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The North Sea Affair.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 28.—Orders have been telegraphed Vice Admiral Rojestvensky to detain at Vigo all warships which took part in the North Sea incident.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—Orders have been issued and acknowledged by Vice Admiral Rojestvensky of the Russian squadron to remain at Vigo until the conclusion of the present Russo-British negotiations. This eliminates what is regarded here as one of the most dangerous features of the situation, namely, the possibility of a premature clash between the British and Russian squadrons.

The Associated Press is authorized to state that an apparent satisfactory settlement of the Russo-Russian dispute has been reached. Several details of the settlement remain to be arranged, but the proposal to refer the dispute to a court of arbitration has been accepted. The dispute ended when Ambassador Benckendorff said Lord Lansdowne after the cabinet meeting. The final inquiry will be held at The Hague, under the auspices of The Hague convention. The appointment of arbitrators will be discussed tomorrow.

Admiralty orders reached Portsmouth to stop the leave of all officers and men and directing the torpedo boat destroyer flotilla be kept in readiness to proceed whenever ordered.

Standard Grabbing Oil Fields.

CROWLEY, La., Oct. 26.—It was intimated to the representative of The News tonight by a well-known oil man who is a large operator in the local field as well as several of the Texas fields, that the Standard Oil Company, through their agents, have been successful in obtaining valuable holdings of the Greer, Spindletop and Sour fields and that while the lands are being operated, the company is very indifferent as to the disposition of the output, wrecking prices whenever it has a large amount that can be thrown on the market at one time.

It is further claimed that oil leases are being secured by agents of the Standard Oil Company in all parts of Louisiana and Texas, and that the gigantic trust is doing all within its power to prevent any further oil discoveries in the South.

There is no doubt in the minds of any of the well-informed oil men that the Standard has had representatives in the Southern fields for some time, but it was generally supposed that they were here solely for the purpose of posting their company on the condition of trade, shipments, outputs of the various fields, etc., but never before has it been even as much as intimated that the company was actively engaged in this section.

The story of the Standard in Louisiana and Texas is doubted by many, but the tip comes from reliable authority while it may be a little improbable, it is worth a thought. It was some time ago that because you spread out on the next meeting the one owes you a Bro. Johnson, so of gratitude.

Fishing Fleets Always Non-combatants.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 27.—President Angell of the University of Michigan, addressing his class in international law, referred to the North sea fishing fleet incident as follows: "It was one of the most extraordinary blunders ever committed in the history of international relations. Russia is wholly in the wrong always for the reason that fishing vessels are always exempt, even in the event of war between two nations."

In the last war between France and England fishing vessels were declared exempt for the reason that their capture could no way influence the ultimate outcome of the struggle. This rule is now recognized as international law. "The only plausible explanation of Russia's extraordinary act is that one of the officers gave the command to fire in a moment of frenzied excitement and fear."

Will Bar the Passage.

LONDON, Oct. 27, 4:41 p. m.—While no time limit for the receipt of Russia's reply has been fixed, it is generally understood today that the route of the Russian squadron past Gibraltar will be barred by the channel squadron commanded by Vice Admiral Lord Charles Beresford. At 3 o'clock this afternoon Lord Charles Lansdowne expressed his belief that a peaceful settlement will be had.

Oklahoma Stock Regulations.

The following is amendment No. 1 to the Oklahoma live stock quarantine proclamation, as issued by the governor and now in force:

1. No cattle shall be received for shipment by any railway company in Washita or Roger Mills county until same have been inspected on pasture or ranges by an inspector of this board or an inspector of the bureau of animal industry. All cattle must be accompanied by a written permit from such officer as above indicated.

2. In accordance with amendment No. 14, to B. A. I. order No. 121, no cattle from above territorial line and south and east of the federal quarantine line shall be allowed movement into the Ponca reservation.

