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The Beautiful Land of Nod.

Come, cuddle your head on my
shoulder, dear,
Your head like the golden rod,
And we will go sailing away from
here
To the beautiful Land of Nod,
Away from life's hurry and flurry
and worry,
Away from earth's shadow and
gloom,
To a world of fair weather we'll
float off together,
Where roses are always in bloom.
Just shut up your eyes and fold
your hands—
Your hands like the leaves of a
rose;
And we will go sailing to those
fair lands
That never an atlas shows.
On the north and the west they
are bounded by rest,
On the south and east by dreams,
'Tis the country ideal, where
nothing is real,
But everything only seems.
Just drop down the curtain of
those dear eyes,
Those eyes of a bright blue-bell.
And we will sail out under star
lit skies
To the land where the fairies
dwell.
Down the river of sleep our
barque shall sweep
Till it reaches that mystic isle
where no man has seen, but all
have been,
And there we will pause awhile.
I will crowd me on those
float along
To that shore which is blessed
of God,
Then ho! for that fair land! we'er
off for that rare land!
That beautiful Land of Nod.
—ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Trinidad has another new
Christian saloon. It is a place
where a young man can go, be
robbed of his sense and money.
In a little while his salary will
not be sufficient as stronger and
higher priced drinks he will have
to have. Then what is he going
to do? He must have money.
The thing that is most generally
practiced is to borrow some from
the till; or perhaps he'll just take
a sample of merchandise home
with him. (In the way of paren-
thesis, every cash register one
sees in a store, is a symbol of dis-
honesty, a stigma upon the em-
ployee. Because there is not
enough advantage in the machine
to justify the expense and both-
er.) Finally the young man
looses his job. He becomes a
physical and a moral wreck.
Next we see him scrubbing the
new saloon and washing the cus-
pidores for his morning appetite.
And last we see him going into a
paupers gaave.—Forsyth Chips.

St. Helena.

The lone rock of St. Helena,
whither the captive Boer General
Cronje is being conveyed, lies
almost midway in the South At-
lantic ocean, some 1200 miles
west of Africa and nearly 2000
miles East of South America.
Its total area is but forty-seven
square miles, and rugged and
precipitous cliffs from 600
to 2,000 feet encircle the is-
land, protecting the two princi-
pal inlets. These are James' bay
and Sandy bay, the former af-
fording an excellent harbor, on

They are Here and Still Coming!

OUR LINE of Dry Goods, No-
tions, Ladies' and Gents'
Furnishing Goods, Boys'
and Mens' Clothing, Boots
and Shoes, and in fact Ev-
erything in the Above Line
that will make you Comfortable
and Happy and as to Prices

New Spring Goods.

We Will Not be Undersold.

Special
Agent for
Topsy
Hosiery.
All Fast
Colors.

COME and see us and be con-
vinced—We Mean what we
say. These Goods were
bought before Prices advanc-
ed, and with our Business
Relations with the Best Firms
in the Market, we are able to
buy Goods as

Low as the Lowest.

TO THE LADIES: Mrs Noland is again at the Store to look after
the wants of the Ladies.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

T. J. Noland.

which Jamestown Ruperts and
Lemon valley and both harbors
are strongly fortified. It was
here that Cronje's famous pre-
decessor was brought on October
16, 1815, to die six years later,
on May 5, 1821.

According to the last census
taken, the Island in 1871 had a
population of 6241, including na-
tives of mixed European and
Asiatic origin, West African ne-
groes and whites, the last com-
prising the government officials,
the garrison, merchants and farm-
ers.

Kind Words.

The following extract taken
from a letter received this week,
is only a sample of many that are
received at this office:

"Enclosed find 50 cents in
stamps, for the continuation of
the AGITATOR. We are always
eager to get it and enjoy reading
it so much. Mama says they are
too good to be destroyed, so she
saves them to distribute, and says
by so doing she is "sowing seeds"
that will bear an hundred fold.
Mamma and I are heart and soul
with you in denouncing the sa-
loons and Catholics."

The AGITATOR goes into hun-

dreds of homes and is eagerly
read by the children each week.
Many harsh things have been
said about us and our little paper,
by those who oppose us, yet our
hearts are often made glad by the
encouraging words we receive
from all over the Texas country.
May God bless the noble boys
and girls and may they grow up
to be useful men and women.

