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Condensed Statement of the Condition of the West Texas National Bank

Big Springs, Texas
Made to the Comptroller of Currency at close of business Jan. 21, 1910

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts .. \$208,446 65	Capital Stock .. \$ 50,000 00
U. S. Bonds .. 50,000 00	Circulation .. 50,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds .. 1,000 00	Surplus and Profits .. 90,256 36
Furniture & Fixtures .. 2,595 65	Deposits .. 202,935 39
Real Estate .. 14,339 52	
Cash on Hand .. 86,840 93	
	\$363,191 75

WE SOLICIT YOUR BUSINESS

Price of Beef.

Speaking of the price of meat and explaining its constantly increasing cost, J. Ogden Armour says:

"The increased cost of beef is due to natural conditions which the great packing interests of this country have no control over. If you want cheap meat, raise more cattle."

The truth of this assertion is amply borne out by recent statistics, which show the number of head of cattle in Texas on January 1st., 1909, to have been 8,794,000, while on January 1st., 1910, there were but 5,959,926, a decrease of 2,834,074 head.

The remarkable fact brought out by these figures are an abundant proof that Mr. Armour was giving the real facts in the case, and knew what he was talking about. In Texas, which has the largest grazing area now left in the United States, the actual number of cattle has decreased 30 per cent. Is it any wonder that the price of beef has advanced?

The remedy for this condition of affairs has been suggested by Mr. Armour himself. It consists in getting people to raise more cattle, and nowhere can they find a better opportunity than in the broad acres of State lands which Texas still has to offer to the settler.

J. F. Wright of Dallas spent Monday and Tuesday here with his brother-in-law, James E. Morris.

J. H. Montgomery of Midland was here Monday and paid his respects to this office in a substantial way.

Eclipse of the Moon

Just after the most interesting phase of the passing of Halley's comet, we will have the privilege of seeing another celestial phenomena in the total eclipse of the moon on the night of May 23. Of this eclipse the Scientific American says:

"The lunar eclipse of the 23rd is of more interest to us, being visible throughout the United States, excepting Alaska. The moon enters the earth's penumbra at 9:32 Eastern standard time, and first touches the shadow at 10:46. At nine minutes after midnight she disappears in it completely, and does not emerge until 1 a. m. At the middle of the eclipse, however, her southern edge is only about 200 miles inside the shadow, so that it will be considerably illuminated by sunlight refracted through our atmosphere. At 2:22 a. m. the moon takes leave of the shadow entirely, and at 3:36 of the penumbra. This eclipse will be of importance to observers on the Pacific coast, as it will give them a chance to photograph Halley's comet on a dark sky. The comet will have set for us in the East before totality comes on."

Savage-Scarborough.

M. Savage and Miss Lola Scarborough were married at the Presbyterian Manse at 8:30 by Rev. Jno. S. Thomas. The groom is an employe of the Home Steam Laundry and the bride is a popular and worthy young lady. This paper extends hearty congratulations.

Freshest candies in town, at Biles & Gentry's Drug Store.

The Earth Passes Through Comet's Tail.

Some time Wednesday the earth is said to have passed through the tail of the great comet, and no damage was done to either. Astronomers differ as to the time the passage took place and they estimate the length of time of the passage from two to twenty-four hours. The comet will appear in the West this evening and will then show its greatest brilliancy, after which it will gradually grow dimmer until the 10th of June when it will rapidly wane and disappear entirely the latter part of July.

Paul, the little son of J. L. McDonald and wife, had the misfortune to get his left wrist broken Wednesday while playing with a large bulldog. The boy had a tow sack which he and the dog were playing with, the boy fell and in catching hold of the sack again the dog caught the boy's wrist and in some manner broke it. The little fellow is getting along nicely and will be alright in a short time.

Rev. E. S. Bledsoe left last night for Italy where he was called to conduct the funeral services of one of the members of his former pastorate and will not be here Sunday. Rev. James E. Morris will occupy the pulpit at the Christian church Sunday.

Jno. P. Cooper, editor of the Western Reporter, at Anson, spent two days here this week. He is preparing to establish a paper at Lees and now has a plant on the tracks here which will be moved out there as soon as a suitable building can be erected.

The name "Sweet Orr & Co." stands for highest quality in material and workmanship. We handle the complete line—overalls, shirts and pants.

A. P. McDONALD & Co.
Rev. O. G. Jones, Presbyterian Evangelist, returned yesterday evening from a trip through the Western part of his district, where he organized four churches.

Wm. Odom, a well known ranchman, died at his home in Midland county Friday morning from the effects of a dose of strychnine taken through mistake.

Mrs. J. W. D. Permitter and children of Coahoma visited friends here last week.

Impressions of a Visitor.

Two days' sojourn in the city of Big Springs has given us an opportunity to meet a large number of business men, professional men and private citizens and their cordial greeting, together with their liberal hospitality, prompts us to the conclusion that you have a great people, a progressive and growing little city and a country teeming with golden opportunities for the home-seeker, the business man, the educator and the capitalist. A stroll into the resident portion of the city and out among the picturesque hills reveals to the visitor hundreds of palatial homes where peace and contentment seem to reign with unchallenged sway. A visit to the magnificent school building and a peep into the various rooms where there is a daily attendance of nearly eight hundred pupils under the efficient tutorage of a large corps of teachers, impresses the visitor that the educational facilities of Big Springs are equal to those found in cities that boast a population ten fold greater than this brilliant little pearl of the West. The happy spirit with which Superintendent and teachers greet the stranger and the pride they manifest in their work give emphasis to the poet's declaration that

"Tis a delightful task to teach the young idea how to shoot."

The charming music of industrial din is heard on every hand; here and there the sound of hammer and saw is heard, and new homes are springing into existence like the young flowers that blossom on the sunkissed hills. Down yonder in the valley where the great car shops are built, a little army of skilled workmen are busy building and overhauling the monstrous engines and carrying on every department necessary in the maintenance of a great railway system—a railway which many years ago penetrated this vast empire of the West and gave birth to this splendid little city, making possible the wonderful agricultural development which has come to pass, and which is yet in its infancy.

A splendid new court house adorns the plaza in the heart of the city which is a monument to the patriotism and the civic pride of the sovereigns of Howard County; the imposing church houses that are seen in different sections of the town, all the leading denominations being represented here, declare that the people have remembered with commendable reverence the God that shapes the destinies of men and leads them "beside the still waters."

The splendid commercial establishments with enormous stocks of goods, from which may be selected anything known to the world of fashion—anything for the adornment of the home or to satisfy personal fastidiousness, bespeak a wonderfully progressive people. There is health in the climate about Big Springs; there is wealth already acquired—there is promise of fabulous millions yet to be extracted from the treasure stores of the undeveloped regions round about her, and if some modern Ponce De Leon should dream of a new El Dorado he might enjoy the fullest fruition of that dream within the gates of Big Springs.

VISITOR.

Have G. D. Hall frame your pictures. He guarantees satisfaction. 216 Main St.

The Big Springs High School will close on Friday the 27th. The graduating class for 1909-10 is composed of six young ladies and one young man.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First State Bank of Big Springs, Texas. AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 2, 1910

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans .. \$54,457 40	Capital .. \$35,000 00
Overdrafts .. 60 79	Undivided Profits, net .. 3,318 46
Banking house Fur. & Fixt. .. 10,718 57	Deposits .. 68,611 01
Cash .. 40,642 71	Borrowed Money .. None
Int. in Dept's. Guar'ty Fund .. 1,050 00	
	\$106,929 47

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C. D. READ, Pres. A. B. JONES, Vice-Pres. T. S. CURRIE, Cash. L. V. READ, Asst. Cash. W. B. CURRIE, L. T. DEATS. BERNARD FISHER, C. E. BELL

Commercial School for Big Springs.

Prof. P. M. George, president of the commercial school at Anson, spent Wednesday and yesterday here looking over the field with a view to establishing a school here. He told us that he was highly pleased with our town and had met with encouragement sufficient to justify the opening of a commercial school here, which he will do in a short time. The date of opening will be announced later.

Prof. George comes highly recommended as an educator and we most heartily welcome him and his corps of able assistants to Big Springs.

This will be a valuable institution for our city and one that will be worth a great deal to our young men and women, and we bespeak for it a liberal patronage, not only from Big Springs but from all the country tributary to this place.

For Public Weigher

We are authorized to announce J. W. Carpenter as a candidate for re-election to the office of Public Weigher, subject to the Democratic primary. He is now filling the office the second term and has discharged his duties faithfully and impartially to all, and if re-elected will continue to do so. He will appreciate your vote at the July primary.

About one-half inch of rain fell here Wednesday, which will be of some help to growing crops, and if ye get some more soon the farming interests in this section will be in fine shape.

Powder that kills flies and all insects, at Biles & Gentry's.

Auto Items.

Farmers are all smiles over the late rains.

