by a German. Fifty cents' worth of it will furnish a 50-candle power light eight hours a day for six weeks. People who have their money invested in gas stock will regard this inventor as a menace that should be suppressed.

The markets have been famed all over Italy for many centuries. Once a Venetian guest of a Milan nobleman for a joke bought out the Milan markets three times in one day, so his host could not give him a dinner, but in spite of that the hucksters and butchers supplied the host with material for the best dinner the guest ever had.

This is going to be a giddy world. It was but lately given out that the north pole is gradually shifting its position. Now comes the hint that before long the majority of the nations may agree to adopt some other initial meridian than that which passes through Greenwich, from which point we now number the degrees of longitude. It will be the equator's turn next to brace up and get a move on.

The man who goes around croaking that the worst is yet to come either has a weak spine or knows of something that he would like to get at a marked-down price. This from the Chicago Record-Herald, which moves the New York Herald to remark: "And the best part of it all is that the 'croaker' is finding everybody too busy to listen to him. The surest sign of good times is the fact that people have ceased to talk about hard times."

There have been horrible records to write of the sea when such menace threatened as caused the boats to be lowered—records of brutal contests to be first of a doomed vessel; of cruel assault to beat away the helpless. Such chronicles would never be written were all craft governed by the discipline of which the crew of the Gladiator gave a notable example. England, remarks the Philadelphia Ledger, could well afford to lose a little cruiser to demonstrate the character of its naval personnel, officers and men alike.

CAR'S FATAL PLUNGE

ONE IS KILLED; SEVEN ARE FATALLY HURT.

MOTORMAN FORGOT CURVE

Score of Passengers Crushed, Bruised and Internally Injured. Iron Bar Cuts Child's Throat.

St. Louis, Mo., June 8.—An east-bound Creve Coeur car loaded with ninety-three men, women and children, jumped the track while taking a curve at forty-three miles an hour near Delmar Garden late Saturday night, injuring over half the passengers and causing one death. Of those hurt, seven are so badly mangled that they will die, according to the physicians at the hospitals where they have been taken.

The accident occurred within 500 yards of Delmar Garden, which was filled with thousands of people. Half of the passengers were women and children, returning from Sunday School picnics at Creve Coeur Lake.

There was no panic in the car after it overturned, and as soon as the men recovered themselves they looked after the women and children, passing them through slits in the canvas roof, which they cut with knives. The car was of the variety known as a moonlight gondola, with an open side and a screened side and a canvas roof.

The closed side is the one near the other track.

When the car leaped in the air and overturned it struck with the closed side to the ground.

The motorman was arrested soon after the accident, and made a statement in which he says he was on his first trip on the Creve Coeur line. He admits that he had been warned about the dangerous curve where the car was wrecked, and says he forgot the warning. He has been a motorman for nine months.

The conductor was dragged out from beneath the motor box with his chest crushed in and both legs cut off. The motorman was pitched from the platform several feet away from the car. He was knocked unconscious, but not seriously injured.

Half of the passengers on the car were women and children returning from Sunday School picnics at the lake. Many women were pulled from under the wreckage of the car unconscious and bleeding from various wounds. One of the children's throats was cut from ear to ear by being shoved against an iron bar over a window.

When the car leaped in the air and overturned it struck with the closed side to the ground.

SAYS ACREAGE IS UNCHANGED.

Cotton Crop Same Amount in Acreage as Last Year.

New Orleans, June 8.—The Times-Democrat today says: The Times-Democrat herewith presents the first of its reports on the cotton crop of 1908. The consensus of correspondents' opinion seems to be as follows:

The acreage is practically unchanged, as compared with last year. The change, if any, has been in the division of a trifling increase.

The stands have been impaired and cultivation has been retarded by excessive rainfall over wide areas of the belts.

The supply of labor is, as a rule, better than it has been within the recent past.

Complaints of boll weevil come from certain districts west of the Mississippi.

The outlook, taken, as a whole, is fair, but the ultimate outcome will depend upon the character of the season from this time forth, and the date of frost will cut a great figure. A good deal of alluvial land has been overflowed, and the result of replanting is to the last degree problematical.

Iowa Town Devastated by Tornado.

Charles City, Ia.: A tornado struck here about 5 o'clock Saturday evening, demolishing about 200 residences and barns. W. R. Beck and a child were killed and three children are reported missing. The tornado started about three miles southeast of town, tearing down farm houses and barns and killing many head of stock. It struck the southwest part of Charles City, blowing a path through the northeast side, and spent itself a few miles from town.

Dickson Car Wheel Plant Burned.

Houston: Fire Saturday night completely destroyed the oil plant of the Dickson Car Wheel Company on the north side of Buffalo Bayou, the total loss being close to \$150,000. The machine shop, the soft casting foundry, the pattern storage room, the grinding and wheel cleaning departments, the blacksmith shop and the office went up. This is the third time within two years that this plant has been burned.

SHERIFF AND DEPUTY KILLED.

Seven Negroes Defy Arrest and Open Pitched Battle.

Oklahoma City, Ok., June 6.—Sheriff George Garrison of Oklahoma City and Deputy Sheriff Smith of Watonga were shot and killed and a negro wounded in a pitched battle between a posse and seven negroes, which occurred three miles west of Hitchcock yesterday evening. News of the shooting was received here at 9 o'clock over long distance telephone.

A special train with 200 armed men will leave this city for the scene and the negroes will be taken dead or alive. According to reports received in Oklahoma City by the local police department, seven negroes were in a party that opened fire on the Sheriff when he attempted to arrest Alf Hunter, alias James Montgomery, who killed Susie Pride in Oklahoma City on the evening of May 19.

Awful Crime of Insane Father.

New York: After shooting his wife a shot each at his two young sons, Frederick Rosaft sent a bullet into his own head, killing himself instantly while his 13-year-old daughter Annie tried to wrest the weapon from him, in his home at Williamsburg, Friday. It is believed Rosaft was insane, as he had been acting strangely for several months.

Splendid Bridge Swept Away.

Sherman: At 7 o'clock Friday morning the wagon bridge over the Red River north of Denison pulled away from its foundation and floated off down the river. This was the last connection between Texas and Oklahoma from this section of the State. The bridge was built at a cost of \$75,000, and was one of the best of its class in the State. The structure was 600 feet long, and was built in 1891, being the gateway for an immense trade.

Attempted Assassination at Thurber.

Thurber Junction: Will Oxford, a resident of Thurber, was shot and seriously wounded Thursday night. The shooting occurred at 8:45, when some unknown person fired upon Mr. Oxford through a window, inflicting a wound in the right side of the head. The weapon used was a pistol or rifle. At 1 o'clock Oxford was resting well. Rangers were asked for, but later canceled. There is no trouble at the mines.

Record-Breaking Week.

Omaha, Neb.: The week's speech-making tour of W. J. Bryan through the northern and western portion of Nebraska ended with a rear-platform speech at Columbus, and he arrived in Omaha Thursday. He has made forty-two set speeches and nearly that many informal responses since last Thursday. In some instances these addresses have had a home color, but in no instance has he failed to touch on National politics.

Four Killed on the Tennessees.

San Pedro, Cal.: A terrible accident occurred on board the United States armored cruiser Tennessees at 11:08 o'clock Thursday morning. As the ship was steaming 19 knots on a speed trial off Point Puenene, Cal., a steam pipe in the starboard engine room burst under 235 pounds pressure, instantly killing four men and injuring ten others, all of the men in the compartment at the time. Two of the injured are expected to die soon.

Body Found in a Well.

Dallas: Missing for three weeks, the body of Ole Nelson, aged 50 years, a Swede, who had worked for more than fifteen years past as a dairyman's helper east of Dallas, was discovered Thursday afternoon in a well in a pasture on a farm five miles north-east of the city on the Rockwall road. There was a bullet hole in the right temple, and the remains were in an advanced state of decomposition.

Eight Dead; Twenty Injured.

Annapolis, Md.: In a collision between special cars on the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Railroad about 8 o'clock Thursday night, eight persons were killed outright and a score of others were seriously injured, some of them fatally. The collision was due to a confusion of orders, as the line had been running several extras in connection with the commencement festivities at the Naval Academy.

Snaked a Tray of Sparklers.

Houston: Officials of the police department are still working on the robbery which occurred at the jewelry store of Taylor Brothers late Saturday afternoon, when a tray of diamonds was taken from a showcase in the front part of the store. The diamonds stolen were all mounted, and ranged in value from \$75 to \$500. They were mounted in various styles of rings. A list of the stolen property has been furnished the police.

HO FOR SAN ANTONIO! PROS CARRY THEIR POINT

Dallas, June 9.—At its meeting held in this city yesterday the Democratic State Executive Committee ordered that the following propositions be submitted to the voters in the primary election to be held on July 25.

Prohibition Ticket.

"For the submission by the Thirty-First Legislature of this State of a Constitutional amendment to the people for their adoption or rejection prohibiting within the State of Texas the manufacture, sale, gift, exchange and interstate shipment of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication except for medicinal and sacramental."

Local Option Ticket.

"For the system of local option and proper legislative enactments for the perfection of the laws so as to prevent the barter or sale of intoxicating beverages in local option districts."

Against the foregoing.

When to the paragraphs which have preceded this one is added the statement that San Antonio was selected as the place for holding the State Convention of the party in August, and that suitable arrangements were made for putting into effect all the actions taken, the story of the salient features of the sessions of the committee has been told.

Both sides in the prohibition were well represented and made a lively but good-humored fight from start to finish. The formal submission of the State-wide petition was by Sterling P. Strong, Chairman of the committee on that side, and the local option petition was presented to the committee by John L. Wortham, Chairman on the other side. The first was said to have something over 44,000 signatures, and the latter is claimed to have appended more than 50,000, with about 5000 others on the way.

BIRMINGHAM IS PREPARED.

Alabama City in Readiness for Confederate Reunion.

Birmingham, Ala., June 9.—Everything is ready for the opening of the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which begins today. The crowds began to arrive earlier than expected, and each of the eighty passenger trains entering the city carried extra coaches. The visitors were well taken care of.

Practically all of the prominent officers of the organization got in yesterday and opened their headquarters. General officers and division commanders have quarters at the hotels, while State headquarters for the various commands are assigned to various public buildings.

Thus far Atlanta is the only Southern city with a delegation on hand working for the next reunion. There is already much rivalry and politics in the air as to who is to succeed the late Stephen D. Lee as commander. General Cabell of the Trans-Mississippi department has the advantage of seniority in the rank, but the veterans themselves will have the decision of the question of the most available man to fill the place. General Clement A. Evans of Georgia, commander of the Department of Tennessee, has some strong workers in the field, who are interesting themselves in his behalf.

All of the visiting officers expressed admiration as to the manner in which the city is decorated. Hotel John B. Gordon has already proved itself one of the most popular places in the city. This is the name given to the hotel which was equipped at the State Fair Grounds, and it is here that all comers who wish it will be entertained free. A large majority of the veterans have preferred to go there rather than to private homes, as it will give them so much better opportunity of meeting their old comrades.

The convention will be called to order promptly at 10 o'clock by General George B. Harrison, commander of the Alabama Division, and will be opened with prayer by the Chaplain General, J. W. Jones of Richmond.

The St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico Railway has notified the Railway Commission of the completion of its line from Brownsville to Alcoa, a distance of 396 miles, all of which has been valued, and made application for a valuation of fifty-nine miles between Bay City and Alcoa for bond issuance.

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THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

A Pan-Slavic exposition to be held in Moscow in 1910 is planned by Russia.

