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WHAT THEIR NEIGHBORS THINK OF THEM

The following letters, one by Mr. J. W. Link, an Anti-prohibitionist, who lives in Houston just across the street from Tom Ball to his brother, Geo. S. Link, and one from A. C. Buchanan, a prominent citizen of Temple who lives just across the street from Jim Ferguson, to W. P. Sampson, a well known citizen of this place, show what some of the neighbors think of them. Much of the letter to Mr. Sampson was of a business nature, and this part is omitted.

Houston Tex., June 30, 1914.
Mr. Geo. S. Link,
Spur, Texas.

Dear George:—I wrote you yesterday, a letter which I presume covered the points which you inquired about.

As stated to you in my letter yesterday, Col. Ball is a high-toned honorable gentleman, and this should answer every question without going into details.

In regard to the Houston Club, which Mr. Ferguson has endeavored to bring into this campaign, will say that it is business men's club, such as they have in every city of this character. Practically every business man in Houston is a member, and it is conducted in a dignified, high-toned manner. There is no gambling in this club, although, sometimes, social games of cards are indulged in by the members for pastime. They have a Buffet, and if a member wants a drink, it can be had, just as it can in every other first-class club in the United States. I suppose from 100 to 200 business men take their lunch there every day at noon, and any man who would try to claim that because Col. Ball is a member of this club, he is unfit for Governor, is unfit for the position himself.

Col. Ball does not drink. I have known him intimately, and I think I can safely state that for more than two years, he has not taken a drink of any kind, and prior to that time, seldom took a drink,—he was not a total abstainer, but he has never been a drunkard. I never heard of his being intoxicated.

Col. Ball is absolutely an honest man, and is sincere in every thing he does and says. There is no hypocrisy about him, and the people of this locality, who know him, know that he will do what he believes to be right. They know he never told a lie, and never will. They know he has the nerve and backbone to carry out the principles he advocates, and he will make Texas the best governor she has had in many years.

You can just put down and brand those infamous slanders which Ferguson and his crowd have endeavored to circulate, as lies from the beginning. Col. Ball has not been guilty of any conduct unbecoming a high-toned, honorable gentleman, and he will never be induced to stoop to anything of this character.

In regard to the vote in this city, will say that ordinarily this county is 5,000 majority anti. It

looked at the beginning as though Ferguson would carry the county by 2,000, but at the present time, since they have stooped to the low class of campaign, it looks as though Col. Ball would carry the county. There are thousands of anti-prohibitionists who are in no way associated or connected with the liquor traffic, who are going to support Col. Ball, and are doing so actively.

The Houston Post, Houston Chronicle, and Houston Press, all three anti papers, are supporting Col. Ball, because they believe he will be the best man. There is only one paper here, the Evening Telegram, which is largely controlled by brewery interests, that opposes him.

It looks now as though Col. Ball would break even, and probably carry South Texas, and in doing so, it is purely complimentary to his personality. An ordinary candidate could not do so. Ferguson is looked upon as weak and insincere. His tenant platform is socialistic, and gotten out purely to get votes.

It is the opinion here at Ball headquarters, that they will carry the State by 60,000 to 100,000. I went over reports made from practically every county in the State a few days ago, giving their opinion of the vote for each candidate in their respective counties, and this would indicate that Ball will carry the state by 75,000. There is not the slightest doubt but what he will carry it. It is simply a question of majority. I should not be surprised to see him get over 100,000. Even Cameron county, where Brownsville is located, will give him a majority, as will a number of counties on the Rio Grande, purely because there is a number of men there who know Col. Ball personally, and know him to be a man of character. There are some German communities in this country, where no prohibitionist can get the vote,—for instance Austin and Fayette. These counties will go for Ferguson, but there are many other counties intermingled in South Texas, now pro, where Ball will get handsome majorities that will more than offset the majorities of the German population, where Ferguson will get his best vote.

Give me your opinion as to your country. Your brother.—J. W. Link.

Temple, Tex., May 20, 1914.
Mr. W. P. Sampson,
Spur, Texas.

Dear Mr. Sampson:—No, I can not support Jim Ferguson for Governor. He lives just across the street from me, and I am sorry that I can not support him. I consider him too narrow for a banker or business where it requires tact and talent. It is attributed to him that he stated publicly here on the platform, during a prohibition campaign when some of our people were pleading with the voters to remember the young boys, he said "to H-1 with the boys, it is money in our pockets that we want." He is a man that will not discuss any little differences in business affairs like a gentleman—will lose his head and

TO VOTERS OF 105TH REPRESENTATIVE DIST.

Having served you in the 33rd Legislature, I am asking you for the second term, it being an old Democratic rule if a man does reasonably well the first term to give him the second so he can serve his people better. I assure you that I will be in much better shape to serve you in the 34th than I was in the 33rd, yet I am proud of my record in the 33rd in which I cast more than 1,000 votes and have never heard of any complaint. I have never scratched a Democrat ticket. I have always voted the ticket straight, and indorse that kind of Democracy. I refer you to my record in the 33rd Legislature, and I feel sure the good Democrats of the 105th District will indorse me.

I am especially interested in the agricultural interests of the country and will give it my special attention. When you build up the agricultural interests you build up all other business with it. Very respt.,—A. J. Hagins. (Advertisement)

FARMERS GIN GETTING READY FOR BIG CROP

Workmen were put to work Monday morning repairing the Farmers Gin and getting everything ready for the fall season. We understand that they will go through everything, and will probably add four new stands and other equipments. This enterprising firm will spare neither time nor money in making this one of the most up-to-date gin plants in West Texas, and they say that the best is none to good for this country. When completed they will be able to gin from eighty to one hundred bales of cotton per day, and expect to gin at least thirty-five hundred bales this season.

Crop prospects were never better at any time than now, and unless some untold calamity strikes us we will make the largest cotton crop in the history of farming in Dickens county. We predict that there will be from twenty to twenty-five thousand bales of cotton marketed in Spur this fall.

curse and swear around his office like a Cedar Breaker.

The tenant farmers here, that know him, think that his Farm tenant plank a huge joke that he is working off on the fellows who don't know him. He works his own farms with hired labor—mostly Mexicans.

His bookkeeper says that he did rent to a few men for third and fourth, and compelled them to pay \$500.00 a span for little Western mules in order to get the land.

If any body up there wants to know about him ask them to write to Dr. J. M. Murphy, his nearest neighbor, for facts.

Wishing you success, I am, Yours very truly,—A. C. Buchanan.

(Advertisement)

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

The people of Gilpin are enjoying the hot summer weather, and crops are looking fine.

Rev. W. B. Bennett filled his regular appointment at Duck Creek Saturday and Sunday. A large crowd was present.

P. E. Hagins and family were the guests of Hon. A. J. Hagins and family Saturday and Sunday.

Willie Hagins and Jack Hawkins made a flying trip to Spur Saturday.

The ice cream supper given by Rev. W. B. Bennett Friday night was largely attended and enjoyed by everyone.

Lewis and Eula Bowman and Bill and Bertha Holloway attended the cream supper at Rev. W. B. Bennett's.

Buster Bural has been seen at Mr. Bennett's several times here lately.

Mrs. Z. V. Smith and childen have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlisle the past week.

C. M. Carlisle is on the sick list this week.

W. A. Dooley and family, of Girard, attended the cream supper at Rev. Bennett's Friday night.

Buster Bural has sold his buggy. Wonder why?

A large number of people worked Zeal Taylor's crop out Monday.

Everyone is preparing to take in the picnic at Girard.

Several Gilpin and Girard people attended the meeting at Bonds Chapel Sunday.—A School Chap.

ENTERTAINS 42 CLUB

Mrs. C. F. Cates entertained the Forty-Two Club Friday evening at her home in the west part of the city. Six tables were arranged for the games, after which delicious refreshment of ice cream and Angel cake were served. Mrs. Cates, on this as well as all other occasion, proved herself a most charming and entertaining hostess.

Gladys, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jones of several miles southwest of Spur, was operated on a few days ago at the Standifer Hospital for appendicitis. She is reported doing nicely.

E. B. Shaw and W. T. Lovell, of Draper, R. L. Overstreet, of Dickens, and J. C. Stephens, of Afton, are attending a District meeting of the Farmers Union at Wichita Falls this week.

Uncle Jimmie Jones, Jake Scott, R. C. Forbis, and W. A. Wilkinson left Tuesday for the Llano on a fishing and hunting expedition. They will be gone ten days or two weeks.

Ruth Murry, of the West Pasture, underwent an operation at the Standifer Hospital this week for appendicitis. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Murray.

E. J. Cairnes, owner of the Faddle Ranch, was brought to Spur the first of the week for medical treatment. We understand that Mr. Cairnes has pneumonia.

BALL CANDIDACY MEETS FAVOR OF ADMINISTRATION

Houston, Tex., July 14.—That both President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan look with favor upon the gubernatorial candidacy of Thomas H. Ball is evidenced in correspondence made public yesterday from the primary campaign headquarters here. The President by a personal letter, and Mr. Bryan through a lengthy explanation issued, sets forth that the Houston man is considered a progressive Democrat, and his election would be classed as a valuable asset to the Administration forces throughout the country.

"I think Mr. Ball would make a first-class Governor, and nothing that I have said justifies any statement to the effect I was opposing him," Mr. Bryan explained, referring to a series of articles appearing in a weekly publication, of which he is the editor, in connection with corporation-controlled officials. He added: "I remember distinctly his firm stand at the Baltimore convention with other Democrats from Texas on support of the resolution against Morgan, Belmont and Ryan."

