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THE MYSTERY

By Ashley Towne

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SYNOPSIS OF The Mystery of Graslov

charming daughter of an American who is building the Transsiberian sent to have the priest of that village railroad. Frances is interested in make you my wife you shall not be perthe fortunes of Valdimir Paulpoff, a mitted to leave this ear. I much prestalwart Russian blacksmith. She fer, as would any man, a willing bride; asks Neslerov to use his influence for but, denied this, I will compel you to Valdimir. II .- Nesierov goes to Val- obey. It will be the worse for you. talent and shows Nerlerov a picture he has painted. It is the portrait of a woman of rank copied from a minfature. The prince is excited and I suppose, one of your own. Shoot me asks for the original. Valdimirs fa- if you will. I will not marry you!" ther says it has been lost. To Valdimir old Paulpoff confesses that he lied to Neslerov and still has the miniature. III .- Neslerov has the Paulpoffs sent to Siberia as nihilists. IV .- Frances Gordon goes to the forge with books for Vladimir. At the door of the lonely hut she enwis suit violently, and Frances stuns him with a pistol shot in the head. V:-Gordon wishes his daughter to marry Jack Denton, an American I could prove that your father was a bridge engineer. Frances demands conspirator against the government that her father intercede with the and was shot while fighting my solgovernor for Vladimir. They start diers." for Obi. Neslerov boards the same train, which breaks in two, and Neslerov has Frances alone in his power.

CHAPTER VI:

NOTHER glance from the window showed Figures that the car had come to a stop hear a new bridge over a branch of the Irtisti, Involuntarily she sighed for the man who had built that bridge -Denton, whose eye was keen and steady, whose muscles were of iron. But Deuton was miles farther on,

at the Obi. "Now," said Neslerov, as the girl sank back in her seat, "let us face this situation, my dear. Let us realize the true significance. We are practically alone, you and L. Save for the poor wretches in that village yonder, we are the only people on this earth just now. Can you realize the fullness of that statement? You are mine-abso letely and wholly mine."

"Ob, you cur! You coward!" exclaimed Frances. Her hand went as if by instinct toward that pocket from which she had drawn her revolver on a previous occasion. Neslerov saw her face turn whiter still, and he laughed pleasantly.

"Of course I guarded against that." he said. "I knew you would, with your American impulsiveness, try to shoot me again. So, while you stept. I quietly took your little toy pistol from your pocket. I have it here. This, I believe, deprives you of the power to do any more mischief."

"Oh, you miserable coward! You thief!" said Frances in a tense voice. "I wish there was a good American fist here to strike that grinning face of yours!"

"Undoubtedly?" said Nesterov, with an exasperating coolness, "that would be pleasant for you, but it would be unfortunate for the American who owned the fist One blow-peste! He would be torn apart by my agreeable savages yonder.

She could not resist the temptation to follow his finger as it pointed through the window on his side of the car. A short distance, on the banks of ! the stream, she saw a wretched, miserable village of rude buts. Men and women, dressed in leather, undressed skins, heavy cloths from Moscow merchants, stood in groups, all with their faces toward the car.

"Were I to say the word," said Neslerov, "these people would tear you lineb from limb and would perform the same agreeable service for any fool who attempted to interfere between us."

"Monster!" she gasped. "Of course I am a monster to you," he said. "All Russians are monsters to those who do not like us. We may have our little peculiarities. One of them is that what we cannot get by fair means we get some other way. I Russian prince. I was spurned. But gasp she succumbed and sank helpless now the game is mine, and I shall win. and exhausted almost in his arms You shall become my wife before your. "Curse you" he spluttered between

"Wetert Jamen' Laurfer to be torn

in the heat of anger, but a short period of rest and contemplation will show you the folly of your refusal. Think CHAPTER I. - Prince Neslerov of this. I shall go out now and obtain wants to marry Frances Gordon, the some food. We may remain here a week. Who knows? Before I leave

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dimir's hut. The blacksmith has offered love-an affectionate embrace. You refused. Now I command! Think this matter settled only when we are married."