Robbers cracked the safe of the Bank of Fairland, at Fairland, Ok., and escaped with \$10,000. The robbery was committed by three men, who escaped on horseback.

W. J. Bryan was endorsed for the Presidency by the Louisiana Democratic State Convention. It was, however, decided to send the delegation to Denver uninstructed.

Charles T. Muir, paying teller of the Forty-Second Street branch of the Corn Exchange Bank, New York City, committed suicide in the basement of the bank a few days since.

Mrs. Leavitt, daughter of Hon. W. J. Bryan, has been named as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention accredited to Colorado. The Colorado delegates goes uninstructed.

The law passed by the recent Missouri legislature making it unlawful for a telegraph operator to work more than eight consecutive hours has been declared unconstitutional by Judge Lamm.

Returns from Monday's election show that Governor Chamberlain, a Democrat, will have a majority of 1000 over Judge Calkins, his Republican opponent for United States Senator from Oregon.

An unidentified man and woman were drowned in four feet of water in Creve Coeur Lake, St. Louis, Sunday afternoon. Had they retained their presence of mind they could have waded to shore.

Many farmers in the Brazos bottoms, whose crops were destroyed, are having great difficulty in securing seed for replanting, being heavily handicapped by scarcity of seed and from lack of funds.

Bandits attacked a pay train on the way to the Los Grandes mines, near Balsas, in the State of Guerrero, Mexico. Of the escort of four men, three were killed and one wounded. Four thousand dollars were stolen.

Application for the organization of divisions in South America and in the canal zone have been received by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. The application from South America came chiefly from Brazil.

The Oklahoma anti-nepotism act, by which the employment of relatives of blood or marriage to the third degree, is made a crime involving a fine from \$100 to \$1000 and forfeiture of office, became effective Monday, June 8.

Complete returns received by the Superintendent of County Instruction from the eleven enumerators who were engaged in taking the scholastic census of the city of Dallas shot 13,718 children of school age in the city.

Hon. Peter White of Marquette, one of the most prominent men in the upper peninsula of Michigan, dropped dead in Detroit Saturday in front of the city hall. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of his death.

One million three hundred thousand applications for divorce were made between the years 1887 and 1906, and of these between two-thirds and three-fourths resulted in decrees of divorce. The census bureau expects to have the analysis of its figures ready to make public in the near future.

In Panhandle well No. 3 about twelve miles north of Henrietta, at a depth of 1,450 feet, astratum of oil was struck that is 75 gravity. The well was closed awaiting experts from Beaumont.

Word has just reached Mexico City that twenty lives were lost and property damage to the extent of \$20,000 by a cloudburst in Quanaajuato, Mexico. It is understood that one of the mine tunnels was flooded.

Capt. John T. Hambleton, alderman at large and one of the best known citizens of San Antonio, died Sunday afternoon after a long illness. He was steamboat pilot and captain in the early days on the Mississippi and worked with Mark Twain and other noted river men.

At La Porte, on the mainland of Galveston Bay, prospectors have brought in an oil well that gushes at intervals, and the production is estimated at 1000 barrels a day. It has been in process of drilling several months.

China has refused the request made by Japan for permission to station twenty men in Chinese territory over the Korean border for the purpose of apprehending leaders of the Korean insurgents seeking to make their escape in that direction.

C. A. Lamius of Abilene bought the Wortham brick plant last week, paying \$25,000 for it.

The Texas and Pacific Railroad sent out the first Dallas-El Paso train since the flood Thursday night.

William A. Cocks of San Antonio refuses to stand as a candidate for reelection to the Legislature.

Moberly, Mo., capitalists have purchased a tract of land near San Angelo of George Hagelstein and propose to settle it with Northern farmers.

Secretary Metcalf has announced that the names of the two new battleships authorized by the recent Congress will be Florida and Utah.

Two boys at Brady emptied a large cartridge into a beer bottle and dropped a lighted match into the bottle also. The explosion was immediate and both may lose their eyesight.

Bishop Potter is at his home in Coopertown, N. Y., suffering from nervous breakdown. It is declared the Bishop's indisposition caused him to abandon his trip to Europe.

The five mills of the J. and P. Coates Company, Limited, in Pawtucket, R. I., and Centerville, R. I., have resumed their schedule of five days a week. At least 2000 operatives are affected.

Thomas Gore, the blind Senator from Oklahoma, who is undergoing treatment at the Episcopal Hospital in Washington, firmly believes, it is said, that his sight will be restored.

John Duerry, an aged negro who had resided for many years on a farm near Forest Hill, Tarrant County, dropped dead while plowing in his field one day last week. He was 76 years of age.

Houston Speed, a negro, was run over by a street car in Denison Sunday night and was taken to the sanitarium in Sherman, where he died the next morning. He resided in Sherman.

Mail advices from Australia state great preparations are being made to receive the American battleship fleet. There will be a round of banquets, balls, picnics, regattas, cricket and baseball matches.

J. K. Pittman, a veteran resident of Corsicana, was found dead in his bedroom at his home Sunday night. He was a widower and his son and son's son, who live with him, were in Palestine on a visit.

Charles H. Briggs, one of the most prominent machinery men of Dallas, head of the Briggs-Weaver Machinery Company, died in that city Monday night. He had been a resident of that city for twenty years.

Warning has been sent by State Factory Inspector Davies of Illinois to 535 places of amusement in Chicago that they will not be allowed to exhibit children under fourteen years of age under any circumstances.

A home industry banquet was given at the Commercial Club rooms in McKinney Monday evening, which was attended by a large number of citizens. Everything for the banquet was furnished by McKinney business men.

A message was received in Waxahachie a few nights since from San Antonio, stating that Colonel John C. Gibson, one of the early settlers of Waxahachie, had died there. Mr. Gibson went to San Antonio several weeks ago for the benefit of his health.

Four young men rescued a man by the name of Hicks and his wife and two small children from the Trinity food in the southern part of Kaufman County this week. Hicks and his family were in the second story of their house, and the water was six feet deep in the bottom story. Hicks is a one-armed man.

Several small lists of cotton have been turned loose within the past few days by farmers who were holding. A prominent farmer at Petty refused 11 1/2¢ for 119 bales.

President Roosevelt has been giving attention lately to plans for a trip to British East Africa next summer, on which it is understood that his son Kermit will accompany him.

Henry Y. Allen, Sr., aged eighty-four years, died Saturday afternoon after a brief illness at his home, after a residence of five years in Dallas.

A gas tank explosion in Indianapolis injured eleven persons Saturday, some, it is feared, fatally.

Bob Kong was held without bail Saturday before Justice of the Peace Boyett in his examining trial for the murder of Prof. J. G. Jacoway in Paris last Saturday.

A movement is on foot to organize "Village Blacksmith Williams" Democratic clubs over the State, to boom the Cumby blacksmith-lawyer who has announced as a candidate for Governor.

The Texas Bankers held their annual association meeting in Fort Worth last week, adjourning Saturday.

Claiming to have acted in defense of her sister, Miss Johnnie Davidson, a popular young lady of Neosho, Mo., shot and killed Roy Ramsen at her home Saturday.

Tax Commissioner Dashiell has accepted an invitation to deliver an address to the Central West Texas Association of Commercial Clubs which meets at Abilene June 16.



## FROM SMALL TOWNS

HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TAKEN ANNUALLY.

### THROUGH MAIL-ORDER SYSTEM

Views of a Banker on the Situation During the Recent Monetary Stringency Well Worthy of Consideration.

The president of a bank at Minneapolis, during the recent financial stringency, called attention to one source of financial drain upon the country towns which should be taken into consideration, and a remedy applied.

"In this remarkable situation," he said, "when everybody is prosperous and there is not enough currency to go round, it is important that every dollar possible should be kept at home until the banking business is again on a cash basis. In the cities this is being done with a good deal of success, and the clearing-house certificates and cashier's checks prevent a serious embarrassment. But out in the country, where there are no clearing houses, every dollar hoarded or sent away from home counts double.

"At this time the patronage of the foreign catalogue houses is a factor that ought to be considered seriously. By their own reports two of these catalogue houses, which deal in almost every commodity of use to the home or farm, do a business of \$90,000,000 a year. This is \$300,000 for each of the six business days of the week. This money comes largely out of the country towns. These catalogue houses do not sell to people in the cities where they are located. It is from the farmers and residents of towns of less than 5,000 population that 95 per cent. of their business comes and at least a third of it is from the northwest. And remember, too, that there are other catalogue houses, and that the combined business done by them is at least \$200,000,000 annually.

"I am informed that all through the state of Minnesota this competition of the foreign catalogue houses has been very seriously felt by the merchants of small towns, to such an extent that some have been driven out of business entirely.

"If this has been the case during the great prosperity of recent years, when money was circulated freely, what must the effect be now when the currency is needed at home? Money spent with the local merchant is disbursed in the locality, at least the profits of his business are, but money sent away is lost from local circulation.

"Without going into the home-trade question it seems plain to me that those who buy from a foreign catalogue house at this time are directly injuring themselves, for this question of keeping money in home circulation involves people of all conditions."

#### Idea for Market Days.

That the "market day" idea is becoming decidedly popular in the country is indicated by the fact that the merchants of dozens of western towns have adopted the plan lately. Reports from these places, which have been giving the "market day" plan a trial, indicate that it is giving satisfaction to dealers and to their patrons. Like any other innovation the success of the establishment of a market day depends almost entirely upon the interest which it evokes and the sustained energy that is employed in giving it a distinctive value to producers. The merchants will get out of the plan no more nor less than they put into it. If the arrangements made afford the assurance that patrons will find improved facilities for the disposal of their products it is certain to prove a drawing feature. If it is employed simply as a plan for drawing a crowd of farmers to town to spend their money, it is equally certain that the ultimate result will be unsatisfactory, if not seriously detrimental to future business relations. It is good policy not to go into a scheme of this kind until satisfied that conditions are right for its success, and once undertaken, to push it for all it is worth. Make it worth while for customers to come from a distance for the day, so that they will be ready to assist in the perpetuation of the plan. A great deal depends on "starting right," and, once having popularized the idea to keep up sustained enthusiasm by providing improved facilities for caring for the increased trade which it develops.

#### Manners.

Manners are not like clothes. It's a bad thing to have two suits of them—one for best and one for everyday. Wear your best manners all the time. They suffer more by being put away than by constant use. If you keep your best manners for company they will fit you ill, and your visitor will suspect they were put on for him. Second best clothes may be worn at home, but not second best manners. To whom is it worth while to be courteous if not to the people you love best?—Home Chat.

#### Immense Food Receipts.

At a recent municipal celebration in Covina, Cal., in which a barbecue was given to mark the advent of an electric railway, coffee was served from an urn holding 250 gallons, or 5,000 cups; beans were cooked in a pot holding 200 gallons.

#### Heavy Imports of Foodstuffs.

In 1906 the imports of wheat and wheat flour into the United Kingdom were 78 per cent. of the total supply. In 1905 the imports were 35 per cent. and in France three per cent. In the United Kingdom in 1906 the imported supplies of meat were 47 per cent.

### LEARNED A LESSON.

One Farmer Finds Out Something Through Buying a Mail-Order Store.

The Wayne (Neb.) Herald relates the story of a Wayne county farmer who was caught by one of the catalogue houses. He learned the lesson and paid dearly for it. Mr. Farmer had seen the stove picture in the catalogue and had sent on his good \$29, adding \$2.90 for freight. Then the stove came to the depot. The farmer came to town, loaded up the junk and drove up onto the business street. Then to some friends, he confided: "That stove cost me \$29 and \$2.90 freight, and I'll bet it is half sheet iron. I have been waiting for it for over two months and my wife is nearly crazy about it. I could have done better by buying of the Wayne hardware dealers. The catalogue fellows can go to hades in the future."