The following letter from President Wilson, dated the White House, July 10, is directed to the Governorship aspirant and is self-explanatory:

"My Dear Col. Ball: Some of your utterances in the present campaign in Texas have reached me and I can not let them go by without expressing to you my deep appreciation of the splendid and unequivocal way in which you are lending your support to the National Administration. This is but a fresh evidence of what I have always deeply appreciated in your attitude toward me personally and toward my leadership of the party, but it gives me fresh pleasure and strengthens my feeling of gratitude and sincere friendship. The progressive forces of the country are at last gaining cohesion and irresistible force. Cordially and sincerely yours." (Advertisement)

A great cry was raised that the injunction suit brought by Attorney General Looney against The Business Mens Association was for political purposes, only, as Tom Ball had made the statement that the Association was contributing funds to defeat him and elect Jim Ferguson Governor. Attorney General Looney has repeatedly announced that the Association could file a motion to dissolve the injunction at any time, but now comes a part of the Corporation involved and asks the perpetuation of the injunction which is virtually a plea of guilty to the charges, and yet Jim Ferguson claims the corporations are behind Tom Ball. (Advertisement)

Marsh Taylor, of the Silver Lake Stock Farm, brother of our townsman W. S. Taylor, underwent an operation a few days ago at the Standifer Hospital for appendicitis. We are glad to note that he is doing nicely.

The Way We Dance Nowadays



Everywhere the Modern Steps Have Gained a Foothold—Original Ugly Innovations Which Appeared When the Craze Started Have All Lost Caste, While the Onestep, Hesitation, Tango and Maxixe Are the Thing.

THE tango reigns. From Paris and Deauville, which they nicknamed Tangoville last summer, to San Francisco, where they have had to rope off the streets and provide municipal music and lights for the public to dance, everybody is doing it now.

It was only a little over a year ago that society leaders were condemning the Argentine dances, that girls in fashionable New York schools were being made to promise that they would not learn the new dances in their vacation, that the junior cotillion buds were allowed to have their annual dance only on condition that they refrain from the turkey trot and tango. A little over a

year ago! Today many churches have engaged teachers to instruct the youth of the congregation in the mysteries of the new dances.

The tango craze struck the big New York hotels about a year ago and raged through the summer in the livelier restaurants in spite of Mayor Gaynor and the purists. This summer, however, no hostelry, be it ever so aristocratic, has been able to resist the fever. The

escape the eagle eyes of chaperons for an innocent cup of tea after shopping. This is doubtless one of the secrets of the success of the tango—that it requires such a comparatively small space. Persons who would not be willing to spend time or money to adjourn to a ballroom after dinner find that they are just in the mood for a dance when they need not exert themselves further than to rise from their chairs and dance. The older people, who were banished from the old ballroom because they were always in the way, found that they could sit around the rim and watch the tango. Then they saw that it was a comparatively slow and easy dance, so they tried it themselves.

The result is one of the marvels of the day. It is not only the young folk who tango, but middle aged business men and women who might be suspected of doing it as flesh reducers were it not for the beam of joy which illumines their countenances such as was never seen on the face of a gymnast. It is doing the old folks good, of course. Now they get little else.

clear. Although it has been suggested that it came from the Spanish "tango-nette," which is a form of castanet, there is no need to go so far from the essentials of the dance to find its name. There are the Latin "tango" and the Spanish "tangir," meaning "to touch." The first person of this verb is "tango, I touch," referring, of course, to the

proximity of the partners as they go through its various evolutions. Although all the modern dances have generally been known as the tango, of late, as they have each grown more popular, we are beginning to get used to the terms "hesitation," "maxixe" and "one step." These are being spoken with as much frequency in the ballroom and elsewhere as the "tango," which is really a dance by itself. The

one step is what is left of the old turkey trot after it was toned down, and the maxixe came to us from Brazil through Paris, while the hesitation originated in Paris. The origin of the game is equally

Topics of the Sport World

By SQUARE DEAL

Ty Cobb Picks Detroit.

A manager and two stars assure Detroit's baseball public that the team of 1914 will be a winner. Hugh Jennings, George Moriarty and Tyrus Cobb have written their tickets on the team and they declare that the only thing that can keep the Tigers out of the race is a series of serious injuries—injuries that would affect the entire defensive and offensive strength of the team. George Moriarty and Tyrus Cobb go their manager one better by declaring Detroit has a pennant contender. Jennings strings along with the Athletics and the Nationals as the expected fighters. Moriarty and Cobb combine in saying that the present team is better than any Detroit outfit since 1909 and this means—well, it gives assurance of something a whole lot better than a sixth place club.

Coombs to Return to Game.

John Coombs, the Athletics' famous pitcher, will soon be able to get into the game again as strong as ever. That is the statement given out by the physicians who examined him. Coombs has been wearing a specially made brace to support his back since leaving the hospital last fall. This was removed some time ago, when Coombs went to Philadelphia to be examined by Dr. J. B. Carnett, who has been treating him.

Dr. Carnett found that the old wound had healed and that Coombs suffered no weakness of the back. Coombs weighs 188 pounds and looks to be in fine condition. Dr. Carnett gave the pitcher permission to start exercising.

Failure of the Live Ball.

Federal league promoters, who adopted a ball just about twice as lively as the one used in the major leagues in the hope that the public would be pleased with the increased batting that this sphere produces, seem to have been in error. The lively ball has been dropped by the new league and one which is much like that used in organized ball adopted.

Many of the playing fields of the Federal league are small, and the lively ball made home run hits so numerous that they are no longer considered a feature. Incidentally the games produced big scores, and the public was rapidly gaining the impression that the

Federal league was not producing an article of real major league ball; hence the change of balls.

Chance a Wonder Worker.

Frank Chance, alias the Peerless Leader and now manager of the Yankees, has sprung one of the greatest surprises in baseball history by



Photo by American Press Association. Frank Chance Has Proved He Is Entitled to Title of "Peerless Leader."

making a real team out of a bunch of misfits in one season. Outside of the batteries, only one man that was on the club when Chance took hold still remains.

French Fighters Good, Says McCoy.

That the average French fighter is better than the average fighter is the opinion of Kid McCoy, the famous middleweight, who has just arrived from Europe. He declares that Frenchmen are making wonderful strides in the pugilistic line and that it won't be long before they are holding their own in advance of the world's best pugilists. "The French lads are making rapid progress in fisticuffs because they are learning the game from the bottom up.

In the Sunday School Class

SENIOR BEREAN LESSON

Text of the Lesson, Mark x, 32-45. Golden Text, Mark x, 45.

This is the third time that Jesus spoke plainly of his sufferings and death and resurrection; but, although his words seem so plain to us, they understood none of these things (Luke xviii, 34), because they knew not the Scriptures concerning his death and resurrection (John xx, 9), having their own thoughts about the kingdom, just as many today know nothing of the second coming of Christ, the distinction between the church of the present age and the kingdom of the next age and the ages to come, because they will not take heed to what is written in the prophets concerning the Son of Man and the kingdom to be set up at his coming in glory to judge the nations and to reign in righteousness (Isa. xxxii, 1, 17; xxxiv, 8; xxxv, 4, 10), but persist in thinking that all the great work of redemption is for us to deliver people from hell and get them to heaven.

This is the age of a kingdom postponed because of a rejected Christ and of gathering out from all nations a people to reign with him, but who must be content now to suffer with him, live separate from this present evil age, not conformed to it, but so manifesting in it the meekness, lowliness and love of Christ that we shall show something of his life in these mortal bodies and win people to him. The Holy Spirit has been given especially in this age to testify of a crucified, risen and ascended Christ, who is waiting at the Father's right hand until the number of his elect, waiting, suffering ones, shall have been completed, when he will take us to himself, reward us for service, appoint our places in his kingdom and bring us back with him to reign (Acts xvi, 13-18; Thess. iv, 16-18; Col. iii, 4; Rev. v, 9, 10). This is no time for a believer to be seeking great things for himself or his church or his denomination or society or in any way to make himself a name, but with all lowliness and meekness and long suffering and patience walk worthy of him who has called us into his kingdom and glory (Eph. iv, 1, 2; Col. i, 10, 11; I Thess. ii, 12), who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister (verse 45).

Even Jeremiah in his day said to his

scribe Baruch, "Seekest thou great things for thyself, seek them not" (Jer. xiv, 5). As it is a case of self or the Lord and cannot be both, we must persist in attaining to the fullness of the experience of "Not I, but Christ, who liveth in me;" "Not I, but the grace of God;" "In newness of life, dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord;" "Delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh;" "Risen with Christ and setting our affection on things above" (Gal. ii, 20; Cor. xv, 10; Rom. vi, 4, 11; I Cor. iv, 10, 11; Col. iii, 1-4).

Neither James nor John nor their mother seemed to understand when they came seeking preferment in the kingdom, and it did seem so out of place when he had just been speaking of his own sufferings and death. Even on the last night, at the passover, as he spoke of one of them betraying him, they were striving as to which of them should be the greatest, giving him occasion to say, "I am among you as he that serveth" (Luke xxii, 21-27). No teacher of man was ever so lonely, misunderstood or unappreciated. There is such a depth of meaning in his words, "No man knoweth the Son but the Father" (Matt. xi, 27); "I live by the Father" (John vi, 57). He spoke of the cup given him to drink and the baptism of suffering which awaited him and asked if they could share it, and they thought that their devotion to him was such that they could share anything with him, even to dying with him, as Peter said (John xiii, 37).

They did not understand. How could they when they were so dull as not to receive his plain words about his own dying?

Oh, how little we understand of what it means to follow him, to manifest his life, to bear the burden of the meek and lowly One, who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered he threatened not, leaving us an example that we should follow his steps (I Pet. ii, 21-23). When people sing, "Surely the captain may depend on me," "Fade, each earthly joy," "Thou, O Christ, art all I want," and other similar words they do not often consider what they are saying, nor to whom they are saying it, nor how it would be if the test came.

FIGURE NO. 1.
This pose shows Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, famous exponents of the modern dance, in their own creation, the half and half. This dance combines the essentials of the onestep and waltz, and the music is written in five-quarter time, giving a different rhythm from that in the ordinary ballroom dances.

