

THE CROWELL INDEX

IF WE CAN'T FACE A LIVE ISSUE, WE WON'T STRUT OVER THE GRAVE OF A DEAD ONE

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A LIVELY POLITICAL MIX-UP

"Yellow" Politics by Yellow Journalist—Bryan, Roosevelt and Haskell in the Melee.

The stirring scenes of the past few days in political circles surpass anything of the kind of recent date in America. Hearst has appeared on the scene and his talk has put a move on the politicians. He said things that made Teddy's hair stand up and walk; he put Foraker out of business and accused Haskell of intimacy with Standard Oil.

Haskell Challenges Hearst

Gov. Haskell sent the following challenge to W. R. Hearst, and so far Mr. Hearst has not the game to meet him.

"W. R. Hearst, Care New York American, New York: Dear Sir,—You are stating in speech and press in substance that during the year 1899, when Attorney General Frank S. Monnet of Ohio had several cases pending in the Supreme Court of that State against the Standard Oil Company, that I sought to influence him to dismiss these. I have said, and now repeat, that your statement is false, and that I never had any relations of any kind or character with the Standard Oil Company. Our conflicting statements prove nothing. You, as a newspaper man, may and should desire a reputation for truthfulness. I, as a public official, demand that those who accuse stand forth and make proof. You know that a suit against you for civil damages or criminal prosecution for libel means long delay and affords a chance to cover your expense before being called upon to settle. I do not want your money. I simply desire to expose you to the public as a false accuser who has distorted public records and manufactured statements for base political purposes.

"For the purpose of forever settling this infamous slander which you are circulating in your newspapers and on the stump, I now propose that a committee of five, or any three of them, composed of the editors of the Springfield (Mass.) Republican, the Chicago Journal, the New York World, the Indianapolis News and the St. Louis Republic, be selected to hear you and me under oath, and all other evidence they may desire, as to the truth or falsity of your charges, at the earliest possible moment, and render their decision to the public in writing.

"Should this committee find your charge sustained I shall withdraw from all connection

with the present campaign. Should the verdict be against you, there need be no other penalty than the public contempt due every assassin of character.

C. N. Haskell."

Since clipping the above we have Mr. Hearst's reply, as we predicted, a refusal to meet Haskell. He cannot afford to meet a man of Haskell's standing, yet Haskell's standing is sufficient to warrant Hearst in touring the whole country in an effort to destroy his influence. Hearst is the same old Hearst—the most blasphemous liar and unprincipled blackmailer in the United States.

His refusal to meet Haskell is the most miserable subterfuge ever resorted to in the history of American politics. He knows that these same charges were brought against Haskell by a coterie of lying scoundrels in Oklahoma last year and that Mr. Monnet came all the way from Ohio to Oklahoma to brand these charges as false. The other charge, as to Haskell's attitude toward organized labor, is headed as a lie by the labor leaders of Oklahoma.

The Fort Worth Record says: "His scandalous misrepresentations of Gov. Haskell sufficiently reveal his malice and desperation."

But read his reply below:

"To the Associated Press—I address this communication to you as I cannot have the slightest correspondence or conversation with a man of Mr. Haskell's standing.

"Mr. Haskell's proposition reminds me of the well known story of the burglar who was caught in the act by the police. When the police burst in upon him they found him in front of a safe which had been blown open, with his tools in his pockets, a dark lantern in one hand and his other hand on the valuables in the safe. The police dragged the burglar to the courtroom and the judge said to the culprit:

"Well, what have you to say for yourself?"

The burglar said: "Look here, judge, let's arbitrate this case."

"The court records, the complaint of the attorney general of Ohio, Mr. Monnet, the affidavit of the assistant of the present attorney general of Ohio, Mr. Barnett, the court records of the state of Oklahoma in the Prairie Oil & Gas company accuse Mr.

Haskell and not I. "Mr. Haskell has had many years in which to sue Mr. Monnet if that gentleman committed libel in naming C. N. Haskell as one of the men who attempted to bribe him in the Standard Oil cases.

"Mr. Haskell's proposition to arbitrate the matter now shows that he has a sense of humor even if he has not a sense of honor.

William Randolph Hearst.

Since Haskell has challenged Hearst to meet him in Oklahoma and thrash out his slanderous charges against the governor, Hearst has cancelled his speaking dates in Oklahoma. Oklahoma people don't understand such maneuvers.

Since charges involving the characters of prominent Republicans have been made by Hearst, Roosevelt in his desperation makes charges against Haskell, to which Bryan replies with the demand that Roosevelt either come forth with the proof or exonerate Haskell.

He says: "If Haskell is guilty as charged he is unfit to be connected with the Democratic National Committee, and I am sure you will agree with me that if he is innocent he deserves to be exonerated from so damning an accusation."

Some Good Advertising.

Crowell has been receiving some good advertising in the past few days and dispatches have appeared in the Dallas and Ft. Worth papers, and in the Sunday Telegram appeared a cartoon which announced to the state that Crowell is now a railroad town. There is nothing like publicity, and though a man may say he does not believe in advertising, yet a familiar name in print sends most pleasurable sensations up and down his spine, makes the blood run faster and gives elasticity to his step and after all there is nothing like "the art preservative."

Steel Plants Will Resume

As an evidence of confidence in financial conditions we cite the following:

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 20.—Orders have been issued at the large iron and steel plants of the country to prepare for resumption by Oct. 1. A plan has been evolved at a series of meetings in New York to get the jobbers and dealers to stock up and not wait until after election. As a result fully 100,000 idle iron and steel workers in the country will find immediate employment. Jobbers have been offered a long line of credits by manufacturers and have been guaranteed against any reduction in prices later.

100 Town Lots—We have one hundred town lots, in the town of Crowell, for sale on easy terms.—Texas Alert Realty Co.

A GOOD SHOWING

\$3,166,270 as Against \$1,750,000 in 1907.

Tax Assessor R. M. Ferbec has proceeded sufficiently with his 1908 rolls as to be able to give out the information that the showing for the present year reaches the sum of \$3,166,270, as against \$1,750,000 for 1907.

The number of polls for 1908 is 896, as against 652 in 1907.

The contrast is marked and very gratifying. But many improvements quite as marked are not included in the foregoing figures.

The Stingy Man

We have little respect for the stingy man in church, politics, or municipal affairs. There are men who occupy a high seat in the synagogue and contribute nothing to the maintenance of the synagogue; they expect others to pay their way; they are dead-beats in the kingdom. There are men who can "holter" for the ticket; but others must furnish the money. There are men in every town who reap the benefits of others' expenditures while they refuse to contribute one cent to public enterprise.

To express our private opinion of these men in plain words, "between you and me and the gate-post," we would say that they are not entitled to the blessings and liberties of civilization.

We have seen the names of the wage-earner and the capitalist on subscription lists in this town and they read about like this:

Jim Smith, merchant, \$0.25

Jim Jones, day-laborer 1.00

We do not say that the above is a comparative showing as to who pays the freight; but we do say that a number of subscription lists on which appeared respectively the names of Smith and Jones with the amounts opposite their names tell a story of stinginess and dead-headism that would shock the arctic liver of Plato.

We don't say this with any hope of converting the stingy man—he is "set" in his ways; and like the poor we have him with us always and will have to tolerate him. He is a clog on the wheels of progress, a wart on the face of society and a thorn in the flesh of all decent people. He lives like a dog and will die in the same way. He won't read these lines for he's too stingy to subscribe for this paper; and we can therefore say what we please without fear of it reaching him.

Bring us your bucket and try some of our barrel lard at 12-1-2 cents per pound.—Hughston-Henry & Co.

A Hot Time

You are familiar with the sweet refrain
Are you not?
You know also that the weather is hot
Do you not?

But do you know that

"The-Old-Reliable"

is hotter after your banking business—than all out doors—than all the rag-time "hot-times" ever composed or written—than all the burning, scalding chunks of red-hot saphro that ought not to have been composed or written. That it offers conservative, experienced management of your business of whatever nature entrusted, and as security, its Capital of more than double the amount of any bank in Foard County.



THE FOARD COUNTY NATIONAL BANK

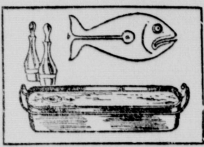
Crowell, Texas



A SUMMER TRICK.

Good Fishing Game Which Will Multiply Your Friends.

Cut out of ordinary paper a gold fish like the one in the picture, if possible in the center cut a circular opening (a), communicating with the tail by means of the narrow canal (a, b), opening at b.



Explanatory Diagram.

Put plenty of water in a good sized bathtub, if you do this trick right, your fish will swim far and well. To make the fish swim the water like a thing of life, explains Master E. Experiments, pour a large-sized drop of oil into the opening (a), which will immediately seek to spread itself over the surface of the water. But it can only do this through the narrow canal (a, b). By the effect of the reactive force the fish will travel in the inverse direction to the output of oil, in other words, the fish will go forward and will swim quite a distance.

AN AUCTION PARTY

How a Jolly Evening Can Be Spent with Your Friends.

Nothing would be lovelier for an evening's entertainment than an auction party.

Sometimes at summer resorts real auctions are held on a small scale just for fun, and the bidders may realize money for the articles that are knocked down to them.

But the kind of auction suggested for your party requires no money, only a little wit and ingenuity. Having selected your articles and carefully wrapped and tied and numbered them, prepare a catalogue for your guests to consult in the course of the evening. A suggested catalogue will be found at the close of this article.

