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JUDGE W. F. RAMSEY.

### Colquitt Leads By 35,000 Majority

Following is the covernor's race: Colquitt 156 961 Ramsey 161,151 Out of 193 counties from which complete returns have been received, Colquitt carried Iol leaving Ramsey 92 counties. Beyond a shadow of a doubt Mr. Colquit will succeed himself	as govern mated by the Govern majority. One no gubernat carried west Tex eastern co	corotable orial verry as, w	t Textuit swill will will will will will will wil	win eatur	It is present the second of th	s esti- s that 10,000 f the olqutt ies in oer of Ram-
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Harry P. Lawther Dallas County George D. Aimstead Bexar County	108		33	35	24	200 208
H. G. Wagner Bell County Felix J. McCord Gregg County	109		37 35	38	24 24	
PRESIDENTIAL DISTRICT ELECTORS						
First District, Elector:					0.4	100
J. M. Henderson, Morris County Second District, Elector:	120		39		24	183
W. T. Norman Cherokee County	119		39		24	182
Third District, Elector:			90		24	182
M. D. Carlock Wood County Fourth District, Elector:	119		39		24	104
W. L. Hay Grayson County	119		39		24	182
fifth District, Elector:						100
John D. McRhea Ellis County	119		39		24	182
Sixth District, Elector: L.K. Freeman Milam County	119		39		24	182
Seventh District, Elector:					0.	100
L. A. Daniel Houston County Eighth District, Elector:	119		39		24	182
Thomas H. Stone Harris County	119		39		24	182
Ninth District, Elector:			00		94	182
John W. Gains Matagorda County Tenth District, Elector:	119		39		24	102
J. M. Mathis Washington County	119		39		24	182
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C. W. Taylor Bell County	119		39		24	182
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Morris Sheppard Bowle County	81	17	29	33	10	170
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O. B. Colquitt Kaurman County W. F. Ramsey Johnson County	66	16	15	12	18	160
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR			-			
Wiley M. Imboden Cherokee County Will H. Mayes Brown County	39	5	6 32		-	67 162
COMPTROLLER						
Bob Barker Bexar County W. P. Lane Tarrant County	50	10	6	6	11	83
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B. F. Looney Hunt County James D. Walthall Bexar County M. B. Harris Tarrant County	58	9	21			127
M. B. Harris	39	12	11		10	57 66
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J. M. Edwards Runnels County W. N. Adams Brown County	30	15	13	11	16	85
Frank B. McCammon Tarrant County	1	3	4	3	5	85
Frank B. McCammon Tarrant County J. L. Aston Grayson County	26	4	12	17	3	62
COMMISSIONER GENERAL LAND OFFICE						
James T. Robison Morris County	88	22	21		15	126
CONVIGUENT Tarrant County	35	6	6	8	8	63
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE Ed R. Kone Haves County	55	13	9	14	15	103
Ed R. Kone H. A. Halbert Eugene Irion H. E. Singleton  SUPPLIFY  GRICULTURE Hayes County Coleman County Callahan County Collin County	24	12	8	8	8	60
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H. E. Singleton Collin County SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC	22	",	3.54	11		66.66

