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\$1 IN ADVANCE

FALL STYLES FOR 1907

Show us much that is novel as well as practical. There's ample scope for indulging the taste. Style range from the tailored to the elaborate picture effects, and the Champaign Brown, Cardinal, Navy, and all other shades of Green and Blue are much in favor. Millinery, pose for the most popular, has arisen to the situation and shows combinations that can not fail to gratify the taste of all. It embraces all of the plain, medium and extreme styles. Black is more popular than ever before for Shirt Skirts. We have bought the best line of Ready Made Fancy and Tailored Skirts ever shown here and look forward to saving our customers much of the annoyance that selecting goods, skirt fitting and making up involves. We have ready for your inspection much of our line of Fall Goods and will be pleased to give you our time and attention when you can call on us. We are receiving and will in the next few days receive an extensive line of Millinery consisting of Hats for Ladies, Misses and Children and have set our opening day for SEPT. 27 AND 28, when we will entertain the public to the best of our ability with the season's prettiest goods.

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K. BURWELL.

REPORTED RAID OF HORSE THEIVES.

DARING WORK THAT RECALLS TIMES OF TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Approximately One Hundred Head of Horses Driven From Yaeger and Withers Ranches.

About ten o'clock Wednesday night Louis Yaeger, a fifteen-year-old boy, rode into town and reported that approximately one hundred head of horses had been stolen from the Yaeger and Withers ranches on the line of La Salle and Webb counties, forty-five miles Southeast of Cotulla.

According to young Yaeger's story, this is the most daring work of thieves in Southwest Texas for twenty years, and recalls the wholesale raids of the old days.

On hearing the report the Record man looked up young Yaeger, who said:

"Early in the night, about 11 o'clock I heard horses running in the pasture, but thought nothing much of it. Several times later I heard them running and thought it queer, but never had any suspicion of horse thieves being after them. The last time I heard them running was about two hours before daylight. There were two Mexicans and myself at the ranch and we had two mules and four horses staked on the creek nearby, two mules and two horses on one side and two horses on the other. Just about daylight I went to get my horse and found he had been cut loose. I went to where the next horse was staked and found that he was gone. Then I knew that something was wrong and hastened to the other side of the creek and found the animals there. I saddled one of the horses and started out in the pasture. Not a horse could be found, although we had fifty-six head beside the four that was staked.

"I found where the fence between our pasture and the Withers pasture had been let down and a bunch of horses driven out of the Withers pasture. I trailed them to where they went out of our pasture. The fence was left tied down with a small piece of rope. "I at once notified Mr. Withers and we took the trail and followed it up the Nueces for nearly twenty miles. Mr. Withers then told me to come to Cotulla and notify the sheriff's office and he went to Encinal. One of the Mexicans followed the trail. Mr. Withers missed about thirty head of mules and ten horses. The thieves, no doubt, thought they were leaving us afoot when they cut loose two of the staked horses, but they overlooked those on the opposite side of the creek."

It does not seem possible that thieves could escape with so large a bunch of horses no matter how well their plans might be. If they made for the Rio Grande, it is it possible for them to have reached it, but after crossing into Mexico they are not safe.

The country where they were stolen is practically uninhabited. The trail indicated the thieves pushed Westward through a country where there were no settlements nor telephone lines.

Several months ago a bunch of steers were stolen from the Burks ranch. They were trailed in a Westernly direction, the route taken by the horses, for twenty miles, when rain put out their tracks and all trace was lost. None of them were ever recovered. The Burks ranch is in the same locality as the Yaeger and Withers ranches.

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Ladies Aid Society.

The members of the Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist Church are urged to attend a call meeting of society Monday, Sept. 9, at 5 p. m. at the residence of the President. All ladies of the church invited to meet with us. Business of importance as Association meets 19th, at Devine.

Mrs. W. A. H. MILLER, Pres.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Get Shaved at the City Barber Shop.

Mr. Canada, of the Pearsall News spent Monday in Cotulla.

Cotulla will have a good Lyceum Course the coming season.

Mrs. S. Elliott went up to Pearsall this morning to visit the dentist.

Miss Alice Copp, who has been visiting at the Burks ranch for time returned home Thursday.

All the material for the Park fence is now here and work putting it up will probably begin early next week.

Mr. C. F. Binkley has moved to town from the ranch, for the purpose of sending his children to school.

J. T. Maltzberger, who has just returned from Colorado says Texas is dry all through the central portion and on up into the Panhandle.

ALL KINDS OF
LUMBER
Cedar Posts Barb Wire Smooth Wire Hog Wire
Lawn Wire Red Paling Fence Wire Netting
Pipe Cylinders Well Casing Sewer Pipe Roofing Iron
Galvanized Cisterns Lime and Cement
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for La Salle and Dimmitt Counties.

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ROLAND A. GOUGER

Thomas left Friday

arks of Campbellton was here this week visiting his brother in-law B. F. Claunch. He returned home Wednesday and was accompanied by his daughter Miss Betty Sparks, who spent several weeks here.

Cleanliness Was Noticeable.

The Labor day celebration at Cotulla was attended by quite a number of Pearsall people. The preparations for the day's pleasure reflect credit on the management and the general enjoyment of all present goes without saying. With trap shooting, music, barbecue dinner, a ball game between Cotulla and Moore, horse racing, and a dance at night, there was something doing all the time. The clean appearance of the town after the general clean-up should be a matter of pride to Cotulla people and an incentive to other towns.

GREAT TIME ON BARBECUE

HUNDREDS ATTENDED BARBECUE ON RIVER.

Gun Shoot, Horse Races and Ball Game the Amusements.

The barbecue on the Nueces Monday was a great success. Seventeen animals were slaughtered for the feast and there was plenty to eat for all who came.

Cotulla was full of strangers on that day. Hundreds flocked into our little city. Notwithstanding the large crowd, the day was marked with unusual order. Not even a fist-fight or row of any kind was recorded. Everybody was out for a good time and they had it.

The Gun Shoot.

The gun shoot was pulled off at 10 a. m. The first prize was won by W. T. Hill and George Knaggs on a tie. The second prize was won by R. O. Gouger. Third prize was won by John Cotulla and Dick Knaggs. R. A. Gouger handled the trap and he handled it to perfection, throwing the birds in a manner that made them hard to hit. The score out of a possible 25:

George Knaggs	18
W. T. Hill	18
R. O. Gouger	17
Jno. Cotulla	15
Dick Knaggs	15
Bud Neal	14
Will Cotulla	12
R. H. Hall	8
G. W. Henrichson	8
Mr. Owing	6

Ball Game.

The ball game was called at 2:30 o'clock. The match was between a picked aggregation from the Moore and Pearsall teams and the Cotulla Reds. The game was a hard fought one and resulted in a

score of 6 to 5 in favor of Moore.

Probably a thousand people watched the races, which were pulled off about two miles above town. The first match was between the Robert Hall horse and Mulholland horse and there was considerable betting. The distance was a quarter. The Mulholland horse flew the track within 50 yards of the outcome and the judges awarded the race to the Hall horse.

The second was between a brown horse of John Williams and Jake Petty's mare. The distance was 350 yards. This was a very close race, the horse winning by about two feet.

The festivities were concluded by a grand ball at the Skating Rink that night, which was largely attended.

Enjoyed Evening.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Missionary Union enjoyed a delightful social evening yesterday in the parlor of Mrs. Jas. Everts. Besides the regular membership, Misses Cammie Scott Longview, Sue Coulter of Luling, Mrs. E. E. Daniel and Miss Willie Leonard of this city, were entertained as visitors.

Delightful refreshments were served, after which they adjourned to have the next regular meeting with Mrs. Gallman at the residence of Miss Kate Burwell, Sept. 19th.

Jury of View.

The Jury of View appointed by the last Commissioners' Court to select a road down the South side of the river to the Daniel neighborhood, met this morning at the Court House and started out on their mission.

Some people are content to live in the mesquite all their lives and kick because the railroad invades the country.

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J. M. DANIEL, Associate Editor

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 7 1907

Cotulla is still on the upward move.

New houses continue to go up in Cotulla.

Labor Day celebration at Cotulla was a grand success.

The long distance Telephone companies have been greatly benefited by the Telegraphers strike.

Every day records a disastrous train wreck in which lives are lost. Is it the fault of rotten road beds or fast running, or both?