Ask a glib-tongued friend to take the part of auctioneer, and supply each guest with a certain number of beans in a bag made to look like the money bags used by the banks.

Tell the guests not to bid too high at the outset or they will not get many articles.

Suggested Catalogue.

- 1. A bit of old lace (a shoe lace).
2. A quantity of her late majesty, Queen Victoria (an English penny).
3. A study in black and white (chalk and coal).
4. Souvenir of the wedding day.
5. Traveler's guide (a time table).
6. The fruit of disobedience (an apple).
7. A marble group (several marbles).
8. A revelation of men's thoughts (a paper knife).
9. That way to my mother's room (a note on which is written "borrow room, when to our best and dearest friend" (a toothbrush).
10. A pair of slippers (bits of orange peel and banana skin).
11. A mighty woman (a pen).
12. A bit of Indian jewelry (a bead bracelet).
13. The first American (an Indian head of a plate).
14. The most honored American (head of Washington).
15. A new writer (a new pencil).
16. Emblem of confidence (sealing wax).
17. Hawthorne's masterpiece (the letter A painted scarlet).

THE WALTZING EGGS.

How the Amusing Trick Can Be Performed.

Place a plate on the table so that it is near enough to the edge to be easily taken in hand. Then place the egg in the middle, and with the help of the thumb and index finger of the right hand, placed respectively at either end, give the egg a lively rotary movement. It will soon stand upright on its points and turn. Now do the plate and all you have to do to make the egg waltz is to move your hand in a waltzing motion.



A Work of Supererogation.

Henry dislikes being bathed and argues with his mother over every square inch of his four-year-old anatomy.

One night when his patience was completely tried by what he considered wholly unnecessary work, he exclaimed: "Oh, mamma, couldn't you skip my stomach? Nobody ever sees my stomach!"—Judge.

DUTY OF MOTHERS

TEACHING DAUGHTERS BY GIVING THEM RESPONSIBILITY.

'Incentive' Often the Only Thing Necessary to Bring Out Child's Qualities—Plan Adopted by One Woman.

This season of the year is just the time for the housekeeper to take pains and make plans to develop in her youngest daughter all the qualities that go to make up an all-round housekeeper.

Go away for a whole day now and then and leave the entire responsibility of the household to her, cooking and dusting—to the daughter. If you are without help in the kitchen, all the better, for the daughter will learn all the quicker and learn all the more. If you have one or more older daughters send them away and give over all responsibility to the youngest, who is sure to be overshadowed so long as older sisters are around.

I have a friend, that while her two older daughters, both capable housekeepers, were away this summer, gave full charge to a daughter of 13. She spent each day of one week away, returning at night, just in time for supper. She neither gave any orders in the morning nor into the kitchen at night before supper. Everything was satisfactory and a most excellent dinner served one night when there was no extra for supper. Things ran with wonderful smoothness, and the house was kept in apple order.

When mothers believe it, so this suddenly developed housekeeper, but 13 summers had always shirked responsibility, and even work, to such an extent that her older sisters and brothers had long been convinced that their youngest sister was simply "lazy" and never would learn.

When will mothers believe that so-called "laziness" is simply lack of incentive. Further, that "incentive" in some natures comes spontaneously, when presented to them as a form of duty; others have to have a spontaneous desire to create incentive. In this case it becomes the parents' highest duty to search and search with ingenuity, wisdom and patience until the power to quicken the mainspring of the child's character has been reached.

This may mean many failures and many heartaches, but with each attempt much is learned to form a stepping-stone to wider experience. It certainly is just as grievous a fault to neglect to teach and train our daughters that than that of our own shortcomings which will fall upon them, as to neglect giving them a common school education.

I thoroughly appreciate the fact that it is more often far easier to do a thing yourself than to wait patience see it half done by the daughters. But if we look at this as but one disagreeable part of our business of housekeeping, we will at once accept the temporary annoyance with cheerfulness. One of the most exasperating things to me is to teach a child to make cake, and yet I have always forced myself to accept it as but a part of my business, just as the husband has in commercial life many annoying details to wade through, and think men are more inclined to take such things "as a matter of course."

One son demanded to be taught the art of cake making, even to fancy icing, and to-day no one of the four that followed has been able to touch his quality of gingerbread. Outside of our duties to our daughters, as future housekeepers we should bear in mind that the work of the hands develops the brain else how would we have the present wonderful inventions in modern machinery?

I do not wish to sidetrack too often from practical housekeeping, but housekeeping keeps in mind the sacred fact that a woman's duty is not done when she just provides good, wholesome meals, comfortable clothing and a neat house, she must by thought, word and deed teach her children by giving them responsibility, and thus force them to think, to manage and to work in their own homes, if she aims to be a "wise" housekeeper.

Three hard-boiled eggs, two tablespoonsful of butter or dripping, two tablespoonsful of flour, one dessert-spoonful of curry powder, one dessert-spoonful of chutney, two cupsful of milk, half a pound of cooked fish, three ounces of boiled rice. Melt the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour smoothly, stir it over the fire for a few minutes, then add the curry powder and chutney. Next add the milk and stir the sauce over the fire till it boils and thickens. Next add the rice, stir it in and add salt into flakes. Add then and the rice to the sauce, mix well together. Pile it up on a hot dish and garnish with croissants of bread.

Do This Now.

To clean the refrigerator wash the inside once or twice a week in cold water, every other day in hot weather, with plenty of borax or washing soda in warm water. Then place pieces of charcoal in the corners to absorb the odors of food. These should be removed often.

Cheese-Olive Sandwiches.

Split a kind of good, wholesome, plain cracker in halves. Spread with a layer of cream cheese, then a layer of chopped stuffed olives. Press together and serve.

SHE GOT HER MAN—HAPPY.

Indian Woman Not Likely to Be Left Far Behind in Life's Battle.

Writing of the famous Dean Kaye of Topoka, in Suburban Life, Paul A. Lovewell, says:

"Dean Kaye has had interesting experiences during his sojourns in the wilderness. Once an Indian woman came to his cabin. "You marry?" she asked. "Yes," said the dean, "I can marry folks. Have you got a man?" "Again the woman grunted, and departed. About sundown she returned, dragging with her an apparently abashed and reluctant braver in the wild. "Got him," she remarked, ironically, producing her marriage license. The man knew no English, but the woman prompted him when it became necessary for him to give his assent to the dean's questions. When it was over the squaw paid the minister his fee and led her husband away in triumph."

DEEP CRACKS FROM ECZEMA

Could Lay Slate-Pencil in One—Hands in Dreadful State—Permanent Cure in Cuticura.

"I had eczema on my hands for about seven years, and during that time I had used several so-called remedies, together with physicians' and druggists' prescriptions. The disease has so had on my hands that I could lay slate-pencil in one, and a rule placed across the hand would not touch the pencil. I kept using remedy after remedy, and while some gave me some relief as much as did the first box of Cuticura Ointment. I made a purchase of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and my hands were perfectly cured after two boxes of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap were used. W. H. Dean, Newark, Del., Mar. 28, 1907."

ONLY A COW.



Artist (who has been bothered by rustic brats) has been ordered to do a 12-inch drawing in one week of a cow. He assures you that you can see the sketch with more advantage from a little distance!

Microscopic Writing.

A remarkable machine made by a lately deceased member of the Royal Microscopical society for writing with a diamond sees to have been bought by its inventor. A specimen of its work is in the London paper of 27 letters, written in the 1,237,000 of a square inch, which is at the rate of 53,800,000 letters or 15 complete Bibles, to a single square inch. To decipher the writing it is necessary to use a 12-inch objective, which is the high power lens physicians employ for studying the most minute bacteria.

Populous China.

The population of the Chinese empire is largely a matter of estimate. There has never been such constant war as the empire as that which is taken every decade in this country. But the estimate of the Almanach de Gotha for 1900 may be taken as fairly reliable. According to that estimate the population of the empire is, in round numbers, about 400,000,000. It is probably safe to say that if the human beings on earth were stood on in line every fourth one would be a Chinaman.

A Carlyle Wedding.

Craigenpelt, where Carlyle's "Sartor Resartus" was written, has decided to celebrate a notable wedding. The bride was Mary Carlyle of Craigenpelt, a grandniece of Thomas Carlyle, a farmer of Pingle, Dumfriesshire, a son of Thomas Carlyle's favorite nephew. Pingle is about four miles from Ecclefechan, Carlyle's birthplace, and this village is the home of the Earl of Elgin, of "Sartor Resartus."—London Standard.

Girl AFRAID TO EAT.

"Several years ago I was actually starving," writes a Me. girl, "yet dared not eat for fear of the consequences. I had suffered from indigestion from overwork, irregular meals and improper food, until at last my stomach became so weak I could eat scarcely any food without great distress. "Many kinds of food were tried, all with the same discouraging effects. I needed just health and strength until I was but a wreck of my former self. "Having heard of Grape-Nuts and its great merits, I purchased a package, and with little hope that it would help me—I was so discouraged. "I found it not only appetizing but that it satisfied the craving for food without causing distress, and if I may use the expression, 'it filled the bill.' "For months Grape-Nuts was my principal article of diet. I felt from the very first that I had found a right way to health and happiness, and my anticipations were fully realized. "With its continued use I regained my usual health and strength. Today I am well and can eat anything I like, yet Grape-Nuts food forms a part of my bill of fare." "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter?