INSTRUCTION

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER					***	
Place 1- Full Term W. D. Williams Tarrant County	120	29	35	33	2	219
John L. Wortham Harris County	39	12	8	8	11	78
John L. Wortham Theo, G. Thomas Earle B. Mayfield SUPREME COURT  Harris County Bell County	62	10	19		24	15 127
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JUDGE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS	42	4	5	7	5	63
J. C. Muse Dallas County W. B. Green Gonzales County A. C. Prendergast McLennan County	13 53	7 13		6 20	13	
CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE						
Jeff McLemore J. K. Street Dallas County E. W. Bounds S. C. Harris James N. Browning Daniel E. Garrett E. I. Kellie Jasper County Porker County Jasper County Parker County Parker County	30	5	4		2	49
E. W. Bounds Falls County S. C. Harris Runnels County	6	5	7	3 4 3	5	3 <sup>2</sup> 17
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W. B Featherstone Johnson County CHIEF JUSTICE COURT CIVIL AP-	5	2		1		9
PEALS 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT S. P. Huff Wilbarger County	67	20	18	23	16	154
J. A. Graham Potter County ASSISTANT JUSTICE COURT CIVIL AP- PEALS 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT		9	15	-	7	103
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ASSISTANT JUSTICE COURT CIVIL AP- PEALS 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	66	12	21	24	12	133
Place 2 R. M. Hall Wilbarger County	132	31	40	42	26	271
W R Smith Mitchell County	131	31	40	43	26	271
Jno. W Overton Nolan County H. P. Brelsford Eastland County	78	20	26		18	165 70
DUDDESENTATIVE 122ND DISTRICT	40	7	9	8	6	136
Frank E. White Crosby County T. M. Bartley Lynn County DISTRICT JUDGE 72ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT	66	18	16		16	125
W. R. Spencer Lubbock County Lubbck County	39 14	8	11 7	14	4 5	76 37
James R. Robinson Lubbock County H. C. Fergurson Lubbock County	63	6		6	18	128 45
DISTRICT ATTORNEY 72ND						86
J. E. Vickers Lubbock County G. E. Lockhart Lynn County COUNTY JUDGE		23	23	19	14	200
T. G. Marks J. B. Walker J. L. Stokes	17 59 63	8	16 16	5 21 19	13	117
SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR J. H. Edwards	95	22	23		22	195
S. W. Joplin COUNTY CLERK	45	10	21			91
J. W. Elliott COUNTY TREASURER McMill Clayton	141	32	38	44	29	284
TAX ASSESSOR F. E. Redwine	78	10	22	45	16	153
Joe Baldridge PUBLIC WEIGHER	58	21	22	18	1.3	132
J. G. Scott HIDE AND ANIMAL INSPECTOR W. F. Bigham	134	31	42	43	29	279
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1  J. V. Dyer	32	8	2			42
W. T. Petty COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2	12	21				33
W. A. Waller T. J. Blankenship COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3	37 14				7	68
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O. L. Miller CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2 L. E. Bigham				44		8
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W. B. Cathey JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2			2			2
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H. M. Larkin CHAIRMAN PRECINCT 1	30	4			11	45
W. H. Mays CHAIRMAN PRECINCT 2		4				4
G. W. Small, Jr.	4					4

W. T. McAfee, of Colorado,

through Tahoka going sovth.

Fannin County 135 32 41 41 26 275 first of the week,



### Webb Controls Katy In Texas

W. A. Webb, assisistant to president of the M. K. & T., has been given jurisdiction over the operations of the entire Katy system with headquarters at Dallas, Texas.

The policy of the new management of the Katy to improve and extend their Texas posessions has made it necessary to concentrate the managerical powers of the people and is a recognition once and oblige. on the part of the railroads of the importance of official associa- 48 lt ion with their Texas patrons.

No definite plans of extension have been announced, but the officials of the Katy have just

ed its appropriations for main- School. tainance of way and the improvements in all branches of the service has been ably commented Roy Miles and Miss Ora Allen on by the patrons of the road.

remarkable business attain- home in O'Donnell. ments; his rapid promotion attests his superior faculties for Ora Herman were married in grasping large business problems Lamesa, Texas, at the wee hours and his ability to move traffic of midnight on the 23rd. Both has popularized him with the being of age but not having the customers of the road as well as fathers consent they made a race with the management of the to Lamesa after church. Company.

### Who'll Be Winner

Our Tablet Contest last year was so interesting that we have allowed our selves to be persuaded into it again. So boys and girls save every tablet back bought at the Broken Dollar

of School will be given a good Bro. Knight left Thursday to \$5.00 Stevens rifle. The girl help in a meeting over on the winning will be given a ring T. & P. set with her birth stone.

candy to the one having the most son, C. H. Doak. tablet backs at Christmas time; boy or girl.

Frank McGonigal, of San Angelo, was in Tahoka Wednesday. Texas, was a Tahoka visitor the 22 empty cattle cars passed country is very dry and in bad here last week during the meetshape.

### Sheppard Leads For U.S. Senator

Representative Morris Sheppard will unboubtedly be our next United States Senator. He leads the race with a plurality of nearly 30,000 and the general opinion is that the official count will make very little chang in his lead.