Was the Lord to Blame.

"My business has been good
during the past year or two," a
man reflected; "I have had excel-
lent health; nothing has occurred
to make me unhappy, and I feel
that I ought to do something to
let God know that I am grateful
for all the blessings He has seen
fit to bestow upon me.

"Ah! I have it! I will go to
church next Sunday and put a \$5
bill in the contribution plate!"
And he did so. He enclosed the
bill in an envelope, with his busi-
ness card, so that nobody else
would get credit to which he is
not entitled, and there was satis-
faction in his heart when he
walked home after the sermon.
It had been a good sermon.

"Cast thy bread upon the waters
and it will return to thee after
many days!" That, as nearly as
he could remember it, was the
text.

"I have cast my bread upon the
waters," he said to himself.
"Now we shall see if it returns."
On the following day his busi-
ness rival around the corner came
to him and said:

"There is not room here for
both of us. You have a larger
establishment than mine, you have
more capital, and because you
buy in greater quantities than I
can you are able to undersell me.
For the past year I have been
struggling to keep from sinking,
but you have beaten me. I have
arrived at a point where I must
give up the fight."

Then the man who had prospered
bought the other man out at a
third of the actual value of his
possessions, because he was in a
hole, and the man who had con-
quered knew it and applied the
screws, and after the deal was
completed and he had marked up
all his goods 20 per cent, he said:

"Yes, it is true. Heaven is on
the side of the righteous. The

bread that is cast upon the water
will return—sometimes before
many days. I will try it again."

Let us remember, however,
that things sometimes happen by
chance.—Ex.

AWFUL FIGURES.

The following startling facts
and figures were given us during
the recent series of lectures deliv-
ered by Rev. G. W. Worthen.
There is in the United States 194-
942 saloons, 7,000,000 dram
drinkers, 250,000 confirmed
drunkards. We have annually
6,000 suicides and 11,000 mur-
ders. We have 50 penitentiaries
containing 100,000 convicts with
as many more in the 2,000 jails.
Eighty-five per cent of this is
the direct cause of drink; 100,000
perish annually from strong
drink, and of the 100,000 paupers
in our alms houses, 75 per cent
result from strong drink; 100,000
in the insane asylums, 15,000 in
reform schools, 200,000 reared in
drunkards homes, 85 per cent to
become criminals; 700,000 or-
phans and homeless children, 50
per cent the result of drink, 100,-
000 tramps and 300,000 lewd
women in the United States and
60,000 fall annually. In many
cities such as Waco and San An-
tonio, Tex., they license houses
of shame, making them as legiti-
mate as the dry goods or grocery
stores. Philadelphia alone has
8,000 saloons, 7,600 run by Cath-
olics, 6,400 have been indicted
for various offenses, showing the
character of this class of men.
Texas has 18 distilleries, 14 brew-
eries, 65 wholesale liquor houses,
3,376 retail saloons and \$20,256,-
000 paid out annually for drinks.
As a result of this Texas has 2
penitentiaries, with 4,421 convicts;
240 jails with an annual
commitment of 65,000. For il-
lustration, there was during the
year 1898 committed to the Fort
Worth jail, 1,143; Waco, 736;
whisky being the direct cause of
95 per cent of all this array of
crime. To try these criminals
and enforce the law cost the tax
payers of the United States, \$2,-
000,000,000, as the result of sa-
loons, and yet this says nothing
about the oceans of tears, the
ruined homes, broken hearts, and
the blighted lives of damned
souls. Could these 200,000 or-
phans and homeless children,
made so by these hell holes
that are licensed by law, pour
their pitiful cry in the ears of
our law makers, surely they
would hear; or the thousands of
poor women, the wives of drunk-
ards, toiling at the washtub to
keep their hungry ragged children
from starvation, only to be beaten
and abused by besotted husbands;
could their cry be heard, the
meanest man that God ever let
live, outside of the rum seller,
would oppose the saloons. Yet
some times, a church member,
will vote for whisky and just as
sure will God hold him alike re-
sponsible, in the day of judgment
with the saloon keeper. How
long, oh, how long, will this aw-
ful work continue.

The 1 spot seems to have struck
a full house when it tackled the
big 4.

The Agitator.

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J. R. HENSON, Editor.
FRANK KENDALL, Bus. Mngr.