FIGURE NO. 2.
Here is a back to back turn from the maxixe as danced by Miss Wilma Winn and Everett Evans. The maxixe is danced on the heel and toe alternately in a gliding two-step, much on the style of the old polka.
To do this step start facing each other with the hands held over the head. Do the maxixe to the side, and on the third step both turn in and around. This will bring you into the position shown, from which a great many pretty steps may be devised. One of the simplest and best looking is to continue the side maxixe, as shown in the figure, bending the knee at every fourth step and taking three steps in that position, rising slowly the while.

dansants and dinner dansants are now a regular part of the hotel program. In most a dancing teacher is employed by the hotel, who instructs the guests in the intricacies of the new steps. Maisons de dances are springing up on every hand, and even the tiny tea rooms have been pressed into service by small parties of debutantes who

FIGURE NO. 3.
A back to back turn in the hesitation by Miss Janet McIlwaine and Joseph White. In this step the man stands still, just turning slightly on the ball of his foot, while the girl dances in a complete circle around him. At the finish they dance face to face with arms outstretched in a regular "lame duck" waltz. From this position a "hesitation" turn is done, and then the partners separate, dancing alone for three full turns with arms outstretched, as before, and coming together again for the fourth and last turn.

FIGURE NO. 4.
The innovation tango is shown in this figure by Clifton Webb and Mae Murray. This differs from the regular tango only as regards position. The dancers do not touch each other at all, but go through the mazes of the dance apparently by hypnotic suggestion.
The big thing to remember when attempting the innovation is to keep near together and make every movement coincide.
In the picture they are doing the corde. In this the man takes a short step forward on his right foot, a longer one forward on his left (on this step he merely touches his toe to the floor) and takes a long step back on his left, balancing on the right heel. The girl's step corresponds with the man's except that she is going forward when he is going backward.

FIGURE NO. 5.
This figure shows a brand new dance as executed by Miss Helen Clark and Herbert Kinney. It is done only to special music, which is written in seven-quarter time and combines the steps of the tango and the waltz, thus differing entirely from all the other dances and likewise being more difficult. Its nearest rival, the half and half, is written in five-quarter time, two counts less, and is for that reason not nearly so good to watch. The seven counts of the "moderation," as this dance is called, give the dancers ample opportunity to work in many figures and show them off to better advantage.
The particular step illustrated here shows the finish of their entrance. As the music starts they enter from opposite sides of the room and dance twice around each other before meeting in the middle in the pose shown here.

Here and There Around the Farm

IN BUTTERMAKING.

Experiment Station Gives Advice Good For Every Dairyman.

WHEN TO STOP CHURNING.

Granules Should Be About the Size of Peas, Varying to That of Wheat. Use One and One-half Ounces of Salt For Each Pound of Material.

The Washington experiment station has lately published some condensed hints on farm buttermaking which are good for farmers everywhere. If followed there would be great improvement in the quality of American dairy butter. The suggestions as given below should be used for reference:

Cool the cream from the separator as

NEW PLANTS DISTRIBUTED.

Uncle Sam Has Sent Out About 20,000 Packages of Seeds.

This year the department of agriculture has distributed in all some 20,000 packages of seeds of new forage plants and grains, chiefly feterita and Sudan grass, which are particularly suited to the semiarid conditions found in the west and southwest. Notwithstanding the extreme drought of last year, these two and some other new dry belt crops came to maturity and furnished forage where practically all other crops failed. Feterita is a grain and forage sorghum similar to Kaffir and milo, while the Sudan grass is a wild form of sorghum somewhat coarser than millet. Among other new crops, the seeds of which were distributed, were the Amraoti and Bangalia varieties of field peas, also new strains of wheat, millet and Tepary beans, which latter are especially drought resistant and give much promise as an article of human food.

AMATEUR TREE TRIMMERS.

Remember In Cutting Large Limbs to Take Off Little at a Time.

For those who undertake the trimming of trees for the first time it is a suggestion worth remembering to saw from beneath close to the tree on limbs of considerable size. After making a cut of fair depth the sawing may be done from the top side. This precaution prevents the splitting down of the limb and the marring of the trunk just beneath. A further safeguard in the cutting off of large limbs is to take them off a foot or more from the trunk, later taking off the stub. All limbs should be removed in such a way that the cut will be as close to the trunk as possible and on a line with the one of the trunk.

Study Hog Breeding Records Early.

It is a good plan for the hog farmer to begin early in the season to study over his breeding records with the idea of making selections from the gilts for future brood sows. Even the farmer merely producing pork can well afford to keep litter records and study them carefully in making his selections of breeding animals. The character of prolificacy is a hereditary character. The selection of a gilt from a litter in which only three or four pigs were farrowed is likely to inherit the same character, although this does not always follow. Where the records of several years are available this character may be studied in the next generation back.

Killing Off Hawks.

A farmer whose chicks were bothered a good deal by hawks devised a plan which enabled him to trap thirty of the marauders during a single season. He killed a good sized rabbit, staking the carcass down securely by anchoring it to a couple of stakes. He then set two or three steel traps at intervals about and close to the bait. In walking around their prey the hawks would get their feet caught in the traps.

Use of Fertilizer.

There is no need of any farmer buying commercial fertilizer if the soil and climatic conditions make possible the growing of alfalfa, red or sweet clover. The statement made does not hold in case land has been robbed for generations, for in such cases the application of commercial fertilizers with manures and the growing of legumes are necessary.

Beware of Canada Thistle.

The director of the Colorado experiment station is authority for the statement that if cut while young Canada thistles may be used quite successfully for silage. This observation should not be construed by the unwary as justification for letting these pests get a foothold on the farm in order to have stuff with which to fill the silo.

SPLINTS CAUSE LAMENESS.

Splints on horses usually cause lameness only when the growth is forming, or at the time when there is an inflammation present. At this time the splint is classified as a temporary unsoundness. As soon as the inflammation disappears the lameness also disappears unless the cords of the leg rub on it, which is very rare, and when the lameness has disappeared they are classified as a blemish. The tendency for this growth is to gradually diminish in size as the animal grows older. There is no known treatment that will cause them to be absorbed. It is claimed that rubbing them may hasten their disappearance.

High Prices For Prepared Cereals.

A friend who is in the grocery business and who has done some thinking along the line of some of the causes of the high cost of living told the writer the other day that at the prices at which he was selling some of the fancy breakfast foods in the bright packages the manufacturers were selling wheat at \$8.50 a bushel, rice at \$12 and corn at \$28. And, he observed, with some amusement, that, although there was a good deal of complaint about the high cost of living, the people carted these prepared foods home so fast that the manufacturers could hardly supply the demand.

The Gopher Nuisance.

Gophers are not only a nuisance because they pile up mounds of earth to vex the hired man at haying time, but also because in their underground tunneling they cut off and devour the roots of alfalfa and other plants. The pests may be trapped, but the most effective method is putting grain that has been soaked in a sweetened solution of strychnia sulphate in their runways. One taste of this doped corn does the business.

SOME ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Some of the large Atlantic steamers have 150 firemen each.

New York's population is 12 per cent Italian, 19 per cent Hebrew and 2 per cent Polish.

Of the women of twenty-one years of age and over in this country only 19.5 per cent are single.

Investigations have shown that there are 17,000 left handed children in the Berlin municipal schools.

In Australia there are cows enough for each man, woman and child to

have three each, while in Argentina there are as many as five to each inhabitant.

It is suggested that if the consumption of quinine expands to any greater extent in India, which already takes one-sixth of the world's supply, the price will speedily rise.

In the Russian cavalry aluminium shoes for horses have been tested. Each test was made with one aluminium shoe and three of iron. In every test the former outlasted the latter.

Mrs. Copeland Changed Her Name

By ARTHUR L. BURROUGHS

IN the development of a country its people are developed also. The leaders in the primitive state often become the leaders in its developed condition. Sometimes they take on a higher refinement; sometimes they don't.

When the first railroad was pushing its way across the great American desert I, being fond of hunting wild game, went to a small town on that part of the line that was finished and made it my headquarters for hunting buffaloes and other game. I boarded with a Mrs. Copeland. Whether she was a widow, a brevet widow or held no matrimonial commission whatever no one cared, and no one asked. Her regular boarders called her by her first name, Kate. She was one of those women who fit in readily with uncouth surroundings. Her boarders were all men, but every man was respectful to her, in accordance with the manners of the country. They did not hesitate to swear in her presence, and probably if one of them should have had a difficulty with another neither would have hesitated to shoot in her presence, but so far as she was herself concerned she was immune from any disrespect whatever.

Mrs. Copeland was but twenty-three years old and tolerably good looking. She showed no preference for any of the men with whom she came in contact and accepted no attentions from any one of them. She treated them all alike, except one, Peter Coyne, whom she seemed disposed to quarrel with. Coyne had been a professional gambler, but had recently turned his attention to a contract he had with the railroad for taking dirt from where it was not needed and putting it where rails were to be laid. He appeared to be the most forceful of Kate's boarders, and I wondered why she singled him out for ill usage. Her treatment seemed to trouble him, and every time she scolded him he would hang his head and take what she said to him like a guilty schoolboy.

I noticed that Kate's reprimands to Coyne were never occasioned by any ill treatment of her. Sometimes they arose from differences of opinion, sometimes because he was unmindful of the feelings of others, and once I heard her abusing him because he had shown a tendency to backslide into his former profession of gambling. Just before I left I witnessed a makeup after one of the dressings Kate gave Coyne, and it was very amusing. The big man had got a posy somewhere and offered it to her as a peace offering. He went up to her with it as shyly as if he expected her to open on him with a six shooter.

Soon after this little episode I finished my hunting operations and returned to the east. The railroad and other

transcontinental lines were finished, and the western part of North America began a development that has worked wonders. New farming territory was opened, towns and villages sprang up with modern conveniences, and the people, throwing off their uncouth manners with their rough dress, were transformed into ladies and gentlemen.

Some twelve years after my hunting trip to the west I had occasion to visit Washington. Congress was in session, and the social season was at its height. At a reception of the president, which I attended, I was moving about among the throng when I met a man and a woman handsomely dressed, both of whose faces seemed familiar to me. The lady showed signs of recognizing me, but passed on with only the sign. Later a man, evidently a westerner, approached me and said:

"Beg your pardon, sir. There is a lady in another room who desires to speak with you."

I followed him, and he led me to the woman I had met shortly before.

"Mrs. Senator Coyne!" said my conductor, and since he did not know my name he left us.

I stood looking at the lady wonderingly, while she sat looking at me with an amused expression on her face. Then suddenly through the silk and lace gown she wore I recognized the woman I had boarded with years before. I grasped her hand.