A ball game was played Saturday afternoon between Knott and Auto, resulting in a victory for the Auto boys.

Mrs. D. T. Walker and Ina Merrick spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Baker Merrick of the Moore community.

Misses Ola Davenport, Minnie Burks and Ina Walker attended the ball game at Knott Saturday.

Some of the girls of our community are looking sad since John Taylor left for Oklahoma.

Miss Ola Davenport visited Ruth Merrick of Moore last Monday.

Entertainments were given at the homes of Edd Burks and Crawford Snows las week and all who attended each report an enjoyable time.

Mr. Pate of Knott delivered a splendid discourse at Auto Sunday, it being his regular appointment.

Miss Olive Dement went to Big Springs shopping Monday. Miss Annie Neill was in Auto Thursday.

"Scenes at Union Station."

The above entitled drama will be presented at the opera house on June 3rd, directed by Mrs. E. S. Bledsoe, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Christian church. This is an extremely funny play and will be interspersed with drills, readings and music. You are extended a cordial invitation to be present.

Don't throw your old hat away or send it away. Take it to Atkins, the hatter, and have it made as good as new. 32

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Quality at a fair price is cheaper than inferiority at a low price.

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With this ingenious little dress a child can be quickly and comfortably clad.

Skirt, waist and bloomers all joined to one belt. Bloomers are concealed by the full plaited skirt. The dress opens all the way down the back, permitting it to be laid perfectly flat when ironed.

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D R U G G I S T

Local and Personal

J. C. Hale of Coahoma was here Wednesday.

Reagan's soda fountain is the popular place.

W. B. Looney of Lamesa, was here this week.

Try those new drinks at Reagan's fountain.

Col. J. E. Mumford of Midland was here Wednesday.

For stains, varnishes and paints try Reagan's line; none excel.

C. C. Connell returned Wednesday from a visit to Fort Worth.

LOST—A small black fice dog. Return to Dr. W. C. Barnett and get reward.

Judge A. J. Prichard returned Wednesday from San Angelo, where he attended court.

P. C. Caylor and family have gone to New Mexico, where they will make their home.

The PETERS SHOES for men, women and children are sold by A. P. McDONALD & Co.

R. D. Matthews and Will P. Edwards returned Monday from a trip to Lamesa, Tahoka and Post City.

Trade at the place that does the business—you get service and quality there. That is Reagan's.

Mrs. B. Nelson and children have returned from Battle Creek, Michigan. They spent two weeks at Baird with relatives.

A. J. Weaver of Coahoma was here Monday.

"Mound City Paints may cost a trifle more, but—! B. Reagan."

R. N. Grisham of Stanton was here Monday.

Your prescriptions will be correctly filled at Biles & Gentry's Drug Store.

H. C. Read and family now occupy the Potton residence corner of West Second and Gregg streets.

Your wants in toilet articles can be filled at Biles & Gentry's Drug Store.

Prof. C. E. Thomas, of Haskell, spent Tuesday and Wednesday here visiting friends and relatives.

An attempt at rain was made here Tuesday morning, but the wind was too strong and scattered the clouds.

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great.

Hartzog & Coffee.

Don't forget that Atkins, the hatter, cleans and blocks any kind of hats and makes them as good as new. He is located at Gibson's tailor shop. 32

Geo. H. Sparenberg left Saturday night for Lewisburg, Virginia, to attend the general Presbytery of the Presbyterian church.

A touch of rheumatism or a twinge of neuralgia, whatever the trouble is, Chamberlain's Liniment drives away the pain at once and cures the complaint quickly. First application gives relief. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

M. A. Stewart and family have returned from Roswell, N. M., where they moved a short time ago. Didn't like up there, Texas good enough for them.

KEEP TEXAS MONEY IN TEXAS by having your property insured in the Mecca of Waco. I will write your insurance at the old Established Rates in the Mecca. It is Lower than the New Rates. W. T. McPherson, Agt.

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The first Sunday in June the pastors of the different churches have agreed to preach on United Charities. At the close of the services a freewill offering will be taken for the use of the society here.

At the Christian Church
Sunday school at 9:45.
Preaching service in the morning at 11:00 and in the evening at 8:00 o'clock. J. C. Mason of Dallas will fill the pulpit Sunday night. All are invited to attend these services.
E. S. BLEDSOE, Pastor.

An electric fan is the worst enemy to the flies, the flies is the worst nuisance we have and are the worst disease peddlers in the world. They can't stay around the electric fans. See L. L. Stephenson, the light and power man.

Methodist Church.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. by the pastor.
Subject for morning service, "The Family Altar." Evening sermon, "The Voice of the Lord."
CHAS. W. HEARON, Pastor.

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Why suffer from the hot weather when you can get an electric fan and keep cool for 10 cents a day. See L. L. Stephenson, the light man.

Baptist Church Services
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m., subject: "Ordinance of Baptism."
Jr. B. Y. P. U. 3 p. m.
Sr. B. Y. P. U. 3 p. m.
Sunbeams, Mrs. Morrison 4:30 p. m.
Preaching service at 8 p. m.
Don't forget that you are invited to all these services.
WILSON C. ROGERS, Pastor.

Look Well Dressed.
It is so easy to look neat and like you are "just out of the bandbox." Take your soiled clothing, your baggy trousers, your delapidated hat, etc., to the Praetorian Dye Works, Stewart Hotel building, and see what wonders Joe Terrell will work for just a little money.
Just try them once.

The splendid work of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets is daily coming to light. No such grand remedy for liver and bowel troubles was ever known before. Thousands bless them for curing constipation, sick headache, biliousness, jaundice and indigestion. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

Notice the difference in the stores that have electric fans and the ones that have no fans. The stores that have fans are nice and cool and have no flies. See L. L. Stephenson, the light and power man.

Capital City Letter.
Austin, Texas, May 16, 1910.
The business men of Austin

THE STORE THAT KEEPS The GOODS

Windmills that have proven their worth by continued use all over the country. Water supply material and galvanized Cisterns and Tanks can be had here. Our line of Builders' Hardware is the most up-to-date on the market. We buy in large quantities and are in position to make the price right. It will be money to you to see us before you buy anything in the Hardware line. Remember we carry a large and select stock of Queensware, and if you want anything in that line you will have no difficulty in getting satisfaction here, both as to quality and price. Call and you will be convinced.

The Western Windmill Co.

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M. GONZALEZ Proprietor

have started out in earnest to land the next Democratic State Convention. It has been many years since Austin has had the pleasure of entertaining the Texas democracy in convention. The following reasons have been suggested by the business men, why Austin should have the convention:

It is the seat of government and the logical point for political and other large gatherings. It is most centrally located, with splendid railroad connections with every part of the state.

It has the hotel facilities and all conveniences of a city for accommodating a large crowd of visitors.

The points of interest in the city are many and afford much interest to the sightseers.

It has several auditoriums of sufficient capacity to accommodate conventions.

Governor Campbell approved contract between the board of managers of the insane asylum here last Saturday and J. O. Polhemus for an addition to the negro ward at the asylum, which will cost \$26,000. He allowed a deficiency in order to construct the additional space for the negro unfortunates. The addition is to be completed by the first of September, and at that time the Governor hopes to have every insane person in Texas in one of the three asylums instead of lying in county jails.

Adjutant General Newton has received notice that 105 of the infantry officers of the Texas National Guard will be in attendance upon the officers' camp of instruction, which opens here on June 8. Gen. Thomas L. Scurry of Dallas, the commander of the Texas National Guard, has also given notice that he will visit the camp and probably spend the entire time at Austin during its progress.

Commissioners Williams and Mayfield have agreed to make a reduction in the cotton rate of 4 cents in all maximum territory and to allow the rate to continue to include all terminal charges, carrying the cotton to the wharves in all Texas ports when desired. Their agreement also continues the present differential basis from Houston and Beaumont to Galveston and other Texas ports.

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The Bram Bowl

PICTURES BY A. WEIL

LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE

SYNOPSIS.

"Mad" Dan Maitland, on reaching his New York bachelor club, met an attractive young woman at the door. Janitor O'Hagan assured him that one had been within that day. Dan discovered a woman's finger prints in dust on his desk, along with a letter from his attorney. Maitland, dressed with Hammerman, his attorney, Dan set out for Greenfield, to get his family jewels. During his walk to the country seat, he met the young woman in gray, whom he had seen leaving his bachelor club. Her auto had broken down. He fixed it. By a ruse she "lost" him. Maitland, on reaching home, surprised lady in gray, tracking the safe containing his gems. She, apparently, took him for a well-known crook, Daniel Anisty. Half-hypnotized, Maitland opened his safe, took therefrom the jewels, and gave them to her, first forming a partnership in crime. The real Dan Anisty, sought by police of the world, appeared on the same mission. Maitland overcame him. He met the girl outside the house and they sped on to New York in her auto. He had the jewels and she promised to meet him that day. Maitland received a "Mr. Smith," introducing himself as a detective. To shield the girl in gray, Maitland, about to show him the jewels, supposedly lost, was felled by a blow from "Smith's" cane. The latter proved to be Anisty himself and he secured the gems. Anisty, who was Maitland's double, masqueraded as the latter. The criminal kept Maitland's engagement with the girl in gray. He gave her the gems, after falling in love at first sight. They were to meet and divide the loot. Maitland revived and regretted missing his engagement. Anisty, masquerading as Maitland, narrowly avoided capture through mysterious tip. The girl in gray visited Maitland's apartments during his absence and returned gems, being discovered on return. Maitland, without cash, called up his home and heard a woman's voice expostulating. Anisty, disguised as Maitland, told her his real identity and realizing himself tricked tried to wring from her the location of the gems.