A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

The Entire Family.

Grand Pop used to be for Rheumatism. Dad for Cuts, Sprains and Bruises. Mamma for Burns, Scalds and Aches. Sis for Coughs and Chills. I use it for everything, and it never disappoints any of us. It surely saves any old pain out by the roots. Hunt's Lightning Oil is what I am telling you about.

Conan Doyle at It Again.

"It is clear, Watson," said Herlock Shomes, "that the farmer who raised this spring chicken was very tender hearted."

"How in the world do you know that?" asked the astonished Watson. "It is simple enough," the farmer hesitated so long before striking the fatal blow."—Boston Transcript.

Hick's Capudine Cures Nervousness.

Whether tired out, worried, sleepless or what not, if quiet and refreshes brain and nerves, the liquid and pleasant to take. Each bottle 10c—regular size 20c and 50c at druggists.

A Frugal Dinner.

Although the austrian emperor eats very frugally his majesty pays his chief cook \$10,000 a year. The court is noted for its elaborate repaste.

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There is nothing little to the really great in spirit.—Dickens.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, soothes the gums, reduces the inflammation, kills the worms. See a bottle.

It Cures White Eye Walk.

Allen's Foot-Paste for corns, bunions, hot, sweaty calluses, itching feet. 25c all druggists.

Love does not stop at the boundaries of liking.

The General Demand

of the Well-Informed of the World has always been for a simple, pleasant and efficient liquid laxative remedy of known value; a laxative which physicians could sanction for family use because its component parts are known to them to be wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, acceptable to the system and gentle, yet prompt, in action.

In supplying that demand with its excellent combination of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, the California Fig Syrup Co. proceeds along ethical lines and relies on the merits of the laxative for its remarkable success.

That is one of many reasons why Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna is given the preference by the Well-Informed. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine—manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists. Price fifty cents per bottle.

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W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes than any other man in the world. He has a store in every city where they hold their shoes, fit better, and wear longer than any other make. Shoes fit all feet, for Every Member of the Navy. W. L. Douglas's \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes are made in the U.S.A. and are the best in the world. W. L. Douglas's \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes are made in the U.S.A. and are the best in the world. W. L. Douglas's \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes are made in the U.S.A. and are the best in the world.

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The cleanest, lightest, and most comfortable SLICKER at the same time cheapest in the end because it wears longest. \$3.00 Everywhere. Every garment guaranteed waterproof. Catalogue free. Tower's Fish Brand Slicker Co., 117 South W. Street, Kansas City, Mo.

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All dealers. Sample, Booklet and Paper Card given in writing. Local agents wanted. Write for money-making plan. Pacific Coast Borax Co., Chicago, Ill.



STAR PLUG CHEWING TOBACCO

STAR has for years been the world's leading brand of plug chewing tobacco. Statistics show that about one-fifth of all the chewers of plug tobacco chew STAR.

There's a reason for this enormous and constantly increasing number of STAR chewers, and it's just this—

Star Plug has always been manufactured with one sole object in view—to give chewers the best chew of tobacco it is possible to produce, yet to sell this STAR chew at a moderate price.



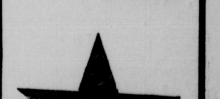
More chewers are learning every day that STAR, considered from the standpoint of true merit, has no competitor, and is the one best chew.

For a long time there was a prejudice (which probably still exists) among certain chewers against the use of what is generally termed "Navy Tobacco," because of the impression that all tobacco of that character is too sweet.

It is true that some brands of tobacco, similar in appearance to STAR, are too sweet to please chewers accustomed to the use of tobacco manufactured in thin plugs, but we know that STAR is right in every way.

You use tobacco for the pleasure it gives— increase your pleasure by chewing STAR!

In All Stores



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BEEF VS. BRAIN.

TOO many young men of this age are ministering to the needs of the back and the belly to the neglect of the head—i. e. beef and broadcloth, not brains, seems to be the motto. They say the battle for bread is the battle for them, and others can fight the battle for ideas. As a result forty-dollar suits adorn so much raw beef, which sells in the common market for 15 cents per pound. A ten-dollar hat perched in vulgar slouch over the aching void of a young American who cannot interpret his mother tongue is as the diamond gleaming from the snout of the sluggish swine. It is well to feed and adorn the outer man, but the inner man should not be turned hungry and naked on the commons.

Man excels in reason; this neglected he is more helpless than the brute. The mind untutored, the heart unstirred by ambition is the tragedy of tragedies. "See how we grovel here below" when we ought to scale wide horizons and reach greater altitudes.

Better to soar one year than grope a thousand years in stupid ignorance. Better a moment of vision than a millennium of blindness.

Money is good, but it does not open the firmament's myrtle pages, it brings no ray from the upper deeps, no spark from the anvil of genius.

Men could always pick cotton; and it is an honorable vocation, yet a baloon can pick cotton, but it required the fertile brain of a Whitney to gin it. Through the long, long lapse of ages apples fell but until Newton's day none saw them. Jethro knew the woods of Midian; but Moses found the burning bush. A thousand shepherds had traversed the fields of Palestine; but it was left to David to sing out the lesson of the stars, the rose-tint cloud and blooming ivy.

Apologize not for a patch on your pants but weep if there's none on your brains. And O Woman, a shaded brain is worse than a faded gown. Laces and ribbons and frills add beauty and grace to form and face, but are a poor auxiliary to a stagnant brain.

TEXANS IN CAMPAIGN.

THE only Texans who have so far been invited by the national Democratic committee to make speeches in the close states are Attorney General Davidson, Congressman Randall and Gillespie. All three are known as anti-Bailey men. Taking into consideration the cool way in which the Texas delegation at Denver was endured, it seems that national committee is not in sympathy with Senator Bailey and is giving him the gaff at every opportunity. —Comanche Exponent.

Now why does this belated ass butt in with his unseasonable braying? Can't the fool let this Bailey matter alone? Its a dead issue in Texas, or should be. The people have expressed themselves at the polls, and if the Exponent is not satisfied it ought to join Hearst or the Republicans.

Cardinal Gibbons recently "handed over" an opinion on prohibition. He goes over the old untenable ground that prohibition does not prohibit and therefore breeds disrespect for law. He can at least congratulate himself on the fact he occupies common ground with all the bums, brewers and blacklegs in the country. And as for his church, we are not to say whether it is good or bad; but we'd rather have no church at all than one without a backbone.

If Gov. Haskell is guilty of the charges Teddy brings against him it is up to Teddy to present the proof; and if his guilt cannot be established, then the president ought to shut his mouth. Haskell has offered to resign his place if found guilty, and Bryan promises that he will be dismissed if guilty. Isn't that enough?

Teddy seems to have forgotten "My Dear Harriman."

WOULD PERPETUATE CANNON, ETC.

IN Roosevelt's letter of September 21, in which he recommends Taft in tearful language he forgets for a space of time to confine himself to those proprieties of speech which finite limitations impose upon men; for the time the President stands in the back-ground and the real Teddy talks. He dates the beginning of all good in this nation from the fateful day on which McKinley fell and His Majesty ascended the throne. He warns the people that if Taft is not elected the upright policies of the past seven years will be brought to nought; disaster, stagnation and the gloom of death will settle down upon the land, and righteousness will disappear from the face of the earth!

Would he have us perpetuate Joe Cannon, and the illustrious line of trust-fed lawyers and their truckling slaves who have oppressed and insulted the masses, denied labor its just recognition, and "syndicated the Government"? Why! its a party of syndicate lawyers, and has made no denial of that fact. Now, on the eve of the national election they must sacrifice someone to appease the wrath of the people, and the lot fell on Foraker, and the great "iron man," the "acrobatic double-back-action" billy-goat of American politics, butts into the incense clouds and holding aloft his golden censor rends the air with his rasping hallelujahs.

There are some good things about Roosevelt, but he is the most consummate egotist that ever lived. After reading this last delivance of his we feel like we imagine Job felt when his friends came with their consolations — "No doubt ye are the people, and wisdom will die with you."

It may be we are unable to express ourselves and it may be that some do not understand the plain English. We are asked again whether The Index is Democratic, Republican, Socialistic, Anarchistic or Mugwump. We give it up. Heretofore the editor has passed as a Democrat. However we are not voting this year for Andrew Jackson. We stood by Bryan in '96, and it cannot be said that we are a converted Democrat. The years have brought no change to us.

If the brave and virtuous Teddy knew all the time that Foraker was such a rake, why didn't he say so? Why wait till Hearst exposes him? And if he knew all this all the time and withheld the information from the public, isn't it possible that there are still others like him within the gates of whom Teddy knows? And while he is kicking things to pieces, why not kick out Uncle Joe and a host of others?

"Unseasonable Notes," a department in this paper, is not the work of this editor, but of a young man in this city who has made a pretty thorough study of economics and wades chin deep in the best literature of the ages.

The Republicans have been making a desperate effort to bring Taft and Foraker together. Fortunately the negotiations were slow. But Roosevelt knew these things all the time!

Mr. Farmer, what are you going to have on exhibit at the State Fair? This is an opportunity for the farmers of Foard county to demonstrate what Foard county soil can do.

The farmer who buys feed for his team may survive in spite of such shiftlessness, but he is an unfaithful servant and an unworthy member of a most worthy class.

