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\$1. IN ADVANCE

MEXICO'S PROGRESS.

It can be said without fear of successful contradiction that Mexico possesses more natural resources than any other country in the world, not excepting the big sister of the North.

The question is frequently asked, "If Mexico is so rich naturally, why is there not more improvement?" Some years ago the writer asked the same question of a Mexican friend who had been through a great many wars, and he replied, "Mi amigo americano, have you considered the fun we had until General Diaz broke it up?" The point was clear and from that time on we have made comparisons from the restoration of peace or in general during the last twenty years.

Twenty years ago Mexico had no rail roads. Today they are nearly 12,000 miles in operation and new roads being projected every day. No cotton mills were in operation at that time, at present there are over 150. Mexico no longer needs to import cotton goods. If they import it is simply a matter of choice and not of necessity. The woolen industry has made equal progress, considering the demand, and Mexico can today supply her home market.

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All other industries have pace with those above mentioned, but in none has there been more progress than in agriculture. Mexico is exporting today wheat, corn, beans barley and all products of the temperate zone, besides millions of dollars of the products of the tropical regions such as coffee, cocoa, rubber, vanilla, tobacco, etc.

The states of Veracruz, Toluca and Chiapas, will double their exports the coming year, and will increase in greater proportion in years to come.

In the department Palenque, and Pichucago, in the State of Chiapas alone the lands have been purchased and the capital subscribed for an investment during the next five years of over \$5,000,000 United States gold. As every dollar judiciously invested in tropical agriculture will produce more than 100 per cent in five years we can confidently expect an export from these districts alone of over \$10,000,000 Mexican currency.

The enterprises now established are but a small percentage of what will be done in the next few years. If we wish to compare we may say all this has been accomplished in less than three years by the Grijalva Land and Coffee Company operating in Pichucaleo district, and Mr. Lawrence F. Bedford, in the Palenque district. Those men were the pioneers, and have bought the capital through the people they have interested in this country. Now the tide of capital is coming to Mexico and if taken the flood will carry us all to fortune.—Trade Review.

Fulgurites, or lightning tubes caused by the lightning striking in sandy soil, have been found in New Mexico 30 feet long.

ITEMS FROM DILLEY.

The gin here has been remodelled and built new, and is now running on time, about 150 bales of cotton will be ginned at this place.

The rain we had some 10 days ago is fast drying up and unless we have more to insure winter grass, the large crop of cane, that has been put up will come in good use.

Mr. T. J. Martin, has just had a well finished and has struck fine water; he is now hauling lumber and making some improvements on his residence.

Mr. Hudson of Pearsall, a cattle trader, was in the burg this week hunting a deal.

Miss Jessie Harl has commenced her school at Covey Chapel.

The school at this place will commence the first Monday in October, with Miss Lena Biediger as teacher.

Mr. Lawrence Whitley has just completed his residence on the Leona on some land he recently bought.

Mr. Joe Whitley is rushing the well business. He has just completed some wells near here and is now pating down one for J. M. Murry.

C. R. Miller, foreman on the Darlington ranch is

working on the Crawford ranch left this week for Webberville.

Doek Netherland went to Pearsall this week between trains. Miss Ellis Netherland of the Cibilo is attending school at Frio Town.

Mrs. O. G. Hugo and Miss Bell, returned this week from Galveston.

Miss Carrie Cavender attended the association at Uvalde as a delegate from this place.

Mr. J. M. Ramsey and sons from Twohig were in the burg this week with cotton.

J. W. and S. W. McCombs were in also this week with cotton.

N. Dillard made a trip last week to Lomavista and reports fine rains and good grass west of Lomavista.

W. L. Crawford is in from the ranch this week.

The passenger trains made their meeting point here Thursday.

A. A. Harris the honey man from Batesville was in town this week, he reports the Bee business doing bad in his locality.

The nights have been quite chilly lately, but the days are warm.

Ed Buchanan from the Wolf ranch was here this week.

H. H. Mills accompanied by his wife and son returned this week from Gonzales where they have been on a visit for the last 30 days.

O. G. Hugo took Wednesday's north bound train for San Antonio.

A. W. Withers from Lockhart who has a ranch near here was down this week looking after his cattle interests.

W. M. Sackville is building a large barn on his place.

Mr. C. H. Miller and wife were visiting friends in Cotulla this week.

Chas. Harris Esq., of the Jacobs ranch, spent one day down at Cotulla this week.

BUCKOW NOTES.

Buckow, Texas, Sept. 23, 1899.

THE COTULLA RECORD:

Dear sir:

It has been quite a while since you have heard from me although I hope there will be space enough in your paper that my letter may be admitted. Last night I attended a nice dance given at the residence of Mrs. H. P. White.