CHAPTER X.—Continued.

"By the powers, I forgot for a moment! So you thought me Maitland, eh? Well, I'm sorry I didn't understand that from the first. You're so quick, as a rule, you know—I confess you duped me neatly this afternoon—that I supposed you were wise and only afraid that I'd give you what you deserve. If they had sent any one but that stupid ass, Hickey, to nab me, I'd be in the cooler now. As it was, you kindly selected the very best kind of a house for my purpose; I went straight up to the roofs and out through a building round the corner."

But the shock of discovery, with its attendant revulsion of feeling, had been too much for her. She collapsed suddenly in the chair, eyes half closed, face pallid as a mask of death.

Anisty regarded her in silence for a meditative instant, then, taking up the lamp, strode down the hall to the pantry, returning presently with a glass brimming with an amber-tinted, effervescent liquid.

"Champagne," he announced, licking his lips. "Wish I had Maitland's means to gratify my palate. He knows good wine. Here, my dear, gulp this down," placing the glass to the girl's lips and raising her head that she might swallow without strangling.

As it was, she choked and gasped, but after a moment began to show some signs of having benefited by the draught, a faint color dawned in her cheeks.

"That's some better," commended the burglar, not unkindly. "Now, if you please, we'll stop talking pretty and get down to brass tacks. Buck up, now, and answer my questions. And don't be afraid; I'm holding no great grudge for what you did this afternoon. I appreciate pluck and grit as much as anybody, I guess, though I do think you ran it pretty close, peaching on a pal after you'd lifted the jewels. By the way, why did you do it?"

"Because—But you wouldn't understand if I told you."

"I suppose not. I'm not much good splitting sentimental hairs. But Maitland must have been pretty decent to you to make you go so far. Speaking of which, where are they?"

"They?"

"Don't sidestep. We understand one another. I know you've brought back the jewels. Where have you stowed them?"

The wine had fulfilled its mission, endowed her with fresh strength and renewed spirit. She was thinking quickly, every wit alert.

"I won't tell you."

"Won't eh? That's an admission that they're here, you know. And you may as well know I propose to have 'em. Fair means or foul, take your pick. Where are they?"

"I have told you I wouldn't tell."

"I've known pluckier women than you to change their minds, under pressure." He came nearer, bending over, face close to her, eyes savage, and gripped her wrists none too gently. "Tell me!"

"Let me go."

He proceeded, calmly to imprison both small wrists in one strong, bony hand. "Better tell."



His Voice Took On an Ugly Tone.

was upon her in an instant, however, hard fingers digging into her shoulders. "You little fool!"

"No!" she cried. "No, no, no! Let me go, you—you brute!"

Abruptly he thought better of his methods and released her, merely putting himself between her and the doorway.

"Don't be a little fool," he counseled. "You kick-up that row and you'll have us both pinched inside of the next five minutes."

Defiance was on her tongue's tip, but the truth in his words gave her pause. Palpitating with the shock, every outraged instinct a-quiver, she subdued herself and fell back, eying him fixedly.

"They're here," he nodded thoughtfully. "You wouldn't have stood for that if they weren't. And since they are, I can find them without your assistance. Sit down. I shan't touch you again."

She had scant choice other than to obey. Desperate as she was, her strength had been severely overtaxed, and she might not presume upon it too greatly. Fascinated with terror, she let herself down into an easy chair.

Anisty thought for a moment, then went over to the desk and sat himself before it.

"Keys," he commented, rapidly inventing what he saw. "How'd you get hold of them?"

"They are Mr. Maitland's. He must have forgotten them."

The burglar chuckled grimly. "Coincidences multiply. It is odd. That harp, O'Hagan, was coming in with a can of beer while I was picking the lock, and caught me. He wanted to know if I'd missed my train for Greenfield, and I gave him my word of honor I had. Moreover, I'd mislaid my keys and had been ringing for him for the past ten minutes. He swallowed every word of it. By the way, here's a glove of yours. You certainly managed to leave enough clues about to insure your being nabbed even by a New York detective."

He faced about, tossing her the glove, and with it so keen and penetrating a glance that her heart sank for fear that he had guessed her secret. But as he continued she regained confidence.

"I could teach you a thing or two," he suggested, pleasantly. "You make about as many mistakes as the average beginner. And, on the other hand, you've got the majority beaten to a finish for 'cuteness. You're as quick as they make them."

She straightened up, uneasy, oppressed by a vague surmise as to whether this tended.

"Thank you," she said, breathlessly, "but hadn't you better—"

"Plenty of time, my dear. Maitland has gone to Greenfield and we've several hours before us. Look here, little woman, why don't you take a tumble to yourself, cut out all this nonsense, and look to your own interests?"

"I don't understand you," she faltered, "but if—"

self to lose your head just all on account of a little moonlight flirtation with a good-looking millionaire. You don't suppose for an instant that there's anything in it for yours, do you? You're nothing to Maitland—just an incident; next time he meets the baby-stare for yours. You can thank your lucky stars he happened to have a reputation to sustain as a village cut-up, a gay, sad dog, always out for a good time and hang the expense! Otherwise he'd have handed you yours without a moment's hesitation. I'm not doing this up in tin-foil and trying a violet ribbon with tassels on it, but I'm handing it straight to you; something you don't want to forget. You just sink your hooks in the fact that you're nothing to Maitland and that he's nothing to you, and never will be, and you won't lose anything—except illusions."

She remained quiescent for a little, hands twitching in her lap, torn by conflicting emotions—fear of and aversion for the man, amusement, child horror bred of the knowledge that he was voicing the truth about her, the truth, at least, as he saw it, and—as Maitland would see it.

"Illusions?" she echoed, faintly, and raised her eyes to his with a pitiful attempt at a smile. "Oh, but I must have lost them, long ago; else I shouldn't be—"

"Here and what you are. That's what I'm telling you."

She shuddered imperceptibly; looked down and up again, swiftly, her expression inscrutable, her voice a tremble between laughter and tears: "Well?"

"Eh?" The directness of her query figuratively brought him up all standing, canvas flapping and wind out of his sails.

"What are you offering me in exchange for my silly dream?" she inquired, a trace of spirit quickening her tone.

"A fair exchange, I think—something that I wouldn't offer you if you hadn't been able to dream." He paused, doubtful, clumsy.

"Go on," she told him, faintly. Since it must come, as well be over with it.

"See here." He took heart of desperation. "You took to Maitland when you thought he was me. Why not take to me for myself? I'm as good a man, better as a man, than he, if I do blow my own horn. You side with me, little woman, and—all that—and I'll treat you square. I never went back on a pal yet. Why, brightening with enthusiasm as his gaze appraised her, "with your looks and your cleverness and my knowledge of the business, we can sweep the country, you and I."

"Oh!" she cried, breathlessly. "We'll start right now," he plunged on, misreading her; "right now, with last night's haul. You'll chuck that added sentimental pang-of-conscience lay, hand over the jewels, and— I'll hand 'em back to you the day we're married, all set and—as handsome a wedding present as any woman ever got."

She twisted in her chair to hide her face from him, fairly covered at last, brain a-while deviated a hundred

maneuvers, each more helpless than the last, to cheat and divert him for the time, until—until—

The consciousness of his presence near her, of the sheer strength and might of will-power of the man, bore upon her heavily; she was like a child in his hands, helpless. She turned with a hushed gasp to find that he had risen and come close to her chair; his face was not a foot from hers, his eyes dangerous; in another moment he would have his strong arms about her. She shrank away, terrified.

"No, no!" she begged.

"Well, and why not? Well?"—tensely.

"How do I know? This afternoon I outwitted you, robbed and sold you for—for what you call a scruple. How can I know that you are not paying me back in my own coin?"

"Oh, but little woman!" he laughed, tenderly, coming nearer. "It is because you did that, because you could hold those scruples and make a fool of me for their sake, that I want you. Don't think I'm capable of playing with you—it takes a woman to do that. Don't you know,"—he bent nearer and his breath was warm upon her cheek— "don't you know that you're too rare and fine and precious for a man to risk losing? Come now!"

"Not yet." She started to her feet and away. "Wait. There's a cab!"