The standing of the candidates at preasant is as follows: Wolters . . . . . . . . . . . . 122,190 Zollner .... Sheppard . . . . . . . . . 152,113

### Bartley Leads by 600

Randell . . . . . . . . . . 36,75

With a majority of 600 votes and only four counties to hear from, Hon. T. M. Bartley is assured of the nomination for representative of the 122 district. The counties to be heard from

Andrew	3					117 polls paid
Crosby						420 polls paid
Dawson						338 polls paid
Gaines			,			212 polls paid
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#### Notice To Customers

On account of sickness I am the road in Texas where large unable to get out and collect my activities ore goin on. The new outstanding accounts -- all those arrangement brings the Katy indebted to McGill's Drug Store management in closer touch with please come in and settle at

Respectfully, J. M. McGill

#### O'Donnell News

The Methodist meeting closed completed an inspection of the Sunday night with nine addiproposed route of the Stamford tions to the church and counting & Eastern Railway from Stam- those reclaimed ten conversions, to Fort Worth, a distance of 300 namely: Messrs. Dee Harriss, miles, and are reported to be in- Luke Riley, J. J. Walk, Webb vestigating the proposed Beau Randall, Johnnie Randall, Joe mont and Waco Line, a distance Randall, Vernon Bilboa Priest, of 250 miles. These lines, as Miss Mirrian Walk and a lady laid out, pass through a heavy and gentleman passing through tonage territory and would make who attended only one night; excellent feeders for the Katy. both converted that night, The M. K. & T. is erecting Three babies were baptised. shops at Waco with facilities for Luke Riley was appointed Superrepairing and rebuilding its Tex- intenuent of Sunday School by as equipment, the road contem- our pastor, T. A. Knight, and plates double tracking the line the people will meet Sunday from Granger to Hillsboro at an promptly at 10 o'clock for the early date, has already increas- purpose of organizing a Sunday

Cupid has been busy in O'Donnell since our last writing. Mr. were married at Gail, Texas. Mr. Webb is a young man of The happy couple will make their

Mr. Clyde Birdwell and Miss

Mr. Priest and Miss Ethel Pierce were married Saturday at 5 o'clock, Bro. Knight officiating. Mrs. John Thomas, of Tahoka, and her to sons were visiting her

bother, Mr. Gore of near here, the last of the week, also attending the meeting. Mr. Geo. Small and family

with Miss Crite Wright were The winning boy at the close down Sunday in Mr. Smalls car.

Grandpa and Grandma Doak In addition to these prixes we returned last week to their home will give a one pound box of in Snyder from a visit with their

The Christians began a meeting here Wednesday night. It will continue until Sunday night.

Mrs. J. J. Walk and children Wednesday morning a train of Frank says that the San Angelo came and camped a few days ting .-- Reporter.

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### Spencer Claims Re-nomination

Judge W. R. Spencer, candidate to succeed himself as district judge of the 72nd Judicial District, claims the nomination by a majority of 200 votes. Other candidates refuse to make statement.

In reply to a phone message to J. J. Garland, at Lamesa, Chairman of the 72nd District Democratic Committe, he said, "Returns from the district judges race are so incomplete that I can give no opinion as to who received the nomination until the official count is made."

#### Notice To Customers

On account of sickness I am unable to get out and collect my outstanding accounts--all those indebted to McGill's Drug Store please come in and settle at once and oblige.

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THE FAIR.

#### MONEY

mounts on real estate, M. M. HERRING,

Tahoka, Texas. Cultivator sweeps from 6 to 16 inches already sharpened at the Tahoka Blacksmith Shop, north

of the square. We trade ne watches for old

Texas I ones. Come in and see us. Thomas Bros. & Co.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANT OF AID TO INDIGENT AND DISABLED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS AND THEIR WIVES.

(S. J. R. No. 9.) Senate Joint Resolution. Senate Joint Resolution to amend Section 51, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize the grant of aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors and their vidows, and to soldiers who served in the militia and in organizations for the protection of the frontier and their indigent widows, and to great aid for the establishment and maintenance of a home for the indigent and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors, and such women as aided the Confederacy, and authorize a special ad valorem pension tax, and making appropriatiens for same.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 51, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Tex is be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporation whatsoever: provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers add sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1900, and their widows in indigent circumstances, and who have been bonafide residents of the State of Texas since January 1, 1900, and who were married to such soldiers and sailors anterior to January 1, 1900; to indigent and disabled soldiers. the publication of this amendment and the proclamation for the election. who under special laws of the State of Texas, during the war between the States se ved for a period of at least six months in organizations tor the protection of the frontier against Indian raids or Mexican marauders, and to indigent and disabled soldiers of the militia of the State of Teras, who were in active service for a period of at least six nonths during the war between the States, to the widows of such oldiers who are in indigent circumstancer, and who were married to such soldiers prior to January 1, 1900, provided that the word "widow" in he preceeding lines of this section shall not apply to women born since 1861, and also to grant aid for the establishment and in intenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy under such eregul tions and limitations as may be provided for by law; provided, the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together

The Legislature shall have the power to levy and collect, in addition known as Section 58 and shall read as follows:

to all other taxes heretofore permitted by the Constitution of Texas, a State ad volorem tax on property not exceeding five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation for the purpose of creating a special fund for the purpose of creating a special fund for the payment of pensions for services in the Confederate Army and Navy, frontier organizations and the militia of the State of Texas, and for the widows of such soldiers serving in said armies, navies, organizations, or militia.