3. In accordance with amendment No. 14, to B. A. I. order No. 21, no cattle shall be moved from Greer, Roger Mills, Canadian and that part of the counties of Oklahoma, Logan and Payne, and of the Otoe, Missouri and Ponca Indian reservation in Oklahoma, lying west of Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway lying west and north of said restricted district until after having been inspected and found free of infection by an inspector of this board or an inspector of the board of animal industry.

4. On account of the prevalence of Texas fever infection on cattle in township No. 13, north, range 6, west, no cattle originating therein will be permitted to be moved to any other state or territory above the federal quarantine line, except as provided for southern cattle for immediate slaughter. This rule will remain in effect until November 1, 1904.

The foregoing rules and regulations were adopted and approved by the Oklahoma live stock sanitary commission held in Guthrie, Okla., October 7, 1904.

Misplacing Your Favors

Giving a Letter of Introduction Often Means Charging Up a Loss

From "Old Gorgon Graham; More Letters From a Self-Made Merchant to His Son," by George Horace Lorimer. By permission of Doubleday, Page & Co., Publishers.

Yesterday your old college friend Clarence blew in from Monte Carlo, where he had been in the interests of science, and presented your letter of introduction. Said he still couldn't understand just how it happened, because he had figured it out by logarithms and trigonometry and differential calculus and a lot of other high priced studies that he'd taken away from Harvard and that it was a cinch on paper. Was so sure that he could have passed his theory right if he'd only had a little more money that it barely seemed worth while to tell him that the only thing he could really prove with his system was old Professor Darwin's theory that men and monkeys began life in the same cage. It never struck me before, but I'll bet the professor got that idea while he was talking with some of his students. Personally I don't know a great deal about gambling, because all I ever spent for information on the subject was \$2.75—my fool horse broke in the stretch—and that was forty years ago. But first and last I've heard a lot of men explain how it happened that they hadn't made a hog killing. Of course there must be a winning end to gambling, but all that these men have been able to tell about is the losing end. And I gather from their experiences that when a fellow does a little gambling on the side it's usually on the wrong side.

The fact of the matter is that the race horse, the faro tiger and the poker kitty have bigger appetites than any healthy critter has a right to have, and after you've fed a tapeworm there's mighty little left for you. Following the horses may be pleasant exercise at the start, but they're apt to lead you to the door of the poorhouse or the jail at the finish.

To get back to Clarence, he took about an hour to dock his cargo of hard luck and another to tell me how strange it was that there was no draft from his London bankers waiting to welcome him. Naturally I haven't lived for sixty years among a lot of fellows who've been trying to drive a cold chisel between me and my bank account without being able to smell a touch coming a long time before it overtakes me, and Clarence's intentions permeated his cheery conversation about as thoroughly as a fertilizer factory does a warm summer night. Of course he gave me every opportunity to prove that I was a gentleman and to suggest delicately that I should be glad if he would let me act as his banker in this sudden emergency, but as I didn't show any signs of being a gentleman and a banker he was finally forced to come out and ask me in coarse commercial words to lend him a hundred. Said it hurt him to have to do it on such short acquaintance, but I couldn't see that he was suffering any real pain.

Frankly, I shouldn't have lent Clarence a dollar on his looks or his story, for they both struck me as doubtful collateral, but so long as he had a letter from you asking me to do anything in my power to oblige him or to make his stay in Carlsbad pleasant, I let him have the money on your account, to which I have written the cashier to charge it. Of course, I hope Clarence will pay you back, but I think you will save bookkeeping by charging it off to experience. I've usually found that these quick, glad borrowers are slow, sad payers. And when a fellow tells you that it hurts him to have to borrow you can bet that the thought of having to pay is going to tie him up into a bowknot of pain.

Right here I want to caution you against giving away your signature to every Clarence and Willie that happens along. When your name is on a note it stands only for money, but when it's on a letter of introduction or recommendation it stands for your judgment of ability and character, and you can't call it in at the end of thirty days, either. Giving a letter of introduction is simply lending your name with a man as collateral, and if he's no good you can't have the satisfaction of redeeming your indorsement even, and you're discredited. The first thing that a young merchant must learn is

that his brand is a note or a ham or a I reckon that the habit of indorsing letters to catch the reach with whisky have their proper out of ten of them to some Clarence to your time and to gra luncheon and cigars that a fellow who's all to me doesn't think any for a letter of introduction who's a total stranger plain to these men, he try to let them do what you have what their special opportunity to know abilities are the \$100 with an, "Oh, the a word and refer about me."