Every week new names are added to the Record's subscription list. The Record is read in almost every state—and then some.

Cotton picking was not such an enormous task in this part of Texas this season on account of the drouth. Most of the cotton is now out of the fields.

Uvalde business men are making a fight for Carrizo Springs business.

Country directions, and it goes without saying that people will travel good roads.

The Southwestern Development News, published at Muskogee, Okla., contained an illustrated write-up of La Salle county in the last issue. Also a page ad of Cotulla. This paper has a circulation of over 25,000 copies.

Mr. Wentworth, the landscape gardener, who will beautify the Court House Square cannot get to work on account of the fence not yet being erected. We understand the fence people will be here in a few days to begin work.

The new county grader has been working on front street this week, and it was no trouble to get all the information you wanted about the machine from the hot-air vendors along the sidewalk. The majority of them never saw anything like it, but they were full of information as to its merits just the same.

Every town has an element that delights in throwing cold water on all public enterprises and blocking same, if possible, in any manner they can. No difference where you go you will find these narrow minded people, but there are places, possibly, where they are not so numerous as they are in Cotulla.

The greater portion of Southwest Texas is still dry, although some portions have received heavy rains. September is a month that does not usually pass without abundant rains. Last year it was dry during July and August but over six inches of rain fell in September. The rains began on the 4th of the month and were general.

COSTLY SLUMP IN DRY HIDES.

One of the anomalies of trade conditions which not only puzzle but perplex the cattlemen and hide dealers of southwest Texas, is the wide divergency between the price of raw hides manufactured leather goods. While shoes and everything made of leather have been going up in the price as the new uses for that material multiply and the expansive policies of civilization bring in greater legions of barefooted savages into the shoe-wearing family, dry and wed salted hides have been experiencing a severe slump in the Chicago and New York markets. It is understood that the United States leather "trust" has put buying almost entirely except what it imports for itself from South and Central America.

The hide warehouses at Laredo are overstocked in spite of the fact that the larger buyers have decided rather to loose their traders than to continue to buy at a loss; and have also been shipping from their huge stock at losses around two and three cents per pound.

Reports from Monterey indicate that the large buyers there are poisoning their stocks, preparing to hold them for years if necessary.

Goat skins are faring even worse than hides. Summer shoe trade and the various styles in longleaved kid gloves have not been sufficient to keep up a price in goat skins. Only the lighter weight have at all been movable.

This situation means a tremendous loss to Southwest Texas whether it is due to natural causes or to the operations of the big leather combine, is not clear. Everything else has been going up. Metals are double what they were a few years ago and in some cases triple. The hide business is still a great industry in the southwest Texas and the blow caused by the strange conditions of the past three months in a costly one.—Laredo Times.

ARTESIA NOTES.

TEXAS, Sept. 5th.—Good morning Mr. Editor, have you heard:

That Oscar M. has joined the Happy Circle and is trying for a girl by advertising?

That J. M. Ramsey has returned after a 6 weeks visit to his old home in Georgia, the Jamestown Exposition, Washington and cities of the east?

That Mr. Chapman and Frank Burch must have had some of that good cheer that makes the road short, judging from the way Frank was running his wind pump last week.

That Dr. Langford was put next to the mysteries of Woodcraft last Saturday night at the regular meeting of the W. O. W.

That Chas. Beaver was in town last Saturday.

That Earl Burris was in town last week, some say to see his mainest tootsy-wootsy.

That a couple of our young women killed and scalped a wild cat near the home of Wm. Lane. Seeing the animal come to the tank they used a scatter gun to good effect.

That Lee Henrichson went to Cotulla last Sunday morning?

That Everett Devilbiss made a run into San Antonio Sunday to see the ball game?

That Mr. Thompson and family of Carrizo Springs are spending a few days with their daughter here, Mrs. Devilbiss?

That most all who could get away took in the doings at Cotulla Monday and report having had an enjoyable time?

That Mrs. Juvenal has moved down from Hutto to live with her son, Chas., on the ranch 5 miles out of town?

(MISS) SALLIE JONES.

Large Salari

The graduates of the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, draw the largest salaries business college graduate state. The reason is plain school gives the most complete, and extensive stenography, business and telegraphy to be found where. With our advantage the modern famous Byrne of bookkeeping and shorthand reduce the time required for completing a course from two to months over what is required at other schools.

If you are acquainted with average business college graduates you know they go out and in offices as helpers, or where work is light, at most any get a start, many work for \$8 per week. This is not the graduates of the Tyler Commercial College. Our thorough practical courses gives the student the training and experience enables him to go into an the better class of positions held by experienced help, and by draw a good salary from very first. The advanced salary that our students draw over the salaries received by graduates of other schools would make it appear for the student to attend our school and pay the full rate of tuition than to attend another school with tuition free.

We mention the salaries of a few of our students who were a few months ago without a course of practical training and were not able to earn \$25 per month. A young lady who worked in her brother's store at \$10 a week finished a course with us in ten weeks time, and is now drawing \$85 per month. Another young lady who was not anything and could not pay tuition was placed in school by some friends of her father. is now drawing \$1200 per month. Another young lady who was earning a cent, finished our course and is drawing a regular

day laborer, spent three months at our school and his first months wages averaged him \$17.00 per month. He is now earning from \$2500 to \$3000 per year. Another young man who was working at a saw mill at \$1.50 per day, took our combined course of bookkeeping and shorthand and is now manager of an extensive business at a salary of \$2500 per year. We could give hundreds of similar cases from those who have enrolled with us during the past two years. No other school in America can show such salaries from students just from school. It is our superior practical training that enables our students to draw these excellent salaries. It is a positive fact that we cannot supply the demand for our graduates of bookkeeping and shorthand. Write for and read our \$100 guaranty on page two of our catalog. No other school will back their advertising with such a guarantee. If you can't enroll with us now, write us why. Our advise has helped thousands to accomplish their aim. Write us a confidential letter at once. Yours for a practical education, Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

A Chicago man tells of a resident of that city who had been unsuccessful in one venture after another. At last, however, he made a large sum of money by means of an invention in car wheels; and very soon thereafter his family, consisting of his wife and two young daughters, were to be seen taking their daily outing in a motor car.

One day the three were being driven rapidly through the park, while a look of painful self-consciousness overspread the features of the inventor's wife, as she sat bolt upright, looking straight before her.

"Now, ma," came in clear tones from one of the daughters, whose keen face was alive with enjoyment, "now, ma, can't you loll back and not look as if the water was boiling over?"

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The Mutual Drug Company of Cleveland, Ohio, have arranged with our local druggists to accept the TEN CENT COUPON printed below, the same a cash, in part payment for SAL-TE-NA, Effervescent Fruit Seltzer, their wonderful cure for Headaches and Constipation. SAL-TE-NA is a safe, certain cure for these troubles and acts quickly.

Take a dose of SAL-TE-NA before breakfast, and the bowels will move copiously in 6-2 hour. It doesn't gripe and is pleasant and agreeable to the most delicate stomach.

Children like to take it because it is pleasant to the taste and delightfully effervescent.

Every one of our readers should take advantage of the liberal offer of the Mutual Drug Company of using the 10 cent Coupon.

This offer is only for a limited time. The Coupon with 15 cents will pay for a 25 cent bottle of SAL-TE-NA. Cut out the Coupon at once and present it at your nearest drug store. Act at once.

10c TEN CENT COUPON 10c

This Coupon, with 15 cents, will pay for a 25 cent bottle of SAL-TE-NA Fruit Seltzer at any drug store when signed below:

Name.....
Address.....
State.....
Not Transferable. Only one bottle to each person.
Good in any City.

For sale at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

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Do you get your groceries at any store, or do you trade in a certain place? Whatever you do we want you to make a note of our name. You may not always be perfectly satisfied where you are, and then we'd like to have a try at satisfying you. If the best quality of goods, reasonable prices, and courteous treatment fail to satisfy you, you must indeed be hard to please.

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Report of the **CONDITION OF WOODS NATIONAL BANK** SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS Per report to Comptroller **AUGUST 22ND, 1907**

Loans	\$ 999,215.07	Capital & Sur.	\$ 215,862.91
U.S. Bonds	205,995.00	Circulation	200,000.00
Fixtures	3,000.00	Deposits	1,292,256.13
Cash	499,908.97		
Total	\$1,708,119.04		\$1,708,119.04

The above statement is correct, W. F. Woods, Cashier.
Upon the merits of the above statement
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Robt. Taylor was down from Dilley Monday.

