Court House Bonds Approved

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY Austin, 2-16-16.

Record for Lynn County Court House and Jail Bonds approved. The Bonds will be approved when presented in the proper prepared form and executed,

W. H. Harris

Assistant Attorney General.

July 31st last year the voters famed, but to the anxious voters bonds was forwarded to the the approval was at last secured. Attorney General's Department,

of Lynn county by a majority of of Lynn county it seemed that 2 votes decided to issue bonds the Attorney, s Generals Departnot to exceed \$60,000 to erect in ment offered every object to the the city of Tahoka a new court approval of the bonds possible; house and jail. The 19th day of but thru the perseverance of our last October, the record for the County Attorney, C. H. Cain,

The bonds will be executed and since that time the local and immediately, and put on the state authorities have been market, and the time another negociating for their passage.

Of course it was probably the New Lynn County Court House and Jail will be under consystem of government is struction.

COUNTY SINGING

To the Lynn County News:

attend and bring their friends.

The last meeting of the Convention at Edith. Don't forget the day, and come.

E. R. Strong, Pres.

O'DONNELL BUILDING

News comes from O'Donnell J. F. Carter, Tahoka. of more building in that section. Many houses have been built in and around this thriving little city. J. E. Eubanks and Son, general merchants, are Everywhere over the Piains, the bankrupt court. carpenter is "king bee" and the CONCERNING OUR WATERLOO ring of the Lammer and the drone of the saw is heard from dawn till dark.

NEW LUMBER YARD SELLS OUT

M. H. Cambell, local manager The Tahoka Lumber Co., was in our office the first of the week and informed us that his comp-Bowers and Vinson yards, to the since. Higginbotham Harris Lumber Co., of this city.

out for good, Mr. Campbell re- ed by victory his normal fairmindplied, "For the immediate edness forsook him and he seemed future, yes; we may come back unable to desist from a little sland-some day, however." The Ta-hoka Lumber Co., have a five "The only hitch came just beincluded in the transfer.

this week transfering this stock stitute 'by shucks' their yard in east Tahoka.

ton, Clide Fox, P. G. Strong, using profanity, even by Brown. Maddison Yates and James Cries some weak-kneed sports in the corn purchased from Terry just requires a little get-up to attended a candy breaking at crowd that advanced the unsual county parties, and has just order the trees and later give Maddison Yates and James Cries field, s manager, the Strong home in the Three fake charges of, some of the team Lakes Community Saturday not being school girls, some being night. Miss Mollie strong is a teachers, and others being addictcharming entertainer, and all of ed to the use of bad language, in

coming two yearold Hereford tranch instead of the crown of bulls at \$125 around. There laural was one of the fortunes of registered males will be placed the sport, and our girls accepted at the nead of Mr. May's herd. their defeat philosophically, and Ranchmen and stock farmers all out of the series last Saturday, over the Plains are breeding up leaving the score: three games their stock. Lynn county is played, Tahoka won two, Brown. never behind.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of send-The County Singing Conven. ing our heart felt thanks to the tion will meet the fourth Sunday good people in and near Wilson in February with the Edith for their kindness to our husclass. Everybody is invited to band, father, and brother, during his death.

And especially do we thank vention, held with the Lynn the members of the W. O. W. Class was a great success, and lodges for their kind services. we hope to have as good a con- Words connot express our thank

> Mrs. Ed. Fertsch and children. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fertsch. Miss Tonie Fertsch. Fertsch. Lin. Fertsch.

FARM land to rent apply to

WILSON LBR. CO. INSOLVENT

At a meeting of creditors of the Wilson Lumber Co., Thursday, it appeared that the firm was hopeadding a twenty foot addition to lessly insolvent. The liabilites of the rear of their store to care the firm are estiMated at about for their increased custom. 12.000, with resource of that \$12,000, with resourses amounting Mr Taylor, connected with the amount. The corportion was cap-Fuller Cotton Oil Co., in Tahoka italized at \$10,000 and was supthe past season is erecting a posed to be paid in. The firm handsome six room residence. will probably be thrown into the

In the report of the basket ball games Saturday a week a go, the Terry County Herald published quite an eulogy of the Brownfield girls who were successful in win- county than poll tax receipts ning over Tahoka by a small margin, mentioning something for the newly established firm, about Tahoka's Waterloo, etc. The Brownfield girls deserve all the praise in this line, being the only team to defeat the Talioka girls this season, and having sufany had sold their large stock tered defeat at the hauds of Taho. of lumber located north of the ka's team once before and once

If Strickland had stopped here we would have congratulated him When asked if his firm was and his local team; but intoxicat-

year lease on the lots where fore the game when the Browntheir yard was located, and Mr. field manager requested the Taho-Campbell left the impression ka guls to moderate their by with us that this lease was not words. A compromise was finally reached by which the aforesaid Higginbotham-Harris are busy girls were allowed to Use the sub-

We have gone to the trouble to investigate the game, and the Doc Lovelace, Urbie Carring- Tahoka girls were not accused of present declared that star players disqualified, and his plant at the present capacity. get trees grown as near home they never enjoyed themselves throw the game for Brownfield. However we are glad to state that our team stood every test and the W. H. May purchased from game was called with our usual A.L Lockwood this week three line up on the field. That our team returned with the willow three months as it has in the will soon be over. It is still time

field one.