Several carloads of lumber came in over the Orient this week, and within another week, it is hoped, regular service will be established.

Candidate Taft spoke to a crowd of niggers in Cincinnati this week and it is said that they cheered him. Gettin' better!

The farmer who brings the products of the soil to market every time he comes to town is the farmer who will prosper.

Since Roosevelt recommends Taft there should be no longer any doubt as to the result of the election.

And Taft has "no comment to make."

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I am just now receiving a complete line of Merchandise. Be sure and come and see us. We will make you prices that will open your eyes and will quote you some of them next week. Our Millinery Opening will be Saturday, September 26, don't forget. We know our business, if you know yours, you will call and see us.

At J. K. Quinn's

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We are much pleased with the rapid growth of the Index subscription list. New names are being added daily and the people are reading the paper all over the county.

We are going to improve the paper as conditions and patronage will justify, and when the hand wagon moves the Index will be found on the front seat sounding the bugle blast of progress. When anything happens we'll tell it; and if it doesn't happen we'll try to make it happen. If questions arise involving Crowell's commercial standing we'll be found on the right side; if Foard county should be found elsewhere than at the head of the class, her legitimate place in the agricultural West, we'll try to move her up a notch. If sobriety is sneered at, if virtue is outraged, if religion is trampled upon, if sanctities are pulled down, the Index will array its army of obnoxious adjectives.

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Fort Worth Record on The Educational Situation in Texas.

A few weeks ago we mentioned the fact that Texas had made a record in educational matters. Now comes the Fort Worth Record with the count of our shortcomings. We quote below a long editorial from the Record, believing it will be of benefit to our readers. That "we must educate or perish" is a self-evident fact. Read the article below as it gives our standing in the educational world.

The Record had occasion yesterday to correct a published error to the effect that Texas has the best public school term in the United States. It would be a happy fact if it were true, but is so far from true that it is a most unhappy delusion. So far from holding first rank among the states in this respect, Texas occupies the shockingly low rank of thirty-ninth.

That is thirty-eight out of forty-five states have a longer public school term than Texas.

Disappointing, isn't it? "As a citizen you feel humiliated, don't you?"

Takes a fall out of your state pride, eh?

But that isn't the worst of it. Here is the way Texas ranks in other elements of public education:

Annual income from local taxation for public schools, 23; amount of school funds raised for each person 5 to 18 years old, 34; per cent of school fund raised by local taxation, 42; expenditure per capita of total population of public schools, 85; amount expended per capita of average attendance, 85; average length of public school term, 39; per cent of scholastic population enrolled in schools, 33; average daily attendance for each 100 children enrolled in school, 42; number of years children attending school free of tuition, 45.

"From twenty-two to forty-four states best us in these measurements of public education.

And that accounts for the alarming—may we not say degrading—fact that in the literacy of native-born whites we rank 32 among the states, and in the literacy of native born whites we rank 45.

"Yet this is Democratic Texas and reverses the teachings of Thomas Jefferson, who declared: 'I look to the diffusion of light and education as the source most to be relied on for ameliorating the condition, promoting the virtue and advancing the happiness of man.'

"If it were not that the Lord has been so good to Texas we would be a wretched lot—malcontents, misanthropes and paupers.

"And this Texas, which announced in its declaration of independence from Mexico: 'It is an axiom in political science that, unless a people are educated and enlightened, it is idle to expect the continuance of liberty or the capacity for self-government.'

"The truth is that the men who wrote that declaration and who founded the republic provided for us the greatest permanent school fund of any state in the union.

"And that is the only thing about public education in which we excel—the heritage of the fathers.

"To be quite plain, we are unworthy sons because we have not bettered the inheritance. Nobody has much respect for the son of a rich man who is too indifferent or too lazy or too incapable to utilize and increase the fortune he has received. In the way of educational maintenance that is about our attitude.

"We have boasted that permanent school fund as if it were all sufficient, when it is not and never

was designed to be more than a fifth or a sixth of what should be provided.

"The state as a whole has done fairly well. We raise by state taxes more than twice as much as the permanent school fund yields or this year about \$4.75, which, added to the permanent income, makes \$6.75 per capita of scholastic age.

In this respect we rank seventh among the states, and that isn't bad.

"Where we fail so miserably is in local taxation in the rural districts, and one cause for that failure is the absurd constitutionally limitation of a 20-cent local school tax, which may not be levied except by a vote of two-thirds of the property owners. A bare majority of property owners may vote taxes for courthouses or jails or bridges or any old thing material, but an educational tax requires a two-thirds majority—and may be only twenty cents.

"Outrageous, illogical and unpatriotic, it is to be true, as all intelligent men will agree, yet nobody seems to care except a lot of school teachers who are daily sacrificing their lives for a smaller average wage than the worst paid manual laborer.

"There's a constitutional amendment pending for the November general election which will remove this gross injustice put directly upon the country people and indirectly upon the whole commonwealth by permitting a local school tax of as much as 50 cents to be adopted by a vote of a majority of the taxpayers.

"It is the most vital reform in the whole history of Texas. The Record will dare to provoke anathema by saying that it is more important than the proposed prohibition amendment, because it will serve to develop a temperate people. It is more important than new lunatic asylums because it will decrease lunacy in the next generation. It is more important than prisons and convict farms because it will tend to depopulate the jails. It is of more importance than any other agency or instrumentality or movement of human invention. It is of greater consequence than doctrine of political economy or civil liberty ever promulgated, because it means the public intelligence which will draw all civic virtues unto itself.

"If we have a light vote in November this amendment is in danger, because every tax dodger, graft and ignominy will vote against it, and they always go to the polls.

"If it is adopted the self-respecting citizens of Texas must come to the help of the teachers who are making a single-handed fight.

Margaret Progressing

An index representative visited Margaret this week and found that community quite hopeful of a successful future. The railroad will soon be in there and we hear that there will be some building and chugging around. Margaret is not only the oldest town in Foard county, but it is also the largest—that is, it covers more ground than any other, reaching from the original site to the Orient station, a distance of more than two miles. But the railroad will have the effect of concentrating and therefore strengthening what is now a straggling village into a good live town.

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land, said survey in Hardeman
County, then and now in Foard
County, on Sallies Creek, a
tributary of the North Fork of
Big Wichita river, about 120
miles from the town of Henrietta
and described by metes and
bounds as follows: Beginning
west of the southwest corner of
the A. J. Titus survey of 640
acres 377 varas, a stake, the
northwest corner of John Askew
312 acre survey, said Titus rock
set in the ground marked
" " bears north 53 1-2 de-
grees, east 244 varas, a bunch
of Hackberry trees, standing on
the bank of Sallies Creek, bears
north 67 degrees west 400 varas;
thence south 3220 varas, a stake
for corner; thence west 3366
varas, crossing Sallies Creek, to
a stake for corner; thence north
3220 varas, a stake in south
boundary line of a survey of 1-4
League of land made for Mar-
shall University; thence east 3366
varas to place of beginning,
being same land patented to the
heirs of Sidney Smith, on May
17, 1897, by patent No. 552,
Volume 16.

That thereafter while these
plaintiffs were so seized and
possessed of the said land, the
defendants and each of them un-
lawfully and wrongfully en-
tered upon said land and with
force and arms unlawfully and
wrongfully ejected the plaintiffs
therefrom, and still unlawfully
and wrongfully and with force
and arms withhold possession of
the same from these plaintiffs to
their damages in the sum of Three
Thousand Dollars.

Plaintiffs further represent
and say that in addition to their
title in fee simple from and
under the sovereignty of the soil,
they are the owners of the said
land under the five years' statute
of limitations; that they and
those whose estates they have and
hold have had and held peace-
able and adverse actual posses-

sion of the said lands and pre-
mises, cultivating, using and en-
joying the same and paying all
taxes on the same and claiming
the same under deeds duly
registered for more than five
years next before the said un-
lawful entry of the said defend-
ants or either of them.

Plaintiffs further represent and
say that in addition to their title
to the said lands in fee simple
from and under the sovereignty
of the soil, they are the owners
of the said land and premises
under the ten years statute of
limitations; that they and those
whose estates they have and
hold have had and held peace-
able and adverse actual posses-
sion of the said lands and pre-
mises, cultivating, using and en-
joying the same for more than
ten years next before the said
unlawful and wrongful entry of
the said defendants or either of
them.

Wherefore, premises considered,
plaintiffs pray for citation herein
to the defendants, and that upon
a final hearing of this cause, they
have and recover judgment
against each and all of the de-
fendants for the title and posses-
sion of the said land and pre-
mises and for writ of possession,
and for cancellation of all claims
of each and all of the defendants
to the said lands and premises,
and for costs and general and
special relief, and will ever pray.

Herein fail not, but have be-
fore said Court, at its aforesaid
next regular term, this writ,
with your return thereon, show-
ing how you have executed the
same.

Witness, T. N. Bell, Clerk of
the District Court of Foard
County.

Given under my hand and the
seal of said Court, at office in
Crowell, this 25th day of
August, A. D. 1908.

[SEAL] T. N. BELL,
Clerk District Court, Foard Co.,
By Ben Henderson, Deputy.