The street without was echoing with the clattering drum of galloping hoofs. "At this hour!" she cried aghast. "Could it be—"

"No fear. Besides—there, it's stopped."

"In front of this house!"

"No, three doors up the street, at least. That's something you must learn, and I can teach you—to judge distance by sound in the darkness—"

"But I tell you," she insisted, retreating before him, "it's a risk. There, did you hear that?"

"That" was the dulled crash of the front door.

Anisty stepped to the table on the instant and plunged the room in darkness.

"Steady!" he told her evenly. "Steady. It can't be—but take no chances. Go to the trunk closet and get that window open. If it's Maitland,"—grimly—"well, I'll follow."

"What do you mean? What are you going to do?"

"Leave that to me. I've never been caught yet."

Cold fear gripped her heart as, in a flash of intuition, she divined his intention.

"Quick!" he bade her, savagely. "Don't you want—"

"I can't see," she invented. "Where's the door? I can't see."

"Here."

Through the darkness his fingers found hers. "Come," he said.

"Ah!"

Her hand closed over his wrist, and in a thought she had flung herself before him and caught the other. In the movement her hand brushed against something that he was holding; and it was cold and smooth and hard.

"Ah! no, no!" she implored. "Not that, not that!"

With an oath he attempted to throw her off, but, frail strength magnified by a fury of fear, she joined issue with him, clinging to his wrists with the tenacity of a wildcat, though she was lifted from her feet and dashed this way and that, brutally, mercilessly, though her heart fell sick within her for the hopelessness of it, though—

CHAPTER XI.

"Dan"—Quixote.

Fortune Telling

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Benefit in Outdoor Schools.

Speaking before the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis recently, Dr. Henry Farum Stoll of Hartford, Conn., said: "Every city should have one or more outdoor school." He recommended such institutions for all delicate, so-called scrofulous or anaemic children, and those with tuberculosis of the bones, who are now in ordinary schools. Doctor Stoll declared that twenty or forty per cent. of school children in large cities are infected with tuberculosis. By the use of tuberculin, it was ascertained that 79 per cent. of the children from tuberculous homes were infected as against only 26 per cent. of those from supposedly healthy homes. It was also found that 50 per cent. of the frail children from healthy homes had the germs of the disease, but that only 13 per cent. of the robust children from similar homes were thus affected.

An Interruption.

Among the primary pupils enrolled in a Baltimore school this term is the son of a prominent business man of that city.

One afternoon, at close of school, the youngster sought out his father in his office, to whom he said: "Dad, I'm getting tired of school. I think I'll quit."

"Why?" asked the astonished parent; "what's the matter, Tommy? I thought you were fond of going to school."

"So I am, dad," responded the youngster, suppressing a yawn, "but it breaks up the day so."—Harper's Magazine.

One Type of Religion.

"Too many people," said Rev. Charles F. Ake at a luncheon in New York, "regard their religion as did the little boy in the jam closet."

"His mother pounced on him suddenly. He stood on tiptoes, lading jam with both hands from the jam pot to his mouth."

"Oh, Jacky!" his mother cried. "And last night you prayed to be made a saint!"

"His face, an expressionless mask of jam, turned towards her."

"Yes, but not till after I'm dead," he explained.

New Fly Trap.

A Californian has taken advantage of the fact that flies always walk up a window by inventing a trap to be fastened to a pane in such a manner that a fly will enter it without being aware that it has left the surface of the glass.



Wiggins—Say, Ragsy, it's a wonder dey hasn't started up de baseball game in Russia long ago.

Ragsy—What put dat in yer head? Wiggins—"Cause dey are such good runners."

Too Lavish. Mrs. Dobbs was trying to find out the likes and dislikes of her new boarder, and all she learned increased her satisfaction.

"Do you want pie for breakfast?" she asked.

"No, I thank you," said the new boarder, with a smile. "Pie for breakfast seems a little too much."

"That's just the way I look at it," said Mrs. Dobbs, heartily. "I say pie for dinner is a necessity, and pie for supper gives a kind o' finishing touch to the day; but pie for breakfast is what I call putting on airs."—Youth's Companion.

A Divided Family.

The bright six-year-old daughter of a physician happened into his reception room the other day and a waiting woman patient engaged her in conversation.

"I suppose you go to church and Sunday school?" she asked.

"Oh, yes, ma'am," she replied. "And what denomination do your parents belong to?"

"Why," said the little one, "mamma's a Presbyterian and papa's a stomach specialist."

Mr. Adee in Europe.

Second Assistant Secretary Adee of the state department is on his annual vacation in Europe. In company with Mr. Thacker, United States consul general at Berlin, and Mrs. Thacker, he will devote about six weeks to a bicycle tour of southern France. He expects to return to Washington about the middle of June.

His Way.

Knicker—Is Jones charitable? Bocker—Well, he doesn't let his right foot know whom his left foot kicks.

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JUST A "LITTLE MITE DEEF"

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"You know how Emma Salter used to say she was a mite deaf, but when she was real deaf she'd buy her some kind of contrivance so's to make it easy for her friends," said Mrs. Jennings to her daughter; and the young woman nodded, forbearing to remind her mother that the span of her recollections was not precisely the duplicate of the old lady's.

"She never bought one, and she never will, now," said Mrs. Jennings, who had an exhausted air.

"I hollered at her all the way out to the Light, and all the way back; and while we were visiting Mis' Gorham the sunset gun sounded and made a great noise.

"I thought sure she'd hear that, but I didn't suspicion how she'd hear it till Bert Gorham come into the room a second after.

"You've grown considerable heavier's you were, Bert," Emma said to him. "I heard you coming up the stairs plain as day."—Youth's Companion.

Do farmers eat the proper sort of food?

The farmer of today buys a much larger proportion of the food that goes on the table than he did ten years ago. It's a good thing that this is so, because he has a great variety to select from. He should, however, use great care in selecting for the best results in health and strength.

The widespread tendency in the city to increase the amount of Quaker Scotch Oats eaten is due very largely to the recent demonstrations by scientific men that the Quaker Scotch Oats fed man is the man with greatest physical endurance and greatest mental vigor.

Farmers should give this subject careful thought and should increase the quantity of Quaker Scotch Oats eaten by themselves, their children and the farm hands.

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The Jeweled Set.

An actress said of Eleanor Robson: "She is a dear. She has married August Belmont. Now she is in the set that I once heard her so wittily ridicule.

"She said that in conversation with a leading matron of this gilded, this jeweled set, she once said:

"And where do you think you'll spend the summer, Mrs. Van Gelt?"

"Er—the North Cape, I believe," Mrs. Van Gelt answered. "One can get skiing there all through August, you know."

"And where will you spend the winter, then?"

"Oh, Florida, by all means. There's such ripping January bathing at Palm Beach."

Cause of the Rush.

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MEXICO'S MILITARY TRAINING SCHOOL
by JOSÉ ROMERO



BECAUSE of numerous vacancies in the ranks of subordinate officers of battalions and regiments and the small number of officials graduated from the Military college, in addition to other reasons, the war department of the Mexican government, which at that time was under the direction of General Mena, submitted a bill, approved by congress

on December 7, 1904, in the form of a decree, by virtue of which the "Escuela Militar de Aspirantes" (Military Training school) was established. The school has for its object the training of subordinate officers for the infantry, cavalry and artillery service. The institution was opened on January 29, 1905, in the remodeled building of the old factory of Santa Fe, in Tlalpam, which had been acquired by the department for that purpose. The rules and regulations now in force in the school were issued at that time, according to which it was specified that young men desiring to enter the school must be Mexicans between 18 and 21 years of age. In the case of minors it was necessary to obtain the consent of the father or guardian. Further requirements provide that the candidate shall have finished a course of primary instruction, shall be of good character, vaccinated and possessed of the health and phys-

EXERCISES IN EQUITATION

ical strength necessary for the pursuit of a military career. Young men having the foregoing qualifications and who wish to enter the school are required to apply in their own handwriting to the secretary of war and navy, accompanying their applications by documents stating their ages and civil condition as well as by certificates showing their academic and social training. At the bottom of the application the father or tutor must give his consent in writing to the entry of the applicant into the army as a prospective officer. Applications are to be made so as to reach the war department in November or during the first half of December, also in May and during the first half of June of each year.

If the applications are accepted and after the medical examination certifying to the physical fitness of the candidates for the military service has been made, the applicants enter the training school on July and January 1, respectively, and are enrolled therein in due course. Record is made of the class of officers the applicants desire to become, and of their agreement to serve as such during the time they attend the military training school and in the army for a period of five years thereafter, the latter time to be reckoned from the date they leave the institution.

Young men admitted as candidates must apply for entry into the school on the dates already mentioned and pursue therein three theoretical-practical courses of six months each, and after separately completing said courses enter such battalion or regiment as may be indicated by those in charge of the school for a course of practical instruction. After a year's service as sub-lieutenants in the reserve army, if they have shown evidence of ability and of a military spirit they will be transferred into the regular army.

