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Are Parents Responsible?

From the conflicting opinions expressed in letters to The Star regarding the advisability of marrying on small incomes one or two conclusions naturally follow. It is evident, in the first place, that no general rule in relation to the question may be safely laid down. Many young women undoubtedly are cheerfully willing to suffer any sacrifice required in home making, provided only they are truly in love. This seems the normal attitude for young people in good health who are devoted to each other in the old fashioned way.

At the same time the fact cannot be ignored that there are young men and women to whom the comforts of good living seem essential. They are accustomed to have what they want, to go to theaters, to pass a fortnight in the summer in the mountains, to dress as the prevailing mode demands. It impresses them as an unendurable hardship to revert to a simpler standard of living, to suffer deprivations and to practice the economies necessary to marriage with a small income. It may be urged that these difficulties would disappear were they really to fall in love. Still, they never seem to succumb and their ideas of comforts and consequence perhaps constitute the barrier to a grand passion. At any rate, they believe they would be unhappy under the sacrifices of marriage and the divorce court records apparently uphold them.

The question at once suggests itself whether the parents of the present generation are not responsible for this condition. They may have started life simply, but they have accumulated means and they have desired that their children shall have all the comforts and pleasures available. But by failing to insist on any self-denial on the part of their sons and daughters have they not unfitted them for the greater happiness of married life? The young man, as a rule, cannot hope to begin with the income which his father has acquired after twenty-five years in business. He cannot expect to be able to establish a new home on the same standard as the one he is leaving which was built by years of endeavor. The very indulgence of parents thus tends to make it impossible for their children to marry. And such a state of affairs, tending as it does to the extinction of families of proved capacity, constitutes a pretty serious problem in American life.—Kansas City Star.

Texas People Orderly and Contented.

The multitudes who have visited the Fair have been orderly and goodnatured. In fact, as large gatherings of people have rarely been found so jovial and sober and happy. There has been no rowdyism, no rudeness to speak of. This of itself denotes prosperity and contentment. It really moves the Texas heart with pride to visit the grounds and mingle with the people there and down town, and to find so many of them in good health and in such hopeful spirit. It has a meaning of deep significance.—Dallas News.

Best for the Student.

An experienced teacher says: "Pupils who have access to newspapers at home, when compared with those who do not, are better readers, better spellers, better grammarians, better punctuators, and read more understandingly, and obtain a practical knowledge of geography in almost half the time it requires others. The newspaper is decidedly an important factor in modern life."

What Pierce Says.

Austin, Oct. 30.—H Clay Pierce advises Governor Campbell he will voluntarily come to Austin for trial and will be here to answer to the court Monday, November 9. A letter containing such information was received at the governor's office today, and in the absence of Governor Campbell it was opened by Private Secretary Barton.

Barton stated the letter said that in accordance with an agreement with Pierce's counsel and Barclay & Fauntleroy of St. Louis, attorneys for Texas. Mr. Pierce will voluntarily come to this state and to the city of Austin, arriving here November 9, to stand trial.

The News correspondent asked to see the letter. Mr. Barton declined to give out, stating that there were "some other things" in it. He would not intimate the nature of the matters not made public.

Under the agreement no arrest will be made until Pierce gives up in Austin.

It has been hinted that counsel for Pierce will make a strenuous effort to secure a change of venue and have their client tried in another county. Travis not being regarded a good place for juries for such trial. It will be remembered there was a strong attempt made to have the Waters-Pierce Oil penalty cases transferred on venue to another county and its failure was urged as error in the higher courts. If prejudice existed here, according to attorneys for the oil company, they possibly think the same in regard to the head of the oil company, Pierce.

Judge James H. Robertson of this city, retained as attorney for Mr. Pierce, was asked about it and would say nothing except that, "The newspapers of Texas have been pounding away for a solid year trying to create prejudice against Pierce." Further than that he would say nothing.—Dallas News

Easy for Pierce—No Surprise.

Reports from Austin state that fatal defects have been discovered in the indictment against H. Clay Pierce, the oil magnate, charging him with false swearing and it is expected Pierce will delay returning to Texas which he promised to do November 9.

Six Night Riders May Be Hanged.

Union City, Tenn., Oct. 29.—It is predicted that at least six of the prisoners under arrest in connection with the murder of Rankin will be hanged. Frank Farriner, an other night rider, corroborated Burton's confession. Ninety prisoners are now held. Gov. Patterson says the evidence against several is very strong and every effort will be made to convict them.

Aside from the presidential contest, the results of the elections in several of the states are awaited with general interest. In New York the gubernatorial contest between Hughes and Chanler has attracted national attention. In Indiana and Ohio the contest over the liquor question is of widespread interest. The result in Speaker Cannon's district, the Eighteenth Illinois, is also awaited with interest, owing to the bitter fight that has been made by the labor element and others to prevent the speaker's reelection.

The Ottawa, Kan., Herald tells of a farmer who received a telegram from New Mexico saying that his son had been killed and asking what they should do with the body. The bereaved father sent word that the body should be sent to him. Next day he received a dispatch from his son, saying: "My corpse shipped to you, but it isn't me."

Mistrial of Booze Seller.

The case of Texas vs. Z. R. Savage, tried this week in the county court resulted in a hung jury. This is the first case of the various local option charges to reach a jury. Several of this character of cases have been continued, and others yet remain on the docket. This case being first one of its class for trial at this term of court attracted considerable attention.

This case was perhaps one of the most strongly fought on the entire list. The defendant is alleged to have sold intoxicating liquor to an officer in this trial. It is reported that the jury was divided numerically two to four.—Daily Panhandle.

More Germ Talk.

The Baltimore Sun comes out with a warning that probably few of his readers will heed. It says, "Don't let the money germs bite you," and adds that a man who has taken the trouble to count 'em says that 124,000 bacteria roost comfortably on each \$1 bill after the currency has been circulating freely for a year or so. So, if you have \$50 in your pocket you are probably carrying around about 6,200,000 germs. "Yet," says the Sun, "there are men brave enough to face this terrible risk just for the sake of having a roll of greenbacks. It simply shows what dangers man will undergo for money. Most of us, however, are not in serious danger."

Roads Drop Rate Fight.

Fort Worth, Oct. 31.—The railroads today asked that they might drop the fight and make no appeal in the rate dispute, provided the interstate commerce commission will permit them to make the lower rate effective Nov. 7 instead of Nov. 1 in order to get out new tariff sheets.

This ends the long and bitter struggle for a reduction of rates, and saves the Texas stockmen \$300,000 annually. The commission will agree.