December 21, 1874, and
described as follows, to-wit:
Beginning at the southeast
corner of a survey of 640 acres
for Allen Killough, a stake from
which a bunch of mesquite
marked hacks bns. south 69 west
18 vrs, another bunch bns. north
24, west 62 vrs.; thence west
1717 vrs. to stake from which a
bunch of mesquite bushes marked
hacks bns. west 21 vrs.; thence
south 1717 vrs. to stake for cor-
ner; thence east 1717 vrs. to
stake for corner; thence north
1717 vrs. to place of beginning.

1st. That said plaintiffs claim
title to said lands under and by
virtue of certain instruments of
writing and deeds duly registered
the possession of said lands under
said recorded conveyances, and
the payment of the taxes on the
same for more than five years
next preceding the institution
of this suit and the cultivating,
using and enjoying the same
under certain deeds duly regis-
tered, none of which are or were
forged or were derived from
deeds made through a forged
Power of Attorney.

2nd. That said plaintiffs also
claim title to said lands by virtue
of the Statute made and provided
and being now in possession of
said lands, and having been in
open, notorious, adverse and
peaceable possession thereof by-
through, and under those, from
whom they claim title, cultivat-
ing, using, and enjoying the
same for more than ten years
next preceding the filing of this
suit.

3rd. Plaintiffs allege and charge
that none of the said defendants
are under the age of 21 years or
are of unsound mind, or are in
prison, or have been so in prison
during any part of said time.

4th. Plaintiffs allege and charge
that some of the deeds or con-
veyances under which they derive
title to said lands were not
executed with the formalities re-
quired by law, and that there
exists by reason of said defects
a cloud or uncertainty upon the
title of the plaintiffs.

Wherefore they ask that cita-
tions issue as required by law
citing the defendants to answer
this petition, and that upon a
hearing of the same that the said
plaintiffs be quieted and con-
firmed in their possession and
title to said lands and that said
titles to any there be not yet
fully divested out of said defend-
ants by the conveyances as
aforesaid, that the same here
now be divested out of each and
all of the defendants and the
same be vested in these plaintiffs
and for all legal and equitable
relief.

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

Witness, T. N. Bell, Clerk of
the District Court of Foard
County.

Given under my hand and the
seal of said court, at office in
Crowell, this 27th day of
August, A. D. 1908.

[SEAL] T. N. BELL,
Clerk, District Court, Foard Co.,
Texas.

are plaintiffs, and the unknown
heirs of Nelson Box are defend-
ants, and said petition alleging
No. 385

C. C. Hemming and Joe W.
Beverly vs. The Unknown Heirs
of Nelson Box.

In the District Court of Foard
County, Texas, October Term,
A. D. 1908.

To the Hon. S. P. Hyff, Judge
of said Court:

Come now, C. C. Hemming
and Joe W. Beverly hereinafter
styled the Plaintiffs and com-
plaining of the Unknown Heirs
of Nelson Box, hereinafter styled
Defendants, and for cause of
action or complaint alleges and
charges as follows, to-wit:

1st. That the Plaintiff C. C.
Hemming lives in El Paso
County, Colorado, and the Plaintiff
Joe W. Beverly resides in
Foard County, Texas, and that the
names and residences of the
Defendants are wholly unknown.

2nd. That heretofore to-wit
about the 14th day of March, A.
D. 1878, Elizabeth Garner,
formerly Elizabeth Box and wife,
Stallions and wife, who was
Amanda L. Box, and both heirs
of said Nelson Box, sold and deliv-
ered to W. H. Cundiff, Certifi-
cate No. 58, issued to said Nelson
Box, and being for 369 acres
of land, and located by virtue of
Deed Certificate No. 30, 345,
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Personal Items

Switzer for fair prices.
Kirschbaum hand made suits at Allison's.

"W. B." the best corset made, at Allison's.

John Bennett was up from Thalia yesterday.

Suits that are made by expert tailors at Allison's.

J. G. Witherspoon went to Quannah Wednesday.

Twenty head of mares for sale.—Beverly & Beverly.

Buy the Success grain drill, sold by Dunn & Johnson.

Cotton pickers! See Hughton-Henry & Co. for knee pads.

J. D. Standlee was over this week from Wilbarger county.

Fresh Bread, Cakes and Pies every day at the City Bakery.

Hays & Battle, the grocers, always deliver goods promptly.

Lee Lilly, of Cottonwood, was seen on our streets Wednesday.

Try our choice thread, 5 spools for 5 cents. R. B. Edwards.

Boys Earl & Wilson 25 ct. collars and \$2.50 shirts at Allison's.

Joe Moncus, of Good Creek community was in town Wednesday.

Hughton-Henry & Co. want your grocery and hardware business.

We have Hynes buggies in stock if you want one.—Dunn & Johnson.

Miss Jessie Hutchison returned Sunday from an extended visit in Southern Texas.

Fifteen 9 by 12 art squares and six more to arrive this week at Allison's.

The best groceries and the quickest delivery.—Hughton-Henry & Co.

The Camp Comedy Company will give a show under their large tent in Crowell tonight.

A Special Bargain in 320 acres of land six miles north of Crowell.—Beverly & Beverly.

J. W. Allison and wife returned Wednesday from a three weeks' stay at Mineral Wells.

You will find any thing you want in the dry goods line at the J. W. Allison Company.

If you want harness that wear buy them from Dunn & Johnson, big stock always on hand.

Dont forget. Millinery opening Saturday, Sept. 26, '08.
R. B. Edwards.

If you want your groceries "right now," call Hays & Battle, phone No. 19. They always hurry.

Victor Johnson was in Monday getting lumber to build a rent house on his farm seven miles southwest.

The Index is in position to sell a couple of scholarships in two of the best business colleges in the country.

We are increasing our stock of hardware and cutlery.—Come in and see the new goods.—Hughton-Henry & Co.

Saturday September 26—Millinery opening at the J. W. Allison Dry Goods Company.

Switzer will have good grades. "Kirschbaum"—15 to 30 suits at Allison's.

R. S. Shelton, formerly of Hico, is here representing the Wieser Grain Co.

Suits in all the very newest colors at Allison's.

A. C. Hahn of Vernon, who owns considerable property in Crowell, was here Tuesday night.

See Young and Heim for rock and sand.

For right prices, good goods and prompt delivery, call phone 19, Hays & Battle, the up-to-date grocers.

Get your orders in for your supply of coal for the winter from W. F. Thompson. Strictly cash on delivery.

If you want a grain drill see us, we sell the Success, its the best, guaranteed nothing better. Sold by Dunn & Johnson.

Judge J. C. Roberts, after spending a few days visiting here with relatives and friends, returned the first of the week to his home in New Mexico.

A good assortment of wall paper in stock and sample books to order from if we haven't what you want.—B. F. Ringgold, Hardware.

Just arrived high grade Ladies' Shoes, Julian and Kokonge line, B, C, D and E lasts. \$3.50 and \$4.00. R. B. Edwards.

Crowell went over to the Singing Convention which was held at Margaret last Sunday and when the judges handed in their decision it was found that Crowell had the banner.

Dunn & Johnson carry at all times a complete stock of farm implements, buggies and wagon, if you want the best see us before you buy.

I. R. Vannoy and wife returned last Friday from New Mexico, and other points where they had been for several months for Mrs. Vannoy's health. She is said to be much improved.

For Sale—My residence and 3 lots in East Crowell. Will sell at big bargain in the next few days. For prices and terms, see T. V. McGill, owner.

John Roberts, a former resident of this place but now of New Mexico, arrived in this city Wednesday morning and is now employed in the Index office.

Make your own selection of 33 records from a catalogue that we will furnish you, and a good new phonograph for \$25.—Williams Bros.

If you are going to buy a cook stove, why not buy the best? The Garland is the most satisfactory cook stove made.—Hughton-Henry & Co.

Parker & Edwards, tailors, do cleaning, pressing and altering. They make a specialty of ladies' work.

W. S. Hartman, formerly a resident of Foard County, is here this week visiting at the home of John L. Hunter.

PRODUCE WANTED—Bring us your sweet potatoes, eggs, butter and country produce. We want it.—Hughton-Henry & Co.

Why not insure your water supply by having Hughton-Henry & Co. build you a galvanized cistern?

Kirschbaum Hand Made Suits



Sanger Bros. of Dallas, Texas, sells \$75,000 worth of Kirschbaum hand made suits every year. They say they are good, their customers say they are good. Every Kirschbaum suit is guaranteed to be hand made, all wool and to hold their shape. They are made by expert tailors in New York and Philadelphia. We have now in stock one hundred and fifty Kirschbaum hand made suits to show you, ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$30.00. Sizes of coats from 32 to 44, pants from 30 to 42 waist, 30 to 36 length. We have slim suits for slims, stout suits for fat men and regular sizes. All coats stitched with silk thread, well padded shoulders, unbreakable hair cloth front, with cuffs on sleeves. Vests with or without flaps on pocket. Pants made semi-peg straps, straps on side, with or without cuff at bottom. We can show you the London Smoked, Elephant grays and all the very newest colors. We have got the suits, the right kind of suits and we want you to see them. Give us a look, that's enough, the suits will tell the story.

J. W. Allison Dry Goods Co.

W. M. Farouhan, an architect of Memphis, was here the first of the week. He likes the prospects and want to Memphis Monday after his family and will make his home here. He is said to be a good architect.

New ring and watch sets, more new jewelry and silverware coming, come and see.—Williams Bros.

We have some suburban property for sale on easy terms.—Texas Alert Realty Company.