When unsealed, I give them a not sup and, though of I think posed to read because heard that they do, a letters being presented. I use the form on all of them.

and after they've pumped their thanks into me and rushed around the corner they find in the envelope: "This will introduce Mr. Gallister. While I haven't had the pleasure of any extended acquaintance with Mr. Gallister, I like his nerve."

When you can, it's better to refuse a request by letter. In a letter you need say only what you choose; in a talk you may have to say more than you want to say.

You should answer letters just as you answer men—promptly, courteously and decisively. Of course you don't ever want to go off half cocked and bring down a cow instead of the buck you're aiming at, but always remember that game is shy and that you can't shoot too quick after you've once got it covered.

Teacher's Association.

The first meeting of this scholastic year of the above association will be held in Clarendon, beginning Nov. 25. Following is the program:

FRIDAY NOV. 25, 1904.
9:30. Invocation—Rev. Hardy.
Song—America—Association.
Address of Welcome—Hon. W. B. Ware.

Response—Prof. E. L. Dohoney.
Election of Officers for Ensuing Year.

10:45. A World's Fair Round Table—Lead by Miss Laura Hamner.

1:30. Needed School Legislation—E. T. Genheimer, F. R. Haynes and G. W. Clark.

2:30. Primary Methods at the World's Fair—Miss Annie Hendrix, Miss Willie White.

3:15 Query Box—Association.
8:30. Entertainment at College Chapel.

SATURDAY, NOV. 26, 1904.
9:00. Mathematics in the Public Schools—W. F. Johnson and Miss Kittie Kimbrough.

10:00. Co-operation of Home and School—Wade Willis, J. L. Bain and Miss Amy Harding.

11:00. Meeting of Teachers of Various Grades.

1:30. Literature Teaching—Miss Mattie Donnell, Towne Young and Miss Susie Patterson.

2:30. U. S. History in Grammar Grade—What, How Much, How to Teach It—Miss Millicent Griffith, Miss Alice Jones and Miss Ida Gamble.

L. A. WELLS, President.
MISS KATHERINE NUNLEE Secretary.

Five women at Washington, D. C., are still drawing pensions as widows of soldiers who served in the war of the revolution, which ended one hundred and twenty years ago.

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SOME of the say Tom Watson is better than a republic. Some of the g. o. p. men say he is as bad as a democrat. Of course, with their partisan glasses they only measure him with themselves.

JUDGE PARKER claims the Philippines cost us \$600,000—Secretary Taft asserts that they cost us only \$189,000,000. Now divide the difference between the amounts and you will be near the truth. A difference of over four hundred millions is about as near the truth as old party politicians can get.

It now looks like the deficit in the Texas treasury will run nearer two than one million dollars. The next legislature will have to meet this, either curtail expenditure or raise taxes. It is more likely it will do the latter. It does look like the way Texas is growing in taxable wealth, the increase from this source should meet all legitimate and just expenditures without increasing the rate. But can this be done? Ask your legislator.

A Swedish steamer's crew affirms that they were fired upon by a Russian war vessel without cause.

Several hundred head of cattle died this week in Tarrant county as a result of thirt-six hours cold rain.

The twenty-three nearest male relatives of the czar each receive a salary of \$460,000 a year from the government. They own together about 5,000 square miles of land and 325 palaces. They employ about 20,000 servants.

Emperor Nicholas telegraphed King Edward, expressing deep regret with what occurred in the North sea last Saturday, and asked that his sympathy be conveyed to the families of the killed and wounded fishermen.