Cattlemen here are jubilant over the victory. Many of them have large interests in the Panhandle, and other portions of Texas. Had the higher rates gone into effect it would have worked a hardship on one of the leading industries of the state.

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Excited, but Unbroken.

"You must avoid getting excited," the family physician cautioned Willie's irritable mother in the boy's hearing, "or you'll go all to pieces!" Later that day the boy appeared at the doctor's office.

"Ma wants you to come right over and see her," he said. "She's gone and got herself all excited again, but she ain't busted yet!"—Brooklyn Life.

Neat job printing at this office.

Over Half the Voters of Texas Refuse to Vote.

The total vote of both democrats and republicans in Texas was 533,183 in 1896, in 1900 it was 388,510 and in 1904 was 218,442. And during the period covered it has been before all men that the legitimate voting population of the state has been vastly increased both by new accessions from other states and by growth from within, as also that the votes missing from the totals of these parties have not gone to the smaller parties. This inconceivable "slump" of 314,743 in the eight years, almost three-fifths, is chargeable directly to the party which has shown its incompetency to govern a great state, to that party's unthinkable monkeying with and restriction of the manhood franchise, its administration that is at times either arbitrary or lax as standing confidently on a preponderant majority and that simply, and whose legislators are of the tom tit mental caliber successively with an awful monotony. The democratic party of this state did a plenty in the disfranchisement of a very heavy percentage of its citizens, and as another instance has very recently done an additional plenty in its schoolbook law and its selection of text books that are an abomination. The intelligent people of Texas have had it pounded into them that a change to most anything would be desirable. And those of the 314,743 who are not disfranchised but only dissipated should brace up and vote their sentiments.—Henrietta People Review.

WHAT HE ASKED FOR.

Spurred on by newspaper taunts, possibly, a plain-clothes man of the Atlanta police set out one day to detect violation of the Georgia prohibition law. On Decatur street he met an old negro whose appearance he considered "suspicious."

"Say, uncle," he whispered with a wink, "do you know where I can get some whiskey?"

"I spec' maybe I kin git yer some if yer gin me de money," replied the suspected one.

"Well, here is a \$2 bill," said the plain-clothes man. "I'll wait in the alley here. Now hurry back."

"Yessah, boss, ef ye'll jes hol' dis box er shoes fer me," and the policeman had the box under his arm before he knew it, while the darkey shambled off down the street, turning the first corner.

Thinking he was on a warm trail and would have an important prisoner and witness "with the goods on," the sleuth waited in patience. An hour went by. He was getting tired. Two hours. Still no sign of the messenger.

Wearily and discouraged, he returned to the police station. Suddenly he remembered the shoes under his arm, and decided to have a look. The box contained, carefully wrapped a full quart bottle of corn whisky.—Everybody's Magazine.

In South Dakota the question of repealing the "one year residence" act, which was passed by the last legislature in order to stop rapid divorces was submitted to the voters at the election yesterday. Formerly, suit for divorce could be brought after a six-months' residence in the state. Opposition to this short term of residence resulted, and the one-year act was passed. The latter had been objected to in certain quarters and petitions finally were secured for the submission of the one-year act to a vote of the people.

If you are a reader of the Chronicle the news is not old and stale when you get it.

What The Cow Will Do

A dairy cow is the most useful animal on earth. More creatures can be nourished and raised by the product of the cow than by any other means.

Consider how many different animals can be raised on cow's milk. The calf is the first to thrive on its mother's milk, and it thrives splendidly.

Then for the human family there is nothing better than cow's milk, especially for the baby. Milk is a balanced ration and infants need nothing else for a long time.

Lambs raised on cow's milk will outgrow those that run with the flock. The colt also can be raised on cow's milk and grows strong and hearty, and the young mule does well on it. Angora goats as well as other goats can be raised on cow's milk. Dogs can also be raised on cow's milk, and cats thrive most splendidly on it.

Then there is the whole poultry family,—turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese,—that do well on milk. Last but not least, the hog will make the best of growth on cow's milk. There is nothing that will make hogs grow better. For show hogs there is no feed that makes such fine finish as cow's. I have noticed hog men hunt up the dairymen to get some milk at the fair grounds for their show hogs. And I have noticed beef men have nurse cows for their show animals. The cow is not valued sufficiently, nor enough cared for, nor half enough honored.

HUMOR OF THE HOUR

Worse and Worse.

French at the last meeting of the Squashville Political Debate club, "that this club has been degenerating ever since I became a member of it."

The deacon paused and flushed as he saw a slight smile on the faces of his fellow members.

"What I mean to say is," he continued, with some haste, "that ever since I joined this club I've noticed a gradual but decided change for the worse."

The smile on the faces of the other members deepened, and the deacon's face turned almost scarlet.

"You all know what I mean," he added desperately. "What I mean is that from the very minute I became a member of the Squashville Political Debate club I could see that it was beginning to lose its value as an organization, and the longer I have stayed in it the more steadily have I seen it running down hill!"—Lippincott's Magazine.

Parentally Considered.

Teacher (an object lesson)—So now, children, you know how a knife is made. I want you, Marjorie, to tell me which is the most important part of a knife.

Marjorie—Er—er—er—
Teacher—Well, I'll help you. What part of his knife does your father use the most?

Marjorie—The corkscrew.—Wasp.

A Sure Sign.

"Sellers must be getting more than \$20 a week," said one salesman, referring to another.

"Why do you think so?" asked the floorwalker.

"Because I told him I was getting that much now, and he seemed actually glad to hear it."—Philadelphia Press.

A Contradiction.

"Judge," said the prisoner, "I have seen better days. I have never before even been threatened with arrest."

"Your second assertion," answered his honor, "contradicts the first. It shows you have never been connected with a big corporation or owned a motor car."—Washington Star.

Walking Home.

"You actors travel so much," remarked the lady in the wayside cottage. "I have heard that home ties worry a great many of you."

"Yes," replied the impecunious Thesplan as he pulled a splinter from his shoe, "and railroad ties worry the rest."—Detroit Tribune.

Improving.

"Do you find, Mr. Duffer, that golf is of any real benefit to you?"

"Sure thing! I'm getting excellent control of my temper. Many of the strokes that I make with the utmost calmness now would have caused me to swear like a trooper six months ago."—Smart Set.

STATE NEWS.

At a meeting of leading physicians of the state in Ft. Worth last week it was decided to petition the Thirty-first legislature for an appropriation of \$200,000 for a state tuberculosis hospital.