"Never! You Lave my revolver and,

"It will not be you I shoot. What do you think your father will do when he finds you are left behind?"

"Without doubt he will obtain a special train and come here after me Then, Prince Nesterov, beware!" He smiled like a wolf and showed his

"That is what I wanted you to say. counters Neslerov. The prince presses If when your father comes here you are not my wife, I will shoot him dead."

"You dare not!" she gasped. "I dare anything. No report of mine would be discredited at St. Petersburg.

"There is a government of the United States of America!"

"True, but at a distance, I do not fear it. But consider what I have said. Let be! growled the man. "Use

I will return with food." him striding toward the village, she probably his wife." leaned against the window and studied

the rude people. "I am helpless-absolutely helpless!" she mouned. "Oh, if he had not taken authority as head of the house. The my revolver I could have shot himor myself."

She looked about her for some methed whereby she could, if the need should come, take her own life rather than submit to his demands. She knew that if there were a priest in. this squalid place he would obey Neslerov, and mumble some words perfeetly meaningless to ber, but which would give Neslerdy power over her. She walked the length of the apartment like a caged lioness.

Women turned into their huts and came out again. She saw Nesterov start back toward the car carrying a wooden tray. She shuddered again. "God give me strength, courage,

calmness!" sife murmured. "To lose consciousness would be to fall a vic-

She nerved herself to meet him as his footsteps sounded on the platform. The door opened, and he entered with a bowl of gruel, some steaming potatoes, roast fowl, coffee and some coarse bread.

"It is not quite like our usual fare," he said, "but it is better than being bungry

He set the dishes on a table he improvised out of the back of a seat. He had a large traveling bag with him, and from it be took a bottle of wine. 'We will pledge each other," he said, with a laugh.

"I do not wish any." said Frances. "Come, don't be churlish! Let us get over the uppleasant part. Drink a toast to your future husband."

"I will not. I will not touch it!" "Drink-drink my/health!" be com-

manded.

"I will not!" 'I will make you!"

He held the cup in his right band. With his left be grasped her by the bair. He bent back her bend.

"Open your mouth. Swallow the wine. I will choke you!" he cried. With a powerful effort she wrenched herself free and to ber feet, and the

wine went to the floor with a smash. Her eyes were glaring with desperation. She clinched her fist and rained blow upon blow upon his face.

Curses deep and terrible burst from him. He clutched her round the waist and struggled with ber. She exerted all her strength. She was like a feroclous tigress. Her nails scratched his face and tore his hair. Her blows cut his lips on his teeth. But he was a spoke to your father, and I spoke to powerful man and used his-strength you. I offered the houest love of a against this captive woman. With a

father has time to return from the his swollen tips. "I have wasted my kindness on you! I should have staryed you . But I will delay no longer. I'll drag you to the priest and in ton

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unfigites you will be the Princess Neste. rov-and my slave for life. I'll break your beart, you devil!"

He closed his arms tightly about her and dragged her from the car. The villagers stared in astonishment as they saw him coming toward them with his burden

"What means this strange happening, little father?" asked a woman of an older man of the village. "Is the man killing ber?"

your eyes in your house, but meddle not with others. The man's gold is to prevent her escape. When she saw good. He will not hurt her. She is

> Russian wives are accustomed to cruelty from their bushands A beating is but part of their demonstrations of women looked on with apathy, while the men smiled

"He has married a Tartar," they said among then selves

"Melp! Save me from this man!" gasped Frances as Neslerov half dragged, half carried her into the nearest "Where is your priest?" Neslerov de-

manded, "Get him at once. Not only he, but all in the place, will receive pay. Call the priest at once!" "Save me! I am an American! Gor-

don-the man who built-the road-is my father?" cried Frances, struggling have to stay in bed, but I rubbed A bent old man was seen shambling

toward them:

"Come," said Neslerov roughly, "This Hurry. We have been left behind in that car, and to save her good name she must become my wife. Proceed!" "No! Fer pity's sake, do not!" cried Frances. "My father will pay you well! Do not compel me to marry him! I hate bim!"