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POLL TAX RETURNS

The tabulation of the poll tax receipts ond exemption certificates for Lynn county, for this year shows the following results: Box No. 1, Tahoka..... 2, Wilson, ____ 78 " 3. Three Lakes, 19 4, Draw,____ 5, North Tahoka, 55 6. New Home. ___ 41 7, O'Donnell, 79 Exemptions, 36

Total vote-991 polls, which is the only adjoining county heard from.

There will probably be three hundred more voters in Lynn

BRING US YOUR HIDES.

Highest market price paid in need not cost much money either. cash for green and dry hides at Star Theater, Tahoka.

BROOM PACTORY BUSY

How many people know that That's all right, you are not by plains. The spring winds will early settlers in Lynn county

office last week and left a good ance of the northern prairies. sized order for printing for the What was the lonely forsaken Tahoka Broom factory. of which home of the new settler, now he is manager and proprietor, sits snugly in a clump of trees The factory is located on the Back around the barn and feed J. H. Edwards new home.

has already used up his own so poverty striken that they There were crop, and a large shipment of can not buy a few trees. completed arrangements for them care and protection from enough corn to run on till his live stock. The varieties to plant new crop comes in. He has will depend on the taste of the about twenty dozen brooms per as possible or grown nnder

run him thru.

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PLANT FOREST

(A. M. HOVE)

the family orchard.

But time slips by and soon the Mr. Gilbert tells us that a surget them started this year. It to be knawn by that name.

years the farm groves will made for a posteffice change the appearance of the cease to be full of sting.

Tree planting has in a few E. C. Cash, called on this years' time changed the appearold Weathers place, this side of lot, trees form a windbreak for the stock.

Mr. Cash informs us that he Trees cost little money. Few similar climatic conditions.

How ever, heistates that if This is just a reminder that business increases in the next the tree planting time this year trees around the farmstead their new brick. Plant trees.

his sister at Peacock, Texas.

NEW TOWN AT GRASSLAND

FIRST P. O. IN COUNTY

J. D. Gilbert, and D. D. Odom, Reports from Lubbock county on the plains for planting this the east part of Lynn county, year. It is shade trees for the were in Tahoka the last of last farmstead and fruit trees for week and paid this office a pleas-

> tree planting season for this veying corps was in their neighyear will be gone forever. It borhood Friday last and laid out is yet time to order trees and a town at the old Grassland wells

Daring the summer, the Post Tree planting needs no long Syndicate, owners of the land the Sanitary Market, north of argument in its favor. Trees thereabouts. will build a two 22 tf are ornamental and useful. stand cotton gin. general store. They soon furnish shade and blacksmith shop, and school and break the winds. In a few house, and application will be

It will be remembered by the postoffice in Lynn county, and at that time making the deed. was located on the old Grassland trail from Gail to Lubbock, over which the stage passed twice a week.

about this country, and tells us that that end of Lynn county is fast filling up with farmers. He is a booster alright, and if Grassland has many citizens of his calibre, it will not be long before Lynn county has another thriving little town within her

FORTY POUNDS BUTTER.

Nice Fresh Creamery Butter just received, at the SANITARY MARKET,

day for Dallas, St. Louis, and a Terry and Lynn county boostother market centers where she ing article he gave us to print will purchase a line of spring some years ago, to which some last three, his own crop will not to act. The wife and the child- and summer millinery. She of our contemporaies took exren will thrive better with a iew will be located with the Fair in ception at ahe time. "But"

Tahoka Secures 50 bbl Flour Mill

Citizen Put Deed To Lot On Indus. trial Track In Bank-Machinery Bought And On The Way

Last summer S. N. McDaniell one of our progressive merchante invited D. C. Gibson, of Ama rillo to put in a flour mill a: Tahoka. Mr. Gibson thought favorably of the invitotion a the time, but no definate action was ever taken.

Last week Mr Gibson was back in Tahoka to reopen the propc-

Tuesday of this week Mr. Gibson wired Mr. McDanlel that he had bought a complete Flour Mill and had it ready for shipment, and stated that if the citizens of Tahoka would place a deed in the bank to be delivered to him when he placed the machinery on the ground in Tahoka, he would wire for the machinery to be shipped at once, and immediately begin the erection of a mill building.

When here last week, Mr. Gibson looked over a half a block belonging to Bob. Chambers. This lot is on the industrial track in the Santa Fe yards, and is just across the street north of the Texas Oil Co. tanks. The proprsition was put up to Mr. Chambers and he said the lot was worth \$550, but for that purpose he would take \$450.

Wednesday the following budiness men met in the rear of Knight and Brashear's store and discussed the proposition: H. M. Larkin, H. M. Anthony, M. M. Herring, G. W. Snider, Bob Chambers, W. B. Slaton, S. N. McDaniel, W. S. Swan, J. B. A veritable forest of trees has who recently bought places Stokes, D. A. Parkhurst. been purchased by the farmers near the old Grassland wells in Messrs: Knight and Brashear were present also, and a representative of the News.

> This meeting decided that the proposition was one that Tahoka could not afford to let pass, and instructed Mr. McDaniel to wire. Mr. Gibson, that the deed would be placed in the bank Thursday.