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DO YOU WANT WHISKY.

If so, and you live in a prohibition town, the following is a receipt: "Get up a literary club for the culture and literary development of the young; (that's the dodge) but in the by-laws habe it stated that there is to be a bar tender and whiskey, wine and cigars are to be sold to the members; nobody allowed to join that will not swear a lie at the drop of the hat, from the justice to the supreme court, and further have the bank under such control, that any bank clerk that will swear in court where your whiskey was bought, or on whom the checks were issued, will be fired at once. Now, you need not try to work this scheme in any town that has decent officers, but some towns only have officers in name, and they will join the club and lie as quick as the members. If some preacher or paper should speak out against this diabolical business the officers can make a play like this. Let them subpoena a preacher living in the next county or some one that cannot possibly get at the evinence, and then there can sometimes be found a paper editor whose neighbors have appeared at court to swear they would not believe him on oath, to hold up for the devilish thing and swear to the public, that unlawful selling of whisky does not exist in the town." If you have never heard of such a scheme being worked, you have not been all over the world.

FENCE STRADDLING.

Clarendon, like most towns, has her share of this kind of population. She is well represented in nearly every avocation of life. Whenever vital issues are to be fought, or any public measure comes up for discussion, they climb the "fence" and wait to see which side has the largest crowd before they make a move. Clarendon has a few cases where these policy fellows have kept this up so long that they have actually become lop sided. A strictly policy man is dangerous in any community. Everybody knows that the AGITATOR has always spoken its convictions regardless of consequences. It never goes around to sound the public pulse, or to see what this man or that one thinks, but loads its gun and applies the match to the fuse. The fellow that gets hit is generally heard to howl before the smoke has cleared away. The worst fear the enemies of the AGITATOR have of it is its reputation for telling the truth. We hope to see the day come when every man in Clarendon will be forced to show which side of the fence he is on. We have just as

much respect for a saloon keeper as for the church member that slips in at the back door of the saloon after his morning dram. Our motto is: "Speak your sentiments and let others do the same."

We are glad to see so many of Clarendons citizens speaking out in favor of incorporation. The only objection we have heard raised against it is that taxes would be increased. This same argument was brought against the special school tax and could be brought against every other benefit to a town. But it can be run on such an economic basis that the tax will be very small. It is far cheaper to spend dimes this way, than dollars for doctor bills. The sanitary condition of this town is very bad. We need but to pass down the alleys to realize this, and some of the streets are almost impassable. A lady can scarcely pass down the sidewalks for the obstruction of goods boxes. Yes, we need incorporation and need it badly. Let everyone talk and work for it.

We notice a great deal of harsh criticism on Rev. Sheldon's paper, edited as he thought Jesus would do if on earth. This is no more than we expected. They crucified Christ when he was here and the world is sure to antagonize anyone that lives or writes like Him. Now, many of these papers that condemn Sheldon's edition are edited by church members but one would never suspect they claim to be Christians. Their papers are filled with all kind of scandals, saloon adds, horse races, Sunday base ball games, nude pictures and a full account of the latest theatrical or opera troupe fill the first page. Many of these papers would and do boost the vilest and worst drunkards to be found for office, provided he pays them, to do it. As for our part, we believe Mr. Sheldon was honest and his motives good, and the "Topeka Capital" was never so clean as this one week. There was nothing that we could see in it to demoralize any one, and we only wish it would continue as clean. Of course the saloon gang condemned it and all of that class. Many expected too much and was disappointed. The main question in running a clean paper today is what to keep out more than what goes in. It is an easy matter to run a paper as the devil would, for the most of them are run on that line. Read them over and you will find some are edited by sots and infidels and that is one reason Rev. Sheldon is so harshly criticised.

We have heard considerable complaint of late from a certain postoffice, about our subscribers not receiving their papers. We have taken some trouble to investigate these complaints and have also taken the trouble to check off the paper for the past two weeks going to this office. If we hear any more about this somebody is going to get a little free advertising, so please take notice.

Some folks think there is, and some think there isn't—so there you are. * * * Some men are a great deal more particular about the reputation of their town than they are about their own. * * * Services next week at the same place.—Hall Co. News.