"I command you to marry us!" shouted N slerov.

A tall man of about middle age stepped from the crowd.

"It is wrong," be said. "Who you are I know not, but it is not the way to win a wife. Release the young woman. Let us hear what she has to say."

"What she has to say! Curse you!" Without an effort in his own behalf he

"I am Neslerov, governor of Tomsk!" shouted the prince, now perfectly frenzied. "I command you, old dotard, to say the words that will make this girl for the Southwest? Regular submy wife.

has stolen me from my father! He is "He is his excellency, the governor," muttered the old man. "We must

Neslerov seized her by the wrist and swung her toward the priest. The villagers crowded round, awestruck at the great name they had heard. They well knew the governor. Many of them had felt the knout at his command. "It must be done," again muttered

the priest. "No. no!" eried Frances, trying to

wrench away from Neslerov. A boy slid quietly away from the crowd and ran.

'Stand there, curse you!" said Neslerov, grasping Frances by the balr. The pain of his rude hand on her lovely hair made Frances cry out in terror, move again!"

There was the sound of a quick and stealthy trend. There was a swish in

from the crowd, which fell back in consternation,

A heavy Russian riding whip swung through the air in an are and, descending, cut the skin across the face of Ne

"Curse you!" said a hearty American voice. "I'll have your life for this!" "Jack! Oh, Jack!" cried Frances, and then, the last vestige of her strength deserting her, she fell unconscious into Jack Denton's outstretched

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Why not have it sent to triends "back east," to do missionary work scription price is 25 cts a year; "Please do not!" cried Frances. "He worth double. Send 50 cents (coin or stamps) with names and ada cruel monster! I cannot marry him?" dresses of five eastern friends; we will mail "The Earth" to them and you for six months. Write today to, "The Earth," 1120 Railroad Exchange Building, Chicago, Ill.

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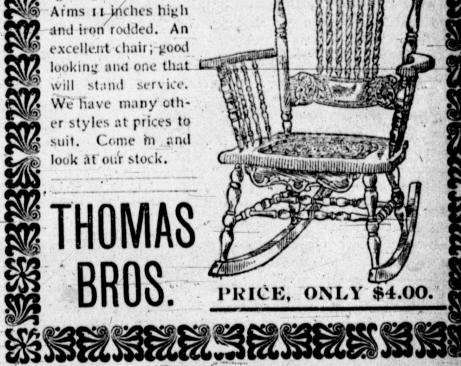
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For Commissioner and Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2-J. B. THOMAS

G. R. STRATTON

(For Re-Election)

A Disastrous Fire.

Wind, dust and smoke conspired to make Thursday of last week one of the most disagreeable days on record for this part of the country. About the middle of the afternoon the town was foggy with smoke and dust that came down upon us from the west with a sixty mile wind. This caused much uneasiness as it was impossible to see the fire or locate it. The fire originated some ways west but the wind being to the northwest swept it south of us a short distance, the black trail of which can be seen from town. Much grass was destroyed and reports state that several houses, barns and much feed were consumed in this and Floyd county. It is certain that everything inflamable was swept from the trail. The place and origin of the fire is unknown as it might have come from Mexico in the gale. While all kinds of rumors of losses are affoat, we have not yet had time to get a correct report. One rumor is that the pasture is denuded of grass. Several days will elapse before a full report of

SURE ENOUGH RAILROAD.

view Herald.

losses can be secured .- Plain-

Record of Tuesday, new life has wit: been injected into the Dallas and "In the next 18 or 20 months Roswell railroad, and grading is to great changes will be wrought begin ot once.

las capitalists some three years railroads in that time; if so, since and has been scheduled to lands near town will be sold for begin operations several times, and \$100 per acre instead of \$15 per did last year for a brief period of acre." time have a sort of a start near Dethen behind it went into liquidation. This time the public is assured that there is sufficient money back of the scheme to carry it through.

west through the country lying be- 7th inclusive. The program is Sam Long from Kansas City closed last Friday with appro- of Hereford, was consumed by night watchman by the business tween the Texas & Pacific and excellent. Those interested can here was \$57.70. Of this amount priate exercises. the "Denver Road," is the propos- get full announcement and all the Odd Fellows paid \$30. The ed route. Lubbock s one of the other particulars by addressing casket and shroud was donated The Spelling contest on May objective points.