This is a lesson that people of Nebraska and other states are being taught every day in the year and it is a pleasure to know that they are getting their eye teeth cut in the most artistic and approved style. They are ordering from the catalogues and in return they are getting a miserable lot of junk, paying much higher prices than they would have to pay for first-class goods sold in the home stores.

The catalogue houses live and grow fat off just such people as the man at Wayne. These men are constantly looking for the big end of the bargain. The catalogue houses are doing the same thing. It would look as though it would be "When Greek meets Greek," but it's nothing of the kind. The catalogue concerns have all the advantage. They have gotten the money of the individual and then they send him out any kind of an old lot of junk, knowing that he has no recourse. These catalogue houses have been doing this thing for years and find plenty of suckers, for you know there is something recorded about a sucker being born every second. Perhaps they do not get the same sucker a second time, but they catch some that came along in the new crop.

#### HANDLING FARM PRODUCTS.

Improved Methods Practiced in Many Agricultural Towns.

Every farming community turns trade to the town where best prices are paid for the minor products which the farmers have to dispose of. The prices paid for butter and eggs, quite often, decide the business life of a town. The general practice in many places is for individual merchants to take produce in exchange for goods. The lowest market price is the rule in these towns. Should one merchant pay a cent a pound more for butter, or a cent more a dozen for eggs, the farmers conclude that the difference is made up in the quality of goods or the quantity they receive in exchange.

To overcome the annoyances occasioned through unwholesome competition in the buying of farmers' products, the business men of many agricultural towns, during the past few years, have undertaken the operation of co-operative produce establishments. These establishments generally consist of a commodious warehouse with cold storage appliances. The merchants of the town are the stockholders in the concern. A manager is employed on salary and is entrusted with the buying and marketing of all produce. The storekeepers refer all farmers who have produce for sale to the produce house and the highest market price is paid and due bills given which are payable in goods at the stores in the town.

This method has proved highly satisfactory everywhere it has been tried. Not alone have the merchants found it advantageous, but the farmers as well. Another feature worth consideration is the fact that farmers are not compelled to trade at any particular store, but can make their purchases in any store in the town. Then again much trade is saved to the community that might go to the mail-order houses of the larger cities.

#### During the Summer Months.

The summer time is the time the retail merchant must keep things moving at a lively pace in his store. Generally the warm weather season is dull with retailers and the period from June to September is generally regarded as a time when there is little doing.

Here is where the retail merchant must not allow himself to take a wrong view of things. The fact that this stretch of three months has been generally regarded as a period of inactivity is just the very reason why he cannot afford to allow it to be one. There can be no periods of inactivity for the merchant of to-day. He must keep a full head of steam up all the time, and it is even more important that he should do this on the up grade, when he is working against the forces of gravitation than on the level, when the business rushes almost of its own momentum.

The live merchant will make up his mind that there will be no periods of inactivity in his store. He keeps things moving all the time; there is something doing every day and he doesn't give people a chance to forget for a single day that he is selling the best merchandise at the lowest possible prices.

It is these periods of inactivity which the parts of retail merchants which have given the retail mail order houses their opportunity to make inroads on their trade. With the mail order houses there are no periods of inactivity, and during the summer months they will hustle harder than ever for trade, because they "need the money." The retail merchant must prepare to meet aggressive competition on the part of the catalogue merchants and it is up to him to hustle and see well to his local advertising.

## FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

Bucking against a bunch of gamblers with a crop that has a mortgage on it isn't even respectable foolishness.

A churn that revolves should not be filled more than one-third full of cream, as there is not room for action if it is too full.

Get your tools, implements and vehicles into the shed as soon as through using them. That is the way to beat the implement and vehicle trust.

The cow is the machine, the food is the raw material, milk, butter and cheese are the manufactured articles. The dairyman is the manufacturer.

Hens should have the consideration their value demands, and not be treated slightly simply because that has been the custom for many years past. Most customs are abusive.

Plenty of soap and water and plenty of good home-raised grub, largely from the poultry yard and garden, will do more to add to the length of your life than all the doctor's stuff on earth.

It requires less money to start the poultry business by buying eggs than to purchase expensive stock. But if the stock is purchased there is some immediate income if they do well.

Some believe that the digestive apparatus of little chicks is not strong enough for an exclusive dry food, and that its free use is the source of a great many of the diseases to which chicks seem to fall heir.

#### WORLD'S COTTON SHORTAGE.

All Signs Point to a "Rush" Demand Some Time Soon.

During the past six or eight months most unusual conditions have influenced the markets for the world's staple products, and perhaps no one crop has been more affected thereby than cotton, the crop upon which the South chiefly relies for immediate cash.

While many people contend that the organization known as the Farmers' Union made a mistake in fixing at the beginning of the season the minimum price at which its membership should market the staple at too high a figure, still had normal conditions ruled throughout the season, present knowledge regarding the world's shortage justifies the conclusion that such minimum price might have been obtained before the close of the season. But following the action taken by this organized farmers' movement, so potential a factor in the production of the staple, there can be little doubt that the spinning world and every interest identified with it determined by every means within its power to resist to the last extremity this new price making power in the market. Hence, the deadlock between the farmer and the consumer began with the opening of this season and has been waged unrelentingly ever since. Unfortunately for the farmer, the panic, whatever the cause producing it, came on early in the season, paralyzing trade conditions throughout the world and contributing more to weaken him in his fight for higher prices than the combined power of all other influences. This trade depression, which still hangs like a pall over the cotton market, could hardly have been foreseen, hence whatever the outcome of the contest the element of chance has contributed to make it an unequal one for the farmer.

However, as stated at the outset, there are not wanting indications that the remnant of the crop, a large por-

#### Early Opening Not Important.

The opening of the bolls of one plant earlier than those of another does not indicate superiority in escaping weevils. The weevil stops all plants from fruiting at the same time, and the cotton which yields the most is the one that best escapes the weevil, regardless of the date of opening. Large boll cottons rarely begin to open as early as some small boll cottons, though both begin setting fruit at the same time. But notwithstanding the few days' delay which may occur in the opening of the large bolls, some large boll progeny rows in our experiments yielded more cotton than the small boll early opening progeny rows. This point as to the opening of bolls is specially emphasized and explained because a large boll is more desirable for many reasons than a small boll cotton and is preferred by growers and pickers. The belief was quite general when this work began that the opening of bolls even a few days earlier than those of other varieties was of importance in escaping weevils, and as the earliest opening cottons at that time had small bolls

#### Poultry Pointers.

Texas Farmer.

To breed healthy fowls we need to commence right and have nothing but healthy stock in our pens.

It takes a good hen, with good feed, to furnish perfect shells for all of her eggs when laying rapidly.

Eggs packed in meal or bran or oats soon lose their moisture, as their dryness seems to absorb it.

Feeders claim that a more rapid increase of bone and flesh can be accomplished by soft food than dry.

tion of which is still in first hands, may soon command higher prices than now prevail. Statistics show that the shortage in the world's supply, including the Indian and Egyptian crops, will approximate four million bales at the end of the season. Even with trade conditions abnormally dull, it is hardly to be conceived that the spinners will choose to face the opening of the new season with stocks reduced to practically nothing. Hence, many students of the situation think that competition for the remainder of the present crop will soon become very sharp and prices will ascend correspondingly.—Houston Post.

#### NOT FIT TO BELONG.

One of the Sort That Can't Live Up to the Standard.

The Cotton Journal is responsible for the following:

"My cows are all dry,  
My stables are wet,  
My meat's in Chicago,  
My corn is to get;  
My house needs repairing,  
My fences are rotten,  
But I'll get it all back  
With a big crop of cotton."

The man who sings such a song as the above is not fit to be a member of the Farmers' Union. Such a man is a dishonor to the order and not worth a cent anywhere on a farm. A man so busy running after all cotton that he neglects his cows and lets them go dry and makes no preparation for their increase is not worthy a place in any local anywhere. The so-called farmer who allows his stables to be wet and muddy, thereby causing every horse and mule on the place to have the scratches, besides other diseases, is like a cow that gives a gallon of milk and then kicks it all over.

The farmer whose meat is in Chicago and his corn is to get is a burden to any local and should be excluded before the next breakfast is eaten.

Procrastination is a ruinous thing and causes so much trouble and extra expense. When the house needs repairing, why not meet the necessity promptly and repair it before the rain or winter's snow is falling or fix up his fences "horse high, pig tight and bull strong" before his hogs become educated in all kinds of mischief and the cows become unmanageable. If a hog is never allowed to learn mischief it may be kept under a very poor fence, but just one lesson is enough to ruin the best hog.

See how foolish this deluded man when he sings in such a mournful wail, "But I'll get it all back with a big crop of cotton." The big crop of cotton is a delusion and a snare to him, his fond hopes never materialize; he is in no shape to make a big crop of cotton and therefore the big crop never comes his way.

The real intention of the Union is to organize farmers who live at home, or who are making every edge cut to live at home in one solid phalanx, strong enough to hold every product made on the farm until a just and fair price is offered for it.

If I understand the objects of the Union, this is the point to be gained to place ourselves where we may live on our own sweat-and-resources and look the financial world in the eye until justice comes our way.

There is no use to listen to the silly song that farmers can not be bound together. It can be done. It will be done or the farmers' children will ere long beg for bread and lack for clothes to hide their nakedness.

The principles taught by the Union must prevail or all is lost.—J. R. McLendon, in F. U. Guide.

Don't turn the other fellow down on what he is saying because you don't agree with him. You take into consideration what he says every time, for he is giving you another man's view of what you may have only one man's view of. You act on your own judgment, but weigh the other man's opinion.

and the old late cotton had large bolls, the conclusion was reached that a large boll cotton could not be grown to yield successfully where there were weevils. Moreover, it was thought that the simultaneous setting of squares on different cottons should be followed by the simultaneous opening of their bolls. A similar belief, equally erroneous, would be that cotton setting squares at the same time should have bolls of the same size, shape, etc. The most successful escape from weevils is indicated by yield and not by greater yield at the first picking, and large boll cottons have been bred in this work to fruit early and rapidly and to escape weevil damage as successfully as any small boll cotton that opens all its bolls ten days or two weeks earlier.—Prof. Bennett's Bulletin.

It's dollars to doughnuts that the doctors in your county are operating under an agreement as to prices for visits and prescriptions. They are your friends, all right, but cleanly premises and a good garden will beat the trust out of its largest gains.

One of the best moist foods is composed of eggs and milk and made thick enough for feeding by the addition of corn meal. The meal should be fine. They count almost everything by "points" these days with so much exactness that it takes an expert to keep up with them and even experts don't agree.

Those who buy eggs run the risk of poor hatches, accidents to young chicks and need to wait several months for eggs or before there is anything to sell.

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## MAKE CITY STRONG

### JAPANESE SEEK TO RENDER PORT ARTHUR IMPREGNABLE.

Defenses Being Reconstructed on a New Plan and the Town Is Practically Given Over to the Military Authorities.

In view of the renewed interest in Port Arthur by the recent condemnation of Gen. Stoessel, it may be interesting to translate from the Voice of Moscow portions of the article of a Russian correspondent in that great Japanese fortress, who seems to be particularly observant, says the New York Sun.