The "pot hunter" is the meanest man on earth, with the one exception of the man who kills merely to see the birds fall or the little animals sink into lifeless heaps when hit by the shot. There are such men. They kill for the mere love of killing. By nature they are cruel and blood-thirsty, and derive pleasure in the thought of inflicting pain and death upon inferior animals. But to call such men "sportsmen" is an insult to every true-hearted lover of dog and gun and rod and reel.—Ex.

And the insurance trust has the people of this state just about as completely by the throat as it is possible for an octopus to get them. They maintain uniform systems of rates; and there is no such thing as bona fide competition.—Telegram.

It is proposed in Indiana to send horse thieves to the penitentiary for life. This would be a more intelligent way of disposing of them than sending them to City Councils or the State Legislature.—Iconoclast.

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County Affairs.

MR. EDITOR:—As you have kindly offered your columns for the discussion of public questions, I should like to give expression to a few thoughts that have suggested themselves to my mind. I will say first, that I am a citizen and taxpayer of Donley County, and have been for more than three years, hence, I feel that I have a right to a voice in public matters. Under the laws of this great and glorious country of ours every man has a right to promulgate his views on all political questions, and it is now urged by all of our best men that it is not only the right, but the duty of every good citizen to see that the truth, both as to issue and to men, be placed before the public, to the end that all may be enabled to vote intelligently.

It seems that there is a disposition this year upon the part of all office-holders, both municipal and national, to "stand pat". When criticised, they try to convince the public that "we haint done nothin'", and then they go on and say that "if we'r lected we'r goin to do it ergin." On this line I am sure that no one with any perception has failed to notice the great similarity between the recent announcement of our County Judge and the letter of acceptance of Mr. Roosevelt. Now I want to say right here that I do not mean any disrespect to our County Judge when I compare his announcement with an insignificant instrument like the president's acceptance, but the president's letter is the next biggest thing that I can think of, and I mention it only this once.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES.

From the accumulation of too much water around the Public School hydrant, it becomes at times very muddy as a consequence, sometimes proving to be disagreeable to students getting water. This condition of affairs has been removed through the generosity of our small boys, who have taken pleasure in covering the wet earth with dry.

Mrs. Muir graced the room of Miss Stout this week with a friendly call.

Eula Collins is absent from Miss Allen's room this week, having gone to Briscoe county on a visit.

Still the pupils come. Miss Donnell has two new ones this week; Daisy Murray and Stella Howard.

The late cold spells coming arm-in-arm with Jack Frost make most of the girls and some of the boys seek a warm room these mornings, leaving a small per cent of the scholastic population to run, jump fences, wrestle, and do a thousand other things which are prompted as much by the child's ingenuity as by the cold weather.

Miss Kimbrough has been supplementing her usual work with some map study, of late. The map reinforces the memory by appealing to the eyes, and is something which every teacher should employ frequently.

Miss Stout is still adding to her popularity. Her responsibilities are increased by three, and we dare say the pleasures as well. No one realizes better than Miss Stout that responsibilities and joys play in the same yard, so to speak, and hold communion in the same heart. Her new pupils are Sara Howard, Annie and Laura Muir.

Misses Allen and Harding are ordering some beautiful pictures with which they intend to decorate their walls. Nice, beautiful pictures are great helps to the teacher. They beautify the mind because they attract the mind, compelling it to think on beautiful subjects.

Judge Morgan took a bird's eye view of the school Thursday, as they were ranked on the grounds, preparatory to their march into the school building. Roy Beverly is out this week, having gone to the World's fair.

Platitudes against sin are as harmful as applause for sin.

Duluth, Minn., had a two inch snow Wednesday.

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In the Judge's letter of acceptance, in which he informs the voters of Donley county that they have the glorious privilege of voting for him, but that they will not be coerced in this matter, he says, "If I am honored by you in being chosen to this responsible position, it will bear the significance of your approval of my former conduct and administration." Yes, that is precisely true, and the question now is, Do the voters of Donley County know what the conduct and administration of the office has been since the present incumbent came in, and do they know the effect of this conduct and administration? If they do, and after knowing give their approval, that approval is final.