Scads of cash, plenty of brains

CANYON CITY NEWS, and a set purpose to begin "at once" and "rush to completion." This is the announcement and if based on facts, it means one sure enough railroad for our southern brethren and this, leaving out the one mentioned in last week's News, as going from Canyon City.

STOCK CONDITIONS.

While the west wind was raging over the Panhandle Sunday bringing along its usual quoto of New Mexico sand, storms and floods were the rule in Kansas. From above Fort Scott down to the south 5 00 line Kansas was soaked full and running over. The rains extended Please don't ask for credit on south through the Territory and down over Texas to the Gulf of Mexico. The western limit of these rains, except in a very few local instances, was about the west line of Wise county and thence south. West of that line and including the whole Panhandle and running south across the Rio Grande into Mexico it is still dry. In the greater part of this vast area no rains to amount to much have fallen since October and the usual winter snows came not. The grasses left over from last year, barring a few tavored localities, are about gone and no new grass can come until it rains. It has been dry so long that showers won't answer, it must rain-nothing but a "ground soaker" will put West Texas clearly on its feet

> The stock are still pegging along in the Plains country but how in the world they manage to do so not only excites the wonder of the newcomer and visitor, but also of the old "land marks" themselves. In general, the country is almost bare, nothing but the stubs of last year's grass being visible and the stock still survive. But this condition cannot last forever, even the grubbing for old grass roots will finally stop for want of material to work on, and then the end must come. of this section can wait for rain is a matter of some speculation.

that way-June without rain, cotton-seed meal or such like feed will find her in the bone yard.

are that all will be well, and not only for the stockmen, but for the

Old Plainsmen claim that this is the longest and worst drouth within their recollection -to the new men test as has this and come out so

The Lubbock Avalanche is urging Lubbock county com missioners to buy land sufficient for a poor farm while it is cheap. The argument advanced by the According to the Fort Worth Avalanche is well founded, to-

in and Lubtock county and Lub. Precinct No. 1, Randall Co. Texas. This line was projected by Dal- book may have two or three

catur, where it is said the company ever heard of a poor farm in "Meet Me There." the Panhandle?

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Herein fail not, but have you beore said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. J. Redfearn, Justice of the Peace for Precinct No 1, Randall

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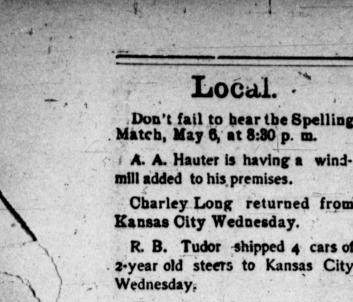
by the National Live Stock 6. Don't miss it. Plenty of fun.

The residence of S. S. Evants. fire on the 8th inst. Loss \$5000; men of Plainview last week. no insurance.

ing match, on May 6.

W. B. Knight was appointed

Jim T. Holland, an old-timer on Don't fail to attend the spell- the plains and a prominent citizen of Amarillo, died there Monday.



R. B. Tudor shipped 4 cars of 2-year old steers to Kansas City

White Organdy, 2 yards wide, at 50 cents per yard at Canyon Mercantile Co.

F. H. Bertrand, of Texico, is here and will remain for some time. He is buying bones.

Miss Annie McLary returned last Friday from Goodnight college

The News editor desires to thank the gay musicians who serenaded his home last Tuesday evening.

W. H. Hicks is improving the appearance of his residence by having a nice porch put in the southeast triangle.

J. I. Campbell and Wm. William on Tuesday night received a shipment of 150 head of stock cattle purchased by them near Quanah.