SEC. 2. The Covernor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the general election of State officers, in November, 1912. At which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment to Section 51, Article 3 of the Constitution relating to increase of Confederate pensions;" and the voters, opposed to said amendments shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Section 51, Article 3 of the Constitution, relating to increase of Confederate pensions."

SEC. 3. The sum of \$5,000 00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the proxisions of this resolution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF RE-GENTS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY AND BOARDS OF TRUSTEES AND MANAGERS OF THE EDUCATION-

AL, ELEEMOSYNARY AND PENAL INSTITU-TIONS SHALL BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED FOR THE TERM OF SIX YEARS.

(H. J. R. No. 9.) House Joint Resolution. An Act proposing an amendment to Article 16 of the Consritution of the State of Texas, by adding a new section thereto, to be entitled "Section 30a"; providing that the Board of Regents of the State University, and the boards of trustees or managers of educational, eleemosynary and penal institutions of the State and such other boards as have been, or may hereafter be established by law, may be elected or appointed for term of six (6) years, one third of the members of said boards to be elected or appointed every two (2) years in the manner provided by law, fixing the time for holding the election, and making the appropriations therefor.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Article 16 of the Constitution be amended by adding a new section thereto, to be known and designoted as "30a. and to read as follows:

Section 30a. The Legislature may provide by law that the members of the Board of Regents of the State University and Boards of Trustees or Managers of the educational, eleemosynary and penal institutions of the State, and such boards as have been, or may hereafter be established by law, may hold their respective offices for the term of six (6) years, one-third of the members of such boards to be elected or appointed every two (2) years in such a manner as the Legislature may determine; vacancies in such offices to be filled as may be provided by law, and the Legislature shall enact suitable laws to give effect to this section.

SEC. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for the members of the Legislatnrr, at the next general election to be held in this State, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall have print-ed or written on their ballots: "For the amendment of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, regulating the term of office of the Board of Regents of the State University, and tll other Boards of Trustees, or Managers, heretofore or hereafter established by law.' And all voters opposed to said amendment shall have printed or written on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, regulating the term of office of the Board of Regents of the State University, and other Boards of Trustees, or Managers, heretofore or hereafter established by law.' SEC. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the

necessary proclamation for said election, and have the same published as required by the law of the State.

SEC. 4. The sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of said proclamation, publication and election.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION AUTHOR IZING CITIES OF MORE THAN 5000 INHABITANTS TO ADOPT THEIR CHARTERS BY VOTE OF THE PEOPLE. (H J. R. No. 10.) House Joint Resolution.

House Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5, of Article II, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for cities of more than five thousand (5000) inhabitants to adopt their

charter by a vote of the people. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 5 of Article II of the constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows.

Section 5. Cities having more than five thousand (5000) inhabitants may, by a majority vote of the qualified voters of said city, at an election held for that purpose, adopt or amend their charters, subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by the Legislature, and providing that no charter or any ordinance passed under said charter shall contain any provision inconsistent with the Constitution of the State, or any of the general laws enacted by the Legisla ure of this State; said cities may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law or by their charters; but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any one year, which shall exceed two and one half per cent, of the taxable property of such city, and no debt shall ever be created by any city, unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and creating a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon; and provided further that no city charter shall be altered, amended or repealed oftener than every two years.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation, submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election held in this State, or in case any previous election shall be held in this State for other purposes, then this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State. At such election, those favoring the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words: "For amendment to Section 5, Article II of the Constitution, authorizing cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to adopt their charters by a vote of the people;" those opposing said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against amendment to Section 5, Article II of the Constitution, authorizing cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to adopt their charters by a vote of the people." The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much as is necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the Treasuary of the State of Tex-

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION CREATING THE OFFICE OF PRISON COMMISSIONER AND MAKING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF PRISON COMMISSIONER SIX YEARS.

(H. J. R. No. 22.) House Joint Resolution.