The County Judge, by reason of his office, is a sort of a guardian for the widows and orphans of the county, and a sort of general administrator of county affairs. He, together with the commissioners, possesses the highest power ever given to a delegated body, the power to tax the people. These things demand of a county judge that he absolutely lose sight of his own ease and convenience, and his own financial interests when they come in contact with the interests of the people. Does the present county judge meet these demands? The only way by which we may know this is by investigating his conduct since he came into office. The former county judge, although old and enfeebled by disease, spent little of the people's money for his own personal comfort. When the present incumbent came into office the people had commenced to feel the burden of taxation, and to ask themselves if there were no remedy.

It seems that a county judge who had the interests of the people at heart, would have relieved them of every burden of which it was possible to be relieved. At this point I will explain that I have reference to matters entirely outside of fees and ex-officio salaries as now allowed. The present Judge is a man in the prime of life, and seems to be in good health, at least if such is not the case he was

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not obliged to take the place. It seems that under these circumstances the comforts of the office were good enough for the former Judge, ought to have been sufficient for the present one. But such was not the case. Immediately upon his assuming the office there is ordered an outlay for repairs. The beautiful sunlight, which has for years brightened the hall of Justice, and which was not too strong for the old Judge's eyes, the young Judge shuts out, and he has been trying to shut out the light every since. This outlay was made purely for the personal comfort and convenience of the incoming Judge, and was over and above what the former Judge would have spent. And where do the people come in? But even this might be looked over, if it were all. It is soon discovered that the county must have another book case, and the further discovery is made that the Judge has the very thing that the county needs. It is true that the case is entirely unfit for law books, and that no lawyer would have it at any price. It is true that there are not enough books to fill the case, even when a lot of old agricultural reports and other rubbish are raked up. It is furthermore true that the revolving book case must be entirely emptied, and that another sectional case must be partly emptied. But all these things count for naught. The Judge has a lot of old junk that he must get rid of, and the county offers a mighty good market to a fellow who is in the "ring". The commissioners all want to be elected again, and they think that they might possibly be some help along that line, and if so, the Judge

Table with 2 columns: Newspaper Name and Price. Includes News, Houston or Dallas, Southern Mercury, Texas Advance, Scientific American, Phrenological Journal, Texas Farm and Ranch.

REDUCED RAILWAY RATES.

WORLD'S FAIR RATES. The following rates have been authorized from Clarendon to St. Louis and return, account World's Fair: rates apply via Fort Worth & Denver R'y to Ft. Worth, thence any direct route to St. Louis: Season Ticket rate, \$36.20; 60 day rate, \$30.15; 15 day rate, \$24.60; 7 day rate, \$15.85. Rates for children on the above excursions will be one-half the above rate, except on the 7 day tickets, on which child's rate will be \$11.30. The 7 day tickets will be on sale June 14 and 20, limited to leave St. Louis seven days after date of sale. These 7-day tickets are good for coach accommodation only. COLORADO TOURIST RATES: Continuing daily from June 1 to Sep. 30, inclusive, the following rates are authorized from Clarendon to points named below and return: Ret. limit Oct. 31. 60 days: Boulder, \$24.95; Denver, \$23.35; Colorado Springs, \$20.35; Pueblo, \$18.35. Stop-overs will be allowed at any point Trinidad and north, going or returning without additional expense to passengers. For children, one-half above rates. Any additional information will be gladly furnished on application to the undersigned. J. W. KENNEDY, Local Agent.

Tourist Rates.

The Frisco System will issue, during the Summer months, Tourist round-trip tickets to various resorts and locations—the Mountains, Lakes and Seashore, at greatly reduced rates, with ample return limit. Call on nearest agent for address Passenger Traffic Department SAINT LOUIS.

FOR LOW RATES TO THE WORLD'S FAIR

Via The Texas & Pacific Railway, ask any Ticket Agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.

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TIME TABLE.

