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Boston is to have a flying machine contest. It calls it competitive aeronautics.

The Raines bill cannot be wholly bad. It has driven a professional politician to suicide.

It would be pleasanter living in the world if there were not so many fools in it, but more difficult to make a living.

The Cubans will have to admit that this country has displayed the utmost liberality toward them in the matter of rhetoric.

A heresy trial was finished in one day in New Haven on Wednesday. The judges must have had experience as Yale rushers.

Scientists may deny the existence of the equinoctial storm, but they must admit that there is a very heavy demand for umbrellas every spring and fall.

At the Youngstown (Ohio) ministers' banquet the brethren refused to eat Spanish onions. It was a strong grandstand play and Alphonse XIII. may well tremble in his crib.

The French will probably allow the English to become as much entangled in the Sudan as they please, contenting themselves with giving sympathy and selling arms to the Arabs.

Unrestricted immigration is said to be a menace to this country. The least we can do in that case is to bar out the ready-made politicians and try to manufacture our own exclusively.

The largest clock factory in Connecticut will run only four days in the week hereafter. When a clock factory runs behind in this way it indicates that the business pendulum needs shortening up.

With the president frowning on bicycling for women, and Senator Hill complaining of the deleterious effect of pink teas, the way of society women in Washington seems to be beset with thorns.

Chicago thieves stole a model the other night which was to demonstrate the theory of perpetual motion. If they don't run better than the model the chances of escaping punishment are against them.

Congressman William Treloar, the music-teacher member of congress from Missouri, has been renominated. Missouri evidently intends to give him another chance to discover harmony in the national legislature.

If Mark Twain is to lecture in Africa it will be necessary for him to have a few negro melodies with which to set off his entertainment. "The Swanee River," rendered along the Congo, would fill the benches.

Miss Kittie Smith of St. Paul has filed a claim against the estate of Alfred J. Hill, who died last June. Miss Smith was the fiancée of Hill, and bases her claims on that fact, demanding \$200 for expenses incurred in preparation for marriage, \$100 for resigning her position before marriage, and \$2,000 said to have been promised her by Hill in consideration of the marriage. Of course Kittie will get all she asks.

Rev. Jesse Roseberry, who took a drink from a flask while attending a funeral on a cold day at Central City, W. Va., and was arrested and locked up by the town marshal, has brought suit against the corporation for \$10,000 damages. He was held till the mayor came, when the minister was fined \$10, notwithstanding the fact that he had followed the doctor's instruction. Meanwhile the mourners were waiting for the pastor in the cemetery, and were well-nigh frozen when he arrived. It is evidently a very cold day in Central City when the marshal and the mayor get left.

The same day that Theodore Woodruff was to lead pretty Miss Ward of La Fayette, Ind., to the altar, she asked him if he wouldn't just run around to the dress maker's and get her wedding dress and leave it at the house. Theodore was obedient, but when he called for the garment he was told that it was not quite done, "and wouldn't he kindly wait a few moments?" At this he flew into a passion and came near ending the life of the innocent yet procrustean dressmaker. Instead of leading Miss Ward to the altar he was led to the jail, and as soon as the young lady heard what had happened she declared that Theodore would not make a model husband, and at once broke the engagement. Evidently Theodore knew little about the ways of dressmakers.

The resolution of the Wisconsin National Guard association against permitting the use of the American flag for political or partisan purposes will fill with gloom the bosom of the spell-binder who has been expecting to recall the nation's glories as soon as the nominations can be made.

Herman Rosendautcher, of Elgin, Ill., had an inquiring maid, looked into the muzzle of a gun to see if it was loaded. It was. Both eyebrows and a big patch of skin are now missing, but Herman, thank heaven, is still with us.

DIVIDED THEY STAND

TWO DEMOCRATIC PARTIES IN TEXAS FROM NOW ON.

Fight to the Finish Was the Conclusion Arrived at by the Sound Money Followers in Convention—Five Hundred Delegates in the Hall.

Dallas, Tex., April 22.—In the language of Julius Caesar when he crossed the Rubicon, "the die is cast," and there are now two Democratic parties in Texas. In other words, the fight is on, the sound currency advocates are booted and spurred and if the fray is not fast and furious from this time on it will not be their fault. No man who witnessed their deliberations yesterday can impugn their honesty, doubt their earnestness or think for a moment that their determination to win or die in the last ditch is not thoroughly imbedded in their hearts and consciences.

The convention was composed of business men and laborers—the professional men and the wool-hat boys—all there for a common purpose, to prevent the detachment of the country's commerce and preserve the integrity of the state Democracy. Whether they succeed in their efforts or not, they have plainly enlisted for their war, and there can be no back-down now. It is a case of sink or swim—the survival of the fittest.

And there is the utmost harmony in the ranks of the sound money cohorts. It is true that they spent several hours warring among themselves as to the methods to be employed, but in the end the leaders were close together again, each pledging their best efforts to the work of revolution which has been inaugurated to the end that it may reach a successful termination. The differences were over the majority and minority reports of the committee on resolutions. The former made no provision for the straight-out organization of a Democratic party at Austin in June, but simply proposed to send delegates to Chicago and elect presidential electors.

The latter, which was adopted by an overwhelming majority, proposed to reorganize the party in toto, call a nominating convention to place a straight ticket in the field for state offices and put sound money candidates in the field for congress in each of the districts. There was argument on both sides and it was ably abduced, but when Chairman Hardy and the other advocates of the majority report saw that they were in the minority they surrendered gracefully. Judge Hardy eloquently announced that he proposed to take the stump himself and said that Cone Johnson had pledged himself to do likewise. Then came voices from all over the hall until some thirty or forty had promised to do the same thing—men like Clark, Waits, Peter Smith, Mack, Fly and so on down the line, dedicating themselves to the work in hand. It was a veritable love feast, and one in which all participated. There was no longer the slightest sign of the cloud of dissension which had recently hovered over the conference. It has been swept away by the fires of patriotism, which were burning brightly.

Altogether it was a great convention and one which will be remembered. There was scarcely a time during the day when some 400 or 500 delegates were not in the hall. But the conference is now a matter of history and it would be hard to convince those that participated in it that the movement will not grow to large proportions—that the day's labor will not bring forth good fruit. It would have made the hearts of Cleveland and Carlisle beat with pride could they have heard the eloquent eulogies pronounced upon them and witnessed the enthusiasm with which they were received by the entire convention.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 22.—It will be remembered that the forty-eighth district court and grand jury indicted Sheriff E. A. Eules, charging that he had willfully and negligently permitted Martin McGrath, under conviction for murder, with a nine years' sentence, to escape from jail. He was tried in the seventeenth district court yesterday, and at 7 o'clock yesterday evening, the jury, being out less than ten minutes, brought in a verdict of acquittal. Sheriff Eules and his friends are highly elated over his complete and prompt vindication.

Hillsboro, Tex., April 22.—Mayor-elect Matthews and the new aldermen were inducted into office to-night. Some friends of Mayor Sorrells at the city council last night presented him with a fine gold-headed cane as a token of their appreciation of his services as mayor. The presentation speech was delivered by Hon. J. T. Williams.

Farmers' Branch, Tex., April 22.—Preparations are being made for the picnic next Saturday, to be held under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. Candidates will be on hand in force.

Terrell, Tex., April 22.—A clock yesterday morning in the insane asylum, Nath made, got into an enclosure, another inmate, could be separated from him to death. Justice held an inquest over Dillon, and his sentence with the show an epileptic and him a long time. Terrell.

Important to Cattlemen.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 21.—The trial of the case of A. P. Bush vs. Western Union Beef Company in the United States circuit court for the western district of Texas, at El Paso, mention of which was made some days ago from this point, has attracted more attention among the cattlemen of the state than any litigation occurring in recent times. On the return of I. H. Burney and S. H. Cowan, the attorneys for Mr. Bush and the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, it was obtained from them the following facts touching the result of the trial: The plaintiff rested his case upon the proposition that the defendant had by driving two herds of cattle through the plaintiff's pasture, in Howard and Borden counties, communicated to his cattle the Texas fever, from which many of them died. This occurred in the summer of 1893, and the season being bad and the rain getting scarce, natural causes combined with the fever produced a much larger mortality than otherwise would have resulted.

While the plaintiff only recovered a small amount for such cattle only as died from the immediate effects of the first outbreak of the disease, the legal aspects of the case, so far as concerns the public is not effected by the matter.

The law of the case was established in that the plaintiff was entitled to recover, if the defendant drove its herd of cattle through the plaintiff's pasture and communicated Texas fever to the plaintiff's cattle, and at that time knew or had notice of the fact that such a result was liable to occur, and this, regardless of whether the defendant was violating any law or committing any trespass by driving said herd of cattle through the plaintiff's pasture.

It was also settled that the plaintiff after discovering that his cattle had become infected was bound to use ordinary care to prevent or lessen the injuries, resulting or about to result, from such fever infection. The two main issues in the case, leaving out the question of the amount of plaintiff's damage was: 1. Will cattle from Southern Texas, from points south of the quarantine line communicate Texas fever to cattle north and west of that line? 2. Did the defendant company have notice that they were liable to communicate said disease?

G. A. R. Encampment.

Dallas, Tex., April 21.—The eleventh annual encampment of the Texas department of the Grand Army of the Republic begins here to-day. The old veterans who fought with Grant or rode with Sheridan began to arrive last night, and many more are expected to-day. For weeks preparations for their entertainment have been going on, and the welcome each visitor will receive is that Dallas extends to all her guests. The members of the Grand Army will meet under skies once hostile, now smiling upon all alike, and march in the same column with men they once viewed across bayonets that were kept ready for use.

Both Jobs O. K.

Terrell, Tex., April 21.—C. W. Childress, steward and bookkeeper for the north Texas insane asylum, was recently elected a member of the Terrell school board and the question was raised under the statute governing such cases as to whether or not he could hold both offices—steward and school trustee—at one and the same time. Mr. Childress asked the advice of Attorney General Crane on the subject, and this morning he got a telegram from Mr. Crane saying in his opinion he (Childress) could hold both positions.

Convicts at Large.

Cleburne, Tex., April 21.—Six convicts at the poor farm escaped yesterday afternoon. They overpowered the guard, Mr. McClure, took his gun away from him, handcuffed him to a crazy man and then handcuffed the crazy man to a cultivator and left for parts unknown. Deputy Sheriff Pollard and Superintendent Teague are out after them with bloodhounds.

Fatal Fall.

Ladonia, Tex., April 21.—Mr. E. Stafford, a pioneer of this section, aged 68 years, was thrown from his horse Saturday evening and sustained injuries from which he died Sunday morning. He leaves a wife and four children. Mrs. Herbert Hammond of Dallas, Mrs. J. W. St. Clair of Canyon City, Mrs. W. T. Bogan and Mrs. Cal T. Scott of Ladonia.

Shooting Bee.

Terrell, Tex., April 21.—Frank Johnson, colored, had a difficulty with Jack Payne, also colored. No damage was done except one bullet passed through Payne's coat. Deputy D. Laroe arrested Johnson and carried him before Recorder Crumbaugh, where he waived examination and his bond was fixed at \$1000.

Spain seems to be willing to give Cuba reform laws, but not right away. Emperor William has decided to visit Coves, having accepted Queen Victoria's invitation.

Stabbing Affray.

Denton, Tex., April 21.—Will Clayburn, a young man living four miles west of Shiloh, was seriously stabbed by another young man yesterday evening. One stab went in near the shoulder blade and the other penetrated the lungs.

Cutting Affray.

Gresham, Tex., April 21.—In an altercation here Sunday night between Garrett Burrow and Gordon Duesett the latter was seriously injured fatally but in serious danger. Formerly, Burrow was a member of the Grand Army.

Attempted to Wreck a Train.

Paris, Tex., April 20.—The cannon ball on the Texas and Pacific narrowly escaped being wrecked at a point two miles east of Bagwell Saturday night. Just as the train rounded a curve, traveling at a high rate of speed, the engineer noticed an obstruction upon the track. The air was quickly applied and the engine reversed, coming to a dead stop within a few inches of a large cross tie, which had been placed across the track. This is the third time that an attempt has been made to wreck this train at the point named lately.

The train was heavily loaded with Epworth leaguers and was behind time, and had it not been for the remarkable presence of mind of the engineer doubtless a disastrous wreck would have occurred with heavy loss of life.

Hon. J. G. Dudley was a passenger on the train, returning from Clarksville, where he had made his opening speech in his congressional campaign.

Killed by a Train.

Denton, Tex., April 20.—An unknown negro was run over in the yards here yesterday morning by a Missouri, Kansas and Texas freight train and instantly killed. The body was ground into pieces, which were scattered along the track for a distance of about 250 feet. The negro was attempting to get on the bumpers between two cars while the train was moving at a rapid rate. He missed his footing and fell. Thirteen cars passed over his body. The negro had a companion, but had been with him only since yesterday and knew neither his name nor his place of residence. The deceased was about 25 years of age, heavy set and dressed in dark colored suit of clothes. Old railroad men say that the body was cut up worse than any body they had ever seen.

Charged With Murder.

Galveston, Tex., April 20.—A charge of murder is lodged at the police station against Zach Day, a young colored porter, arising out of a peculiar circumstance. Last Tuesday night Day and another colored man named George Evans became involved in trouble over a game of cards and both were arrested to answer the charge of fighting. At the hearing in the recorder's court the next day it appeared that Evans was the aggressor and a fine of \$10 and costs was assessed against him while Day was discharged. It appears that in the course of the combat Day stuck a knife into the muscular part of Evans' left arm, just below the shoulder. This morning Evans died from the blood poisoning arising from the wound. Day was arrested charged with murder.

Receiver Appointed.