"You would hardly recognize in me," she said, "the woman you boarded with when on your hunting trip, would you? And you wouldn't have expected that I would marry Pete Coyne. Fact is, I saw there was the making of a fine man in Pete, and when you were with me I was trying to get him up on to a higher plane. He made money by contracting, and after awhile I married him. Then when the territory became a state he was sent to congress. That led to his being made one of the state's senators, and here we are right in it for all we're worth."

"And I assure you," I replied, "one would not suspect but that you were born here."

"Oh, this is my third winter in Washington. When I first came I was pretty rough. But, you see, Pete was rougher than I, so I had to pull myself together and get on to society ways in order to polish him. That's been my hardest job. Pete is older than I am, and you can't make a gentleman of a man after he's grown up. It's hard enough to make a lady of a woman."

Nevertheless Senator Coyne was an influential man in the senate during the time he represented his state there. I was probably the only person in Washington who knew that he owed his rise to Kate Copeland.

Lapsing Into Facetiousness

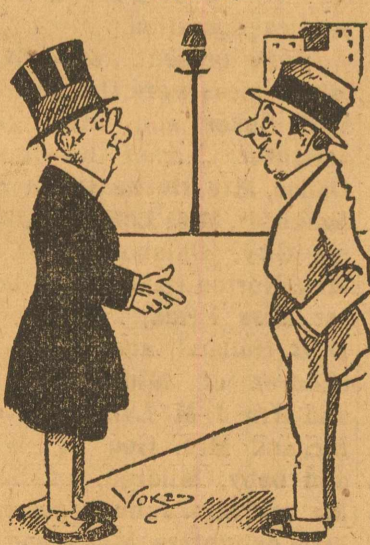
Now Comforting Him.

"She" was working at a woolen article for a bazaar. "He" asked her what she was making.

"A comforter," she replied. "That is exactly what I want," he answered.

"Oh, I shall be most happy to make you one," she innocently rejoined. And she did!—Weekly Telegraph.

No Let Up.



"It is rude for a man to fall asleep while his wife is talking."

"But, good heavens, a man has to sleep some time!"—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

A Charmer.

First Snake—What do you think of the new skirt what's got our act?

Second Snake—Why, I found her perfectly charming.—Cornell Widow.

Learned a Lot.

"Did you ever complete your education?"

"No; my wife did."—Houston Post.

A Good Spender.

"What profession do you think our boy Joe had better adopt?" asked Mrs. Brown.

"I dunno," answered her husband. "Joe is rather handicapped by circumstances. The only profession he's naturally adapted to is that of a capitalist, and I don't quite see where he's goin' to get the money."

Among Friends.

"Look here, Fred, I think I know you well enough to ask you how much I ought to tip that butler of yours?"

"Surely, old chap; he hasn't been very nice to you, has he?"

"Just barely noticed me."

"Then I should treat him accordingly. I wouldn't give him more than \$50."—Life.

Just Talk.

Mr. Flatte—You were talking in your sleep last night, dear.

Mrs. Flatte—Oh, is that so? I didn't say much, did I?

Mr. Flatte—No, dear; I said you were talking.—Yonkers Statesman.

Going Into Detail.

"Why, Ethel! How cross you look!" said the mother.

"Well, you see, mamma, Robbie and me's been playing getting married, and we've just returned from our honeymoon!"—Yonkers Statesman.

After the Awakening.

"I can't imagine why I ever eloped with you," she said.

"I can," he coldly replied. "I was the first simpleton that ever asked you to elope."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Annexations.

Bill—This paper says that Clayton, Mo., is about to annex nine small settlements on its borders. Jill—Well, the lady I board with is trying to do the same thing.—Yonkers Statesman.

Saving Money.

Tom—I've seen the girl I want to marry. I stood behind her at the ticket window this morning, and she took seven minutes to buy a five cent elevated ticket.

Alice—Did that make you want to marry her?

Tom—Yes. I figured out that she could never spend my income at that rate.—Boston Transcript.

Open For Engagements.



American Heiress—Father says he doesn't wish you for a son-in-law.

French Count—Ask him if he's got any other good position he could give a fellow, will you?—Philadelphia Record.

Suspected Something.

"She must have a very clever husband."

"What makes you think so?"

"Her paper on Browning was so well done."—Detroit Free Press.

Short Cuts.

She—What did you think of Mrs. B's new gown at the ball?

He—She must be a great economist!—Vermont Crabb.

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DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following as candidates for District and County offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held July 25, 1914:

For Representative, 105th District:
Hon. A. J. Hagins (2nd term)
T. F. Baker, Snyder, Texas

For District Attorney, 50th Judicial District:
J. Ross Bell, of Paducah
Isaac O. Newton (re-election)

For District and County Clerk:
C. C. Cobb (re-election)

For Tax Assessor:
T. J. Harrison (2nd term)
G. B. Joplin
E. L. Harkey

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
J. B. Conner (2nd term)
G. T. Snodgrass

For County Judge:
O. S. Ferguson (2nd term)
Blaine Speer

For County Treasurer:
B. A. Crego (re-election)
J. B. Yantis

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3:
S. R. Bowman
W. A. Johnson

W. W. Ellis, a prominent citizen and ranchman of Kent county, was in the city Saturday buying supplies of the merchants and shaking hands with his many friends. He reports everything in good shape down his way.

Ed Hulse, a prominent citizen and progressive farmer of twelve miles west, was in the city Saturday buying supplies of the merchants and greeting his many friends. While here he was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur and reports plenty of rain and crops in ideal condition.

J. A. Murchison, a prominent citizen and extensive farmer of the Draper community, was in the city the latter part of last week trading with the merchants and meeting friends.

Henry Elmore, a prosperous farmer and prominent citizen of the Dickens country, was in Spur Saturday and spent several hours here on business.

L. R. Barrett and family and Mr. Dortch returned Sunday from an outing on the Clear Fork. They report a pleasant time and plenty of fish to eat.

Bert N. Brown, manager of the 24 Ranch in Kent county, was transacting business in the city Saturday.

Miss Ima Cates, of Fort Worth, is in the city on an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cates.

Lem King, of the Cat Fish country, was among the many business visitors to Spur Saturday.

Mrs. H. P. Berry returned the latter part of last week from Estellene where she had been to visit her mother.

W. J. and R. A. Clark, two of the most prominent citizens of the Liberty community, were in Spur Saturday on business.

A. H. Stewart and family returned last week to their home at Hicco after spending some time in Spur with relatives.

FAMILY REUNION

Hamilton claims the distinction of being the home of the mother, Mrs. E. E. Holmes, and several members of one of the largest and most remarkably blessed families—the Baker family, who enjoyed their annual family reunion here last Sunday.

Mrs. Holmes is the mother of eleven children, six sons and five daughters, the oldest of whom is well passed the fifty year milestone, and all of whom are healthy, prosperous and happily situated. These with their families and a number of her grandchildren and great grandchildren were with her at her home for dinner Sunday, with the exception of a son, Jim Baker of Lockney, Texas, who with his family were detained on account of his wife having recently undergone a serious surgical operation.

Those present who live in other places were Dr. and Mrs. Will Baker and little granddaughter, Turner Rawlins, of Dallas, Mrs. Hettie Shannon and daughter, Miss Lona, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Baker and daughter, Miss Erma, of Spur, Mrs. D. B. Holland and three little children of Midlothian, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Lynn of Runge, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Walker and baby, Mildred, of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Baker and little daughters, Mable and Emma Hortense, of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Porter and Mrs. W. M. Erwin of Hico. At this reunion was also present the only sister of Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Sara Sweet of Sherman, and a cousin, Mrs. Sonoma Myers of Dallas. Residing in Hamilton are F. H. Baker, Dr. C. C. Baker, Mrs.

Forrest Nicholson, Mrs. R. P. Edgar and Mrs. M. A. Boone with their families.

The mother of this family is a woman of fine and noble Christian character and her life has been exemplary throughout all the long journey she has traveled. Many friends in Hamilton where she has lived so long, rejoice with her in these happy occasions.—Hamilton Record.

WALK THIS WAY LADY

A young lady walked into a store in one of the neighboring towns the other day, says an exchange, and wanted to see some goods which happened to be in the rear end of the building. With head erect and bow legs wabbling, the polite clerk started ahead of her saying, "Walk this way, lady." She started, hesitated, and with flashing eyes exclaimed: "You confounded little bow-legged demon. If I was a man, I'd teach you better manners than ask anybody, especially a lady, to walk as you do."

H. H. Harris and family, of Bronco, New Mexico, visited relatives near Spur last week. Mr. Harris called at the Texas Spur office Friday and had us add his name to our growing list of Texas Spur readers for which he has our thanks.

Hon. A. J. Hagins of Jayton, candidate for Representative, spoke on the streets Saturday to a large crowd of voters. Mr. Hagins is a fluent speaker, and his address was well received by those present.

W. F. Godfrey was a business visitor to Clarendon last week.

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W. F. Walker, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of two or three miles southeast of Spur, was among the many business visitors in the city Saturday.

G. A. Howsley is spending a few days with his family at Albany.

Go to Harkey for first-class feed. We don't handle cheap stuff. 34-tf

Mrs. Leslie Williams is spending some time at Anson with sick relatives.

Mrs. Minnie Carlisle is visiting relatives and friends at Girard

Eat at the German Kitchen, at the old Poole stand. 31-tf

\$5.00 REWARD

I will pay \$5.00 for the return of one light colored Jersey cow, one peg horn, branded DC on left side. Last seen twelve miles west of Spur.—Dr. T. E. Standifer. 36-tf

J. H. Boothe, a prosperous farmer and prominent citizen of two or three miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday greeting friends and attending to business matters.

We do all kinds of Auto repairing: keep extras, gasoline, oil, etc. Don't fail to see us when in need of anything in our line.—E. L. Clay. tf

F. A. Prideaux returned the latter part of last week from Dallas where he had spent several weeks on business.

Rev. Ponder, of Abilene, delivered two able sermons at the Baptist church Sunday.