We are rejoiced to see the spirit of unity existing between the different churches in Clarendon. It was only recently that a union meeting was held, on Wednesday night we had a Union prayer meeting and Sunday a united effort was made upon the part of the preachers to hold aloft the standard of our Lord. We believe that by such concentrated effort great good will be done.

The brave man is he who does his own thinking and acts on his own judgement as his own conscience shall dictate.—West Texas Sentinel.

GAMBLING could be broken up in every town if the officers would put forth the proper effort.

Entertainment.

There will be an entertainment at the Clarendon college Friday night. It will be a joint exercise given by the different societies and will be worth listening to. Don't fail to go. 25 cents admission will be charged. This is the first time any admission has ever been charged and surely no one will object as the money goes to improve the college. Many have requested that this be done and we have noticed that where they have to pay a certain element that render themselves objectionable by disturbing are absent. Don't forget the time and also the quarter you can pay at the door.

Only a few of those bargain suits left at Nolands, now is your chance.

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Clarendon, Tex.

Clarendon Livery Stable,

Buntin & Baker, Props.

Drummers Accommodated, First-Class Turnouts, Horses Boarded by Day Week or Month.

Feed Sold Cheap.

CLARENDON - - TEXAS.

Locals and Personals.

Blessed is the Peacemaker.

C. A. Burton moved his family into town this week.

Peacemaker flour is the finest in the market.

King of Kansas flour, as fine as the finest at W. T. Jones.

Mrs. J. R. Henson has been quite sick the past week.

From this date my place of business will be closed on Sunday.
S. ANDERSON.

All the latest styles in Shirt Waists at Noland's from 50c up.

W. T. Jones has a full and complete line of Sorghum, Millet and Kaffir seed.

Some of the Donley county farmers have finished planting their corn.

Peacemaker flour defies all competition.

Just received, a nice line of Ladies' Muslin Underwear at T. J. Noland's.

FOR SALE—Large White Pekin Duck eggs. Terms reasonable. Leave orders at this office.

Try Peacemaker flour it is a winner.

Crockett Taylor returned from Galveston last Saturday night.

J. K. Harvey, accompanied by his family, spent Tuesday at his Barton creek ranch.

When you contemplate purchasing a bill of groceries, give me a call and get my prices,
W. T. JONES.

J. T. Patman returned last Friday night from a ten days visit to home folks at Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Do not fail to price those new spring goods that are just arriving at Noland's. He will save you money.

Forest B. Stocking, wife and little daughter, visited friends in the Fairview neighborhood the first of this week.

Peacemaker is a warm number, you need it in your 'biz.'

Mrs. Leslie M. Price, of Washburn, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Noland, this week.

Do not fail to see Anderson's goods before you purchase. He is rock bottom on prices and the quality cannot be excelled.

Mr. John Brittain, of Amarillo, is in town this week, putting a monument over the grave of his wife this week.

Dr. T. H. Westbrook made a professional visit to Whitefish last Wednesday evening and returned Thursday morning.

Mrs. Compere, of Crowell, Tex., is visiting her son Will Compere, and daughter, Mrs. B. R. Blankenship, at this place this week.

Barrett Mitchner, returned to Claude Sunday night, after a weeks visit to his sister, Mrs. Dr. Nelson, at this place.

For hardware, singletrees, doubletrees, chains, collars, pads &c., see Anderson. He will give you a hard times price.

Peacemaker flour takes premiums at St. Louis, and Dallas Fair. Has no equal. John T. Sims sells it.

They can all talk and argue, but when they come down to facts, in regard to the lowest prices and largest stock in Clarendon come and see,
BEN CHAMBERLAIN.

We Were

So well pleased with the results of our former DISCOUNT SALE that we have decided to give another Beginning

Friday, March 30,

And continuing 15 days we will give a discount of 20 per cent FOR CASH, from regular prices. We have just received 3,000 pounds of plain and Decorated Queensware, Cut and Blown Glass Tumblers, Lamps, Etc. Also a new line of Carpets and Matting. We have a nice line of Furniture, Iron Beds, Springs, Mattresses, Window Shades, Etc.

C. H. Nelson & Co.

Nelson & Co. are giving some big bargains for the next two weeks. Twenty per cent discount for cash from regular prices.

Dr. Stocking was called out on Nestor Flat Tuesday night to see Will Muir. He returned at noon yesterday and reported his patient resting easy.