Those present were Mrs. E. A. De Spain of this place, and Mrs. Mills of San Diego, Misses Ellen, Mattie, and Annie Dillard, Annie Winters, Artie Goodwin, Annie White, and Miss Gertrude Mills of San Diego, Messrs Willie Mills, and Duncan De Spain of San Diego, John Winslow, Curt Reynolds, Jim Edminston, Glenn Smith, Robert Clark and several others whose names we failed to get. Every thing passed smoothly.

J. W. Buckow is painting Mr. Dillard's house this week.

Mr. J. T. Goodwin and Charlie Winters was in Cotulla Thursday.

Glenn Smith Esq., of Cotulla, was here a day or two this week.

We are sorry to state Mrs. Mills, son and daughter, Willie and Gertrude and Mr. Duncan De Spain will leave to day for San Diego.

print you may hear from me a gain some day.

SCHOOL GIRLS.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.

"Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman."

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The Editor of the Throckmorton Times is a Philosopher of ye olden Time. Hear him expatiate:

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An advertisement should be positive, not negative. It should concern itself with what the advertiser offers, not with what he does not offer; with what his goods are, not with what they are not; with what he has for sale, not with what his competitor has not for sale.—Printers Ink.

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TIME TABLE.

South Passenger Train. North

10:00 a. m. Lv. SAN ANTONIO Ar. 12:05 p. m.

10:20 a. m. Lv. Leon Ar. 12:25 p. m.

10:31 a. m. Lv. Medina Ar. 11:57 a. m.

10:51 a. m. Lv. Lytle Ar. 11:36 a. m.

1:16 a. m. Lv. Devine Ar. 11:10 a. m.

11:35 a. m. Lv. Moore Ar. 10:53 a. m.

11:55 a. m. Lv. Edon Ar. 10:38 a. m.

12:23 p. m. Lv. Pearsall Ar. 10:22 a. m.

12:42 p. m. Lv. Darby Ar. 10:18 a. m.

12:58 p. m. Lv. Dillaly Ar. 10:15 a. m.

1:12 p. m. Lv. Millett Ar. 9:44 a. m.

1:33 p. m. Lv. Tuna Ar. 9:05 a. m.

2:03 p. m. Lv. Twohig Ar. 8:55 a. m.

2:25 p. m. Lv. Burro Ar. 8:38 a. m.

2:40 p. m. Lv. Encinal Ar. 8:23 a. m.

3:00 p. m. Lv. Cactus Ar. 8:04 a. m.

3:18 p. m. Lv. Webb Ar. 7:45 a. m.

3:43 p. m. Lv. Green Ar. 7:23 a. m.

3:55 p. m. Lv. San Juan Ar. 7:12 a. m.

4:10 p. m. Ar. LAREDO Lv. 7:00 a. m.

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SATURDAY, SEP 30, 1899.

Yellow fever has died out in New Orleans.

The pension list has reached 4,795, and still up it climbs.

The Bridge is all O. K. once more, but how 'bout the roads?

Mark Hanna's campaign leg will soon be in condition to sympathize with the tail of the British Lion.

We call our readers special attention to the new ad of The Winchester Repeating Arms Co found elsewhere in this issue.

Vol. 1, No. 1, of "The Budget," published in the interest of the Alamo City Business College, at San Antonio, is the latest arrival at our desk.

Perhaps Gen. Otis' inactivity is due to the fact that he feels it would be unfair to annoy Aguinaldo just at the time he is compelled to walk the floor with a new born baby.

Dewey, the hero of Manila bay, arrived at New York Tuesday morning, and was given a reception that was never equalled in America's history, while across the waters, in Spain, Montejó, who was admiral of the fleet Dewey sent to join McGinty, is being tried for his life for getting

What seems to be needed is a measure that will kill a trust that does away with necessary competition, while not interfering with a combination that merely gets rid of useless expense in distribution or manufacture of products. In other words a gun is needed that will kill it if it hits a deer, but will be harmless if it is a calf that is hit.

An exchange thinks there is some hope for the young men who will get down to work and get the idea out of their heads that swearing, drinking and gambling are smart. If you still cling to these things yours is a helpless case and the world knows it and cares nothing for you. The world wants men—young men of honesty and integrity—who are willing to get down to hard work. If you have nothing else to do you had better investigate your life and habits.—Laredo News.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

I will be at the following named places on dates below given, for the purpose of collecting taxes now due for the year 1899.

Encinal, October 9th and 10th.
Twohig, " 12th and 13th.
Millett, " 16th and 17th.
Dulls Ranch " 19th and 20th.
El Sauz, " 23rd and 24th.
W. M. BURWELL,
Tax Collector,
La Salle County.

LIST OF PATENTS.

Granted to Texas Inventors this week, reported by E. G. Siggers, Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C.