Paris, Tex., April 20.—W. L. Wright of Palestine was appointed receiver for the Palestine water works Saturday by Judge David E. Bryant in the federal court for the eastern district of Texas, at the instance of the bondholders of said corporation. The petition was in effect that several thousand dollars worth of the bonds had become forfeited and that the city was threatening to cancel the franchise unless some needed repairs were made immediately. The receiver was also granted leave to make the necessary repairs demanded by the city.

Accidentally Shot.

New Boston, Tex., April 20.—Saturday evening a son of Handy Threadgill was found not far from home dead with a bullet hole through his body with his father's pistol in his hand. It is supposed that while fooling with the gun it was discharged. His clothing was half burned from the body and still burning when found.

Coach Turned Over.

El Paso, Tex., April 20.—As the Mexican Central passenger train from the City of Mexico was entering the Juarez depot yesterday morning a switch slipped, throwing one of the sleepers on to a sidetrack and turning over a first-class coach full of passengers. A number of passengers were bruised, but no one seriously hurt.

Confederate Veterans.

Mexia, Tex., April 20.—Joe Johnston camp, Confederate veterans, met Saturday afternoon and elected delegates to the Dallas state reunion, also delegates to the reunion at Richmond. Arrangements were made for a picnic on May 1. The annual reunion will be held July 21, 22 and 23.

Shot in the Back.

Dodd City, Tex., April 20.—Saturday night, at the home of W. P. Scott, four miles north of here, a difficulty arose during which Ed Shoemaker received two shots from a 38 caliber pistol, one ball taking effect in the back and the other in his hip. Shoemaker is a boy 19 years old.

Ladies Mixed Up Again.

Greenville, Tex., April 20.—Judge Terhune has instructed the grand jury of Hopkins county to indict the Black Jack ladies who recently destroyed two saloons in that place. It is said that the families of some of the grand jury are affected by this order.

Twenty-two Carloads.

Taylor, Tex., April 20.—Mr. T. Graham, a prominent cattlemen of Ringgold, during the week has bought and shipped to Ringgold twenty-two cars, principally cows and yearlings, which were concentrated at Taylor.

Attachments.

Laredo, Tex., April 20.—The following attachments have been levied upon the property of Davis, Caden & Co. in this city to satisfy creditors: National bank, \$5000; Milmo & Co., \$1000.

Knights of Pythias.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 19.—Past Grand Chancellor W. A. Abey of the Knights of Pythias of Texas, who is also chairman of the committee on state of the order, speaking of the coming grand lodge meeting at Waco says:

"The approaching convention of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias, which will begin at Waco next Tuesday, is one of unusual importance to the members of the order in Texas for several reasons. It will be one of the very few which has been granted by the presence of the supreme chancellor, the head of the order universal, Hon. Walter B. Ritchie of Lima, O., the present supreme chancellor, will pass through here Monday, coming from Denver to go to Waco for the twenty-third annual convention of the grand lodge of Texas. Another important fact is that the past year the order has been under an entirely new system of jurisprudence and the reports on the operations of the new laws will be of universal interest. There will be two or three interesting and very intricate questions growing out of appeals that will engage the attention of the grand lodge. At Waco will be held on the evening of April 21 a school of instruction, a district meeting as it is technically called, and the district this time embraces all of the state. At these meetings topics of interest to the order are debated and instructions given in the various and many details given of lodge work, the aim being to secure accuracy and uniformity in the workings of the several subordinate lodges."

Important Business.

Galveston, Tex., April 18.—The Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting last night, directed its secretary to correspond with the Texas representatives in congress and ask them to favor the passage of the joint resolution for a national building and a national exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi and International exposition in Omaha in 1898. It also endorsed the movement for the National Association of Manufacturers and the National Board of Trade for the establishment of a governmental department of commerce and manufacturers with a secretary as a member of the cabinet. It endorsed also the position of the New York Board of Trade, asking congress to cease the discussion of international questions on the ground that it would relieve the prevailing depression.

Sound Money.

Cleburne, Tex., April 18.—The sound money mass meeting called by Chairman W. P. Alexander convened here Thursday, a very respectable crowd being present.

In calling the meeting to order Dr. Alexander, among other things, said: "I regard this one of the most important questions before the American people to-day. It is a business question in which every man of every calling is interested. It is a question as to money he works for. It is a question that affects the peace and happiness of the home, and I want to see a strong fight made for the maintenance of an honest money."

Resolutions were adopted and 100 delegates were appointed to the Dallas convention.

Unknown Epileptic Boy.

Brenham, Tex., April 18.—Yesterday morning a small red-headed boy, apparently 10 or 12 years old, made his appearance on the streets. His actions attracted attention, and several made inquiries of him as to who he was. He gave several names. He is evidently subject to epilepsy, for he had several hard fits. Finally several people very kindly took charge of him and gave him something to eat and a place to sleep.

Didn't Go.

Taylor, Tex., April 18.—A few minutes past 10 o'clock Thursday night, as James G. Threadmill was returning to his home he was held up at the corner of Third and Washburne streets by a foot pad with an ugly looking revolver. Threadmill was also loaded with a Colt's 45, and upon the commands to "hands up," the tramp was covered, who after seeing that his play meant fight, escaped in the darkness.

Texas Veterans Parade.

Galveston, Tex., April 18.—The committee of arrangements for the reception of the veterans of the war of Texas independence is sparing no efforts to insure the success of both the reception and the grand parade that will be one of its prominent features. Recently it has been at work securing the consent of business men to close up their stores and offices during the parade, with gratifying success.

Another Man With Glanders.

Nacogdoches, Tex., April 18.—Since the death of Mr. Adams at Michell, from glanders, a reliable report has come that another man has been stricken with the awful disease. A number of glandered horses and mules have been condemned and shot in this county. The committee who condemned them assessed them at no value.

Cupid Busy at Denton.

Denton, Tex., April 18.—The matrimonial market is on a boom, four couples having been married since yesterday.

A Long Sentence.

Houston, Tex., April 18.—Abe Briscoe, charged with killing Francis Payne, was tried yesterday. The jury returned a verdict of ten years in the pen, which, with the twenty-five years given him yesterday for killing William Payne, makes thirty-five total.

Killed Near Dallas.

Yelando, Tex., April 18.—A telegram reached here Thursday stating that Mr. T. B. ...

A Wonderful Cave.

A cave alleged to rival in extent and grandeur the great Mammoth cave has been discovered in Edmonson county, Ky., in which Mammoth cave is situated. The newspapers of that region tell many stories of the remarkable character of the new cave. It was discovered by a traveling photographer of Bowling Green several weeks ago. He stumbled across an opening in the rocks and following it downward 60 feet found himself in an immense cave. He got others to accompany him in an exploration of the cave, and it is alleged that more than sixty miles of subterranean avenues have been explored. It is said that a company has been formed to exploit the cave; that it will be lighted with electricity, and that an electric railway will be built to its mouth from Cave City.

The Texas Midland railroad is putting in a Y at Ennis, Tex., so as to turn their engines without having to run to Garrett every day, as they do now. When that is done they will run but one train a week to Garrett. They have to do that much on account of their charter obligations.

Guess He is Crazy.

Prof. George Davidson of San Francisco, is organizing an expedition to locate the "magnetic pole," which is supposed to be somewhere in the northern part of British America.

"Pardoned."

Ex-Queen Lil has been "pardoned," but she is forbidden to leave the island of Oahu without President Dole's consent.

She Likes Us.

Queen Mamea, the ruler of the Society Islands, has made application to have her kingdom admitted as one of the United States. She has been having serious trouble with the French.

A Regret.

We regret that the Bible doesn't go more into the detail of the life of Methuselah; we should like to know if he lived down any of his mistakes.

May Hoycott Them.

It is noted that the Olympic games at Athens open on Sunday, and that they are likely to be banned by the Sabbatarians.

If a man remains poor it is because he fails to take advantage of fools.

Of course one man is as good as another, for the constitution says so.

Fair and Fruitful.

As the West is, it is often malarious. But it is pleasant to know that a competent safeguard in the shape of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters exists, which absolutely nullifies the poison of malaria. Western bound emigrants should bear this in mind. Nor should it be forgotten, the Bitters is a sterling remedy for dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation, kidney and nervous complaints and rheumatism.

A man "knows" a great many men, but he cannot call half the names.

PITS—All fits stopped freely by **Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer**. No fits after 10 days use. **Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer**. Treats all fits, epilepsy, spasms, etc. **Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer**. Treats all fits, epilepsy, spasms, etc.

The grocers become poor to a girl after she is married.

The more one uses **Parker's Hair Tonic** the more its good qualities are revealed in dispelling colds, indigestion, pain and every ailment of weakness.

The new spring girl, as seen in an advance sheet, paints her lips.

Walking would often be a pleasure were it not for the corns. These corns are easily removed with **Underwood's**. See at drug stores.

No girl under twenty should admit that she takes pills.

Spring Medicine

Your blood in Spring is almost certain to be full of impurities—the accumulation of the winter months. Bad ventilation of sleeping rooms, impure air in dwellings, factories and shops, over-eating, heavy, improper foods, failure of the kidneys and liver properly to do extra work thus thrust upon them, are the prime causes of this condition. It is of the utmost importance that you

Purify Your Blood

Now, as when warmer weather comes and the tonic effect of cold bracing air is gone, your weak, thin, impure blood will not furnish necessary strength. That tired feeling, loss of appetite, will open the way for serious disease, ruined health, or breaking out of humors and impurities. To make pure, rich, red blood Hood's Sarsaparilla stands unequalled. Thousands testify to its merits. Millions make it as their Spring Medicine. Get Hood's, because

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood, Lowell, Mass. Are you a sufferer? Get Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills

TOWER'S **FISH BRAND** **WATERPROOF COAT** **THE BEST** **WATERPROOF COAT** **THE BEST**

KEARBY VS. ABBOTT.

THE ELECTION COMMITTEE MET BUT DID NOTHING

In regard to the case of Kearby vs. Abbott, they consider another case entirely. If this is so Spain had better look out.

Washington, April 22.—There was a report in circulation around the capitol yesterday to the effect that Allison, as the leader of the steering committee of the Republicans of the senate, had told Gorman, representing the Democrats, that the Republicans had agreed that there should not be any general legislation at this session.

The correspondent was informed by Gorman that there was no truth in the report. There was a great deal of interest in the report, as there is an earnest desire on the part of many Democrats and Republicans to have a bankrupt bill passed at this session. Mr. Gorman said the Republicans would most probably have a caucus in a day or two, and then the matter would be settled. He thought that while there were some senators who were opposed to a short session, still he believed that congress would adjourn by the 1st of June. The house intends to take up the bankrupt bill in a few days and pass it. In fact, it may be taken up to-day.

Terry, the framer of the Terry bankrupt bill, told the correspondent that he thought that the bill would be sure to go through the house, but he was not so certain about what the senate would do.

There was a meeting of election committee No. 3 of the house yesterday, but nothing was done by it in the matter of settling the contested election case of Kearby vs. Abbott. The committee consumed all its time in the consideration of another contested case.

Spain Had Better Look Out.

Cincinnati, O., April 22.—The special correspondence from Mr. Woodward, dated Havana, April 15, contains an interview with Dr. Jose Manuel Delgado, the American citizen who was shot and hacked and left for dead by Spanish troops on March 4, when they raided the plantation of Dolores, in Mainoa.

Delgado said he was an American citizen, neutral in this contest, attending to his farm. When captured he presented his passport as an American citizen. Gen. Melgueluz answered by striking him three times with his sword. Delgado and his seven plowmen were tied together with a rope, placed in line. A detail of Spanish troops fired at them by command. Maeco that day had fired Dolores plantation, and retired before the Spanish troops. A Spanish captain came to Delgado's house with twenty men and told the doctor and his wife to follow. Delgado showed his passport as an American citizen. The captain said he had nothing to do with the matter, he was obeying orders, but it was his opinion that the worst thing they could do would be to show that they were Americans. Arriving at Gen. Melgueluz's headquarters Delgado said they were neutrals, and then showed their passports. Melgueluz became furious. It was then he struck Delgado, exclaiming: "I will shoot you, just as I would the consul general if he were here." They were, eight of them, taken out and tied together with a rope and placed against a stone wall.

The order was to cut the prisoners down with machetes. In attempting this the rope broke and the soldiers were ordered to fire. At the first volley Delgado fell forward, feigning death. The second volley sent a bullet into his thigh. All the others except one were killed. The doctor was left for dead, and lost his consciousness. When he recovered he found himself in his dwelling. There his old father took care of him. Shortly afterward Spanish soldiers came searching for the two that had escaped. Delgado's father hid him in a cane field, exposed to the inclement weather. Meantime the old father communicated with Consul General Williams and obtained a safe conduct to Havana, where Delgado now lies under the protection of the United States.

Dr. Delgado graduated at Columbia college, New York, and at a medical college in that city. He was in New York from 1866 to 1877, when he left to take charge of Dolores plantation, in Cuba.

Washington, April 22.—At the opening of the session of the house yesterday Mr. Henderson (Rep.) of Iowa asked unanimous consent that the bankrupt bill which he gave notice he would bring up yesterday, be considered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

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Montgomery Murder.

Montgomery, Ala., April 22.—Five hundred Democrats here to attend the Democratic state convention were horrified by a tragedy at the depot. The platform was crowded at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning when Bob Kennedy, sheriff of Dallas county, Alabama, stepped out with a double-barreled shotgun and opened fire on two brothers, Percy and Mardis Wood, both citizens of Selma. When the brothers saw Kennedy they ran for places of safety, but before this could be reached Kennedy shot Percy through the back, inflicting a fatal wound.

Mardis Wood drew his pistol and fired at Kennedy five times, without hitting him. Kennedy reloaded his gun twice, firing in all six shots at Mardis Wood, shattering his right shoulder and breaking his left arm.

The trouble grew out of relations said to have existed between Mardis Wood and the wife of Kennedy, all the parties being residents of Selma, Ala. Wood came here yesterday morning to attend the meeting of the Democratic executive committee, of which he is a member. Kennedy, it is said, learned that Wood was here and came over from Selma to kill him.