S. V. Wirt is out among the property owners this week assessing property values for the Independent School District.

Mrs. J. H. Pipkin left this week for her old home at Elmore, Ind. and friends for the summer.

There was quite a boom in town the beginning of the week bands.

Geo. P. Smith, special State Agent for several old line insurance companies, was in town yesterday. He is an old friend of Deputy Clerk C. N. Harrison.

Col. Poole, the hustling circu lator for the Stockman-Journal, was in town the latter part of last week taking subscriptions

north of the railroad track, to proved herself to be a teacher to Whip the Teacher." Casidy their forces chiefly from the pose to change all this but can O. I. Smith, for a consideration of rare ability and a lady of Jennings.

Canyon, and Miss Stella Watson of Idaho, visited J. C. Jow ell and family the first of the week .- Tulia Standard.

There will be no preaching ser vices at the Methodist church next Sunday as the pastor, J. E. Stephens, is to preach at Silverton next Sunday at the meeting of the District Conference.

Williams & Sloneker's Blackday morning of last week, at

The Cumberland Presbyter ians have challenged the Methodists to a spelling match, which takes place at the court house, Friday, May 6, at 8.30 p. m. Admission 10c.

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G. N. Caylor, of Happy, went up to Amarillo Saturday evening to see how his daughter. Mrs. Seldon Baird, was progressing with the measles. Mrs.

George Taylor and family moved to Amarillo Monday of this week. Mr. Taylor has been employed with Stringfelplace for several years and goes to Amarillo to work for the same firm in their business at

interest in the mercantile firm of while in this disordered state. Redfearn & Co., to D. B. McLary. This deal places Mr. Heyser on the retired merchants' list, and Mr. McLary in the active business life min, a daughter. mains as it was.

Rev. J. T. Burnett preached at Hereford last Sunday. The Don't fail to hear the Spelling Baptist people at that place have not yet secured a pastor to fill the vacancy caused by Rev. J. F. Elder's resignation, though they are exerting great efforts to obtain one. Bro. Burnett volunteered his services in behalf of the mission work.

> For low rates to the World's Fair via the Texas & Pacific Railway, ask any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Ag't, Dallas, Texas.

Rev. J. T. Bell, Baptist Missionary Evangelist for the Paloduro Association, passed through here Wednesday for Hale Center, where he will begin a revival meeting. He had just closed a meeting at Clarendon, with 34 additions to the Baptist church of that place.

Two Chinamen passed through town last Saturday en route to Amarillo. They have been doing a laundry business at Lubbock. They informed a News reporter that if business in Amarillo would not justify putting in a laundry they would return here.

"Uncle Mark" and H. D. Foster with their families, of Ben Franklin, arrived here Tuesday and will spend the summer on the plains. "Uncle Mark" is the father of our townsman, R. W. Foster, and is yet hale and hearty at the age of 76 years. They will spend the Ter., where she will visit relatives time pleasantly with relatives and friends here and have planned to employ their leisure in enjoying the cool breezes and fishing in the -lots of real estate changed nearby streams. They are familiar with the town's history and growth, as they are constant readers of the local paper.

> Evidently, April has stolen several storms from March. Something has been taking a march on the Plains in the way of weather the past two weeks, to say the least of it.

Miss Willie Sowder left Wedfor this valuable stock journal. nesday for her home in Cook county. Miss Sowder has taught Otto Jennings this week sold in the Tulia Public School for his dwelling house and lot, just the past two years, and has purest type and her pupils and host of friends will regret to Miss Annie Jowell, of near learn that she doesn't expect to return .- Tulia Standard.

Saturday evening.

Lubbock Avalanche.

morning for Canyon Gity, with steers at \$14; Bivens & Sanford one Ben Smith, who was convicted of horse theft at the last smith shop burned down Mon- term of the District Court and sentenced to 2 years confinement Plainview. The total loss is in the State Reformatory. Mr. erly at \$14 and \$17 respectively, estimated at \$1700; no insur- Penney received a telegram and Alfred Rowe purchased the fa- age the only chance for the fol-Tuesday, asking that he deliver his charge to the Penitentiary Contractor at Canyon City.