J. E. Harvey, of Liberty, was among the many visitors to Spur Saturday.

Misses Creola and Floye Richburg are visiting friends and relatives near Girard.

J. W. Anderton attended the barbecue at Albany last week.

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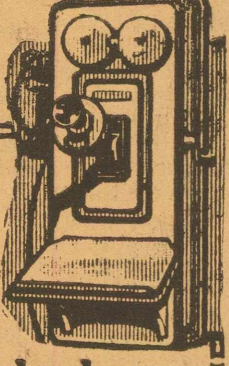
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R. M. Hamby, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of the Dickens country, was in Spur Saturday on business, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Messrs. Geo. S. Link, George Bennett, Mack Brown, Carl Patton, and Miss Nell Mahon made a flying trip to Matador and Roaring Springs Sunday.



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Mrs. McMahan entertained her Sunday School Class Friday afternoon of last week at her home in the west part of town. Delicious refreshments were served to the enjoyment of all present.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

We have been blessed with another good rain since our last writing.

Cotton chopping is the order of the day.

Dry Lake enjoyed a speech by Judge Ferguson last Monday night. We were expecting several candidates here to make speeches but they failed.

Rev. Bilberry filled his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

Rev. Irvin will begin his meeting here Friday night, the 17th.

Mrs. G. A. Draper and son, Grey, visited Mr. Proctor Brown and family Sunday.

W. A. Johnson visited J. E. Brown Sunday to enjoy a vegetable dinner.

R. T. Dopson and family took dinner with W. C. Barley Sunday.

Will Allen and brother, of Roaring Springs, are at the home of their uncle, H. C. Allen.

Bud Cherry and family attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Luther Jones and daughter, Bena, and niece, Miss Esther McKnight, attended church here Sunday. Come again. We are always glad to have you with us.

R. P. Davis and W. A. Johnson "honked" over to Dickens Monday.

Miss Lottie Johnson spent Sunday with Mrs. W. F. Markham.

The young folks enjoyed a cream supper at R. T. Dopson's on the 4th, in honor of Coy Dopson's 21st birthday.—Sunbeam.

TEXAS IS A WHOPPER

Texas is a whopper. She is a peach. She's the widest, broadest and longest country on earth, extending from east to west, also from north to south. She could put Rhode Island in her vest pocket. She could swallow three or four states like Maryland and wash 'em down by drinking the Mississippi dry, and could digest them without even having the colic. Texas is the empire state of the Union, without any Kaiser Bill for an emperor. She is the chiefest among ten thousand and altogether lively, wild and reckless. She is the pebble on the beach. She's the cock of the walk. She's a wolf, and its her day to howl, and the democrat of the world. Texas is bound on the east by the alligators of Louisiana and the huckleberry thickets of Arkansas. She's bound on the north by the tomakawk and the war whoop of the red men. She's bound on the west by the chileconcarne of New Mexico and the hot tamales of Old Mexico. She is bound on the south by the Gulf of Mexico, and if wasn't for that measly body of salty water she would extend beyond the South Pole.

A. G. Rash, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of the Dickens country, was in the city the latter part of last week on business and was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He says that crop prospects were never more promising than at this time.

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The Sowing of Alderson Cree

By MARGARET P. MONTAGUE

A Strong Story of Character Building, With Scenes Laid In the West Virginia Mountains Among a Picturesque People

PROLOGUE.

Alderson Cree, a West Virginia mountaineer, ejects his boarder, Kip Ryerson. Alderson while hunting is shot from behind. He exacts a promise from his young son, David, to kill Ryerson, whom he suspects. After David goes for aid Alderson relents and prays to live long enough to relieve the son from the promise. Only Martha Lamfire, a character of the mountains, hidden behind the bushes, hears his appeal. Ryerson is arrested, tried, but acquitted. A forest fire is ravaging the mountains. The mountaineers, accused by David of cowardice, band together and order Ryerson out of town. Four years later, on his sixteenth birthday, David had gone out to a neighboring draft to fulfill his promise to his father, but learned that Kip Ryerson was already dead. At twenty-two David is the devoted slave of plain, charming, irresistible Mary Reddin, who returns his affection. Returning home one day, David meets and chats with Ellen Daw of Drupe mountain, the poor, beragged adopted daughter of Silas Daw. Mary Reddin, being the only one in the Draft who succeeds in getting along with Martha Lamfire, visits the old woman at her home. George Hedrick, the village storekeeper, is the most satisfied man in the Draft with his lot in life, situated as he was at the crossroads, where he and the "world" met. An uncouth stranger excites curiosity when he stops at the store for tobacco. Hedrick recognizes in him Kip Ryerson. Ellen Daw, weary and faint from her lonely farm work, pauses to rest and falls asleep. Adrian Blair, a well-to-do youth of the Draft, notices the sleeping girl and finishes her work. Waking, Ellen perceives her benefactor and timidly tenders her thanks. On Sunday the people of the Draft flocked to the schoolhouse to hear Brother Braxton's farewell sermon. David, leading the prayer, is suddenly struck dumb as he catches sight of Ryerson, who until then he had thought dead. With the fury of a raging lion he leaps at his old antagonist. Strong arms restrain him, and Ryerson escapes. Leaving the schoolhouse, Adrian Blair becomes Ellen's partner.

A Match For Love.

"YES," answered Ellen in the same indifferent voice, "I wa'n't skeered then, an' I don't know when I ever was skeered till one evenin' las' week when I was ercomin' home long erbout dark from Linden."

"An' what skeered yer then?" Adrian inquired.

"Why, when I got 'bout ha'f way up ther mountain all ter onct I heered somethin' comin' jest er little piece up ther road 'round ther next bend, an' I do' know why, but hearin' hit jest up ther out er eight' skeered me good. Hit all seemed so kinder lonesome an' dark an'—an' kinder far erway er anything bad was ter come erlong."

"I bet hit did!" said Adrian. "What was hit anyhow?"

"Why, when hit come erround ther turn I seed hit wa'n't nothin' but er man—hit was Kip Ryerson, but I didn't know who he was then. He was drunk an' he jest went by without seein' me, sorter blunderin' an' stumblin' erlong an' talkin' ter himself."

"I don't wonder you was skeered out in ther mountains all alone, an' ef I was you I'd mind how I went erround much fer er spell whilst Kip's in these parts. Though really I don't reckon he'll stay round here much longer after that everlastin' skeer Dave give him."

"Der yer reckon Dave'll go fer him ergin?" Ellen demanded, with a sudden awakening in her voice, and her cheeks in spite of herself beginning to burn with a slow scarlet.

Looking around at her question Adrian saw the color come into her face and noted the interest in her tone, and his manner grew suddenly cold.

"Ef I was Dave," he answered, "Kip shouldn't be let ter stay in this Draft. But I really don't know whether Dave'll keer ter tackle him ergin er not," and he threw into the last words an intentional scorn. Instantly anger leaped up in Ellen's face, and she answered him like a flash.

"An' ef yer think, Adrian Blair, that yer er better man than David Cree, I kin tell yer right now yer mistaken."

In a second Adrian's face was as angry as her own.

"I know mighty well you don't think any man's equal ter Dave," he flung back.

Ellen stopped still in the road and faced him proudly and again, as in the cornfield, her shy self consciousness



"Wait, wait!" Mary panted feverishly.

was forgotten as she rose to her own defense.

"Adrian," she said compellingly, and Adrian also stood still and looked at her. "I told yer once yer shouldn't speak that erway ter me, an' now I tell yer ergin," she said, low and warningly. "An' unless yer kin behave like yer orter yer shan't walk eranother step er ther way with me. I should think, anyhow," she added bitterly, "that yer'd come fer enough now ter satisfy yer foolin' an' ter make everybody la'f at me er plenty."

Her dark face before him was quite beautiful as the mingled emotions of pride, anger and bitterness went across it, and Adrian looked at her with unconcealed admiration.

"I'm awful sorry, Ellen," he said humbly. "What I said slipped out without my thinkin', an' I promise ter do hit ergin. Though"—he added gayly, his anger all melted away and his serenity returning, "hit was worth sayin' jest ter see yer git so mad." At his laughing tone, which was half teasing and half admiring, Ellen shrank back into her shy awkwardness, and in a moment the animation died from her face, and she was the same stiff, frightened girl with averted eyes as always, and though Adrian tried several topics of conversation hopefully he succeeded in getting nothing more from her than scant monosyllables and sometimes not even that, and at length even he was daunted and fell into an uncomfortable silence which lasted until they came to Mrs. Thompkins', where he took his departure, as stiff for once as Ellen herself.

Meantime David and Mary walked home together in a silence which was half bewilderment on David's part and on Mary's was dumb terror. They took their way along the same little green path and along the same pleasant road that had brought them to the schoolhouse such a few short hours before, and it seemed to Mary as though the face of all the world she knew had suddenly been darkened—as though in the twinkling of an eye the gayety had gone out of life.

Thus in silence the two came at length almost to the Reddins' gate. A little way from it David paused a moment and with an effort threw off something of the overmastering sick confusion under which his brain was giddy and like a man waking from a trance he looked about him in surprised question. Here was he at the Reddins' gate, and what power had brought him down the road when the man he hated—the man who had murdered his father—had fled up it?

For an instant he stood still, realizing his surroundings and collecting himself, then he turned slowly toward Mary and took both her hands in a tight grasp, looking down into her eyes and in silence Mary gave back the look.

"Goodby Mary—sweetheart," he said at length and started to draw his hands away, but Mary caught them suddenly in a firm grasp of her own.

"Where aire you goin', Dave?" she questioned in a low, steady voice, though fear sat in her eyes.

"You know where I'm goin'," he said. "You know, Mary. That was Kip Ryerson at the schoolhouse, an you know—everybody in ther Draft knows what he done," and again he strove to tear himself away. But Mary held him with such passionate strength that it was impossible for him to free himself without hurting her. Her face was very close and her eyes looked into the depths of his.

"David," she said, and her voice was hardly more than a whisper, yet it was vehement with feeling, "David

The Life of a Willful Boy Who Set Upon Himself the Responsibility of Avenging His Father's Murder :: ::

Cree, ef yer love me ther least little bit in ther world you'll wait here a spell and think things over; yer too mad now ter look at anything straight. Jest stay—oh, Dave, jest stay with me er little, little spell!" she begged piteously. "Can't yer? Oh, can't yer, Dave?" she cried, her breath warm on his cheek and her eyes beseeching him.