Mardis Wood has been for twenty years a prominent figure in politics, and two years ago was the nominee of the Democratic party in the fourth district for congress, but withdrew before the election, and Gaston Robbins, recently unseated, took his place. Kennedy is in jail here.

Indian Appropriation Bill.

Washington, April 22.—The senate spent the day on the Indian appropriation bill, but did not complete it. The sectarian school question was taken up late in the day and brought out a limited debate. Senators Gallinger, Thurston and Teller opposing and Senators Gray and Pettigrew supporting the amendment offered by Mr. Cockrell, extending for two years the time for the entire abandonment of sectarian Indian schools. Final action on the question was not reached. Most of the day was given to the contest against legal claims in connection with the western Cherokee settlement, and the claims were finally agreed to.

In the senate yesterday a bill was passed granting the abandoned Fort Marcy military reservation, New Mexico, to the American Invalid Aid society, for the purpose of establishing a sanitarium for the treatment of pulmonary diseases. It was at first intended to establish the sanitarium at Fort Stanton, but Fort Marcy was found to be more accessible.

Cubans are Fleeing.

New York, April 22.—Through special correspondents news of important executions in San Domingo has just reached the United States. The minister of war, Gen. Ramon Castillo, and Jose Estay, governor of the province of Macoris, were executed at Macoris on March 28 by order of Ulysses Heureaux, president of San Domingo. The governor of San Domingo, Gen. Picardo, boarded the steamer Presidente with 150 soldiers, went to Macoris and at 5 o'clock in the morning of the day mentioned had the officials shot. About 7000 Cubans have fled from their native island to San Domingo during the last six months.

Glass Factories Close.

Muncie, Ind., April 22.—The executive committee of the National Window Glass Manufacturers' association held a secret conference in this city Monday afternoon, and the session was continued yesterday. The prospects are that all of the window glass factories in the United States will be closed May 1, instead of May 25, the day decided upon a few days ago, which will take another month's salary from the 20,000 employees.

Wholesale Poisoning.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 22.—During the past forty-eight hours thirty-eight persons in this city have been poisoned by eating impure food and sweetmeats. Thirteen of them were boarded at a fashionable hostelry in Hazelwood, while the remainder live on the south side. The cause of the poisoning at Hazelwood has not been determined. In the cases of the south side families it is ascribed to chocolate cake purchased at a bakery.

Will Probably Resign.

Paris, April 22.—In spite of the protest of the premier, M. Bourgeois, the senate yesterday adopted a motion to postpone the vote of the Madagascar credits until a cabinet is formed which enjoys the confidence of both chambers. Subsequently the belief was expressed in the lobbies of the palace of the Luxembourg, where the senate meets, that the cabinet will resign this morning.

Drowned While Fishing.

St. Louis, Mo., April 22.—Capt. D. T. Slattery, the well known elevator and general business man of this city, was drowned at Kingsland, about sixty miles north of here, on the Keokuk and Northwestern railroad, where he had gone on a fishing excursion with a party of friends.

Windrath Was Convicted.

Chicago, Ill., April 22.—Joseph Windrath has been convicted of the murder of Carrie B. Birch, cash receiver of the West Chicago Street Railway company, on June 31, 1895, and condemned to death. Julius Manow, who was put upon trial along with Windrath, confessed that he and Windrath did the killing. The crime was committed during an attempt to rob the office of the car company.

The failure of G. Schroeder has been announced on the cotton exchange.

THAT MATABELE WAR

SEEMS NOT AS SERIOUS AS REPRESENTED.

Extra's Dispatches Reflect a Contrary Condition, and Still Represent the Situation as Alarming and Growing More Threatening.

London, April 20.—The officers of the Chartered South Africa company here have been persistently representing that the situation at Bulawayo is not as serious as represented in non-official dispatches, and that the town is not in any real danger. The Chartered company yesterday announced that they learned that the officials of Bulawayo are confident that they can hold the town and that the town of Salisbury is also safe and is organizing its defense forces.

The tone of the non-official dispatches from South Africa reflects a contrary condition and continues to represent the situation at Bulawayo as alarming and the condition of affairs throughout Matabeleland as growing more threatening. Elaborate precautions for defense, showing a fear of overwhelming attack exist at Bulawayo and grave apprehensions exist there that communications with the settlements to the south will be cut off. The supply of provisions is diminishing in Bulawayo, owing to the large number of refugees.

What is much more serious, doubtful natives are coming in. The dread is abroad among all the white inhabitants that these natives are hostile Matabele coming in under the disguise of friendship, but meditating a treacherous outbreak in co-operation with an attack from without. The diminishing supply of provisions is much more important as it is from there that supplies for Bulawayo must be looked for. Fears are entertained for the safety of those now on the way and even should they get through to Bulawayo they are only sufficient to temporarily relieve the necessity of keeping these roads open to the passage of friends of the people in Bulawayo.

A Ghastly Find.

Holland, Mich., April 20.—What was evidently a brutal murder came to light here yesterday afternoon. A fisherman discovered the body of a man in Black River. The feet were securely bound and a sack had been pulled over the head and arms and tied around the waist. A strap was buckled tightly around the head through the mouth, and a heavy iron weight had been placed in the sack to sink the body. His skull was fractured and other marks of violence were visible. He was identified as E. W. Lawrence, 41 years of age, who was last seen two weeks ago and was reported to have gone north. The motive for the crime is unknown.

The body was found within two blocks of where Lawrence formerly lived with his wife. The river runs through a marsh half a mile wide, where at any point it would have been an easy matter to dump the body without fear of discovery. Lawrence's wife at the time of the disappearance said that he had gone north. She sold everything she possessed and left the city, telling no one her plans or destination. Mrs. Lawrence and her brother, Roy Coats, have been located at Howard City, and the sheriff has gone there to place them under arrest until they conclusively prove they had nothing to do with the murder.

Discussed Their Attitude.

London, April 20.—The correspondent at Madrid says: Despite the persistent official denials from both Washington and Madrid it is now an open secret that both governments have freely discussed their attitude towards each other in the Cuban affair. Spain is aware that President Cleveland wishes to be conciliatory, but that he can not answer for the control of American opinion if the struggle in Cuba be prolonged to the injury of American commerce.

Spain on the other hand informed President Cleveland that she is willing to conciliate the sympathies of Americans, but that she can not entertain a proposition for a suspension of hostilities to negotiate with the rebels, as public opinion would never tolerate such a humiliation.

Spain has been silently preparing to execute a Cuban home rule bill directly the colonial authorities regard it advisable to do so. No date has yet been fixed for this, however.

Arbitration Conference.

Washington, April 20.—The national arbitration conference will hold a two days' session in this city during the coming week, beginning Wednesday. Between 300 and 400 written acceptances to attend the conference has been received from governors of states, judges, publicists, lawyers, leading business men, divines, philanthropists, educators and other prominent citizens. They represent in all thirty-eight states. It is expected that ex-Senator Edmunds will be the permanent president of the conference. Among the speakers of the first day will be Hon. John W. Foster and Hon. Cass M. Schurz.

To Secure His Release.

Memphis, Tenn., April 20.—At the close of the service last night at the Central Baptist church the pastor, Dr. Potts, called the attention of the congregation to the fact of the arrest of A. J. Diaz, an American missionary, in Havana, Cuba. After some discussion a memorial was addressed to President Cleveland and the United States congress earnestly requesting that all possible be done consistently with the honor of the country to secure Diaz's release.

Some Jostling Expected.

Washington, April 20.—The programme for the coming week in the house is very unsettled. Mr. Henderson, chairman of the judiciary committee, has given notice that he will call up the bankruptcy bill for consideration on Wednesday and Thursday, but the approach of the end of the session has made all members interested in particular legislation very active and from now on there will be much jostling and crowding for the right of way. It seems probable that Mr. Henderson will be crowded out this week at least.

First of all Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, is determined to push through the general deficiency bill, the last of the supply bills, at the earliest moment, and as appropriate bills are privileged, he can be kept out only by a vote of the house. As the power in control are desirous of furthering everything looking to an early adjournment they are in full sympathy with his purpose. He does not expect the deficiency bill to consume more than a day, two days at the most.

Ten More Shot.

Cincinnati, O., April 20.—The special by Mrs. Josephine Woodward, dated Havana, April 13, says:

Ten men were shot at Moro castle on last Saturday morning, and this morning ten more shots rang out on the early morning air. Of all that occurs behind those walls the greatest part must be a matter of conjecture. Only a few Spaniards know and they do not tell.

It is said that a subterranean passage leads under the water of the key from Moro castle to the strong for 2000 feet just across in Havana and that this is made use of in the disposition of prisoners.

All political prisoners, however, who are accorded trial and condemned to die are publicly executed.

With Counterfeiting.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 20.—A sensation has been created here by the arrest of George G. Jacoby and Moritz Mikolas of a local liquor house doing a wholesale business, on an indictment charging them with counterfeiting the stamp of Hiram Walker & Son of Ontario, manufacturers of the Canadian Club whisky, and also the stamp of the commissioner of internal revenue of Canada and selling the liquor at cheap prices. The matter was brought before the grand jury of Hennepine county and an indictment returned, upon which the arrests of Mikolas and Jacoby were made. Jacoby is a well-known citizen and has been prominent for years in politics.

Brilliant Bayonet Charge.

Havana, April 20.—The Spanish troops have had an engagement with numerous forces of the insurgents which have been advancing westward to attempt the relief of Maeco, and the official reports show a severe reverse for the Cubans. Lieut. Col. Eloy, with the battalion of Luzon, engaged the insurgents near Cienfuegos, in Santa Clara province. The insurgent band was a numerous one, and hot fighting speedily ensued. The reports show that the Spaniards took the bayonet position by a brilliant bayonet charge.

Mary Kenny O'Sullivan.

Chicago, Ill., April 20.—Chicago labor organizations were taken to task yesterday afternoon at the meeting of the Trades and Labor assembly by Mary Kenny O'Sullivan, of Boston, for their lack of interest in the strike of the garment workers. Mrs. O'Sullivan made the sensational statement that of the 29,000 tailors who struck for an increase of 25 per cent, a weight 19,000 are now on the verge of starvation. Mrs. O'Sullivan said she knew this, having spent four days among the tailors investigating their condition.

Nine Lost.

New York, April 20.—A special from New Bedford, Mass., says: Nine Gloucester fishermen were lost off Con Island Friday night when the fishing schooner J. W. Campbell of Gloucester, was sunk in a squall. The seven survivors arrived here last night to tell the story. They were brought into port by the tug Gladstone from the schooner Norman, which picked them up after they had spent an entire day and night in an open boat without food.

For the Coming Week.

Washington, April 20.—The proceedings in the senate will probably begin with a contest for right of way between the appropriations committee and the friends of the Peffer resolution for an investigation of the recent bond sales and upon the result of this will depend largely the line of procedure for the remainder of the week.

Married Her.

Chicago, Ill., April 20.—Ezekiel Smith, the wealthy contractor who was recently sued for breach of promise by Miss Ella Donaldson for \$50,000, has compromised the suit by marrying the plaintiff, and has started for California on a wedding tour.

The true amount of gold in the United States treasury is \$126,663,751.

A Brutal Murder.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 20.—A brutal crime was committed in this city about 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning at 1020 West Washington street. Leo Hirth, who owned a grocery and saloon at that number, was shot through the heart by burglars who had broken into the house from the rear for the purpose of ransacking the premises. He died almost instantly and the burglars succeeded in making good their escape. The man also tried to shoot Hirth's wife. The murdered man leaves four children.

HILL WAS AT IT AGAIN

STARTED OUT YESTERDAY TO RIP THEM UP.

Allen and Gear Have It Hot and Heavy Over the Pacific Railroad Affairs—Mr. Aldrich Says Neither of the Great Parties Has a Majority.

Washington, April 18.—The debate on the bond resolution was resumed yesterday, Mr. Hill continuing his speech, which was not yet completed. Mr. Hoar supported the proposed bond investigation. The debate is proving attractive to the public, the galleries being crowded throughout the day.

An exciting episode occurred late in the day concerning Pacific railroad affairs. Mr. Gear, chairman of the Pacific railroad committee, presented a bill providing for an adjustment of the railroad debt. This led Mr. Allen of Nebraska to criticize Mr. Gear for his alleged partiality to "C. P. Huntington and his lobby."

A bitter personal altercation between Mr. Gear and Mr. Allen followed, during which Mr. Allen declared that Mr. Gear had uttered a "falsehood" concerning Gen. Weaver of Iowa. Mr. Hoar called Mr. Allen to order and demanded that his words be taken down. Mr. Allen was obliged to take his seat but on motion of Mr. Faulkner he was allowed to proceed in order.

To avoid a struggle for precedence, the senate, on motion of Mr. Cannon (Rep.) of Utah, took up the resolution directing the secretary of the interior to open the Uncompaghe Indian reservation without further delay, the understanding being that the bond investigation resolution should come up at 2 o'clock as unfinished business.

After Mr. Brown had spoken for the resolution he sought to secure a vote, but Mr. Gorman asked that action be deferred owing to the absence of Mr. Vilas, who desired to be heard.

This brought on a warm colloquy. Mr. Aldrich (Rep.), of Rhode Island, said it must be clear that there was "something behind these efforts at delay and this persistence in putting off votes."

Mr. Gorman responded that it was in the first intimation from a distinguished senator on the other side of the chamber that delays in public business were occurring.

"We surrendered control as gracefully as possible to the other side," said Mr. Gorman, "and we had hoped business would be pushed along, but I have observed with wonder that the senators in control have not mapped out some well-defined policy."

"The senator understands and the country understands," said Mr. Aldrich, in response to Mr. Gorman, "that neither of the great parties has a majority in the senate."