Anderson carries a larger line of high grade cheese than is carried between Fort Worth and Trinidad. When you want something that is nectar for the Gods see Anderson.

The Martins, that are looked upon by many, as the surest sign of approaching spring, made their appearance this week.

When you need anything in the way of local notices, send them in. Remember that everybody reads the AGITATOR, even its enemies.

Kitty, the little daughter of I. E. Jones, who has been so dangerously sick with Typhoid fever, is slowly recovering. While she is not entirely free from danger, her condition is much improved.

J. T. Sims the hustling grocer, has moved the petition out of his store building this week and has made a change in the appearance of things generally.

Mrs. S. P. Gray and little son Herbert, from Colorado City, Col. arrived this morning, and will visit for some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Scott.

Mrs. J. T. Sims, accompanied by her little daughter and John T. Jr., returned the first of the week from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lovelace, who live on Indian creek.

Quick cash sales and small cash profits suit us better than larger profits and the credit system. For the next 15 days we will give you a discount of 20 per cent from the regular prices for cash.
Nelson & Co.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Beville, learn with much regret, that their little son Allen, is still dangerously sick near Sulphur Springs, Texas. Many words of sympathy have been expressed and many prayers have gone up in their behalf that God will spare to them their darling boy.

In the general office move this week, and also sickness being in the family of the editor, it has thrown us somewhat behind again but we can only promise our readers one thing, and that is, that if getting on wheels makes any difference, in a paper we expect to make a 'hummer,' for we have just been there.

The killing of J. H. Lightfoot by Judge Logue, near Washburn last week is a very deplorable affair. We know Mr. Lightfoot to be a brave, courageous man, and if it is a fact, as we hear, that he was shot five times in the back, this ought to be conclusive evidence to every thinking, mans' mind that he was murdered without having a fair show.

WANTED—by Mrs. A. J. Lindsey, 5 or 6 boarders. Table will be supplied at all times with the best the market affords—Also one Furnished Room for rent. For particulars apply to
MRS. A. J. LINDSEY.

The Clarendon Orchestra now consists of 10 instruments all of which are represented. They meet and practice on Tuesday night of each week. A nice line of professional music has been recently selected and the Clarendon people are promised something in the way of a musical treat in the near future. This is a home enterprise and should meet with the success and encouragement that it deserves from our people.

Just Received,

3,000 pounds of glass and queensware, some beautiful decorations, on sale at 20 per cent less than their real value for the next two weeks.
NELSON & Co.

Sunday Services.

The weather was somewhat threatening in the morning, but the clouds soon cleared away and large congregations met at the different churches. All the ministers preached from the same text, Matt. 5-24. The subject was Practical Christian Living. Five joined the Methodist church, six the Presbyterian and as many or more the Baptist.

TO THE PUBLIC—I have just refitted my barber shop and have employed Mr. Holston, of Vernon, who is a first class barber. There being three of us now, you will not be obliged to wait for your work. Drop in and see the new shop and get a quick, easy shave or hair cut. Hot and cold baths at all hours. Respectfully,
A. C. BARRETT.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—A new 4 room house; two lots, fenced with a picket fence. Small barn buggy house and out buildings. Situated just South of the South Methodist church, and only two block from the main business portion of town. If sold at once can be bought for \$600. Call on B. R. Weatherspoon at premises or on A. M. BEVILLE, Agent.

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Real Estate Agents,

Clarendon, Texas.

Will handle Clarendon and Donley county real estate on commission. If you have property for sale list it with us. We will advertise a description of the property and help you to an early sale. If you want to buy or sell, see us. We will from time to time publish partial lists of real bargains we have to offer.

3 school sections in Gray county—plenty of running water and fire wood on the land, 50 cents per acre bonus.

3 school sections in Gray county, splendid grazing land, price 50 cents per acre, bonus.

3 school sections in Gray county, 2 sections fenced, 3 room house, barn and farm, plenty of wood and water. Can be had for \$1500 bonus. This will make a splendid stock farm.

4 school sections in Gray county, all joining and fenced, having a good house, large farm, in fact, all needed improvements with an abundance of wood and running water. No better location for a small ranch can be found anywhere. Price \$2500 bonus.

General News Notes.