August Baca, Fayetteville, Composition Railway tie and means for securing rails thereto; Wm R Blanchard, R L Matthews and C Watkins, Merkel, Listing machine; E T Pugh, Hearne, box fastener; Henry Bryant, Aransas Pass, Acetylene gas generator.

TWOHIG.

J. W. McInnis went to Encinal and returned Thursday on business.

Mrs. M. E. Buchanan was in Cotulla one day this week.

W. E. Ramsey went to Dilley with two wagons loaded with cotton to be gined this week.

Clarence Manly was in Twohig this week making a Newspaper talk.

Joe Yarbrough went to San Antonio a few days ago, returning Thursday. Today we notice a "x x x" sign down in hollow. We all know what that means.

N. J. Buckley and Sam Jordan were in Twohig one afternoon this week "shooting windy's."

Mrs. J. W. McInnis returned from San Antonio first part of the week.

Twohig can boast of another drummer this week, such things happen occasionally.

H. T. H.

ENCINAL.

Drummers have been quiet numerous this week.

Miss Maggie Buckelew, after a few day's spent in Encinal, returned to her home in Cotulla, Monday.

C. H. Skidmore came down on Tuesday's south bound train from Elgin Kan, to visit relatives in the city.

Miss Lizzie Gilmer paid her brother, R. A. Gilmer, a short visit this week.

N. J. Buckley came in from the Buckley ranch Monday, returning Wednesday.

One of the most enjoyable dances of the season, was given at the City Hall last Friday night. Those present were: Mesdames W. M. Spindle, J. H. Rodriguez, W. S. Cobb, A. Walker, W. M. Miller and C. H. Skidmore, Misses Alice Hillard, Alma Jordan, Maggie Buckelew, Maggie and Julia Walker, May Cobb, Emma and Ida McMulin, Messrs Jas. Breeding, J. H. Rodriguez, W. S. Cobb, W. M. Spindle, Jas. Evetts, N. J. Buckley, Sam Miller, J. F. Hillard, Jr., Chas. Gilmer, Everett Fuller, Roy Jordan, Jack Neal, Dent Cobb, Will McMulin, and Jas. Carr.

Frank Nye of Laredo was in the city Wednesday and Thursday.

A. Richardson went to Laredo Monday, returning Tuesday.

Chas. Gilmer, after a few days spent in Encinal, returned to his home in Cotulla Monday.

R. V. Martin is visiting relatives in Laredo, this week.

J. F. Hillard and son, Frank, left Saturday last, for Eagle Pass.

T. J. Buckley passed through here Wednesday, enroute to Laredo.

Burnett Little, section foreman at Green, came up Sunday to visit relatives.

I. & G. N. EXCURSIONS.

To Cincinnati.

National Convention Christian Church, October 13-20. Tickets on sale October 10-11, limit Oct. 23rd; one fare for round trip.

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" " " 2 Wm. Earnest.

CHURCHES.
Baptist Church.—Rev. Bruce Roberts, Pastor.—Services:—1st Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 a. m., Conducted by Miss Mary Burwell. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 8:00 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

Methodist Church.—Rev. M. T. Allen Pastor.—Services:—3rd and 4th Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m., R. J. D. M. Williams, Superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45 p. m. Every body cordially invited to attend all these services.