Mr. Gorman insisted that the control of the committees gave control of the senate.

"Does that control permit a tariff bill to be brought in and passed here?" asked Mr. Chandler, but Mr. Gorman parried the question.

Mr. Vilas then proceeded with a speech opposing the Utah resolution.

At 2 o'clock the bond resolution was taken up and Mr. Hill resumed his speech in opposition. The galleries were crowded in anticipation of a renewal of the sensational features developed in the first installment of Mr. Hill's speech. He had before him several volumes, including Senator Sherman's memoirs. Before Mr. Hill had risen to his feet, Mr. Walthall moved that when the senate adjourned it be until Monday, and despite opposition, it was carried—35 to 28.

Red Hot Americans.

New York, April 18.—A special from Havana, Cuba, gives the following additional details about the arrest of Rev. Mr. Diaz.

Albert J. Diaz, a missionary of the Southern Baptist church of the United States has been arrested and taken to the Spanish headquarters. His residence was thoroughly searched.

Consul Gen. Williams promptly made inquiries. Diaz is a creole. He has been acting as a missionary for a number of years, in charge of the Gethsemane church, and has been frequently in trouble with the authorities.

He called on the consul general of the United States on Feb. 12, 1877, and requested him to write a letter to the captain general and inform him that he (Diaz) was supervising bishop of the Baptist church in Cuba. He had a controversy with the Roman Catholic bishop of Havana, because the latter prevented Diaz from using property belonging to the diocese. Diaz is also engaged in the undertaking business. He is a naturalized citizen of the United States and has been a pronounced opponent of the government talking rebellion openly.

A Noted Plunger.

Chicago, Ill., April 18.—Edward Partridge, one of the most prominent and wealthiest operators on the board of trade, died of Bright's disease yesterday after several weeks illness. He leaves a widow, three daughters and two sons, all grown.

What a Blessing.

Chicago, Arpell 18.—Prof. H. H. Pratt and Prof. Hugh Wightman announce to the world that diphtheria and typhoid are absolutely killed by the Robinson rays. This statement is made without reserve. The decision was reached Thursday evening in the laboratory when the last of the germs had been exposed to the rays and showed signs of life under the microscope. The rays were found to be deadly to the germs in the middle of the most tempting imitation of life.

Four Pension Bills.

Washington, April 18.—The net result of five hours' work on the private calendar in the house yesterday was the passage of the four pension bills, one to pension the widow of Rear Admiral Foote at \$50 a month the rejection of a bill to retire a hospital steward as a second lieutenant of cavalry, and the passage of a war claim of less than \$900. The latter was the first war claim brought before the house for consideration and naturally provoked a general debate in the policy of paying war claims. It drew from Mr. Mahon (rep.) chairman of the war claims committee; Mr. Walker (rep.) of Massachusetts; Mr. McCall (rep.) of Tennessee, and Mr. Evans (rep.) of Kentucky, eloquent pleas for the payment of the findings of the court of claims.

Mr. Mahon averred that the claims should be paid or the court abolished. Barring the cotton claims, he asserted that \$20,000,000 would pay them, while Mr. Ray (rep.) of New York, thought \$600,000,000 would not meet them.

Politics, of course, was injected into the debate and was alive set to between Mr. Dockery and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio.

Bolin's Trial.

Omaha, Neb., April 18.—The trial of Henry Bolin on the charge of embezzling \$115,000 of city funds while treasurer of the city, continues, being confined entirely to the identification of the records of the office to get the same in evidence. Evidence of this kind has taken up the entire time of the trial since Tuesday morning and there still remain several books containing letter press copies of the abstracts of warrants which will be identified and introduced by the county attorney. Whether these will be followed by the identification or introduction of a large number of other records of the office has not been determined by the prosecution. The feature of the case thus far is the position of the defense on one item of \$77,000 which it claims is merely a clerical error.

Ives Won.

Boston, Mass., April 18.—Frank Ives won the closing game and the championship in the second series of the international billiard tourney last night, defeating Jake Schaefer 200 to 254.

Both Schaefer and Ives had each two victories to their credit, and last night's game decided the championship.

Schaefer was the favorite with the majority of the spectators, and his defeat was a great disappointment. Ives played a cool, careful game throughout and only in the last inning did he manifest any nervousness. Score: Ives—Total, 200; highest run, 30; average 2 36-66.

Schaefer—Total, 254; highest run, 26; average 4 20-66.

Serious Explosion.

Peoria, Ill., April 18.—At 2:15 yesterday morning a converter at the tower house works exploded, filling the immense building with steam. There were over 100 men in the room at the time of the explosion. As far as known at this hour (3 a. m.) three men were killed and several others badly injured. The dead are John Hoey, John Wilson and a man named Barnes.

John Dooley and Mat Connelly are the men most severely injured. The converter was on the fourth story of the building in which about 100 men were at work. There was the wildest excitement and many thrilling escapes occurred. The explosion could be heard in all parts of the city.

Cheated the Law.

Seattle, Wash., April 18.—James E. Allsop, formerly a Tacoma and Minneapolis real estate dealer, was arrested here Thursday by Detective Courtney, of Minneapolis, Minn., on a charge of murdering Lena Olson, of Duluth, in the fall of 1894. The murderer of Miss Olson went by the name of A. A. Austin, and Courtney claims to have positively identified Allsop as Austin. Allsop denies that he is Austin.

James E. Allsop, who was arrested here yesterday after a two years' hunt, charged with the murder of Annie Olson at Duluth, Minn., committed suicide in jail last night.

Identified.

Litchfield, Minn., April 18.—The engineer and fireman of the Frisco passenger train positively identified the man shot here a few days ago, together with the two men under arrest as being the persons who successfully held up the Frisco train some time ago near Lebanon, Mo., and took several hundred dollars. Requisition papers will be asked for.

Had Lajon.

Chamberlain, S. D., April 18.—Handsome Elk, a Lower Brute Indian, who shot two Indian policemen, one of them fatally, has taken refuge in a house which has been transformed into a temporary fortress. He is heavily armed and will resist arrest. He is a very bad Indian, and the Indian police force may be asked to assist the sheriff in making the arrest.

Should Have Paid His Rent.

Cincinnati, O., April 18.—The United States secret service officers Thursday arrested William Westermeyer, a well known resident of Newport, Ky., for having on his premises an illicit still with a capacity of twenty gallons. Westermeyer had fallen behind in his rent, and had been sued, and when caught, entered the house he was occupying, and refused to be taken to the police station.

Entered at the postoffice at Baird, Texas, as second class matter

Subscription Rates.

One year \$1.50 Six months .75 No subscriptions received for less than 6 months.

W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor

The populist of Taylor county have endorsed J. B. Webb for the legislature.

A noted writer once said. Let me write the songs of my people and I care not who make the laws.

Gov. Culberson will probably have no serious opposition in his own party and will be renominated and elected.

If a free silver platform is adopted by the next national convention will become of the Courier-Journal and the Star-eyed Goddess?

H. H. Holmes, alias Mudgett, has confessed to 27 murders; some of those he claimed to have murdered are still alive. This fiend in human form will be hanged May 7th.

George Clark is for war, so is Hardy, McDonald and others. That scheme to send a contesting delegation to Chicago is working, but there is political death in that pot, boys, beware!

The Dallas News says if the free silverites control the Chicago convention thousands of sound money democrats will not support the ticket. Oh ho! The News has had the silverites bolting all along, but now the tables seem to be turned and the sound money saints like, the News won't submit, eh?

The populist renominated Hon. J. F. Barron of Eastland county for representative. Mr. Barron is a good honest man and discharged his duties conscientiously so far as he was able. He was sick, however, most of the session, and finally had to be brought home and never returned to Austin during the first session.

What a ridiculous plight Hardy, Clark, McDonald, et als, would be in if the free silver democrats should make the next national platform. Here they have been demanding pledges from the free silver democrats for a year past to support the national ticket and to think that there is even a bare possibility of having this chalice of wormwood and gall pressed to their patriotic lips! Pull down the curtain; blot out the scene, for the walls that would go up from those heroes would make the gods weep at the discomfiture of the golden hosts in Texas.

Sam Bryant of the Cisco Pilot is said to have a congressional bee in his hat. He has had a maggot of some kind in his head for a long time but had no idea what it would develop when hatched out. If Brer. Bryant gets to congress we want to get him to have some changes made in the postal law relating to country newspapers. We want the postage abolished on all papers to bona fide subscribers and a charge of 5 cents a pound on all sample copies in excess of ten pounds for each issue. What do you say Brother B?

W. H. Lockett, of Abilene is a candidate for attorney general on the pop ticket. Some say that "Slycoon" Davis, he of Texarkana court bill fame, would like to be attorney general also, but may conclude to sacrifice himself some more in an effort to break into congress down in Old Dave Culberson's district. How things would hum with Kearby for governor, Stump Ashby, for Lieut. governor presiding over the senate, with Lockett down in the state law office grinding out fearful and wonderful opinions and "Slycoon" Davis distributing garden seed at Washington.

The free silver democratic leaders have given it out that there is no doubt that the silver forces in the party will make the platform and nominate the ticket at Chicago, but some how we fear this is too good to be true. If it proves true it will be the grandest victory won since the time Old Hickory fought the bosses out to a finish in 1834 and won a victory for the people. THE STAR don't want to sail too high, for fear subsequent events may dash all our hopes. Right is right and must eventually prevail, but we have to fight the shrewdest and most astute politicians of the country and the battle may be prolonged for a time yet!

President Cleveland is said to be a "receptive" candidate for president. He has not been anything else for the last twelve years and if there is no other way to cut loose from him, pitch him overboard like the Jewish sailors did that other Jonah

The Prodigal vouches for Sheriff Hadley's populism and his candidacy for re-election squarely on the populist ticket as follows:

"Our efficient Sheriff we think from expressions heard from every portion of the county during District court will receive the unanimous support of the populist party in the coming convention to be held May the 1st. His political status can not be questioned he is and has been for the past three years in accord with our principles and as a populist he is squarely in the middle of the road, we do not think nor have we had any intimation that he is seeking the office but we predict that it will be tendered him and that he will be the available man to lead us to victory in November"

—Prodigal. It will be news to some of Mr. Hadley's democratic friends to know that he has been a populist for three years, but the Prod knows what he is talking about.

Col. H. L. Bently seems to be making a very extended canvass for District Judge. He is speaking nearly all the time, but has not so far made a speech in the district in which he is supposed to be a candidate. These populist are the queerest people on earth. It is against their rules for a candidate to say in so many words that he is a candidate, but he just sails around and around, he talks and he talks and he gets in de middle-of-de-rod, and he gets out in the brush, on both sides of the road, but he continues to talk, and talk and while he is not a candidate, he is running like the devil all the time, and keeps on talking. Col. Bently is a nice gentleman and we like him but he need not fool himself by trying to make believe that he is not a candidate when he is doing all he can to make connection with an office of some kind, either district judge, judge of the court of appeals or congress. There are lots of worse men than Col. Bently and if the Lord in his inscrutable wisdom has foreordained that the populist should have any more pie THE STAR hopes Col. Bently will get the biggest piece in the bakery.

"CHARGE OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE."

The Dallas News at the head of the swallowtail wing of the democracy has hit the middle of the road at last. What a grand and imposing array they make with their swallowtails flapping in the breeze, their "diamond breast pins" flashing in the sunlight their "silk bandanas" in the hand of each gallant soldier. Watch Col. Belo as he leads the charge down into the valley of (political) death: His aids, Clark, Hardy, McDonald, Poindexter and the other immortels with vengeance in their eyes as they ride with Lord Cardington—we mean Col. Belo—down to death and glory. Oh! its grand, glorious and imposing—but it's rank foolishness. Like the other six hundred that followed Lord Cardington to death and glory at Balaclava they may acquire immortal fame, but they will not rouse the grim old warriors who man the Russian cannon to the front, right and left of them. The nation looks on breathlessly while Col. Belo forms his intrepid squad to assault the enemy's impregnable lines. We see him scan the order received from Grover, the commander of the allied armies. Once, twice, thrice, he questions the courier to be sure there is no mistake about the order; convinced that he must take the battery straight in front of him though deadly batteries lie on either flank, he straightens himself up in his stirrups and draws a sword fully six feet long from beneath his swallowtail and orders the charge, which will perhaps become as famous as the charge of that other Light Brigade that is known and applauded in every civilized nation under the sun.

When the battle is over and one half or more of this brave but rash brigade are left dead on the field, Grover will perhaps say as the commander of the allied armies said to Cardington, that he was a blamed fool, that he never ordered him to make the charge. The Col. will then try to excuse himself by laying the blame on George Clark, the courier but he-like that other courier will be (politically) dead, and then Col. Belo will go out, hire some stout male to kick him until his nose bleeds or being so foolish as to make a needless sacrifice of so many politicians. This is a sad end of this last "Light Brigade."

Secretary Carlisle delivered a speech last week to the Labor Union at Chicago. The Gazette says that the workmen were so carried away as Mr. Carlisle depicted the glories of the gold standard that they all with one accord smote their diamond breast pins with their swallow-tails. This was kept up to such an extent that many of them beat their "sparks" into dust and wore their swallow-tails to a frazzle. Great is the gold standard and John G. is its disciple.

What is the matter with holding the congressional convention at Abilene? The last two conventions were held up on the Ft. Worth and Denver railroad and it is nothing but fair that the next convention should be held somewhere on the line of the Texas and Pacific. Abilene is a good place to hold said convention; they have ample hotel accommodations and the delegates would be treated royally by the hospitable people of this pushing western city. If Abilene will make an effort we believe the convention will be held there. Callahan county democrats will gladly give all the aid they can to Abilene. What does Abilene say?