"I can't, I can't, honey!" he said desperately. "I got ter go, I made er promise—you know I made er promise." And again he sought to release himself, but still she clung to him.

"David, do yer love me? Do yer, do yer, Dave?" she cried out insistently. David looked down one moment at her anguished face.

"God knows I do, Mary," he said, in a shaken voice.

"Then," she cried, "ef yer goin' ter giv' yer life ter yer hate, can't yer giv' yer love jest one little hour? Oh, Dave, Dave! Can't yer?" she begged, her lips almost against his. "Don't giv' yer hate everything; giv' yer love one little hour," she breathed.

For a space David hesitated, then suddenly the full rush of his passion leaped up, and, turning, he caught her in his arms and kissed her hard upon the lips.

"Fer an hour I'll wait," he said.

And Mary drew a long exhausted breath and freed herself from his arms. "Come into ther house," she said in a weary voice. "I reckon dinner must be most ready."

At dinner David ate in silence, with scarcely a word flung into the general conversation, which ran along ordinary topics, guided there by Mary's anxious maneuvering, aided by Mrs. Reddin, who guessed with a quick instinct something of the situation.

The heat had increased and the atmosphere was lifeless and oppressive with the promise of the approaching storm, which, with the remembrance of the scene at the schoolhouse, at which the older members of the family had been present, together with David's somber face, all combined to make the meal one of embarrassed constraint. Yet for all that they sat long over it, delayed by Mary, who introduced one topic after another feverishly, for she knew instinctively that when they rose David would slip away from her.

At length, however, even she could detain them no longer, and her father pushed back his chair with a decisive scrape. David got up and, leaving the kitchen abruptly, went through the small living room and out to the porch.

"I'm goin' now, Mary," he said, turning to the girl who had followed him. Without a word she turned back quickly into the house and, catching up her sunbonnet, reappeared again.

"I'm goin' er piece er ther way with yer, Dave," she said quietly.

He hesitated a moment, but in the end made no objection or comment, and together they went down the path leading to the yard gate, bordered on either side with the fresh brown earth where Mary had hidden the coxcombs, bachelor's buttons, maid in the mist and all the little assembly of seeds that Martha Lamfire had given her.

David's face had lost its surprised bewilderment, but its quietness of determination was more terrifying to Mary than the other had been.

Outside the gate he wavered a moment and finally turned in the direction of the path leading over a low ridge of Drupe mountain, past the Hull graveyard. The same path that Mary had taken on her way home from Martha Lamfire's.

"I'm goin' by ther path," he said; "hit strikes inter ther road nearer home than ther lane."

Relief leaped up in Mary's eyes. "Yer goin' home?" she cried gladly.

"Yes—fer my gun," he answered, and his voice was absent, as though Mary's presence were half forgotten.

For a moment everything went dizzily black before the girl's eyes and a wave of sick fear engulfed her; nevertheless she kept bravely on by his side, and together they made their way into the woods.

At length they came to the last fence where the path runs out into a steep little field, and so down to the main road of the Draft, which here it overhangs.

David paused and turned to Mary resolutely.

"Goodby, sweetheart," he said again, as he had said before at the Reddins' gate.

"Wait, wait!" Mary panted feverishly. "Oh, Dave! Aire yer—aire yer goin' fer Kip?"

[To be continued.]

A Glance at Current Topics

Charting the Air Oceans.

Washington, July 8.—A task of exploration was found for Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary which, in the opinion of aeroplane builders and fliers, may produce results of the utmost importance to the new science of aerial navigation. It is that of sending balloons high up into the air in different parts of the country and from the data about air currents thus obtained to prepare the world's first map of its air oceans.

The Aero Club of America announced that it had undertaken to map the air oceans, and it is its intention to have the task done so thoroughly that when the maps finally are completed an air man can soar aloft from any city



Robert E. Peary Heads Committee Collecting Data on Air Currents.

in the United States with a chart before him containing as much data about air currents as are now available to salt water navigators.

The Aero club named a large committee, of which Rear Admiral Peary is chairman, to do this work of mapping the air oceans. It is proposed to spread a propaganda in favor of making air maps of the whole world, until each country undertakes the task for itself. Data can then be exchanged between these countries and aerial maps prepared for every part of the world in which air men may desire to travel.

The plan for making such a map has been maturing in the Aero Club of America for more than two years. The National Geographical society also has had it under discussion, and it is now proposed to bring about close cooperation between the two organizations in working up the necessary data.

Kansas Vacationists Inoculated.

Topeka, June 7.—So impressed is the Kansas board of health with the danger of typhoid among vacation seekers that a special warning has been sent out to all the people of the state urging them to be inoculated before leaving on the annual holidays.

Many Kansans take their vacations in the country districts, where there is little attempt to enforce sanitation or protect the water supply, and typhoid fever cases appear when vacation trips are over.

"Observations show that the outbreaks of typhoid fever among the city dwellers who leave for their vacations begin about the time they return from their first trip. Often they are ill on the return," said Dr. J. S. Crumline, secretary of the board. "Every one who goes into the country to spend a few days or weeks should be inoculated against typhoid. This disease is almost entirely a country disease, and those from the cities, where the water is healthful, should be protected against the bad water of the country."

"The cost is only a few dollars. The patient is never prevented from work, and the inoculation is certain. Typhoid has been driven entirely from the army and navy by the inoculation. It is an absolute preventive for at least two years, probably more, and the small cost saves big doctor bills, much pain and anguish and often life."

Gypsies Use "Guillotine" Wagon.

Paris, July 5.—The terrible wagon which for thirty-five years belonged to "Monsieur de Paris" and which was used to carry prisoners to the guillotine has fallen on evil days and may be seen being slowly drawn through the streets of Paris to the periodical fairs in various quarters of the city.

The wagon is now the peaceful habitation of a family of gypsies. When Deibler pere retired from work the executioner's old wagon lay for many years unused, for no one wished to buy it until the present owners came along. To these it was sold for a few dollars.

World's Peace Advocates to Meet.

Vienna, July 5.—The twenty-first universal peace congress will be held in

Vienna Sept. 15-19 next, it being the twenty-fifth anniversary of the first congress in 1839 and the hundredth since the peace of Vienna rearranged Europe and sent Napoleon to Elba. The congress will meet in the Austrian parliament building by special favor of the government. An exceptionally full program of festivities, visits and entertainments has been arranged by a Vienna committee, and the Austrian government has authorized large reductions of the railway fares for those attending the congress. The program is as follows:

Plenary sessions—"The Third Hague Conference," "The Economic Influence of Armaments on Commerce and Industry," "The Economic Effects of the Balkan War," "A Draft Convention for the Reduction of Armaments."

Propaganda and education—"Education as a Method of Insuring the Peace of the World."

Science of law and politics—"The International Tribunal at The Hague," James L. Tryon, Boston, reporter; "An International Navy (Police Force)," "The Problem of Franco-German Relations."

Economic questions and limitations of armaments—"The Participation of Parliaments in Foreign Policy" and "The Relations Between Home and Foreign Policy."

Old Homes For the Rich.

London, July 5.—It is an anomaly of these times that one of the latest results of the excess of luxury is the desire of the rich to live in the cottages of the poor. The fashion is not for the new and charming cottages in which some of the best architects are specializing, but for the old timbered, tumbled down homesteads from which possibly some long established family is evicted.

Three or four thousand dollars is spent in repairing the humble home. Old oak doors are put in with silver hinges as in the cottage of a well known actress, a bathroom is added and priceless old pieces are fitted into rooms that are so low that one can hardly stand upright in them. The potato patch is then transformed into a fashionable orchard, and expensive Dutch bulbs are planted round about it. Tiny latticed windows, blackened beams and old inglenooks, once the property of some laborer, are now collected to satisfy the cravings of the rich for an old cottage.

With an old cottage you are in the swim. Once there, why, there's nothing else in life to strive for.

Spy Out Cyclones on Pikes Peak.

Denver, July 8.—Another attempt is to be made by the government to use the summit of Pikes peak as a center of the weather observations. This time wireless will be employed to transmit messages, and it is hoped to overcome the difficulties that have forced the federal authorities to abandon the location several times before, the last time in 1894.

Old time weather observers on Pikes peak had many adventures. One observer tells of an electrical storm during which heavy wet snowflakes were falling. Every time a snowflake hit the operator's burro outside the station a spark was made.

Lightning arresters were put on the station, but in one severe storm a bolt struck the building and fused every nail head therein. Rubber insulation on the telegraph wires was frequently melted.

Weather officials hope now to be able to establish a permanent station on the

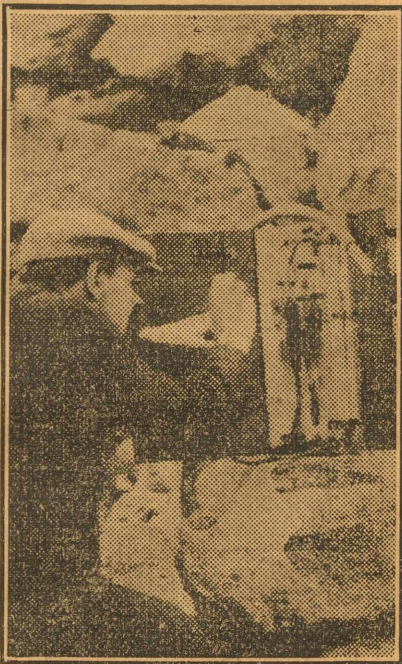


Photo by American Press Association. Testing Out Weather Recording Instrument on Pikes Peak.

peak as soon as the decrease of snow on the summit allows a train to take scientists up there.

It is believed that an elaborate system of weather observations on Pikes peak will aid in determining the cause of the severe storms which sweep eastward from the base of the Rocky mountains and do tremendous damage. Recent investigations by the government indicated that the "cyclone center," or breeding place of these disastrous storms, was on the plains on southeastern Colorado, not more than fifty miles from the foothills of the Rockies.