A man who gave his name out as Ben Baker, got off of last Friday morning's train and along later in the day showed We have just received a large such symptoms of an unbalanced shipment of Ladies, Misses and mind that Sheriff Upfold put and Gent's Oxfords. Also a bim in jail awaiting further developments. At supper time Friday evening the man was a raving manaic. The temporary derangement held possession of the poor unfortunate until Sun day and he had recovered so spring by bringing down fresh far Monday morning that he was deposits of soil in the floods liberated from his asylum. Evi-Caylor went up on Monday of dently the man was suffering from delirium tremens, though he claimed upon the recovery such way? No one will quesof his senses that he had been drugged while at Amarillo and soil .- Roswell Register. roobed of his watch and \$40. At

Births-On April 16, to Mr.

Jenkins, a son.

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by Miss Angie Myers. Music. Recitation, 'Nebuchadnezer, Miss May O'Keefe.

Recitation, Miss Zina Henson. Music.

Recitation, "Poor Little Joe Miss Gertie Luna. Recitation, Miss Earlene Ga

ison. Music.

> Recitation, Miss Patton. "Texas Under Six Flags," six

girls. Grundy.

The Amarillo meeting of stockmen was largely attended, but on Miss Sowder spent several account of the general dryness of days of last week with her the country tributary to that point, brother, R. A. Sowder, at this there was not much trading done place. She left for her home in cattle. Among the sales reported is that of Tam Trammel of Sweet- | a serious direct menace to the and Democratic government. All water, who sold his entire string of threes and fours at \$25 and \$30 respectively; T. J. Richards of Quan-P. B. Penney left Wednesday ah, sold a big string of yearling sold 1200 fours to Kansas parties at what avails it to them? Anoth which time and time again has \$30, with no cut-back and to be de- er ruler is easily made and the purchased the imperial purple livered within ten days; Major W. W. Watts of Crosby county, sold 400 cows and 200 twos to Jim Bevmous JA twos at \$22 around. Ira lowers of the red flag to have change? Yes, when the brains Aten of Hereford, sold one car of their day in court is to get be- of the world cease to worship English Shire mares to O. C. Lane at \$50 around- Stockman Journal.

Value of Dust Storms.

One sometimes wonders what part the dust storm plays in the economy of nature. We know it plays in the Pecos Valley, and certainly we should not have so much of anything and such a continued muchness unless it was a part of the great scheme. We are told how the Nile enriches her valley every thereby making new ground. Might we not reason out the yalue of dust storms in some tion its power to scatter the

Don't know how you can "figany rate he saw snakes and ger" it out, bud. About the different problem. It is a low-Hume Hardware Co., at this other awful things whether he time you get to "figgering" here growth of our own times. It had been drinking anything or will come "telegrams of big thrives in soil where anarchy not. The man upon his libera | real estate deals" at Cannon fails to even root. It flourishes ganization of Odd-Fellowship was tion was very profuse in his Ball rate, but the man has never best where education is broad-celebrated at Amarillo on Tuesday thanks to the Sheriff and others | been found who likes to pay for cast. It is not only in Europe the 26 inst. The two Lodges at S. H. Heyser this week sold his who so patiently guarded bim soil acquired in this manner. but here in this country, and in Amarillo, Claude, Canadian, and But if some folks would happen fact all over the civilized world; Canyon Lodges participated in the to reason out the value of dust it is advancing in giant strides. celebration. The music was furstorms in a manner indicated by Inscribed upon its banners are nished by the Canadian band. and Mrs. Charles Gordon-Cum- the Register, they'd straight- what it calls "the rights of The program consisted in the pa way get up an excursion party man;" in its left band it holds rade at 1:30 P. M., speaking at the of our town. The firm name re- April 25, to Mr. and Mrs. I. C. to find out where they had gone the ballot and its right is reach- opera house and a night session at and the Canyon City News-

******************* RANDOM THOUGHTS.

G. A. B.

Germany are again engaging that it is beyond the great the serious thought of the ruling waters, the day is not far dispowers of Europe. Governmen tal high tariffs, the concentra- signs fail. tion of wealth and many lines of business into the hands of "the few" and the modern style but surely bringing about conditions which if allowed to concades pass, bring about a revoitself.