At Waxahachie Mrs. John Thomson was awarded \$5,000 against the Ferris Brick company for the death of her husband who was killed in the employ of the firm. She sought \$25,000.

At Paris, Banks Myers, 20 years old suicided Saturday morning, having shot himself through the breast with a shotgun. He pushed the trigger with a sick. A few minutes before shooting he telephoned his sweetheart.

The Belton Compress company's immense plant, valued at \$100,000, and between 800 and 1,000 bales of cotton, were totally destroyed by fire that broke out at 11:50 o'clock Saturday night, which is supposed to have been started by Halloween roysterers who were noticed in the vicinity shortly before the flames were discovered.

Two men, W. C. Simmons of Clarksville, Texas, enroute to Mounds, Oklahoma, and W. A. Titts of Snyder, Scurry county, Texas, enroute home from a visit to Dekalb, Red River county, were the victims of a hold-up at Bells, thirteen miles east of Sherman, Friday night. Mr. Simmons lost \$35 and a check on a Clarksville bank for \$212; Mr. Titts' loss was \$60, three \$20 bills.

Campbell, offering some suggestions how to deal with the night-riders who threaten to burn gins. He suggests some drastic measures to be carried out by the rangers. White is secretary and manager of the Glinners' Mutual Underwriters' association of Texas which has fifteen million dollars written on gins and says the company don't intend to cancel a single policy. He believes in the shotgun.—Ex.

At Kennedy Wednesday night Will Richardson, mail carrier from Overby to Kennedy, was married. Next night a crowd went to charivari him. He shot into the crowd, shooting Mrs. Bob Hunt through the heart killing her instantly. Richardson was taken into custody. James D. Walthall, assistant attorney general, has advised the railroad commission that a livestock sanitary inspector is not allowed to use free transportation under the anti pass law, this privilege being bestowed only upon the three state livestock sanitary commissioners.

A number of our farmers are busy hauling in their corn. The price today is 45c in the shuck and 50c without shuck. Wheat is bringing 97c at the elevator. * * * The Claude gin, on Tuesday last, turned out the first bale of cotton ever ginned in Armstrong county. As stated last week, it was raised by W. D. Bishop, near Goodnight, and brought in Thursday last. A premium of about \$25 was raised, which will add to the value of the bale.—Claude News.

One Man's Wisdom.

Jack—That fellow Marvin knows more about women than any man I ever met.

Tom—Is that so?
Jack—Yes. Why, he actually realizes that he doesn't understand them.—Chicago News.

The Ones to Do It.

"If there is to be a speed limit to travel in the air how would they ever enforce it?"

"Easily."

"How could they police the air?"

"With fly cops."—Baltimore American.

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CLARENDON, TEX., NOV. 4, 1908.

At midnight Sunday night the twenty-third annual entertainment of the State Fair of Texas came to an end. Sunday's attendance was over 50,000. The total admissions of the sixteen days surpass any previous year. It is the belief of the management that the surplus will be about \$100,000.

Rowe a Heavy Grain Shipper

The week ending Oct. 31 has been one of activity in the grain business. From Oct. 13 to 31 inclusive Rowe Station has shipped 34 cars of corn, a solid train load. The cars have been distributed between the following buyers:

Dial & Partwood leading, Jim Shelton of Giles, and A. M. Connally of Clarendon about equal and Rowe Merc. Co. the smaller. In addition to this there has been shipped in about 66 bales cotton and 4 cars of hogs. Rowe leads all points in Donley county in grain shipped and we think she will lead any point on the Denver line this season. If you can show up better figures let them come and we will acknowledge second place.
J. T. MCHAM,

Auto Wrecked the Panhandle Exhibit

Sunday at Dallas while speeding around the circular track at the fair grounds, Fred Dundee, the holder of the automobile record on a circular track, was badly hurt, and Jesse Miller, a negro, was painfully if not seriously injured in an accident which wrecked the White Flyer, the car in which Dundee had established a record of 48 3/5 seconds. An unknown man had his hand badly bruised, but did not go to the hospital.

While in front of the Panhandle exhibit a tire exploded and the car fence, carrying with it seven panels breaking off the posts and splintering the 2x6 inch top rail, and plunged through the rear of the Panhandle tent, scattering mangled vegetables all over the inclosure.

Dundee was thrown from the car when it struck the fence, and immediately afterward the machine struck the negro, a porter at the Panhandle exhibit. He had been standing inside the fence watching the car race past.

After striking the fence the machine straddled a four-inch tree and skinned it for ten feet, then plunged into the tent, striking the exhibit spaces of Briscoe and Donley Counties.

Bruce Gerdes of Briscoe county and Mr. Thorp of Donley County were in the exhibit tent, and narrowly escaped injury. Dundee, however, when the tire broke, shut off his engine and the car stopped when the obstructions had broken its momentum.

The car was rolled about the track to a point opposite its home garage, and it being closing day no attempt was made to repair the shattered exhibits, which were badly wrecked—pumpkin pulp splashed on the canvas and peanuts, wheat, hay bales, cane seed and apples being mixed in a desolate heap inside the tent.

Joe Price, a man with a wife and four children, wound up a spree at Childress Wednesday by drinking a bottle of Chamberlain's diarrhoea remedy, which killed him in a few hours.

Jas. Self was fined \$100 and costs at Memphis for carrying a pistol at Estelline.

Agnes M. Pursely, aged 23, suicided in Dallas Monday.

Market Report.
The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Monday:
Steers \$2.20 to \$4.50.
Cows \$1.50 to \$3.65.
Calves \$2.00 to \$4.75.
Hogs \$4.90 to \$5.80.

Fall Setting of Fruit Trees.

National Farmer and Stock Grower: Fruit is something that we must have on our farms if we would provide the best food for our family. This I consider it our duty to do, and we cannot have the most healthy food for our children unless we have a variety of fruit. Someone has said that he considered it the moral duty of every land owner to grow at least fruit for his own family. I think this is right, and if all enjoy fruit as I do, we would not have to beg and advise one another to set out fruit trees. I do enjoy fruit, especially the apple, and know I feel better when I eat fruit daily with the meals, and think that sometimes an apple between meals is good for one.

The fruit is health itself, and we know that the man who eats plenty of fruit does not require the doctor as much as the other man who does not eat any. I want fruit in plenty on our farms, and I especially want it on my own.

The only way to have fruit is to set out trees, and as trees do not live forever, we have to keep setting them out, if we want a continuance of fruit year after year. I have found that the most practical way for the farmer to have plenty of fruit is to keep setting out trees each year; just set a few each year and a variety of them, and you will have plenty and all kinds of fruit. We have always done this and were never without fruit unless there was a failure of the apple crop as there sometimes is and then we have a variety of other kinds, for we always set out a variety, but we do miss the apples.