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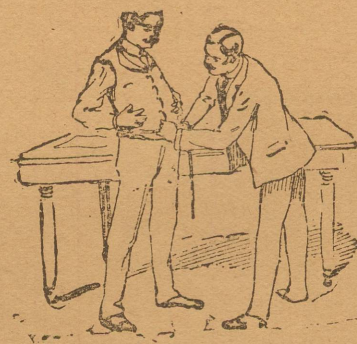
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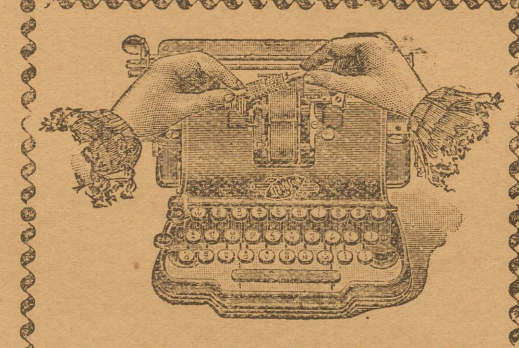
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 M. V. Ratcliff was among Monday's visitors in town.
 John Reynolds dropped in to see us one day this week.
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 Houses are in demand—but not a vacant one in town.
 T. J. Buckley was on Thursday's train enroute to Encinal.
 For fancy candy and fruits, go to Simon Cotulla's.
 McGarity's Bed Bug Poison at the New Drug Store.
 Willie Conlan Esq. was in from his father's ranch Saturday.
 Dentist Dr. Welsh will be in Cotulla next month.
 Mr. A. J. Poteet was seen on our streets one day this week.
 Miss Ellen Dillard came up from Twohig yesterday morning.
 The river is about down, but the banks are very muddy yet.
 C. C. Thomas went up the road yesterday on a business jaunt.
 W. M. McCarty was among the ranchmen in town Saturday last.
 These warm days and cool nights make it an easy matter for one to catch cold.
 Welsh the dentist guarantees his work. Call on him for prices. Examination free.
 Miss Lizzie Gilmer is at Encinal visiting her brother, Mr. R. A. Gilmer and family.
 Get prices of Studebaker wagons. New stock just in.
 Keck Bros.
 Miss Maggie Buckelew returned Monday morning after a brief visit to friends in Encinal.
 Messrs George Wright and Morg Williams were seen in our burg yesterday evening.
 Mr. J. W. Buckow is painting the ranch house of Mr. John Dillard, near Twohig, this week.
 Mrs. Willis Johnson has been spending the week in the city as the guest of Mrs. L. A. Kerr.
 Call on C. E. Massengale for good second hand buggies.
 Cheap for cash.
 The party that attended the Baptist Association at Uvalde last week, returned home Wednesday.
 Jas. Oberwether Esq., ex-sheriff of Dimmit county was in the city several days during this week.
 Rev. J. A. Dumoly, of San Antonio, conducted services Monday and Tuesday at the Catholic Church.
 We have been busy the greater part of this week printing a brief for County Attorney, C. C. Thomas.
 Mr. S. G. McMains, one of the Record's appreciated subscribers from the Puddin, was in town trading Monday.
 With regret we chronicle the serious illness of Mrs. E. L. Clary. From last accounts she was very low.
 Will Riley received a winchester shot gun from New Haven Conn., Tuesday and has joined the "Sportsman's Club."
 Master Butler Smith has been assisting in the Record office this week, owing to the unusual amount of work on hand.

Call on Landrum & Co's if you wish to buy a gun, they have a rifle and a shot gun for sale cheap.
 We are hunting a pain that McGarity's Magic ointment will not cure. For sale at the New Drug Store.
 Our patriotic townsman, Mr. Mr. J. Barlow, had his large flag hoisted this week in honor of the return of Dewey.
 Deputy Sherrif Dillard brought a Mexican up from Twohig Tuesday morning, who tried to butcher one of his imegio's.
 Johnson Bros. are having all their large tracts of land surveyed. County Surveyor Daniel has the work in charge.
 Mr. C. H. Vasbinder is taking a lay off from "The Star" and has gone to visit his parents, who live in Center Point.
 After a month's absence visiting relatives in San Antonio and Pearsall, Mrs. J. Guy Smith returned Monday evening.
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 Simon says it is all a mistake about him "aiming to low," and wants to know what Manly D. knows about the Hobson act.
 Mr Mug Tarver spent a few minutes in our office Tuesday morning—staid just long enough to get rid of a dollar. Thanks.
 Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Rogers left Wednesday morning to attend the Boerne Fair. They are expected to return about Monday.
 Miss Julia Bell arrived Thursday from Fairview, and went out to the Buckow Settlement where she will teach school this year.
 Mr. W. A. Kerr came up yesterday from the Laredo Ranch to meet his little girl, who arrived on this morning's passenger from Mexico.
 Mr. W. P. May went up the I. & G. N Wednesday evening on a business trip to San Antonio. From there he will go to the Territory.
 Messrs W. H. Johns and J. T. Carr with their respective families spent Wednesday night on the river in pursuit of the finny tribe.
 Mr. C. E. Massengale has purchased the residence now occupied by Mr. J. A. Smith, from T. R. Keck. Consideration, private.
 Miss Nancy Reynolds left Sunday morning for her home in Millett after a month's stay in the city visiting her numerous young friends.
 Ladies, don't forget to come to our store and look at our selection of fall and winter dress goods. Quality tells, the price sells.
 Mrs. M. T. Allen and children left Tuesday morning for Floresville, on an extended visit to relatives. They will probably be gone until after conference.
 Mr. Andrew Armstrong, Jr., of the mercantile firm of Armstrong & Swink, came down Thursday from his home in Hondo to attend to business interests.
 S. T. Phelps Esq., one of Cotulla's rising young Attorneys, spent the week in Pearsall visiting relatives, and we have been told—"there are others."
 Mr. F. M. Jones, formerly "pencil pusher" for the Javelin, passed through here last Saturday morning enroute to Austin, where he will enter the State University.
 Mrs. Williams brought her child, who was sick with croup, up from Twohig yesterday morning. Dr. McGarity soon relieved the little fellow however, and they returned on next train.