Mr. McDaniel, as chairmen of the meeting, upon a motion, e'ppointed, M. M. Herring and W. L. Knight as a committee to wait on the citizens and see if they could raise the money. Mr. Herring informed us Thursday morning that the money was raised without the least bit that Grasslaud was the first of trouble, and that he was busy The wire from Mr. Gibson to ship the machinery has already gone forward, and a flour mill for Tahoka is a bona fide propo-Mr. Gilbert, is very optimistic sition, assured by the progressive spirit of our citizens.

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T J. Price. stock farmer, of four miles north of Brownfield. Terry county, was a business visitor in Tahoka Wednesday. Mrs. H. E. Odgen, left Mon. Mr. Price re-called to our mird said he, "everything I said and the News published, about this J. H. Nessel, of near Wilson. country has come to pass already while in Tahoka Saturday, called on the News this week and they will have to own that J. D. Gilbert sent the News to and pushed his paper up a year we were only conservative, after

advertising Rates on Application

Comparisions are odions, yes; but an honest confession is good for the soul. Every exchange that comes to our table, with the exception of one or two give reports regularly of the meetings of their Chamber of Commerce, Business league, or other Commercial organization, as they saw fit to name it. The point is this, these towns are doing things, what they want, they go after thru their commercial organization, and more often than not they get what they go after. Tahoka is grow ing every day, and straugers tells us that we have opportunities for bigger and better things yet: too, our friends at home tell us of public interests that need attention but who will look after these things. It is everybody's business, and everybody should get behind an organization and help push Tahoka right thru the map. It is our privelege and our right to be more than a speck on the map. We have in mind at present a couple of propositions that would mean dollars to Tanoka,

port the death of Robert Napier's grandmother near O'Brian, last Mayor. Saturday.

t ke hold of the propositions.

On why will we delay!

Announcements

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B F Montgomery, Tah ka, 24tf

Jim Powers of Powers Bros. Grocery and Hardware Co., Ross Edwards Gents Furnishings, W. L. Davis of Davis and Mason Furniture Co., with Sam Graves, Transfer all of Post City, were in Tanoka Wednesday. These gentlemen were over looking at our town in both a business and social way and spoke very highly of the substancial progress we are making and the evidences of business prosperity they found here. They returned home by way of Lamesa.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

the brst Tuesday in April, the Texas. but there is no organization to same being the fourth day of said month, there will be held in the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, an election for all City We are greived to have to re- officers from mayor to constable,

By order of J. E. Stokes,

Two cars brought eleven Odd Fellows down from Staton Monday evening who helped the boys here in team work. About midnight refreshments were served at the Stokes Hotel Consisting of main sandwitches, device eggs, pickies onu collec. The Station copsula some nice work which was highly appreciated by this lodge.

KINDERGARTEN

I am teaching a kindergatten in the Curistian church, south of Square and take this method of

sonciting those who desire to selle. Lumon \$1.50 per month. Satisfaction guaranteed. I innte those who contemplate sending to visit my school.

Mrs. Allie Lee.

BLANTON DEFEATS WAGSTAFF

With all boxes heard from Judge | W. D. Aivert 1 Thomas L. Bianton won in the J. N. Beard County preferential primary Soc S. D. Stevens arday over Hon. J. M. Wagstell J. A. Martin by a majority of ninety votes, and O. M. Snock will, according to the agreement J. H. Floyd between the two caudinates be | E. Everett 17 the one from Taylor county to E. E. McMaris 3 oppose Wm. R. Smith for Cong.c.s from the S.X.ecuta District. J. B. Vangn Apriene Reporter.

The editor of the Slatonite was F. M. Taylor in Tahoka last Friday with G. L. O. R. Cock Sledge, and it was indeed a surprise to see the progressive spirit that permeates our neighboring S. A. Beck 2 city. The old, dingy, dark, A. P. Edwards 2 cramped frame buildings-souven- J. F. Thresher 4 irs of the frontier days - are be-

structures, and a new city is arising from the ashes of the old town. One very striking feature about the town is the block just prepared bulletiens on the follow. north of the Square. A. D. ing subjects which may be had for Shook, owner of the block, cut it up into four small blocks and made a business street entirely around each quarter block There are now brick buildings on three of the quarter blocks and Mr. Shook will build a hotel on spring oats that have been damagthe other quarter. The appear ed by frost. ance of this novel re-arrangement of the business property of that part of the town is favorable to a stranger .- Slatonite

The latest fashion note says spring dresses will be three inches shorter than the winter dresses. according to Jim Lowry, of the Honey Grove Signal. He adds:

that the styles do not can for then to wear blind bridles. There's going to be something to see this the problem of better and cheaper year."-Clarendon News.