He says that Port Arthur and Dalny have changed very much since the war. Under Russian rule Port Arthur was an international town, full of life, and after the Japanese came into possession of it it promised to be even livelier than ever. The roads were repaired, the quays renewed, the water supply improved, Japanese and Chinese merchants began to establish themselves in the town and business houses began to be built.

But suddenly something happened. All at once Port Arthur became a city of the dead. Business men quietly abandoned their shops, builders left their uncompleted buildings, and from that time up to the present no private individual has begun any new building in Port Arthur. The great supplies of provisions and other goods were sent back to Japan or into other parts of Manchuria. But none except the Japanese knew what was the word that had gone forth.

The whole fortress is being reconstructed on a new and unknown plan. The fortifications are being extended beyond their old limits and the laborers and overseers are selected with the greatest care.

The old redoubts are not destroyed, but all useful material in them has been moved to other sites. In the construction of the fortifications great attention has been paid to the selection of the best positions whence a plunging fire can be concentrated on the passage through the hills in front and in order to attain this end constant practice firing is carried on.

The landward side is protected by long-range guns mounted in excellent forts. At one point alone there are 120 guns. On the seaward side rows of guns are visible—many of these guns were taken from the Russians.

Trial firing is carried on more and more frequently at night with the help of reflectors and to assist the gunners a whole series of signal stations has been erected on the hills. At the bottom of both harbors and out along the seacoast up to a distance of two miles from the fortress some sort of work is being carried on; perhaps mines are being laid.

All the way to Mukden strategic positions are being selected and prepared and strategic roads are being run through the mountains.

As for Dalny, it is strongly fortified on the landward side, the entire environs of the village of Louku having been converted into fortress positions and guns have been mounted there. On the seaward side Dalny is more weakly fortified, but on the whole it is very much more strongly defended than when the Russians were in possession of it.

The enormous barracks in Port Arthur and Dalny are full of troops and great stores of grain, fodder, beans, etc., have been collected. There has lately appeared in Dalny a peculiar four-wheeled cast-iron platform for carrying field guns of the largest caliber.

Large fortified points of Port Arthur and Dalny special railway branch lines have been built from the main railway.

Large parties of Japanese officers come frequently from Japan to study the ground, not only at Port Arthur and Dalny, but in Mukden and Liangyang. Lately many troops have come and have all gone to Mukden.

## HAS HIS TOMB READY FOR HIM

Phineas G. Wright, Eccentric Bachelor, Calmly Waits for End.

Now that he has the whiskers on his monument brushed straight, his tomb well stocked with whisky and cigars and a proper inscription graven on the granite, Phineas Gardner Wright, Putnam's richest and oldest bachelor, says he can contemplate the end with calmness and satisfaction.

Mr. Wright is 79 years old and worth something over \$200,000, according to a Waterbury (Conn.) dispatch to the New York World. This sum, he says, he has accumulated by strict attention to details, not trying to know too much and consistently suspecting all women. Following out the program which has made him successful, Mr. Wright has superintended the erection of his own monument, and he has inscribed thereon: "Going, but know not where." Under this the more definite information: "Never beat by man, but by woman."

The Wright monument is the show place of the Putnam cemetery. It is a solid granite block bearing on its top a bust of the man who is to lie under it. The bust is a faithful likeness, even to the stone whiskers now trimmed in goatee fashion. The sculptor who did the work was an irresponsible person with effeminate ideas. He parted Mr. Wright's whiskers at the middle in his original work. This made Mr. Wright angry, and he paid another sculptor \$600 to brush out the stone whiskers straight. This work brought the price up to \$3,600, but Mr. Wright didn't care.

In the tomb near by Mr. Wright has placed ample supplies of whisky and cigars.

"I don't want the boys who are burying me to feel too bad," he explained. "I want them to have a little something to keep them cheerful. Nobody can say I'm stingy." He has also engaged the Putnam Silver Cornet band to play at his funeral.

Mr. Wright's "going, but know not where," has stirred up a lot of trouble, particularly among theologians, some of whom have written him abusive letters. He is still hale and hearty.

#### Often Downed, Seldom Out.

There is no other country in the world in which the words "business failure" mean so little as in America. In the older and more cautious nations of Europe, where all business is along more conservative lines, the man who falls is usually "down and out." He either blows out his brains or takes to drink and makes himself a bore to his friends telling about the days of his prosperity. Europe is full of "shabby genteel" persons who have seen better days and who have not the faintest idea of going to work to make those days come back again. Such a miserable exhibition of cowardice does not appeal to the American. All the American business man asks is good health and a fair field, and he will consider failure a mere incident that gives one valuable experience to be utilized in the future. The man who is bowled over to-day is up and on his feet and in the center of the struggling throng to-morrow.

#### Lucky in One Way.

"The late Valerian Gibayedoff," said a Chicago art editor, "was one of the first American sketch artists. On that account he leaves behind him a famous name.

"As Gibayedoff said himself, the last time I visited him in Paris, his fame was due not to his great artistic skill, but to his luck in coming first. "And he added with a laugh that it was always lucky to come early and avoid the rush, instancing the case of a restaurant in the Latin Quarter, where a young poet had a large tureen of soup spilled over his coat one evening.

"The waiter, in response to the savage outcries of the poet, said, good-naturedly:

"Oh, well, you needn't alarm yourself, sir. There's no harm done. Our soup never stains after half-past seven."



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of Knox County

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A. H. MORRIS  
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JOE IRBY

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For County Attorney:

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For Assessor of Taxes:

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J. W. TARBETT  
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EDWIN PATTON

For Constable Pre 4

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**A FIRE IN THE NIGHT**

is always a horrible experience to those who have been burned out and left homeless—especially if they have had no insurance to cover their loss. Don't get caught like this, but like the wise virgins, have your lamps trimmed and burning and be ready for the fire fiend by having a policy in a good company, drawn by

**O. E. PATTERSON,**  
HASKELL, TEXAS.

**District Court.**

Judge Higgins disposed of the criminal dockets this week by dismissing some cases continuing others and trying several. T. W. Abernathy was tried on a charge of theft and swindling resulting in a conviction in each case with a penalty of two and three years in the penitentiary in the respective cases. August Schluter was tried and convicted in two cases, one for theft with a two years penalty and one for burglary with a three years penalty. There was a large number of criminal cases disposed of.

Mr. L. C. Irick, one of the oldtimers and a prosperous farmer of the northeast part of the county, was in the city a day or two this week. He reports crops and prospects all good in his and renewed his subscription section to the FREE PRESS.

When your food seems to nauseate take Kodol. Take Kodol now and until you know you are right again. There isn't any doubt about what it will do and it will stand the test of this statement verified after you have used Kodol for a few weeks. It is sold here by French Bros.

**Veterinary Coming.**

Dr. Yates, veterinary surgeon, will be in Haskell Saturday prepared to treat diseased stock.

**You Can Never Tell.**

Just exactly the cause of your rheumatism, but you know you have it. Do you know that Ballard's Snow Liniment will cure it? —relieves the pain—reduces the swelling and limbers the joints and muscles so that you will be as active and well as you ever were. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00 For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

We are prepared to give thrasher men a reduced price on coal, so that they will find it much cheaper than wood for running their engines.

L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Post master Jno. B. Baker left yesterday to attend the republic. an convention at Chicago, to which he is a delegate from this congressional district.

**A Vital Point.**

The most delicate part of a baby is it's bowels. Every ailment that it suffers with attacks the bowels, also endangering in most cases the life of the infant. McGee's Baby Elixir cures diarrhoea, dysentery and all derangements of the stomach or bowels. For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

Several couples from Haskell attended a dance Tuesday night at Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. Eastland entertained Friday night of last week in honor of their cousin Miss Floy Payne, who has recently returned from school at Waco.

**The Big Head.**

is of two kinds—conceit and the big head that comes from a sick headache. Does your head ever feel like a gourd and your brain feel loose and sore? You can cure it in no time by acting on your liver with Ballard's Herbine. Isn't it worth trying for the absolute and certain relief you'll get? Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

Good Milk Cow— I have for sale a fine milk cow now giving a large flow of milk. She can be seen at my residence in Haskell. J. B. Tomkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison entertained the young people Tuesday night in honor of their son Douglas, who is visiting them from Hillsboro.

Master Frank and Press Baldwin returned home this week from T. C. U. at Waco.

Miss Tommie Boone spent the week at her fathers ranch in the northeast part of town.

"In my store I carry a large line of patent medicines," writes A. O. Saunders, Dawson, Ill. "Two years ago I began selling Hart's Honey and Honey and Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup and I find them to be highly satisfactory to my trade and can heartily recommend them." Call at Terrell's Drug Store for a free sample bottle.

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If you want a self binder come in and see us. We have a special talk to make that will interest you in a Deering machine. We also handle the

**DEERING ROW BINDER**

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We have a full supply of the best grade of oil for binders, windmills and all farm machinery.

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\$5.00 a month. \$8.00 a month for two in a family.

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All persons are hereby forbidden to hunt, fish or hand wood or otherwise trespass on the premises known as the Sherrick pasture, now owned by me.  
MRS. A. J. NOLAN.

**NEW MARKET**

I have opened a meat market on the north side of the square, where I will serve the best fresh meats to be obtained.

I will appreciate a share of your patronage.

**ELMER WALL**

A pretty woman's smile often wrinkles a man's purse.



# SPECIAL OFFERING of PANTS.

"THE BIG STORE" places on sale Saturday of this week and continuing through next week, 200 pairs of Odd Pants at the

**Special Reduction of 33 1-3 per cent off Regular Price.**

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#### Locals and Personals.

Choicest cold drinks at French Bros.

Mr. W. L. Hills of Rule was in the city Monday.

Cold drinks, choicest flavors, nicest service at French Bros.

Mr. Geo. Lipscomb of Dallas was in Haskell this week.

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

Mr. Will and John Lee of Stonewall county attended district court this week.

The coldest and best thing in town—those cold drinks at French Bros.

Messrs J. W. Boyd and Walter Boyd of McGregor were here this week looking after lands in this county, of which they own a large body.

The best line of spurs, bits, belts, purses, saddles and harness will be found at Evers' shop in Haskell. 23tf

Mr. Homer Williams has returned from a visit to Fort-Worth, Dallas Texas, and Check-asha Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Wood of Stamford spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of this city.

Mr. L. V. Guest and family of Stephenvill have moved into their new residence lately completed in this city. Mr. Guest is a member of the firm of Guest and Abbott, lumbermen of this place.

Get you a new bonnet at Alexander Merc. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Martin spent Sunday in Rule.

Mr. J. C. Hill of Hamlin spent several days in our city the early part of the week.

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

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hughes returned the early part of the week from Weinert.

See those odd Pants at 1/4 of regular price at Alexander Merc. Co.

Douglass Morrison returned Sunday from Hillsboro where he has been attending school.

Mr. D. M. Angle of Collin county has located in Haskell. Mr. Angel is related to Mrs. Chambers.

Wallace Alexander attended the bankers' convention last week and returned home Saturday night.

Mr R. C. Montgomery cashier of the Farmers National Bank made a business trip to Stamford Tuesday.

50 Dozen Ladies Handkerchief for 5 cents each at Alexander Merc. Co.

Mr. Curtis Johnson of Rule took the train here Tuesday for eastern points.

200 pair of odd pants far 33% per cent off regular price at Alexander Merc. Co.

If you want a fancy California hand stamped belt, hat band or purse, see Evers' line at his harness shop in Haskell. 23tf

Miss Nora Mason of Rule passed through this city the early part of the week on her way to visit friends in central Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler of Waco are visiting their daughter Mrs. John Carothers. Mr. Butler is book keeper for the Early Grocery Co. of that City.