The "Most" of You Are On

IT LOOKED LIKE XMAS IN OUR STORE SATURDAY

MANY WENT OUT who we were unable to serve. However, we will try and do better "next" Saturday. Come and bring the Boys. Get the advantage of the Bargains In Boys Suits. Those of you who are familiar with the Policy of this "Store" need no urging. The Big Sale is in full blast just 15 Days Longer. Do not expect the cream the last day for better selections, go first.

LOVE DRY GOODS CO.

THE STORE WITH THE BEST VALUES Spur, Texas

GROWING APPLES IN THE SPUR COUNTRY

J. H. McCamant, a progressive farmer and prominent citizen of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Saturday showing a sample of the apples now growing on his place, which consisted of a limb some two feet in length containing twelve nice apples. Mr. McCamant says that he has some two hundred trees bearing this year all of which are as well fruited as sample shown. Besides apples he has plums, grapes and all kinds of berries. They put up fifty-one jars of plums for home use this year besides selling the surplus, and this is considered one of the shortest fruit crops in many years all over the state. He says that his grapes and berries are extra fine. This orchard contains seven acres, and is one of the largest and best kept in this part of the country.

This is only another instance of the productiveness of the soil of this part of the state, and we predict that before many years there will be a large acreage put to orchards, and that we will outstrip the apple belts of Arkansas, Missouri and New Mexico in size, quantity and flavor.

Come to the Spur country where opportunities are unlimited and health and happiness abounds.

J. I. Greer, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of nine miles west of Spur, was in the city Monday and spent some time here on business.

J. E. Reams had business in Stamford Friday and Saturday.

TEXAS FACTS

TEXAS LEADS THE NATION IN—

- Livestock.
- Land area.
- Wild game.
- Railway mileage.
- Uncultivated area.
- Number of cattle.
- Number of Farms.
- Number of mules.
- Number of goats.
- Number of Turkeys.
- Number of cowboys.
- Number of counties.
- Production of cotton.
- Production of pecans.
- Production of mohair.
- Number of cotton gins.
- Agricultural production.
- Production of livestock.
- Production of seed oats.
- Number of farm laborers.
- Production of polo ponies.
- Production of watermelons.
- Number of colonies of bees.
- Number of asses and burros.
- Number of cotton compresses.
- Production of butter on farms.
- Number of farm home-owners.
- Interurban construction in 1913.
- Number of cotton seed oil mills.

There is a child born every four minutes in Texas.

We build seven homes in Texas every working hour in the day.

Our foreign born population is constituted chiefly of Mexicans, Germans and natives of England.

We have 23,000 persons who were born in Ireland. Ten years ago we had only 6,169.

We have 1,003,357 males over twenty-one years of age. Eighty-three percent of them are white.

Texas could muster an army larger than the standing army of the German Empire and would not have to get outside the State for material.

Lon and Wren Cross, two prominent citizens and prosperous stock-farmers of Kent county, were transacting business in the city the first of the week.

James Lauderdale, cook for the 24 Ranch, had his big toe amputated one day this week at the Standifer Hospital.

Leonard Joplin, of Roaring Springs, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Joplin.

Geo. Greenwade, of the Dickens country, was in the city Monday looking after business matters.

Mayor George S. Link spent several days of this week in Stamford on business.

Jeff D. Reagan left Tuesday for Arizona where he will spend several days on business.

Several Spurites attended the barbecue at Matador Wednesday.

Good new oats at 50c per bushel at Spur Grain & Coal Co.

BURLESON IS FOR BALL

POSTMASTER GENERAL COMES OUT FOR PRO GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE.

He Wants Submission Defeated--Tells Why as an Anti He Supports a Prohibitionist.

(M. L. Goodwin in Dallas News)

Washington, July 9.—That the gubernatorial campaign in Texas has not failed to arouse interest among the Texas Democrats in Washington is evident from part of the mail of congressmen and the frequent discussion of the subject on the part of the Texans in the national capital.

The friends and supporters of the Wilson administration are especially interested in the Texas campaign because of Thomas H. Ball's prominent part in the Baltimore convention as an active member of the Texas delegation which stood like a rock for President Wilson throughout that protracted contest. But that interest has never resulted in concrete expression from what might be called the inner circle of the Wilson administration, because of the loathness of the administration to take a hand in any contest for office within the party.

Postmaster General Burleson, the Texas member of the cabinet, has been especially looked to for an expression regarding the political situation in his home state. Being asked today whom he favored for governor, Mr. Burleson replied, "Tom Ball."

Wants Submission Defeated.

"I am an anti prohibitionist," said the Postmaster General to the News correspondent, further replying to the foregoing question. "I don't think prohibition is the way to deal with the liquor traffic, and I hope that submission will be so overwhelmingly defeated that the question will be regarded as settled in Texas for the next twenty years.

"In this connection I want to say also that I resent any suggestion that only a certain kind of Democrat is good enough to be selected as a candidate for governor. I don't believe in building up factions and cliques within the party, but in unifying and building up the party by discountenancing all disruptive movements within the party.

"I know that Mr. Ball is a prohibitionist, and that an organized element within the party has centered on him its support; nevertheless I am for Tom Ball for governor. I am supporting him because he is broad-minded on all things save only one—the liquor question. He is a big man whose capabilities have been tested and proved by time and his ability and rich experience as a public official equip him for the discharge of the duties of governor of a big state.

"I served in congress with Mr. Ball for years and the suggestion that he will be corporate controlled or influenced by the interests is, to one who knows him as well as I do, too absurd for discussion.

Ball a Progressive Democrat.

"Mr. Ball is a progressive Democrat. Of that there can be no question. He was progressive in 1892 and in 1896, and continued so in 1912. He is progressive today, is in full sym-

thy with the Democratic administration and stands ready to lend a helping hand to carry into effect the progressive policies that it stands for, rather than to seek to block or nullify by meddlesome and insidious interference the splendid record it is making for the Democratic party.

"As I see it, just now, it is very important to the welfare of the country as well as our party that Democrats place on guard only those who are in sympathy with what Woodrow Wilson is trying to do. One recalcitrant reactionary who frequently insincerely pretends to be in accord with the administration can, at a critical time, do great injury. This is true not only of a member of congress, but also of a governor. Because of the present trouble in Mexico it is especially important that the governor of Texas should be in sympathy with the administration. We all know that Mr. Ball is in entire accord with the splendid work President Wilson is doing for the people.

What Ball Would Do.

"If nominated, Mr. Ball of course will be elected, and not only will he be helpful to the national administration, but he will extricate Texas from the mire of its financial mismanagement. He will rehabilitate our wrecked penitentiary system, which threatens to become a great burden to the taxpayers, and he will reorganize the school system of our state and bring about what we all have so long desired—better graded schools, better high schools, a better A. & M. College, and a greater university.

"You have asked me for my views on the gubernatorial situation, and I have given you, as they now come to me, some of the reasons why I should support Tom Ball if I were in Texas. There are other equally important reasons that undoubtedly occur to every serious-minded man who contemplates the conditions in our state. I only want to add that I would not be deterred from supporting Mr. Ball because some man, in whom the Democrats of Texas have not too much faith, is supporting this strong, clean and capable candidate for governor." (Advertisement)

Jim Ferguson rants and raves and cries "Interference With State Rights" when President Wilson, W. J. Bryan and Postmaster General Burleson endorse Tom Ball as a progressive Democrat, but there is no interference of State Rights when the Brewery Association and Whiskey Distillers pour thousands of dollars into the Ferguson campaign fund to elect him Governor of Texas. (Advertisement)

After doing everything in his power to defeat the nomination of Woodrow Wilson for President, Jim Ferguson has been trying to fool the people through this campaign by posing as the friend of President, but the letters here from them show that it is only the man that don't know Jim Ferguson that will be fooled by his profession of friendship for Wilson and progressive democracy. (Advertisement)

Among the strongest supporters of Tom Ball's candidacy for Governor in this country are the men who know Jim Ferguson's record the best. (Advertisement)

Commanding Success

SOME people "command" success, others sit down and wait for it. Those who command success are the ones who watch for opportunity, getting ready meanwhile to seize upon it. The way they get ready for it is to give constant attention to the growth of their bank account, thus developing, at the same time, business instincts and a helpful acquaintance. Identify yourself with this successful bank, and get in position to command your success.

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Frills and Fancies In Woman's Sphere

Summer Sitting Room With Novel Frieze



An attractive corner in the sitting room of a summer cottage is illustrated here. The walls are neatly finished with green cartridge paper, a paneled effect being given by the use of moldings. A latticed frieze runs around the wall, and from it is hung a drapery of soft green silk. The furniture is patterned on simple lines and finished in dark oak.

WHITE GOWNS NEATEST.

At This Season Their Popularity Is Always Assured.

The present fad for gay girdles makes the all white frock doubly interesting, for the brightest sort of girdle does not seem garish when it is worn with such a frock, and it adds a dashing note that the white itself lacks.

White is as popular as ever this summer for beach wear, but all white cannot be pronounced as fashionable as white combined with color. The color, however, must be rightly chosen and rightly placed.

With a tailored white linen or white serge suit are worn white gloves and boots, but hat and parasol supply the proper touch of color, and of course match in shade.