Attorney Bob Houels was here from Vernon the first of the week and was talking strongly of locating with us.

Bryan and Kern watch fobs also Taft watch fobs at Williams Bros., wear one and show your colors.

Charley Moore is this week hauling posts and wire to build a hog-proof fence around fifty acres of land. With the one thousand peach trees he now has growing he will in a few years have a model orchard and truck farm. He has told one of our grocery men that he will want two barrels of onion sets for spring planting.

Special for Saturday, Sept. 26, '08
2 pt. S-W Congo de Chine, cream and blue, \$1 value for 49c.
R. B. Edwards.

Revised at Methodist Church
Rev. W. T. Gray, pastor of the Methodist Church, will begin a series of revival services at that church on the first Sunday in October. He will be ably assisted by Rev. G. S. Wyatt of Ft. Worth. Rev. Wyatt is one of the strong preachers of the state. He was for a number of years a leading member of the Northwest Texas Conference, his last charge being First Church, Weatherford.

Special for Saturday, Sept. 25, '08
36in. Florga Silk, 75c value for 49c.
R. B. Edwards.

Bern
To J. W. Dickerson and wife, Sept. 3, a girl.

To J. R. Banister, Sept. 23, a boy.

Camp's Comedy Company
Camp's Comedy Company, carrying what is advertised as the "funniest of all funny shows," will exhibit under canvas in this city tonight.

Tinsmith Sold.
The Crowell & Johnson Tinsmith was sold the latter part of last week to Messrs. Pinkerton and Allen, formerly of Rule. The new management took charge Monday morning. See their ad in another column.

Reverend Day Changes Rank.
Jim Bomar has sold out his interest in the Clay Barber Shop to J. L. Criswell and the firm will be known by the name of Criswell & Adams. Mr. Bomar will continue working in the shop. Mr. Criswell has for some time been occupying the front chair.

Meeting Continues
The protracted meeting at the Baptist church continues with very good interest. Large crowds attend the evening services and Rev. Crook is doing some good preaching. The meeting will continue in the city.

Presbyterians to Be
Rev. S. O. Woods of the Presbyterian church called a meeting Monday and informed that work would begin on the new Presbyterian church at this place about the middle of next month. Lots have been secured on North Houston street and a building fund is already in sight.

Luke Roberts, manager of the Callaway Mercantile Co., of Cordell, Okla., is here this week visiting and resting. Mr. Roberts was an influential member of the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention, being chairman of one of the most important committees, and has been prominently identified with the state politics.

Did
H. V. O'Neill died at his home six miles south of town last Friday night and was buried in the Crowell cemetery last Sunday afternoon. Rev. R. D. Cross holding the funeral services.

Mr. O'Neill had been in bad health for some time and his death was no surprise to his friends. He leaves a wife and four children.

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Every man should subscribe for his local paper, because from it he secures a class of news and useful information that he can get nowhere else. He should, however, also subscribe to a first-class general newspaper. Such a newspaper is

The Semi-Weekly News
Thousands of its readers proclaim it the best general newspaper in the world. Its secret of success is that it gives the farmer and his family just what they want in the way of a family newspaper. It furnishes all the news of the world twice a week. It has a splendid page where the farmers write their practical experiences on the farm. It is the acutest and an immense farmers' institute. It has pages specially gotten up for the wife, for the boys and for the girls. It gives the latest market reports. In short, it gives a combination of news and instructive reading matter that can be secured in no other way.

For only 25c in advance, we will send the Semi-Weekly News and

The Crowell Index
Each for one year. This means you will get a total of 250 copies. It's a combination which can't be beat, and you will secure your money's worth many times over. Subscribe at once at the office of this paper.

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In addition to the Crowell Index you should have the First World Semi-Weekly. Reason: We will send them both to you for only \$1.50 a year, cash in advance.

Nobby, swell, up-to-date suits at Allison's.

WHATEVER you do do not forget that J. H. Self carries the largest and most up-to-date stock of Groceries, Queensware and Shelf Hardware to be found in Crowell. We want your Grocery trade, we are in better condition to supply your Grocery wants than ever before. Our stocks are complete and fresh. Our prices are in line. Make up your mind to trade where you can get the best goods for the least money. Your trade appreciated here.

J. H. SELF PHONE 72

Late Saturday night John Lott, about 32 years of age, was shot in the side and seriously wounded at Lancaster.

LUTHER ROBERTS, Publisher CROWELL, TEXAS

This certainly does not seem to be much of a year for stills.

Holland may decide to use some of the wooden shoes when it gets ready to spank Castro.

The woman mountain climber was lost just long enough to make a magazine article salable.

Boston bank arms all employees and insists on daily target practice. Yet some people think Boston is slow.

Preacher on vacation sends postcard return to each parishioner every week. Here comes the mailorder church.

A Pittsburg girl offers \$450 for a husband. Too much to pay. You can pick one up for \$399 almost anywhere.

A Georgia woman claims to be the original merry widow, though evidence is lacking that she is about 3,000 years old.

Mr. Rockefeller says he is not nearly so rich as he is popularly supposed to be. In other words, he does not quite own the earth.

Pennsylvania man finds a dollar which he had lost 64 years ago. And he's probably feeling sore because if he had put it out at interest he would now have four times as much.

New York is planning a theater to be exclusively for the managers and critics, the public being barred. The public will agree enthusiastically that in many cases this will fill a long-felt want.

New York is still searching for methods by which to make its subway traction system endurable as well as rapid. The best way would be to pull it up by the roots and construct a good one.

A clergyman of Bath, Pa., while on his vacation each week sends to each member of his congregation a card printed on a postal card. Next year his parishioners may time their vacations so as to be out of town when he goes away.

There are scores of small crops which do not get in regular reports, and yet which add materially to the natural wealth of the country. Here, for instance, is California sending to market an outdoor game which will not only raise the snug sum of \$125,000,000. And there are scores of other small fruits which swell the impressive total.

The fashionable wedding journey for British Columbia couples is a tour of the coast. The ceremony which was has just added to its steamship service a "honeymoon boat" which has 300 "honeymoon staterooms." There are only 30 second-class berths on the steamer, since, of course, no bridegroom would accept inferior accommodations. Bachelors may use the cheaper quarters.

Woman says one of the results of the extension of the franchise to women in Norway is that henceforth women employed in the postal service are to receive the same pay as men. Norwegian women are getting ready to sing over this victory. They deserve the pay, whatever it is, but it must be remembered that even men's salaries or wages in that independent country are small. The American wage earner would look cross-eyed at its postal remuneration.

The "engagement bracelet" is a plain flat band of pure gold which is fastened like the ordinary watch chain by an invisible spring or a tiny lock and key, the latter being worn by the other one. In the former case when once on, the bracelet cannot be removed except by a small needle especially manufactured to touch the spring in a minute hole which is left for its insertion. Engagement bracelets may cost any price the fiance chooses to give. Try one.

Formerly when a man wished to marry in France it cost him not less than \$10 for the 19 separate certificates which he was compelled to secure before the ceremony could be performed. The Abbe Lemaire concluded that this expense and the trouble incident to securing the certificates prevented many marriages, and succeeded in persuading parliament to change the law and simplify the marrying process. Since the new law went into effect, about a year ago, there have been nearly 100,000 more marriages than in any similar period since 1872.

In a big swim from the New York factory to Coney Island the other day the women who participated seemed to have greater endurance than the men. Woman certainly getting into the swim with both feet.

Hereforth any great event not only will live in song and story, but it will survive in the moving picture symposium and in the metallic tones of the 25-cent phonograph. With undying same thus on tap there are strong temptations to the ambitious man to take a course in prize fighting.

CONTROLLER MURRAY CALLS ATTENTION TO DEFICIENCIES. IN VIGOROUS MANNER.

WORK MUST BE IMPROVED

Claimed Embezzlements, Defalcations and Dishonesty Have Been Concealed.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Straight from the shoulder was the talk which Lawrence O. Murray, controller of the currency, gave to forty-one of the eighty bank examiners under his office territory. The examiners are here to hold a conference and Controller Murray gave them something to think about and discuss. In fact, the speech can but cause many people to think favorably of the plan to compel national banks to guarantee depositors against loss, and it is said to be quite probable that Controller Murray's action in calling in his examiners to hear him tell them their duties was one in a large measure to the advocacy of legislation looking to the guaranteeing of deposits. "I say to you emphatically that your work must be improved," said Mr. Murray. "Embezzlements have faded of discovery, defalcations and dishonesty have been concealed from you, and in many cases you have failed to correctly ascertain the value of the papers and the securities held by the bank."

WRIGHT SMASHES RECORD.

Remains Afloat in An Hour and a Half.

Le Mans, Sept. 21.—In the presence of the French Aero Club of Saclay, American Ambassador White, Gen. Bezanne-Hayter, commander of the Fourth Army corps, a large number of French and foreign officers and airplane experts and a wildly cheering crowd numbering about 10,000, Wilbur Wright, the American aviator, this afternoon accomplished a signal triumph, capturing the world's record for his brother, Orville Wright, with a marvellously impressive flight in his powerful machine of 1 hour and 51 minutes and 21 seconds, covering in that time an actual distance of ninety-eight kilometers, or nearly sixty-one miles.

Mercury for Tuberculosis.

