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An Enjoyable Evening at Reichleu School.

Having been extended an invitation to attend the literary society organized at the Reichleu school, the writer accompanied by Miss Martin, Miss Dillard and Mr. North made the enjoyable visit Friday evening. Leaving town soon after six, we made the drive of ten miles in about two hours, on reaching there found a good crowd of those good people gathered at the society and among the number were some of our very dear friends whom we had known in different parts of the State, among whom were Mr. Henry Simpson and good wife, Mr. Will and Frank Simpson and others.

It was indeed a pleasure to have had the opportunity of knowing some of these good people in our school days and again to meet them, brought to our memory the pleasant hours we spent together many years ago.

Soon after arrival the program for the society was begun and a more enjoyable time we never had before in our life, it was indeed a pleasure to listen to the rendering of excellent dialogues, by young people of that community. When it was over we were made to feel that we had been well paid for our visit.

The good people of Reichleu community certainly know how to give an entertainment that is an enjoyable one and makes us wish we were in a position to take up our abode in that community where there are a class of people second to none.

If you want to use some paint and have any doubts write the government and ask about Horse Shoe Brand of Mound City. It will pay to investigate.

B. and P. Class Program

Sunday April 25, 1909.

Subject.—The Gospel at Antioch.

Leader.—Miss Blanton Sistrunk.

Song.

Prayer.

Song.

Tell what you can of Converts in Antioch. By Miss Selma Kenyon.

The Antioch Christians help the Famine sufferers.—By Mrs. Kenyon.

Barnabas and Saul become leader of the Church at Antioch. By Mr. Archie Cole.

Vocal Solo.—By Miss Margarete Crowford.

Select reading.—By Miss Bertha Sanders.

Song.

Benediction.

Smith-Creath.

Mr. L. R. Smith, receiving clerk for the J. M. Radford Grocery Co., silently stole away from friends and went to Colorado Tuesday night a week ago where he was married to Miss Hattie Creath of that place, Miss Hattie comes well recommended by her many friends at Colorado, and as Mr. Smith is well known to our business people as a young man of sterling business qualities we take pleasure in extending congratulations of a long, useful and happy life.

Store Robbed.

The store belonging to Carl Blaser was entered some time Tuesday night by unknown parties and some \$200.00 worth of jewelry stolen. Up to this writing the sheriff's department have no clue to guilty parties.

Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's.

The Visit of Hon. E. R. Kone.

The people of Big Springs and surrounding country were given quite a feast Monday evening at the court house by Uncle Dick Bonner, Tom Frazier and Judge Kone.

The first speech of the evening was made by Uncle Dick, and was one indeed enjoyed by all. He taken up the many parts of successful farming and told our people in glowing language how the most successful crops could be cultivated, following each with an example of where the method had been tried and proven successful in ever instant. His speech was very instructive and no doubt will be heeded by many of our best farmers in the future.

The next man on the the program was Mr Frazier on the best methods of raising hogs, and was indeed a very instructive talk. He was at one time as many will remember President of Texas Swine Breeders Association in which capacity he was an honored member and considered good authority on any point in regard to the hog industry. To outline his talk would require to much space, so will say to those who missed this talk missed something good.

The next talk of the evening was made by Judge Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture along the lines of diversification and was one of considerable logic. It has been only a few years said: Judge Kone, in part, since the farming class of people learned the worth of planting different crops, and not depend on cotton altogether for a living. He pictured in glowing terms the beauties of home, and how inprogrressive the renter was who was not trying to own his own home.

The influence of wives and mothers toward owning the home and close by saying, "The hand that rocked the cradle, rules the world."

The meeting was then called upon to organize a Farmers institute, with a result of securing 44 members, after which there was an election of officers as follows: H. C. Wallace, President, L. Coffey Vice President and Fox Striplin Secretary.

Now that this institute has been launched let each member give his attention to making it worth something to our country. These institutes have been organized in different parts of the state and

are leading down to good results to the merchant and farmer, and why not here, let the merchant and farmer pull together for the betterment of our country, and it will only be a matter of time till the results will be shown.

Judge Kone and party left immediately after the speaking for Lamesa where they spoke at night. From there they went to Tahoka Tuesday morning where they spoke in the afternoon, then on to Lubbock where they addressed a large crowd Wednesday.

Don H. Biggers, Secretary of the Lubbock Commercial Club, met Judge Kone's party here and accompanied them to Lubbock. They were also met here by Judge M. C. Lindsey, J. J. Curlee and W. B. Looney of Lamesa who returned to that town with them. Fox Striplin and W. G. Hayden joined the party here and went with them to Lubbock as representatives of our Commercial Club.

A Prize For Corn.

In addition to the \$1000 in cash prizes offered by the Farm and Ranch for exhibits of corn grown this year, Mr. Walter B. Whitman, managing editor of the Farm and Ranch, offers a magnificent silver trophy cup, 14 inches high and lined with gold for the best display of 10 ears of corn, any variety, grown by a boy under 18 years of age. What do the boys of this county think about winning this cup?

Notice.

All those that have subscribed to the fire engine fund are requested to leave their donations at one of the banks. The engine is expected here within the next two or three weeks and we want to be ready.

Soliciting committee.

Lemon flip at Ward's fountain.

New Road Law.

Austin, Texas, April 20.—The Texas Commercial Secretaries Association has printed for distribution a large supply of the Road Law passed by the special session. The new bill authorizes formation of political subdivisions and defined districts within each county and is the third bill that has passed seeking to accomplish this result. The Attorney General has found defects in previous bills and the present bill has not been officially passed upon by the Attorney General, but all defects are thought to be cured by the present law.

Copies of this bill have been sent to Commercial Clubs throughout the state and any one desiring a copy can secure one on application to their local commercial club.

One dollar per roll for wall paper, or 10c—just as you like it. The best selected stock ever brought to Big Springs is now on display at Reggan's.

Phone No. 1—Reagan's Drug Store.

A New Depot.

The plans for the new T. & P. Depot at this place have been received, and work will begin as soon as possible. This is glad news to our people, as we have needed a new depot for some time, we think the officials of the road have made a good move in starting this.

Try the Posey Music House for anything in Musicial instruments. s22-1f.

Texas Mary Baldwin's Association.

The Texas Mary Baldwin's Association, with its headquarters in Dallas, wishing to interest and draw together all ex-students of Mary Baldwin's school now living in Texas, propose a state meeting to be held in Dallas on Wednesday the 19th day of May 1909.

The Association invite all former students and Alumnae to be present. A luncheon to be served at the County Club will be a feature of the entertainment.

For detailed information address Mrs. T. W. Scott, No. 404 Gaston Ave, Dallas, Texas.

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Grief That Kills.
"My poor boy," said the beneficent old clergyman, who had encountered a young wail sobbing in the streets, "what ails you? Some case of dire distress has touched your heart-chole, no doubt."
"No," sniffed the lad, "you're clear off your base, old kazooicks. Me an' Snippy an' de rest of de feffles tinned the paaky, old yellow cur up at Schwarz' grocery; and while old Schwarz an' de gang followed the dog, I sneaked back to the grocery to swipe dried apples. De Fido chased into Schmitt's orchard and de gang cribbed de sweetest grape-vine ever seen, an' then dey smoked grape-vine cigarettes and set the barn a-fire. I made a sashay into de apple barrel at de grocery, an' de delivery boy pasted me with a bed-slat and it burts yet, and I didn't get to see de fire, and didn't get nothin' to eat, and I wuz dead—dog-gone it all!"—The Bohemian Magazine.

A Grateful Customer.
I suffered for four years with eczema on the ends of eight of my fingers. Had it so long my fingers drew up and could do nothing at all at times, and I tried almost everything that I ever heard of, including several largely advertised ointments, spending many dollars for them. Never a thing did it any good at all. At last I saw in a home paper Hunt's Cure was being advertised and tried only a part of one box, which cost me only 50c, and it cured them. Now I can wash or do anything which before I could not without my fingers bleeding, burning and paining me very much. If this ever comes back I surely will know just what to get. I wish every friend and stranger that had anything of the kind could have seen my fingers before I used this and see them now. It is the best Ointment on earth. That 50c box was worth a hundred dollars to me. You deserve all thanks that can be given you for that wonderful salve, Hunt's Cure.

MRS. J. I. BLALOCK, Miles, Texas, July 2, '04. To A. B. Richards Med. Co., Sherman, Texas.

Jess Said Her Prayers.
One day three-year-old Baby Jess was visiting her grandmother, who was very devout. She asked Baby Jess if her mother had taught her to say her prayers.
"Yes, ma'am."
"Whom do you pray to, dear, and ask to forgive your naughty ways?"
"Sometimes I pray to mother's knees and sometimes to the bed."—Delineator.

EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS. PENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything important that could be confined to a small space is here found.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Representative Beall, Henry, Burgess and Stephens of Texas, left Washington Wednesday for Panama to see the work on the canal. They will be gone until May 1. The State Department has again taken notice of the renewed rumors of trouble in Central America. The advices that reached the department Wednesday are that further menacing movements of Nicaraguan troops have taken place in Nicaragua with reference to Salvador. The Navy Department still has three warships on guard in Nicaraguan waters and is prepared for any emergency.

The mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States, at Washington, in the Waters-Pierce Oil Company cases from Texas was issued Tuesday. It is addressed to the Attorney General of Texas, and, upon its arrival, will be that official's authority for collection of the \$1,500,000 fine imposed by the Texas Courts upon the company.

The War Department has taken up seriously the question of how to meet attacks of airships and war balloons. While the department is handicapped by the refusal of Congress to appropriate for a fleet of airships, it feels that something at least can be done to prepare for an invasion by an aerial fleet.

No more cheap revolutions in neighboring countries will be encouraged by the easy manner in which it has been possible to purchase old arms in the United States. Orders have been issued at the War Department, stopping the selling of discarded arms of the United States.

Because a typographical error in the Congressional directory credits Congressman Choice B. Randall of Texas as being a Representative from Tennessee, the entire edition of the directory has been ordered recalled.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

The Government of Peru has issued an order prohibiting boxing matches, either public or private.

Automobiles are coming into common use in Snyder, there being seven-teen machines in the city. The splendid roads make them a convenient and rapid means of travel.