Some claim that spring is the best time to set the trees, and some think that fall is the best time. I think that if the trees are taken care of there is no difference, and as we possibly have more time in the fall, it would be well to set some each fall; better still, set a few trees each fall and spring. One time is as good as another. We had better set some this fall for fear we will neglect it next spring.

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We know of another orchard that was set at the same time and the trees came from the same nursery, and that orchard was all gone before it came into bearing.

Fall is as good a time as we can get to set trees, but trees need some care later, and if we do not intend to give this care, we had about as well not set them out at all.

We are going to have fruit at our house if there is any possible way of getting it, and so we keep setting trees each fall and spring, so that we will have plenty for our own use and occasionally a few to spare.

Often we can get better trees in the fall, as many do not believe in planting at this time of the year, and the nurserymen often send out the best trees in the fall.

Many of us are crowded with work in the spring, and as I said before, if we set trees this fall, we will have more time and attend to them right. It pays to do a thing right, and there is something in the way we dig a hole for a tree. Get the trees this fall, and have them out of the way when busy spring comes. I do not see how some people think of getting along

without fruit. A big apple or two at each meal is healthy and saves medicine.

STATE NEWS.

Cicero Reeves at San Saba was thrown from a wagon in a runaway Friday and both ankles were broken.

The residence of D. A. Ray, in Whitewright burned Saturday. Insurance on house, \$1,500; on contents, \$500.

James Underwood, aged 19, while stealing a ride near Aledo was killed by a freight train Sunday. He was literally ground up.

The American steam laundry at Tyler burned Saturday. The loss was \$10,000; insurance, \$25,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Coe's gin at Rosalie, Red River county, burned Friday night. Insurance of \$1,200 was carried on the plant. It was not learned how the fire started.

At Grapevine cracksmen dynamited the postoffice safe Friday morning, the concussion shaking the town in a terrific manner. The thieves secured \$50 and escaped.

Perry & Cos.' gin at Brooksmith burned a few days ago. Loss, \$5,000, with \$3,500 insurance. Fifty tons of cotton seed burned with the gin. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The old home place of Aunt Liza Roundtree, in the Winningcove community, a few miles southeast of McKinney, burned Saturday, together with a considerable portion of the household goods. Loss, about \$1,200, partially insured. This house was one of the landmarks of Collin county, having been erected in 1860, though an addition had recently been built to it.

Factory Tax Laws of Texas Compared With Other States.

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 3.—Every live Commercial Club and every alert community in Texas is agitating for factories. Therefore, as it applies to factories, is something more than pertinent to the times; it is a demand of the hour. Some of our friends, whose profession is that of directing the political affairs of the state, resent the entry of the Commercial Secretaries, even into the domain of economic and industrial discussion, as an interference with their self-assumed divine right to direct the destiny of the state; but the people, we think, do not. With this view we proceed to discuss the subject of taxation of manufacturers for the good and sufficient reason that taxation is the vital element in factory building.

The manufacturer's tax is the people's tax. The manufacturer must shift the tax, together with all other expenses of manufacturing, to the consumer, or go out of business. Whether the factory is located in Texas, Massachusetts or across the ocean, when and where the manufactured article finds a consumer, there it makes the tax levy. This rule is only violated when the taxes of one state or county are greater than that of a competitive locality. When that condition exists, in order to meet competition, the excess must be absorbed by the factory unfortunately located.

Texas needs factories. We ship our raw material to Northern and Eastern markets to be manufactured into wagons, plows, clothing, food products, etc., and send with it cereals, fruits, vegetables, cotton and wool to feed and clothe the laborers employed in the work, and buy back the finished product with labor, tax and all other expenses included, as well as cost of transportation of the article both ways.

Texas has only 3 per cent of its wealth engaged in manufacturing. No state can become strong and influential in commerce and industry without factories. The factory is the farmer's market home; the laborer's workshop, and the people's source of prosperity.

The states of Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts produce in raw material for the factory \$1,000

per square mile; their factories produce \$150,000 per square mile. Texas produces in raw material for the factory, \$1,977 per square mile; its factories produce \$268 per square mile. It is quite clear that, in order to balance economic conditions, many of the factories of the East must come to Texas. Factories will follow the current of trade just as a boat will follow the current of a river—unless artificially restrained. One of the reasons factories do not come to Texas, is that they are artificially restrained.

Now, compare the operation of the tax laws of Texas with the four states having the largest investment in manufacturing plants in the United States. First compare the taxes other than general property, which includes franchise and all other forms of special tax, and use, for purposes of illustration and comparison, a capitol stock of \$1,000,000.

State—	Annual State Tax— Other Than Ad Valorem
Pennsylvania.....	None
Massachusetts.....	None
New York.....	None
Illinois.....	None
Texas.....	\$500

The amount of tax imposed by Texas may seem insignificant, but the expression of a friendship which other states convey to their manufacturers through the legislative enactment is reciprocated by additional investment.

Now, continue the comparison, still using a manufacturing investment of \$1,000,000, and including all taxes of whatever character. The first column will show the state tax; the second the county. It is not possible for a factory to locate within a state without getting within the jurisdiction of a county, of course; although city limits can be avoided. The taxes of counties vary in all states, probably as they vary in Texas. In order, therefore, to make the county comparison a reasonable one, one must use the average county tax rate in the states mentioned.

State—	State Tax.	Average County Tax.
Pennsylvania.....	None	\$1.00
New York.....	None	1.450
Massachusetts.....	\$1,191	630
Illinois.....	1,000	1,400
Texas.....	1,875	2,400

In the Texas state tax, a rendition of 60 per cent is used, while the average county rate is estimated at 40 cents on the \$100. The county rate last year was 53 cents on the \$100. Assuming that all counties have reduced their tax rate in proportion to increase in property rendered, the average county rate this year will be 40 cents.

The states above mentioned not only have the friendship of the legislatures, but of the tax assessors as well. In no instance do these states neglect an opportunity to favor the manufacturer. In New York some of the counties assess general property at 60 per cent of its true value, and assess manufacturing plants at 20 per cent of their true value. This custom also prevails in Pennsylvania, and other eastern states make similar concessions. Alabama omits all state, county and municipal tax for a period of years—entirely exempting factories—and a number of other states express encouragement by allowing generous exemptions. Whether this principle is right or wrong, Texas must recognize conditions and meet competition or lose the business.