Washington: Medical Inspector C. F. Hibbett of the navy, in transmitting to the Atlantic fleet a letter by Surgeon B. J. Wright on the treatment of tuberculosis by mercury at the naval hospital near Fort Lyon, Colo., says: "We are almost convinced that mercury judiciously used is a specific in the treatment of tuberculosis in all its forms, and should be borne in mind that some of the cases therein were, at the time that mercurial treatment was commenced, apparently at death's door and there can be no doubt their lives were saved."

Two Villages Are Destroyed.

Rhineland, Wis.: Gagan and Woodbore were destroyed by forest fires Sunday. The fire started in the woods Sunday morning and quickly reached Gagan and Woodbore. Men, women and children fought valiantly to save their homes, but without avail. Gagan and Woodbore each had about 200 residents and nearly all are homeless.

Sheriff Wounded; Negro Killed.

Atlanta, Ga.: Racing against time to save the life of Sheriff W. W. Beard of Clay County, a special train left this city Monday afternoon over the Central of Georgia railroad bearing Dr. Floyd W. McRea of Atlanta. Sheriff Beard was shot and it was believed mortally wounded by a negro who stepped forward. After the bullet had penetrated his body the sheriff staggered to his feet and drew his revolver, instantly killing the negro.

To Eradicate White Plague.

Washington: For the next three weeks the National Capital will be the scene of such a crusade perhaps as never before has been witnessed against humanity's worst enemy—the white plague. It will be an educational campaign, world wide in its scope, the ultimate object of which is to eradicate the disease which statisticians of experts declare cuts short the lives of from one-tenth to one-eighth of the civilized population.

Six Little Ships Make Trip.

New York: Six sturdy little ships set sail Monday from Tompkinsville, Staten Island, for a journey of 14,000 miles, through the straits of Magellan and up the Pacific coast, practically the same voyage as taken by Uncle Sam's battleship fleet, a voyage that amazed the nations of the world. The fleet consists of three lightships and three tenders and their mission is to clear dangerous parts of the Pacific ocean safe for mariners.

Bill Similar to That in Oklahoma Introduced in Legislature.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 19.—Since his return from the East, Banking Commissioner T. B. Love has been working on a bank guaranty deposit law which he will have introduced in the next legislature. While he has not at this time formulated the law, he has gathered what limited practical information there is on the proposed law into shape. In principle the law will follow the bank guaranty law recently enacted by the Oklahoma Legislature, and which last week was upheld by the supreme court of Oklahoma. This law requires the setting aside of a fund by the State banks to insure the funds of the depositors.

INTERNATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS CONGRESS.

Opens in Washington Sept. 28.—Thousands Will Attend.

Washington, Sept. 19.—Ten thousand persons are expected to be present at the main sessions of the International Congress on Tuberculosis, which opens Sept. 28. Large numbers of delegates from abroad have notified the general committee of their departure, and most of them will arrive during the latter days of next week. Fifteen hundred delegates to the congress have been appointed from the United States and will be joined by scientists and medical men in large numbers. Four prominent foreign delegates are in Washington to participate in a first meeting of the congress Monday evening, Sept. 21, when the exhibits, which form an instructive part of it, will be had.

Falls from Dizzy Height.

Houston: Allen G. Reed, aged twenty-seven, a painter, while working on the top of a four-story building Friday, stepped through the skylight, alighting upon the edge of a table in the room below. He received a severe wound in the side which may cost him his life.

Girl Fatally Injured.

Merke: Elizabeth Baker, aged twelve years, a daughter of J. W. Baker, was fatally injured Friday morning by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. The family were traveling overland to New Mexico and as the girl was drawing the weapon from the wagon the trigger caught, emptying the load in the girl's side and shattering her arm.

Fleet Leaves for Manila.

Albany, West Australia: The American Atlantic fleet under command of Rear Admiral Sperry left here Friday afternoon for Manila, 3,600 miles away, where it is due to arrive October 2 or 3. The flagship Connecticut did not leave with the other vessels, but will depart at midnight and overtake the fleet. She is delayed by coaling operations.

Cholera Conditions in Russia.

St. Petersburg: The military authorities Friday made known for the first time the cholera conditions among the troops. The disease is spreading so rapidly that a second large hospital is to be opened immediately. There are 811 patients in the hospital. Since the beginning of the epidemics there has been a total of 1001 cases, of which 37 recovered. In view of the rapid spread and the danger to children the municipality has decided to close the primary schools.

Stake Driven When Officer Fell.

Washington: Friday the wrecked machine of Orville Wright is in the shed where it has been housed since it came from Fort Meyer, and the windows and doors are nailed down. By direction of the War Department, a stake has been driven where Lieutenant Selfridge fell with a view to some time erecting a monument to his memory. Officers of the aeronautical board Friday began an investigation into the accident.

Woman Loper Is Deported.

El Paso: Maria Sanchez Clifton is being deported to Juarez, her last residence in Mexico, because suffering from leprosy. Her husband had been working in the United States for several years, but had never taken out naturalization papers, hence the order of deportation. The trip is being made overland and to the nearest point on the Mexican border, thence to Juarez.

School People Are Anxious.

Austin: Tuesday's mail in the State Department of Education's school trustees over the State continued inquiries as to whether or not injunction proceedings have been instituted restraining the authorities of free schools from using the text books. The department advised the writers of these inquiries that no such suit had been filed and that it is safe for them to go ahead and use the text books.

Mountaineer and Wife Defy Officers and Are Killed.

West Virginia, Mo., Sept. 21.—Four persons are dead or dying and others are injured as the result of a desperate battle in the Ozarks near Preston, one mile south of the Missouri State line yesterday when Sheriff's posse and John Roberts, a mountaineer and his wife. The Sheriff met death at the hands of Mrs. Roberts, who defended her husband and her home to the last, and when, after hours of fighting, the posse stormed and carried the house, she was found lying under a window, a pump gun clasped in her stiffening fingers, blood oozing from fourteen wounds.

The affair was the outcome of a feud between Roberts and his neighbor, Kessinger, of almost a year's standing. Both lived in the heart of the Ozarks, and, like true mountaineers, they shunned the courts of justice to settle their difficulties, recognizing the right of might only.

Texas-Oklahoma Crop Good.

Dallas: In all of the cotton-producing States east of the Mississippi River and in Arkansas and Louisiana west of the river bottom has deteriorated since September 1. The loss has been severe in Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama and in the lowland of Louisiana. It seems to have been caused by hot, dry, forcing weather, which hurried the cotton plant to maturity. In Oklahoma and Western Texas the plant is still in a thrifty condition and has improved during September.

Convict Leasing Ends.

Atlanta, Ga.: Just at midnight Saturday night Governor Hoke Smith signed the convict lease bill, which hereafter prohibits the leasing of felons except by the consent of the Governor and Prison Commissioner. The bill was passed by the Legislature Saturday after \$25,000 had been spent in an extra session and nearly a month used in discussing the legislation. With the signature of Governor Smith on the bill, Georgia has done away with a system which has been in existence ever since 1865.

American Ship Crew Rescued.

Grand Turk Island: The Clyde steamer "Seminole" which arrived Sunday from New York, rescued the crew of the abandoned schooner John A. Matheson, from Baltimore, 174 miles north of Turk Island. The Matheson had a severe experience in the hurricane in these waters. She was dismasted and abandoned by the crew. Four others who drank from a pitcher containing atropine are seriously ill. Prosecuting Attorney R. E. Jeffrey of Batesville, Ark., filed suit in the Independence Circuit Court against the Waters-Pierce Oil Company of St. Louis for alleged violations of the anti-trust law, claiming \$186,000 minimum and \$4,600,000 maximum damages.

Robbers Make Good haul.

Armore, S. D.: J. C. Canton's store was burglarized Saturday night, the thieves getting from the safe \$32,000 in paper, \$2000 in gold and \$300 in silver. The paper money was wrapped in packages, one of which contained \$10,000 in \$20 bills. A reward of \$1000 is offered for the arrest of the robbers. There is no clue to their identity.

"Bill" Hatfield Identified.

Sherman: Mrs. Mary Zimmerman, mother of Mrs. Southern, this city, and whose home is in San Francisco, Saturday afternoon positively identified "Bill" Hatfield, who is in the Grayson County jail, as James C. Dunham, who is wanted at San Jose, Cal., for the murder of six people.

Young Lady Missing.

Fort Worth: Miss Ruth Haught, aged twenty, and beautiful, has been missing for over a week, and all efforts to locate her have failed. She came from a Kaufman county farm some time ago, becoming very popular here. She recently wrote her parents she was ill at the home of a friend, and a younger sister was sent to care for her. Saturday night the sister returned heartbroken with out the slightest clue as to her whereabouts.

Kone to Organize Farmers.

Austin: Judge Ed R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, announced Saturday that he has decided to organize a State organization of farmers and stock raisers in Texas, and for this purpose he is to enlist the aid of 200 or more county judges in the State. He proposes to bring the farmers, stock raisers and truck growers in closer touch with each other, that the farmers may be properly educated along agricultural lines.

Dry in Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia: Practically the entire State of Pennsylvania east of the Allegheny Mountains, is suffering from one of the worst droughts in years. In some parts of the State no rain has fallen in more than two months, and the rivers and streams are so low that many industries have been interfered with, and in some instances plants have had to shut down for lack of water.

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

A special session of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly of Indiana convened Friday under the call from Gov. J. Frank Haney.