A heavy snow fell in Missouri Tuesday. The temperature dropped to below the freezing point. Fears are entertained that the large apple and peach orchards will be damaged.

One dead and a number of persons seriously injured are the results of a severe wind storm in Pittsburg, Pa., and vicinity Tuesday. The property loss amounts to a thousand dollars.

President Taft has declined to interfere in the case of Joaquin Segura, who was convicted on the Panama Canal zone of murder, and the sentence of death will be carried out on May 7.

A medal of gold, a gift of the French Government, to commemorate the restoration of San Francisco from the fire and earthquake of three years ago, is to be presented in person to the authorities of the city by Ambassador Jusserand between May 20 and 25.

Tuesday the Upple on mine No. 3, owned by the Rock Island Coal Company at Haristhorne, Okla., was destroyed by fire. Only one man was in the mine at the time, but he escaped without injury. The loss is \$10,000.

It is understood that President Taft intends to send a message to Congress on the subject of the tariff. The President has gone to New York, but according to trustworthy information he left a message on this subject with his secretary.

The Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture will make no change in the quarantine regulations affecting Osage County, as requested by the Southern cattle shippers on Thursday. This request was that the line be moved north of Osage county. The vote was 8 to 1.

As a result of the wheat market, flour in the last two weeks has advanced 50c a hundred pounds in St. Paul, and further substantial advances may be expected. Friday there was an advance of 10c a hundred, and the ruling quotation today was \$7 a barrel, or \$3.50 a hundred.

James A. Tawney of Minnesota Wednesday addressed a communication to Secretary Knox, in which he suggests that the State Department open negotiations with the Government of Mexico looking to better protection of Americans who travel on the railroads in that country.

"Night riders" are terrorizing land owners and tenants in the vicinity of Harriman's Ferry, south of Washington, Ind.

Costs of \$14,650 were taxed against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, respondent in the recent ouster suit decided adversely by the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri.

An investigation by the Des Moines Tuberculosis Association has resulted in the discovery that six out of every ten children examined are infected with tuberculosis. It is proposed to isolate infected children.

Tire broke out in Cordell, Okla., Monday on the east side of the square, with a loss estimated at \$35,000. Mrs. Mary Ann Alewino, Tennessee's oldest resident, died Monday at her son's home near Dandridge, Tenn., aged 112 years.

The most important feature of the situation in the Turkish capital Monday was the report that Sultan Abdul Hamid had abdicated.

William Lycett, well known as an artist and especially as a china painter, killed himself by shooting at his home in Atlanta, Ga., Thursday.

A nitroglycerin factory at Gordon, Ill., was destroyed by an explosion. It is reported thirty men were killed. The explosion was felt thirty miles.

The highest price paid for cash wheat in St. Louis in thirty-one years was recorded Thursday, when sales of No. 3 red were made at \$1.47 and \$1.50.

Tag day in Waco Saturday resulted in a fund not yet counted, but considerable, which will be invested by the Civic League in the beautification of the city.

Saturday morning at 3 o'clock the safe in the store of H. B. Hale of Iberis was blown open with nitro-glycerine and about \$300 in cash secured by the cracksmen.

Wednesday a cattleman named Summers, who resided in Llano, Texas, fell between the cars of a cattle train near Aubrey, and was mangled, death being instantaneous.

A negro ran amuck with a shotgun and revolver in Richmond, Va., Monday, wounded three citizens and a policeman. Finally captured after a desperate encounter in heart of shopping district.

President Taft will inaugurate in Washington next November an inter-denominational missionary campaign, which promises to be the greatest concerted movement ever made for the extension of Christianity.

Harvey W. Scott of Portland, Ore., is to be the American Ambassador to Mexico, to succeed David E. Thompson of Nebraska, who will leave the diplomatic service.

The Ninth annual convention of the Texas Bill Posters and Distributors' Association, after completing its business and enjoying a banquet and automobile ride over Waco, adjourned Friday to meet next year at Dallas.

Col. Henry Exall, Dallas, president of the Harness Horse Breeders' Association of Texas, has issued a call for a meeting of that organization, to be held in the auditorium of the chamber of Commerce at 2 p. m. Thursday, April 22.

Four men held in Ada, Okla., in connection with the killing of former United States Marshal Gus Bobbit were hanged by a mob at 3 o'clock Monday morning. The men lynched were: James B. Miller, of Fort Worth, Jessie West of Canadian, Joseph Allen of Canadian, E. B. Burrell of Duncan, Oklahoma.

More than 100 farmers have already entered the contest in the Tyler trade territory for premiums, amounting to \$110, offered by the demonstration work department to those planters in that section who will produce the largest yield of cotton or corn on one acre of land.

It is reported in the City of Mexico that the Waters-Pierce Oil Company has joined forces with the Eagle Oil Company, controlled by Pearson & Sons of England. This combination ends the great oil war which has been on in Mexico for the last six months. The capital stock of the new company will be \$30,000,000.

Secretary of State Knox, it was stated Monday, will cable William Heimke, the United States Minister to Guatemala, to demand that the Guatemalan Government punish a band of natives who maltreated and lynched William Wright, an American negro, at Livingston, Guatemala, on the night of Dec. 15, 1903.

Rise in the price of flour until the mills in America are selling spring wheat flour at \$7 a barrel, or \$1.25 more than a year ago, is brought to light as one of the effects of the present condition of the wheat market and the country's supply of the cereal.

It ranking cares enough about it to put out about \$10,000,000, there is no very good reason why the human race should not be able to talk with Mars—and that so soon as July—according to Prof. William Henry Pickering, Harvard University celebrated astronomer.

One fireman was killed, two fatally injured and several others were slightly hurt Tuesday when a wall collapsed during a fire at the pottery plant of the Sherwood Brothers' Company at New Brighton, Pa.

The Moslem fanaticism against the Christians of Adana in Asiatic Turkey appears to have broken out afresh. The Moslem attacks recommenced Friday afternoon and continued through out the night. Large numbers of Christians are said to have been killed. One report says that sixty Armenians have lost their lives and that many houses have been looted and burned.

That the flat passenger rate of 3 1/2 cents a mile will become the permanent fare in Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, Iowa and Nebraska on all the principle railroads, is the general opinion among traffic officials, as the result of announcements made by the Burlington, the Frisco and the Rock Island.

Fire broke out at Cedarville, Tex., near west of Mineral Wells, on the Mineral Wells and Palo Pinto road, in the cedar brakes, Thursday, and has been raging ever since, burning a radius of about twelve miles.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have no lease a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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Look for the spear.

AGAIN READY FOR BUSINESS

Jones & McGowen have opened up for business in the building first door east of Coffee & Huckeba where they will be glad to meet their customers. They also wish to thank the people for the liberal patronage given them in the past and respectfully solicit a continuance of same at their new stand

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"Special Proposition."

Mr. R. T. Piner now lives in the beautiful Fairview Heights Addition. This addition is entirely surrounded by substantial homes, and it is the prettiest addition to the city. I have a special proposition to twenty good men who will build homes costing \$1000.00 or over. Will sell you three or six lots each each for \$100.00 per lot. (\$25.00 extra for corners.) If you want to be assured of getting good water, select lots south of a line drawn from my well and Mr. Spanes' well. Mr. Piner and Earle Read will show you the property. While these are cash prices, we do not need all the money if you need it in your building. Remember this special price is only to twenty. Tell your friend of this and he will thank you when he secures one of the prettiest locations in the city.

H. Clay Read.

NOTICE!

I will stand the Registered German Coach Stallion at the big stall wagon yard, Big Springs, Texas, on May 3rd to May 8th, and those wishing to see him will please call there on these dates.

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G. T. Walker of Auto was in town Saturday.

The store that has stood the test. Reagan's Drug Store.

A. P. Echols of Coahoma was in town Saturday.

Our stock of drugs is complete. R. L. McCamant & Co.

Nice line of cigars and tobaccos at Posey Music House. 21-1f

Mrs. Henry Simpson was among the shopping ladies from the country last week.

All ladies novelties and underwear now at Ayers & Ball's.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-1f

W. S. Willis, of Willis-Barnes Land Co., of Lamesa, was here Saturday.

Ayers & Balls is head quarters for good hosiery.

Take Iron Tonic Pills, the great nerve tonic. At Ward's. 12-1f

Lewis Armstrong has been layed up during the past week with a case of mumps.

Try a pair of those "Kady" suspenders at Ayers & Balls.

If it is not right, will make it right. Reagan's Drug Store.

Attend the bazaar to be given by the Catholic ladies Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

All kinds of muslin underwear at Ayers & Balls.

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

Ben Thompson, druggist at Stanton, spent Sunday and Monday here with R. L. McCamant.

Ayers & Balls is headquarters for men and boys clothing.

It will pay you to trade at the store that has stood the test. Reagan's Drug Store.

Prof. C. E. Thomas, who has been quite sick several days with pneumonia, is reported better.

Elegant ladies kirts just received at Ayers & Balls.

We sell the celebrated Bush and Gerts pianos and organs. Posey Music House. 21-1f

C. L. Alderman and W. E. Carnrike are attending the Grand Conclave of Knight Templars in El Paso.

A swell line of pants, the Flat Iron and Sweet-Orr make at A. P. McDonald Co's.

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

Bose Reader has returned from Bliss, Oklahoma, where he went to carry some cattle of John Guitar.

Laces and embroiders "Galore" and the prices are the lowest at Ayers & Balls.

For pianos, organs, sheet music and all kinds of musical goods, call on the Posey Music House.

J. C. Hale and A. M. McCright of Coahoma are Big Springs visitors today.

That ladies suit at Ayers & Balls is a beauty and is only \$5.

We handle the best makes, and largest variety of shirts. See them at A. P. McDonald & Co's.

FOR SALE—Three choice lots in the east part of town. For price call at this office.

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

G. D. Hunt, Deputy Collector Internal Revenue, was in the city a few days this week on business matters.

Fire, Lightning, Cyclone, Plate Glass, Automobile and Livestock Insurance. See R. T. PINER, Big Springs, Texas. 23-2f.

For headache take Favorite Headache Tablets. Sold at J. L. Ward's. 12-1f.

Our new serial story "The Lion's Share" starts with this issue. If you are not a subscriber begin now so you will get all the story.