Mrs. G. T. McCulloh took her Sunday School Class down on Paint creek the early part of the week and gave the boys a pleasant outing.

Greatest bargains yet in odd pants at Alexander Merc. Co.

Bonnets in great assortments at Alexander Merc. Co.

Mr. W. N. Meredith visited Stamford Tuesday.

Mr. F. C. Lowe made a business trip to Stamford Tuesday.

Dr. Utis Bunkley of Stamford attended court here Tuesday.

Mr. S. J. Hamilton of the west side was in town Tuesday.

Dr. Williamson is building a new barn at his residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Scharff of Sagerton were in the city Monday.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 or Rupe & Pearsey.

Get a pair of those pants at 33 1/4 per cent discount at Alexander Merc. Co.

FOR TRADE—Good mesquite wood for a good milch cow, or heifer yearlings or pigs.

Mrs. J. F. Posey of Munday was visiting relatives in this city the early part of the week.

G. B. Powell.

I have plenty of fine cotton seed, cane seed, grain, hay and other feed stuff. Come and see me and be convinced as to quality and prices. G. J. Miller.

N. E. Martin of Sagerton called at our office Wednesday and authorized us to announce him for county commissioner for precinct No. 4. He announces subject to the democratic primary.

Mr. F. G. Alexander attended the Commencement exercises of the M. E. College at Stamford, Tuesday. Mr. Alexander is a member of the board of trustees for this institution.

Miss Grayce Allen left one day of this week for Chicago. Miss Allen will sail for Paris, France about the 20th of the month. She expects to return this fall and resume her place in the millinery department of the Alexander Mercantile Company.

Mr. J. S. Boone is having a good barn built at his residence.

Mr. Will Brewer is building a neat residence in the north part of town.

Mr. J. L. Robertson made a business trip to Stamford on Monday.

Mr. Terry Davis is now the chief typographical artist on the FREE PRESS.

Master Lowell Robertson has returned from a weeks visit to friends at Abilene.

Miss Eula Poole and Miss Cecil Hughes left Wednesday morning to spend a few days with Mrs. W. M. Wood near Weinert.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Gebhard returned Tuesday from Cleburne where they were called to the bedside of Mrs. Gebhard's mother who died a few days ago.

Mrs. McDaniel left Monday to visit her daughter Mrs. Oscar Rose who lives in Arizona. From there she will visit her son Mr. John McDaniel in Los Angeles, California. Mr. McDaniel accompanied her as far Sweetwater.

Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton returned Saturday from Fort Worth where Mrs. Pinkerton was recently operated upon for appendicitis. We are glad to learn that she is improving rapidly.

We learn that Mrs. Sherick and Mrs. F. D. Young of this city were operated upon last week in Fort Worth for appendicitis and in both cases were successful.

Mr. R. C. Crane of Sweetwater, who is a candidate before the democracy of this district for state Senator, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Crane served this by appointment of the governor a few years ago when Mr. Stell resigned as district attorney, and also served one term to which he was elected district Attorney. We did Mr. Crane the courtesy to publish his platform in last week's issue of the FREE PRESS, which will inform our readers as to the policies he advocates.

Dwarf June corn at the Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Dwarf June corn at Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Those wheat fields with the grain in the shocks, look like prosperity to the FREE PRESS.

The Haskell wheat and oat farmers are in the swim. They have good crops and prices are good.

Master Chester Jones and Will Brooks of Rule were visiting friends at this place Sunday.

Master Karl Gilbert and Raleigh Lemmon came down from Weinert Saturday and spent Sunday with home folks.

Mr. J. W. Collins says his folks are having all the peaches, vegetables, and berries they can consume, all raised at home, and an occasional fat calf from his farm.

O. P. Grisham Editor of the Pythian Banner Knights of Temple, visited the local lodge of Pythians last Saturday night.

From reports of those who have traveled over other portion of the state, the crops of this county are away ahead of those in other sections.

Capt M. S. Pierson and family returned from San Antonio last Saturday. They will reside here during the summer as is their custom.

Miss Vera Davis of Hamlin was a visitor to the family of Mr. R. H. Davis of this place the early part of week. the

A director of the Haskell National Bank, Mr. G. R. Couch attended the bankers convention at Fort Worth, and returned home Saturday.

Mr. J. E. Garren of the south west side, was in the city Monday purchasing extras for his reapers. In conversation with the FREE PRESS reporter, he stated that there was 275 acres of wheat and oats on W. D. Garren's farm. That wheat was fine but that oats were slightly touched with rust, however, the yield was good.

For rent; twelve or fourteen houses. G. E. Ballew. 24 tf.

Mr. J. S. Johnson of the north side was in town a few days ago and gave us his subscription to the FREE PRESS. Mr. Johnson stated that crops in his community were fine, that the corn on J. E. Hubbard's farm was silking and tasseling.

Mr. T. B. Stockard of Weinert was in the City Monday. Mr. Stockard stated that the hotel at Weinert had sixty guests for breakfast Sunday. He also stated that a Mr. Martin in that vicinity reported that he had cotton blooms in his crop.

A trip to the country the early part of the week revealed that there was a fine crop of oats and wheat being harvested. Those who planted wheat last fall will now realize some cash, and that too, at a time when their more improvident cotton planting neighbor is just getting his cotton to a stand.

Mr. H. M. Rike vice president of the Farmers National Bank attended the bankers convention at Fort Worth last week. Mr. Rike attended a meeting of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Bryan this week, and will lend his assistance in straightening out the trouble between the students and the faculty.

The Davidson Grain and Coal Co. are in the market for all the wheat and oats, and will pay the highest market price for them.

Mr. R. C. Montgomery cashier of the Farmers National Bank and Mrs. Montgomery attended the bankers convention at Fort-worth last week and returned Sunday. Mr. Montgomery stated to a FREE PRESS reporter that nearly all the bankers on the Wichita Valley Rail Road were in attendance. He said one of the most interesting subjects discussed was that of securing bank deposits, and that it was his judgement that a majority of the bankers favor such a scheme.



Announcements.  
The rates will be charged for advertising candidates for office as follows:  
Districts  
County offices  
Precinct offices

# FROM THE COMMONER

MR. BRYAN'S PAPER

## THE TWILIGHT ZONE.

At the governors' conference, called by the president, Mr. Bryan referred to the discussion about the relative spheres of the nation and the state and said that there is "no twilight zone between the nation and the state in which exploiting interests can take refuge from both." He had in mind the constant attempts of predatory corporations to avoid national laws by an appeal to state rights and to avoid state laws by an appeal to national supremacy. Every one who has tried to protect the public from the plundering that has been carried on by monopolies knows how the big corporations have played fast and loose with both nation and state. It was for this reason that the phrase, "twilight zone," struck such a responsive chord. The president immediately seized upon it and used it to explain his position. The president said: "Just a word of what has been called the 'twilight land' between the powers of the federal and state governments. My primary aim in the legislation that I have advocated for the regulation of the great corporations has been to provide some effective popular sovereign for each corporation. I do not wish to keep this twilight land one of large and vague boundaries, by judicial decision that in a given case the state can act, and then a few years later by other decisions that in practically similar cases the nation can act either. I am trying to find out where one or the other can act, so there shall always be some sovereign power that on behalf of the people can hold every big corporation, every big individual, to an accountability so that its or his acts shall be beneficial to the people as a whole."

Why He Married Again.  
An Ohio lawyer tells of a client of his—a German farmer, a hard-working, plain, blunt man who lost his wife not long ago. The lawyer had sought him out to express his sympathy; but to his consternation the Teuton ironically observed:

"But I am again married."  
"You don't tell me!" exclaimed the legal light. "Why it has been but a week or two since you buried your wife!"

Kangaroo as a Food.  
Twenty or 30 years ago the back country squatters, in order to destroy kangaroos, used to dig huge pits at the corners of their paddocks, running yards of calico along their wire fences and then drive the kangaroos into the pits, clubbing and shooting them. In those days kangaroo skins were of no value; now that they are almost extinct, there is a great demand for them. The flesh of a young kangaroo is by no means a delicacy, and kangaroo tail soup is a despised now hardly to be obtained.

A Household Necessity.  
I would almost as soon think of running my farm without implements as without Hunt's Lightning Oil. Of all the liniments I have ever used, for both man and beast, it is the quickest in action and richest in results. For burns and fresh cuts it is absolutely wonderful. I regard it as a household necessity. Yours truly,  
S. HARRISON,  
Kosciusko, Miss.

Might Miss Something.  
Edyth—I told him there was no use wasting his time, as I didn't intend to marry him and that if he wrote to me I would return his letters unopened.

Mayme—Oh you shouldn't have done that. He might have inclosed matinee tickets in some of them.

The water is pure, the soil rich, the climate healthful and delightful, and the people prosperous in South Texas. You can buy from 10 to 640 acres of land and 2 town lots there for \$210 at \$10 per month. Write Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas.

She Learned, Too.  
"A man lives and learns," remarked the husband with some bitterness.

"Well, the school of experience does not bar coeds," retorted his wife—Exchange.

LEVEL HEADED PEOPLE write at once to Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas, for information about the sale of his lands, as fine as South Texas affords. 10 to 640 acres and 2 town lots for \$210 at \$10 per month.

The Modern Nomad.  
"Did you ask that man why he paid rent instead of owning his own home?" asked the real estate agent.

"Yes," answered the other. "He said he didn't. He kept moving."

Will you buy now, or will you wait until the good land is all gone. From 10 to 640 acres and 2 town lots, for \$210, at \$10 per month. Write Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas.

Woman's power is for rule, not for battle, and her intellect is not for invention or creation, but for sweet ordering, arrangement and decision.—Ruskin.

Hicks' Caprine Cures Women.  
Periodic pain, backache, nervousness and headache relieved immediately and assists nature. Prescribed by physicians with best results. Trial bottle free. Regular size 25c and 50c at all druggists.

question as to what candidate the Democrats of Pennsylvania favor is of little importance compared with the question, "Have the Democrats of Pennsylvania a right to a voice in the selection of candidates?"

It seems that they have not, according to the opinion of those in charge of the Harrisburg convention. The fact that it was necessary to turn down men like Representative Creasey and ex-Treasurer Berry shows how desperate the men in control were. The action of the convention will have but little influence on the general result, because the convention only selected four delegates-at-large (64 having been previously selected at primaries), but the object lesson which the convention furnished in boss rule carried to the extreme will be valuable to the state, for it will hasten the regeneration of Democratic politics in Pennsylvania, and regeneration is necessary, if the Democratic party is to be more than an adjunct of the Republican party. As it is now, the main purpose seems to be to prevent the Democrats from taking advantage of the widespread opposition to Republican corruption.

Only by instructing can the voters control; the uninstructed delegate is a guardian without bond.

### NO PERPETUAL FRANCHISES.

Mr. Pinchot, of the forestry department, has been making a fight—and thus far a successful one—against the granting of perpetual franchises to water power companies which are seeking to utilize the streams in the forest reserves. He is right; a perpetual franchise is an unspeakable menace. No one can see far enough into the future to define the terms and conditions of a perpetual franchise. No one can estimate the value of such a franchise a thousand years hence, or even a hundred years hence. No franchise should be granted for more than 20 or 25 years and then the government should reserve the right to regulate prices charged for power and should also reserve the right to take over the plant at any time upon payment of actual value, exclusive of the value of the franchises.