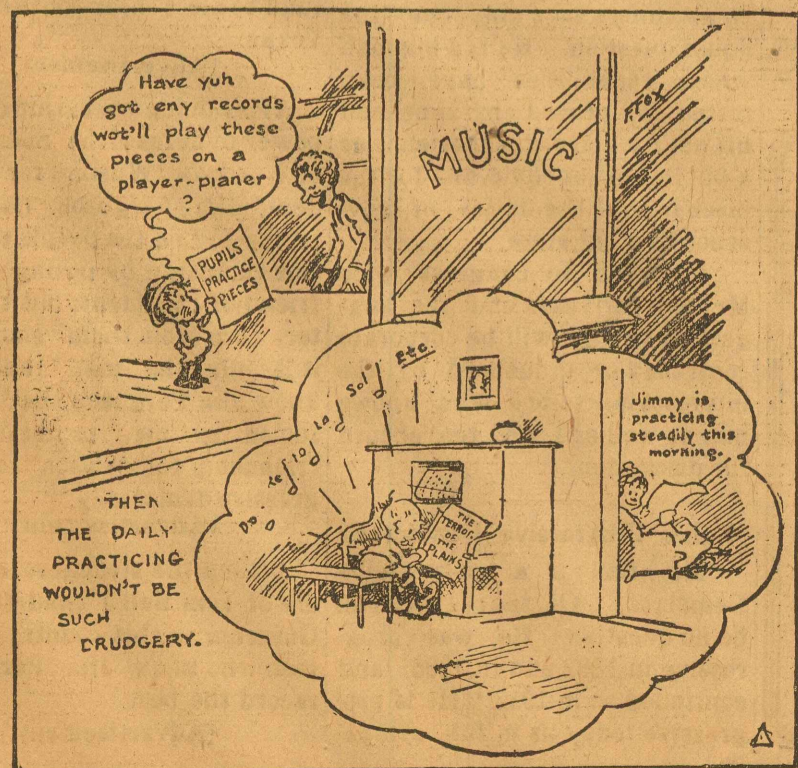
With a very smart tailored suit of white mohair and wool weave, just completed, will be worn white buttoned buckskin boots and long wristed gloves of white embroidered silk—for the coat has short, loose sleeves. Hat and parasol are of sweet pea purple, the deep purple with a shade of blue through it. A reticule of moire silk matches hat and parasol.

Getting Rid of Roaches.

To get rid of roaches try the following: To one part of sulphur add an equal amount of ground red pepper and five parts of borax. Mix well and dust into their runways, resting places and breeding places with a bellows.

Some housewives use with good results a mixture of borax and red pepper. The addition of sulphur to this is to be recommended. It fumigates the haunts of the marauders, besides being disagreeable to them when they are alive.

Jimmy Is Now Safe From Interruption



—New York Evening Sun.

WASH DAY HINTS.

System Will Do Much to Eliminate the Routine Drudgery.

The careful and economical housewife who watches all the small outlays will have a small shelf or even a cabinet, no matter how roughly put together, in her laundry, where many helps may always be found. Oxalic acid to take out stains, a bottle of javelle water, a box of fine starch and one of cornstarch, some gum arabic, a bottle of vinegar and one of ammonia, besides the bluing, the wax and soda, should be there.

For ink stains and iron rust the oxalic acid crystals are dissolved and the spots moistened, left until the spot shows that it is fading and then well rinsed in several waters, as this, like javelle water, will eat holes in the fabric if left on too long.

When silk ribbons are to be laundered a little gum arabic dissolved to a thin mucilage will give them the stiffness and luster of new. Where colors are to be "set" in uncertain goods, vinegar and salt should be used in the water, and for stains from varnish or the usual furniture staining fluids the javelle water is invaluable.

The laundress must be taught how to use these things; otherwise economy will prove extravagance. She should be instructed that any white goods will stand the application of oxalic acid and the lime and soda of javelle water, but that either will surely take out the color from a printed fabric. Silks and satins will not stand these strong mediums.

WILD FLOWERS FOR HATS.

How the Summer Millinery Is Being Trimmed.

Wild flowers, such as ragged robins, speedwell and bachelor's buttons, so delightfully made that they might have been executed by "nature's own sweet and cunning hand," are prepared for garlanding summer hats and for wearing as posies; also old fashioned garden flowers, stocks, wallflowers and sweet peas. Cornflowers and hyacinths of the most vivid blue are already appearing on hats; also roses of every kind, from tiny rambler and button blossoms to huge roses of velvet and silk.

Tulle is usually considered the most perishable of fabrics, but a variety which, though it appears just like all other tulle, is far more durable is the beautiful rainproof tulle, made by a special process—that is to say, it will not spoil when subjected to damp or become raggy in moist, heated atmosphere. Another exquisite fabric for evening wear emanating from the same manufactory is a fine silk gauze, woven in the fashionable metallic effects—gold, aluminium, copper shot with silver and radium blue. It is charmingly effective for tunics and draperies.

An Obstinate Jurywoman

By EUGENE D. NEWELL

WHEN equal rights for women triumphed in 1925 they not only gained the franchise, but laws were passed imposing upon them the same duties as men. They were drawn as jurywomen and were eligible to sit on the bench. Different experiments in jury duty were tried, one of which was the making up of a jury of mixed men and women.

The case of Grace Fleming against Francis Iddleston for breach of promise attracted universal attention. The law as it stood at the time required that all cases of breach of promise should be tried before a jury of unmarried persons, six being males and six females. There being a great rush for admittance to hear the piquant evidence that it was expected would be brought out, a number of young men and women strove to be impaneled on the jury. The result was six young men and six young women were drawn and accepted, all of whom were of the better class, and the young women were all good looking.

It was proved conclusively on the trial that Iddleston had proposed to Miss Fleming and that she had accepted him, but the defendant's counsel brought in evidence to show that she had been engaged to another man at the same time. The judge charged that if the jury were satisfied that the defendant had proposed to the plaintiff they were to return a verdict in her favor. But if they were satisfied that the plaintiff had engaged herself to another man while she was engaged to Iddleston they were to find for the defendant.

One of the jurymen gave an account of the proceedings in the jury room while a verdict was being considered, of which the following is a synopsis:

"On reaching the jury room we arranged ourselves in a circle, men and women being placed alternately, and proceeded to consider the case. At first there were remarks from men and women alike, but gradually the men dropped out of the discussion, leaving it to the women. Two women considered Iddleston's offer binding on him; two women considered that he was absolved by Miss Fleming's being engaged to another man, while the other two jurywomen took the ground that Mr. Iddleston had been treated very badly by the plaintiff.

"The discussion on the part of the jurywomen lasted so long that some of us began to yawn. First one woman, then another dropped out of it until but one woman remained to combat for her opinion. Then one of the women asked another if she had seen the new skirt. This switched the conversation on to another track than the case in question, and in a few minutes

the women were debating the fashions. Seeing an opportunity, we men began to consider the breach of promise case. We discovered that we all agreed that the woman, having been engaged to another during the time she was engaged to Iddleston, had no claim.

"We announced to our fellow jurywomen that half of the jury were agreed on a verdict, requesting the other half to follow our example. They at once turned their attention to the matter in point, but as there were three different opinions among them and each woman stoutly maintained her own view time passed without a verdict. At 6 o'clock in the evening supper was brought in, and after that, since the women could not agree and were tired of the subject, we paired off, each man with a woman, and sat flirting till 10 o'clock, when we were marched off to separate hotels for the night.

"The next day a messenger went from us with a note to the judge, who, supposing it to contain a question of law, called the court together. His honor was much astonished at a request for a clergyman. Since there was no reason for denying the request a dominie was sent to us, and two of our number were married.

"There is something contagious about matrimony, and as the parson was leaving he was called back to marry another couple. That afternoon one of the men who had been making up to another of the jurywomen proposed that we make it unanimous and all be married. This was rushing matters, and the only woman left unpledged declined to take the only remaining unpledged man. While we were trying to persuade her the judge sent to know if we had reached a verdict. The foreman sent back word that we had a case of an obstinate twelfth jurywoman, but we hoped soon to bring her to an agreement.

"Half an hour later we all filed into the courtroom and were asked the usual question:

"Have you agreed to a verdict?"

"We have agreed to something else," replied our foreman.

"What do you mean?" asked the judge, surprised.

"Four of our twelve have been married in the jury room, and we have agreed to make it unanimous, the rest to be married here by your honor in court."

"But the verdict in the case that has been tried before you!" exclaimed the astonished judge. "Were you unable to bring the obstinate jurywoman to an agreement?"

"We brought her to an agreement, your honor, to marry the eleventh jurymen."

"Case dismissed," said the judge.

In and Out of the Children's Playroom

TIRELESS ANIMAL WORKERS.

Some Build With Cleverness Many Men Would Be Proud Of.

There are varieties of wasps which are paper makers; spiders are tireless spinners, and even worms are weavers. Ants work nearly all the time and have a well looked after system of labor, which they follow closely.

Certain species of ants found in East India are farmers in a small way. They raise mushrooms for the purpose of feeding their young.

Bees are among the most expert builders of all time. Their hives are so constructed as to lose as little space as possible.

The ant lions are remarkable architects. Their funnel-shaped traps are exactly correct in conformation and could not be surpassed if made by the most skillful architect and with the aid of complicated instruments.

The beaver is combination architect, engineer and woodcutter. He builds houses and dams his water course with a cleverness that would be creditable to an intelligent man.

SPANISH BOY SCOUTS.

Eleven thousand scouts in Spain carry on a very similar program to that of the Boy Scouts of America. The handbook of the boys bears the name, Estatutos de la Asociacion Catolica de Scouts de Espana. Madrid, the capital, has 3,000 scouts. The spreading of scouting in that country is another instance that Spain is waking up and getting ready to take her place again among the nations which in recent years have outstripped her in education. There is no doubt that scouting is spreading like wildfire all over the world, and it is confidently expected that it will be an entering wedge in many countries for new ideals of citizenship and boy training.—Scouting.

Children Digging In London Park Sand Pit



Children are permitted to dig in sand pits in the celebrated Hyde park of London. Hundreds of the little ones, both boys and girls, enjoy themselves there making mounds and figures the same as they would do on the seashore. On the days they are allowed to dig the youngsters come with their shovels from all over the city and stay until it is dark.

OUTDOOR PASTIMES.

New games for the children's fete or lawn party are now in demand. The following is a lively pastime for any number of children, as ten or forty can play, either outdoors or indoors. A large yard with two small spaces (called dens or traps) at opposite corners are necessary:

One child is called the hunter and stands in the middle of the yard. The other children are given the names of different animals or birds, several hav-

ing the same name, and stand in one of the dens.

The hunter calls for a certain animal or for two kinds, when all of that name must try to reach the other den before the hunter tags them. If one is tagged he takes the place of the hunter, and the hunter takes the place of an animal. There may be two hunters when a large party is playing, but only one must call the animal's name.

When is it proper to swear? When you are put under oath.