Lots of drummers in town this week.

Send your job printing to the Dixon office.

Miss Emma Adami is in the city he guest of Mrs. W. A. Kerr.

Otto Fischer came up from Laredo Sunday morning.

Jim Evetts is attending court at Tilden this week.

Ernest Coleman is now behind the counter at Geo. Tarver's store.

Mrs. R. J. Jennings left Tuesday for San Antonio for a few days visit.

Mr. Powell, operator at Artesia, attended the dance here Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Garvin of Millett attended the Barbecue here Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Mabry and two daughters returned first of the week from Dilley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hanson spent several days in Cotulla this week visiting relatives.

Miss Laura Salmon of Encinal is in the city visiting Mrs. Jim Evetts.

Send your laundry bundles to Gouger's store. Basket shipped every Wednesday.

Miss Rose Earnest of Millett spent a few days in Cotulla this week.

Messrs. C. G. Vernon and Chas. Juvenal of Artesia spent Monday in Cotulla.

Miss Davis of San Antonio spent a few days in Cotulla this week, the guest of Miss Mary

Miss Florence Oliver returned to her home at Moore Tuesday morning after a week's visit to Woodward.

Mrs. Buckley and sister, Miss Ida McMullin, of Encinal attended the barbecue and dance here Monday.

J. G. Childers and family left Wednesday for their home at Temple after a couple of weeks visiting at the ranch.

S. V. Edwards of Laredo passed through Cotulla first of the week on his way to Tilden to attend court.

J. F. Mullally and Jno. A. Valls passed through Cotulla first of the week on their way to Tilden to attend court.

Mrs. Ed Cotulla and children left Saturday for their home in Laredo after visiting relatives here for some time.

Willie Moffett and sister, Miss Rosa, spent a day or two in Cotulla this week the guests of W. G. Gilstrap and family.

Miss Kate Bursell returned from Austin Monday where she had been to attend the funeral of her little nephew, Lapsley Rogers.

Joe Cotulla Jr., who has been sick for the past two weeks left Sunday morning for San Antonio. He was accompanied by his mother.

Messrs. John James, Newt Herring, Jim Crutchfield, and Elmer Neil were among the Pearsall boys that attended the Barbecue and dance here on the 2nd.

Miss Jennie Young, who has been here for several months visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. P. Haney and family left Tuesday morning for her home at West Point. Miss Jennie made many friends during her stay here.



Gabrel—Say, what did you let that pestiferous party in for?
St. Peter (wearily)—He used to be an insurance agent and I either had to let him in or be talked to death.

The Lodger—Is that all the soap there is in this room?

The Landlady—Yes, sir; all I can allow in one room.

The Lodger—Then I'll take two more rooms. I've got to wash my face in the morning.—Ex.

"Why," exclaimed little Johnny, when he heard his father telling about somebody who was looking after the loaves and fishes. "That's just what mamma says about uncle Henry!"

"Says about Uncle Henry?" repeated his father, in astonishment. "What do you mean?"

"Why pa, don't you know," said Johnny, "mamma says uncle Henry only loaves and fishes."

"My dear," said Mrs. Strong-mind, "I want you to accompany me to the town hall tomorrow evening."

"What for?" queried the meek and lowly other half of the combine.

"I am to lecture on the 'Dark Side of Married Life,'" explained Mrs. S., "and I want you sit on the platform and pose as one of the illustrations."

"I am sure I shall die an early death," said a young lady, a teacher in a public school. I have a class of boys. Unruly little wretches they are, top, and they worry me continually. The other day, during the lesson in grammar, I read out the sentence: "What can you do that I cannot do?"

and a little urchin jumped up and shouted: "Play leap-frog." Then there was a general laugh. I bit my lips, frowned, and ordered them to sit down. I felt like wringing his neck."—Ex.

Canvasser—Good morning, madam. I'm introducing a polish for cleaning silver. It is superior to anything now on the market and the price is only 50 a box.

Mrs. Smart (sharply)—Don't want any.

Canvasser—Sorry to have troubled you, madam. I see the lady next door was right.

Mrs. Smart—Eh! What did she say?

Canvasser—She said I needn't waste my time calling her, as you had no silver.

Mrs. Smart—The impudent thing! Give me six boxes.

A small boy was asked to take dinner at the home of a distinguished professor in Princeton. The lad's mother, in fear lest he should commit some breach of etiquette, gave him repeated directions as to what he should and should not do.

Upon his return from the great occasion, the mother's first question was, "Harold, did you get along at the table all right?"

"Oh, yes, mama, well enough."

"You sure you didn't do anything that was not perfectly polite and gentlemanly?"

"Why, no—nothing to speak of."

"Then something did happen. What was it?"

"But I fixed at all right, mama."

"Tell me at once."

"Why, I got along pretty well until the meat came, but while I was trying to cut mine it slipped off onto the floor. But I made it all right."

"What did you do?"

"Oh, I just said, sort of carelessly, 'That's always the way with tough meat.'"

"Texas Bear"
"Texas People"

Money makes good beer if spent for the highest grade materials, the best appliances and most experienced brewing skill. All this is lavished in abundance in the production of

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This fund is big enough to make a fine technical school, a school for the training of boys and girls in the useful things, the practical things, the education we are in the habit of calling technical but it is not big enough to make a university of the mediæval type, a type we do not need today, for we have them in reach in the South, in the North, especially in Germany and England and France. The man educated in such a university, who has spent his years with the classics, who has worked on the studies that spoil little for practical things as he must take them up when he leaves behind him his college days and tries to bridge over the chasm between such an education and the stern demands of breadwinning, though he may recognize a handicap for the time being, never regrets these years as lost years in his life. Rather, he regards them as having given him something without price in the making of life most worth while.

But few young men and young women of the great number that need a high education have the time, the money and the inclination for such an education. They need a general education, a general education that will bring into complete harmony the civic, the religious, the practical, the political sides of men, and make them realize that high citizenship embraces all these in one composite whole, not workers and practical men alone, but rather we need an education that will blend the two types. Such an education can be had only in a high class technical institute where boys are taught how to do things as well as how to think things and what to think.

As to the practical bearing of such an institute, of such institutions on the life of Texas, Texas has unlimited wealth today; but it is all crude, the raw product. Three million bales of cotton are sold each year for the mills of New England, of England, of other Southern States to turn into cloth, worth several times the value of the raw material. Water power, coal, labor, she has, but she does not have the men who know how to do these things. And the reason is that she has not educated them, nor has she begun it in earnest yet. Indeed, along most manufacturing and industrial lines the state has advantages by nature sufficient to enable her to rank with the highest. She ranks among the lowest now because she has not thought it worth while to pay the price in the training of men to make her a state worth considering on this higher industrial plane. New England has learned the lesson that bad boys can be trained into useful citizenship by the industrial life of the reformatories, she now goes a step further, and giving to her recent boys such an industrial education as they are entitled to. She paid for the learning of this lesson. Every state must pay for it. But why should Texas wait to learn that it pays in every sense of the word to give her boys this sort of education? Indeed the citizenship of a state does not live together under government by some sort of "social contract" merely, but is one complete mass, many-

sided, wealth-creating, self-governing, self-educating, the sum total of its highest achievements is the unit, the man, raised to the highest power of efficiency, not as a machine, but as a thinking, working man.

Texas needs today not one institute, but many institutes that will educate her youth in this high citizenship. She will create them, she must create them. And let the William Marsh Rice Institute, with its noble endowment of wealth created in Texas, be the first and the greatest of the kind.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND AN ISSUE.

Now that the old parties are beginning to cast about for war slogans for the next campaign it is high time that each of them should have a rallying cry. Roosevelt, the man, towers above his party, yet he is to the last a party man. A policy he decides is good for the country and forsooth he is in the saddle riding the good old republican nag at top speed for it. Wall street becomes furious and calls him all sorts of names for what he is doing in the way of interfering with the title or big monopoly of finance and water and flooding, but he is not perturbed thereby remembering what happened to one Alton B. Parker, a safe and sane man as the street would have it.