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ANOTHER NEW BRICK

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Notice is hereby given that on ed markets on the Plains of

COURT PROCEEDINGS

The Commi stoners' Court met Monday of this week in regular session, with all the members present, The quarterly reports of the diffierent efficials were ap proved and up to Thursday need the sum of \$199.15 had been allowed on scalp bountles, a list of which follows. Also an order was made surnorizing the county Junge to prace in autertischen w the Danas Mens to the Suit of בווכ בטעון עטעפר פטעולם

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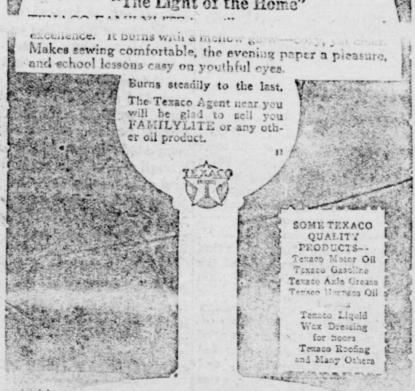
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State of Texas County of Lynr 5 Court of Tarrant County, Texe James McCord Co., Plaint Jack Alley et al defendants

Whereas, by virture of an exissued out of the county Co Tarrant County, Texas, on a ment rendered in said court 10th day of February A. D. 1 favor the said James McCo plaintiff vs Jack Alley, E. Payne Riley, T. M. Bartley, No. 13240,

M. Bartley, to wit; All of the west half of the West one fourth of Survey No. Cert. No. 462 Blk. No. 1. E. L. Co., containing 80 ac

land, in Lynn County. Texas; 130 acres out of the N. W. X. 27 Blk. 8 Cert. 654 E. L. &. R. E. S. E. 1/4, sur. 462 Cert. 453 B E. L. &. R. R. R. R. Co. and the half and N.E. 1/4 sur. 433 Cert. 339, H. Gibson allin Lynn County, Ter Also all of the following descriptions lots situated, lying and being North Tahoka Addition to the nal town of Tahoka Lynn Cor Texas, as shown by the plat of town of record in Vol. 11 page need records of Lynn County, and being Lots Lot 6 Blk. 13; L

and 7 in Block 32; Lots 13, 14, 16 16 in Blk. 35; Lots 3, 4, 9, and Blk. 20; Lots 6 and 7 in Blk. 50 and 4 Blk. 40 all in said town. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said I will offer for sale and sell at p

auction, for cash, all the rig and interest of the said T M. in and to said property. Dated at Tahoka, Texas, sheriff of Lynn County,

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF LYNN. Startweather, Vs. Thomas P.

By virtue of an order of sale out of the Honorable District of Lynn County, Texas, on a No. 206, on the docket of said in which G. C. Starkweather is tiff, and Oscar Donaldson and Hobbs are intervenors, and T P. Whitis, J. L. Oooper, C. L. er and M. F. Taylor are defe said judgement being in favor plaintiff G. C. Starkweather, against all of said defendants, and severally, for the sum of Hundred, Thirty-Six and 38-100 38) Dollars, and in favor of the tervenor Oscar Donaldson, against the deiendant, Thom Whitis, for the sum of Seven I red, Thirty-Six and 38-100 (57 Dollars, and in favor of the inter J. V. Hobbs, and against the fendant Thomas P. Whites, for sum of Trenty-Tree Hundred sum of Twenty-Two Hundred, and 14-100 (\$2209.14) Dollars, order of sale has been deliveme, as sheriff of said Lynn I will proceed to sell, with hours prescribed by law for s sale, on the first Tuesday in A D. 1916, it being the 7th said month, before the court door of said Lynn County, Te he town of Tahoka, Texas, lowing described real estate of section No. Three, in M.H., S. F. number 6489, survey J.V. Hobbs and awarded to Hobbs by the Land Commission the State of Texas, containing acres of land, located in Lynn State of Texas, about six mile from the town of Tahoka. and monly known as the J. V. Hob

The above described proper ied on, on this the 1st day of ary, A. D. 1916, as the proprious P. Whitis, to sail the above described judgment

costs of suit.

Given under my hand on day of February, A. D. 1916.

F. E. R.



BUI

Exploits of Elaine

SYNOPSIS.

The New York police are mystified by a gried of murders and other crimes. The incipal clue to the criminal is the warning leiter which is sent the victims, signed ith a "clutching hand." The latest yield mot the mysterious assassin is Taylor longe, the insurance president. His sughter, Elaine, employs Craig Kendy, the famous scientific detective, to y to unravel the mystery. What Kendy, the famous scientific detective, to y to unravel the mystery. What Kendy accomplishes is told by his friend, ameson, a newspaper man. After many ruitless attempts to put Elaine and raig Kennedy out of the way the Clutching Hand is at last found to be none other han Perry Bennett, Elaine's lawyer and he man she is engaged to marry. Benstt flees to the den of one of his Chiese criminals. The Chinaman forces from sensett the secret of the whereabouts of 7,00,000. Then he gives the lawyer a point which will suspend animation for months. Kennedy reaches Bennett's side ust after he has lost consciousness.

TWENTY-THIRD EPISODE

THE TELLTALE HEART.

Elaine had dropped in one afternoon see Kennedy at the laboratory. Oraig was working over a straightred chair which stood close to the wall. On the arms were short straps. poarently to fasten down the arms of the sitter.

As they chatted, Elaine watched Craig curiously, examining the chair and especially the left arm, on which was placed a metal disk in such a way that the wrist of anyone sitting n the chair could be strapped in conact with it. Finally Kennedy attached a pair of electric wires from beneath the chair arm, connecting with the disk, and running down one the legs, thence through a crack in the floor to the back room of the

"What is it?" asked Elaine. "It looks like a death chair."