Now, compare Texas with surrounding states and see just what the balance is against Texas. Inasmuch as Louisiana exempts manufacturing concerns from both county and municipal taxes, it will be necessary, in order to make a fair comparison with that state, to place the factory inside the city limits. On an investment of \$1,000,000 the result would show the following:

Texas (Fort Worth).....	\$16,687
Louisiana (New Orleans)....	3,350
Arkansas (Little Rock)....	11,025
New Mexico (Roswell).....	3,460

The tax laws of Texas offer the manufacturer no encouragement. In fact, they form an obstacle which natural conditions must overcome in order to justify investments.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. E. R. Tatum spent yesterday visiting the Burdett family.

Miss Irene Burdett left last night for Estelline for a few days stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hudgins of Alareed spent Monday trading in Clarendon.

A bright-eyed little daughter was added to the home of Cashier W. H. Patrick Friday.

The most of the Clarendon boosters who went to the Dallas fair have returned and all report a good time.

Mrs. Ira Tucker and two children are here from Trinidad Col., visiting her aunt, Mrs. B. J. Rhoderick.

Mrs. Dolly Smith, who has been here with her mother, Mrs. John M. Williams, for some time, returned to her home in Amarillo Monday.

H. M. Williams and W. J. Sands and family have moved here from Franklin, Tenn., and are stopping at the cottage hotel while looking for a location.

J. M. Hill, formerly of Clarendon, came near losing his blacksmith shop in Dalhart Friday evening. The fire boys saved it after it was considerably damaged.

Dr. J. S. Morris has sold his property in Dalhart and will move his family next week to their ranch in Collingsworth county.—Dalhart Texan.

Railway Agent Dean and wife of Goodnight spent two days last week and one this week visiting the families of J. A. Grundy and H. W. Kelley.

Prof. H. M. Pyle and wife returned Sunday night from Grady, N. M., and will begin teaching the Goldston school the last of the month. He seems well pleased with the prospects in New Mexico.

W. H. Crawford is now depot agent in Clarendon, having been appointed by the company and sent here from Bowie. Mr. Crawford is a genial, business-like gentleman, and, we believe will please the local patrons of the office.

A new boy was announced as arriving in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller Monday morning, and they think if he could have been exhibited at Dallas he would have raked in the sweepstake prize. Any way, they are as proud of him as if he had carried off all the premiums.

The Glee Club of Illinois entertained an appreciative crowd in the new auditorium of the college building Saturday night. Besides the splendid quartets, they had some excellent readings, and the sketch of school days of 50 years ago cannot be excelled. The program produced laughter from start to finish. If all numbers in the lyceum course is as good there will be no complaint.

The old shop of B. T. Lane's being used for a buggy warehouse, and containing 28 buggies, harness and other stuff to the value of some \$2,700, burned Monday morning just after midnight, supposedly, from some one throwing down a lighted match stub, cigarette or cigar stub in some inflammable stuff while passing late at night. Nothing was saved, as the interior was a roaring mass of flames when discovered. Insurance on building, \$700, on stock \$1,000.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burson on last Saturday morning a girl. J. H. is now employing his odd times memorizing lullabies to use as opportunities require.—Silverton Enterprise.

City Bond Election Ordered.

The city council has ordered an election to determine whether or not the city shall be bonded in the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of putting in a sewerage system. The time of election is set for Dec. 7.

The Chronicle would like to have the various views of our business men as to the cost and operation of such a system, with whatever just argument for and against same, so that every voter by election day may know just what they are voting for.

A child of W. A. Land's was re-born quite ill yesterday.

Number of votes polled in Clarendon yesterday only 267, and the day very quiet. We go to press too early to give any results in this issue.

Headly Happenings.

A. N. Wood who lives near town reports his cotton fine and thinks it will make three fourths bale to the acre.

Miss Anna Wilkins of Ft. Worth, is here this week visiting Mrs. Carl Carson. She will remain several days.

William Roberts, late of this place but now of Clarendon, was in the city shaking hands with his many friends last Sunday.

Capt. and Mrs. W. T. White were shopping in the city Wednesday. The Capt. says he's been enjoying snap beans at his home. How's that for the latter part of October?

We learn that before this month shall have passed at least 40 cars of corn will be shipped from this place. Great streams of wagon loads can be seen coming in from early till late, some who live 25 miles away bringing in large four horse loads, and they say they have hardly begun yet. The corn industry is likely the best paying product raised in this country and it is likely that a larger acreage will be planted next year.

We don't believe there is a town along the Denver that has shipped out as much corn during this month as has been shipped from here.

Joe Kendall, one of our enterprising citizens, realizing that in short time there would be a great demand for more residence property in this city, purchased this week, a nice tract of land adjacent to the town site on the east, and in a short time it is likely that this land will be cut into lots and sold for residence property. From the number of daily inquiries for residence property its only a matter of a short time till other and larger additions will be placed on the market, and as this is done of course our town will steadily and surely grow cityward.

Wedding ceremonies were held at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon when Miss Maude Milton and Mr. Kellus Reeves in the presence of a goodly number of people were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Erwin of Amarillo. Immediately following the ceremony the bride and groom accompanied by several couples drove to the home of the bride's parents where refreshments consisting of fruits and cake were served. The newly wedded couple left Monday morning for Dallas and Galveston and will return and spend a few days at Clarendon. Ecford and Miss Maude Reeves from Clarendon, brother and sister to the groom were over and attended the wedding.—Silverton Enterprise.

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Program B. Y. P. U., Friday, November 6.

The following program will be rendered at the opera house:

Invitation on Galop—S. Jackson, Misses O'Neal and Woodward.

The Cobra—Miss Lola Lacy.

Slumber Song, op. 131, Reginald de Kover—Miss Lelia Rose

The Raven, Edgar Poe,—Rev. Burroughs.

Trouble in the Family—Burdeen Morrow.

Impromptu, Reinholdt, — Miss Jenkins. (Goodnight)

(a) The Last Word—Henry Van Dike.

(b) A Dark Brown Diplomat—M. Cooke, Miss Grace Clemmons Meek, (Goodnight)

Solo, selected—Miss Gypsie Sullivan.

Reading, selected, Miss Richardson.

Rustle of Spring, Sidney,—Miss Jenkins. (Goodnight)

The Lost Train—Minnie Willson, Music, selected.

Reading, selected,—Miss Edna Harrington.

Reading, selected, Miss Willie Jenkins.

The ladies of the Aid Society of the Baptist church would be pleased to tack your comforts for you. We will tack and hem them at only \$1 each, the proceeds go into the building fund of the church. In giving us your work you will assist us that much in building our new church.