On the tariff Mr. Roosevelt says just enough to let the people know that he has it in mind, but others pressing matters will perforce allow it to rest till after another presidential election when its friends will take care of it. On the matter of states' rights as understood by our fathers, Mr. Roosevelt is somewhat at a loss as to agreement with the most of the people of the United States. By nature the doors of things cannot see the force in precedent that usage and experience wisely put there. Mr. Taft would have us go back to the original intention and general policy of vigorous control of railroads and enforcement of laws, but the "stand-patters" look askance at the big statesman because of his avowed wish for a reformation of the iniquitous tariff. To the minds of the American Manufacturers Association and Protective Tariff League strong in numbers and the sinews of campaign, he is not available.

As to the democratic party, it is essentially a party of the opposition. In the South it means Anglo-Saxon supremacy. What it means anywhere else in this broad country of ours no man can say. By temperament and training an individualist is a democrat and all over the country are men who stand firm on their own feet and believe in the policies they have taught us as good for their country. In the nature of things these men could not be united or held together on any one settled policy to grapple with the questions of the day. Mr. Watterson says look back to the first principles of the party, but he does not specify how these principles are to be applied today to the questions that confront us. When Cleveland was elected we had a watch on whose face was "tariff for revenue only," and this watch was sent out by the Courier-Journal. Figuratively and literally there was something the democratic party stood for and Cleveland was elected. The result of this election was the Wilson bill, so tinkered with, and by so-called democrats, that the party was almost ashamed to own it.

What today can be made the platform of the democratic party no man can say, and yet with a platform and a man that stood for something positive, constructive for the mass of the people a democratic president would be elected against any man save Roosevelt. But we have some months yet for things to crystallize and Mr. Roosevelt has assured the people that he will persist in carrying out good democratic doctrine in restraining those who would despoil the people. Let us wait and see.

WHAT AILS TEXAS!

What do we get out of it? Well, what do we get out of life? Well, what do we put into it? Well, what do we put into it? Trusts, graft, whisky, speculation, railroads, accidents, murders, and many other sins of commission, with many good things. There is no use kicking against the pricks, we are the makers and the executors of the laws, bearing joints of the great conglomeration of Anglo-Saxons, Teutons, Greeks, Assyrians, Moabites and the sons of Ham.

If we did not want the evils of the Twentieth century, we would not have the murders and Texas, the proud distinction of being more murderous and celebrating more murder trials than any other two states in the Union, or any nation in Europe excepting poor ruler-stricken Russia. When the people begin to hang one of these white murderers, they take a higher rank in a civilized community.

People are very busy now seeking to get rich quick and by short cuts, and the golden rule is pushing out our father's Bible and dream of more money and graft has gotten into the big places and in the low.

The end of the running is despair, disappointment and blighted hopes and the suicide columns as this means of exit has become commonplace.

We want adulterated foods, adulterated health and we get them, and one vast dead moon surface, with dead rivers, extinct volcanoes, a hopeless soil, giving out no heat, no health and no internal light. Now, dear reader, don't consider this article blown with pessimism. On the contrary we believe the world is growing better, purer, cleaner, stronger and healthier.

But who is doing it and how is it being done? The people—public sentiment—through education. The devil occupies longer his ancient hell by the use of modern machinery, and man's moral advancement towards the complete somersault and we have landed on our feet.

David Harum said that "a certain amount of ideas was good for dogs. We can never be entirely free from vice and parasites in high places and in law.

But we are the people, the judge, jury and witnesses. Whenever we become disgusted with trusts, grafts, murders, latent immorality and rotten politics, etc., then of course their days are doomed. The reason they still exist is because we don't care. Most men that end wrong started right. Some men are always trying to better the living conditions. In every little community we find men and women working for the common good and uplift. Many become discouraged and quit. That's human, if we were gods we wouldn't. There is nothing more delightful or encouraging than to read history. Go back and back and away back to the earliest recorded history on the Euphrates and the Nile. Read from brick and stones of men few simple laws and his constant warfare under despotic rulers. Tribe against tribe and nation against nation. Yet this thin thread of life, stretching across Asia has now grown into a mighty soil, binding all the millions of the earth into one family. The history of man has been the survival of the fittest. This marvelous strand, spun from many disjointed threads has been guided on the shuttle of life by the directing hand.

And so today, at the apparent summit of our civilization, we look back and marvel at the way, taking all the credit, and unmindful of the purpose that has led and is still leading man by the hand. Advancement has not come through miracles, but through men. Great nations produce great men. What the world wants is the every-day man and woman who are carrying the burdens of life without complaining, without reward and without a temple of fame in view. Every state has its problems, every city and every home. The home problem must be solved before we can become soldiers of the common weal. A small band working as a common unit for the good of their community, can accomplish wonders, just as a few of Uncle Sam's regulars can dispell a mob of thousands. And this is also true of the state.

Texas has the greatest future of any state in the Union, thousands from all over the United States are looking to her. The future wonders in store for science are not greater than the wonders that will be wrought in Texas in the next 20 years if we are ready for them. It all reverts back to the people and public sentiment, those who make and execute the laws.

Are we ready and in earnest, or must we yet remain a while longer a border state? Are we tired of evil and do we wish progress? Recently the people through apathy, turned down some admirable amendments to the constitution.

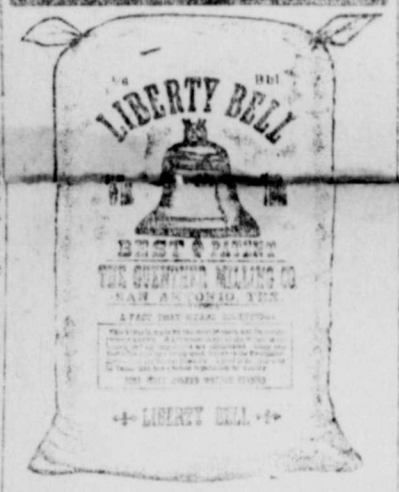
We must eventually have an agricultural college, good roads, city paving and sidewalks and a proper remuneration for our legislators if we wish capable business men to desert their business and serve us in making the laws. These amendments died of neglect. The people did not care. The small vote was not an index of public sentiment. It was our fault, and just as much our fault as it is that the wild and woolly "town cow" roams at pleasure through most of our little towns and sacred cemeteries, destroying trees and gardens, sidewalks and fences and distributing filth.

When the people wake up they are a terrible power and nothing can withstand public sentiment. See the record of the gambler.

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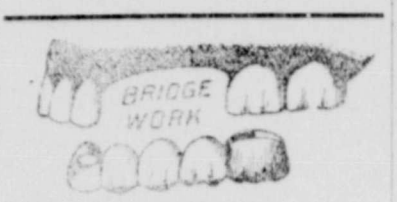
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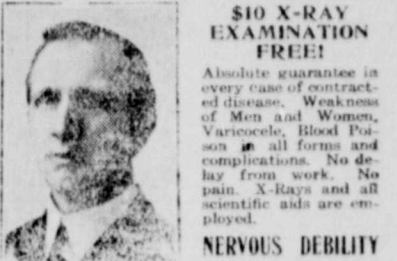
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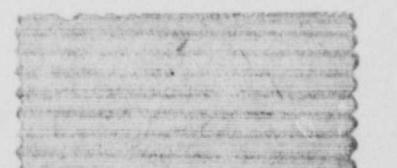
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RICH AT SACRAMENTO.

The rice growers of Texas are going to send a splendid exhibit of their rice products to the International Irrigation Expositions which will be held at Sacramento, California, simultaneously with the Fifteenth National Irrigation Congress on Sept. 2 to 7 next. This was decided at a recent meeting held in Beaumont, Texas. The exhibit will be in charge of Mr. W. A. Ward, a prominent rice farmer and one of the prominent stockholders and officials of the Orange County Irrigation Company. Mr. Ward will superintend the installation of the rice exhibits and will also participate in the Irrigation Congress, where he is expected to speak on the subject of rice irrigation in the Gulf Coast country.

For the purpose of making this exhibit, the sum of \$500 has been raised among the rice farmers and others interested in the rice industry. The exhibit will show clean rice, rice by-products, including polish, hulls, etc. An excellent display of Honduras and Japan rice will be made in the sheaf, a small bunches of rice tied with ribbons will be handed to visitors with the compliments of the rice growers of the Gulf Coast country. The Texas Rice Millers' Association will be asked to co-operate in making the exhibit.