It will not do at all to compare brains it tollows as a safe con- Smith and A. N. Henson. the Socialist with the Nihilist clusion that money rules the Recitation, Miss Kate Lackey and the Anarchist. These last world. This order of things Recitation, twelve little boys. Socialists, in Germany called there are people in our world Declamation, "How we Tried the Social Democrats, recruit today, many of them, who pro. ranks of the middle classes in- they do it? Those who believe cluding among the number a that history repeats itself say good if not large percentage of emphatically no. But it university graduates.

forms of government that be. this sounds nice and much of government sought to be overstrengthened thereby. In this change in name. time-it is coming.

crossbones variety whose ten- God of the poor, the humble and ets preached death to the weak and the oppressed of ruling powers of earth had their every clime, hasten the dawnorigin long years ago. They were the natural outgrowth of a barbarous and brutal age. Their season has always been short of life as was the "reign of terror" during the French revolution, and the result has always been defeat of their purpose and a recoil of their violence, with double force upon their own heads. The world has never indorsed the doctrines of anarchy and never will, and knowing this, imperial governments fear them not.

But socialism is an altogether

little as we think about it, and

of living are slowly, it may be, cities two things have been pre- the 21st of next month. eminently powerful for good or The brothers in attendance from evil- brains and money. These Canyon Lodge were, C. F. Davis, tinue, will, ere many more de- two forces when leagued to- O. C. Davis, T. M. Laster, T. H. gether have proven themselves Rowan, J. R. Harter, E. D. Auld, lution that will shake the earth invincible, and from the fact Theodore Cochell, Sam Axley, that money can always purchase J. N. Donohoo, J. C. Pipkin, A. M. argued that the world is getting The civilized world of today better and more progressive and has advanced beyond the red the divine right of kings is no flag doctrines of Nihilism and longer acknowledged, hence, Anarchy and they are no longer the freedom of the great masses, True, they may occasionally is true but when we pause to "remove" a crowned head or consider "the power behind the "put away" a president but throne;" that power-moneyitself, we must admit that 'tis thrown by assassination is only the same old master with but a

Is there no chance for hind the banners of the growing at the shrine of mammon and hosts of socialism and bide their not until then. In that new age, should it ever come, brains Combinations of the skull and alone will rule, and may the ing of that day.

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Present conditions here as was performed by the Amarillo well as in Europe, favor the Lodge No. 410, followed by a banspread of socialism; it is gaining quet in the hall to visiting Oddground every day among us, Fellows, and Daughters of Rebekah. After the banquet a business meet-The heavy Socialist gains in while not now the power here ing was held at which it was decided to organize an association of Odd-Fellows and Daughters of Retant-when it will be-unless all bekah for the Panhandle and subordinate lodges requested to send delegates to a meeting for the Since the time man has been furtherance of said organization, to numerous enough to dwell in be held at Amarillo on Saturday

The damage suit of W. R. Redfearn against the Pecos Valley Duett, Misses Mary and Enod named people thrive best where should not be. It is not for the Ry., set for last Friday was subignorance predominates, but the best interests of mankind and mitted to a jury Wednesday of this

> One of our local ministers a few Sundays ago. in commenting on the sociability of the Plains people generally, said that be was very glad, indeed, that Canyon City did not have any of the so-called "elite." That he was more than pleased to find the people here model after the example of our Lord and Savior Jer us Christ, whose life was not puffed up. He might bave gone further and said that the man who unnecessarily elates himself over the fact that, he has more of the filthy lucre than his fellow man, stands a small show for recognition among good people here, or on the Plains, as for that matter. The more congested centres of the East have already experienced a taste of the tightening of the social lines, and the "elite" has been christened. Nine times out of ten this "elite," or "cod-fish aristocracy," as it is called in the West, is composed of people who have little money and brains.