"Scarcely as bad as that," laughed Kennedy, taking up a large clockaced dial which had a single hand evidently intended to be awung around by some force through the graduated scale on its face. "This is the sphygmograph-a scientific 'third degree.'" be explained, indicating both the chair and the dial. "It reads a person's thoughts and feelings through the pressure of the blood."

I was on my way from the Star oface when I happened to spy a face in the crowd that seemed familiar. It was of a Chinaman, and, although I could not just place him, I knew that had seen him somewhere before. I secided to play detective.

Not many minutes before, down in that secret den in which the serpent Wu concocted his villainles, that worthy had been at work again, tireless.

With subtle satisfaction, he had held in his hand, which was carefully

ved in rubber, a small glass tube. perhaps three-quarters of an inch in flameter.

most priceless particle of that strange element, radium. For a moment Wu regarded it, then took up a handkerchief that lay before him. Already he had ripped a stitch or two from the seam in the hem. He slipped the little radium tube into the hem of the handkerchief.

"Here," he said gruffly to a servant, Take this letter and the other thing finez. You know the address." On uptown he went until he came

to a rather ordinary looking apartent house. He went in without disovering that I was following.

I glanced about. No one was watching me. Then, to be sure that I would recognize the house, I noted it by marking a small cross with a pencil on the stonework of the steps.

I did not know at the time, but I found out later that upstairs the messenger rapped at a door which was answered by a maid, a mulatto with a marked gypsy cast of features.

OTHER!

The maid opened the door into the ballway and admitted the messenger. Inez took the note and the lead ease, waving to the maid to leave her. Then she tore open the note and read:

"Have her bind the Inclosed over her eyes. If in place three minutes, blindness will result in a few days." "Tell the master I shall have it lone as he directs," she said to the

Chinaman as she followed him to the Inez turned and went into the back

com, her boudoir, where the maid was waiting. She brought out from closet a rather gaudy yellow dress, tambourine, a headdress and some other materials.

"Now, I want you to put this on," instructed the maid. "Here in this box I have a handkerchief which I want you to use. Tie it over her eyes and keep it there-three min-

utes at least; longer if you can." As I looked at the house outside It Immediately occurred to me to let Craig know what had happened, and sought the nearest telephone booth and called the laboratory. Elaine d just gone when I called up, and I told my story of having seen and tracked the messenger and marked the

Is I turned away at my end of the Kennedy hastened to join me. I turned to the apartment, bent on drying out Craig's orders. To my

was opened by a colored maid. I had not expected to get in at all, but this

The maid brought me a chair, and I ok it. I did not notice, however,

that she was careful to place it in a particular spot with the back to the

I laid my hat and gloves on the table. As I did so, one glove must have dropped on the floor in an inconspicuous place by the leg of the table. I sat down while the maid left me

for a moment to call her mistress. In my best detective manner I gazed about the room, endeavoring to extract some clue. I was about to examine the room more closely when I heard someone coming and restrained my interest in the surroundings. Inez entered, and I rose.

"Won't you sit down?" she asked. with exaggerated politeness. "For what am I indebted to you for this visit?"

"Well," I replied, "perhaps you recell the last time we met.'

Inez stood by the table, listening to me, I thought a bit mockingly. As I spoke her hand moved to the edge of the table. Suddenly, before I knew it, the room swam before my eyes and all was blackness.

Inez had moved her hand over and had pressed a secret knob. A bar in the wall just beside my head had sprung out, striking me a terrific blow and knocking me out

The maid, who had run in, and Inez lifted me up, unconscious, and carried me into the back room.

It was scarcely five minutes after that Kennedy came to the entrance to the apartment. There he noted the mark which I had made. He had just decided to go in, when he heard a noise. It was Cissy, arrayed in all her glory, going out, with a parting word of instruction from Inez. He drew back into the angle of the hall.

I was still unconscious, and Inez was standing ever me when she heard the tinkle of the bell.

Craig unconsciously took the very chair in which I had been sitting and sat down nonchalantly. A she saw him, she had given a little gasp.

As Craig watched her keenly, however, he was able to discover that, underneath her calm exterior, she was very nervous and excited.

"Well?" demanded Kennedy with an

enigmatical smile. "You didn't expect to see me again-so soon, did you?" Inez seemed to be overcome for the

moment. She rose and moved over to the table 'Wait a minute," interrupted Ken

nedy. "Come back and sit down. I have something to say to you. Nervously her hand gripped the

table and moved along toward the

Kennedy notice it, but he had not moved his chair from the position in which it had been placed for me. At that moment, though, his eye fell on my glove, which I had inadvertently dropped on the floor. He reached down

his head as he bent over. Seeing that her scheme had failed. Inez made a dash for the door. Kennedy sprang to his feet and seized her.

and picked it up. As he did so the

bar in the wall flew out, just missing

Elaine, on her return from the lab oratory, had gone to the conservatory of the Dodge house, and there was busying herself pruning the rose

Once she happened to glance up at the end nearest the street. She could see a strolling gypsy going by, and the gypsy, apparently, had spied her through the open window.