An organization has been formed at Washington to gather documents, bills of sale, etc, of all slaves owned by southern people at the time President Lincoln issued his emancipation proclamation in 1863. The object of this organization is to prove up ownership of slaves by the southern people with the ultimate object of asking the United States government to pay for all slaves liberated. It is likely that the association is a fraud and a swindling scheme, and former slave owners should not have anything to do with it. There is not the remotest possibility that the government will ever pay one cent for all the slaves liberated, though it would be nothing more than right to do so. President Lincoln before his unfortunate death frequently expressed himself in favor paying for the slaves liberated. The Government took from the southern people about one billion dollars worth of slave property, guaranteed to them under the constitution. This act is not nor never can be justified on any other ground than that might makes right. The government has just as much right to take our lands, stores, farms and stock without compensation as it had to take our slaves, and while the government in its munificence pays out millions of dollars annually to Union soldiers who took from the south her slaves; and while many believe that a large portion of these pensions are paid to men who never heard a rebel yell or a rebel gun fire during the war; still the man that is crazy enough to believe that he will ever get a cent for a nigger he owned, notwithstanding Uncle Sam's prodigality in dishing out pension money, is crazy enough to be confined in a mad house or to get a front seat in the populist party. The Postmaster general has very properly ordered this fool organization from using the mails on the ground that it is a fraud and a swindle.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Excursion tickets will be sold at rate of one fare for round trip from all stations on or via the Texas & Pacific Railway. May 4th and 5th, 1896, limited for return fifteen days from date of sale, with privilege of fifteen days extension, by deposition with Joint Agent at Chattanooga. Four hours the quickest route to Memphis, with through sleeper and coaches. For further information call on or address your nearest ticket agent, or GASTON MESLIER, G. P. & T. A., Dallas, Tex.

TICKETS FOR PRIMARY.

THE STAR will print the tickets for the democratic primary election to be held May 2d. In order to get them to the different voting boxes we will begin printing tickets Monday April 27th at 1 p. m. All candidates who want their names on this ticket are notified to hand them in as early as possible on that day. Please remember that the money must be paid before we go to press on the tickets. County chairmen can get tickets by calling at this office for them up to Wednesday 29th. On the 30, we will mail all tickets not called for to county chairmen. In order to be sure that tickets reach each box the candidates should help us distribute them.

Rev. W. W. Dorman, T. L. Oliver and Misses Ella Thomas and Jimmie Nelson attended the meeting of the Epworth League at San Antonio, last week.

Advertisement for Rosamond shoes. Features the text 'GOOD GOODS. CASH PRICES.' and 'Court week is at hand. Your company solicited. When you are not engaged in court be at my store.' Includes an illustration of a hand pointing and a dog wearing a shoe.

Advertisement for B. L. Boydston, a tailor. Features a diamond-shaped logo with 'THE BETTER THE GRADE THE BIGGER THE TRADE' and 'THE ROYAL TAILORS CHICAGO'. Text includes 'CORRECT STYLES RIGHT PRICES' and 'NEVER was we so well pleased with our millinery goods...'.

Advertisement for B. L. Boydston's shoes. Text includes 'You all know by Reputation my line of Shes. YOU FURTHER KNOW' and 'THOSE PRETTY EMBROIDERY AND LACES, PLEASE ANY AND ALL'. Ends with 'Come to see us! DON'T Forget the Place. B. L. BOYDSTUN, BAIRD.'

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.
W. E. GILLILAND.
 (Subject to the Democratic Party.)

For County Judge.
J. H. WOOD.
 [Subject to Democratic primary election.]

For District and County Clerk.
W. W. DUNSON.
 (Subject to the action of the Dem. Primary.)

For County Treasurer.
T. B. HOLLAND.
 [Subject to Democratic primary election.]

For Tax Assessor.
W. R. McDERMETT.
 [Subject to the action of the Dem. Primary.]

T. J. NORRELL.
 [Subject to the Democratic primary.]

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
J. W. JONES.
 [Subject to Democratic Primary.]

For County Attorney.
ANDREW STEWART.
 Subject to the Democratic Primary.

B. L. RUSSELL.
 [Subject to the Democratic Primary.]

ARTHUR YONGE.
 [Subject to the Democratic Primary.]

For Inspector.
JESSE BECK.
 Subject to the Democratic Primary

W. C. ASBURY.
 Subject to the Democratic Primary.

For Public Weigher.
W. M. COFFMAN.
 [Subject to the Democratic Primary.]

For County Surveyor.
M. R. HAILEY.
 Subject to Democratic Primary.

For Commissioner Pro. No. 1.
W. A. HINDS.
 [Subject to Democratic Primary.]

J. M. MORRESSET.
 Subject to Democratic Primary.

LOCAL NEWS.

NOTICE DEMOCRATS.
 Baird, Texas, April, 24th '96.
 To the democrat party of Callahan County: I hereby withdraw from the race for District and County Clerk.
 Respectfully,
I. N. JACKSON.

Mrs. S. M. Moon has been quite sick. Miss Annie Bowman has returned from Abilene. Miss Ada Cooke left for Colorado City Tuesday.

When you want fancy candies go to Frank Johnson's.

When in need of nice, clean, clear printing call at THE STAR.

When you want any printing done bring it to THE STAR office.

I am sole agent for the celebrated Chase & Sandborn coffees. J. Norton.

W. L. Gilliland and family from the Bayou were in town trading, Thursday.

M. M. Terry, R. J. Harris and John Matthews of Callahan City were in town this week.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Linder, a boy. Mother and child doing as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Thrallkill, of Eagle Cove, made THE STAR office a pleasant call Wednesday evening.

Misses Rudie Warren and Mary Young visited friends in Shackelford county the latter part of last week.

John Newton of Turkey Creek, Brown county, was brought up Tuesday by W. C. Asbury as an attached witness in the case against B. Manning.

A large number of the Texas Press gang will pass through Baird this evening on their way to the Annual Meeting which is held at El Paso this year.

Hon. J. N. Rushing attended the Lumbermen's meeting at Austin last week. We forgot to ask him if he got initiated into the ancient and mystic order of Hoo Hoo.

All the Ladies are getting their nice dresses and trimmings from T. E. Powell, because he is selling cheaper than you can get them from Dallas. Call and see them. 18 tf

Mrs. J. D. Windham is critically ill at her home at Tecumseh; her two daughters, Mrs. J. W. Jones and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland were sent for this week; the former on Tuesday, and the latter on Thursday.

Grant Bowls has charge of the hands who are building the addition to the Methodist Church. Work is being pushed as rapidly as possible and when completed the church will have nearly double the seating capacity of the old church building.

We unintentionally omitted to call attention last week to Mr. M. R. Hailey's announcement for surveyor subject to the democratic primary election. Mr. Hailey is well and favorably known to the voters of Callahan county as a faithful and efficient officer.

Judge Webb came in from Fort Worth Thursday evening.

J. L. Denham and family of Castro, county are visiting relatives in this county.

Jas Young is hunting gold at Cripple Creek, Col. THE STAR hopes he will hit it rich.

Squire Hugh Moore, of Tecumseh was in in the city this week.

Messrs. Walter Arnold and Jerome Sherbino, of Abilene were in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. G. W. Magruder of Ft. Worth, is out on a short visit to her cousin, Capt. W. C. Powell.

Wylie Lambert was up from the Scranton neighborhood this week. He says they have several cases of the measles down there.

W. B. Ellis, P. B. Loper, John Williams, Dave Self, Tom Kiblinger, Ed Crawford, and Worth Williams, from the Eagle Cove neighborhood, were in town Monday and Tuesday.

Frank Johnson moved his chop house last Saturday back into the new house built by Brown Seay on the site of the old building formerly occupied by James & Johnson. The business was not interrupted in the least.

J. M. Morressett, living near Clyde announces this week as a candidate for Commissioner of this Precinct subject to the democratic primary. Mr. Morressett is an old citizen and if elected we feel confident will discharge the duties of the office satisfactorily to all the people of the Precinct.

Andrew Stewart candidate for County Attorney arrived home a few days ago and opened his campaign in a speech at the Court House last Monday night. He will canvass the county and make speeches at ever voting box in the county before the primary is held. Andrew is a bright young man and a hustler. See list of appointments published in this issue.

Mr. R. J. Hatcher has located in Baird for the practice of his profession, and informs us that reports which have come to his knowledge that he had come to Baird to run for county attorney does him an injustice. He is not a candidate for any office and does not desire to mix up in politics in any way, but wants to attend strictly to his own business. Mr. Hatcher will soon open his law office and be ready to attend to any business in his line.

We talked with some of the committee this week and all are in favor of letting every one vote in the primary next Saturday who will agree to vote the democratic ticket in November. No pledge will be printed on the ticket and no pledge to vote the democratic ticket farther than the county ticket in November. This is right, and we hope every precinct chairman will make this ruling. Be strict enough to protect the ballot box from those who want to debauch the ballot box to the injury of the party, but if a republican, populist or prohibitionist wants to vote let him do so; provided he will agree to vote for the county ticket in November. If they will not do this they should not be allowed to vote in this primary. This was the rule followed four years ago and worked well. Let us be fair and liberal in county matters at least.

DISTRICT COURT.

District Court adjourned sine die Thursday. In the case of Dowlen against the county to recover \$2,200 paid on county school land the court decided the case in favor of the county.

The jury in the Daniels case hung the second time and were discharged. Frank Seres, John Silva and were indicted by the grand jury charged with false swearing in connection with some land near Clyde. Frank Seres was placed on trial Tuesday, but the state failed to make out a case and Judge Conner instructed the jury to acquit the defendant which they did without leaving the jury box. One of the other cases was thrown out of court, and the other continued to next term of court. Frank Seres is well known in Baird as a man always prompt in payment of his obligations and is well liked by all who know him. The defense had a host of witnesses, but not a single one was needed.

Col. J. Felder Meyers secured his license to practice law after a hard fight. Mention was made of the case last week as it was something out of the ordinary and created considerable interest. The committee thoroughly investigated all the charges made against Col. Meyers and the fact that the committee recommend that license be granted him they did not put any faith in the numerous charges brought against him.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

See Powell's ad on 1st page 9 tf

Poultry netting at Harry Meyer's.

Join the big rush at Powell's 47

Screen wire at Harry Meyer's. 20tf

C. S. Boyles for buggy harness. 17

For a good shave go to Geo. Dean.

No credit at Boyles don't ask for it.

Patronize Geo. Dean's barber chair.

—For real bargains go to Stern's. 8tf

Boys hats to a finish T. E. Powell 47

Lamps and glassware at Harry Meyer. 18tf

Buggy Harness from \$7.00 up at Boyles. 17tf

All kinds of fishing tackles at Harry Meyer's. 20tf

Twenty-five per cent off for cash on clothing Powell. 9 tf

See Powell's cut rates on clothing. A d 1st page. 9 tf

See those summer Lap Dusters at C. S. Boyles. 17tf

Ladies vests worth 35cts. for 12 1-2 cents at Powell's. 20tf

When in need of "anything" go to the Racket Store. 11 tf

—Furniture and coffins at Sterns, H Schwartz, manager. 8tf

Have you tried the Bologna sausage at the City Meat Market? 41tf

Finest lot of fancy candies in the city at Frank Johnson's. 20tf

Screen wire and poultry netting very cheap at Harry Meyer. 18tf

Ladies Summer Corsets for 50cts. in place of 75cts. at Powell's 20tf

Complete line of single and double buggy harness at C. S. Boyles. 17

Now you can get plenty of crop and chattel mortgages at THE STAR office.

The twenty century shoe is the latest and greatest novelty on earth. 20tf T. E. Powell.

1200 pairs men's gloves. Awful anxious to sell. Cheap for cash. T. E. Powell. 47

Stockmen will do well to see Boyles if they are in need of anything in his line. 17tf

—FOR SALE—Blank chattel mortgages, crop mortgages, blank notes etc., at STAR office.

Buy the Masury's paint to paint your houses, barn or fence from Bass Bros., Abilene, Texas. 10 tf

How does 12 1-2 cents a yard for Jeans strike you? You can get it that price at T. E. Powell's. 47

Go to T. J. Dean's for cheap groceries, laces, tinware and racket goods cheap for cash. Give him 10tf

A general stock of Furnishing Goods, Notions and Groceries at the Racket Store. Prices to please all 41

Bass Bros. of Abilene, Texas. have the largest stock of Wall paper in West Texas. They compete with Fort Worth. 10tf

For the next fifteen days I will sell flour made from home wheat at \$1.50 per hundred. Come quick before it is all gone, J. Norton. 20tf

You can have a picture of the whole family taken now, for they are cheap, cheap, cheap. See ads elsewhere, Kavanaugh, the artist. 19 2t

I am now in receipt daily of all kinds of fresh garden vegetables and berries at reasonable prices and will be glad to had have your order, J. Norton. 20tf

T. E. Powell is selling Ladies Hats so cheap, in fact on Saturday Mrs. Bowden and her assistant sold 22 hats and Monday 29. Come and get a nice hat while you can. 18 tf

We will kill nothing but cattle that have been full fed from this time until spring. You will get no better meat any where than at our place and our Sausage maker is the best one ever in town. City Meat Market. 10

DON'T miss this chance! The finest we can make, 6 Cabinet Photos of the entire family in a group for \$1.50 for two weeks beginning Monday, April 20th, closing Saturday May 3rd. Kavanaugh's Gallery. 19 2t

Only \$1.50 for 6 Cabinet Photos of your entire family, we don't care if you have 2 or 200 children we will take them all for the same price, this week only. Beginning Monday April 20th closing Saturday May 3rd. Kavanaugh's Gallery. 19 2t



CRYSTAL LENSES
 TRADE MARK.
 Quality First and Always.

R. Phillips, Druggist, has the exclusive sale of these Celebrated Glasses in Baird, Texas. From the factory of Kellam & Moore, the only complete optical plant in the South. Atlanta, Ga. mch 14-pd-6m

FOR SALE—Three dwelling houses, small amount down, balance monthly payments. ED COPPINS, 14

STALLION FOR SALE.