The Meeting at Lubbock a Howling Success.

The meeting of Commercial Clubs and newspaper men at Lubbock this week has passed into history as one among the most important gatherings held in the plains country. The object of this meeting was to formulate plans to bring in closer touch the newspaper men and commercial clubs with the followers of agriculture and stock raising. Soon after the meeting had been called to order by the Secretary of the Lubbock Commercial Club, it went into organization of the South Plains Commercial Clubs and Newspaper men, with A. W. Calahan as President, and Don Biggers Secretary. After transacting the unfinished business to come before the body the line of new business was taken up, the principal point being in regard to the best place to locate the West Texas Normal School, in which all seemed to favor Big Springs as the most convenient point anyway all delegates bound themselves together to centralize at some point in the plains country, and this place seemed to be the best to all interested.

The next meeting will be at Crosbytown during the second week in May, to which place the club will furnish transportation to all delegates from points in the south plains country.

The meeting was unanimous in its praise of the fine treatment received from the good people of Lubbock.

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Potato spirit is a very pure alcohol. It is used to fortify white wines. Many a headache is not so much due to the grape as the potato.

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Let the carpenter try as they will, they cannot escape yours truly. THE POTATO.

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In arranging for painting, a good many property-owners try to save money by employing the painter who offers to do the job cheapest—or try to save money by insisting on a low priced paint. But no property-owner would run such risks if he realized what must be taken into consideration in order to get a job that will wear and give thorough satisfaction.

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GOING THE PACE.



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Snail—Yes, one must move with the times, you know.

Perfectly Reckless.

The members of the church voted that their dearly-beloved and devoted pastor should have a vacation, and so he decided that he would visit a brother-worker in the neighboring village. This good brother recognizing his fellow-worker in the Lord way back among the congregation, on Sunday morning, and wishing to show every courtesy, asked him to lead in prayer. But the visitor calmly replied: "You'll have to excuse me, dear brother, I'm on my vacation."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Not Our Discovery.

The Greek, Eratosthenes, 250 B. C., taught the doctrine of the roundity of the earth, and the ideas of the sphere, its poles, axis, the equator, arctic and antarctic circles, equinoctial points and the solstices were quite generally entertained by the wise men of that time. There were plenty of men in Rome, therefore, who were prepared to talk about the earth as a sphere and to make globes illustrating their ideas.

"COFFEE DOESN'T HURT ME"

Tales That Are Told.

"I was one of the kind who wouldn't believe that coffee was hurting me," says a N. Y. woman. "You just couldn't convince me its use was connected with the heart and stomach trouble I suffered from most of the time."

"My trouble finally got so bad I had to live on milk and toast almost entirely for three or four years. Still I loved the coffee and wouldn't believe it could do such damage."

"What I needed was to quit coffee and take nourishment in such form as my stomach could digest."

"I had read much about Postum, but never thought it would fit my case until one day I decided to quit coffee and give it a trial and make sure about it. So I got a package and carefully followed the directions."

"Soon I began to get better and was able to eat carefully selected foods without the aid of pepsin or other digestants and it was not long before I was really a new woman physically."

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"There's a Reason."

Send read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE

MEACHUM-GREER COMBINATION MEASURE MAY SOLVE BANK GUARANTY PROBLEM.

GOVERNOR SENDS MESSAGE

Offering by Representative Jenkins Promises to Kick up Quite a Row.

Austin: Gov. Campbell Tuesday submitted two new subjects of legislation, making twenty-six thus far submitted.

That anti-trust bill which Representative Jenkins has introduced for the third time, having for its prime purpose the expulsion of the State-Waters-Pierce Oil Company from the State—that is, to prevent its coming back through any process of reorganization—promises to kick up quite a row, since it has been discovered that it will probably cause a lot of Texas corporations and citizens a great deal of trouble.

The bill declares no person who was an officer, director or member of an executive committee of any corporation convicted of violating the anti-trust laws of this State, shall be eligible to act as an incorporator of any corporation under the laws of this State or to hold stock in same or in any foreign corporation doing business in Texas. It declares that no charter or permit shall be granted to any corporation having such person for a stockholder, and that the charter or permit of any corporation which has such a person for a stockholder shall be forfeited.

It now looks like a guaranty bill might be passed before this session of the Legislature ends, although the Senate Committee on Insurance has as yet held no meeting upon the subject. The bill which it seems may solve the problem is the Meachum-Greer bill introduced in the Senate Tuesday, and in which Senators Meachum and Greer have been joined by Senators Peeler and Harper. The three of these Senators first named were the supporters of the Senter-Hume substitute at the first called session. Their votes added to the fourteen Senators voted for the mutual guaranty plan at the first called session would throw the scale against the Senter-Hume substitute. The Meachum-Greer bill is a combination of the Cureton and Senter-Hume bills, with a number of innovations as to each and important changes in the provisions.

Austin: Petitions are now pouring in to the Senate from business men, farmers and others protesting against the passage of the Cureton bank guaranty bill which is now up to the Senate, and favoring the passage of the Hume-Senter substitute.

Quite a stir was created in the Senate by one petition which was numerously signed from farmers and business men of Henderson County, the home of Representative Mobley, who is one of the joint authors of the Cureton bill. This petition was to the effect that 75 per cent of the voters of Henderson County are opposed to the Cureton bill. Senator Hoisey, who favors the Cureton bill, had the names

New Bills Introduced.

The following bills were introduced in the House:

No. 22, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing for the summoning of jurors by registered mail.

No. 23, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing that subpoenas may be served by telephone or mail.

No. 24, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Providing for the filing of the original memoranda of bills of exception.

No. 25, by Messrs. Cureton and Crawford: Defining how subpoenas shall be served. A companion bill to that above, providing for the serving by telephone or mail.

No. 26, by Mr. Maddox: Extending the terms of court of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District.

The following imperfect synopsis is the best that can be given under the circumstances:

By Mr. Crockett of Washington et al.: Appropriating \$100,000 for the benefit of the iron industry at the Rusk penitentiary.

By Mr. Jenkins: Prescribing the method of pleading in civil cases in the District and County Courts.

By Messrs. Gilmore and Mobley: Providing for the refunding of the public debt.

By Mr. Robertson of Travis et al.: Regulating the surety companies.

By Mr. Aston: Defining how applications for subpoenas for witnesses in felony cases must be made.

By Mr. Elliott et al.: Authorizing the Railroad Commission to require railroad companies to maintain Union depots.

By Mr. McCallum et al.: Authorizing the chartering of corporations for the purpose of erecting and repairing buildings, for taxicab lines and conducting an advertising and bill posting business.

By Mr. Davis: Authorizing the incorporation of street and interurban railroads, using gasoline, naphtha, de-natured alcohol and similar power.

By Mr. Jenkins: Providing for the reorganization of the Thirty-Fifth Judicial District, consisting of the counties of Cocho, McCulloch, Russell, Coleman, Mills, Brown.

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read and afterward he said they were farmers and bona fide residents of Henderson County. The petition was addressed to Governor Davidson and further stated that the people of the county commend and endorse the stand taken by the seventeen senators who stood for the Hume-Senter substitute and sound Democratic principles.

Another petition was from Ellis County protesting against the passage of any bill that will guarantee deposits, saying such a proposition was Socialistic and Populistic and unjust. One petition to Senator Senter was from Tarrant County, along the same lines and one also to Senator Real from San Antonio.

When the Senate met Monday morning the Governor's message sending up eight more subjects for consideration and which was read in the House last week and mentioned in these dispatches, was read.

Under a suspension of the rules the Senate general deficiency bill carrying \$90,000 appropriation was passed; also the bill creating the Amarillo independent school district was passed; the bill transferring the pure food, the Galveston-quarantine and the Tyler bond subsidy funds; the general revenue fund; also passed Alexander's bill permitting the incorporation of interurbans to be operated by gas, naphtha and other motive power; also passed the Stamford school district bill.

The Senate accepted an invitation to take in the festivities at San Antonio Wednesday, presented through Senator Real.

Both Houses of the Legislature Monday cleared their calendars of all bills reported by committees and returned from the print shop, except for the Rusk penitentiary railroad bill, which had been set for a special order for Tuesday, and was permitted to stand for that time.

Governor Sends Message.

The message which Gov. Campbell delivered to the Legislature through Senator Cofer, chairman of the Senate notification committee, on Monday morning to the effect that he had already sent the Legislature a communication and expected to communicate with it further from time to time, seems not to have been a mere pleasantry.

Having previously submitted subjects of legislation to the second called session at the rate of sixteen subjects to one session, he handed the Legislature another package containing eight more subjects, making a total of even two dozen subjects up to date. And only one of these subjects pertain to local legislation. All of the rest are hefty. Some of them are calculated to take up much time.

Against Official Final Bill.

Before the House Committee of Appropriations reported the general appropriation bill Friday it adopted an amendment offered by Mr. Nickolla, which provides that no part of the universal appropriation shall be available for the purposes mentioned in the bill in case the university authorities shall "permit the benefits to be derived from its expenditure to be jeopardized by allowing the 'final bill' or 'final reception' or other such functions to be given or carried out in the name or by the authority of such institution, directly or indirectly, or in connection therewith in any way."

Regarding Experiment Stations.

Austin: The bill passed at the second called session of the Legislature in relation to agricultural experiment stations not only provides for additional stations, which was the original object, but it also makes radical changes as to the management and control of all such stations.

Heretofore these stations have been under the control of the board of directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and immediately under the management of the directors of experiment stations elected by said board.

The new bill starts out with the proposition that the new experimental stations shall be "under the care, control, management and direction of the director of agricultural experiment stations of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas."

House Appropriation Bill.

The House appropriation bill has been completed.

It is practically identical with the bill framed by the Senate committee. The total for the first year is \$4,856,231, second year \$3,932,830, a grand total of \$8,789,061.

Governor Signs Bills.

The Governor Thursday signed the following bills:

The House bill exempting the State from making bond in appeals in civil cases.

Senate bill making it a felony to pursue the occupation or business of selling intoxicating liquors in a local option territory.

Senate bill appropriating \$7,000 for the mileage and per diem of second called session of the Thirty-First Legislature.