"Good afternoon, mistress," greeted the gypsy coming up to the fence. Wouldn't you like to have me read your fortune?"

Elaine was lonesome. She looked the gypsy over, and the picturesqueness of the woman appealed to her. Laughingly, she consented, and the gypsy entered

The gypsy took Elaine's hand and looked at it carefully. "You are in danger from a powerful Oriental criminal," announced the gypsy at last.

Elaine was, to say the least, im-"He is a very dangerous man," went

on the gypsy. "And that is not all," the gypsy hint-"In darkness I could make you see the vision of your persecutor and

his den. She nodded knowingly at Elaine, and at the same time from a fold of her dress drew out the lead case, managed

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to open it and took out the handker- "Don't let her touch a thing-and keep chief. Above the table she twisted it into a flat band.

"Let me show you," she said, handing the handkerchief to Elaine. "Tie that over your eyes."

Elaine was sitting with her own handkerchief in her hand, but she turned quickly. When she faced the gypsy again she had a bandage flat over her eyes.

"Now, mistress, try-let yourself go," urged the gypsy. "Let me guide your mind. I will show you."

Elaine did try to put herself in the frame of is the gypsy wanted.

"Do you see anything?" she asked. "Not yet," returned Elaine. "Try-let yourself go-forget this foom, forget time," urged the gypsy.

Craig looked from my glove to the face of Inez.

"Where is Mr. Jameson?" he demanded sternly. "I don't know," she replied, facing

him defiantly. "You do know," contradicted Craig.

forcing her to accompany him and leading her into her back room.

As they entered her boudoir, Kennedy saw my foot protruding from the blanket she had thrown over me. He

pulled it off. "Well!" he exclaimed, starting back. T'll be-'

His exclamation was cut short by the ringing of the telephone bell. Inez took a step toward it.

"None of that," interrupted Kennedy, stopping her. "You keep quiet. I'll answer it. Hello!"

It seemed that, perhaps half an hour after he had dispatched the messenge to Inez, Wu decided to call her up to see whether everything was going as he had planned. He had asked for her number. As the operator gave bin the call he han-

Instantly he was all su erich. waited to hear no more, but quickly hung up the receiver. So it happened

that Kennedy got no answer. "You have a remarkable face," Kennedy remarked at length. "Your composure is wenderful. But, young lady, believe that was your Chinese friend Wu Fang. At any rate I am going to try to find out. Do you think you can locate that call?" he asked when he finally got the operator.

No. I can't locate it exactly," came back the reply a minute later from the girl at the telephone exchange. "But it came from Chinatown-somewhere on Pell street, I think."

Kennedy thanked her, hung up the receiver and faced Inez. He was just in time to prevent her destroying Wu's message. There was the crumpled note. He took it and read it.

Kennedy looked up quickly from the ominous message to the inscrutable face of Inez. As he considered the note, his mind worked rapidly. Quite apparently it was Elaine against whom the new peril was directed. But what was it that could blind her? He thought a moment. Could it be ra

Craig seized the telephone and called the Dodge house.

Some minutes passed after Elaine had bound the handkerchief over her eyes. She sat opposite the gypsy, but try as she would, she could see no vision that she did not herself conjure

'Mr. Kennedy on the telephone," announced Jennings.

Will you answer it, auntie?" asked Elaine. "Tell him I'll call him up in a few minutes."

Aunt Josephine followed Jennings out and went down the hall to the li brary, where she picked up the re

ceiver which Jennings had left. "Oh, Mrs. Dodge, is that you?" Crais asked anxiously. "Where is Elaine?" "She's in the conservatory. There's a gypsy here. They're sitting there like a couple of ninnies waiting for a

vision of-"Good heavens," interrupted Craig 'not with a handkerchief over her eyes, is she? Yes? Quick-tell her to

-rip it off yourself-quick-quick!" Aunt Josephine knew Craig too wel to stop to ask why. In great excitement she dropped the telephone and almost ran from the library. As she entered the conservatory she could hear the low droning voice of the gyp sy. She had pulled the bandage from her own eyes and was watching Elaine La

The gypsy was on her feet in an instant with an air of sneering triumph. "You-you criminal!" cried Aunt Joshephine. "Help! Jennings, help!"

In the apartment of Inez, Kennedy was now endeavoring to get Aunt Josephine on the telephone again. But neither he nor the central could seem to get any answer from the Dodge

Meanwhile I was slowly recovering consciousness and had managed to get on my feet. Dazed though I still was. I could see that Kennedy had discovered something terrible, in order to have had to neglect me so long.

He was working the receiver up and down frantically now. Finally he hung It up. By the expression on his face I sathered that, whatever it was, he feared the worst. His face wrinkled in thought, be gazed, perplexed, first at Inez, cold and defiant, then toward me. He seemed greatly surprised to see that I was myself again so soon, after being laid out flat.

"Walter," he asked earnestly, "do you think you could watch this girl

"Why-yes-I can do it," I replied Then take this gun," he directed.

your eye peeled all the time. She's a tough customer. I want you, as soon as you feel able, to take her over to the laboratory and wait."

I nodded and he dashed out.

"Why, auntie, what's the matter?" asked Elaine, wondering at the suddenness with which the bandage had been torn from her eyes. 'What does it all mean?"