Dean's Bridge Gang was at work here several days during this week, making some needed repairs on the depot platform, steps etc, which were in very bad condition.
 A wreck on the Southern division of the Mexican National railroad, caused the North bound I. & G. N. passenger train to arrive here about 9 hours late Thursday.
 Blankets is what you will need this winter. Do you know where to buy them? Why, at Henrichson & Co's., of course; they have one of the finest lines to select from in the city.
 Mr. Jno. Reynolds returned from Laredo Tuesday morning. He says, Uncle Mart Dunham, who was reported very low a few days since, is now up and able to get around a little.
 Mrs. M. J. Barlow returned Saturday from her annual trip to northern cities, where she has been selecting a fall and winter stock of goods for their Dry Goods Emporium.
 Mr. Jos. Yarbrough passed up on Tuesday's train enroute to San Antonio, where he went to purchase the necessary fixtures for a saloon, which will be opened at Twohig about October 1st.
 George Evetts Esq., dopped in and chatted with us a few minutes yesterday morning. Mr. Evetts has just returned from McMullen county and reports the range down there in good condition.
 After spending a couple of months in Laredo as the guest of Mrs. A. J. Barthelow, Miss Nettie Neal returned home yesterday morning. She reports a very enjoyable time during her stay in the border city.
 Charlie Coleman was arrested by the officers Saturday night on the charge of cattle theft. He waived examination Monday morning, and was placed under bond to await the action of the next Grand Jury.
 After an absence of nearly four months, Ranger Captain, J. H. Rogers, returned from Orange, where he has been on duty. He was accompanied from San Antonio here by his family, who met him there.
 Mr. E. M. Irvin returned Thursday from a short pleasure trip to San Antonio. He was accompanied by Mr. Peter A. Steffion, who came down for a few days recreation. They left yesterday morning for the Irvin Ranch.
 We notice in "The Budget" a periodical published in the interest of the Alamo Business College, that George Adimi, who is well known to the people of this county, has enlisted in the service of his country and will leave for the far off Philippines about Oct. 1st.
 Mrs. W. B. Guinn paid our sanctum sanctorum a short but very pleasant call yesterday morning, and left a couple of bright dollars with us for the RECORD, to be sent to her son and daughter, Mr. H. E. Guinn, of Comstock, and Mrs. B. A. Johnson of Waxahachie.
 T. J. Alderman was in town Monday between trains from his ranch below Twohig. Mr. Alderman has just returned from down about Hebronville where he purchased a bunch of cattle, and says that part of the country is in bad condition, no grass and cattle very poor, but nevertheless prices hold up just the same.
 Mr. G. E. Tarver, the genial manager of T. W. House's extensive ranch interests in this part of the state, was in town Saturday last and showed his appreciation to the RECORD by planking down the 'plata' for another year's subscription. That's what talks, brother. Thanks.
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 Mr. George Copp sold this week to Pease & Jay, his entire stock wines, liquors, etc., including the bar and all the saloon fixtures. They will take possession of same Monday, and wish to announce to their patrons that after October 1st they will be found on the corner of front street, as the "Midway" will be closed.
 If you want to see something that will make your mouth water, just drop around at my Confectionery Store next week. I will receive Monday one of the finest assortments of fancy candies, etc, ever shown in my store. When you want something that is nice and sweet to send to your best girl, don't forget to visit me, for I will hereafter have all you expect, and surpass all you imagine.
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 Robert Hall, one of the few surviving Mexican war veterans, boarded Tuesday's southbound train for Laredo, where he spent the week. Uncle Bob says he is going to take in the big Fair at San Antonio this fall, and he will, no doubt, demand considerable attention when he comes out diked up in his peculiar suit, which is composed of pieces of skin from over 10 different species of wild animals, and ornamented with many hoofs of the deer and snake rattles.
 We are indebted to Mr. John Dillard for a very pleasant call paid us Tuesday morning. Mr. Dillard is one of our county's successful stock raisers whose ranch is near Twohig. In speaking of the range etc. said that the rain which fell on 17th inst., enlivened things up wonderfully; that although he was somewhat short on grass, his cattle were all in fire condition to go into winter, and with plenty of brush and pear he saw no reason why he should not come out "right side up with care" next spring. He had probably heard of the hardships of a newspaper man and evidently knew how to bring forth a smile on the forlorn, hungry looking countenance of a country editor, for before departing he slipped a big silver dollar in our vest pocket and told us to keep sending him the RECORD.
 Mr. W. G. Johnson's mother is visiting him at the ranch
 Capt. J. A. Brooks of Ranger Co., F. arrived this morning from Alice.
 W. C. Irvin was one of the stockmen that boarded this morning's train for the Alamo City.
 State Ranger, J. E. Evetts and wife came up first part of the week from Hebronville, on a visit to their parents. They will be here about ten days longer.
 Misses Emma McMulin and Lillian Pope came up from Encinal this morning on a brief visit to Miss Ruby Smith. They will return tomorrow.