This exhibit will be representative of probably the greatest example of the possibilities of a new industry that the American continent affords. Only a few years ago rice culture on a commercial scale was unknown in Texas and Louisiana, where today the annual product is valued at hundreds of millions of dollars. The rice industry in Louisiana and Texas is one of the big things of the New South, and the rice exhibit, to those who are interested in the development of the natural resources of this country, will be one of the most interesting at Sacramento.

DROP A PEBBLE IN THE WATER.

Drop a pebble in the water; just splash and it is gone, there's half a hundred ripples circulating on and on and on spreading from the center flowing out to the sea. And there ain't no way of telling where the end is going to be. Drop a pebble in the water; in a minute you forget. But there's little waves a-flowing, and there's ripples circling yet. And those little waves allowing to a great big wave have grown. And you've disturbed a mighty river, just by dropping in a stone.

Drop an unkind word, or careless in a minute it is gone. But there's half a hundred ripples circulating on and on and on. They keep spreading, spreading, spreading from the center as they go.

And there ain't no way to stop them once you've started them to flow.

Drop an unkind word or careless in a minute you forget. There's waves a-flowing and there's ripples circling yet. Perhaps in some sad heart a wave of tears you've stirred. And disturbed a life that's happy when you dropped that unkind word.

Drop a word of cheer and kindness, in a minute it is gone. But there's half a hundred ripples circling on and on and on. Bearing hope and joy and comfort on each splashing, dashing wave. Till you wouldn't believe the volume of the one kind word you gave.

Drop a word of cheer and kindness, in a minute you forget. But there's gladness still a-swelling and there's joy a-circling yet. And you've rolled a wave of comfort, whose sweet music can be heard. Over miles and miles of water, just by dropping one kind word.

It is getting back to Nature when the importance of nuts as a food product is recognized and provision is made for increasing the production.

The stock objection to nut culture is that it requires so long a time for the trees to come into bearing. This is a mistaken idea, however, as grafted and budded trees bear in half the time a seedling tree requires, and are probably just as soon as the apple or pear besides, they are longer lived trees.

WHAT IS BEING DONE TO DISCOVER OUR BEST VARIETIES OF NUTS.

By H. P. Attwater.

A more general knowledge of the merits of the pecan during recent years, and a better appreciation of its value as a wholesome and nutritious food, has naturally stimulated the desire, especially among pecan buyers or dealers and nurserymen, to find the most valuable varieties. The increased demand compared with former years and high prices now paid for large sized, thin shelled pecans, with finely flavored kernels or meat, and the reasonable probability that pecans will sooner or later take the place of all other nuts, together with the possibility of eventually being used for oil for illuminating purposes and table use, have also been causes for the increased desire to find the best kinds. Another cause which might be mentioned is the rapidly growing public sentiment in favor of the pecan for a shade tree around the home, with numerous desirable points in its favor for this purpose. Numerous other reasons could be given, but probably the most important reason why there is a widespread inquiry and desire to discover what are the best varieties is the fact that people are gradually becoming to realize that the planting of pecan trees will prove a paying proposition. It is, therefore, natural that those who contemplate setting out pecan trees either in small or large quantities, from the single tree in the yard, that will some day shade the home porch and rattle down on the roof its rich and generous crop, to those who intend to plant more extensive groves for commercial purposes, should desire to procure the very best pecans, those that will produce the grandest trees, the most abundant and regular bearers of the best flavored nuts, with the least shell and most meat, easily cracked and taken from the shell.

"What is being done to discover the best varieties of nuts" is the subject allotted to me on this program, and while I presume that the same efforts in this direction have been made in other pecan states that have been made in Texas, I apprehend that as this is a meeting of the Texas Nut Growers' Association, it will be consistent and expected that I confine my remarks chiefly to what has been done in this state.

A certain amount of rivalry among the hundreds of white people, Mexicans and negroes who make up the great host of those annually engaged in the industry of nut gathering, stimulated by the receipt of a better price for pecans of extra size, has undoubtedly been the cause of active search and discovery of most of our finest pecans, and while the whereabouts of some unusually fine trees has been kept a secret by the finder for a certain length of time, sooner or later the localities become known to others.

Encouraged by some of our prominent Texas nurserymen and well-known horticulturalists, who have offered liberal special cash rewards some very valuable varieties have been brought to notice during the last few years. Much valuable assistance has been rendered through the National Nut Growers' Association and the nut growing journals and horticultural publications, and so great is the interest now taken by the general public in pecan culture that an article on pecans in any paper is sure to attract the attention of the reader and will invariably be carefully read with interest and profit. Among the many inquiries for information that have been received at our Sunset Industrial department for several years past from homeseekers and prospective settlers in other states in regard to our natural products, resources and opportunities for profitable investment in Texas, a large proportion are from people who desire information about pecan growing. Displays of pecans at fairs and expositions and competition for prizes on these occasions is doing much to encourage a search for superior nuts. The visit of Prof. Wm. A. Taylor, botanologist in charge of field investigations, bureau of plant industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, in 1903, for the special purpose of investigating the pecan trees of Texas and his subsequent report on this subject were also important means of promoting the industry. It was my pleasure to accompany Prof. Taylor during a part of this trip, and I well know the stimulus given to the search for fine pecans which was caused by his tour through the most celebrated pecan growing sections of this state.

Besides the many valuable publications on this subject issued at different times by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the horticulturists of our Texas State Agricultural and Mechanical College have published much valuable information on the subject of pecans and pecan culture, and by their displays and lectures have rendered valuable assistance on numerous occasions in connection with this work.

I will not take up valuable time on this occasion by referring to less important efforts to discover the best pecans, many of which could be mentioned, and we must not forget that nature has also taken her part in the good work, and if time would permit, I could easily show that the birds, squirrels and even the shy and despised mice and rats of the "wild" are justly entitled to a certain amount of credit for the share they have taken in the discovery and the distribution over immense areas of the fine pecans of which we are so proud, and that wild animals and birds not only planted but protect the trees while they are growing.

In conclusion, I do not hesitate to state that of all the means that have been taken to discover our best pecans, including those I have referred to, I firmly believe that through the organization of your Texas Nut Growers' Association and the earnest and untiring efforts of your officers, who have kept the association alive, till it is now a power for good in the Texas horticultural world, has been and will be found the best means that could be devised to discover the fine varieties of pecans in Texas, and I am further of the opinion that through this association and the distribution of its annual reports and other publications, the world will eventually be informed in no uncertain manner that the best pecans grown on the face of the earth in any of these United States are to be found in the Lone Star State.

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By Alexander Posey, a Creek Indian.

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And, once more, over all, The spirit flence weaves her spell, And light and shadow play At hide and seek behind the high blue walls around the day. Again from where the wood and prairie meet, Across the tasseled corn and waving wheat, Awakening many tender memories sweet— Bob—Bob White!

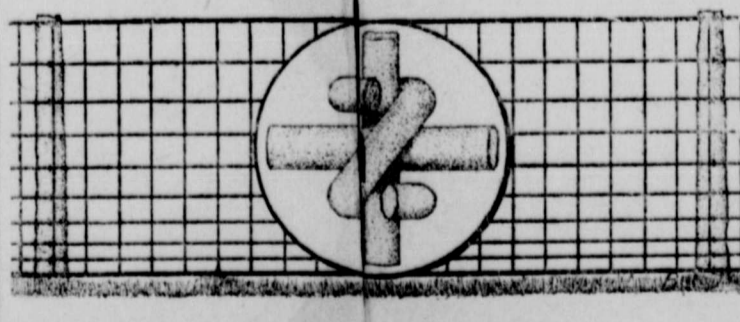
The Nut Growers' convention at the Jamestown Exposition, September 26-28, promises to be an important meeting.

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THE BUILDERS

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(Continued from last week.) SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTER.

Fred Rockwell, a young newspaper man in New York City, is at his honest work when he receives a note from Ruth Hilliard that her father is ill at his hotel in the city and that she will call to see him in business that afternoon. When she calls he learns that she and her father have come from Gold Valley, Idaho, to see him relative to his interest in a gold mine at that place. His father, dead now some months, a man of wealth, retired from business, had traveled extensively in the west, and had spent some time at Gold Valley with his childhood friend, Mr. Hilliard, and had advanced the money to develop a prospect which Mr. Hilliard owned. He had said nothing of this property to Fred before his death. Also, owing to wild traits in the young man he had left his property in trust for him when he should reach forty years of age; but an income of five thousand dollars was his to use as he saw fit. Fred was now on the staff of the Banner, a metropolitan newspaper. On visiting Mr. Hilliard the next day, Fred learns that more money is needed for developing the property. This he gives, and Mr. Hilliard and his daughter leave for home; but the young woman had made a deep impression on him. The next day the managing editor calls Fred into his office and tells him that he has been selected to visit the west and write a series of articles for the Banner relative to the country and the field for investments that it offers. He hints that the west is attracting too much money from the east, and that it must not be painted in any roseate light. Accordingly Fred bids farewell to his fellow workers and starts for Montana.