"You-you criminal!" repeated Aunt Josephine accusingly at the gypsy, then turning to Elaine, "Why, Craig called up and warned me not to let her put anything over your eyes I didn't

wait to hear any more. I just ran in and tore the thing off."

The rake gypsy was looking eagerly about the room, apparently for means of escape. Just then Jennings burried in.

"Jennings," cried Aunt Josephine, "seize that woman!"

As Jennings approached her, the gypsy suddenly developed a remarkable strength. She gave him a shove that sent him reeling. His foot caught on the edge of the fountain and he staggered a minute, unable to recover his balance, then, with a great splash, fell in. The gypsy turned and fled through the palms, Elaine and Aunt



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Josephine following her.

She ran as far as she could, coming up to the glass wall that formed the inner end of the conservatory. Further retreat was impossible. She seized a little rustic chair and dashed it through the glass. Cautiously, she managed to make her way through the opening she had broken.

Jennings had, by this time, picked himself out of the fountain and, dripping, joined Elaine and Aunt Josephine in the chase. Out in the garden at last, the gypsy dropped down behind a thick bush.

At that moment a cab pulled up furiously before the house, and Kennedy leaped out and rushed in. The gypsy had gained just time enough. If she had gone on Kennedy might have seen her.

The others were, apparently, looking for her in every direction except the right one. She saw her chance. Stealthily she managed to slip out of the garden by the back way.

As Kennedy dashed down the hall and into the library he met Elaine's maid, Marie, as pale as a ghost.

"For heaven's sake, Marie," he panted, "where are they all?"

"In the conservatory, sir," she pointed. "Didn't you hear the glass break?" "Glass?" he repeated, running ahead

of her now. Kennedy came upon Elaine, Aunt Josephine and Jennings still vainly searching about, just as they lost track of the gypsy.

"Where did she go-that way?" asked Jennings.

"Hang the gypsy," interrupted Let her go-you missed her anyway. But, Elaine-tell me-what happened?"

Aunt Josephine reached down and picked up the handkerchief she had torn from Elaine's eves. "She bound it over her eyes," she explained to

Kennedy examined the handkerchief closely. Evidently he was looking for something concealed in it and did not find it. Perplexed, he looked first from Elaine then to Aunt Josephine.

Are you looking for the gypsy's handkerchief?" Elaine asked finally, seeing his astonishment. Then she stooped and picked up another handkerchief from the floor. "Here it is. It didn't look very clean, so when she wasn't looking I dropped it and used

my own." Kennedy was speechless with relief. He took the other handkerchief and rapidly ran his hand over it. At last he came to a little hard lump in the hem. He ripped it open. There was the little tube of radium!

"You're lucky," he exclaimed. "If you had had that tube over your eyes it would have done its work in a few minutes. You might not feel it for some time, but you would have been blinded at least in a few days, if not hours.

Both Elaine and Aunt Josephine were overcome as they thought of the peril from which Elaine had been so narrowly rescued. Even Kennedy could not restrain a shudder. For the mement he forgot even about Inez. Then suddenly, he recollected.

"Oh, by the way," he exclaimed, "I've had Walter take a woman over to the laboratory. He must be there by this time. I wish that you would

get your things on and go over with me. I think that you can help me get comething out of her. She's as cool, calm and calculating as a sphinx. But I have a scheme that may lead us at last up to this devilish Chinamaa."

Elaine motioned to Marie and, when the maid returned, hurried into her coat and hat. It was only a few min-

utes after Kennedy had discovered that Elaine was safe that they started from the Dodge house.

Left alone with Inez, I began to follow out Kennedy's instructions.

"Come," I menaced with the gun.
"Get your hat on. I want you to go with me. One word on the way and I'll have you arrested at once. Otherwise, you may get a chance.

I did not know it at the time, but just as we were about to start and were moving toward the door, the gypsy, breathless and fagged, reached the hallway of the apartment. She was about to go in when she heard Inez and myself going out. She dropped back into the convenient shelter which Kennedy had used before. and when we came out we did not see anyone in the hall. As we disappeared, she emerged and cautiously

In spite of my fears Inez went without a scene to the laboratory. We entered, I, at least, not knowing that a pair of black eyes watched every movement. The fake gypsy saw us go in, then hastily came out of a doorway into which she had slipped and hurried downtown

It was not long after I arrived, however, that Kennedy and Elaine joined me at the laboratory. Kennedy had evidently carefully prepared just what he intended to do. Quickly he forced Inez into the chair which he had already shown Elaine, and fastened the straps about her arms.

"Walter, will you and Elaine go into the next room?" he asked as he finished securing the woman.

A moment later he followed carrying the dial of the sphygmograph. He fastened it to the concealed wires that connected with the arms of the chair. describing to us in a whisper the action of the strange little instrument which by blood pressure read not only the disease of the heart, but even the secret emotions.

He had purposely left the door be tween the front and back rooms afar, but he did not intend that Inez should hear this explanation.

We know that Wu Fang's head quarters are on Pell street," he concluded to us in his muffled tone. "The sphygmograph will tell us the number. if we ask her the right questions. She may keep ellent, but she cannot concoal her feelings from this instru-

Already, although we did not know it, the gypry had gone straight to Wu Fang's apaitment. Wu had been getting anxious about his scheme when his servant announced that Inez's maid was outside.