One Clydesdale stallion 7 years old for sale, trade or exchange. 12 2m. J. H. HILL, Baird, Tex.

RANCH PROPERTY FOR SALE.

A well improved ranch, 8 miles north of Baird. For further information call on or address R. A. SPEER, 19tf Baird, Texas

LOTS FOR SALE.

I offer three lots for sale in Baird as follows: Two lots north of H. Schwartz residence and one south of Judge Solomons. Address Miss Sallie Gould, C'r. A. J. Craig, Marshall, Tex.

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE.

A dwelling house and four lots situated in the west part of the city. For further information call on or address 19tf R. A. SPEER, Baird, Tex.

PASTURE.

Stock wanted to pasture by the undersigned. Pasture known as the Julius Jennett ranch, 8 miles west of Baird. Good grass and everlasting water. Apply to JOE V. ENOS, 17 2 m. Clyde, Tex.

LOST.

One white hat box, containing one ladies tan colored felt hat and two children's caps and some dress patterns. Was lost March 28th somewhere between Baird and Deep Creek on the Moran road. Jake Emmons.

Croup and Whooping Cough. There is no pain it will not relieve, no swelling it will not subdue, no wound it will not heal. It will cure frost bites, chilblains and corns. Sold by Nelson & St John.

NOTICE.

All persons are hereby notified not to harbor or credit Bell Isenhower, my wife, on my account, as I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her; she having voluntarily and without cause abandoned my bed and board. JOHN ISENHOWER, This April 10, 1896. 19 1m.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

Andrew Stewart, candidate for County Attorney of Callahan County will address the people as follows: Clyde, Sat. night April 25th Rough Creek, Mon. " 27th Tecumseh Tues. " 28th Pecan Wed. " 29th Belle Plaine Thurs. " 30th Addo Peak Fri. at 1 p. m. May 1st Cross Plains Fri. night " 1st Callahan City Sat. 8.30 a. m. " 2nd

PICNIC.

According to appointment the committees from the different Sunday Schools of Baird, met at the M. E. Church Sunday evening at 3 p. m. Apr. 19th for the purpose of arranging for a May picnic. Bro. Rushing was called to act as chairman and B. F. Mayes as secretary. The object of the meeting was briefly stated by Bro. Lane, after which, by motion and second, it was unanimously decided to have a picnic on the first Wednesday in May, also that Mount Airy be fixed as the place for the picnic. After some discussion as to the best means of arrangement the following committees were appointed. On program; T. E. Powell, B. F. Mayes, Alden Bell, Lou Hadley and Miss Minnie Jones. On grounds; Robert Speer, Charlie Bowls, E. J. Scott and F. W. James. On entertainment J. N. Rushing, E. J. Sartor, W. J. Norton and Alden Bell. On transportation; Dan Bell, H. S. Morgan, Sherman Leeman and Harry Meyer. After motion had been carried requesting that the proceedings of the meeting be published in each of our county papers the meeting adjourned to meet at 8 p. m. Sunday April 20th at the Baptist Church.

WEST TEXAS DEPOT. FOR MURSURY'S PAINTS.

See This!

Mursury's Liquid Paints have stood the test and have proved to be the **BEST** for this Climate. They weigh more to the Bucket and cover more surface than other paints and thereby **CHEAPER.**

Sold By **BASS BROS.**
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Think About It!!!

The only place in Baird that you can get solid comfort in at PRICE'S

WAGON YARD.

Nice clean bunks for 24 people. No sleeping on the floor. Fire place no stove. Splendid well water and lots of it. No danger whatever from fire. No drunken hurrahs allowed—my family is here—SEE? Feed! Yes, I have Forney Hay, Bright Millet, Choice Sorghum, Corn, Oats, Bran, Etc. As cheap as you can get in Baird. Try it. Yours Truly H. B. PRICE.

S. M. Moon & Co.

(Successors to Moon & Crowder.)
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BAIRD, TEXAS

We have to Eat.

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HE WILL TREAT YOU RIGHT.

JUST RECEIVED
 NEW STOCK OF SPRING AND SUMMER

Dry Goods.

Shoes and Slippers.

Full Stock of Furniture and Undertakers Goods Always on Hand.

I am anxious to sell and ask for your trade. Prices always the lowest. Come to see me and I will please you. Leo Stern. H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

NEW MILLINERY.

I have a full and complete stock of
 SPRING AND SUMMER
Millinery.

And I ask the ladies of Baird to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere. I can save you at least 25 per cent on every dollar, because I have no rent to pay nor help to hire.
 MRS. ANNIE CUNNINGHAM.
 1st Door South of Court House. **BAIRD, TEXAS.**

BACK IN BUSINESS.

A. L. JOBE,

DEALER IN

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

COUNTRY PRODUCE BOUGHT AND SOLD
 MOTTO—QUICK SALES, SMALL PROFITS.

POSITIVELY NO CREDIT.

When in Putnam be sure to call at my store before purchasing your goods. I will treat you right.

—TRY READING—

The Star.

AT HANK'S HOTEL.



FAINT YELLOW light still lingered in the west, although the moon was shining. It was a hot night; not a breath of air stirred the stiff limbs of the yucca-trees or the fiery cactus-blossoms. The stifling heat still seemed to radiate from the baked sides of the small adobe house, and the sandy soil was uncomfortable to walk upon, although the sun had been down an hour.

The town was just beginning to show signs of life. Any one arriving there between the hours of 10 in the morning and 6 at night would feel assured that the place was deserted. Doors and shutters were closed, and the fierce rays of the sun beat down from the burnished blue Arizona skies with malignant gloom, holding undisturbed sway. At sundown, however, humanity began to assert itself. Not that it was much cooled, but the terrible, blinding glare was gone. Men appeared on the one long, straggling street, clad in cotton shirts and trousers, the former turned back from the throat as far as possible. Ponies came loping across the trails from the nearest camps with their swarthy riders, and lights began to flare in the saloons and gambling tents. Sounds of voices were heard, too—true, mostly in oaths and coarse jokes, but they were human—and on this particular night came the wheezy wail of a fiddle and the livelier rattle of a banjo from the upper floor of the single two-story building in the place, a rough structure of unpainted pine boards, with the words "Hank's Hotel" in large black letters over the door.

A dance was evidently in progress, for several ponies were tethered to the yucca trees in front, and out on the still night air came the sounds of a man's voice, shouting orders.

Inside the room it was hot and uncomfortable, made more so by the light of half a dozen lamps. There were perhaps thirty men and one-third as many women, the former cowboys in high boots and tucked-in trousers, or red-shirted miners from the camps twenty miles away in the mountains, and all had pistols or knives gleaming in their belts. The women were brazen, painted things, who had drifted here when they were "down on their luck," and stayed because their sex was such a rarity that they were tolerated. "A hard crowd," thought Jack Devore, as he leaned against the door, idly watching the dancers; "all of them toughened with crime, and all of them show it, unless it's that one over there," and his eyes rested on a young girl who had just finished dancing, and stood leaning against the wall panting and exhausted.

Jack Devore, in spite of his travels and dangerous life, did not show his 42 years. Looking at him, one would take him for a gentleman of quiet and retiring tastes. He was remarkably handsome, of the blonde type, and dressed in excellent taste. He spoke good Spanish and purest English, had a knowledge of Shakespeare that many a scholar might well envy, possessed a tenor voice that would have made his fortune on the operatic stage, and a pair of eyes that would win one's heart, they were so innocent and honest. Yet Jack Devore had been put down by more than one as an unmitigated villain. He was a professional gambler,



"CURSE YOU!"

and had broken more hearts and ruined more lives than any other man in California and Arizona. He was said to be utterly without pity, although some swore to the contrary. At any rate, he was relentless in his pursuit of an object, and a dead shot, two things which made a man whom it would be unwise to offend.

He was well aware of the furtive glances which were cast in his direction as he lounged against the door. It pleased him to hear the respectful invitations to dance which he received, but he felt no desire to join them—Jack Devore was rather fastidious in his tastes, and touching one of the painted women was out of the question, but the girl at whose face his eyes had stopped was different.

"You might look from the City of Mexico to San Francisco," he mused, "and not find another face like hers," and Jack was an excellent judge of beauty.

She stood leaning against the wall in a posture which brought out every line of her rounded figure, from the small foot tapping the floor in time to the glowing fiddle, to the top of her saucy head. She wore a short cotton skirt of some coarse dark material, while a large white handkerchief, leaving her throat and arms bare, served for a bodice. Her hair, which fell in long black curls below her waist, was caught up at the left side of her head with a few brilliant cactus flowers, her teeth shone white through her parted lips, and her eyebrows met in a straight line over a pair of glorious dark eyes. As if aware that some one was watching her, she stirred uncomfortably, and then looked up, met Jack Devore's gaze, for a moment she stared

at him, then her eyes fell nervously. Thinking that this was a decided point in her favor, he roused himself and crossed the room to where she stood. "Will you dance?" he said, in his musical voice.

She gave him her hand and he led her out on the floor.

"What is your name?" he asked.

"Inez," she answered. "I—I am not like the rest," and she looked at him half proudly, half apologetically.

"It is easy to see that," he replied; "but not so easy to see why you are here." He did not ask the question, but she answered it.

"I hate the town," she said, bitterly; "but I can't get away. My mother died here; she used to say her heart was broke. I wish I could leave it."

He looked down into her beautiful eyes, half smiling. "Would you go with me, sweetheart?" he asked, idly.

She looked up startled and hesitating; but before she had time to answer the banjo music stopped with a discordant crash and a rude hand thrust them apart. Jack, turning sharply, found himself confronted by one of the musicians, whom he recognized as the superintendent of the Eagle Bird mine.

"Curse you!" the young fellow said, savagely, "what do you want with her? She is the one pure thing in this cursed hole, and you shall not touch her."

Devore did not answer him, but turned to Inez. "You have not answered me," he said; "will you go?"

She looked into his eyes, half hesitating. He had taken a powerful hold on her, that he could see, and felt sure of victory; but she was flung to one side and his assailant's knife gleamed in the air. For a moment the two glared at each other, while the other men crowded around, silent and loth to interfere, but bound to see fair play.

Inez sprang between them. "Don't, Max, don't!" she cried.

The young man turned to her fiercely. "Choose!" he commanded. "You know I love you and would give my life for you, but I'd rather see you dead than have him touch you, and he shall!"

She looked from one to the other, afraid and doubting. The violence of one terrified her, and the other was different from any man she had ever known. The chances of a new life opened before her and dazzled her, yet Max had always been kind and gentle. Both were waiting for her answer impatiently, and Devore's hand was on his revolver—he was not accustomed to defeat. She could not choose, and, woman-like, burst into tears.

At this juncture, "Big Jim," proprietor of the "Jack-Pot" saloon, saw fit to interfere. "Quit your bawlin' now, Inez," he ordered. "You've raised devil enough. You'd better square yourselves, boys, at 20 paces; a little cold lead'll soon settle the difficulty." And he laughed pleasantly as he marked off the distance with long strides and the men took their places. A duel was the surest way, after all.

Jack Devore took his aim with his customary coolness. In reality he cared little for the girl, but he was not used to being thwarted. He could easily kill the young fellow who stood opposite him, but the girl, where would it lead her? His face took on a more serious look than anyone had ever seen there. When he had tired of her, as he surely must, what then? She was so different, could she ever sink to be one of those painted creatures? A curious impulse stirred him, and when "Big Jim" gave the word to fire, he raised his arm and fired in the air, receiving at the same time a severe shock in his right arm. "I pass," was all he said.

When Jack Devore recovered his senses, he was lying on a rude couch, and a woman sat beside him. As he opened his eyes, she leaned forward, and in the dim light he recognized her. "Jack," she said, softly, "you know me, and I know you, and I reckon there ain't much love lost, but I'm glad you didn't shoot. You remember Lola, your wife."

Jack did, and he stirred uneasily. It had been hard to leave her, when he was forced to leave Sacramento, she was so pretty, and did not speak much English, and she had followed him all the way from Mexico. Poor Lola! "Yes," he answered, shortly.

"Because," the woman went on, "I knew her. She died here; she loved you, Jack Devore, and Inez is her daughter, hers and—yours."

There was silence for a long time; then, as it began to grow oppressive, Jack said, in a strangely softened voice:

"Does she—does Inez know it?"

"No," the other answered.

"Don't tell her, then," he said. "And say, Rose"—he reached into his pocket and painfully produced \$600 in bills—"give her this, and tell her to marry that feller, and get out. You'll do it?"

"Yes," answered the woman. "Anything else, Jack?"

"Yes," was the quiet reply. "I'm going; get me my pony, Rose, like a good girl."

Half an hour later the sound of galloping hoofs was heard growing fainter and fainter out on the moonlight mesa. —Beatrice Bellido de Luna, in Argonaut.

Is Bacon Reincarnated?
Will not the Baconians make an excellent case for Lord Bacon and his profound knowledge of modern science? May it not almost be proved that Bacon is reincarnated in the person of Baron Roentgen? Else how shall Roentgen get the credit for his discovery? For was it not Lord Bacon who made Hamlet say to his mother—
Come, come, and sit you down; you shall not budge.
You see but till I set you up a glass
Where you may see the inmost part of you.
—Boston Transcript.

The Cat Came Back.
A man near Newkirk, Ok., took his neighbor's cat, saturated its tail with kerosene, and set it on fire, thinking it would run home and burn the neighbor out. Instead it turned and jumped into the torturer's own barn and burned it down.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.



NOW that we have learned that by planting varieties adapted to our climate and giving them treatment that shields them from the peculiar hardships which they are obliged to undergo, we can raise an abundant supply of apples, the next question that interests us is how to make the most economical use of the fruit we have learned to grow. Nearly all the varieties our State Society is, thus far, willing to recommend, are fall and early winter sorts. The only really hard all-winter keeper outside the trial list is the Malinda, and that is handicapped with two important failings. First, it is an extremely tardy bearer, and, second, it is of only secondary hardness, a very bad combination for this climate.