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.
 NORTH BOUND.
 No. 1, Mail and Express..... 8:47 p. m.
 No. 7, Passenger and Express..... 6:35 a. m.
 SOUTH BOUND.
 No. 2, Mail and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
 No. 8, Passenger and Express..... 9:30 p. m.
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Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

H. I. Reed, of Giles, spent Thursday in town.

Barnett is now acting for Hunt and will

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Mr. Meador, will begin invoicing Monday preparatory to taking charge the 1st.

The republican speaking was very well attended, the speakers both defending the national administration and dwelling on the inconsistency of the democrats.

Episcopal church services Sunday next, XXII after Trinity. Morning service with sermon at 11 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. The Rector will officiate. All ally invited.

A small house belonging to Mrs. Donahue burned last night at 10 o'clock. Joel Collins had ed out of it three or four days ore, and how it caught is a very. There was about \$300 in-ance.

Charley Carder, formerly of Clarendon, had a leg badly broken Tuesday in a wreck near Magenta. Fireman Hank Campbell received a broken shoulder. The caboose in which Carder was riding, was demolished.

The ladies of the Episcopal church will give a Halloween party at the opera house on Monday evening, Oct. 31, for the benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Goddman. Refreshments served and amusement furnished. The public cordially invited. Time from 4 to 11 p. m.

The Memphis Herald takes the Clarendon papers to task for not devoting columns of space to the tent meeting. The editor forgets that Clarendon has seven churches with from six to a dozen services every Sunday, four or five prayer meetings a week, besides a number of auxilliary societies, and that good work is constantly being done by home people, consequently no one would suppose that a traveling evangelist would create the stir it did in the sleepy town of Memphis, who, for once, was aroused. It was something out of the usual order there, hence the Herald spread out on it. We hope the next meeting there will "take" on Bro. Johnson, so that he can do more than stand aloof and write it up.

2000 Fire Brick for sale at \$5 hundred.—Clarendon Water & Power Co.

There will be the regular services at the Baptist church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. At the 11 o'clock service our annual offering for State Missions will be taken. Every member and friend to missions are asked for an offering. All are cordially welcome. W. L. SKINNER.

An exact reproduction in wax of a 36 pound turnip grown north of the Artic Circle, in Alaska, is exhibited in the Government section of the Palace of Education at the World's Fair. Its diameter is 12 inches. The model is of one of the large turnips grown under the supervision of the United States Experimental Stations.

For a third of a century there has been a dearth of great characters in American public life. Today the successful private individual is the great American, and both his front and his rear stairways are crowded with politicians and office-holders seeking his favors.—Ex.

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This will be the last Low Rate Excursion this season, and will give all those desiring to see the State Metropolis grow, a splendid opportunity at very small cost.

For rates and further information call on nearest "Denver Road" Agent.

Fort Worth Market.

Prices yesterday were:
 Steers from \$1.25. to \$2.60
 Cows from \$1.00 to \$2.15.
 Calves from \$1.70 to \$3.25.
 Bulls from \$1.40 to \$1.60.
 Hogs from 4.50 to \$5.10.

Christmas Goods.

Yes, we will have all kinds of Xmas goods in time this year, most of them have already been ordered. J. D. STOCKING.

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For County Commissioner, precinct 2:
 J. D. JEFFERIES.

Goodnight College News.
 Reported for THE CHRONICLE.

Several young men from Clarendon visited Goodnight last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pope of Claude visited their son, R. A. Pope, at the college last Sunday.

The young lady students accompanied by their matron, Mrs. Dyer, and Miss Malone, went out and spent the day Saturday on the canyon. They reported a pleasant time.

Misses McLendon and Chandler, teachers in the college, spent Sunday at Mrs. Scott's.

Paul Atterberry spent a few days with his parents at Clarendon last week, returning Monday morning.

Mr. Whismant visited his people at Shamrock this week, returning Thursday.

Bro. Sebe Thomas came in from Shamrock Thursday where he had just closed a meeting.

Mr. Covington, of Elida. N. M., entered school this week.