A Humorous Sheriff.

Jack Steel used to be sheriff down in Representative Dougherty's district in Missouri, and Mr. Dougherty tells this story on him:

"The county judge was a man weighing 300 pounds. Steel, who kept the local hotel, summoned a jury for a term, and not one of the jurors weighed less than 250 pounds. On the first case called Steel fed the jurymen a dinner consisting of plenty of onions, buttermilk and other soporific foods, with the result that in the afternoon all of them and the judge went to sleep.

"Sheriff,' said the judge on awakening, this court is here for business. In future I want you to select a jury with a single eye to jus-

"Yes, your honor,' answered "The next panel summoned con-

sisted entirely of one eyed men."

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A SPORTING PARSON.

equel to a Wager Laid on the - Life of Napoleon.

Rev. Robert Gilbert against Sir stations. The crossing from Quibes. Mark Sykes, and it arose from a det ron takes some fifty minutes, and, made between the parties upon the the sea being usually very rough, life of Napoleon Bonaparte.

and the opinion was freely expressed by some of the party that Nabe made to assassinate him.

parte's life in such danger that if on the subject of his experiences. any one would give him 100 guineas | "What sort of audience," he askhe would pay him a guinea a day ed, "do you like best? Who, in your during Napoleon's lifetime.

Upon this Rev. Gilbert, "in the and sympathetic listeners?" language," as the defendant's counsel put it, "of a common five guinea | er a moment's thought-"college bettor on a race course, nailed him | men and convicts."-Harper's Week with: 'Will you, Sir Mark? I'll take ly. you-done."

The sporting parson gage 100 guineas to Sir Mark, who for a considerable time paid kim various sums of money on account of the wager, amounting in all to \$4,850.

Then for five or six years the guinea a day payments ceased, the baronet feeling no doubt that if Bonaparte was not dead he ought to be, and Gilbert, who, it may be mentioned, enjoyed a living worth some \$6,000 a year, brought this action against Sir Mark to enforce the wager and sought to recover from him a further \$11,000.

The plaintiff's counsel contended that, although it might be objected that wagers on the life of men were immoral, yet the laws of England supported such wagers.

The judges did not seem to have laid much stress upon the question whether this wager tended to imperil the safety of the state. He asked the jury to consider whether the bet had been seriously made, and if it were a serious bet whether in all the circumstances the plaintiff had not been paid enough money by the defendant. The jury took the hint and gave a verdict against the rapacious parson.-Longman's Magazine.

Mixed Pickles, Esq.

Lord Wolseley in his remimiscences tells this incident of his campaign in Ashanti: "Sailors are proverbially fond of pets, and the naval brigade adopted one, a negro boy, very black and very small. They had dressed him in the full uniform of a blue acket, which made him very proud of himself and of the wooden sword they had made for him. When you asked him his name they had taught him to stand up to attention, to sainte and to answer quite solemnly, 'Mixed Pickles, Esq., sir.' They took the utmost delight in teaching him, English, and the appearance and from some pomposity of this child were a source of perpetual amusement to all ranks."

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This island is one of the finest of the group composing the corner of Brittany called the Mort PRACTICAL bihan. It contains four towns, five In 1812 an action was brought by lighthouses and several coast guard Tanks, with treacherous rocks stretching Sir Mark ten years before the ac- far out from the land, there is altion had invited some friends to ways a spice of danger in making dinner, the reverend gentleman be- Belleisle. Indeed, the sunken rocks ing one of the number. Politics be- in many parts render access imposcame the subject of conversation, sible except to small rowing boats.

Mark Twain's Audiences

poleon was in a critical situation at . It was on a train somewhere hethat time and that attempts would tween New York and the west. Mark Twain was traveling between This view was held by the host, towns on a lecture tour, and a friend who said that he considered Bona- had been drawing the humorist out sundries fresh and complete

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