Acetline lights are not supplanting Standard Monopoly oil in Amarillo as rapidly as was hoped. It is said to be cheaper, makes a better light, but requires too careful handling for the average lamp lighter and janitor.—Amarillo News.

Hale county has two well developed cases of small pox. Pest houses have been established and every precaution is being taken to keep the disease from spreading.

At the home of J. S. Whatley, near Oaklaunton, Wilbarger county, on Friday of last week, four persons were shot, one being fatally wounded. W. L. Wagoner is held under a \$5,000 bond charged with the shooting.

Dr. Wands has received word from headquarters to vaccinate all railroad hands at this place. A case of small pox is reported on Buck creek.—Hall Co. News.

The old Fort Elliot buildings in Wheeler county was sold at auction on Tuesday of last week. The old time settlers from the Panhandle and Oklahoma country took advantage of the sales and held a grand re-union at Mobeetie that night. The sale only occupied part of one day.

Fire at Amarillo on Tuesday of last week destroyed the house of Mayor, R. L. Stringfellow. Loss estimated at between \$5,000 and \$6,000. Insurance \$1,500.

What the country needs is honest, fearless newspapers that will dare tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, about men who aspire to public office; to expose fraud and dishonesty wherever it may exist. Newspapers that would neither be bought threatened or bullied into silence, when schemes and stealing in high as well as low places were going on. Where rascality was the fashion from the highest legislative body down to the constable in the smallest country town. We say this is the kind of newspapers that the country needs. But God pity the man who would thus attempt such a paper in this day and time. He would only be accounted a devil of the first water, and that too, by the very people he was trying to serve.—Ex.

J. K. Palmer Dead.

Elder J. K. Palmer, a Christian preacher, died at his home in Clarendon, Tuesday morning, March 27th, 1900. Elder H. M. Bandy, of Quanah, preached the funeral sermon at the Christian church Wednesday morning, after which he was buried with Masonic honors. Brother Palmer was 53 years old at the time of his death. He was a man of strong convictions and generally succeeded in whatever he undertook. He stood high in the Masonic order, being a Knight Templar, and for years held the office of General Superintendent of Public instruction of Dallas county. He was unconscious for several hours before his death and consequently left no dying words. For some time he was conscious of the fact that he could not live, and death to him was no surprise. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

We are glad to note that one of our merchants gives notice this week that his store will hereafter be closed on Sunday. We hope to see the day soon in Clarendon when every merchant will have the courage to say the same thing.

Rome and the Public Schools.

"The Romish church has a right to interfere in the discipline of the public schools, and in the arrangement of the study of the public schools, and in the choice of teachers for the public schools."—Pope Pius, IX., Enc. 45.

"Public schools open to all children for the education of the young should be under the control of the Romish church and should not be subject to the civil power, nor made to conform to the opinion of the age."—Pope Pius, IX., Enc. 47.

"The church alone is endowed with the power to educate the young."—Cardinal McCluskey.

"The catechism alone is essential for the education of the people."—Cardinal Antonelli.

"We must take part in the elections. Move in a solid mass in every state against the party pledged to sustain the integrity of the public schools."—Cardinal McCluskey.

"These public schools are a devouring fire and pits of destruction; they ought to go back to the devil from whence they came."—The Freeman's Journal.

The common schools of this country are sinks of moral pollution and nurseries of hell."—The Chicago Tablet.

The old Romish church wants: "Free rum, free Rome, but no free schools."

Rev. R. Harcourt, D. D., said: "We Protestants need no longer flatter ourselves with crying 'peace when there is no peace.'"

"The conspiracy is out."

"The war is upon us."

"The removal of the Bible from our public schools was the first wedge driven into the firm timber of our American school system."

"Rome finds fault with our school because the children are not compelled every half hour to stop in the middle of their studies and offer up a 'Hail Mary' or to count their beads, thus binding the Romish yoke of mummery upon the American youth."

"Rome is the inveterate foe of free thought and free education."

"If the papal church had its way in this country, it would close every school in the land, and compel our children either to receive their education at her own hands, or go without education altogether."

The reader can readily see that the Romish church seeks to destroy our public schools and build her schools on their ruin:

"I hear a lion in the lobby roar!"

Say, Mr. Speaker, shall we shut the door

And keep him out? Or shall we let him in,

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L. TOMME.

A Fiendish Attack.

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