Crockett Taylor came up this week from Clarendon to get a list of extras needed for the stoves.

A fire excitement was created Wednesday evening by the explosion of an oil stove in one of the upstairs rooms of the boys house. About twenty buckets were displayed in less than a minute and the flames soon extinguished.

Bishop Potter Again.

It has been well known, for years past, that Bishop H. C. Potter, of New York, Episcopalian, was not to be relied upon as a friend of total abstinence, nor even as an enemy of the saloon. Several years ago he joined Dr. Rainsford in support of the idea that the saloon may be made a blessing rather than a curse, and had a plan for its improvement, so it would not so constantly entrap and destroy its victims. He would reform, not abolish, the saloon. He would teach men to drink moderately and never get drunk. He would guage the amount to be imbibed, and make it less than the amount needful to "make drunk come." It ought not, therefore, to be wondered at, that, when the proprietors of a new and elegant saloon wished to open it to the public and advertise it to the largest possible number of people, they invited Bishop Potter to attend the opening, and conduct semi-religious services, accompanied by an address and the singing of the doxology—"Praise God from whom all blessings flow." The papers have been making a great to-do about it; but it is only what was to be expected. How could the bishop do otherwise? He had fully committed himself to that kind of thing, and now he must stand by his doctrine. It is said to be an elegant saloon, in a most conspicuous place, and attractive to "ladies" as well as "gentlemen." But it does not bar those who can not be strictly so addressed, and it does not discourage the treating habit. It is, as near as possible, Bishop Potter's idea of a saloon, and he must stand for it in years to come, when it is bound to be what other saloons have been and are, passageways to the pit of despair.—Journal and Messenger.

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SOCIETIES.
 O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 289, meet every Thursday night in Donahue building. Visiting brothers made welcome.
 I. O. O. F.—W. H. REARDON, N. G.
 D. C. LODGE, Sec'y.
 W. O. W.—Woodbine Camp No. 478—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evening. Visiting choppers invited.
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 J. E. COOKE, clk.
 F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 709, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M.
 R. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Secy.
 CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 215 E. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited.
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would be the very feller to "kiver" up their tracks. That their judgment was good has been evidenced by the Judge's recent elaborate (?) history of Donley county from "Creation to date". So the commissioners quickly fall into line. Now of course the Judge is very modest about this, as he is about everything else. He says to the commissioners, "Now gentlemen, this book case of mine is a sort of heirloom in my family. By reason of its antiquity it is a very valuable piece of furniture; but the spirit of sacrifice is resting so heavily upon me that it not only forced me to do my best to get the office, in order that I might relieve some other man of its oppressive burdens, but even now it compels me to offer this valuable article of antiquity to the county, and to allow you, think of it gentlemen, allow you to say what you will give me for it. And the commissioners, rising to the occasion, out of the magnanimity of their souls and out of the county funds paid him the sum of \$35. Now, I haven't any doubt but that there are those who will hold up their hands in holy horror at what I am going to say, and will think it little short of blasphemy for anyone to attack or speak lightly of such sublime sacrifice as that exemplified by the county judge; but to such I will only say that I am no respecter of persons.

I challenge the Judge or anyone else to say in these columns, or to meet me in debate and say that the county needed that book case. I challenge him to point out a man who has law books to care for, who would have bought that case. I challenge him to say that the price he received is not at least twice what he could possibly have obtained for the case at private sale. I further challenge him to say publicly in these columns that it is not a violation of the law for a county officer to sell to the county any property whatever in which he is peculiarly interested. In Rigby vs. State, 10 S. W. R. 760, Rigby was a county commissioner, and sold two mules to the county, receiving therefor, \$200. It is not contended that the county did not need the mules, nor is it contended that defendant got more for the mules than they were worth. Judge Wilson in rendering the opinion of the court says, among other things, "Manifestly, the legislature, in enacting the statute, intended thereby to protect counties, cities and towns from official speculation. Such speculation was the evil sought to be suppressed; and the statute strikes at the very root of the evil, by making it an offense for any officer of a county, city or town to become interested, pecuniarily, in matters wherein such corporations are peculiarly interested. The purpose of such statute is to prevent official "rings" from being formed and operated to prey upon the treasuries of counties, cities and towns; to prevent the officers of such corporations from using their official knowledge and influence to their individual pecuniary advantage in the financial transactions of such. The objects of the statute would be but partially attained if such officers are to be permitted to deal with their corporations in the sale and purchase of property." Finally the opinion says, "Our construction of the statute is that it inhibits every officer of a county, city or town from selling to or purchasing from such corporation any property whatever." Of course a decision by so small and insignificant institution as the Court of Appeals cuts very little ice with a high and mighty tribunal like a county judge, but be it said to the everlasting ignominy of the former, such opinion is of record.