The government is not supposed to give away anything valuable and it ought never to have to buy back a franchise. A power company which wants to do an honest business will not object to strict regulations or to surrender to the government at the will of the government, and corporations which seek to get something for nothing and then employ the public grant to exploit the public have no claim to consideration.

Mr. Pinchot is right in insisting that there should be a time limit on franchises—he ought to go a step farther and insist upon the government's right to protect the public by taking over the plant whenever public interest demands it. Each generation should be left free to make such use of the earth as times and conditions require. No generation has a right to fetter the future with perpetual franchises.

### PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

Many have done excellently, but none have made a braver fight than the Pennsylvania Democrats, who have met and conquered the consolidated forces of predatory wealth. But the victory was won at the primaries, not at a state convention.

### WHERE?

Now that Alabama and Michigan have acted to what states will those anxious guardians of Democracy, the New York Sun and the New York World, turn for relief from the rule of the majority?

### RATIFICATION.

Some seem to fear that the Denver convention will be a ratification meeting; but if the convention ratifies what the voters have done it will be easier for the voters to ratify what the convention does.

The Lincoln (Neb.) Journal, Republican, wants an explanation from the packing trust about the sudden advance in the price of dressed beef and pork. The explanation is very simple. The injunction that enjoins a labor union is enforced; the injunction that enjoins the packing trust is for Republican advertising purposes only.

Cornelius Bliss denies that the Metropolitan Street Railway Company contributed \$500,000 to the Republican campaign fund. But perhaps Mr. Bliss overlooked a little contribution like that among so many really big ones.

The New York Evening Post calls attention to the fact that New York has furnished the only successful Democratic presidential candidate since the war. New York has also furnished the most unsuccessful candidates.

Speaker Cannon wants to know why the paper trust has not been prosecuted. Why, doesn't "Uncle Joe" know that there is no paper trust, that it was recently enjoined and that it is still doing business and raising prices?

Noting that a Mr. Lemon is one of the Illinois delegates to the Denver convention the Washington Post says: "It is needless to say this Lemon is also for Bryan." Whether he is for Mr. Bryan or not, it is needless to say that this is not the only Lemon the Denver convention will hand to the G. O. P.

Congressmen raised their salaries from \$5,000 to \$7,500, or 50 per cent., and then proceeded to reduce the amount of work done fully as much as that.

# Hallelujah

By REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D.,  
Pastor of the Chicago Ave. (Moody's) Church, Chicago.



This word, which is translated: "Praise ye the Lord," occurs, as I have counted, 24 times in the Book of Psalms, and four times in the nineteenth chapter of Revelation, making 28 times altogether in the Bible. In the Hallelujah of earth and in Revelation it is the Hallelujah of heaven. It is a word which cannot be translated by one word into any other language, and is, therefore, transferred.

Hallelujah of Nature.  
The first use of the word is at the close of Psalm 104. This Psalm is the finest poem on nature I have ever read. It begins by calling on the soul to bless God, and then ascribes to God the greatness, honor and majesty which a study of nature suggests to a religious mind. The light is God's garment. The heaven is the canopy which he has spread, and the foundations of the ocean he laid. He makes the clouds his chariot and walks upon the wings of the wind. The thunder is his voice. He made the springs which water birds and beast. The grass for the cattle, the trees for the nesting birds, the hills for the wild goats, and the rocks for the conies are the expression of his love and wisdom. He made the laws which govern the sun and moon.

The Hallelujah of Providence.  
The One Hundred and Fifth Psalm, which also closes with "Hallelujah," deals with the history of Israel and the Psalmist sees the footsteps of God in history as well as in nature. It was God who covenanted with Abraham, "made oath unto Isaac," and confirmed the same to Jacob. It was God who protected his people when they "were but few in number." It was God who "called for a famine upon the land" when prosperity had caused them to forget his laws. It was God who sent Joseph into Egypt and then Moses as the deliverer of his people. It was God who sent the darkness and turned their water into blood. It was God who spread a cloud over them for a covering and gave them "fire to give light in the night." It was God who "opened the rock" and quenched their thirst.

Hallelujah of Grace.  
The One Hundred and Sixth Psalm begins and closes with "Hallelujah," and the key-note of its contents is in the first verse: "Give thanks unto the Lord, for his mercy endureth forever." He prays "O visit me with thy salvation," and he makes confession of sin: "We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly."

The saved sinner can sing this "Hallelujah" of mercy more loudly and sweetly than any other. And God's mercy fills him with song because his justice has been satisfied in Jesus Christ. Mercy cannot rejoice against judgment because judgment has been met and mercy made possible through the atoning sacrifice of Christ. "Hallelujah for the cross" is the song of the redeemed. It comes to us from heaven and will return with us to heaven.

Hallelujah of Judgment.  
This appears in Revelation 19:1-2. "Hallelujah. Salvation and honor and power unto the Lord our God, for true and righteous are his judgments; for he hath judged the great harlot, who did corrupt the earth with her fornication. And again they said Hallelujah. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever." The Hallelujah of judgment seems to shock soft, sentimental natures who cannot endure the thought that God could send one to hell. And yet any one with a spark of nobility of character must rejoice over the apprehension and punishment of certain criminals. There are said to be creatures with the outward resemblance of men in Chicago whose business is to ruin young girls and sell them to houses of prostitution for \$50 and \$75, and these creatures ought to be in hell, and will certainly go there unless they repent. For such men to escape hell unless they repent would be cause for everlasting regret.

Hallelujah of Sovereignty.  
"Hallelujah, for the Lord our God reigneth."  
God seems to be dethroned, but he is not. The fact that he does not strike dead monsters of iniquity in human shape is proof that he is merciful. When, therefore, I read in the press of the orgies of those who lie in wait for the innocent and seek their destruction, I say: "Hallelujah; God is merciful." And when I read that some monster has been overtaken by retribution, I say with equal emphasis: "Hallelujah; God is just." When I hear a blasphemer revile God and the Bible, I say: "Hallelujah; God is merciful, or he would be smitten dumb," and when I hear the same man, yet not the same, because he has been transformed by the grace of God, praising God for the redemption through the blood of Christ, as many a one has done, I say: "Hallelujah! Hallelujah for time and eternity!"

### SUBSTITUTE FOR FRESH EGGS.

#### City Bakeries Use Them Powdered—An Appetizing Omelet.

Powdered eggs are used by many bakeries and have been looked upon as successful in making custards and dishes requiring many eggs. The fresh egg is unquestionably the most wholesome and to be desired above all others, yet it is seldom that city dwellers procure them unless they are well acquainted with the source of supply, as cold storage and various methods are resorted to to hold eggs off the market until the prices have risen above a certain figure.

When eggs are very high the omelet is a forbidden luxury in many households, says the Delincoator. An omelet made in this manner, however, will meet all the demands of economy, and will, at the same time, be as light and fluffy as though prepared in the ordinary and more costly way. Put a cupful of finely-crumbled bread into a bowl, and pour over it two-thirds of a cupful of sweet milk. When the bread has become thoroughly moistened stir it with a spoon until it is entirely smooth and free from lumps. Add the yolks of two eggs, beating them into the bread and milk one at a time, then fold in the stiffly whipped whites and pour into a well-buttered baking dish. Bake in a moderate oven until well set. A pleasing variation is to sprinkle the top of the omelet with grated cheese and paprika before removing it from the oven. If a sweet omelet is desired a general sprinkling of maple sugar will prove pleasing.

#### NEW WAY TO SERVE BERRIES.

##### Slice of Orange Adds to Flavor of Dish for Afternoon Tea.

A dainty way of serving strawberries was noted at an afternoon tea. The hostess was a Virginian, and she stated modestly that her idea was not original, but that she had copied it from a very pretty tea in Richmond. Large navel oranges were cut in rather thick slices without peeling. One of these was placed in the center of a pretty Dresden plate and heaped high with powdered sugar. About it was arranged a circle of large unhulled berries, each with its stem pointing outward. The dishes, as served, looked so attractive that every one exclaimed. The commingling odor of the orange and strawberry was entrancing, and the taste left nothing to be desired. Even with gloves on it was an easy matter to eat the berries, taking each by its long stem, dipping it in the sugar already flavored by the orange, thence conveying it to the mouth. The slice of orange was a bonne bouche by itself, a spoon being used to dispose of that after the strawberries. Delicate wafers accompanied the berries.

#### Queen of Puddings.

Take one quart of milk, one pint of bread crumbs, the yolks of four eggs, one teaspoonful of white sugar and the rind of one lemon. Beat the yolks and sugar together, then stir in the crumbs and milk and bake until a light brown. Beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth, stirring in four tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar. Place over the top of the pudding a layer of tart jelly—currant is very good—and over all spread the egg froth. Bake in the oven until this meringue is a light brown. Served either hot or cold, with or without a wine sauce, it is an appetizing dish. For special occasions an addition of currants and raisins makes this pudding even more delicious.

#### General Rules for Washing Day.

Rise early.

Light the fire and get a good supply of hot water.

See that all materials, such as soap, soda, blue, salt and ammonia are at hand.

Rub the clothes, and not your hands.

Use nothing that will injure the clothes.

Take care to get out all the dirt.

Have plenty of clean water, or the clothes will soon become a bad color.

#### Delicious Sherbet.

One quart of milk, one pint of cream, two cups of sugar, whites of eggs, juice of two lemons. Dissolve one of the cups of sugar in the quart of milk and the remaining cup of sugar with the lemon juice. Place the milk and sugar in an ice cream freezer and freeze to the consistency of thick cream. Add lemon juice and sugar and when this mixture is frozen nearly solid turn in the white of eggs beaten stiff. Freeze the whole until solid and pack with ice and salt and allow to stand for two hours before serving.

#### Cheese Custard.

Butter a baking dish. Put a layer of bread cut in pieces one inch square with crusts removed. Sprinkle thin sliced cheese over the bread and dust with salt and a few grains of cayenne. Add other layers of bread and cheese, seasoning as before, using in all about one cup of cheese. Beat two eggs slightly, add one pint of milk, pour over bread and cheese. Bake about half an hour in moderate oven.

#### Economical Plum Pudding.

This is said to be equal to any plum pudding and is certainly far less expensive. Mix together a cup and a half of flour, one cup brown sugar, one cup grated snot, one cup seeded raisins, one cup of cleaned currants or chopped prunes, one cup of grated carrot, one cup of grated potato, one-quarter cup of mixed orange peel, nutmeg, cinnamon and clove to taste.

### Useless Society.

Mrs. Jones often declared that she enjoyed a little chat with her fish-dealer because he was a man of such original ideas, but one day, says London Opinion, she returned from market somewhat puzzled by his remarks.

"I said to him, just in the way of conversation," declared Mrs. Jones, "that I had heard that a man becomes like that with which he most associates."

"That's ridiculous, Mrs. Jones!" he answered. "I've been a fishmonger all my life and can't swim a yard."

It's Everywhere.  
The Huts of the poor, the Halls of the rich,

Are neither exempt from some form of Itch;

Perhaps a distinction may be made in the name,

But the rich and the poor must scratch just the same.

O, why should the children of Adam endure

An affliction so dreadful, when Hunt's Cure does cure?

All forms of Itching. Guaranteed.

### INTUITION.

Fortune Teller—You will shortly meet with an accident.

Victim—How did you know I owned an automobile?

A GOOD INCOME ASSURED, increasing value guaranteed, buy farm land in the famous Atascosa County, Texas, from 10 to 640 acres of land and 2 town lots for \$210, payments \$10 per month. Write Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas.

Again.  
Museum Attendant—We cannot tell whether this mammal is one or several million years old.