A Joint Resolution proposing to amend Article XVI of the State Constitution by adding thereto Section 58, creating the office of Prison Commissioners, and making the term of office of the members of the Board of Prison Commissioners six years, and making an appropri-

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

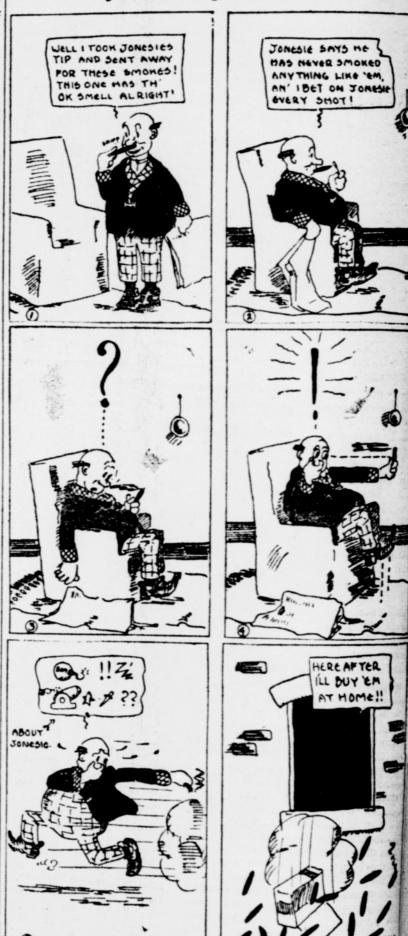
### Where We Come In

Some one has said that "any fool can make money, but it takes a wise man to save it. Like many other well known savings that one is not all true, because "any fool" cannot make money. Those characteristics are usualy found in a man who is a successful money maker are not as a general rule present in the make-up of a fooll. To the latter part of the above, however, we cordially subscribe, for it takes not only wisdom to save money, but patience, determination and self-sacrifice as well. No valuable thing comes easy. A fat bank account is a cheerfull thing to contemplate, but to secure it is no snap. No man can accumulate without using the services of a good bank, and there is where we come in. We help in the saving process, we make it easy and convenient to save. If you have not opened an account yet, begin next pay day. Get a start, if only with a five-nollar bill. You owe it to your family and yourself to save something.

## The First Nat'l Bank

Of Tahoka, Texas

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Section 58. (Article XVI.) The Board of Prison Commission charged by law with the control and management of the State prise shall be composed of three members appointed by the Governo and with the consent of the Senate, and whose terms of office shall six bears, or until their successors are appointed and qualified: pro ed that the terms of office of the Board of Prison Commissioners is appointed after the adoption of this amendment shall begin on Jan ary 20th of the year following the adoption of this amendment, shall hold office as follows: One shall serve two years, one four you and one six years. Their terms to be decided by lot after they have qualified, and ore Prison Commissioner shall be appointed etc. as out of moneys not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of two years thereafter. In case of a vacancy in said office the Gordan and the proclamation for the election of this State shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this State shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this State shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this State shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this State shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of this state shall fill and the proclamation for the election of the electio or of this State shall fill said vacancy by appointment for the pired term thereof.

SEC. 2. The Godernor of this State is hereby directed to and have published the necessary proclamation for the submit this proposed amendment to the Consiitution of the State of Tes the qualified voters for members of the Legislature of the Sult Texas at the next general election to be held in this State. All sons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed of ballots "For a six years' term for prison Commissioners,, and opposed to the adoption of this amendment shall have written of ed on their ballots "Against a six years' term for Prison Co

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Looney	96,674
Walthall	91,962
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Adams	41.689

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Mayfield	91,23
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Townes	62,32
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w cold spinal douches will help. Do not go to bed on a faint stomach. Prink a glass of hot milk.

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All medical authorities of today concede that eight hours is the minimum of sleep for brain workers.

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HAPTER VI -Kent calls I

CHAPTER VII Inspector Davis ar-vee at Ardway and takes up the inves-gation. He discovers that the dead coman is Sarah Sackett of Bridgeport. outse telephones Kent imploring him to rop the investigation.

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yellow half hidden by an overhanging tree. Carefully I parted the branches. Sure enough, submerged in six inches of water, were more of the yellow scraps. I waded in and, scooping them up carefully in my hands, laid them on the grass to dry, for they were all but falling apart and I hardly dared handle them. Meanwhile I continued my search for other yellow scraps-this time without avail. If she had carried a torn-up letter with her as she sprang to death, the other

pieces had floated away. At last, convinced that there was no possibility of recovering more of turned to where I had spread the recovered scraps on the grass. One by one I studied them. They were evidently a part of a type-written letter. but the ink had run so that it was impossible to read a single word on

them. From their shape, too, it sppeared that they were not consecutive, so there was little hope of learning anything from them.