Again in his manifesto the Judge

says that if elected he will enter the office "if possible with more earnest devotion to our common interests." Well, this would not be very hard to do. When the commissioners court was voting on the question whether the assessed valuation of the Ft. Worth & Denver should be raised, two were for a raise and two were against it. The Judge showed his devotion to the interests of the people by voting to let the valuation remain as it was, \$6,500, about one-sixth of what the road is bonded for. Think of this proportion, voters, when you pay \$10 around for cattle; think of this, you who have had the assessed valuation of your land raised at least twenty per cent during the last year. And as you think of it, remember that you have a county judge that cannot be touched with your infirmities, at least he doesn't seem to have been touched yet.

Again, Judge says that if elected he will reward with a like spirit of indifference and unconcern the censure and disapproval of those who are "unjustly aggrieved." This sentence is the key to the Judge's whole disposition. There few people indeed who are so brazen as to even intimate that they think themselves infallible. And office holders and office seekers are generally ready to admit that they are liable to make mistakes, and ready to express a willingness to correct their mistakes when their attention is called to them. Does the Judge do this? Not on your tin-type. He admits that some may censure and disapprove some of his acts, but this is all owing to their willful and perverse natures. Did the Judge give anybody cause to censure or disapprove him? Sooner let the heavens fall and the stars tangle up together till the whole celestial sphere resembles a pan of scrambled eggs.

I say these things publicly in order that no candidate may have room to put up the pitiful tale that "I'm being stabbed in the back." It will not take ten minutes for Mr. Candidate to say that these things are not true, and he will have plenty of time to answer them before election day. The answers (I don't want any "explanation") to these questions would make "mighty interestin readin'" to some of us at least, and I'll promise to make it equally "interestin'" to the fellow who answers them.

These are things that the public is interested in. Some will say "Well, that's a mighty little thing to kick about", and one man has already asked me how much the cost of that book case has raised taxation. It is not always the cost of a thing that counts. Our forefathers could have paid the tea tax and then bought tea cheaper from the English than from the Dutch, but "cost" was not what they cared for. County officers are but agents of the people, and by the common law the agent has never been allowed to profit at the expense of his principal. But the common law does not govern in this case, because there is a statute in point, and that statute has been plainly construed, and violated. Of what avail is it that we spend thousands or dollars every year on public education; of what avail is it that competent and faithful teachers spend nine months in the year trying to instill into the minds of the rising generation a veneration of the law, when county officials openly and boldly violate the law? When a poor old negro woman, born in slavey and steeped in ignorance, violates the law, she is promptly indicted and fined. When those said to be "well versed in the law" violate it, the matter is squelched through the influence of the "ring". Common decency

and justice demand that these things be looked after. The intelligence of our people, as well as our good name for fair-mindedness at stake. And these are the considerations that prompt me to write this article.

The Banner-Stockman, after inviting discussion of public matters, and after giving more than a page of its space to an article which was for the exclusive benefit of the commissioners and county judge, refuses to publish this article. This only shows that there is a determined effort upon the part of certain officers and their friends to prevent the truth from becoming known. The intelligent people of this county may stand such things for awhile, but there will come a time of reconing. And when that time comes, the autocrat and the incompetent will have to hunt another job.


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