Cadets are allowed 73 cents Mexican money per day for board and other minor expenses; are given 50 cents a day as a loan, and are allowed an additional amount of 60 cents a day for the purpose of forming a fund to be applied in the purchase of equipment and uniform to be used in the school, which becomes their property on leaving the institution and comprises their first equipment as officers.

Cadets are subject to military law for crimes and misdemeanors committed by them during the time they are in the service. The cadets live in the school, take their meals there and only go out on Sundays and national holidays, or by permission and according to the judgment of the commandant.

The studies of the half-yearly theoretical-practical courses are, for the first six months, rules and regulations; sitting and military accounting; geography in general; elements of history, arithmetic and algebra; elements of Spanish grammar and panoramic drawing. For the second six months the studies embrace tactics with the weapon used in the department to which

the cadet is assigned; campaign fortifications; practical knowledge of explosives and elements of physics and chemistry; military jurisprudence and law; geometry and trigonometry; topographic drawing. For the third six months the studies comprise general tactics or the use of the three weapons, including the application of themes relating to maps or charts of the country; theory and practice with small firearms (or artillery); communication and work in the field; military topography; military hygiene and military horsemanship for mounted officers.

In addition to the foregoing during the three six-months' terms which make up the course the cadets are instructed by a special professor for each subject in physical culture, swimming, fencing and marksmanship with the revolver. Infantry cadets have a special six-months' course in horsemanship and mounted cadets are instructed in this branch during the entire period of the three six-months' terms. The cadets also receive military instruction in the interior service and management of the institution, as well as in maneuvering in solid phalanxes and instruction in campaign operations during the entire period of their training, daily practice being given them under the orders of the captains in command and in conformity with the programs approved by the commandant.

During the first years of the school theoretical-practical courses of instruction were limited to two terms and one term of practice in the service of the ranks. Experience, however, induced the commandant of the school to broaden the course to the extent of the studies which now obtain.

All the professors of the school must be military men of acknowledged ability and practice in the subjects they teach. The school naturally seeks to impart instruction to the cadets along all lines of useful knowledge, with particular reference to a military career. The staff of teachers consists of 22 professors.

Examinations are held during the first two weeks of June and December of each year, no grades being accepted that fall below the approved standard known as the "three B's."

It is reported that the able director of the school, Lieut. Col. Miguel Ruelas, has submitted new rules and regulations in detail that are most appropriate for the needs and growth of the institution and considering his natural ability and the desire he has to correct such defects as his experience of nearly five years has shown him exist, these regulations will undoubtedly be approved by the war department. Under the new regulations the artillery battery will again be established and the course of instruction extended to four terms of six months each.

The present budget provides \$174,551.35 Mexican money for the use of the institution, not including items of forage for 98 horses and six mules now in use at the school, and the keep of which is charged to the general expense account of the department of war.

A CHOICE.
"Well," said the head of the family, "it's come to a choice between two things."
"And what is that?" asked his wife.
"Whether we'll continue to eat meat or continue to maintain an automobile."

FOUND THE LOST MINE

For years and years the prospectors in Sonora, Mexico, have been searching for the second of what has been recorded in history as the "twin lost mines." In certain old records of the early missions mention is made of two certain lost mines. The names under which they are recorded, like the names of most of the missions established under the Spanish crown, do not correspond with any known landmarks today and hence only relative location can be used as a basis for exploration.

When the San Pedro mine, located south of Nacoziari, was discovered some years ago, with its old underground workings, it is firmly believed that one of the two lost mines had been discovered. Now it seems probable that the second also has been located and in the belt indicated in the ancient documents. Even if the second of the famous lost mines has not been discovered an antiqua mine of great age has been found, with proofs enough to indicate that it has not been worked for many years.

The discovery was made by John Gullfoyle, a well-known pioneer mining prospector of Nacoziari. When out west of Nacoziari about ten miles he came across a piece of detached ore, which he picked up and examined. He spent many days looking over the neighboring ledges in the hope of coming across the mother lode. But his search was in vain. Meantime he brought in the specimen of ore and was surprised to find that it ran 1,370 ounces of silver to the ton, with good values in gold. This assay ran so high that he returned to the district and continued his search. While using a steel in a creek bottom he found rock almost at the surface, but continuing his soundings he suddenly struck a spot where the steel sank several feet.

Gullfoyle knew that the rock formation could not have ended so abruptly and he began to excavate. He uncovered a long cut in the solid rock of the creek bed which held down stream and which could not have been cut there when the water was flowing in the present creek bed. As he progressed he found old stone implements, including stone hammers, hatchets, and finally he came across a great ancient mateta or stone bowl in which the ancient workers pulverized the na-

tive ores before smelting in their crude dove furnaces. Later he uncovered matetas, all made of a hard flint rock, which must have been brought into the district from a considerable distance, as there is no flint of this hardness near the mine. After pursuing his work for several days, the drift in the rock led into the ore ledge, but the old workings were found to be closed up solid with silt.

Gullfoyle pursued his investigation and found under the soil on the creek upland, the remains of an old slag dump. As is customary with the prospectors in Sonora, Gullfoyle at once had this slag assayed. On account of the primitive methods of smelting employed by the ancient workers the slag found on these old dumps is usually rich enough to be worked over again in the modern smelters, which leave nothing of value in the slag, but, strange to note, in this case the slag was found to be absolutely worthless, indicating that at this mine the pulverizing of the ore had assisted in the extraction of the metal values. The antique smelters also knew a lot about the use of certain chemicals in the extraction of metal from the ore and at this mine probably one of those processes was used in connection with the furnace, only fragments of the foundation of which were found by excavation.

The finding of the stone tools has caused considerable interest among those of an archaeological turn of mind. The Spaniards were experts in the manufacture of steel, so that the tools were not used by them. The supposition is that an Indian tribe worked this mine and that this tribe probably operated following the invasion and occupation of the Spanish adventurers. It is well known that there is a long gap between the sixteenth and eighteenth centuries where the history of Old Mexico and that district now including Arizona and New Mexico is missing, probably because the missionaries, finding that the crown of Spain robbed every mine reported, ceased to make report of them. In 1720 the Indians killed all the mine workers in Sonora and Arizona and many mines abandoned at that time have been lost to the world. Sonora has many mines which, on opening, are found to be antiqua and many of them are very rich.



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Ella—I think those fellows are getting their heads together over something.
Stella—Yes; I guess there's something in it.
Ella—Which one?

Noisy Nuisances.

Ill-fitting doors and windows represent a happy hunting ground for the disturbing winds. In fact, so annoying does the constant rattle of these openings become that many determined individuals, who resolve to admit the fresh air, choose the lesser of two evils and close the openings in preference to sleepless nights. This can be remedied if a small wedge of wood be driven at the side of an open window; a door can be prevented from rattling if a pad or strip of thick felt be nailed on the edge of the door. The annoyance of creaking drawers can be eliminated by rubbing common soap upon the top, sides and bottom of each. Creaking hinges on anything should be well oiled, while the grating, irritating noise of a sewing machine can be overcome in a similar manner. The little noises wear away the patience that is required for other things. It was foolish to dissipate energy through the channels of irritated nerves when a little time will obviate the nuisances.

Exercise Good for it.

Asked the Progressive Woman of the Beauty Cultivist: "Don't you think women should exercise the suffrage?"
"Certainly. My method will increase it two inches."—Puck.

Looking at it in another way, what harm is there in letting one head of hair make several generations of women beautiful?

Certainly it is heaven upon earth for a man's mind to move in charity and to turn upon the poles of truth.—Bacon.

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Indifference toward home industry, public pride and the ballot box is a hobble on progress.

The United States forestry service consists of a force of three thousand persons. Ten years ago it was only ten men.

Factories backed by home capital is hustle and progress of the right kind. Intensive manufacture fills dinner buckets and keeps the cash register busy. Build while you boost.

Your boy should never be required to do work that you will not do. It crushes a boy's pride to be assigned to a task that his father will not perform.—Farm and Ranch.

Senator Bailey says he will support Poindexter for governor and do everything that is honorable to aid him in securing the nomination, and Poindexter is not trying to ride in on Bailey's coattail, either.

That man who will stand back in times of need and do nothing except display a willingness to accept a share of the profits resulting from the liberality and unselfish energy of the wide-awake and progressive citizens, is as undesirable as a corn in a toothpick shoe.—Abilene Reporter.

We ought to have a County Fair this fall and it is now time to begin getting ready for it. It will do more to stimulate better crops, fruits, live-stock and industrial arts than anything else we can do. The county fair is an educational factor that should have the support of every man in the county. Talk it over with your friends and neighbors and let's have a county fair. Other counties have fairs, and why not Howard county have one?

Delicious Gingerbread.