Just two of the inky smears seemed to have a possible meaning.

On one of them I was almost posttive that I could trace the word "youth." On another scrap was a word that a little stretch of the imagination might decipher as "her." "Youth" and "her."

They might mean much or nothing. They might have some bearing on the great mystery I was trying to solve. They might have none. Perhaps they were, after all, merely phrases from a letter that had brought as Louise knew I was there she would disappointment to a loving woman. In all likelihood this suicide had no connection with the others. But why, then, the yellow paper?

So intent was I on my thoughts that I did not observe the return of the policeman until I heard his voice. "What have you got there?"

There was suspicion in his tonethe natural suspicion of the representative of the law. It was on the tip of my tongue to say: "Another yellow

For once prudence restrained me. I recalled how my too hasty speech at the coroner's inquest had led me into trouble. I could hardly expect a twelve-hundred-dollar policeman to assist in solving the mystery that was still perplexing Davis.

"Just some scraps of paper," I said carelessly. "After you had gone I notitced that she was clutching a bit of paper in one hand. I searched around the lake to see if I could find more. I found these. It is evidently part of a letter, but the ink has run so you can make nothing out of them."

"Let's see them." I handed him all of them.

"This," I explained, "I found in her hand and the others were over there under those bushes."

One by one the policeman examined them, turning them carefully over and

"There's nothing to them," he finally announced. "The wagon will be here in a minute. I don't suppose you'll want to be claiming any credit for finding the body?"

I had feared that he would insist on my accompanying him to testify to its finding. It was quite a relief to hear him take this view of it.

"Of course not," I answered hastily. "Then," said he with utmost candor, "you might as well beat it. It don't do a cop no good to have other people finding things on his post. If you ain't here when the wagon comes. there ain't nobody to say it wasn't me that found the body. I want to thank you, though, for coming and telling me about it. There's a lot of fools would have gone and telephoned the arsenal and then I'd been on the carpet for not covering my post properly."

I was glad indeed of the opportunity to get away. It was nearing ten o'clock. My trousers and shoes were in such condition that I wanted to get to my apartments for a change before seeing Louise. I hastened to the park entrance and hailed a taxi. By the time I left my rooms and reached the Farrish home it was ten minutes

As my taxi turned into the street I saw another one stop before the Farrish door. At first I thought it must be the doctor or one of his assistants. but as the front door closed behind the tall figure of a man who had been admitted to the house I realized that it was some one I had seen before. There was something reminiscent in the broad shoulders, in the walk. It was some one I knew, or ought to have recognized, yet who it was or where I had seen him I could not at the moment recall.

I was not three minutes behind him in reaching the door. Though the other visitor had been admitted at ence, there was no immediate response to my ring. I waited a while and rang again. It seemed minutes before any one answered, then one of the maids opened the door a trifle and peered

"Mr. Kent to see Miss Louise," I

it just barely enough to enable her to talk to me, said: "I'm sorry, but I have orders to admit no one to the

Dumfounded at such a reception. I still thought she was only carrying out a general order, the wisdom for which I could readily see. "Of course, I understand that you

have your orders, but please tell Miss Louise that Mr. Kent is here." "I'll tell her, if you wish," she said

doubtfully, carefully closing the door before she went on the mission. The shutting of the door in my face

gave me an odd sense of desolation. It seemed as if I were being shut out of the life of the woman I loved. Yet on second thought I smiled at my per-turbation. The maid was only carry ing out a necessary order. As soon come running to the door herself. In a minute she would be folded in my arms and all misunderstanding would be cleared away. Undoubtedly she would have a good explanation for her telephone message of the night before. I told myself that it was only lack of sleep and the incident in the park that had upset my nerves. My misgivings were utterly foolish.

At length the door opened slowly. I had expected to see Louise herself behind it, but it was the same maid. This time she held the door hardly as wide

'I'm sorry, sir, she said, "but Miss Louise says she can not see you now." "What?" I gasped.

She repeated her message while I stood there dazed. There must be some mistake. Louise must have misunderstood the name.

Did you tell her it was Mr. Kent?" "Yes, sir, I told ber." "What did she say?"

"She said she could not see you or any one else now.'