CHAPTER V. AN ODD CHARACTER.

A trip from New York to the mountain country of the West with present railroad facilities of comfortable Pullman and dining cars, is now an everyday affair. As the train rumbled through dell and forest, Fred Rockwell was pleased more than ever with the assign ment. Across broad stretches of picturesque valley country rushed the train, now and again dashing over bridges that spanned beautiful streams, some of which were calm and peaceful, others hurrying madly along, breaking into white spray rapping over rocky places and then leaping forward again as if running a race with time. As the train approached the Rocky Mountains, and Fred for the first time gazed upon that mighty range of nature's towering masonry he was quite overawed with the barren vastness that stretched away in distant solitude, adorned only with broken columns and fragments of gigantic rocks thrown together in massive yet abandoned grandeur. Notwithstanding his enjoyment of this new and varied scenery, he was glad enough to leave the cars at Butte City, Montana, after four days and nights of continuous travel.

Butte City is said to be not only the largest mining camp in Montana, but one of the greatest in the world. It boasts of many millions in ore that are actually brought to the light of day by the magic wand of the miner's pick. Fred secured lodging at the Mercury hotel and the next morning after a hearty breakfast started for a walk. The town is built on a hillside, gently rising from the railroad station grounds to the westward until a considerable height is reached. He paused now and then to inspect the architecture of some of the buildings, and looking away towards the smelter districts he was amazed at the black clouds of smoke which belched forth from the chimneys and settled over the city like a veil of mourning.

He was presently accosted by an individual with a grizzly beard and a most good natured countenance, who said, "Hello, pardner; how d'ye do? Sizin' up these here diggin's, by you?" Fred eyed the questioner rather critically, and acknowledged the salutation. The fellow handed him a card which bore the name "Mare Casey."

"I reckon," he said, "you are from down east? I do not care to make investments." "Well, now, look'ee here, stranger, I s'pect I might give you a pinter or two that may not come amiss. This 'ere town is full of blacklegs and deadbeats, who make it their business to run every feller in that comes from down east. Now, Mare Casey does a straight-forward, legitimate business—that's me," said he, as he tucked his thumbs into the armbolts of his vest and straightened himself to his full height.

Fred was amused at this odd character and determined to hear from him what he could of Butte City and its resources. He therefore asked, "What population have you, and what is the principal business?" "Over fifty thousand people, above and below. You see, there's seven thousand of us in this 'ere town below ground, workin' away with shovel and pick. I reckon you'll see a fair sample of our miners if you are on the street tonight."

"As for resources—why, pardner, there's no end to 'em. We took out mighty near forty million dollars in gold from our mines last year, and there's ore enough in sight to keep on minin' at the same rate for a hundred years to come. What d'ye think of that?" Fred said it was a most extraordinary good record. "What other towns have you in this state of similar advantages?" "None to speak of," was the prompt reply. "Butte city is the peeriest town of any in these western diggin's. That's not another town in Montana that can teach one side o' fit, for money, marbles or chalk. To be sure," he went on in a conciliatory tone, "we have lots of towns in this 'ere state, such as they be, dot's of minin' camps, but they're merely blacksmith shops at the cross roads compared to Butte City."

"D'ye see that corner over there? Five years ago I owned the ground where that building stands. I held it for three hundred dollars, and it just three months and sold it for four thousand dollars, spot cash."

"That was an immense profit," said Fred with more interest than he had yet manifested in Mare Casey's description of Butte City. Casey smiled contentedly and expected an accumulation of tobacco juice on the sidewalk with a resounding "pittew," saying: "You call that a good profit? Why, pardner, I bought stock in the Blackbird mine at 12 cents a share when the company was first organized and now it's worth three hundred dollars a share and payin' an immense dividend monthly. That's what I call a good investment; but, as; fur that spee," jerking his thumb over his shoulder at the corner lot, "that dont amount to nothin'."

"Do you know where Gold Valley, Idaho, is?" asked Fred. "I guess I ought to know," replied the boomer. "Me and Gideon Gibbon were the first prospectors in that neck of the woods. Gideon and me claim to own the Peacock mine, but opportunity is mighty like a healthy, fat pig with a short tail. 'Taint every man who grabs it can hold on, and old Rufus Grim, the biggest scoundrel in Idaho, yes, the biggest in the whole country, claims to own it, and has got possession, and I've learned in this western country, especially, that possession is not only nine parts of the law, but mighty near ten."

"Of course a gold mine is a mighty good thing to have in the family, but as a general rule they are mighty unsartin. Give me a silver or a copper mine every time." Mare Casey was an interesting fellow. When he donned a sombrero a pair of newly purchased high heeled boots and walked down the streets of Butte City you were impressed with the fact that he resembled in every way a well inflated pneumatic tire, and on this particular day he was wearing a new broad-brimmed sombrero, while the buttons on his buckskin coat were made of five dollar gold pieces—he was on dress parade and considered himself irresistible.

Fred assured his new found acquaintance that he was under many obligations for the information received, and hoped to meet him again. Mare Casey, however, was not to be disposed of in this way and followed along with Fred. He called his attention to some vacant lots and said: "D'ye see them lots over there? I can sell you one of them fifty-foot lots at thirty-five hundred dollars, and I'll bet diamonds against doughnuts it'll be a rich buy at

years. By the way, stranger, what is the matter with you takin' a little flyer in Butte City dirt? Buy a few lots, stop with us her six months, sell 'em again for a hundred per cent profit and that'll pay all the expenses of your western trip. See?" said he, touching Fred gently in the ribs with his elbow. "Yes, I see," said Fred, smiling. "I see very clearly, or would were it not for the smoke. It smells like sulphur. Does it come from some of your mills or smelters?" "Now look'ee here, pard; you're just like every other downeaster. They're always kickin' about this smoke. Let me tell you, if we didn't have this smoke we wouldn't have any Butte City, and, besides, it kills the bacteria, microbes, and all that sort of thing. It's mighty healthy here I can tell you, an' a mighty peart town in the bargain. No use talkin', but of the frontier feller has p'int of advantage about it that you eastern ellers who live in the highfalutin sort of Vanderbilian castles never dreamed about."

Fred coughed immoderately, but Mare Casey assured him that he was at that very minute inhaling the healthiest air that ever filled his lungs. In the course of their walk, the boomer kept up an increasing conversation, explaining different points of interest, pointing out mining properties and telling their names, until Fred felt that he was very fortunate in falling in with one so conversant with Butte City. At parting Fred bade him good day, and promised to call at his office before leaving the city.

There are men who regard themselves in their respective neighborhoods as the only kernel of wheat in the entire sack, yet when subjected to the chaffing mill of separation they usually fly away with the first breath of the fan, and form the beginning of the chaff pile. Mare Casey impressed Fred as being just this sort of happy-go-lucky fellow. When he returned to the hotel he began his first letter to the Banner, but it was not finished till late that night. When it appeared in the New York paper it attracted in point of cleverness and interest even his closest friends. His descriptions were so vivid and lifelike, his character so droll, and withal teeming with information, that a score of letters came to the managing editor assuring him of the great pleasure and profit they had experienced in reading the article.

Fred knew nothing of this at the time, but devoted himself with increasing diligence to seeking reliable information, and using the material for his weekly letters. Butte City began to impress him as a place of greater importance than he at first thought. It was a town without a prototype. Over fifty thousand people swarmed the hills in search of hidden treasure. In a way, it was a vast solitude of many hills, apart, yet in touch with the world. Something—perhaps the sulphur smoke—destroyed the miasma of gossip and intrigue.