Children are great lovers of gingerbread, and grown folks, too, if it is of the rich "melt-in-the-mouth" kind. The following recipe by the famous Mrs. Mary J. Lincoln, is commended to those who delight in this delicacy:

Mix two cups flour, one-half level teaspoon salt, one level teaspoon soda, one level tablespoon ginger; stir in one cup molasses, two tablespoons softened Cottole, and one-half cup boiling water. Bake in shallow pan. If for dessert, bake in layers. Fill with whipped cream, flavored with lemon.

The little ones can eat this freely. Lard is indigestible, but Cottole, the perfect shortening, makes food that agrees with the most delicate stomachs.

A newspaper is to be established at Lees, soon by John P. Cooper of Anson.

The feast of Pentecost was observed at the Catholic church Sunday.

John Currie of Glascock county was here Monday.

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THREAT IN IT SCARES

In Order to Secure Wide Publication of Letter Writer Says Disaster Will Come to Those Who Fail to "Push It Along," and as a Result the Timid Are Making Poor Editors' Lives Miserable With Requests to Publish It.

Country papers throughout the United States are printing what is alleged to be a letter written by Christ.

In this letter was an injunction that it should be published to the world by whoever found it, together with the statement that misfortune and bad luck would follow the person having possession of it in the event that it was not given publicity.

There was likewise a promise that whoever may have a copy of this in his or her possession will prosper and be followed by good fortune.

The Enterprise has received several requests to print this letter, so if it will relieve the superstitious fear of anyone, here it is:

According to the history of the letter it was written by Christ just after his crucifixion, signed by the Angel Gabriel 99 years after the Savior's birth and presumably deposited by him under a stone at the foot of the cross.

On this stone appeared the legend, "Blessed is he who shall turn me over."

No one knew what the inscription meant, or seemed to have sufficient curiosity to investigate, until the stone was turned over by a little child and the letter which follows was discovered:

"Whoever works on the Sabbath day shall be cursed. I command you to go to church and keep holy the Lord's day, without any manner of work. You shall not idle or misspend your time in bedecking yourself in superfluities of costly apparel and vain dressing for I have ordered it a day of rest. I will have that day kept holy that your sins may be forgiven you.

"You will not break my commandments, but observe and keep them, they being written by my hand and spoken from my mouth. You shall not only go to church yourselves, but also your manservant and maidservant. Observe my words and learn my commandments.

"You shall finish your work every Saturday at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which hour the preparation for the Sabbath begins. I advise you to fast five days in the year, beginning on Good Friday and continuing the five days following in remembrance of the five bloody wounds I received for you and mankind.

"You shall love one another and cause them that are not baptized to come to church and receive the Holy Sacrament, that is to say baptism, and then the Supper of the Lord, and be made a member thereof and in so doing I will give you long life and many blessings. Your land shall be replenished and bring forth in abundance and I will comfort you in the greatest temptation and surely he that doeth to the contrary shall be cursed.

"I will also send hardness of the heart on them and especially on hardened and unpenitent unbelievers. He that hath given to the poor shall find it profitable. Remember to keep the Sabbath day, for the seventh day I have taken as a resting day to myself.

"And he that hath a copy of this letter, written by my own hand and spoken by my own mouth, and keepeth it without publishing it to others, shall not prosper, but he that publisheth it to others shall be blessed by me and if their sins be as many as stars by night, and if they truly believe they shall be pardoned, and they that believe not this writing and my commandments will have my plagues upon you and you will be consumed with your children, goods and cattle and all other worldly enjoyments that I have given you. Do but once think of what I have suffered for you. If you do it will be well for you in this world and in the world which is to come.

"Whoever shall have a copy of this letter and keep it in their house, nothing shall hurt them, neither pestilence, thunder nor lightning, and if any woman be

in birth and put her trust in me she shall be delivered of her child. You shall hear no more news of me except through the Holy Scriptures until the Day of Judgement. All goodness and prosperity shall be in the house where a copy of this letter shall be found. Finished."

The story goes that the little child who found it passed it to one who became a convert to the Christian faith. He failed to have the letter published. He kept it, however, as a sacred memento of Christ and it passed down to different generations of his family for more than one thousand years.

During this period the family suffered repeated misfortunes, migrated to other countries until finally one of them came to America, bringing the letter with them.

They settled in Virginia, then moved further south, still followed by misfortune, when finally the last member, a daughter, approached her death bed and called a neighbor, Mrs. Thompson, giving her the letter and related its history for more than one thousand years. The Thompson woman began the attempt to have it published and it first appeared in the Rome, Ga., Tribune on Oct. 31, 1891. It then appeared in the Dalton, Ga., Citizen and Mrs. Wortman, now living in Marion, Ind., clipped it and kept it in her possession for many years without an effort to have it published. She was followed by misfortune which she attributed to her neglect in trying to have the letter published.

Mrs. Ruby Crutchfield of Trezavant, Tenn., is also said to have had a copy and failed to make an effort to have it published for three years, and was followed by a varied lot of misfortunes which she attributed to the fact of her neglect in this respect.

T. J. O'Donnell's Platform

Some time ago in making my announcement to the voters of this the 101st Representative District, as a candidate for Representative in the 32nd Legislative Assembly I promised them at a later date that I would submit a platform, giving my views of the needs of this district as well as the Legislative needs of the State of Texas.

I therefore respectfully submit the following declaration of principles, and shall at all times labor that the same may be carried into effect should I be elected.

I stand for Simon Pure Democracy; which teaches that the majority rule.

I believe in and favor the fullest industrial and agricultural development of the State comprised within this Legislative District.

I believe in the submission of an amendment to the constitution of the State giving the voters a chance to vote on State-wide prohibition.

I believe in giving the newspapers of the State the right to trade advertising space for transportation.

I believe in more experimental stations for West Texas, that agricultural methods may be improved.

I believe in an employee's compensation law.

I believe in the humane treatment of the unfortunates who are confined in the State penitentiary, and am opposed to the lease system of State convicts.

I believe in a liberal pension for the Ex-Confederate soldier, as a patriotic duty of the State of Texas.

I believe in an income tax amendment to the Federal constitution.

I believe in liberal appropriations for the State educational institutions.

I believe in the modification of such laws that are not in harmony with a progressive spirit and tend to retard the growth of the State.

I believe in the State staying out of business enterprises.

I believe in being "conservative yet progressive."

My motto is: "Stand up for Texas."

T. J. O'DONNELL.

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An Obituary

Here is the kind of obituary a Georgia editor put in his paper for a man: "Poor Jim Jones slung his earthly garments on a limb and swam across the river yesterday. He did not stand back because the water was cold, but plunged right in and struck out for the other shore and met the angels smiling. Jim was a poor man but he had his sub-

scription paid up and got there in good shape. Peace is his memory."—West Times.

The editor will no doubt have a pleasant memory of deceased. Country editors always have pleasant memories of the prompt-paying subscriber.

School closes at R— today and several from town attended.

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NATURE'S PROTEST.

All along our eastern seaboard the abandoned farms. Some of these farms, many of them, indeed, were once as well cultivated and productive as any in the land, says Washington Herald. At \$50 an acre they would have been called a gift. Now no purchasers are in sight at five dollars. What is the explanation of the tragedy, for tragedy it is, which lies behind this swathe of desolated farm land, when men say the more acres a man owns, the poorer he is, and where the pine and the broomedge, flourishing in undisturbed possession, bear silent testimony to the grim truthfulness of the saying? It is nature's own protest against selfishness. For years man has been getting from his land all he could and giving nothing back. Men who would not be so foolish as to suppose that their horses could work or their cows give milk without food have thought that their land could go on yielding without being fed. Now they know better. But for many the knowledge has come too late. Ruined farms means ruined men. Farmers are not the only people guilty of such conduct. Every selfish man is making the same mistake. He is starving his farm. Some day it will starve him. It must do so. Nature's laws must be obeyed.

A curious phase of the immigration movement is reported from New England. It is well known that in the factory towns of that section a large proportion of the working force is made up of French Canadians who have come from the Dominion to engage in the textile and other industries. Canada is making extraordinary efforts to induce settlers to locate in the undeveloped lands of that country, particularly in the northwest, where vast areas suitable for farming, and especially for wheat growing, are available. It is stated that colonization agents employed by the Dominion government are now at work among the French Canadians employed in the New England industrial towns, and that free lands and other advantages are offered in the hope of bringing about the repatriation of the operatives. Nearly 600 families are booked to leave New England for the Canadian northwest within a month. The experiment will be watched with interest. If there is to be a decided drift "back to the land" the economic effect will be worthy of close observation.

It should be possible to aid American shipping in such a way as to restore the flag to the seas and loosen the grip which foreign carriers now have on the business. Much could be done without actual expense to the government. This is suggested by discussion over the bills pending in congress which provide postal subventions for merchant vessels. In this connection it is stated that the postmaster general estimates that there is an annual surplus revenue from the foreign mail service of \$3,400,000. That represents the profit on this business, although the government is not supposed to carry it, on for gain. The amount might well be diverted to the legitimate purpose of encouraging the mercantile marine, maintenance of which would be of incalculable benefit to the country.