"Bring her in immediately." Wu thundered.

The maid came in, frightened, blurting out what had happened to her and what she had seen at the apartment of her mistress listened, his face repressing the rag ing fury he felt.

'Quick-my street clothes," he or dered of his servant, then, as he threw them on added to the gypsy. Wait here until I return."

It was only a few minutes after he had been warned by the gypsy that Wu bimself glided into the hall leading to the main room of the laboratory. He listened a moment, then, hearing nothing, was about to open the door with his skeleton key. As he started to do so, his eyes fell on the fire escape outside.

He reconsidered. Perhaps it would be best to reconnoiter. Snakelike he wormed his way up the fire escape which led to the back room. There, as we grouped ourself about the sphygmograph while Kennedy explained his plans, Wu's sinister face gazed in at us for a moment, then withdrew. Silently he made his way down again to the ground.

In the back room Kennedy took his place near the doorway, while Elaine and I bent over the dial.

"Now, Walter," he began in en as sumed rhetorical tone, "you remember we traced that fellow, Wu Fang, to Pell street. Let me see. What was that number? One?"

He paused. I saw the needle jump alightly at the mention of Pell street.

then fall back at the number, "One.

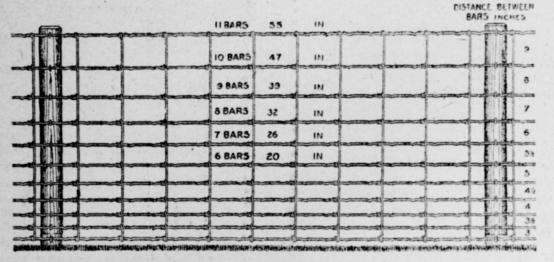
Two?" went on Kennedy.

The needle scarcely oscillated. Three-four-five," came slowly.

Inez's face, though we could not see it, was tense and set. She seemed determined not to betray a thing. Yet the harder she tried to control the outward expression of her feelings the more she betrayed herself by the inward blood pressure which the uncanny little instrument before us re-

As Kennedy kept on counting the indicator slowly, but steadily, rose. registering her suppressed emotions. Elaine and I watched the dial, bending over it with intense interest

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Kennedy kept on counting. As he neared the right number Wu drew a revolver and raised it high over his head. Twice he shot into the air. Suddenly, just before the shots, the

dial had unaccountably jumped ten or a dozen points. What did it mean? I held it up and Kennedy Tooked at it in wonder. He was about to take a step toward the laboratory when the pistol shots rang out. The dial hand fell back to zero!

We rushed into the laboratory. Inez lay back in the chair, apparently dead. Not a soul was in sight, but the hall door was open

"Come on," shouted Kennedy, hurrying out into the hall, as I was about to stop before Inez.

I followed and Elaine came along after me, pausing at the door to watch us run down the hall.

Slowly a cabinet under the laboratory table back of her swung open. and the evil, murderous face of the Chinese master criminal appeared from the refuge to which he had dropped after the shots which he had fired to frighten Inez. Silently he crept toward Elaine, standing with her back to him.

With one powerful movement he swept Elaine back into the laboratory and to the floor and slammed the door, locking it. Another instant and he ran to Inez and unfastened her. She had merely fainted and was now coming to.

Down the hall we had discovered no. one when suddenly we heard the stifled scream of Elaine. Back we rushed to the door. But it was locked and

Wu had finished releasing Inez by this time and, with her, rushed into the back room. As he did so Elaine managed to get to her feet and follow in time to see Wu smash the window to the fire-escape with a chair and half shove Inez through to safety.

He was about to follow when he spied the sphygmograph and seized it. That brought him face to face with Elaine. She snatched the record from him. With an oath he struggled with her for it.

By this time Kennedy and I had

er laboratory.

Wu had bent Elaine back on table and had drawn a long knill he poised it over her he heat coming. Our shouts seemed top Elaine redoubled strength. away just as Wu stabbed and the knife point was deflect the sphygmograph.

There was not an instant to and Wu fairly dived out of the a bian paused to reassure himself of the safety, but I plunged after The lust revolver drawn.

Wildly I shot down from the fill a dow at his retreating form. Ho of to aimost reached the ground saw him stagger and fall the trables the way. One of my shots had SCE effect, but I had used them all.

I started after him. But slid the last two or three ste a heap on the ground, Inez cal in her arms. Half support pulling, she managed to a dazed and wounded criminal At the curb was a closed car, driver, waiting. She shoved and tumbled in after him he the car moved swiftly away.

By this time I had read ground and releaded my ran along. I fired several though I struck the car, I do I did any damage, for it o gain speed. The chase was and I stopped, disgusted.

Back in the laboratory, as II through the window, I saw atrain had been too much fo Now that it was over, she ed and Kennedy was just bri

around. "Confound him," I wounded him, but the sin away from us again."

"Oh," murmured Elaine catching my words, "I shots. I was hoping you it all this time.' For the moment, in his r

ing Elaine still safe, Ke to have forgotten all abo words recalled him. We gathered about Elaine looked at him

Then you have I link," she cried, seizing

in her own. Kennedy merely smi his head gravely.