If our orchards are like most of those already fruiting, bearing only the fall varieties, like the Duchess, we still do not need to be without home-grown apples for a good share of the year, if we live near a town where there is a cold storage plant, for we find that if the fruit is picked with great care, just as soon as ripe and placed in cold storage, without any bruises or rough handling, it will keep till after mid-winter in perfect condition. Indeed, the Duchess makes a far more palatable eating apple when kept in this manner than it is when freshly picked from the tree.

We find also that a barrel of Duchess taken from cold storage in January will keep without decay for several weeks in an ordinary cool house cellar. We have paid 15 cents per barrel per month for the small quantities we have had so stored, and, considering the poor quality and high price of the apples usually found in our markets, we have generally found it an economical venture. But our people are now beginning to have quite a little surplus of the Wealthy, and are likely to soon have still larger quantities of the Hibernal and Longfield varieties, that in our latitude may, with proper treatment, be kept until February, but with careless and ignorant handling may be half spoiled in a month after gathering. None of these rich, mellow varieties will keep until cold weather if allowed to drop on the ground before picking. The same care should be taken in handling, as with the summer fruit, and all wormy and diseased apples rejected.

After the apples have been properly picked, the common mistake is made of placing them immediately in the cellar, which at this time of year is the worst possible place. A clean, cool shed or outhouse is the best place for them until there is danger of freezing weather, when they may be removed to the cellar for the winter. It is probably best to allow the boxes or barrels to remain open for a few days after placing in the shed, but they should soon be closed up tight to prevent too much drying out and to protect from rats, mice and the boys.

We have not tried a straw shed, but have been told that such are cooler and preserve a much more even temperature than a board shed, and we are so far convinced of its merits that we propose to try a straw shed next season. A moist cellar is preferable to a dry one for keeping apples. Indeed, one excellent Western authority says that a cellar cannot be too moist for apples. We cannot close without a word of encouragement to orchardists in Southern Minnesota. We have within the past few weeks seen numbers of fine, healthy trees of the Duchess, Wealthy and the better varieties of crabs on the prairies more than a hundred miles northwest of where we are to-day. Many of these trees measure two feet in circumference of stem and are bearing very profitable crops.

We found one orchard alone in Yellow Medicine county from which there was sold \$200 worth of apples in one season. If so much has been accomplished on the God-forsaken, wind-swept prairies, intended only for the home of the grasshopper and buffalo, what shall be said of the farmer in grand old Mower county, who has not sand and sense enough to raise an orchard for his own comfort, and for his boys and girls to enjoy and look back upon in later years as the pleasantest spot in the dear old homestead.—C. Wedge in Farmers' Review.

Budding and Grafting.
If the apple trees which C. Andrews wishes to bud are small, one inch or less in diameter at the ground, he can get trees one year sooner by grafting than by budding. The time for budding in this latitude is July or about the time when the new growth is completed, and must be performed before the sap goes down, so that the bark will not peel readily. To bud, take a sharp knife and make a cut with the point of the blade downward on the stock, about one and a half inches long, then make a slit across the upright cut, turning the bark of the blade out so as to open the upper ends of the bark.

If the bark does not open readily use a quill to open it. Cut a bud from a twig of the new growth, about one inch long, cutting off the stem with a very thin slice of wood with the bark. Take the bud by the stem, with the leaf cut off and push it down under the bark. If necessary, use the sharp point of a knife blade to push the bud down. Then tie it with a very narrow strip of calico. The next spring cut the stock off just above the bud, and keep all other growth removed.

If the tubs are large, the best way is to trim out the tops and next summer bud into the water-sprouts. No wax is used in budding. Grafting, except nursery grafting, is performed just as the sap is coming up (and the buds beginning to swell), by cutting the stock square off and splitting it with a knife, then cut the scion four or five inches long, make it wedge shaped at the but-end, and insert in the stock, with the bark of each together. Then wrap the union with strips of old calico dipped in wax made of equal parts of rosin, beeswax and tallow melted together.—D. R. Dunhupe.

Starch from Potatoes.

Starch is made principally from two things, corn and potatoes. In the west most of the starch is made from corn, but in New England potatoes are extensively employed. In Aroostook county, Maine, immense quantities of potatoes are thus used, and we are of the impression that the potatoes are paid for at a fair price. We know that some years the factories have paid as high as 50 cents per bushel for them. We are glad to see that the matter is being taken up in the west, where potatoes have been sold this year at a price as low as 8 cents per bushel, simply because there was no other way of disposing of them. Factories have been started in Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Dakotas. There is one great advantage in making potatoes into starch: the starch can be held indefinitely, while the potato in its natural state cannot be. The same advantage does not accrue to the farmer when corn is made into starch for the corn can be kept for years if need be. If any reader of the Farmers' Review has been selling his potatoes to one of these new starch factories we would like to hear from him as to prices paid.—Farmers' Review.

We cannot overestimate the value of the reports being furnished every month by our consuls. They are particularly valuable to the agricultural interests. A great many good things have been reported during the last two years. Some of these reports have been printed in large volumes, like the consular report on cattle, issued some years ago. This was a volume of over a thousand pages, illustrated with several hundred full-page cuts. It was a revelation to those people that supposed that the chief breeds of the world could be comprised in a score of titles.

The monthly reports are issued in pamphlet form. They have given us information of the style of living in all foreign countries, with opportunities for the sale of American goods. Besides that we have received information of the latest inventions. It is to be hoped that the consular service will suffer no deterioration.

Velvet Soup.—Make a stock with a fowl weighing four or five pounds and two quarts of water; strain and when cold free from fat; return to the fire and when it boils add three thick slices from a loaf of stale bread, tied in cheese cloth, a slice each of carrot and onion, several stalks of celery, and a bunch of parsley; simmer for an hour. In the meantime pound the breast of the chicken fine with a vegetable masher and set aside. Now rub the stock and bread through a sieve, add the pounded chicken meat, and salt and pepper; when it boils up pour it slowly over two tablespoonfuls of butter, melted and stirred with one of flour, and pass all again through a fine sieve; lastly, add a quart of hot cream or milk.

Forestry in India.—The English government is trying to conserve the forests of India and is having a hard time of it. The people do not take kindly to the idea and set the woods on fire whenever they can do so and not get caught. This makes it necessary for the English to keep on hand a large number of guards for the forest it protects. Of the total forest area very little has as yet been placed under government protection. In the province of Bengal alone 1,889 square miles are protected by guards and has been for eighteen years, yet last year fires swept away 689 square miles, and most of the conflagrations were of incendiary origin.

At a Mexican home potatoes were cooked and served in the following way: Peel large potatoes and then cut in halves, scoop out the center and fill the space with a mixture made as follows: Take two eggs boiled hard and then mash fine, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, one of onion and one of melted butter; add one egg beat-en light, and make the mixture thick with finely chopped cooked chicken or meat. Heap the mixture in the potatoes and sprinkle over the top crumbs and grated cheese. Bake to a brown and pour tomato sauce around them to serve.

Non-Worked Butter.—With the progress of dairy science there is a constant change in the methods of handling butter. The latest innovation is the process of making butter by which all working is avoided. The cream is churned until the butter has appeared in granular form. Then the butter is taken out, salted with brine, put into a machine that throws out most of the moisture and buttermilk by centrifugal motion, put into molds and shaped for use. It is thus made to retain all its delicious flavor.

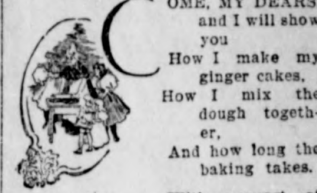
The League of Argos. formed B. C. 421, was a combination of Argos, Corinth, Elea, Mantinea and Chalcidice against Athens. It was designed to curb the power of the Athenians, but its purpose was frustrated shortly after by the unexpected incident of Athens joining the league and becoming one of its members.

Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

YOUNG FOLK'S CORNER.

GOOD SHORT STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Story of Trilly—A Noble Deed—Love Unto Death—John Wanamaker's Inn—When Oliver Cromwell Was a Boy.



COME, MY DEARS, and I will show you How I make my ginger cakes. How I mix the dough together. And how long the baking takes.

With a quart of good molasses Mix a pound of sugar sweet, Add a pound of lard and butter, Half of each is my receipt. Ounces two of powdered ginger, With a pinch of salt or two— Mix one egg—with flour stiffen, Roll out thin and you are through. How to keep them when they're finished? When they're baked and nicely browned? Well, a good strong lock and key, dear. Is the best thing I have found. —Henry Lippincott.

The Story of Trilly.
This particular story concerns a cat in the far west—Oakland, Cal.—which rejoiced in the name of "Trilly"—not Trilby, for this was before her day. She belonged to Ina D. Coolbrith, the well-known poet.

Trilly had been absent at her usual breakfast hour, and when her mistress was preparing to go out for the day the cat appeared, bearing in her mouth a fish dressed for cooking, which she hurriedly deposited at her mistress' feet, looking up proudly for an expression of approval. But her mistress only scooped quickly and laid the fish on the glowing coals, fearing it had been prepared with poison to trap unsuspecting kittens that had propensities to make free with neighbors' larders.

Trilly seemed to consider the proceeding as lacking appreciation and courtesy, and slowly walked away, disappearing over the garden fence.

When Miss Coolbrith returned and was trimming her rose bushes in the twilight, one of her neighbors called her name, and looking across the lot she saw Trilly curled up on the neighbor's back porch, sleeping the sleep of the contented, if not the just.

"Do you know what your cat has been doing?" she asked to Miss Coolbrith.

Trilly's mistress could not imagine, although the episode of the morning flashed across her mind, causing her grave apprehension.

"Well, she has been carrying fish across my lot a good part of the day."

"Fish? But where could she get so many? She didn't eat them all, I hope?"

"No; she brought them one by one, and stood on the top of the fence mewing loudly until she had all of your cats assembled beneath."

And all of the poet's cats meant no less than sixteen or seventeen.

"She dropped the fish one by one, until every cat had been satisfied; then she brought the last one over here on my porch and ate it herself, carefully washing her paws when she had finished, and lying down to sleep. She has not stirred since."

Miss Coolbrith hastened to where Trilly was lying, and picking up the cat to ascertain if it were still sound in body, was greeted with a lazy "mew!" A smile crept over her features as she wondered what neighbor's larder had suffered, and she thought she understood a new species of generosity.

When Cromwell Was a Boy.

Apocryphal of the statement that a man of Kent has in his possession the head of Oliver Cromwell, and that Mr. Hamo Thornycroft has been studying it for the bust of the protector upon which he is engaged, the London correspondent of the Manchester Evening News says:

"I have a dim recollection of being present at a rural fair long ago, and a showman offered as his staple attraction 'the skull of the renowned Oliver Cromwell.' I paid my 2 pence, but a hypercritical visitor standing by called the attention of the peripatetic gentleman to the obvious fact that the skull pertained to a rather small child. 'That's all right,' was the indignant retort; 'this is Oliver Cromwell's skull when he was a boy.'"

Wanamaker's Inn.
A writer in the New York Observer describes the unique plan by which John Wanamaker, the famous Philadelphia merchant, proposes to assist his fellow men.

Ex-Postmaster General and Philanthropist John Wanamaker has purchased the old Peabody hotel, Ninth street, above Spruce, Philadelphia, and had it remodelled at a cost of \$50,000. It is now the Friendly Inn, with accommodations for about a hundred and fifty guests. The rooms are cozy and bright, some of them with one, others with two three, and four single beds. For a room with only one bed, lodgers will be charged twenty-five cents a night. A room with one or more others of the price is fifteen cents. Meals will be served, table d'hotel, at ten cents for breakfast or supper, and fifteen cents for dinner. There is a social parlor which will be open for guests during the afternoon and evening, with magazines and newspapers for free use. This parlor is prettily furnished. There is an employment bureau in connection with the inn, no charge being made for help rendered

in procuring work for men. Mr. Wanamaker says that the inn is not a charity nor is it a fountain of religious sympathy. It does not propose simply to nurse a man out of his spleen in the hope of a permanent cure. It is a dead earnest effort to be the Good Samaritan to a man on the Jericho road; to light a lamp for a man, if possible, before he has gone to the almost bottomless pit of the slums; to make a sweet, clean, pure, Christian home for him every night until he can get a better one; to encourage him by Christian companionship, and by aids to employment, helping him to be worthy to be received again by the society from which by one reason or another he is a fugitive.

A Noble Deed.
A writer in the Interior tells of a noble deed once performed by Edward Everett Hale: A few years ago, a man who has now made a name for himself, found himself in London, utterly discouraged, and, as the phrase goes, "stranded." He took passage home on the first steamer. To cap the climax of his misfortune a felon broke out on his right thumb, so that it was impossible for him to hold the pen. When he stepped on the gang-plank of the steamer, whom should he see but Dr. Hale! Now, this gentleman had met Dr. Hale but once in his life, and had no claim on him, and no reason to believe that the reverend doctor remembered him at all. But, before he had a chance to even test the recognition he was grasped by the hand, and Dr. Hale said:

"I am delighted, Mr. —, to see you. I had no idea that I should know a soul on board, and now we'll have a pleasant passage over."

It was not long before, with characteristic sympathy, Dr. Hale had learned all his young friend's woes. "Let me write your letters," he said. "There is nothing I enjoy so much as writing."

So Dr. Hale became the poor fellow's stenographer, and from dictation wrote up all his correspondence. When his friend was confined to his stateroom Dr. Hale went down and spent hours every day telling him stories, cheering him out of himself, and acting like a professional entertainer, until, before the voyage was over, he had made a new man out of the despairing fellow. Then, when they arrived in Boston, Dr. Hale hunted this unhappy passenger up, and put him on his feet.