Boy human nature is very much the same, in the action of a royal sire as in the offspring of the humblest man. The son of the czar of Russia, not six years old and heir to the throne, was seized with a passion for going to sea and ran away with that purpose in view and was caught several miles from the palace, after officials, soldiers, police and everybody else in authority had hunted high and low and visions of nihilist plots and murderous schemes had affrighted the family. The boy was bitterly disappointed that he could not be a sailor like his famous ancestor Peter the Great. And many an American "kid" who has started out to fight Indians or be a pirate has felt much the same way, unless he has been absent long enough to get a thorough touch of homesickness.

With the first touch of warm weather begins the annual summer mad-dog scare. If people will only keep their heads, supply water for the panting, overheated dog and keep the small boy from tormenting friendless curs into frenzy, much peace of mind, if not actual security from danger, will be secured.

A couple danced 16 hours and six minutes in San Francisco. The strenuous life is encroaching more and more upon our simple pleasures.

Imagine Kermit Roosevelt 50 years hence sitting around the store and telling of the things he did when he was a boy.

It is said in the south that this is going to be a great strawberry year. It has certainly been a great winter for prunes.

**PRESIDENT TAFT
 COPIED THE LETTER**

CLAIMED BALLINGER'S FRIENDS
 FRAMED DOCUMENT FOR MR.
 TAFT'S SIGNATURE.

EXPLANATIONS ARE MADE

Stenographer Makes Statement Explaining Method Used in Ballinger Exoneration.

Washington, May 16.—More astounding than any other revelation made in the Ballinger investigation, reflecting indirectly upon President Taft, was the presentation of the Lawler digest, as it has heretofore been designated. This so-called digest shows not only that it was the basis of President Taft's letter exonerating Secretary Ballinger from the Glavis charges, but was prepared as a letter for the President's signature, and was used by him as the model of the letter he signed. Portions of the Lawler digest and of the Taft letter are identical. All the conclusions respecting Ballinger and the Glavis charges presented in the digest are found in the President's letter. The arrangement of the statements is the same in both documents.

No matter what explanations are now offered, there can be no escape from the conclusion that President Taft permitted the Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department, a subordinate of Secretary Ballinger and partisan of Ballinger, to render decision on the charges against Ballinger which had been presented to the President by Special Agent Glavis of the Land Office in his fight to save the Alaskan coal lands from the extended grasp of the Morgan-Guggenheim combination. The President's position is made more embarrassing by the extraordinary circumstances upon which this Lawler statement has been made public. It was sent to the investigating committee by Attorney General Wickersham, in response to a letter addressed to him by the committee. Previous requests for the same document met with no success. When Mr. Wickersham produced it it was the statement that a further search of the papers in the custody of his private secretary and resulted in the finding of this important paper.

Before the Attorney General sent it to the committee it had been learned that a stenographer in the Interior Department, Frederick M. Kerby, to whom Lawler dictated his so-called digest, had prepared a careful statement in writing setting forth the character of the document and the method of its preparation, and had given this to the newspapers.

Speaking of a certain dictation which he took after Ballinger and Lawler returned from Beverly on Sept. 9, Stenographer Kerby says:

"It was obvious from the way Lawler dictated the letter what it was intended to be. Moreover, there was no attempt at concealment. The letter began, 'Sir.' It referred to Ballinger as 'You' in each case, and the personal pronoun 'I' was used throughout. From the context the 'I' could not be other than Taft. There could be no question that Lawler was drafting a letter for Taft's signature reviewing the Glavis charges and exonerating the Secretary. It was written in such form that Taft might have adopted it bodily. As I have said, the letter was dictated in Ballinger's private office by Lawler. Probably half a dozen drafts were made before the final one was accepted. Each time a fresh draft was completed it would be taken in to Lawler, who would revise it. For two days Massey and I did nothing but help rush this work. Lawler frequently consulted E. C. Finney, assistant to Ballinger. On the afternoon of the second day a consultation was held between Ballinger, Lawler, Finney, Commissioner Frederick Bennett of the Land Office, Chief of Field Service Schwartz, and I think First Assistant Secretary Frank Pierce and Private Secretary Carr. The draft was discussed in detail, and it is my memory that Ballinger himself read the letter or draft aloud and general criticism from the others was invited and received. Without attempting to force my own conclusions upon any reader of this statement, I want it to be remembered that it was the draft of the letter exonerating Ballinger in the charges Glavis had made against him.

"The conference cut the draft to pieces with criticism and suggestions, and the whole thing was revamped. 'We all understood from the form of the letter that it was to be the basis of Taft's letter covering the Glavis charges. 'By night (Saturday, Sept. 11), we were ready to make the final draft that was to be submitted to the President at Beverly. From the draft mutilated by the conference we prepared the final copy.

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Postal Savings Bank Sure. Washington: Leaders of the House and Senate have been pledged to the support of a postal savings bank bill with this Congress, which will embody the fundamentals of sound banking in its provisions. Whether friendly or unfriendly to the bill personally, President Taft has secured the support of Senators Aldrich, Crane and Carter and of Representative Weeves and Speaker Cannon, to the proposed legislation which Mr. Weeks is now preparing to introduce.

**DOINGS OF A
 GREAT STATE**

Fire destroyed two buildings and entailed a loss of \$7,000 in Terrell, Wednesday.

Thomas F. Byrnes, formerly Superintendent of Police of New York, died at his home in that city Saturday night.

The seventh annual convention of the State Council, Knights of Columbus, opened in Beaumont Tuesday with a formal open session.

Fire at Krum, a small town on the Santa Fe, eight miles west of Deaton, did damage of about \$10,000, destroying one double brick business building and three frame stores.

When the Southern Baptist convention convened in Baltimore Tuesday, at least 5,000 delegates were in attendance. The Texas delegation arrived on a special train at Union Station.

A fire starting from an unknown cause, but supposed to have been from an electric motor, destroyed the feed plant of the White Wolf Feed Company in Ft. Worth, the damage being \$50,000 to \$60,000.

Tuesday morning Judge O. E. Dunlap, president of the Texas Bankers' Association, called the twenty-sixth annual convention of that organization to order in El Paso. There were fully 500 delegates present.

Cream shipments from Decatur, Tex., are increasing in quantity daily. Six hundred pounds of high-testing cream were sent out Tuesday, representing but one of the six weekly shipments that occur each month.

The San Angelo Club arranged a novel dance which is known as "Halley's Comet Morning German." The dance commenced at 4 o'clock in the morning, the idea being to observe the comet during the early morning hours.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad has signed the new schedule demanded by the blacksmiths employed on their lines. Under the terms of the new contract the men are granted an increase in salary of 1c to 3c per hour.

Losing his footing while attempting to pour a bucket of water into a barrel used for the purpose of watering stock, Charles Brieger, aged about 80 years, one of the oldest residents of Bastrop county, fell into the barrel and drowned.

The establishment of a Methodist university at Dallas, Texas, is a measure upon which the Texas delegation and other Texas visitors to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convention at Asheville, N. C., will most likely take definite action at its present session.

Tuesday the forty-second annual meeting of the Texas State Medical Association opened in Dallas. The meeting was in the First Methodist Church, in the same block with the Young Men's Christian Association building, where the convention headquarters was maintained.

Katy trains from the north probably will be delayed for several days, on account of having to detour over lines from St. Louis to Sedalia, Mo. Eight panels of a Katy bridge were washed out on the St. Louis division Friday night and it will be several days before the bridge is repaired.

G. W. Benn, State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for college work announces in his report on Texas Colleges that the A. & M. College of Texas has the largest Y. M. C. A. membership of any student body in Texas. Mr. Benn says: "The A. & M. College of Texas at College Station leads the Texas colleges in number of members of the Y. M. C. A. having 325 enrolled with 198 engaged in Bible study. The State University at Austin came second with 291 members enrolled."

The decision to remove the T. C. U. from Waco to Fort Worth, which was reached at Dallas, caused general satisfaction. This being the third important college secured during the past year the claim is now being made that Fort Worth is fast becoming an educational center.

Sixteen years ago Mrs. Doherty of Blooming Grove was assisting in making a wedding dress and sat down on a needle. The needle was not extracted and last week it came out at her breast, looking as bright as it was sixteen years ago.

Clifton Texas was visited by an unusual and heavy rainstorm and heavy hail last week and the rain amounted to almost a waterspout. The hail came in advance of the rain and hailstones of large size came thick and fast. The damage amounted to \$5,000.

The Texas Christian Missionary Convention met Monday in Dallas, at the Central Christian Church and will be in session until Thursday night. Delegates to the convention are present from practically every part of the state, and it is declared that the attendance from points outside of Dallas will reach nearly 1,000.

Texas Railroad Commissioners Williams and Mayfield have agreed to make a reduction in the cotton rate of 4c in all maximum territory and to allow the rate to continue to include all terminal charges, carrying the cotton to the wharves in all Texas ports, when desired. Their agreement also continues the present differential basis from Houston and Beaumont to Galveston and other Texas ports.