The Governor Thursday signed two bills. The first was the message passed in the second called session amending the Upshur County road law. The second was the Senate bill fixing the time of holding court in the Galveston-Houston Criminal District.

IN THE SENATE

Austin: Senator Terrell of McLennan introduced a bill Friday requiring railroads to provide suitable and adequate freight and passenger depots and keep the passenger depots lighted.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Monday morning between 2 and 3 o'clock, one of the show windows of Joseph Roth's jewelry store, New Braunfels, was broken and \$200-worth of jewelry stolen.

The City Council of San Antonio has passed an ordinance to prevent the erection of any tuberculosis sanitarium in the city limits of San Antonio.

Miss Marie Monehan, an employe of the Denver Eating House at Amarillo, was killed Friday night by her horse running away and colliding with a moving street car.

The Sulphur Springs Commercial Club has received from Mrs. Junell, living three miles south of Cumby, a mammoth hen egg, which balances the scale at four ounces.

A proposition has been made by the Santa Fe Railroad to build to Snyder, the consideration to be a bond for right of way across the county, and depot grounds in Snyder.

The fire that has been raging for the last few days in the cedar brakes 10 miles west of Mineral Wells was put out Saturday. The exact damage so far has not been obtained.

Saturday was tag day in Mount Pleasant. The day was set apart to the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, under whose direction the work was carried out.

The Texas State Oratorical contest, held at the auditorium in Waco, Friday, resulted in a victory for Fort Worth University, R. P. Lightfoot of that institution taking first place.

The corner in wheat, which has already resulted in the increase in the price of bread in some sections, has revived interest in the legislation to prohibit dealing in futures in farm products.

Reports received in Dallas tell of rains in various sections of Texas Monday. No heavy falls are reported, but the fact there was some rain encouraged many in their hopes for good rains soon.

With representatives of every large hardware jobbing house in the State present, the annual convention of the Texas Hardware Dealers' association was convened Monday morning in Houston.

In the postponement of the temporary injunction hearing relative to the transportation of Texas cattle into Osage County, Oklahoma, shippers will have about all the time required in which to get their cattle located on Osage pastures.

A wreck occurred on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway about seven miles from Sinton, Tex., Thursday, resulting in eight freight cars going into the ditch, two carrying stone, three lumber, one oranges, one bananas, and one beer. Five of the cars were destroyed.

The Court of inquiry, which is to pass upon the application for re-enlistment of the negro soldiers who were discharged from the army for alleged complicity in the shooting up of Brownsville in August, 1906, will begin its sessions during the coming week.

Amarillo is now experiencing the greatest building activity in its history; costly residences are being constructed on choice sites in the outskirts of town, the new packing houses is being rapidly completed and various business and railroad structures have either just been finished, or are in course of construction or are being planned.

Reports received in Ft. Worth Monday from far Western Texas points say that cattle are dying in their tracks by the hundreds from starvation. There is no more grass because of the long drought and the plains appear as barren wastes in several localities. Rain has not fallen for six months in a number of localities.

The 12-year-old son of J. L. Downs, living in Boggy Bend, found a 44-caliber rifle cartridge in the bottom. He carried it home, and while pecking on a plank with it the cartridge exploded, mangleing three of his fingers.

Al Lewis, living north of Tyler has made an enviable record this season in the raising of strawberries. He has picked and sold nearly \$600 worth of berries on six acres of ground.

An enthusiastic meeting was held in Denton Thursday, of thirty representative business men to organize a permanent commercial organization.

Twenty-five car loads of fat cattle were shipped to market from Snyder, Friday.

The anticipated letter of Prof. E. B. Coulter, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Texas, requesting County Superintendents and teachers of the various schools throughout the State to call meetings of the people of their respective districts at their schoolhouses for April 20, has been issued. It marks another step in the effort begun by the Commission on Country Life looking to the improvement of conditions on the farm throughout the Nation.

A heavy rain fell in Comstock, Tuesday morning, which was much needed by the farmers. During the rain a small cyclone struck the south part of the city, blowing several residences down.

Representatives of cattle shippers appeared before the Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture Thursday and asked that a proclamation be issued placing the State quarantine line north of Osage County on June 1, which would have the effect of admitting Southern cattle there for grazing purposes.

AILING WOMEN.

Keep the Kidneys Well, and the Kidneys Will Keep You Well.

Sick, suffering, languid women are learning the true cause of bad backs and how to cure them. Mrs. W. G. Davis, of Groesbeck, Texas, says: "Backaches hurt me so I could hardly stand. Spells of dizziness and sick headaches were frequent and the action of the kidneys was irregular."



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Question of the Hour. "We are really at a loss to know how to punish Earle," she said. "We have tried all the punishment in our kindergarten list without effect. We have reasoned with him and told him that he will cease to be our pretty pet and will grow up to be a bad, bad man, and—"

"Madam," interrupted the gentleman of the old school, who was visiting them, "you will find on the trunk in my room a very excellent strap that I shall not need temporarily."

But, of course, he didn't know anything about modern methods.

What Charlie Had. Several of the scholars had returned to Sunday school after being absent some weeks on account of illness. "I had the measles," said one little girl. "I had the mumps," said another. "So did I," said a third. The superintendent heard them, and, addressing a curly-headed boy said: "Well, Charlie, you were absent, too. What did you have?"

Charlie's face flushed. He thought a moment and then sang out in high treble: "I had a little brudder!"—Definitor.

\$100 Reward, \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages. That is, Catarrh of the Bladder. It is the only disease that is not cured by the medical profession. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is a blood-purifying, acting directly upon the blood and removing all the impurities therefrom, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the system strength by building up the constitution and substituting nature in doing its work. The operation here is so much in its own nature that it is not possible to find a more powerful remedy for any case than this one. Send for list of testimonials.

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Earle, Pa.—"I suffered for five years from female troubles, and at last was almost helpless. I tried three doctors but they did me no good. My sister advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it has made me well and strong. I hope all suffering women will just give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. See it is worth its weight in gold."—Mrs. J. F. Eastlick, R. F. D. 7, Earle, Pa.

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THE LION'S SHARE

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CHAPTER I.
The Man with the Moles.

The first time that Col. Rupert Winter saw Cary Mercer was under circumstances calculated to fix the incident firmly in his memory. In the year 1903, home from the Philippines on furlough, and preparing to return to a task big enough to attract him in spite of its exile and hardships, he had visited the son of a friend at Harvard. They were walking through the corridors of one of the private dormitories where the boy roomed. Rather grimly the soldier's eyes were noting marble wainscoting and tiled floors, and contrasting this academic environment with his own at West Point. A caustic comment rose to his lips, but it was not uttered, for he heard the sharp bark of a pistol, followed by a thud, and a crackle as of breaking glass.

"Do you fellows amuse yourselves shooting up the dormitory?" said he. The boy halted; he had gone white.

"It came from Mercer's room!" he cried, and ran across the corridor to a door with the usual labeling of two visiting cards. The door was not locked. Entering, they passed into a vestibule, thence through another door which stood open. For many a day after the colonel could see just how the slender young figure looked, the shoulders in a huddle on the study table, one arm swinging nervelessly; beside him, on the floor, a revolver and a broken glass bottle. The latter must have made the crackling sound. Some dark red liquid, soaking the open sheets of a newspaper, filled the room with the pungent odor of alcohol. Only the top of the lad's head showed—a curly, silky, dark brown head; but even before the colonel lifted it he had seen a few thick drops matting the brown curls. He laid the head back gently and his hand slipped to the boy's wrist.

"No use, Ralph," he said in the subdued tones that the voice takes unconsciously in the presence of death.

"And Andy was going to help him," almost sobbed Ralph. "He told me he would. Oh, why couldn't he have trusted his friends!"

The colonel was looking at the newspaper—"Was it money?" said he; for a glance at the gabbled sheet had brought him the headlines of the stock quotations: "Another Sharp Break in Stocks. New London Records." It had been money. Later, after what needed to be done was over, after doctors and officers of the law were gone, Col. Winter heard the wretched story. A young, reckless, fatally attractive Southerner, rich friends, college societies, joyous times; nothing really wicked or vicious, only a surrender to youth and friendship and pleasure, and then the day of reckoning—duns, college warnings, the menace of black disgrace. The young fellow was an orphan, with no near kindred save one brother much older than he. The brother was reputed to be rich, according to southern standards, and young Mercer, who had just come into a modest patrimony of his own, invested in his brother's ventures. As to the character of these ventures, whether flimsy or substantial, the colonel's informant were absolutely ignorant. All they knew of the elder Mercer was that he was often in New York and had "a lot to do with Wall street." He wasn't a broker; no, he was trying to raise money to hang on to some big properties that he had; and the stocks seemed to be going at remarkable rates just now, the bottom dropping out of the market. If a certain stock of the Mercers—they didn't know the name—could be kept above 37 he would pull through. Col. Winter made no comment, but he remembered that when he had studied the morning's stock-market pages for himself, he had noted "had slump in the southern stocks," and "Tidewater on the toboggan slide; off three to four points, declining from 37 and a fraction to 33."

"Another victim of the Wall street pirates," was the colonel's silent judgment on the tragedy. "Lucky for her his mother's dead."

The next morning he had returned and had gone to his young friend's room.

The boy was still full of the horror of the day before. Mercer's brother was in Cambridge, he said—arriving that morning from New York. "Andy is going to fetch him round to get him out of the reporters' way sometime this evening; maybe there's something I can do"—this in explanation of his declining to dine with the colonel. As the two entered the room, Winter was a little in advance, and caught the first glimpse of a man sitting in a big wooden arm-chair, his head sunk on his breast. He observed with this man in his own disapproving mutings that the new-comer approached did not arouse him. He sat with knitted brows and clenched hands, staring into vacancy; the rigid and pallid features set in a ghastly intensity of thought. There was suffering in the look, but there was more; the colonel had had some living among the very best of the school, knew

deadly anger when he saw it; it was branded on the face before him. Involuntarily he fell back; he felt as if he had blundered in on a naked soul. Noiselessly he slipped out of the range of vision. He spoke loudly, halting to ask some question about the rooms; this made a moment's pause.