The Tramp.

I will wait for the train; the night—oh, how cold— My clothes are all tattered, my shoes stiff and old; The prospect around me is lonesome and bleak. And my teeth chatter so that I scarcely can speak; I start at each sound, and my heart's heating fast—I conjure up ghosts from the aisles of the past, And I shiver, and hark for the rumble and clack Of swift-speeding wheels on the cold, rusty track; Oh, bitter the night and my thoughts while I wait Alone at this curve for the friendly way freight.

The river out yonder—so silvery and calm— Would give me a shelter nor ask who I am; And, may be, when come to the City of Gold, Where justice is tampered with mercy (I'm told), Some angel would stand at my judgment and plead A kindly word said or a generous deed Some long years ago ere I swerved from the right And took the hard path that I'm treading to-night! But mother's last words were, "Be honest and brave!"— The coward alone seeks a suicide's grave! So I pray for forgiveness, and praying I wait At this bleak, lonely curve for the friendly way freight. —Sel.

Love Unto Death.
Professor Henry Drummond has been conducting a series of revival meetings in Edinburgh university. On one occasion he touched his audience deeply by the following anecdote reported by the London Christian:

"Some years ago, in the university, there was a fine, manly fellow, a medical student, a very Hercules in strength, but as gentle and lovable as he was strong. He was immensely popular, the captain of the foot-ball club, and not a cricket-match was considered complete without him. He was a man of good intellectual gifts as well. He caught typhoid fever while attending the Royal Infirmary, and soon he lay dying in a private ward. One of the house physicians, an earnest Christian and successful soul-winner, spoke to him about God and eternity. The dear fellow listened, became anxious, and eagerly heard the story of redeeming love.

"Will you give yourself to Jesus?" asked the doctor.

"He did not answer for a space, and then earnestly regarding the man of God, he said, 'But don't you think it would be awful mean just to make it up now, at my last gasp, with One I have rejected all my life?'"

"Yes, it would be mean; but, dear fellow, it would be far meaner not to do it. He wants you to do it now, for He has made you willing, and it would be doubly mean to reject a love that is pursuing you even to death."

"The dying man saw the point, and apprehending the excess of that exceeding love, he launched his soul into the ocean of life."

There is not a town, country or profession in the United States which does not have the name of John Wanamaker.



Gladness Comes

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For Country's Sake.

AN INDIAN FIGHTER SUFFERS AGONIES FROM DISEASE

He Was in the Battle With the Apaches When Geronimo Was Captured.

From the Press, New York City.
Worn from the exposure of army life on the frontier, and poisoned by the continual drinking of alkali water, Joseph Fleigaut returned to Philadelphia eight years ago, broken down in health and unable to do any work. He had served five years with the Ninth United States Infantry in many a desperate fight with the Indians in Arizona and other frontier states and had won an enviable record. In the fierce conflict when Geronimo, the famous chief of the Apaches, was captured, Mr. Fleigaut was among the brave soldiers who, forgetful of everything but duty, charged upon the hostile Indians.

Life on the plains sent an untimely death many soldiers who were never touched by a redskin's bullet or arrow, and Mr. Fleigaut came near such a fate as that. A long time before his time was out he was taken seriously ill, but he stuck to his post until an honorable discharge was finally given to him. When he reached Philadelphia, the Indian fighter was scarcely more than skin and bones, and for three weeks he lay desperately ill in a hospital. He felt dizzy, and his stomach felt as if it had dried up. These symptoms were accompanied by bloody dysentery, which no medicine seemed to relieve.

After two years of suffering, Mr. Fleigaut came to New York and was treated by several physicians. These did not agree, some calling his disease catarrh of the stomach, and others chronic diarrhoea.

In speaking to a reporter about his illness Mr. Fleigaut said the doctors helped him, but, with all the money he spent for advice and medicine, he was able to work only a small part of the time. Since moving to his present home, No. 517 West Forty-second street, in New York, about a year ago, Mr. Fleigaut has been so ill that his voice and hearing almost left him.

Then all medicines failed, and the sick man had little hope of recovery. At this critical time Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were recommended to Mr. Fleigaut, and, almost as a last hope, he began taking them.

"The beneficial effect of the medicine was felt at once," Mr. Fleigaut told the reporter, "and before I had taken a box I began to eat with relish. Three boxes made me so much better that I began work and have been able to keep at it since, for five months."

Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Med. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.; 50c per box, or six boxes for \$2.50.

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Mr. Shack Fagan, of 827 South Sixth Street, Waco, is a happy man to-day. He has thrown away his cane and will go to work to-day in the National Oil Mill. He has been a terrible sufferer for three years. Doctors did nothing for him, until he had used Veno's Curative Syrup and Veno's Electric Fluid. These famous medicines have cured him thoroughly. He has cured many others in Waco, including Mrs. L. E. Clay, 721 Austin Avenue, who had been afflicted with catarrh for over ten years, but is now well.

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IN WOMAN'S CORNER.

INTERESTING READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

Some Current Notes of the Modes—Turban in Emerald Green—Cardinal Red—The Gray Lady—Married Men as Ushers—The Household.

HERE are plenty of women built with the air demure, just the correct air for Lenten wear, and when they are gowned in one of the subdued costumes "prescribed" by the fashionable couturiers one might imagine them saints going about in smart clothing. Somehow we always associate violets and gray gowns with the Lenten season, and from their former favoritism they are very good evidences. But this year brilliant colors are by no means de trop in the churches. No, not even red, that most glaring of all colors. One effective gown is worn by a bonny little bride, belonging to the cream of the smart set; she is a blonde, too, but just the pale, pure style to whom red is infinitely becoming. Her gown is smart from beginning to finish, and yet there is nothing obtrusive.

Turban in Emerald Green. Trig and trim are the jaunty spring hats the Frenchmen have set us as models. Becoming, too, to an astonishing degree, when their pliancy is fully considered, for to most faces a generous allowance of fluffiness of the hat is necessary. One of the most swagger hats of the season is a small affair of roughly woven chenille in dull

black, with a thick brim rolled up at the sides to touch a rather high, square crown of the same stuff. A twisted scarf of yellow lace encircles the crown and stands aloft at one side in stiff, wired loops. A lot of small choux of Dutch blue velvet tip the hat slightly at one side, giving an exceedingly jaunty effect. With this smart capeau the coiffure is arranged quite high at the back, so as to tip it well over the forehead and eyes, in the latest approved mode.

Another genuinely smart hat is made of silver gray Neapolitan, as transparent as gauze. The brim is wide and flaring, tilted at the back in a series of careless knots, into which are tucked masses of crimson roses, nigonette and pale purple violets. Through the twisted rope of scarlet velvet encircling the crown is run a huge bow of brownish lace, caught by glistening rhinestone ornaments. A similar twist of velvet forms a bandeau under the brim. Emerald green, a remarkably vivid shade, is in high favor in millinery. A very modish little turban of black satin straw has an oval crown and a fatly rolling brim—that is, a trim well set out from the crown, then rolling up almost the height of the crown. Between the crown and the brim is arranged a thick rope of emerald green velvet, stuck through here and there with bunches of deep purple parma violets, and big wings, thick with rhinestones.

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PRETTY PETTICOATS.

well over the hand. A most fetching cape finishes this rig in a bewitching way. It is made of the goods of the gown, in flaring style, coming just over the hips. A five-inch wide band of velvet sets all along the edge finished by a full cord of silver. The oval velvet

yoke is finished by a smart flaring collar, wide enough to stand up over the ears.

Over the shoulders set out wide loops of the velvet, well stiffened, so as to emphasize the broad effect. The hat has a rather narrow brim, and is of satin smooth violet straw, trimmed flatly across the front with a wide, pulled-out bow of violet velvet, run through a rhinestone buckle. Smoke-gray suede gloves and garters of the same tint are worn with it. Very many of the early spring capes, are interlined with a rich Persian fur, to make them sufficiently warm. Especially is this the case when the material is of the light weight preferred for spring gowns.—Chicago Chronicle.

Household Hints. The "instantaneous" chocolates and cocoas are greatly improved by being brought to the boiling point.

To remove a spot from wall paper, hold a piece of blotting paper over the spot, and apply a hot saffron for a few moments.

Small pieces of paper no longer in demand at even the lowest prices. Dainty fruit sandwiches are a good thing. Bread is cut very thin and lightly buttered and then spread with raisins, dates or candied fruit. Those that have been chopped and mixed with orange juice, lemon juice or marmalade. Roll and with a little lemon.

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The Gray Lady.

And now we have the fin de siècle! Lenten girl, swager from top to toe, in all her pretty finery, which is neither too gay for church nor too dull for the small tea which is to follow. It is built of an oddly mixed goods, showing a blending of two soft shades of smoke gray, the lighter shade predominating. The gown is made with a very full, flaring skirt, having no less than ten gowns. It is all lined with soft violet taffeta, and is utterly devoid of decoration.

The bodice is a dainty conceit, combining a blouse and Eton effect. The main part of the body, namely, the blouse, is made of creamy white mulset on very full and allowed to droop, perceptibly over the narrow silver girde. Over the back fits a corselet of gray velvet, outlined at the top with a glittering silver braid. This extends smoothly under the arms and halfway across the front in Eton jacket style. It has a facing of velvet. There are semi-tight sleeves of velvet, finished at the waist by a long, loose point, resting

Sometimes the under dog receives more attention than he deserves.

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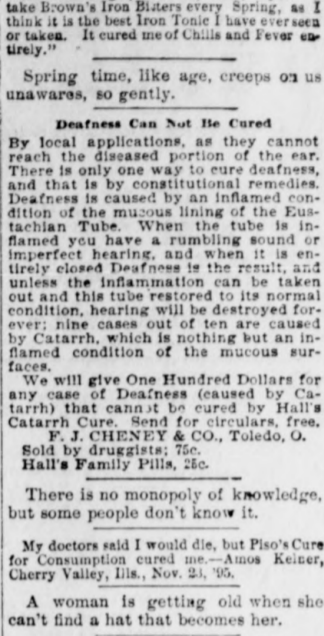
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ORGAN CONTEST.

The name of each candidate and number of votes each has received up to the hour of going to press each Friday evening will be published weekly in this column.

CANDIDATES.	VOICES.
Nellie Phillips, Baird.....	1414
Ella Bishop, Putnam.....	1305
Laura Etta Lambert, Pecan Bayou	885
Lella Lee, Clyde.....	553

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The organ contest will close at 6 o'clock Thursday, April 30. The votes will be turned over immediately to the following well-known business of Baird who will proceed to count the votes, viz: T. E. Powell, Herman Schwartz and Harry Meyer.

In case of a tie vote between two or more candidates the board will award the prize to the two, or more, receiving the highest number of votes, who may decide in their own way which shall receive the prize. In the event they cannot agree within 5 days after the contest closes the organ will be sold to the highest bidder for cash after advertising same publically in both local papers for two weeks, and the money divided between those receiving the highest number of votes.

The organ was bought new from Alex Hirschfield dealer in musical instruments, Ft. Worth, Tex.

Miss Lee	Miss Bishop	Miss Phillips	Miss Lambert
Mrs. Jones.....	Mrs. Sarah Jackson.....	F. T. Waid.....	J. A. Scott.....
Inella Smartt.....	Mrs. M. B. Zirfax.....	A. A. Callahan.....	P. B. Loper.....
Jeff Couch.....	W. T. Gurney.....	W. E. Mays.....	A Friend.....
Mrs. Fannie Suggs.....	Dr. B. F. Brittain.....	Homer Magee.....	Jas. Hart.....
Earl Hart.....	Miss Fannie Suggs.....	Walter Arnold.....	W. L. Lambert.....
John Matthews.....	Earl Hart.....	Mrs. F. L. Lindner.....	Mrs. D. W. Claiborne.....
W. B. Dodds.....	John Matthews.....	Miss Hallie Powell.....	Bud Bradley.....
L. J. Cook.....	W. B. Dodds.....	Snooks.....	A Friend.....
J. J. Sigler.....	L. J. Cook.....	Joe Hearn, Roswell, N. M.....	
Phi Hall.....	J. J. Sigler.....	J. C. Griffin.....	
	Phi Hall.....		

LAURA ETTA LAMBERT CLUB.
W. T. Burson from east of Putnam sent in eleven votes this week for Miss Lambert. Thanks friend Bill, come again.

A friend handed Sassy Sam 24 votes this week. Many thanks may your shadow never grow less. Come again.

Our Putnam friend was in town this week we are always glad to see you. Old boy shake.

Sassy Sam received from Sweet Marie and Trilby of Belle Plaine 56 votes for Miss Lambert this week. Thanks girls when the organ gets home we will be there to hear the old war tune, and want you to play it. Hope to hear from you again soon.

We received 10 votes from, we don't know where this week, and want you to come again friend.

Write to Sassy Sam and send him some votes if you want to find out who he is.

Mrs. Kener Conley of Clyde sent the Club 20 votes this week. Many thanks.

Miss Sallie Williams of Clyde sent Sassy Sam 11 votes for our favorite this week. We don't know how to thank you Miss Sallie unless we ask you to send some more votes but we thank you all the same.

Miss Pearl Bryant sent the club 19 votes this week. Many thanks Miss Pearl.

Mr. Alexander Ogilvy sent Sassy Sam 46 votes for Miss Lambert this week. Miss thanks friend Alex may your prosperity increase as you grow old.

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getic person who is a success-
ful farmer—either for money rent or
a part of the crop. I think this would
dispense with the county's spending
many dollars that are being spent un-
der the present management. In oth-
er words, the farm would become self-
sustaining; at least there would be no
drain on the county as at present. It
is very evident that the county would
have this money to use for other pur-
poses. All other business coming be-
fore the court, I will investigate thor-
oughly before acting.
Very Respectfully,
J. M. MORRISSET.

Mr. B. S. Hill, editor of the Quinlan
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