Four hundred and forty-six deeds were filed in the office of the County Clerk of Tom Green County for record during the months of March and April.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN

IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE ENTIRE WEEK REDUCED FOR BUSY READERS.

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WASHINGTON NEWS.

With the Senate item appropriating money for the Beaumont-Orange waterway as the principal subject of contention, the House and Senate confer on the rivers and harbors bill at a complete deadlock.

Senator Gore's joint resolution providing that no contracts authorizing expenditures of any tribal funds of the Five Civilized Tribes can be made without consent of Congress passed the Senate.

Senator Stone of Missouri in the Senate charged that the American Protective Tariff League, through the use of Senator Gallinger's frank, got around paying the Postoffice Department about \$900 worth of postage in circulating its defense of the Payne-Aldrich tariff act.

The last lingering hope for currency and banking reform along the comprehensive lines which Senator Aldrich and the monetary commission have in mind, and which include a form of central bank, has been dispelled by President Taft, at least for the present.

The eve of the final contest over the railroad bill in the Senate and House, finds the Administration and its supporters confident, not only of saving the measure from defeat when it comes up for final action in the latter body, but of saving the commerce court from elimination as well.

The Democrats in the Senate have decided to attack the publicity bill which Senator Burrows, chairman of the Committee on Elections and Privileges said is the unanimous report of his committee, and will endeavor to restore the provision of the House bill which requires that the campaign contributions shall be made public before the election as well as subsequently.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections voted unanimously to report favorably its election publicity bill, which is modeled after the House bill, except that the Senate bill strikes out the important section in the House bill providing that election contributions should be made public ten days before the election as well as fifteen days after. The Republican members explain this change from the House bill as being passed on the fine regard which the Senate committee has for interest in the voter.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

Adopting a resolution of condolence presented by Senator Cullom on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Senate adjourned at 3 o'clock Monday out of respect of the memory of King Edward. The action was taken without comment and there was no remark except that of Mr. Cullom in presenting the resolution and asking for immediate consideration.

Popular attention centralized itself to a greater degree than usual upon the preparations for the laying of the keel of the new Dreadnought, the Thunderer that is to be, in the yards of the Thames Iron Works in London. The laying of that keel marked the initial step toward bringing into material existence the twelve hundred and twenty-seventh man-of-war built for the Royal Navy on the River Thames during four centuries of warship construction on that single waterway alone.

The object of the course in agriculture at the A. & M. College of Texas is to give young men a thoroughly practical and scientific training in those branches of science which relate to agriculture, animal husbandry and horticulture. It is also intended that the student's general training shall not be neglected, and to this end he is given instruction in the English language, history and mathematics, in addition to the special instruction in the sciences of chemistry, physics, botany and animal anatomy and physiology.

The Attorney General's Department at Austin approved for registration Callahan County common school district No. 47 school bonds, 500 tens at 5 per cent.

Washington is about to have an arts commission whose province shall be to advise upon the location of statues, monuments and fountains to be erected in the National Capital, outside of the Capitol building or the Congressional library. The commission shall also advise upon the selection of artists, and upon all questions of art, in connection with the Federal Government.

Belated reports of a tornado which swept Oklahoma last week are coming in. Four miles north of Bixby, Ok., fifteen farm houses were blown down. In Wagoner County one man, a farmer, was killed and many persons have been injured over the State.

The Guthrie Lodge of Elks has appointed a committee to create interest among the Elk lodges of the state for the purpose of raising between \$5,000 and \$10,000 with which to purchase the silver service for the Oklahoma when that battleship is launched in about four years.

The new Union Depot at Claco is now open to the public, a great improvement over the old wooden structure.

A slight earthquake shock lasting thirty-seconds was felt in City of Mexico Thursday morning. No damage resulted.

A fine rain, beginning shortly after midnight, Friday, fell around Dalhart. The Panhandle country is greatly benefited.

Little Collins, who became famous as a result of being the first to sing "Ta-ra-ra Boom-de-Aye," is dead in London.

The congregation of the First Baptist Church of Quanah announce the purchase of lots and state they will erect a \$25,000 edifice.

Julius B. Robertson, commonly known as "Bubber" Robertson, died by hanging Friday morning at 11:38 o'clock in the Dallas County jail.

The Department of Insurance and Banking of Texas licensed for the current year the Missouri State Life Insurance Company of St. Louis.

The Supreme Court of Arkansas holds that the anti-trust act passed in 1905 does not prevent railroads from agreeing on freight and passenger rates.

Jessie, Rosa and Sadie Coffey, 16, 14 and 12 years old, daughters of B. Coffey, a Wanette, Okla., blacksmith, drowned in Pond Creek, a half mile from Wanette.

The new \$55,000 waterworks system is nearing completion in Caddo, Okla. Nearly all the mains have been laid and the standpipe is being built. Its capacity is 126,000 gallons.

Matchmaker McCaerney of the Metropolitan Athletic Club, San Francisco, has signed Al Kaufman and Sam Langford to meet in a twenty-round bout, to take place June 11.

Beginning next week, regular passenger service will be inaugurated over the Amarillo-Tucumcari cut-off of the Rock Island, for which the time card is now being arranged.

The last spike has been driven completing the Gulf, Texas and Western into Seymour and rounding out seventy-five miles of construction on that line on its way west from Jacksboro.

The Secretary of the Interior has wired the Commissioner of the Five Tribes at Muskogee, to postpone the sale of Indian lands in the Seminole country until Nov. 19, because the farmers at this time have no money to bid on the land.

The House, by a vote of 200 to 126, passed a railroad bill of its own devising in lieu of the one which Attorney General Wickersham drafted and which was offered in identical form to both houses of Congress as the Administration bill.

A sharp earthquake shock frightened the people of the entire valley of San Bernardino, Cal., Thursday. The first shock was a heavy one. It was followed by several tremors and a deep rumbling that created terror. No damage has been reported.

With the railroad bill out of the way Congress will next take up the postal savings bank bill and a conference has been held at the White House to determine what kind of a bill the House Committee on Post Roads shall report out within the next few days.

A thousand men have been put at work on the ruins at Cartago, Costa Rica, to recover the bodies of the earthquake victims as quickly as possible, fears being entertained of the outbreak of illness. The force of the earthquake opened many of the graves in the cemetery and 300 bodies have been reinterred.

President Taft has sent a special message to the House of Representatives in Washington telling why he considered a Congressional investigation of the sugar frauds in the customs service inexpedient. It is because "a Congressional investigation at this time will only serve to embarrass the executive department in the continuance and completion of the investigation of appraisers and other officers in the customs service," the President says.

The Panama Canal authorities are anxious to entertain the Southern Commercial Secretaries' convention, which, after its annual meeting at New Orleans on May 27-28, proposes to take a trip to Panama to see with their own eyes what has been accomplished in the ditch-digging line.

Impetus to the movement to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the settlement of Manhattan Island by the Dutch with an international exposition in New York in 1913 was given at a banquet held under the auspices of the Citizens' World's Fair Committee.

With the opening of the secretary's offices in the Lyric Tuesday in Baltimore, the Southern Baptist convention was virtually begun. The delegations from the Southern States will begin coming in all this week, the first being from Florida.

The grading camps on the new Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf Railroad have been established between Denison and the crossing on Red River. A large force of men and teams are employed in pushing the grading into the city. With reasonable weather conditions the line will be completed to Denison by Aug. 15.

It is known that ten are dead and at least fifty injured, some seriously, as the result of the explosion of a magazine of the General Explosive Company located at Hull, Ont., late Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lee Giesse, wife of Dr. Giesse, met instant death at her residence in Ft. Worth while using an electric iron. The iron became overcharged from the wire. Mrs. Giesse's right arm was slightly burned by the powerful current, but otherwise she received no blemishes of any kind. She was 33 years of age.

from work for women. Mrs. Frederick H. Snyder is the only woman impresario on earth, she says. She decided that grand opera would be a good thing for St. Paul and made her first venture so successful that she has continued in the business after the fashion of men engaged in the same work.

Not a Case of Treat. "How long has the doctor been treating your wife?" "Treatin' her? Gosh, if you seen his billa you wouldn't think there was much treatin' about it."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Surprising Event. Mr. Brown (rushing excitedly into the room)—Marie, Marie, intelligence has just reached me— Mrs. Brown (calmly interrupting him)—Well, thank heaven, Henry, Life.

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W R PURSER (re-election)

For District and County Clerk

J I PRICHARD (re-election)

For Tax Assessor

ANDERSON BAILEY
J M BATES
F O ALLEN

For County Judge

M H MORRISON

For County Attorney

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For Hide and Animal Inspector

M H WILLIAMSON

For Public Weigher

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Sheriff Mobley returned Sunday from a business trip to Dallas, and while there witnessed the hanging of the negro which took place Friday.

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