I was puzzled beyond expression. Why should Louise refuse to see me? I was conscious of having done nothing to offend her. If only I could see ber for just a minute to find out what was the matter! I felt that I must reach her. For an instant I was tempted to brush past the maid and force my way in. Surely Louise of her own accord would not treat me thus. She must be beside herself with grief. Perhaps she was under the same malign influence that so disressed her sister. Yet even in the lepths of despair we observe the conrentionalities,

"Will you ask Miss Louise when the can see me?" I found myself sayng in calm tones to the maid. Again she closed the door in my

ace. Again I waited.

"Miss Louise says that she will see rou if you will return in an hour," was the message that was brought me. I left the Farrish door and stumbled blindly up the street. The plight in which I found myself seemed inexplicable, maddening. I was sure Louise oved me. Had she not turned to me the not telephoned me when her siser shot herself? Had she not permited me to take her in my arms? Had the not commissioned me to solve the nystery of the yellow letter? Yet why had she bade me discontinue my search? Why had she shut her door to me? What could be her motive? What could have influenced her gainst me?

Torn by a hundred conflicting emoions, I traversed street after street. sot knowing or caring whither my 'eet were taking me. I must have retraced my steps, for I found myself n the block where the Farrishs lived. looked at my watch and saw it was still half an hour before the time I and been told to return. I turned tway from the house and wandered timlessly on. There was some mysery in Louise's conduct I could not athom. She refused to see me, yet lust ahead of me some one else had een admitted to the house. A wave of jealousy swept over me. Who was his other man? I racked my brain, striving to recall his appearance, tryng to remember what there was that was familiar about him.

All at once it came to me. A wild tage filled me. I knew now who he was. A picture of the office in that ittle hotel in New Jersey came to my mind, as it looked when I stood To my great amazement she did not by the stove drying my clothes. A open the door to me, but still holding man had come to the desk and got his key and had walked past me as he went to his room. I knew now where I had seen that man who was admitted to the Farrish home. It was the man called Cook. It was Hugh Crandall.

CHAPTER X.

Who Was the Thief?

An unbidden and unwelcome guest, lealousy came and sat by the altar of my heart, stirring the fires of my love for Louise into furious darts of flame that scarred my soul. That Crandall -for I was positive now that the visltor who had entered the Farrish home had been he-should have been admitted to the house with so many things pointed to his guilt, while I, an accepted lover, and certainly Louise's faithful servitor, had been barred with such scant courtesy, filled me with even disregarding the still stronger claims of honest love, entitled me to far different treatment.

Yet even in the burner

overwhelmed me there was not a single thought of harshness toward Louise. I felt that if I could but see her she would explain everything sat isfactorily. It was toward Crandall that all my wrath was directed. Feeling as I did, sure that he was responsible for Katharine's attempted suieide and for her poor father's plight, I feared that his visit to the house boded ill for Louise. Undoubtedly his malign influence had persuaded her to bid me drop my efforts to solve the mystery. He must have realized that I was close on his trail, so danger-

ously close that with the effrontery of the daring crim'nal he had ventured to come to the house in one last effort me to thwart my plans for his exposure. As I became calmer I resolved on a course of action. Louise's strange request to me over the telephone must have been made because she was dominated by the fear of this villain who had brought disaster on her father and sister. Perhaps she feared that some evil might befall me if I persisted in

trying to run him to earth. Possibly she was afraid that still greater evil might come to those she loved. I felt that for her own happiness it was necessary that I should continue my course. I would go on with my investigation and once for all free her from the crushing thrall of this hidden evil. I would wait where I was until Crandall had left the house, then I would insist on seeing her and telling her my resolve, nor would I permit her to dissuade me from it.

On the corner was a drug-store. Sheltered by its awning I took my stand to wait until Crandall left the house. I could see the Farrish door, yet my presence there under the awning would hardly be noticed. I had not long to wait. In about five minutes the door opened and the caller emerged. This time I had an opportunity to get a good look at him. I was right. His face was that of the man who had been registered in the Ardway hotel as Henry Cook, who had so abruptly left the room when the inquest was being held as I had begun to ask questions about the yellow letter, who had driven from the town beaind the fastest horse obtainable.



heltered by the Awning I Took My Stand to Wait Until Crandall Left the House.