It was sufficient; in the study they found a quiet, calm, although rather haggard-looking man, who greeted Winter's companion courteously, with a southern accent, and a very good manner. He was presented to the colonel as Mr. Mercer. He would have excused himself, professing that he was just going, but the colonel took the words out of his mouth: "Ralph, here, has a cigar for me—that is all I came for; see you at the Touraine, Ralph, to-morrow for luncheon, then." He did not see the man again; neither did he see Ralph, although he made good, so far as in him lay, his fiction of an engagement at the Touraine. But Ralph could not come, and Winter had lunched, instead, with an old friend at his club, and had watched, through a stately Georgian window the shifting greenery of the common in an east wind.

All through the luncheon the soldier's mind kept averting from the talk in hand to Cary Mercer's face. Yet he never expected to see it again. Three years later he did see it; and this second encounter, of which, by the way, Mercer was unconscious, was the beginning of an absorbing chapter in his life. A short space of time that chapter occupied; yet into it crowded mystery, peril, a wonderful and awful spectacle, the keenest happiness and the cruellest anxiety. Let his days be ever so many, the series of events which followed Mercer's reappearance will not be blurred by succeeding experiences; their vivid and haunting pictures will burn through commoner and later happenings as an electric torch fares through layers of mist.

Nothing, however, could promise adventure less than the dull and chilly late March evening when the chapter began. Nor could anyone be less on the lookout for adventure, or even interest, than was Rupert Winter. In truth, he was listless and depressed.

When he alighted from his cab in the great court of the Rock Island station he found Haley, his old orderly, with a hand on the door-hoop. Haley's military stoicism of demeanor could not quite conceal a certain agitation—at least not from the colonel's shrewd eye, used to catch the moods of his soldiers. He struggled a kind of sigh. "Doesn't like it much more than I," thought Rupert Winter. "This is mighty kind of you, Haley," he said.

"Yes, sir," answered Haley, saluting. The colonel grinned feebly. Haley, busy repelling a youthful porter, did not notice the grin; he strode ahead with the colonel's world-worn hand-luggage, found an empty settee beside one of the square-tiled columns of the waiting room and disposed his burden on the iron-railed seat next the corner one, which he reserved for the colonel.

"The train ain't in yet, colonel," said he. "I'll be telling you—"

"No, Haley," interrupted the colonel, whose lip twitched a little; and he looked aside; "best say good-bye now; don't wait. The fact is, I'm thinking of too many things you and I have gone through together." He held out his hand; Haley, with a stony expression, gazed past it and saluted, while he repeated: "Yes, sir; I'll be back to take the bags when the train's made up." Whereupon he wheeled and made off with speed.

"Just the same damned obstinate way he's always had," chuckled the colonel to himself. Nevertheless, something ached in his throat as he frowned and winked.

"Oh, get a brace on you, you played-out old sport!" he muttered. "The game's on the last four cards and you haven't established your suit; you'll have to sit back and watch the other fellows play!" But his dreary thoughts persisted. Rupert was a colonel in the regular army of the United States. He had been brevetted a brigadier general after the Spanish war, and had commanded, not only a brigade, but a division at one critical time in the Philippines; but for reasons probably known to the little knot of politicians who "hung it up," although incomprehensible to most Americans, congress had failed to pass the bill giving the wearers of brevet titles the right to keep their hard-won and empty honors; wherefore Gen. Winter had declined to Col. Winter.

He had more substantial troubles, including a wound which would probably make him limp through life and possibly retire him from service at 50. It had given him a six months' sick leave (which he had not wanted), and after spending a month on the Atlantic coast, he was going for the spring to the Pacific. Haley, whose own term of office had expired, had not re-enlisted, but had followed him. Mrs. Haley and the baby unconspicuously bringing up the rear. It was not fair to Haley nor to Mrs. Haley, the colonel felt. He had told Haley so; he had found a good situation for the man,



At First He Did Not Recognize the Face.

and he had added the deed for a little house in the suburbs of Chicago.

If Haley wouldn't re-enlist—there never was a better soldier since he had downed a foolish young hanker for wild times and whisky—if he wouldn't go back to the army, where he belonged, let him settle down, take up the honest carpenter's trade that he had abandoned, be a good citizen and marry little Nora to some classmate in the high school, who might make a fortune and build her a colonial mansion, should the colonial still obtain in the twentieth century.

The colonel had spread a grand prospect before Haley, who listened, unresponsively, a dumb pain in his wide blue Irish eyes. The colonel hated it; but, somehow, he hated worse the limp look of Haley's back as he watched it dwindle down Michigan avenue.

However, Mrs. Haley had been more satisfactory, if none the less bewildering. She seemed very grateful over the house and the \$300 for its furnishing. A birthday present, he had termed it, with a flicker of humor because the day was his own birthday. His fiftieth birthday it happened to be, and it occurred to him that a man ought to do something a little notable on such an anniversary. This rounding of the half-century had attributes apart; it was no mere annual birthday; it marked the last vanishing flutter of the gilded draperies of youth; the fading tinkle of the light music of hope. It should mark a man's solid achievements. Once, not so long ago, Winter had believed that his fiftieth birthday would see wide and beneficent and far-reaching results in the province where he ruled. That dream was shattered. He was generous of nature, and he could have been content to behold another reap the fields which he had sowed and tilled; it was the harvest, whether his or another's, for which he worked; but his had been the bitter office to have to stand aside, with no right to protest, and see his work go to waste because his successor had a feeble brain and a quillaninous caution in place of his own dogged will. For all these reasons, as well as others, the colonel found no rest in his fiftieth birthday; and his reverie drifted dimly from one somber reflection to another until it brought up at the latest wound to his heart—his favorite brother's death.

There had been three Winter brothers—Rupert, Melville and Thomas. During the past year both Thomas Winter and his wife had died, leaving one child, a boy of 14, named Archibald after his father's uncle. Rupert Winter and the boy's great-uncle, the widow of the great uncle, were appointed joint guardians of the young Archie. To-night, in his jaded mood, he was assailed by reproaches because he had not seen more of his ward. Why, he hadn't so much as looked the little chap up when he passed through Fairport—merely had sent him a letter and some truck from

the Philippines; nice guardian he was! By a natural enough transition, his thoughts swerved to his own brief and not altogether happy married life. He thought of the graves in Arizona where he had left his wife and his two children, and his heart felt heavy. To escape musings which grew drearier every second, he cast his eyes about the motley crowd shuf, fling over the tiled floors or resting in the massive dark oak seats. And it was then that he saw Cary Mercer. At first he did not recognize the face. He only gazed indifferently at two well-dressed men who sat some paces away from him in the shadow of a great tiled column similar to his own. There was this difference, it happened: the mission lantern with its electric bulbs above the two men was flashing brightly, and by some accident that above the colonel was dark. He could see the men, himself in the shadow.

The men were rather striking in appearance; they were evidently gentlemen; the taller one was young, well set-up, clean-shaven and quietly but most correctly dressed. His light-brown hair showed a slight curl in its closely clipped locks; his gray-blue eyes had long lashes of brown darker than his hair; his teeth were very white, and there was a dimple in his cheek, plain when he smiled. Had his nose been straight he would have been as handsome as a Greek god, but the nose was only an ordinary American nose, rather too broad at the base; moreover, his jaw was a little too square for classic lines. Nevertheless, he was good to look upon, as well as strong and clean and wholesome, and when his gray-blue eyes strayed about the room the dimple deepened his cheek and his white teeth gleamed in a kind of merry good-natured pleasant to see. But it was the other man who held the colonel's eye. This man was double the young man's age, or near that; he was shorter, although still of fair stature, and slim of build. His face was oval in contour and delicate of feature. Although he wore no glasses, his brow had the far pucker of a near-sighted man. There was a mole on his cheek bone and another just below his ear. Both were small, rather than large, and in no sense disfiguring; but the colonel noted them absently, being in the habit of photographing a man in a glance. The face had beauty, distinction even, yet about it hung some association, sinister as a poison label.

"New, where," said the colonel to himself, "where have I seen that man?" Almost instantly the clew came to him. "By Jove, it's the brother!" he exclaimed. Three years ago, and he had almost forgotten; but here was Cary Mercer—the name came to him after a little groping—here he was again; but who was the pleasant youngster with him? And what were they discussing with so little apparent and so much real earnestness?

One of the colonel's physical gifts was an extraordinary acuteness of hearing. It passed the mark of a fac-

ulty and became a marvel. Part of this uncanny power was really due, not to hearing alone, but to an alliance with another sense, because Winter had learned the lip language in his youth; he heard with his eyes as well as his ears. This combination had made an unintentional and embarrassed eavesdropper out of an honest gentleman a number of times. To set off such evil tricks it had saved his life once on the plains and had rescued his whole command another time in the Philippines. While he studied the two faces a sentence from the younger man gripped his attention. It was: "I don't mind the risk, but I hate taking such an old woman's money."

"She has a heap," answered the other man carelessly; "besides—" He added something with averted head and in too low a voice to reach the listener unassisted. But it was convincing, evidently, since the young man's face grew both grave and stern. He nodded, muttering: "Oh, I understand; I wasn't backing water; I know we have lost the right to be squeamish. But I say old chap, how long since Mrs. Winter has seen you? Would she recognize you?"

The colonel, who had been about to abandon his eavesdropping as unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman, stowed away all his scruples at the mention of the name. He pricked up his ears and sharpened his eye, but was careful lest they should catch his glance. The next sentence, owing to the speaker's position, was inaudible and invisible; but he clearly caught the young man's response:

"You're sure they'll be on this train?"

And he saw the interlocutor's head nod:

"The boy's with them?"

An inaudible reply, but another nod. "And you're sure of Miss Smith?"

This time the other's profile was toward the listener who heard the reply: "Plumb sure. I wish I were as sure of some other things. Have we settled everything? It is better not to be seen together."

"Yes, I think you're put me wise on the main points. By the way, what is the penalty for kidnaping?"

Again an averted head and hiatus, followed by the younger man's sparkling smile and exclamation: "Wow! Riskier than football—and even more fun!" Something further he added, but his arms hid his mouth as he thrust them into his greatcoat, preparing to move away. He went alone; and the other, after a moment's gloomy meditation, gathered up coat and bag and followed. During that moment of arrested decision, however, his features had dropped into sinister lines which the colonel remembered.