Old Gentleman—Hem. I see. Female of its species, eh?

Advertise.  
And if you want business get out after it and tote it home with you.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Lewis' Single Binder costs more than other 5c cigars. Smokers know why. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

There is always work and tools to work withal, for those who will.—Ruskin.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.  
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

It's a wise wife who knows her own husband.



This woman says Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved her life. Read her letter.

Mrs. T. C. Willadsen, of Manning, Iowa, writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I can truly say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For years I suffered with the worst forms of female complaints, continually doctoring and spending lots of money for medicine without help. I wrote you for advice, followed it as directed, and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has restored me to perfect health. Had it not been for you I should have been in my grave to-day. I wish every suffering woman would try it."

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For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

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If you suffer from Fits, Falling Sickness or Spasms, or have Children that do so, my TRIAL

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PRAISES PE-RU-NA.**



MISS JULIA MARLOWE.

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Any remedy that benefits digestion strengthens the nerves.

The nerve centers require nutrition. If the digestion is impaired, the nerve centers become anemic, and nervous debility is the result.

**Peruna is not a nerve nor a stimulant. It benefits the nerves by benefiting digestion.**

Peruna frees the stomach of catarrhal congestions and normal digestion is the result.

In other words, Peruna goes to the bottom of the whole difficulty, when the disagreeable symptoms disappear.

Mrs. J. C. Jamison, Wallace, Cal., writes:

"I was troubled with my stomach for six years. Was treated by three doctors. They said that I had nervous dyspepsia. I was put on a liquid diet for three months.

"I improved under the treatment, but as soon as I stopped taking the medicine, I got bad again.

"I saw a testimonial of a man whose case was similar to mine being cured by Peruna, so I thought I would give it a trial.

"I procured a bottle at once and commenced taking it. I have taken several bottles and am entirely cured."

**AGAIN DECLINED WITH THANKS.**

Would-Be Contributor "Up Against" the Misanthropic Editor.

The editor looked up as the caller came forward, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Sir," said the latter, "you objected to the meter of the spring poem I submitted to you the other day. Because of this I have for the present dropped poetry and turned my attention to the art of the essayist. Here, sir, is a paper on 'Woman and Her Defects,' which I trust you will find to your liking."

The editor stared hard at the title of the essay.

"Woman and Her Defects," he repeated. "Are you a married man, sir?"

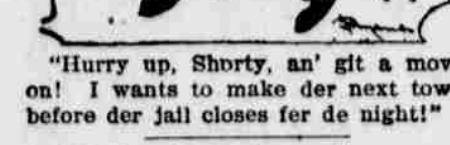
"No," replied the caller, "I am not married."

The editor laughed harshly.

"You should choose subjects," he said, "with which you have had an opportunity to become familiar."

And he handed back the essay on "Woman and Her Defects."

**LOOKING FOR COMFORT.**



"Hurry up, Shorty, an' git a move on! I wants to make der next town before der fall closes fer de night!"

**Grandma's Occupation.**

Bobby and Johnny were digging in the sand under my window. Johnny says: "My grandma's dead; she's gone to Heaven; my mother says so."

"I know it," replies Bobby, in a matter-of-fact way. "Bobby," says Johnny, "what do you s'pose she's doing up there?" Without an instant's hesitation came the reply: "Oh, standin' up, lookin' round, I guess."

**BUILT UP**

Right Food Gives Strength and Brain Power.

The natural elements of wheat and barley, including the phosphate of potash, are found in Grape-Nuts, and that is why persons who are run down from improper food pick up rapidly on Grape-Nuts.

"My system was run down by excessive night work," writes a N. Y. man, "in spite of a liberal supply of ordinary food."

"After using Grape-Nuts I noticed improvement at once, in strength, and nerve and brain power."

"This food seemed to lift me up and stay with me, for better exertion, with less fatigue. My weight increased 20 lbs. with vigor and comfort in proportion."

"When traveling I always carry the food with me to insure having it."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in plugs.

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

**NEWS FROM  
OVER TEXAS**

The public buildings at Wheeler, the new county seat of Wheeler County, are nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy about July 1.

Robert Vance Davidson opens his campaign at Corsicana, June 13, for reelection to the office of Attorney General.

Immense delegations left Texas points Saturday and Sunday for the Confederate reunion in Birmingham, Ala.

A tornado struck Courtland, Kan., near the Nebraska line Friday night, killing several persons and destroying much of the town.

Moses C. Harris, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, has been removed from office on the allegation that he has been engaged in "persistent political activity."

Present prospects are excellent for a good pecan crop in the Brownwood country this year. Last year's crop was good, it is unusual to have two good crops in succession.

Ella Reece, a negro woman, was accidentally shot by her husband near Floyd last Friday. The bullet struck her in the right side, ranged through the liver and lodged in the backbone. She is perhaps fatally injured.

Bertha Lee Thomas, a negro, was shot through the head by a 22-caliber bullet last Friday afternoon near Buffalo Creek, Johnson County, and killed. The bullet was discharged from a rifle in the hands of Effie Wright, and was accidental.

Don Wallace, the man who was stabbed in an affray at Mission Bluffard Parlors, corner of Main street and Preston avenue, Houston, died Sunday at the infirmary. A charge of murder has been made against Mike Werner, who was arrested.

The badly decomposed body of A. Burke of Memphis, Tenn., was found floating in the bay at Galveston a few days ago. It had evidently been in the water some time. The police are undecided whether it was accidental drowning or suicide.

In the case of Aldwell vs. Jackson, involving property estimated at \$250,000, a mistrial was entered in the District Court Friday afternoon. Plaintiff and defendant are brother and sister and reside at Sonora, Texas. The suit grows out of the settlement of the estate of their father.

The Hardy Oil Company brought in a gusher Saturday that flows from 4000 to 5000 barrels daily. The gusher is located six miles west of Markham, Matagorda county. News comes from Caddo, La., that the Richard Oil company brought in a gusher on an island in the lake that flows 2500 barrels.

Lawrence Bushnell and Earl Howell were drowned in the Bosque river Saturday night. They were fishing in a boat, which suddenly turned over. Bushnell, aged 30, leaves a widow; Howell was a youth. The accident occurred near the junction of the Bosque and Brazos, three miles from Waco.

Miss Rillie Gleen, 15 years old, who lived with her widowed mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Gleen, a mile south of Broadway, Lamar county, died at 11 o'clock Friday morning from swallowing an ounce of carbolic acid. Death resulted in an hour after the drug was taken.

A negro was shot and killed Saturday afternoon at the store of J. M. Salandiner, an Italian merchant, by Mrs. Salandiner, who was arrested, had an examining trial and gave bond in the sum of \$2000.

E. W. Kirkpatrick of McKinney, one of the most prominent Southern nursery men and a writer of horticulture, attended the American Nursery Men's Association at Milwaukee this week. Mr. Kirkpatrick is a former president of the association.

Rufus Williams of Avondale, Tex., fell under a Denver train and his right leg was cut off and his left foot badly crushed. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Fort Worth, and there is some hopes for his recovery.

The State Textbook Board is to meet again on July 1 to consider further reports from Assistant Attorney General Lightfoot with reference to the relationship of certain successful bidders in Texas to the book trust said to have been uncovered.

The dirt has been broken to erect the girls' dormitory of the John Tarleton College. The contract price for the building when completed is \$10,000. The building is to be a brick veneered, and the Thurber brick will be used.

Hardy Oil company well No. 1 came in Saturday at 5 p. m., at Markham, gushing three thousand barrels per day. Great excitement prevails. All prominent oil men on the ground and preparations are being made to develop the field.

**FIVE MONTHS IN HOSPITAL**

Discharged Because Doctors Could Not Cure.

Levi P. Brockway, S. Second Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "After lying for five months in a hospital I was discharged as incurable, and given only six months to live. My heart was affected, I had smothering spells and sometimes fell unconscious. I got so I couldn't use my arms, my eyesight was impaired and the kidney secretions were badly disordered. I was completely worn out and discouraged when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, but they went right to the cause of the trouble and did their work well. I have been feeling well ever since."



Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

**Curious Indian Custom.**

The following curious custom is recorded by J. Owen Dorsey in his monograph on the sociology of the Omaha Indians:

"In the spring when the grass comes up there is a council or tribal assembly held to which a feast is given by the head of the Hanga geno. After they decide that planting time has come and at command of the Hanga man a crier is sent through the villages. He wears a robe with hair outside and cries as he goes. 'They do, indeed, say that you will dig the ground! Hallo! He carries sacred corn, which has been shelled and to each household he gives two or three grains, which are mixed with the seed corn of the household.' After this it is lawful for the people to dig up the soil and plant their crops."

**They Should.**

"My honest conviction, based upon my own experience and that of my friends, is that 'Hunt's Cure' will cure a larger per cent of skin troubles, especially of an itching variety, than any other remedy. Certainly those afflicted with any form of itch should try it."

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**A Willing Tool.**

"Since young Jim De Peyster, who belongs to one of our best families, lost his money, he has gone into the social burglary business."

"Social burglary?"

"Yes; he chaperons rich parvenus."

"How is that burglary?"

"He helps them to break into society with a Jimmy."

**In a Pinch, Use ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.**

A powder. It cures painful, smarting, nervous feet and ingrowing nails. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Makes new shoes easy. A certain cure for sweating feet. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Accept no substitute. Trial package, FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

**Looking Forward.**

"Don't you get tired of being referred to as the representative of mediocrity?"

"Sure, I do," answered Ananias. "I'd rather be something profitable, such as a malefactor of great wealth."

Washington Star.

**Important to Mothers.**

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**Entirely Sufficient.**

First Boy—I'm going to study French this summer.

Second Boy—Well, I can speak two languages now.

First Boy—What are they?

Second Boy—English and football.

My splendid 95,000 acre tract near San Antonio, Texas, is almost all sold. In farms with town lots, good water, fine soil, from 10 to 640 acres, and 2 town lots for \$210 payable \$10 monthly. Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas.

**No Need for it.**

Citizen (curiously)—Can women where you come from make their will? Stranger (sadly)—They don't have to. They've got it ready made.

Hicks' Capidine Cures Headache, Whether from colds, heat, stomach or nervous troubles. No Acetanilid or dangerous drugs. It's liquid and acts immediately. Trial bottle 10c. Regular 25c and 50c at all druggists.

Usually the man who believes in paying as he goes stays at home.

**How Things Went.**

Elliott H. Peabody is one of the best-known men at the Worcester county courthouse. At one time he and a few others were interested in a business deal which they expected to put through on a certain day. He was unable to be there, so the next day telephoned to Mr. H— for particulars. A lady answered the phone, and said that Mr. H— was not at home. Mr. Peabody, supposing it to be Mrs. H—, said: "Well, perhaps you can tell me what I want to know. I only wanted to inquire how things went last night."

The lady, in a cheerful, reassuring tone, said: "Oh, nicely! Mrs. H— is doing fine, and the baby weighs six and a half pounds. I'm the nurse."—Lippincott's.

**"Makes It Go Way."**

We simply can't do without it. We are not going to try. When Bobby stubs or cuts his toe, it's "Ma, where's the Lightning Oil?" When Lizzie burns her hand or arm, it's "Where's the Lightning Oil?" When little Dick's been playing with a humble bee, it's "Where's the Lightning Oil?" The echo of all our afflictions is "Where's the Lightning Oil?" It's the balm that makes the pain go away. Sincerely yours, P. CASSIDY, Montevallo, Ala.

**Using the Telephone.**

It was the first time she had ever used a telephone and the drug clerk detected the fact by the nervous way in which she held the receiver.