He came swinging down the street past where I stood. As he came closer was amazed to note that his face was not the unnatural color of the norphine user's that I expected, but ruddy with health. His eyes, however, wore a strained expression and his brow was knotted with wrinkles. I was strongly tempted to spring out from where I stood as he passed, to seize him by the throat and to make aim tell me all I wished to know about the hideous mystery. Yet better judgnent withheld my hand. After all, he evidence I had against him was not of the tangible sort that would convict. Even though I knew of his elephoning Katharine just before she thot herself, even though General Farrish had learned something about him that barred him from the house, even though we had found in his cooms a hypodermic syringe and the address in New Jersey where the third suicide had taken place, even though myself had noted his suspicious actions there, there was nothing definite enough to warrant seizing him as yet. I watched him as far down the aveaue as my eye could follow and then turned toward the Farrish house. This ime I was admitted without delay. Apparently the maid had new instruc-

"I'll tell Miss Louise you are here," she said as she showed me into the reception-room.

As I waited I tried to think how I should greet Louise. While there was much that I might reproach her for, I felt that surely it had not been her fault. I knew she must be acting under compulsion. I was determined, dumb, unreasoning rage. I felt that though, to let her know that I knew all claims of friendship and of service, that Hugh Crandall had been in the

Suddenly I heard a smothered scream up-stairs and a second later Louise burst into the room. There Shoerepairing

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was terror in her face as she ran to

"Oh, Harding," she gasped, "tra gone-stolen!" What do you mean? What's sto-

len?" I cried, seizing her hands tightly in my own. She was trembling all over and her breath came in quick, short jerks, She was dressed in an automobile hat and coat, but even through the thick folds of her coat I could feel the palpitating of her heart. The new mys-

tery, whatever it was, had been too much for her already overstrained nerves. She was in a condition closely bordering on hysteria. "Tell me about it, what was it?" !

"The yellow letter-it's gone, sto-

"Where was it?"

I had taken it with me the morning I went down to Inspector Davis' office, but after he had compared it with the Elser fragment he had re turned it to me. I had restored it to Louise when Davis and I called on her Again. after our visit to Mrs. Trask's boarding-house. I had not seen it since then. My last recollection of it was placing it in her hand as Davis and I left the house.

"Let me think," she said, trying hard to regain her composure. "When Wiss Kate you and Mr. Davis were here the other day you gave it back to me. I took it up-stairs and put it in a drawer in a little desk in my room. I locked the desk and hid the key in a van on the mantel. I went to the deat just now to get it and it was gone."

"Was the desk locked?" She nodded.

"Who could have taken it?" I askel Even as I framed the question then came to me the thought of Crandally visit. He had been in the hotel b Ardway where the woman committed suicide after reading a yellow lette and tearing it up. The scraps of that letter had disappeared. More liker he had come here just to get the scrap of yellow paper lest its eviden might bring home his crimes.

"Who has been in the house!" "No one but the doctors and nume and the servants," said Louise, fut ing uneasily as she spoke.

I waited, expecting her to mention Crandall's visit, but though she bet tated for a second she said nothing sel are

"I wonder who could have taken it! she said after an awkward pause. "What motive could any one have" has here

I asked, determined to direct to thoughts to Crandall. "The only per trem son who would have a reason for mat. I met him ing away with it would be some on fain from who feared that it might be used against him."

There was a silence while we both fallips are pondered the situation.

"You remember," said Louise see denly, "the agitation my father short bereral of on at sight of that paper. If he were not visit to Milying paralyzed up-stairs I think he would have tried to gain possessis acion

"How is your father, and your to Mr. Jeff Single ter?" I asked, suddenly recalling the O'lonnell Mon

Katharine is much better," said La Cat, Texas, ise. "She is entirely conscious, thou very weak, but the doctor says the wondered , she will in all probability record as realing sp she will in all propagilly remain and later than the same, though he seems to have regained the use of his right had been He wrote some brief directions to the rained Det about his business."

"Are you sure of all the servant" L.G. Parings

"All of them have been with ut the tell this years; all but one, ever since below the best what of distrusting any of them."

"Are you certain the house has so of O'Donne been entered in the night?"

I was asking these questions with view of convincing her that it was a suppossible for any one but Crancia to have taken the yellow scrapany one else to have even a mode for taking it.

"That would be impossible," it said. "All the doors and windows and protected by burglar alarms and know they are in working order al would have heard about it." "There is or there must have been the best in his

said slowly, "some traitor is house, some thief, some one who an object in getting hold of that

"There has been no one here, Louise with a painful effort, "M answering that description." "How did you come to look for paper in your desk?"

"I wanted-" she stopped sh "Mr. Kent," she said, her manner toward me stiffening

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