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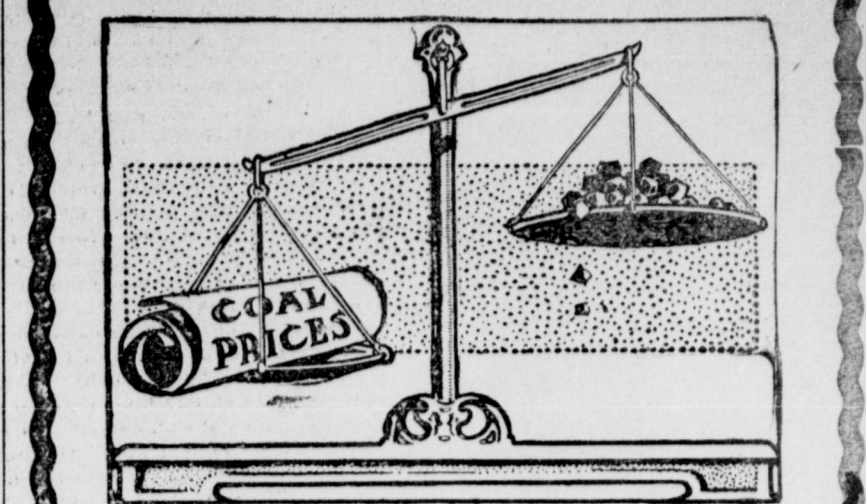
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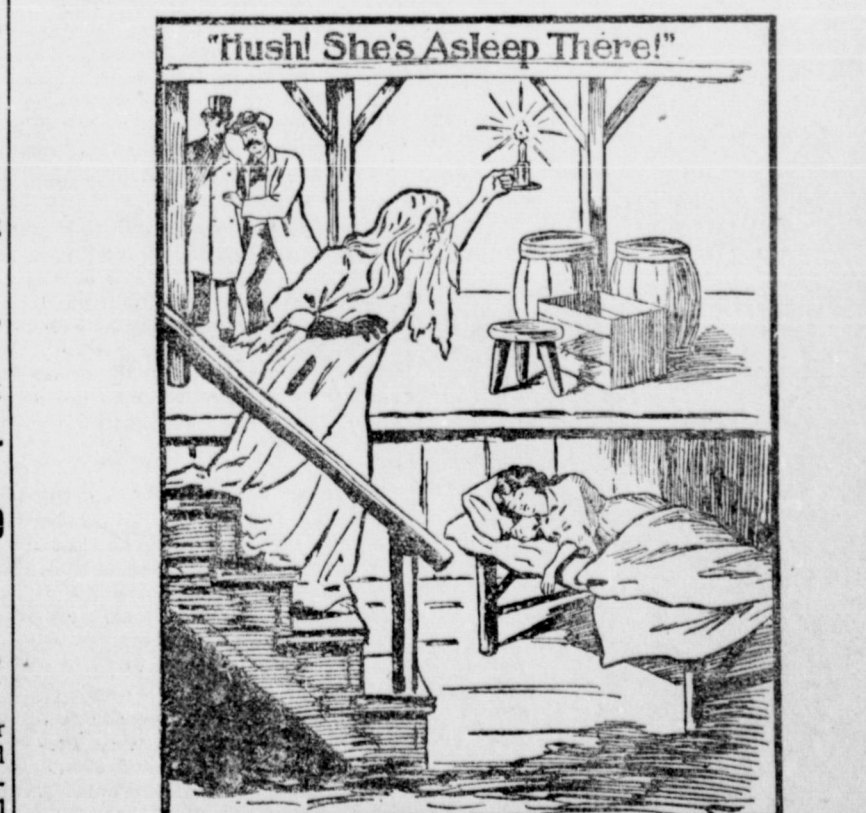
THEATRE TALK NO. 4.

THERE IS ALWAYS A SWEET FEELING OF REST, contentment and simplicity in the far away country villages and cross-road hamlets far from the hum and bustle of city life. There is a truthfulness that admits of open doors and hospitable welcome. A newcomer is looked upon as a friend until proven otherwise. Each individual in the hamlet knows the movements of his friends and neighbors. The rugged life led by the inhabitants of the mountain districts of old Virginia admits portrayals which evolve themselves into the acme of stage pictures.

"THE HIDDEN HAND" IS A HOMELIKE, OLD FASHIONED STORY OF OLD VIRGINIA written by Mrs. Southworth and appeared as a serial in the New York Ledger when that famous story paper was riding on the top wave of success and prosperity. The story has been dramatized by Eugene Moore and will be presented in the city before many days. Both play and company have received unstinted praise from both public and press. It is so seldom in this up-to-date world of ours that a homelike and interesting drama with a taste of the hills a real flavor of the woods and valleys is seen, that "THE HIDDEN HAND" comes as a relief. Concerning this production the Cincinnati Enquirer of a recent date made these few pleasing remarks:

HOW TO GET A HAPPY FEELING

"Flush! She's Asleep There!"



"THE HIDDEN HAND" COMPANY appeared last night in this city in time for the opening at the Lyceum Theatre, where they were kindly welcomed by a large and appreciative audience. The motif of the play deals with the good old times in old Virginia with darkies, laughter, music and a love story with the inevitable villain to overcome. "THE HIDDEN HAND" COULD NOT FIND FAVOR UNLESS PRESENTED BY A CAPABLE CAST. It is pleasant to note that those who took part gave a good account of themselves and the earnestness with which the different actors entered into their work gave a distinct value to the character of the play. There was enough action in the play to make it interesting and thrilling and the scenery showing some interesting spots in Virginia is well worth seeing."

Glad crowds leave the theatres. What more could be said. Nothing so good has ever been offered in this city at such prices. If you don't think this is a good show, we will refund your money. Usual prices will prevail.

KUALITY KOUNTS

At Clarendon Opera House, Wednesday Nov. 11

Winter Protection For Alfalfa.

Where the farmer has secured a good stand of alfalfa, (says the editor of Wallace's Farmer) has taken two or three crops during the summer, and is delighted with a fourth crop, he is in very great danger of making a mess of the whole business by turning in his hogs and letting them eat it down close to the ground, or, as one of our subscribers puts it, "standing on their heads to gnaw at the roots." This is certain death to the stand.

No matter how good the stand, if hogs have their way with it the stand will be destroyed. Fifteen to twenty hogs to the acre, if allowed to have their own way, will ruin almost any stand of alfalfa at this time of the year.