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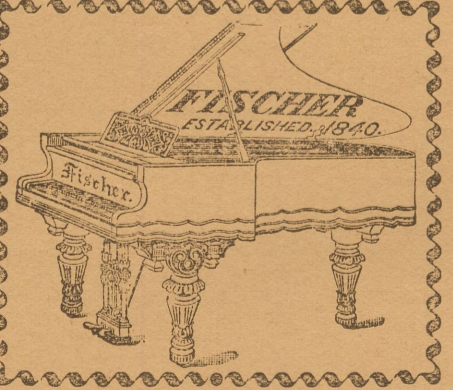
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BY HOWARD FIELDING.

SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I. Decisive game between Harvard and Yale; is won by lucky strike by Jack Bangs. Florence Lewis meets Harry Bangs, greatest college athlete in his day.

Chapter II. Paddy O'Toole, pro football ball player, is by Harry Bangs, who wishes to send him to college for private reasons.

Chapter III. Bangs begins private instruction preparatory to sending O'Toole to college, but finds he will never learn.

Chapter IV. Florence Lewis mistakes O'Toole for Lawrence Bangs, and Harry Bangs proposes to use them both. Lawrence as student, O'Toole as ball player as one person, claiming that deception would never be known.

Chapter V. O'Toole agrees to limit his speech to "yes" and "no" to escape detection. Is entered by teacher on the Yale Nine, and creates a sensation in the trial game.

Chapter VI. Lawrence falls in love with Florence who promises him a kiss if he wins the coming ball game. Paddy wins in Lawrence's name and is carried home in honor.

Chapter VII. Lawrence calls on Florence but refused the kiss; had won, hence they quarrel.

CHAPTER VIII. GROWING APART.

"Larry," said his brother one morning, "we'll have to do something for you. You're falling behind."

"Falling behind whom?" asked Lawrence.

"The other half of you; the half that is good for something."

"You mean Patrick?"

"Of course."

Lawrence struggled to be calm. "Granting for the sake of argument," he said at last, "that it is possible to be inferior to such a creature, I will ask you in what respect you think me to be deficient."

"Why, you're out of condition. You look overtrained. You're ten pounds under weight, and it shows in your face. You're pale as a ghost, my boy."

"I fear," said Lawrence, thoughtfully, "that there is some truth in what you say. The difference in our ways of life has done much to decrease that unfortunate resemblance which—"

Probably it would have to be you, because Paddy would be the better man. Then I'd put you in the hospital and let everybody know that you were there. We'd have reliable doctor's certificates to show that you couldn't possibly play again during the season. There'd be a jubilee in Cambridge and Harvard money would come out at odds on. Then, at the last minute, I'd get you out of the hospital and hide you, and Paddy could go into the game. All Harvard would walk back from Springfield and Yale would have money to burn after the game. It would beat the trick we played the first year I rowed on the crew. We got an artist to paint boils on the backs of our necks, and the papers came out with a story that we had been poisoned. The odds on Harvard jumped to three to one; and then we won the race by about a quarter of a mile. As a matter of fact they hadn't been in it from the first of May to the day of the race."

Lawrence faithfully observed his brother's directions. He had noticed that outdoor life and exercise were improving Paddy's appearance, and he had Florence's word that the Irishman was the better looking of the two. It must not be supposed that he was unaffected by this criticism or that he was so much wrapped up in his studies as to be entirely oblivious to the consideration of his personal appearance. He decided that a little color in the cheeks would improve him, and so he mounted to the roof the next day with the anticipation of securing great benefit. It was very hot in the corner which Harry had selected for him, but Lawrence stuck to it all day with the exception of his hours of recreation. By evening his face was burned to a blister, and he had to remain in the house two or three days until the color moderated to a shade which matched Paddy's.

He was equally faithful with the exercise which Harry had recommended. He entered into this with an enthusiasm which delighted his brother. In fact, Lawrence had conceived a fierce jealousy of Paddy, and had begun to long to surpass him physically. He had no love for athletic sports, and did not, at this time, hope to supplant Paddy in that line of life. But he would have liked to be able to take the young Irishman to a remote corner of some deserted region, and there inflict upon him a corporal chastisement which would settle forever the question of physical superiority. Probably his jealousy would never have led him to such an extreme, but he felt that it would be a great satisfaction to him to know that he could do it any time he desired.

It was about this time that the name of Larry Bangs began to be conspicuous in the newspapers. His singular taciturnity on the athletic field had already been noted, and he had come to

be spoken of as the "Speechless Wonder." Lawrence had been interviewed three or four times, and his views on baseball—of which, despite his patient study of full scores, he was profoundly ignorant—were given at great length. Paddy had read these articles and had expressed the utmost contempt for them.

"You ought to try to learn something," he said to Lawrence. "What's the matter with you, anyway? Can't you get it through your head? It's easy enough."