Of course differences arose, but when these differences became personal, both parties to the misunderstanding whipped out their guns and shot to the death. The survivor, provided either escaped, went calmly on, untrammelled by fear, feuds or future fights. Nice distinctions and questions of morality that occupy so much of the time of gossip-mongers in older communities, where jealousies and inherited hatreds flourish, find no place in the broad, progressive west—perhaps it were better if a higher standard existed. Here the sunshine, the smell of pines, the perfume of sand lilies, the ozone on health, all wated up from the verdant valleys and down from snow-covered peaks, satisfying the very souls of men—they became marked with the rankness of Nature's God—both inspiring and wholesome. Fred felt all this. He knew the old east, and was beginning to learn the new west. He was informed that almost a million dollars was paid monthly to the miners alone, and they, as a class, were "hail fellows well met," who believed in the doctrine of keeping money in circulation.

Fred noticed in many of the mercantile houses that when the day clerks were off at six o'clock in the evening, another set of clerks came on, and the shops and stores, by the aid of brilliant electric lights continued business 24 hours a day. He often thought of his conversation with the managing editor, and what he had said about western towns and the over-enthusiastic town boomer. He wondered, if his chief were to see Butte City, if he would not somewhat modify his radical opinions.

ten thousand dollars before two In Mare Casey's opinion, a typical character of the managing editor's idea, and Fred frequently used him as an example in his talks to the Banner. But he was more convinced that Butte City was a solid, substantial place, such as the managing editor had classed as an exception to the rule. He was not at all surprised at the sacrifice of assimilation. The bleak hills, the brown lands, the thick sulphur smoke, appealed more to his preconceived prejudices and more to the newly formed judgment of a convict. Destiny was reaching out her arm to him, but he saw not. He was drifting in the birch-bark canoe. (To be continued.)

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Sec. 1, provides that all wild game and wild fowls and birds of the property of the state.

Sec. 2, makes it unlawful to kill, catch or have in possession, living or dead, any wild bird other than a game bird, or to purchase or offer for sale, transport or ship any wild bird dead or alive except as hereafter provided for, and no part of the skin or body or plumage of such wild birds shall be sold or be had in possession for sale. For the purpose of this act the following only shall be considered game birds: Wild ducks, wild turkey, wild geese, wild grouse, prairie chicken, Mongolian or English pheasant, quail or partridge, doves, wild pigeons, plover, snipe, curlews, robins and wild Mexican pheasants or Chachalaca.

Sec. 3, makes it unlawful to destroy the nest or eggs of any wild bird or to have them in possession except as provided for in this act.

Sec. 4, provides that a penalty for the violation of section 2 and 3 shall constitute a misdemeanor with a fine of not more than \$100 and not less than \$10 for each bird, or part of bird, living or dead, with possible imprisonment in the county jail from 5 to 30 days for each offense, or may be fined and imprisoned. (See Sec. 9 for open season for game birds.)

Sec. 5, prohibits the purchase or sale of wild deer, antelope, Rocky Mountain sheep in the state, or any part thereof, and fixes the fine for said misdemeanor at not more than \$100 and not less than \$10 or at imprisonment for 5 to 30 days or both.

Sec. 6, neither or trapping any of the wild birds mentioned in section 2, at any season of the year (no open season) is prohibited and the same punishment fixed as for killing or selling unlawfully.

Sec. 7, declares against destroying wild geese and ducks by any means other than the ordinary gun, capable of being held to and shot from the shoulder, and the penalty is fixed as in each of the preceding cases.

Sec. 8, prohibits entirely the killing for five years of English pheasants, prairie chicken, antelope and Rocky Mountain sheep, and fixes the penalty as before.

Sec. 9, provides that birds and game may be killed at certain times by declaring the unlawful or closed season. It also specifies certain numbers of game birds or other game that may be killed in a day or during the season.

It is unlawful to kill in any way destroyed wild deer between the first of January and the first of November. (This leaves as an open season November 1 through December—only 60 days.) The killing limit is fixed at three bucks, and it is especially declared unlawful to kill female deer or spotted fawn at any season. Hunting with lamps at night is prohibited. This section provides that wild turkeys may be killed only during the months of December, January and February, and the kill is limited to three. It provides that the hunting season for quail and doves shall be in November, December and January and the kill is limited to 25 birds per day per man for all birds mentioned in Sec. 1 of this act.

After five years the killing of antelope and mountain sheep shall be confined to the months of November and December and the kill is limited to two antelope and one sheep for the season per man.

The months for prairie chicken and English pheasant at the end of five years shall be restricted to November, December and January.

Penalties attaching to violations of Sec. 9 are \$100 or less, or imprisonment for 5 to 30 days, or both fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 10, makes it unlawful for express and railroad companies to accept any wild fowls or game for transportation except under the

and the same penalties as before for its violation. This gives employees of such companies the right to examine suspected packages.

Sec. 11, permits the shipment of game and wild fowl to the home of the person who killed the game and provides the form of affidavit that must be made before such game may be received for shipment; 75 ducks may thus be shipped, and 25 birds of other sorts.

Sec. 12, declares that English sparrows, hawks, crows, buzzards, black birds, rice birds, and owls are not among the birds protected by this act. "Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any person from killing birds that are at the time destroying his growing crop."

Sec. 13, allows the keeping of birds in cages, but declares that these domestic pets shall not be sold or offered for sale or transported, and then parrots and canary birds are excepted from these provisions.

Sec. 14, makes the act apply equally to birds coming from outside the state as to those taken within the state.

Sec. 15, possession at any time shall be sufficient evidence of guilt of the person in possession.

Sec. 16, repeals all laws in conflict with this act.

Note—There is no closed season at any time of the year for wild pigeons, plover, snipe, curlew, robins and Mexican pheasants. These birds are protected only in the matters of eggs, nests, sale, transportation, netting, trapping, and limit of 25 birds. The field lark and other birds not specially mentioned in section 1, or exempted in section 12, are protected against the hunter at all seasons by the provision of section 2, which says, "It shall be unlawful to catch or kill any wild bird other than a game bird, etc." We may name in this list of completely protected birds, mocking birds, kill-deers, bull-bats, rain-crows, whippoor-wills, wrens, blue jays, leather wings, swallows, blue birds, red birds, scissor-tails, cranes, pelicans, flamingoes, gulls, king-fishers, chaparral runners and eagles.

There are a good many huffy people in the world. You meet them almost anywhere. You can scarcely crook your finger without giving offense. They are always on the lookout for slight or insults, and can take them when they are neither intended nor given. Huffy people are not pleasant companions. You never know when a spell will take them, or how long it will last. You are always paying them homage, and doing them reverence, or they will think they are not appreciated. Such persons need a little humanity, so that they may not think of themselves more highly than they ought to think, and a little of the Grace of God in their hearts to sweeten their temper and cure them of ungrounded suspicions. If you want to be happy and agreeable to others, do not be huffy.—Ex.

Pa—Yes, my son, the Egyptians the most intellectual people on the face of the earth at one time but finally the nation decayed.

Son—What caused them to decay, Pa?

Pa—Smoking too many Egyptian cigarettes, my son.—Ex.

He was out on Sunday last with his best girl motoring on the high road. As they struck a straight level run, with nothing in sight, he gripped his steering wheel more tightly as he leaned over to her and hissed in her ear, "Forty miles an hour now! Are you brave enough to stand it?"

"Oh, yes!" she replied, as she swallowed another mouthful of dust, "I am full of grit."—Ex.

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Kidney ills come quietly—most seriously. But nature always warns you. Notice the kidney secretions. See if the color is unhealthy. If there are are settling and sediment.

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A. C. SWEENEY, Pearsall, Texas.

Pearsall, Texas, June 3, 1907. I am well acquainted with Mr. Sweeney and know that he is a scientific surveyor, and that he is prepared to do first class work. I recommend him to my friend and former patrons.

Respectfully,
W. W. HAYNES.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of La Salle County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Leonida Salinas by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day thereof in some newspaper published in your county, if there be newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 4th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of La Salle County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof in Cotulla on the 8th Monday after the first of September 1907, same being the seventh day of October 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 22nd day of August, 1907 in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No 925 whereby Mrs. Felicitiana P. Salinas is plaintiff and said Leonida Salinas is defendant, said petition alleging marriage of plaintiff and defendant on or about August 1st, 1896, their living together for about four years and that on or about August 1st, 1900 defendant left plaintiff with the intention of permanent abandonment and with such intention has remained away from plaintiff ever since and that defendant has abandoned plaintiff and lived in adultery with another woman named Tiburcia Quinones. Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving the marriage relations existing between plaintiff and defendant and for costs of suit and general and special relief.