Again, there are farmers who have started fields of alfalfa, east of the Missouri, by sowing late in August and west of it by sowing on well prepared land any time in mid-summer when it had sufficient moisture, and who are delighted with the stand and with the growth, five, six, eight, ten inches, and sometimes a foot high, and that during a very severe drouth when blue grass does nothing at all and even clover makes very feeble growth.

Under these circumstances the temptation to turn in the hogs and save the corn is very great, a temptation that should be resisted at all hazards. For where these stands have been obtained and a growth of from six to eighteen inches assured this fall there is very little danger from winter killing on well prepared land, none at all except in a winter that would kill clover and winter wheat dead. But if these stands are used as hog pastures in the fall, for which use next year they were mainly intended, the farmer stands a very good chance of losing his stand and coming to the conclusion, to use a homely expression, that alfalfa is not what it is cracked up to be.

Alfalfa is a jealous mistress. She will do splendidly if she is treated with proper consideration, if the absolute requirements for growth and continuance are maintained; but if these requirements are not properly met she is quite likely, as the old saying is, to "fit," and will return only on proper evidence of true penitence, are the doing of the works meet for repentance. In other words, alfalfa will stay with farmers only on compliance with certain conditions. If the hogs have already pastured down alfalfa too close, then get out your manure spreader and apply a coating of well decomposed manure from the cow stable or the hog pen, not, however, from the horse barn, as it will likely contain weed seeds that may cause trouble in the future.

When He Beamed.



Keene—Did you ever see Glumm look any way but sour?
Kodaker—Just once. Then I was going to take a snapshot of him and asked him to look perfectly natural.—Kansas City Times.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]
There are at the present time 92,706 shade trees in the District of Columbia. Of this number 3,329 were planted during the fiscal year ended June 30 last.

This information is contained in the annual report submitted to the commissioners by Trueman Lanham, superintendent of parking.

During that period 2,042 trees were removed, representing forty-four separate varieties. There is therefore a net increase of 755 trees in the aggregate number planted last year.

Pin Oaks Popular.
The most popular species with the department was the pin oak. A total of 849 pin oak trees were planted. There were also planted 637 Norway maples, 447 sycamores, 275 sugar maples, 352 silver maples, 291 lindens, 353 elms, 104 gingkos, 16 pyramidal oaks and 6 red oaks.

Much of the planting was for the purpose of filling vacancies in existing rows. The large majority of trees were used to extend lines into the suburbs and hitherto unplanted locations. A large number of lindens were planted on Massachusetts avenue extended. Chevy Chase received a large share of young trees, principally elms, Norway maples and pin oaks.

Tree Nursery Needed.
Superintendent Lanham urges the commissioners to establish a permanent municipal nursery. Both existing nurseries are on borrowed ground. One is on the Washington asylum ground and the other on the grounds of the tuberculosis hospital in Brightwood.

Superintendent Lanham says the institutions controlling these tracts are continually requesting the relinquishment of the ground. Both nurseries are fully stocked with valuable trees. Enforced abandonment of either would mean the destruction of growths which could not be replaced within twelve years, Mr. Lanham contends.

He believes that all the larger trees in the city should be trimmed once a year. To do this an extra appropriation will be necessary. By this means only can the department hope to keep them in good condition.

Maintenance of Shade Trees.
There are a large number of unhealthy trees which, he contends, should be "topped" in order to save them. Although "topping" is unpopular and many protests are registered against it, experience has taught Mr. Lanham that it is the only practical treatment of trees in an extremely unhealthy state.

To top these trees and remove such as are beyond treatment he wants an appropriation of \$15,000.

Of the 2,042 trees removed last year 1,703 were curb growths, 173 were removed from parkings, 49 from sidewalks, 42 from public alleys and unimproved roadways and 15 from school yards. Of the trees that died last year 59 were killed by gas and 39 by horses. Street, building and other improvements resulted in the removal of 678, of which 229 were incident to the elimination of grade crossings.

The total cost of maintaining this branch of the District government last year was \$43,495.94, of which \$8,800 was for salaries in the superintendent's office.

Sang Before the President.
After giving concerts throughout Great Britain and Europe and singing before the rulers of many foreign countries the Mountain Ash Male Voice party of Wales came to Washington to sing before President Roosevelt at the White House. The chorus is composed of twenty-seven vocalists, famous throughout Europe for many prize winning performances.

Among their successes was a concert of old songs and Welsh melodies, given by special appointment, at the international series at Aeolian hall in London recently.

Last Big Powwow at White House.
One of the most interesting powwows that ever took place at the executive mansion here occurred in the month of September, 1877. President Hayes presided over the meeting. The Indians were in council, protesting against being removed from the reservation they then occupied to the upper Missouri region of the Indian Territory.

There were twenty-three great big chiefs among the Indians participating in this conference, and the number included several who had been in the fight with Custer. All the different tribes among the Sioux were represented and had their orators primed with speeches to make to their Great Father Hayes.

Some Famous War Chiefs.
Among the speakers were the distinguished old warrior Red Cloud, the stately looking Spotted Tail, Little Crow, Little Big Man, Three Bears, Black Coal and others with various degrees of dignity and ugliness, notwithstanding the profusion of feathers and paint they had adorned themselves with. Four interpreters were necessary to convey the words of the red men to the palefaces. Among these was a rather fine looking Arapahoe known as Friday, who spoke very good English.

General Crook, the gallant Indian fighter, was present at the council, which was held in the president's office. The Indians showed great deference for him on account of his prowess as a soldier.

This was the last of great Indian powwows at the White House. Nearly all of those who were leading participants in that council have quitted earthly scenes, and, no matter what the red men may have thought of buffalo hunting and war dances, both these pastimes (so to call them) have practically ended. CARL SCHOFIELD.

NEW SHORT STORIES

Wit of William R. Travers.
William R. Travers will long be remembered for his quick, though generally kind, wit and his whimsical humor. Many stories are told of this man of business—financier and capitalist—who was at one time president of the New York Athletic and the Racket clubs. An impediment in his speech, which added much to the humor of what he said, gained for him the familiar title of "the stuttering wit."

He was a Baltimorean and was once greeted in New York by an old friend from his native city.

"You stammer more in New York," said his friend, "than you used to in Baltimore."

"B-b-bigger place," was the laconic answer.

Mr. Travers learned that Mr. Clews was proud of the fact that he was a



self made man. Next time he met the banker Mr. Travers eyed him intently.

"Well," inquired Mr. Clews impatiently, "what's the matter?"

"Is it t-true that you are a s-self made m-man?"