Once Paddy was caught by a reporter, and he gave a first-rate interview. As he said nothing but yes and no, the representative of the press was able to talk all he pleased without interruption. He was an expert in baseball, and his views, credited to Paddy, seemed wonderfully sound.

Lawrence was greatly disappointed with his own first interview. On that occasion he had skillfully led the conversation away from sport, and had spent an hour or more discussing educational topics in a manner which he believed would win him recognition from the authorities of the college. He had an idea that the publication of these views would excite considerable comment throughout the country, and he told the reporter that such would be the result. The reporter replied "Yes," in a tone so oracular that it might have come from Paddy himself. As a matter of fact the able journalist knew that there was a gentleman with a blue pencil in the editorial room of his newspaper, and that it would be easier for a rich man to enter the kingdom than

to secure the required color.

Exercise and study combined.

replied, "I can't find time for all this. The over-indulgence in physical exercise which you recommend will encroach upon my hours of study."

"Can't you study and exercise at the same time? Get some light dumb bells and swing them while you're grinding Greek. Then you won't be wasting your time altogether with the blasted stuff. And, besides, you may develop. There's no telling. If you were a little heavier you'd be an ideal man for football."

Lawrence brightened at this last remark and Harry took it for a hopeful sign.

"By Jove," he cried, "it would be a great thing if I could get both of you into shape for the game. We could play it on Harvard in great shape. We'd have one of you half killed in practice just before the Harvard game."

for a column of stuff about the best method of instilling the classics into a freshman to get into print. He took down what Lawrence said because Lawrence was looking, but he did not make the mistake of turning it in as copy.

When the article appeared the absence of all reference to educational subjects was the most conspicuous thing about it—Lawrence. But it is safe to say that nobody else noticed it.

The reporter was a very polite young man, and did not wish to offend anybody who would be good for so much space in the future as Larry Bangs would. So he wrote a nice note to the subject of the interview, explaining that he had faithfully recorded all that Lawrence had said, but, unhappily, "space" was short in that particular Sunday's paper, and so the educational matters, as being of less interest to the public, were crowded out.

Lawrence had a considerable respect for the profession of journalism, which he had some thought of entering after his college course was over. He did not intend to reform it. On the contrary he thought it quite good enough as it was to engage his most serious efforts. He was not nearly so much inclined to question the judgment of the editor who had omitted the educational part of his interview, as one acquainted with his studious disposition might have expected that he would be. On the contrary he was led to wonder whether education had not ceased to be of any importance in the world. Evidently that was the view of the editor, and such a man should be in touch with public sentiment. The experiences of his first year at college had naturally prepared him to take such a view.

Therefore on the occasion of this second reporter's visit, he devoted all his time to a serious discussion of baseball and its probable effect on the destiny of mankind, interspersed—at the reporter's request—with stories illustrating the most advanced methods of bill-doing on a tundra as that science was taught at Yale.

The whole of this interview was printed. Most of it was unintelligible to Paddy, but such parts as he understood—to use his own expression—"gave him a pain."

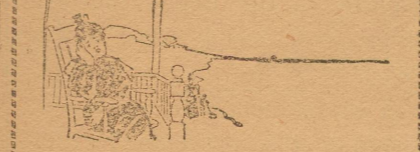
"It's no use, Larry," he said, "you haven't got the head for it."

And Lawrence was inclined to agree with him in secret, though openly he affected to despise advice from such a quarter.

"Is it possible," he said to himself afterwards, "that in regard to certain important branches of human knowledge I am what Patrick would call 'thick.'"

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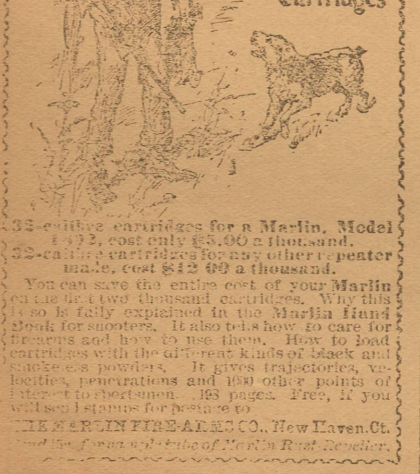


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I want to inform you, in words of highest praise, of the benefit I have derived from Ripans Tablets. I am a professional nurse and in this profession a clear head is always needed. Ripans Tablets does it. After one of my cases I (thankfully) completely ran down. Acting on the advice of Mr. Geo. Bowser, Ph. D., of Newark, N. J., I took a box of Ripans Tablets with grand results. Miss BESSIE WINTER.