"Dangerous customer, or I miss my guess," mused the soldier, who knew the passions of men. "I wonder—they couldn't mean my Aunt Rebecca? She's old; she has millions of money—but she's not on this train. And there's no Miss Smith in our deck. I'm so used to plotting I go off on fake hikes! Probably I'm getting old and dotty. Mercer, poor fellow, may have his brain turned and be an anarchist or a bomb-thrower or a dirty kidnaper for revenge; but that boy's a decent chap; I've licked too many second lieutenants into shape not to know something of youngsters."

He pushed the idea away; or, rather, his own problems pushed it out of his mind, which went back to his ward and his single living brother. Melville had no children, only his wife's daughters, who were both married—Melville having married a widow with a family, an estate and a mind of her own. Melville was a professor in a state university, a mild, learned man whom nature intended for science but whom his wife was determined to make into the president of the university.

"Even money which will win," chuckled Rupert Winter to himself. "Millicent hasn't much tact; but she has the perseverance of the saints. She married Mel; he doesn't know, but she surely did. And she bosses him now. Well, I suppose Mel likes to be bossed; he never had any strenuous opinions except about the canals of Mars—Valgame dios!"

With a gasp the colonel sprang to his feet. There before him, in the flesh, was his sister-in-law. Her stately figure, her Roman profile, her gracefully gestulating hand, which indicated the colonel's position to her heavily laden attendant, a lad in blue—these he knew by heart just as he knew that her toilet for the journey would be in the latest mode, and that she would have the latest fashion of gait and mien. Millicent studied such things.

She waved her luggage into place—an excellent place—in the same breath dismissing the porter and instructing him when he must return. Then, but not until then, did she turn graciously to her brother-in-law.

"I hoped that I should find you, Bertie," she said in a voice of such creamy richness that it was hard to credit the speaker with only three short trips to England. "Melville said you were to take this train; and I was

so delighted, so relieved! I am in a most harassing predicament; my dear Bertie."

"That's bad," murmured the colonel with sympathetic solicitude; "what's the trouble? Couldn't you get a section?"

"I have my reservations, but I don't know whether I shall go to-night."

"Maybe I'm stupid, Millicent, but I confess I don't know what you mean."

"Really, there's no reason why you should, Bertie. That's why I was so anxious to see you—in time, so that I might explain to you—might put you on your guard."

"Yes?" the colonel submitted; he never hurried a woman.

"I'm going to visit dear Amy—you remember she was married two years ago and lives in Pasadena; she has a dear little baby and the loveliest home! It's charming. And she was so delighted with your wedding gift, it was so original. Amy never did care for costly things; these simple, unique gifts always pleased her. Of course, my main object is to see the dear child, but I shall not go to-night unless Aunt Rebecca Winter is on the train. If for any reason she waits over until to-morrow I shall wait also."

"Ah," sighed the colonel very softly, not stirring a muscle of his politely attentive face; "and does Aunt Rebecca expect to go on the train?"

"They told me at the Pullman office that she had the drawing-room, the stateroom and two sections. Of course, she has her maid with her and Arch—"

"Does he go, too? The colonel asked, his eyes narrowing a little.

"Yes, she's taking him to California; he doesn't seem well enough, she thinks, to go to school, so he is to have a tutor out there. I'm a little afraid Aunt Rebecca mollycoddles the boy."

"Aunt Rebecca never struck me as a mollycoddler. I always considered her a tolerably cynical old Spartan. But do you mean there is any doubt of their going? Awfully good of you to wait to see if they don't go, but I'm sure Aunt Rebecca wouldn't want you to sacrifice your section—"

Mrs. Melville lifted a shapely hand in a Delaunay gesture of arrest; her smiling words were the last the colonel had expected. "Hush, dear Bertie; Aunt Rebecca doesn't know I am going. I don't want her to know until we are on the train."

"Oh, I see, a surprise?" But he did not see; and, with a quiet intentness, he watched the color rattle Mrs. Melville's smooth cheeks.

"Hardly," returned the lady. "The truth is, Bertie Melville and I are worried about Aunt Rebecca. She, we fear, has fallen under the influence of a most plausible adventuress; I suppose you have heard of her companion, Miss Smith?"

"Can't say I have exactly," said the colonel placidly, but his eyes narrowed again. "Who is the lady?"

"I thought—I am sure Melville must have written you. But—Oh, yes, he wrote yesterday to Boston. Well, Bertie, Miss Smith is a southerner; she says she is a South Carolinian, but Aunt Rebecca picked her up in Washington, where she was with a kink of cousin of ours who was half crazy. Miss Smith took care of her and she died—she fixed a darling eye on the soldier—she died and she left Miss Smith money."

"Much?"

"A few thousands. That is how Aunt Rebecca met her, and she pulled the wool over auntie's eyes, and they came back together. She's awfully clever."

"Young? Pretty?"

"Oh, dear, no. And she's nearer 40 than 30. Just the designing age for a woman when she's still wanting to marry some one but beginning to be afraid that she can't. Then such creatures always try to get money. If they can't marry it, and there's no man to set their caps for, they try to wheedle it out of some poor fool woman!" Millicent was in earnest, there was no doubt of that; the sure sign was her unconscious return to the direct expressions of her early life in the middle west.

"And you think Miss Smith is trying to influence Aunt Rebecca?"

"Of course she is; and Aunt Rebecca is 80, Rupert. And often while people of her age show no other sign of weakening intellect, they are not well regulated in their affections; they take fancies to people and get doing and clinging. She is getting to depend on Miss Smith. Really, that woman has more influence with her than all the rest of us together. She won't bear a word against her. Why! when I tried to suggest how little we knew about Miss Smith and that it would be better not to trust her too entirely, she positively resented it. Of course I used tact, too. I was so hurt, so surprised!" Mrs. Melville was plainly aggrieved.

The colonel, who had his own opinion of the tact of his brother's wife, was not so surprised; but he made an inarticulate sound which might pass for sympathy.

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J. E. Morris returned Tuesday night from Hillsboro where he went with Mrs. Morris last Friday to visit her mother and father Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright. Mrs. Morris and children will remain over there for some two or three weeks visiting.

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Rev. W. C. Rogers will speak to young men at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening, the theme of his talk will be, "The young man's mistake."

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Richland Items.

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The Literary society is progressing nicely, with good attendance, and good programs. The debate Friday night was resolved: The negro should be expelled from United States, decision in favor of the affirmative.

A good many of Fairview young people were over Friday night. Mrs. J. W. Spears is up from a spell of lagripp.

Mr. Will Davis and wife were out from Big Springs a few days ago visiting Mrs. Davis mother, Mrs. John Cawley.

Mrs. W. B. Allen and niece of Big Springs was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lovelace a few days ago, returning home Sunday.

Miss Andra McWhorter is visiting friends and relatives at Lamesa.

The singing at this place was well attended Sunday evening; glad to see so many out, hope to have a good class in a short time.

Fred Sinclair come home a few days ago to see his father who has been quite sick for some time.

Mrs. Henry Simpson's parents and two sisters visited her Wednesday.

(We appreciate the little items of interest from our friends in different communities and hope they will try and send in some each week.—Ed.)

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Lynched in Oklahoma.

Four men who were in jail at Ada, Oklahoma, on a charge of having assassinated an ex-United States marshal, were taken from jail about 2 o'clock Monday morning and hung. They were Jim Miller of Fort Worth, Jesse West and Joe Allen of Canadian, Texas, and B. B. Burrell of Duncan, Oklahoma. Miller was well known in this part of Texas and was considered a bad man, and had killed five or six men. He was here not long ago trying to make bond for one Lightfoot, who is in jail on a charge of horse stealing. Miller always managed to be acquitted on all murder charges brought against him, but he died with his boots on as such character usually do.

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Hiram Maxim, having invented the noiseless gun, should now turn his attention to some of the spring vests.

Any white rhinoceros caught painting himself black will be dealt with as a nature faker.

Already they are staking out lions in convenient spots in Africa to amuse the coming hunter of big and ferocious game.

A California man was not awakened by his wife's screams, which frightened away a burglar. Some men have presence of mind even in their sleep.

A scientist is credited with the invention of a machine that will show whether people are telling the truth. It will not be in great demand with hunting and fishing parties.

Amid the chorus of protests that wages are not to be reduced there is the hope of more equitable conditions when the cost of living has been somewhat decreased.

If you want any excitement you can easily get up a discussion as to whether Mr. Taft is the twenty-sixth or the twenty-seventh president of the United States.

The German emperor has created some surprise by dining at a public hotel. Perhaps he is tired of that imitation champagne they serve at the palace.

Out in Kansas City a farmer came to town in his automobile and ran over a man. Here is sweet revenge for the automobile-hating rural districts. Is this way of getting even to become general?

A Kansas legislator proposes to tax all bachelors over 45, \$25 a year, despite the fact that any man who has the sand to resist the wiles of women for that length of time is entitled to a pension.

Collector William Loeb, Jr., is another comparatively young man who may be said to have taken the short-hand road to success. He still enjoys the distinction of being one of the best stenographers in the country.

Director North estimates that it will cost \$14,000,000 to take the next decennial census of the United States, and wants congress to make the necessary appropriation. Federal census-taking comes high, but it is a procedure that is essential to proper realization of national growth and material possibilities.

Porto Rico wants to be a really and truly American territory, with a delegate sitting in congress, just like Arizona, New Mexico and Alaska. A bill looking to the gratification of that desire has been introduced at Washington, and perhaps good-natured Uncle Sam will listen to the cry of his proteges.

There is nothing novel in the decree issued by the pastor of an American church against the big hats, says a writer in a Vienna paper. Toward the end of the thirteenth century great broad-brimmed hats were fashionable in Austria. They were of such huge dimensions that a face under one of them could not be recognized.

Island-planting is a new industry in Florida. The high price of land along the west coast was raised, so the enterprising citizens there started to raise islands to match the real estate prices. Old Dame Nature must be getting very much astonished at the way she is being shoved out of human way as entirely too slow for modern methods.

Each of the states is a commonwealth, that being the specific term for a Republican or Democratic form of government chosen directly by the people. Four states—Pennsylvania, Virginia, Massachusetts and Kentucky—are officially styled "commonwealths" for no other reason than that the word was adopted into the laws instead of its alternative "people," as in New York and other states.