"Dear me," she exclaimed, timidly, "why are all those sieve-like holes in the mouthpiece?"

"They are there for a purpose," replied the drug clerk, solemnly.

"What purpose?"

"Why, so you can strain your voice."

And she was so embarrassed she forgot the number she was to call up.

**\$100 Reward, \$100.**

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Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**External Evidence.**

Little Clarence had the experience for the first time of taking his bath in a cold room with water not at the usual temperature. His mamma left him for a moment, while he looked aghast at the "goose flesh" that appeared.

"Hurry up, mamma," he called. "I'm turning into a chicken."—Harper's Weekly.

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"State your case."

"The blacksmith is a rascal, while the banker is about as honest as the day is long!"—Exchange.

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The life of a woman can be divided into three epochs: in the first she dreams of love, in the second she experiences it, in the third she regrets it.—Saint-Prospere.

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**A Drawback.**

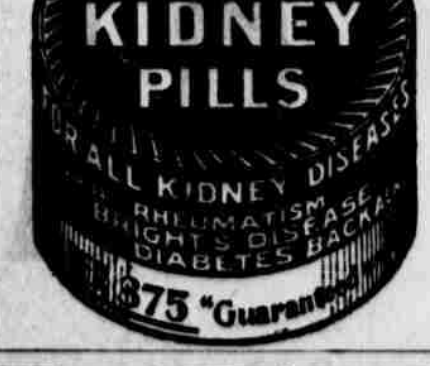
The great trouble, with some men is that they can have self-respect without half trying.

For Any Disease or Injury to the eye, use PETTIT'S EYE SALVE, absolutely harmless, acts quickly. 25c. All druggists or Howard Bros., Buffalo, N. Y.

Many a married woman's idea of a stylish hat is one that costs more than her husband can afford to pay.

You always get full value in Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

A dumb waiter out of order is an unspeakable nuisance.



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**Habitual  
Constipation**

May be permanently overcome by proper personal efforts with the assistance of the one truly beneficial laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, which enables one to form regular habits daily so that assistance to nature may be gradually dispensed with when no longer needed as the best of remedies, when required, are to assist nature and not to supplant the natural functions, which must depend ultimately upon proper nourishment, proper efforts, and right living generally. To get its beneficial effects, always buy the genuine

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna  
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SOLD BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS  
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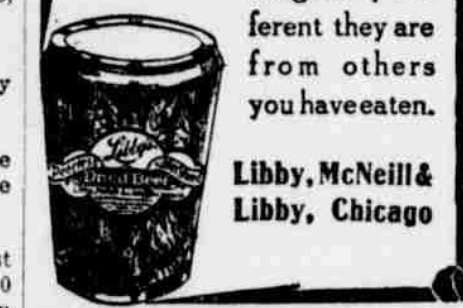
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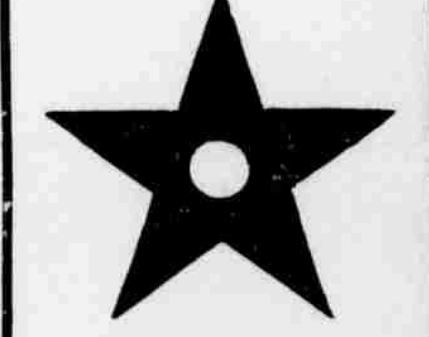


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There's a reason for this enormous and constantly increasing number of STAR chewers, and it's just this—

Star Plug has always been manufactured with one sole object in view—to give chewers the best chew of tobacco it is possible to produce, yet to sell this STAR chew at a moderate price.



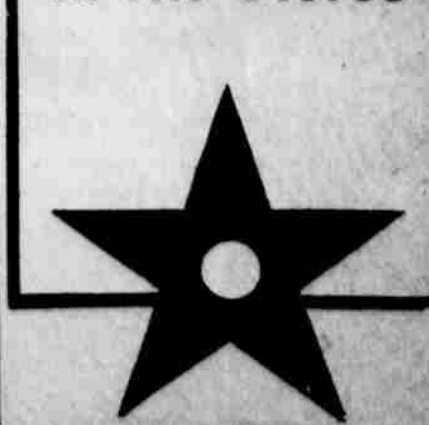
More chewers are learning every day that STAR, considered from the standpoint of true merit, has no competitor, and is the one best chew.

For a long time there was a prejudice (which probably still exists) among certain chewers against the use of what is generally termed "Navy Tobacco," because of the impression that all tobacco of that character is too sweet.

It is true that some brands of tobacco, similar in appearance to STAR, are too sweet to please chewers accustomed to the use of tobacco manufactured in thin plugs, but we know that STAR is right in every way.

You use tobacco for the pleasure it gives—**increase your pleasure by chewing STAR!**

**In All Stores**





# Another SLAUGHTER Sale

## 10 DAYS ONLY

Begins Friday June 12th.  
Closes Tuesday June 23rd.

### WHITE GOODS.

We offer a complete line of Persian Lawns, Dotted Swiss, English Plaids, Organdies, India Linons. All go at prices that should move them out in a day.

Owing to the lateness of the season when our spring stock arrived, we were not prepared for the early buyers, but we are now full up on all new and up-to-date goods.

We now throw our entire stock of goods on the counter for the public to feast on for 10 days.

Our bankrupt sale of the Egger stock was a success far beyond our expectations, and, having restocked our store with goods of the latest styles, we propose now to give the people of Haskell county another opportunity to supply their wants with the newest and best spring goods at Slaughter prices.

10 Days, Wednesday June 12 To Tuesday June 23. 10 Days

## REMEMBER

D. Egger & Son's old stand,  
West Side of Square.

### SHIRTS.

We have a complete line of Men's Shirts, and Underwear, Hosiery, Belts, Ties, Gloves, Hats, Collars, Fancy Vests all going in this big Slaughter Sale.

### LADIES' SKIRTS AND WAISTS.

\$1.25 Ladies' Waists	Slaughter price 98c
1.50	1.25
2.50	1.87

Ladies' Gloves, Hand-bags, Combs, Collars, Etc., included in this sale at Slaughter prices.

### LACE CURTAINS.

Will allow 25 per cent off on all Lace Curtains. Come early and secure choice.

### CLOTHING.

We have clothing for Men and Boys, and all will go in this Sale at almost your own price. If you need anything in this line you should not neglect this opportunity to get it at bottom prices. Come early.

### SHOES and OXFORDS.

Our prices are always low but when we put the knife into prices it means something.

Several dozen Queen Quality shoes and Oxfords must be closed out, and we will do it this way:

Queen Quality Oxfords worth \$3.50	Slaughter price \$2.50
Queen Quality Oxfords worth 3.00	Slaughter price 2.25
Queen Quality Oxfords worth 2.50	Slaughter price 1.85

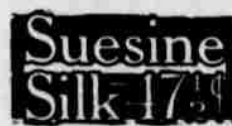
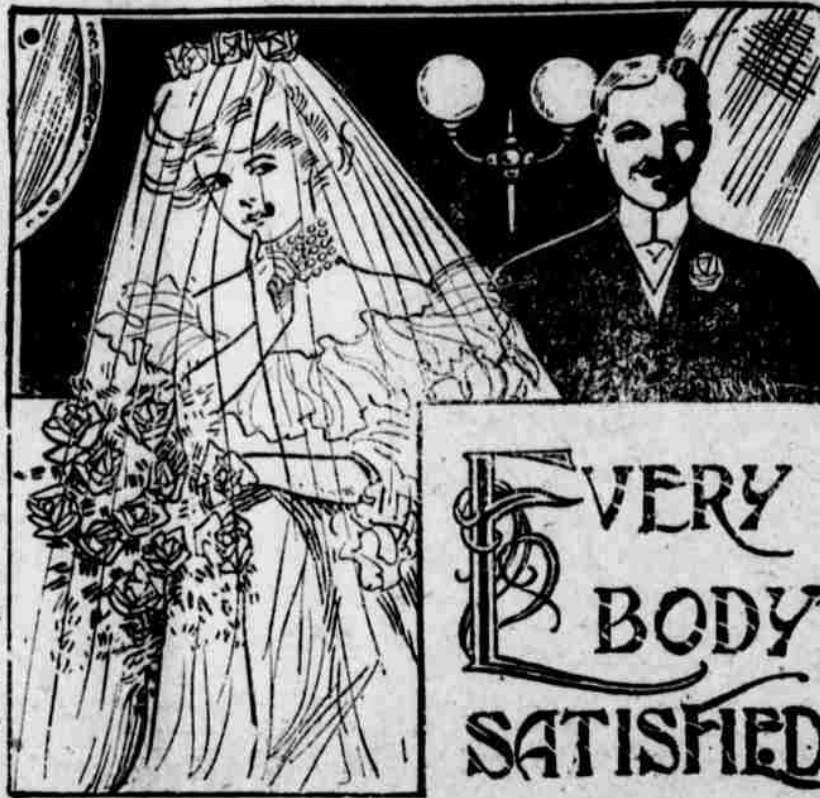
Our Celebrated Irving Drew Oxfords in Patents and Tans will be marked down also.

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### UNIVERSAL APPROVAL

Is what we aim to earn. We do not want the smallest purchaser to have the slightest ground to complain. That's why our DRY GOODS will always be found dependable in quality no matter how low the price. We want you to come here for your DRY GOODS. We have no doubt of your further visits if you will give this store a CHANCE to prove it's SUPERIORITY.



### SILKS.

We have all the shades in the popular Suesine Silks, a fabric that washes and still looks well. You can have it as long as at lasts at - - - - 40 cts. Black Grograin Silks will go at - - - - 45 cts. Black Taffeta worth \$1.00. Slaughter price, 87 cts. Silk worth 1.50 Slaughter price \$1.20 Black and Blue Mohair 42 in. worth 1.00 price 87c



### LAWNS AND GINGHAMS.

10 yds. Lawn worth 75c,	Slaughter price 45c
12 1-2c Gingham,	11c
15c Gingham,	12 1-2c

All piece goods will be sold at Slaughter Prices, Everything will be turned loose during this Sale.

### STAPLES.

Pepperell 10-4 Bleached Sheeting,	Slaughter price 26c
9-4	24c
We offer good Unbleached	at 23c
Farmer's choice 4-4 Bleached Domestic	Slaughter price 8c
Good as Gold Bleached Domestic	Slaughter price 8 1-3c
Fine Cambrics Slaughtered	at 9c
Calicoes will go	at 4 1-2 to 5c

### HOSIERY.

75 Dozen Half Hose worth 10 to 15c a pair this slaughter sale price for 12 pairs in box 85c or 3 pairs for 25c. We will also cut prices way down on ladies' and children's hose. Come, see for yourself.

### HOW DOES

### THIS SOUND.

Our new 40 and 48 in. nets in ecru and white will go at the following:

48 inch, worth \$1.25	sale price 75c
40 - - - 75c	48c
36 - - - 50c	36c

### LACES AND

### EMBROIDERIES.

Our Embroideries are certainly ahead of anything ever shown in Haskell, and our Flouncings and Insertions the finest.

We offer a special lot Cambric Embroideries all widths, worth 10, 12 1-2, 15, 20, 25, and 35c per yard, at Slaughter prices of 7 1-2, 8 1-3, 10, 12 1-2, 15 and 18c. You can not afford to miss this.

\$1.00 Embroideries go at	62 1-2c
75c	55c
65	48c
50	39c

Valcennes Laces worth 8 to 15c go at only 5c

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# KING'S CASH STORE

HASKELL, - - TEXAS.