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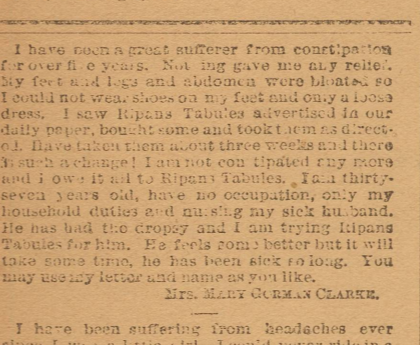
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I have been suffering from headaches ever since I was a little girl. I could never ride in a car or go into a crowded place without getting a headache and sick at my stomach. I heard about Ripans Tablets from a man of mine who was taking them for catarrh of the stomach. She had found such relief from their use she advised me to take them too, and I have been doing so since last October, and will say they have completely cured my headaches. I am twenty-nine years old. You are welcome to use this testimonial. Mrs. J. BROOKMAN.

My seven-year-old boy suffered with pains in his head, constipation and complaint of his stomach. He could not eat. His children of his age do and what he did not do not agree with him. He was thin and of a sallow color. Reading some of the testimonials in favor of Ripans Tablets I tried them. Ripans Tablets not only relieved but actually cured my youngster. The headaches have disappeared, bowels are most regular and he never complains of his stomach. He is now a red, chubby-faced boy. This wonderful change I attribute to Ripans Tablets. I am satisfied that they will benefit any one from the cradle to old age if taken according to directions. E. W. PRINCE.

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TEXAS AS HELL.

BY C. O. C.

The devil in hell we're told was chained, And a thousand years he there remained. He neither complained nor did he groan, But determined to start a hell of his own, Where he could torment the souls of men Without being chained in a prison den; So he asked the Lord if he had on hand Anything left when he made this land. The Lord said: "Yes, I had plenty on hand But I left it down on the Rio Grande; The fact is, Old Boy, the stuff is so poor, I don't think you can use it in hell any more." But the devil went down to look at the truck, And said, if it came as a gift, he was stuck, But after examining carefully and well, He concluded the place too dry for a hell. So, in order to get it off his hand, The Lord promised the devil to water the land, For he had some water, or rather some drags— A regular cathartic that smelled like bad eggs; Hence, the trade was closed, the deal was given And the Lord went back to his home in Heaven. The devil said: "I've all that is needed To make a good hell," so hence, he succeeded. He began by putting thorns on all the trees, Mixed up the sand with millions of fleas, He scattered tarantulas along the roads, Put thorns on the cactus, horns on the loads. He lengthened the horns of the Texas steers, Put an addition on the rabbit's ears, He put a small devil in each broncho steed, And poisoned the feet of the centipede. The rattle-snake bites you, the scorpion stings, The mosquito delights you with his buzzing wings. Sand-burs prevail, and so do ants, And those who sit down, need half-soles on their pants. The devil then said, that throughout the land He'd managed to keep up the devil's own brand And all would be Mavericks unless they bore Marks and scratches and bites and thorns by the score. The heat in the summer is one hundred and ten— Too hot for the devil, too hot for men, The wild boar roams through the black chaparral— 'Tis a hell of a place that he has for a hell.

THAT MAN.

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I once knew a man whose nature Was mild as a summer's lake, Who loved his fellow creature And suffered for his sake. At it seemed and he pursued every step, And muffled the strings on the harp of life Whenever he sang or played. He tilled but he reapt no harvest; He hoped, but his hope was vain, His friends all smiled when his health was good But they could not share his pain. He loved and he spoke his passion But the woman turned away, And left this man with a soul and mind To suffer from day to day. He sang, but there came no echo, No sympathy, no applause. He laughed, but his laugh was empty As a starving bird's dry claws. So he viewed himself with caution To learn the cause of his strife, And he found the thing he needed most Was a little more of life. So he came down into Texas Came down near the Rio Grande, Where the chaparral and mesquite sprouts And grows right out of the sand. And the various kinds of cactus Shoot up and defy the drought, The all of which perplexed this man In the land of the "Sunny South." The rattle-snake was a source of dread, Tarantulas too, were thick, While fleas stuck fast to the rim of his ears And so did the nasty tick. The bite of the vinegar worm meant death, The mad coyote the same, And he never had seen a mustang horse That was bidable, broke or tame. The torrid rays of the sun came down And scorched the end of his nose, And the horns and thorns of the chaparral Threaded and rent his clothes. So he finally settled in his mind, That framing this lovely land The loving Lord of the Universe Had showed the devil a hand. And let him play his pranks at will Where the fair Nueces flows. And mark everything with a poison brand To multiply man's woes. But when he came to our little town And viewed our portly men, And the prettiest girls on all the earth, He sighed, and thought again. And I that one element in him lost Came back and fleshed his veins. For he had gained his health once more On the Southwest Texas plains. And he reasoned thus: that had the Lord Given scope to the Devil's will, There wasn't a thing that he had made But what these men could kill.