"Certainly," replied Mr. Clews.

"W-well, while you were about it w-why didn't you p-put more hair on top of your head?"

On another occasion Mr. Clews, who had been invited to a famous fancy dress ball, met Mr. Travers and asked for a suggestion as to the character he could best represent.

"S-say, Clews," stammered his friend, "w-why d-don't you sugar coat your head and go as a p-pill?"—New York Telegraph.

Man.
Miss E. L. Todd, the first woman inventor of an aeroplane, spoke hopefully at a luncheon in New York the other day of woman suffrage.

"We shall get the vote," she said, "as soon as we convince man that we want him to give it to us. Show man that we like the type of male who favors votes for women, and he will become that type, as he is now chivalrous because he thinks we like the chivalrous type."

"We women don't appreciate our power over man," said Miss Todd, "and yet things continually happen to reveal this power. Thus while I was calling on a young matron the other day her little son came in, wet up to the knees."

"His mother snatched away his hat and bundle of books and shook him."

"What do you mean," she said, "by coming home from school in this condition?"

"Ah," said the boy, "the girls don't think nothin' of a feller what's afraid to wade in the gutter."

Mark Twain Caught.
A poet, a pair of trousers across his knee, sat in his attic trying to thread a needle.

"The proper way," he said, "is to hold the thread still and push the needle toward it or to hold the needle still and push the thread toward it. Mark Twain says both ways are right; then he says they are both wrong."

Taking down "The Prince and the Pauper," the poet read:

"He did as men have always done and probably always will do to the end of time—held the needle still and tried to thrust the thread through the eye, which is the opposite of a woman's way."

Then the poet, taking down "Huckleberry Finn," read:

"Bless you, child, when you set out to thread a needle don't hold the thread still and fetch the needle up to it; hold the needle still and poke the thread at it. That's the way a woman most always does, but a man always does 'other way.'"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

He Knew Their Secrets.
Bishop Donahue of Wheeling, W. Va., is a very conservative prelate. He shares the views of many other bishops in his communion concerning secret societies, and as a consequence when the Knights of Columbus was organized in his diocese he was rather chary in affording it official recognition. Finally he became convinced that the order was not inimical to church or state and as a proof of his satisfaction attended one of their annual gatherings. A member of the order attempted to twit him on his skepticism, and he promptly retorted:

"You young men imagine that you belong to a secret society, but you are very much deceived. I have been up in the cupola of the cathedral and with the aid of a telescope have discovered everything that you have been doing. I know all your signs. I know your passwords, and I even know the color of your goat."

Insomnia and Alarm Clocks.

The patient complained of insomnia. "You must get an alarm clock at once," said the physician.

The patient stared.

"I mean it. What time do you waken usually in the night?"

"Two o'clock lately."

"Set the alarm for fifteen minutes before 2. As soon as it strikes, get up, dress for the day and take a walk of not less than two miles. Do not go to bed again that day under any circumstances, nor take a nap, even sitting in your chair."

"The next night set the alarm at a quarter past 2. You will sleep until it wakens you. Get up as before and take another two mile walk."

"The third night you can venture to set your alarm at 3. Repeat the walk. If you are not cured by that time, you will be a more difficult case than any I have had heretofore, but if the habit of lying awake is not broken begin back at 2 o'clock again and repeat."—New York Press.

Wonderful.
Two sailors noticed that a shark was following their ship. Not knowing how to get rid of it, they threw a chair overboard.

The shark swallowed this, but still followed.

The sailors then threw a box of oranges overboard to it.

The shark swallowed this and still followed.

The men seemed completely beaten for a moment what to do until one of them said that those on board should draw lots for who had to satisfy the shark.

It fell to an old woman. So the sailors tossed her overboard, and the shark ate her at one bite.

This did not content the fish, which still followed. So the sailors harpooned it and dragged it on board.

On opening it they found to their surprise the old woman sitting on the chair selling oranges "three a penny."—Pearson's Weekly.

Fresh Water From the Ocean.
Manama, the principal port of the Bahrein Islands, the center of the pearl fisheries, gets its fresh water from the ocean. Visitors often note boats anchored a few hundred yards from the shore, the boatmen engaged in drawing fresh water from springs at the bottom of the sea. These springs well up strongly at a considerable depth, and the entire water supply of the town is obtained from them.

The fresh water is procured in two ways—either in a goatskin water bag, which a diver takes down with him and carefully closes before bringing it to the surface, or by letting down long hollow pipes of bamboo, weighted at the lower end, through which the water rises up uncontaminated to the surface.—Argonaut.

The Mere Formality Won.
"Yes, sir," said the pale, youthful suitor; "I have come to ask you for your daughter's hand. She is fair as lilies, charming."

"Is that Mary you're talking about?" asked papa.

"Yes, sir. It is a mere formality, I know, this asking for your daughter's hand, but we thought it would be pleasing to you if it were observed."

Mary's papa stiffened.

"And may I inquire," he asked, "who suggested that asking my consent to Mary's marriage was a mere formality?"

"You may, sir," replied the young man simply. "It was Mary's mother."

Paraguay's Sweet Plant.
A herb called by the natives can ebe, but botanically Eupatorium rebaudianum, grows wild in Paraguay. It is remarkable for its sweetness. Indeed, the native name means the "sugar plant." It grows along the borders of the river Amambahi and attains a height of only about five inches. The smallest bit of this plant when placed upon the tongue produces a surprisingly sweet flavor, which, it is said, lasts for hours. The saccharine power is much greater than that of sugar.—Youth's Companion.

The Sleepless Seven.
"There were seven of the twelve," said one of the discharged jurors in speaking of the matter next morning, "who didn't want to sleep themselves and wouldn't let the rest of us sleep. Whenever we dropped into a doze they came around and shook us till we were wide awake again."

"And you had to submit, I suppose, for they constituted the majority?"

"Yes, they were a rousing majority," said the hollow eyed juror, with a pensive attempt to be facetious.—Chicago Tribune.

A Life Note.
"Life is what we make it," said the philosopher.

"Alas," exclaimed the practical one, "that we can't make it a million!"

We ask Providence to make us thankful for what we receive and then go to figuring on just how much Providence is going to send us.—Atlanta Constitution.

A Present.
"That's a very fine purse you have, Henry."

"Yes, my wife gave it to me on my birthday."

"Indeed! Anything in it?"

"Yes; the bill for the purse."

One Exception.
The Husband (during the quarrel)—"You're always making bargains. Was there ever a time when you didn't?"

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Turn thyself to the true riches and learn to be content with little.—Seneca.

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