When women will give up Easter hats in order to meet the duties of a voting citizenship, we know to a dead certainty that the self-sacrificing disposition of the mothers has been preserved through the generations. Permit a quiet tip in this connection: If fathers and husbands can be convinced that the ballot will reduce military bills to a minimum, the way to woman suffrage is made a thousand-fold easier.

A Lancashire man wrote his will on his shirt front. After he died the executors made a clean breast of it.

In closing Vladivostok as a free port, Russia has established an obstacle to trade with Siberia from this side of the Pacific; but there is a way in by the ports farther south, and traffic will have to seek another inlet. There is some satisfaction in the reflection that Russia herself will have to share the burden imposed by the abolition of free entry by the direct route.

ALREADY LONG DROUGHT IS BROKEN IN MANY SECTIONS OF THE STATE.

PRECIPITATION IS GENERAL

Northern, Eastern and Central Texas Points, Parts of Panhandle and West Texas Crops Aided.

Dallas, April 21.—Beginning yesterday morning and lasting throughout the greater part of the day, rain fell over the greater part of Northern, Central and Eastern Texas, with scattered general rains in portions of the Panhandle and Western Texas.

This, in many instances, broke a drought that had lasted for several months, and makes glad the hearts of the farmers. Scores of farmers feared a parched spring and a scorching summer. Should the rain continue for a week or thereabouts, it is the belief of those accustomed to place faith in nature in this State for their daily bread that the season is assured and that Texas this year will have a bounteous yield of field and meadow.

American Cruiser to Turkey. Washington: To afford all protection possible to American citizens and their interests in Turkey the Administration has decided to dispatch a special cruiser squadron to that country. This was decided upon by the Cabinet Tuesday. It was explained that this action was not taken because of any particularly alarming news that had been received, but simply as a precautionary measure.

To Build New Road. Mount Vernon: The St. Louis, Oklahoma and Texas Railway will begin the construction work by May 1, it is stated. A construction company is now being organized to construct this road. It is proposed to build the road from Honey Grove to Tyler and have the work completed the entire distance of 125 miles in twenty-four months.

After Speculators. Madison, Wis.: Wheat corners received legislative attention Tuesday, in a joint resolution offered in the Wisconsin Assembly, in which National legislation is requested for the investigation of the dealing not only in wheat, but in stocks upon the great exchanges of the country.

Brownsville Inquiry Soon. Washington: A complete investigation of all the circumstances connected with the shooting up of Brownsville, Texas, on the night of Aug. 13-14, 1906, will be made by the court of inquiry, which will soon meet in pursuance of an act of Congress passed last winter.

New Rails for Orient. Wichita, Kan.: Two special trains carrying the first consignment of steel rails for the gap on the Orient between Sweetwater and San Angelo passed through Wichita Tuesday evening. The rails on the trains will lay about nine miles of track.

Daughters of Republic Meet. San Antonio: Delegates to the number of more than 200 are in the city for the convention of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which opened Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the Business Men's Club. Nearly every chapter in the State is represented.

El Paso County Grass Fire. Pecos: The grass fire in El Paso County, which started more than a week ago, is still burning and can be seen plainly from Pecos, a distance of seventy-five miles.

Foot and Mouth Disease. Washington: Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture announces that the foot and mouth diseases having been entirely eradicated in this country, all quarantines on account of that disease will be raised April 24.

Medical Society Meets. Mineral Wells: The Northwestern Texas Medical Society convened here in thirty-second semi-annual session Tuesday afternoon.

Practitioners at Houston. Houston: The fifth biennial session of the Texas State Senate of the Practitioners met Tuesday in Turner Hall, with Judge D. E. Simmons, State President, in the chair. Mayor Rice welcomed the delegates and members to Houston.

Burglars Rob Pastorale. Waxahachie: Burglars broke into the pastor's study at the Methodist Church Tuesday night and stole a typewriter valued at about \$75 and \$11 worth of stamped envelopes.

To Start Flouring Mill. San Angelo: The Concho Mill and Grain Company is planning to start its flouring mill within ten days or two weeks, after which the citizens of San Angelo can partake of bread made from home-produced flour.

Franchise Tax Payments. Austin: Franchise taxes of corporations are being paid into the Department of State at the rate of \$15,000 a day. Taxes must be in by May 1, or a 25 per cent penalty attaches.

Writer in New Orleans Picayune Asserts We Are All Born with Tenderness Toward the Bad.

"All children," said a psychologist, "are born criminals. Instinctively they lie, steal, slander, torture—I don't know what. The saintliest man, a very Dr. Parkhurst of a man, were he to grow up as he began, would have a long career of bank robberies, assaults, debauches and murders, and he would die on the gallows."

"A child, as soon as it begins to toddle and limp, steals. Till you have trained a child to know that thefts are followed by spankings, would you dare to leave it alone in a candy shop?"

"It also lies. After a raid on the jam or cake, does a child admit its guilt? Of course not. It lies earnestly, doggedly."

"A child slanders and flirts. Did you ever hear a beautiful, lisping child speak in praise of its playmate? No. On the contrary, it accuses the playmate continually of horrible crimes."

"A child will get drunk if you give it the opportunity. Lack of opportunity is all that prevents children from becoming confirmed inebriates."

"It is needless to go on. Look back on your childhood. Study your evil little child heart. You'll wonder then that no curio collector cherishes a piece of your rope."—New Orleans Picayune.

BABY'S WATERY ECZEMA

Itched and Scratched Until Blood Ran—\$50 Spent on Useless Treatments—Disease Seemed Incurable.

Cured by Cuticura for \$1.50.

"When my little boy was two and a half months old he broke out on both cheeks with eczema. It was the itchy, watery, kind and we had to keep his little hands wrapped up all the time, and if he would happen to get them uncovered he would claw his face till the blood streamed down on his clothing. We called in a physician at once, but he gave an ointment which was so severe that my babe would scream when it was put on. We changed doctors and medicine until we had spent fifty dollars or more and baby was getting worse. I was so worn out watching and caring for him night and day that I almost felt sure the disease was incurable. But finally reading of the good results of the Cuticura Remedies, I determined to try them. I can truthfully say I was more than surprised, for I bought only a dollar and a half's worth of the Cuticura Remedies (Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills), and they did more good than all my doctors' medicines I had tried, and in fact entirely cured him. His face is perfectly clear of the least spot or scar of anything. Mrs. W. M. Spott or Scar, Mrs. W. M. Comer, Burnt Cabins, Pa., Sept. 15, 1908. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

GENEROUS.



Clarence Dubb—May I have this dance, Miss Sharply? Miss Sharply—Certainly! I don't want it!

When Courage Failed.

"Duke," said the heiress, eagerly, "did you see father?" "Yes."

"Well?" "We talked about the weather."

"What? Lose your nerve again? Why don't you brace up and talk like a man—a subject of a king on whose domain the sun never sets!"

"Can't," moaned the duke. "All the time I was in your father's office he kept grinning at a big painting."

"What painting?" "The battle of Bunker Hill."—Lippincott's.

Don't Lie Down. Spring is here. Your system needs toning up to fortify against the long summer's debilitating influence. Simon's Sarsaparilla will build you up, make you strong and carry you through without that usual "wary to lie down" feeling.

50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Deception. "Did a man ever kiss you against your will?" "No; but some have thought they did."—Brooklyn Life.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

The total number of sailing vessels in the world is double that of steamers.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

There is nothing more uncertain than a sure thing.

Advertisement for 'WHAT JOY THEY BRING TO EVERY HOME' featuring illustrations of children and text describing the benefits of Fig Syrup and Elixir of Senna.

Intruder Among the 'Waf' Dogs. Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale went to West Point last fall to lecture. He was lecturing in the chapel, the cadets were rigidly paying attention, erect, eyes front, each man a ramrod of military etiquette.

The Missionary Mule. "That mule," said the old farmer, "is what I call a 'missionary mule,' an' I'll tell you why: 'T' threw one man on his head, an' when the man was able to be up an' about ag'in, he went to preachin'; an' the last time the sheriff come to levy on that mule the critter kicked him 'cross the county line; whar they wuz holdin' a campmeetin' an' I'm blest if the sheriff didn't git religion an' quit runnin' fer office—'wich wuz uncommon hard to do, seein' that the office habit run in his blood. I tell you, nuthin' in this here worl' is to be despised, w'en a humble critter as a mule kin be a missionary!"

Won't Turn Loose. "I insist on saying that Hunt's Lightning Oil takes hold quicker and lets go slower of aches, pains and sore places than any other liniment I ever saw. It just won't turn loose till you're well. I never have a little ache but what I slosh it on. And ere I get the bottle corked that little ache is gone."

C. W. JACKSON, Marble Hill, Mo.

Letting Him Down Easy. A young man of very limited means, after the marriage ceremony, presented to the minister 27 large copper cents, all spread out on the palm of his right hand. "This is all I've got, parson," he said. Seeing a disappointed look in the minister's face, he added: "If we have any children we will send them to your Sunday school."—Success Magazine.

Usually They Are. "Professor, what is the meaning of the word 'monologue'?"

"My dear sir, consider the derivation of it. 'Mono' is slang for 'money,' and 'logos' means 'a word.' Monologue, words for money."

Ninety per cent. of the neuralgic headaches are attributed to eye defects.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

He who is buried in thought dodges the undertaker.

Large advertisement for 'CARDUI The Woman's Tonic' and 'PUTNAM FADELESS DYES' with illustrations and detailed text.

You Look Prematurely Old. Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

GARY & BURNS COMPANY

IF IT'S NOT GOOD WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD

YOUR SPRING SUIT

a serious question, but this season as usually we have been fortunate in securing the agency for one of the best lines of men's clothing. You can easily find a pattern that will please you, and the fit and quality are guaranteed. Prices range from \$15.00 to \$27.50.

MEN'S OXFORD

We are agents for Edwin Clapp and R. J. & R. shoes for men. Our variety of styles insures you a perfect fit, and these well known makes never fail to give satisfactory service. Prices \$4 to \$7.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Fancy hose, neckwear, vests, belts, collars, underwear and hats. We are showing the newest styles and colors.