Herman Fall out but have before said Court on the said first day of the next term there of this writ with your returns thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness G. H. Knaages, Clerk of the District Court of La Salle County, Given under my hand and seal of said Court at office in Cotulla, La Salle County, Texas, this 22nd day of August, A. D., 1907.

G. H. KNAAGES, Clerk, District Court, La Salle County, Tex. Issued this 22nd day of August, A. D. 1907.

G. H. KNAAGES, Clerk of District Court of La Salle County.

Golsa Golde, the octogenarian millionaire, dropped stiffly on one knee.

"Darling won't you marry me? 'd die for you," he said.

"If one could feel quite sure" murmured the young girl, "why, hen—"

She gazed doubtfully upon the old man, a shade of mistrust in her lovely violet eyes.

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I have for sale the celebrated Edison Phonographs and Records.
ENGRAVING WATCHMAKING

Religious Services.

Beginning Sunday (tomorrow) there will be a series of services at the Presbyterian Church, conducted by Rev. M. W. Doggett of Austin. These services will continue for one week and possibly longer. The public generally is invited to attend.

The condition Front Street was left in wasn't much of a recommendation for the road grader. But, maybe it wasn't the machine's fault.

Evidently the I. & G. N. has abandoned a schedule on this division of the road. The passenger trains are now due when you see the smoke. Yesterday's Southbound arrived about six o'clock.

John T. Maltzberger and family returned Thursday from a six weeks absence in Colorado. They report a very pleasant trip and Mr. Maltzberger says he enjoyed some real sport fishing for mountain trout.

Sam Childress, a well known ranchman from Duval County, accompanied by his wife and daughter were here Monday attending the barbecue. Mr. Childress said it was very dry down the country and unless rain fell this month cattlemen were going to suffer for stock water.

Cotulla was visited by a storm wind Tuesday evening and such a dust storm as preceded for five minutes was the worst we ever saw. To the East of town about one mile a heavy shower and some hail fell, and the wind was almost of cyclone velocity. Several small houses were blown off the blocks and mesquite trees ten and twelve inches in diameter were twisted off. W. N. Guinn reported that the porch of the Warren house two miles below town was blown away and did not touch the ground for six hundred feet. Large trees in the river valley were laid low.

Wm. Peyson, arrived here Monday to demonstrate to the Commissioners' the merits of the road grading machine, which was recently contracted for by the county. No doubt the machine is all right, but to do good work it will be necessary to have about four pair of big mules. The average little mule of this country has no business in the lead of one of these things.

OFF FOR SCHOOL

This year, as in the past, we shall be headquarters for all that pupils require.

Books, Tablets, Pencils, Pens, Pen Holders, Ink, Erasers, Rulers, Crayons, Composition Books, Drawing Pencils and Utensils, Book Straps, Satchels, Water Colors, Brushes, Etc.

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-OUR CONDITION TO DATE-

The good financial condition of La Salle County and Cotulla especially can not be better shown than by the good substantial growth of the Cotulla State Bank. We here furnish three called statements, made under oath according to the Banking Laws of Texas

FEB. 6TH, 1907, DEPOSITS, \$3,813.69
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The Cotulla State Bank, of Cotulla, Texas, earned 6 per cent. its first 6 months in business, does a good, conservative banking business, and solicits your patronage. Small deposits gladly welcomed. Try a small deposit with us and let it grow.

THE COTULLA STATE BANK

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Read the ads in the Record.
Read Gouger's ad and see what he has to say.
Lee Henriehson, LaSalle's Assessor was in the hub during the week.
The largest tablet at Gaddis' Pharmacy.
Thursday's Southbound train was several hours late.
Gouger wants to figure with you on your lumber bill.
Wm. Shnaekel, the piano man, went to Pearsall first of the week.
Miss. Mary Neal left yesterday morning for Dilley.
The most pencils at Gaddis' Pharmacy for 5c.
Mrs. Frank W. Earnest has been on the sick list this week.
All kinds of rifles and shot guns at Gouger's.
Jno. M. Daniel spent part of the week in San Antonio on business.
Ed Mulholland went to Tilden Wednesday.
Subscribe for the Record if your name is not on our books.
School bags 5c and up, at Gaddis' Pharmacy.
YOUR NEW FALL SUIT—REED
Jno. R. Black went up to the Alamo City yesterday.
Get your ammunitions at Gouger's.
Lunch baskets at Gaddis' Pharmacy.
J. W. Buckow was among the Artesia people that attended the barbecue Monday.
W. I. Nicholson of San Antonio was in Cotulla several days this week.

T. H. Gardner was in town from his ranch in Dimmit county yesterday.
The hose from Barlow's cistern was turned loose on Front street yesterday and the dust settled.
A large number of Millett people attended the barbecue at Cotulla Monday.
Miss Cammie Scott of Longview is in the city visiting her aunt, Mrs. F. A. Gallman.
Surveyor Scott, of San Antonio, was in Cotulla this week doing some work.
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gerke returned first of the week from Laredo.
Mrs. Taylor of Devine is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. Simon Cotulla.
Try a one minute washing machine at Gouger's, if it don't do the work bring it back.
Chas. Juvenal, accompanied by mother were in the city from Artesia Thursday.
School begins Monday. Just where the teachers are going to put all the scholars is a mystery yet unsolved.
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Earnest, accompanied by their daughter Mrs. Garland, were in Cotulla shopping Thursday.
Mrs. Bennett of Derby spent several days in the city this week visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Motheral.
W. H. Jacobs, a well known stockman of the Northeastern part of the county, was in town Thursday.
Miss Lizzie Campbell came in Wednesday on her way home at Carrizo Springs. She has been away a couple of months touring California, and reported a fine trip.

The railroad right-of-way has been cleared and the appearance is much better.
Miss Emma Adimi left yesterday for Prairie View where she will teach school this fall.
Deputy U. S. Customs Inspector Woodlief Thomas of Laredo, spent Labor Day in Cotulla.
Corn, oats and hay will be extremely high this winter owing to short crops.
Atty. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio was here this week. He had been to Tilden attending District Court.
W. R. Ryan & Son and the Buena Vista Hotel of Millett favored the Record with orders for stationery this week.
Miss Bee Clauster of North Texas arrived here Sunday and will spend several months with her sister, Mrs. F. I. Rock.
Mrs. Dunham, who was hurt by falling from a buggy several weeks ago is getting along well. She is still confined to her bed.
J. L. McCaleb, a well known business man of Carrizo Springs was here Thursday on his way to San Antonio.
Call on Secretary W. A. Kerr of the Business Men's Club and get what advertising literature you want for distribution.
R. J. Jennings is at home again after an absence of several weeks. Mr. Jennings has been in the Indian Territory, and says rain is badly needed up there.
John Wilkins lost his horse Monday night and thought he was stolen but later found him in the Cotulla pasture. He was tied in Front Street and probably broke loose.
E. A. Keek returned home Tuesday. Mr. Keek was in San Antonio two weeks under medical treatment, and was greatly benefited.

First class meats always on hand at M. H. McMahon's. Barbecue daily.
The past week has been very bad for windmills. Very little breeze has prevailed.
V. H. Hardidg and B. Wildenthal, Jr., returned Monday night from San Antonio, where they took in the Labor Day celebration.
Judge J. F. Mullally and District Atty. Valls passed through here Sunday enroute to Carrizo Springs, where Court opened Monday.
Col. W. A. H. Miller has been absent from the city all the week. He has been attending District Court at Carrizo Springs where he has several cases.
Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cohenour and little daughter have returned from an absence of several weeks in Illinois, Missouri and North Texas. They report a very pleasant visit.
Mrs. S. L. Chalk of Pleasanton, accompanied by her daughters, Misses Lizzie and Zela, were here this week. They returned yesterday to San Antonio where they will make their future home.
S. V. Edwards of Laredo, Marshall Hicks of San Antonio, Tom Salmon of Encinal and Jas. Evetts of this place, returned Wednesday from Tilden, where they had been attending District Court.
Jesse Bragg's mules got loose with his buggy Monday night and were not found until next day in Henry Beckwith's pasture. They were still hitched to the vehicle but it was considerably disfigured.
The dry goods stores are getting in new goods daily. There is no need of going away from Cotulla to buy your fall and winter necessities. We are sure you can find all you want in Cotulla, and if you investigate closely, you'll find that prices are as low as elsewhere.