BIG SPRINGS TEXAS MIDLAND

WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD
LET ME FIGURE WITH YOU

J. M. MORGAN
CONTRACTOR

P.O. Box 615

Phone No. 379

D. R. Wall of Abilene passed through Monday enroute to Stanton to see Mrs. Wall who is quite sick at that place.

The Catholic ladies will serve ice cream and cake at their bazaar next week, you are invited to be there.

Mrs. J. W. Wade returned to her home at Barstow this week after a few days visit with her mother, Mrs. Sparenburg.

C. C. Connell of Fort Worth was here the first of the week looking after the business of the Connell Lumber Co.

Increasing Business

We find our business has grown with such strides in the past 30 days, we were compelled to put on extra help, and we feel gratified in securing the service of Miss Ira Lipscomb, an experienced and efficient saleslady, who will have charge of our Dress Goods Department. We bespeak for her a liberal patronage of the ladies of Big Springs and surrounding country. She will gladly tender assistance and experience in any way to assist in selecting and fitting the new spring gown.



We want to be helpful to you in your merchandising; want you to feel that your best buying interest centers here; that for every dollar you spend over our counters you receive a just equivalent.

THIS WEEK NEW DRESS GOODS!

Colors: Oldrose and Lavendar in Messoline and Wool
New wine-colored hose for men, women and children

Women are buying Ladies Home Journal patterns because they please in style and fit.

Berry & Devenport

"The One Price Cash Store."

Legislative News Letter.
Special Correspondence.

Austin, Texas, April 22, '09. The first week of the third session of the 31st Legislature has ended. The lower House spent a good portion of the time fishing and the Senate held two sessions of a few hours duration and adjourned until Monday.

The Governor has submitted 25 measures for legislation, but unless more speed is put into the legislative mill, a number of bills will be left at the post.

The Bank guarantee measure has occupied the attention of the House and the Love-Cureton bill was again tossed over to the Senate where it will be turned over to the undertaker in the form of a free conference. The Senate will have nothing to do with the mutual assessment variety of bank guarantee, unless that feature is left optional, and that would kill the bill. It is freely predicted that no legislation of any consequence on bank guarantee can come from this session and the state would hardly suffer from a two years delay.

Several propositions submitted by the Governor are liable to start something. The reforming system which the state paid the Yankee book keepers \$10,000 to recommend will meet with high temperature in its travels and may melt under the rays of a southern sun. The extension of state railroad to Palestine will cause double trouble to those favoring paternalism and the only satisfactory amendment that would be made to the bill would be to extend the railroad in all directions from Rust to the border of the state. The western members, remembering how East Texans have fought to reduce passenger rates, and the effect it has had on development in their section, are not likely to take kindly to the Palestine extension.

The ugly whispering about the penitentiary management have been dignified by the legislature providing for an investigation of the affairs of the penal institution and the proposed loan of \$100,000 to this department of government comes with bad grace in view of the cloud that is now resting over that institution.

The "triple swear," full rendition bill is again to get a chance for its life on the floor of the House. It will be introduced with a sugar coating but the House will gag at the appearance of this bill and they will never give it serious consideration in the Senate. Then there is the appropriation bill which usually takes two weeks to pass and this bill will open up a lot of trouble. Members that have criticism in cold storage for the departments at Austin will have an opportunity of airing their views in the House and Senate and a lively time is expected on this bill. The easy money secured by the Water-Pierce Oil Company fine may encourage liberality in appropriation.

The Commercial Secretaries folded their tent and quietly returned to Fort Worth. The Governor gave this organization an Easter Egg by crediting the association with defeating legislation and the Secretaries gave the Governor a warm reply. It is a pretty sorap and the Secretaries seem to be more than holding their own. A number of the legislators feel that the Governor is holding them to the grindstone, but it would seem that it is the tax payer that is being held to the grindstone. He is the man that must foot the bills.

You are very cordially invited to call at Reagan's Drug Store.

Notice.
I have four choice two year old registered Hereford bulls for sale write or phone me.
I. B. Cauble,
Big Springs, Texas. 23-4w.

Notice.
Any one wanting an experienced well driller, with gasoline or horse power, write to W. D. McDonald, lock box 604, Big Springs, Texas. 2 weeks.

J. M. Proctor from out in the Reichleu community was in town Saturday.

Everything sold under a guarantee at Ayers & Balls.

The Big Springs Water Co., has ordered a new gasoline engine, and new power for the Waterworks and will overhaul all their machinery and put it in first class shape, in order to keep up with the continued growth of the town.

Miss Ira Lipscomb came in from Pilot Point Tuesday and accepted a position with Berry & Devenport, where she will have charge of the dress goods. Miss Ira comes highly recommended as a sales lady, and extends to the many friends of the store a cordial welcome.

Accuracy and competency at Reagan's Drug Store.

TIME TO ACT.


Don't Wait for the Fatal Stages of Kidney Illness. Profit By Big Springs People's Experiences.

Occasional attacks of backache, irregular urination, headaches and dizzy spells are common early symptoms of kidney disorders. It's an error to neglect these ills. The attacks may pass off for a time but return with greater intensity. If there are symptoms of dropsy—puffy swellings below the eyes, bloating of limbs and ankles, or any part of the body, don't delay a minute. Begin taking Doan's Kidney Pills, and keep up the treatment until the kidneys are well when your old time health and vigor will return. Cures in Big Springs prove the effectiveness of this great kidney remedy.

Frank Polacek, living in the eastern part of Big Springs, Texas, says: "It was two years ago that I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was then working in the shops and from a continual drinking of too much ice water my kidneys got out of order. The most severe kinds of pain would dart through my back, causing intense misery. The secretions were very irregular and too frequent. I was unable to get anything to relieve me until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking the first few doses I felt great relief and the use of two boxes made me as well as ever. Whenever I feel the least symptoms of kidney ailment I take a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills and am soon all right. My wife has used them on many occasions and has always found relief."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster—Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.



FREE BOOK

This 96 page book is Dr. Terrill's latest and best treatise on the Syphilis and Pelvic Disease peculiar to the Male Sex, and it should be in the hands of every man—young or old—in America. This book describes in a brief, simple way Dr. Terrill's original and scientific methods of treating Syphilis, Venereal, Gonorrhea, Stricture, Gleet, Gonitis, Scrophulous, Sore Throat, Sore Eyes, Scrophulous, Sore Testicles, Scrophulous, Sore Prostate, Scrophulous, Sore Uterus, Scrophulous, Sore Vagina, Scrophulous, Sore Cervix, Scrophulous, Sore Ovary, Scrophulous, Sore Fallopian Tube, Scrophulous, Sore Uterus, Scrophulous, Sore Vagina, Scrophulous, Sore Cervix, Scrophulous, Sore Ovary, Scrophulous, Sore Fallopian Tube.

FOR MEN

TERRILL MEDICAL INSTITUTE, INC.
205 MAIN STREET DALLAS, TEXAS

John B. King was in town a few days ago and had with him one of the old fashion muzzle loading guns, which was indeed a curiosity to us. Mr. King said he brought the gun to Texas in 1846.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will give a tacky social on next Friday night, April 30th. Those dressed tacky will be admitted free, all those not dressed tacky will be charged 5 cents admission.

The Philathea class of the M. E. Church will give a dime social at the residence of Mrs. Frank Tomlinson, Tuesday evening April 27th. A special program has been arranged and refreshments will be served. Everybody invited.

For plumbing work of all kinds, hot water baths and Lavaratory a specialty, see J. S. Johnson, phone 269. All orders receive prompt and careful attention. Satisfaction guaranteed.

The Spooner-Wallock Dramatic Company are billed to play all next week. This company is a favorite in West Texas, and is receiving some very flattering notices from the press.

Don Biggers, Secretary of the Lubbock Commercial Club was a pleasant caller at this office Monday.

WHITE GOODS SPECIALS!

FOR END OF THE WEEK SELLING

I was never better prepared to supply your WHITE GOODS wants than now. Having purchased a large stock of these goods, places me in a position to supply your White Goods needs, whatever they may be, at prices lower than the lowest.

Yd.-wide Chambric & Bleached Domestic
12 Yards for \$1.00

SHEER WHITE GOODS

41-inch skirt flouncing, per yard	25c
30-inch Indian linens, per yard 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c, 20c to	25c
30-inch Persian lawns, 15c to	35c
46-inch Persian lawns, per yard, 25c, 27 1-2c to	35c
36-inch linen waisting lawns, per yard, 25c to	35c
36-inch handkerchief linen, per yard, 40c to	75c
36-inch plain long cloths, per yard, 10c to	15c
Flaxon for waists, suits and underwear, per yard, 25c to	40c
27-inch barred lawns for waists, per yard, 15c to	25c

WHITE GOODS MEDIUM WEIGHT

36-inch dress linens (all pure linen) per yard, 25c to	50c
90-inch linen sheeting, per yard,	\$1.00
36-inch linen finished suitings, per yard, 10c to	25c

Large showing of Table Linen, Napkins, White Quilts, Draperies, Curtains, Towels, Crashes, etc., can be found here at the right prices.

W. P. BONNER

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Lee Kirkpatrick of Stanton was here Saturday.

Think of number 1 when you want something at the drug store and use the telephone.

Judge Shepherd passed through Monday enroute to Midland in attendance on court matters.

V. Van Gieson of Toyah is here this week having been called here by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Garrett.

Complete line of men's Four-in-hand Bat Wing String, Scarf and bow ties, new colorings at A. P. McDonald & Co's.

F. B. Boyle, formerly with the G. H. & S. A., came in this week to begin work with the T. & P. at this place.

We have it! What? Anything you want. R. L. McCamant & Co.

Be sure to attend the bazaar given by the Catholic ladies on the 26, 27 and 28, at the new Ambrose building.

The cream parlor is becoming a very attractive and popular place. Call and take a look. Reagan's Drug Store.

P. D. Burns of the North Concho country was here Wednesday to meet his daughter who came in from Bentonville, Ark.

J. M. Hull of Coahoma was here Saturday, and said the new Baptist church at that place will soon be completed.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

50
Years
the
Standard

A pure, Cream of Tartar Powder. Makes finest cake and pastry, light, flaky biscuits, delicious griddle cakes—palatable and wholesome.

No alum, no lime phosphates.

Avoid baking powders made from alum. No one can continuously eat food mixed with alum without injury to health.