Early Thursday morning the I. & G. N. round house and machine shop at Taylor were burned. In the round house at the time were eight locomotives.

Congressman Butler Ames of Lowell, Mass., has invented and built an airship which he claims will prove to be superior to the one so successfully operated by the Wright Brothers.

Gov. Gen. Smith of the Philippines does not regard the danger of an epidemic of cholera in Manila as imminent. Measures have been taken to prevent anything like an epidemic of the disease.

J. A. Covington, assistant superintendent of the Dallas fire alarm system, was shocked to death Tuesday afternoon by a live wire while making preparations to install a new alarm box.

Henry Daniels, about 47 years old, attempted to cross the Aransas Pass track at Houston in front of an incoming train Thursday and was struck by the locomotive. He died a few hours later.

The new Santa Fe Railway Employees' Hospital at Temple, which has been under construction for the past six months, is rapidly nearing completion and will be soon turned over to the association.

The logging train of a lumber camp near Beaumont Saturday went through a trestle into a creek. Engineer Mack Thompson was drowned and a brakeman injured. The trestle was in bad repair and caved in.

Hubert, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watkins of Fort Smith, Ark., who are visiting at Abbeville, was found dead Friday in a cistern by the crew of the abandoned schooner John A. Matheson, from Baltimore, 174 miles north of Turk Island.

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Old settlers in Northwest Oklahoma say that the coming winter will be one of the hardest Oklahoma has yet experienced. It will begin early. The extreme warm weather of the past summer is one of the surest indications of the winter to follow.

It is rumored that the State Board of Education may order the school apportionment which is pending in the Travis County because of the action of the trustees of that district in refusing to accept the books adopted by the State Text-book Board.

Forty men were overcome by smoke in a fire which threatened the destruction of Swift & Co.'s packing plant in South St. Joseph late Tuesday night. With the possible exception of two firemen, all are out of danger.

Dr. J. S. Abbott, State Pure Food Commissioner, stated Tuesday that he had filed forty complaints against various retailers over the State for violations of the pure food statute, most of them for adulterating or using harmful drugs in soda fountain drinks, and a few for using preservatives in food.

Tuesday at Detroit, Mich., in the Michigan Central tunnel, under the Detroit river, two men lost their lives from suffocation, caused by smoke from burning timbers and tar paper in the shaft.

Thinking her husband had been shot by thieves, Mrs. Jack Buttery, of Gingo near Memphis, Tenn., Tuesday night fell in a faint, dying shortly afterwards. When the husband entered the house and found his wife dead, he placed a revolver to his temple, blowing his brains out.

Work on Decatur's new Fort Worth and Denver City Railroad passenger station is proceeding satisfactorily, with local labor employed. The foundation is cement, the walls will be of pressed brick and the roof tiled.

Mrs. Harmon Reed, wife of a wealthy planter of Powder Springs, Ga., Tuesday had a posse of men and officers who searched for and captured a negro who had attacked the five-year-old daughter of Mrs. Reed. When the negro was found he was shot, but not fatally wounded.

Night riders visited the Morgan Supply Company's cotton gin near Itapaca, Miss., Monday and tacked up a sign warning the operators to give no more cotton.

Another big gas well in the Henrietta oil field on the Clay county tract, about two miles south of Oil City was struck at a depth of about 1600 feet Wednesday.

William L. Reed of Portsmouth, O., an Elk and prominent in insurance circles, was instantly killed by a fall from the ninth floor of the Haven Hotel Monday.

Two suicides, one startling in its accompaniments, the other the despairing act of a young woman hopeless of ever regaining her health, occurred in Chicago Monday.

As a result of an explosion of dynamite in a box car at Sedalia, Mo., Tuesday, nine persons are dead, thirty-four injured and great damage done to all kinds of property.

The internal revenue collections of the Federal Government for the northern district of Texas which embraces the Northern half of Texas, total for the last year \$25,175,735.

An internal machine addressed to Governor Fort of New Jersey has been found in the United States mails by the postal authorities. No trace of the sender has yet been found.

The West Indian hurricane passed over the Bahama Islands Wednesday according to reports received at the Weather Bureau and is moving toward the Newfoundland banks.

Charles McCumber, aged 57 years, a farmer, was ten miles west of Ardmore, Mo., when he was shot from Ardmore Sunday night, was waylaid and shot with a shotgun, dead resulting instantly.

Jim Anderson was shot and killed at the home of his father-in-law, J. M. McKinlin, ten miles west of Madisonville, Thursday night. Burt McKinlin, his brother-in-law, surrendered to the sheriff.

In a duel with ordinary pocket-knives, in Little Rock, Sunday, Charles Dunfield of Pennsylvania was killed by Sam Wray of Tennessee as the culmination of a first quarrel between former friends.

Twenty-two bulls escaped from the arena at Lisbon Monday and ran amok through the crowd that was assembled to witness a bull fight. Five persons were killed and some twenty others injured. Troops shot the animals to death.

Notice of her appointment to the English school at Rome, Italy, was received Friday by Miss Catherine F. MacLagan of Dallas, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. MacLagan.

Hubert Gilliland, the 14-year-old son of D. B. Gilliland, a prominent farmer living north of Decatur, died Thursday from the results of being kicked by a horse Tuesday afternoon.

Gibson merchants, and incidentally lower rates in Texas, are enjoying lower rates from New York than for a number of years past.

Negroes Sunday shot and killed Charles Jones, a member of their own race, who Saturday killed a white man and two negroes at Eden Station, Miss.

It is stated on excellent authority that the Department of Justice is investigating the question as to whether it is a violation of law for a member of Congress, who became such after the Government had leased from him a building to be used as a post office, to continue to receive rental for the building.

Nearly an acre of wooden buildings on the north side of the Boston and Maine tracks in Chelsea, Mass., which were destroyed by the conflagration of April 12, 1901, were away Monday by another disastrous fire entailing a loss of three hundred thousand dollars.

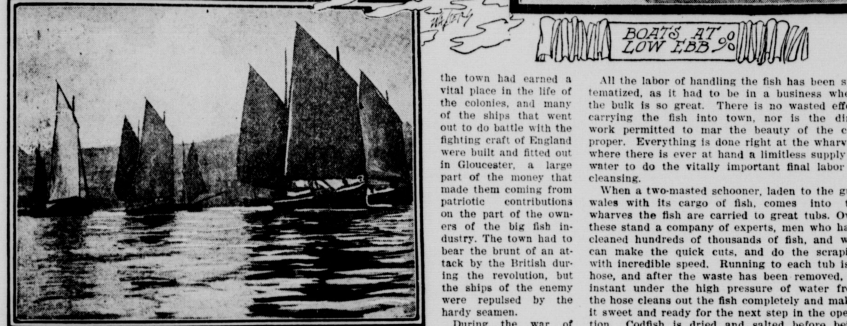
Col. William F. Stewart, the army officer who was sent to Fort Grant, Ariz., because of what the War Department terms temperamental incapacity to command, has been ordered before a retiring board at the Washington Barracks.

COULDFISH THOUSANTS

BY BYRON HENNING



A TYPICAL GLOUCESTER FISHERMAN



OFF TO THE FISHING GROUND

"HAVE you acclimated yet?" inquired a genial tourist of another tourist of the same genus, as they awaited a train in the depot at Gloucester, Mass.

"Acclimated," asked the G. T. of the second part. "To what?"

"To this codfish smell, of course," answered G. T. No. 1.

Even the air is fishy in Gloucester, but nobody complains, for it is the coast city's way of earning a livelihood. It is not the smell of fish in the process of decay or salt fish, but it is the exhilarating ozone of the Atlantic, for the fish that you smell in Gloucester are freshly caught. Gloucester has really never known any other else, for since its beginning approaching three centuries ago, it has always had fishing for its chief industry, and today it is the greatest fishing center of the United States, and, according to the belief of many, of the world.

Nothing more picturesque can be imagined than this quaint New England town, where from the ocean the 20,000 inhabitants get the greater part of their sustenance.

Gloucester is 21 miles from Boston, and it includes the villages of Annisquam, Bay View, East Gloucester, Freshwater Grove, Lausville, Magnolia, Rivendale and West Gloucester.

The magnificent harbor, large and affording safe water, is for the largest ships of the world, has had the effect of encouraging traffic in other things besides fish. Salt, coal and lumber are largely imported. There are interests in granite quarrying, rop forging, brass founding, the manufacture of fish glue, anchors, machinery, oil cloth, nets, twine, sails, cigars and shoes. Moreover, Gloucester also has shipbuilding plants worthy the name.

But after all it is the fishing that interests the thousands of visitors, not only those who actually spend the summer in the vicinity, but the thousands who visit Gloucester while passing through Massachusetts in the course of the popular summer tour of the New England states.

It was not until the beginning of the eighteenth century that Gloucester became especially prominent for its fisheries and its shipbuilding industries, but by the time of the outbreak of the revolution

the town had earned a vital place in the life of the colonies, and many of the ships that went out to do battle with the fighting craft of England were built and fitted out in Gloucester, a large part of the money that made them coming from patriotic contributions on the part of the owners of the big fish industry. The town had to bear the brunt of an attack by the British during the revolution, but the ships of the enemy were captured by the hardy seamen.

During the war of 1812 a number of privateersmen that wrought deadly execution on the vessels sent out from Gloucester, and many of the grizzled old salts, who attain a most venerable age in this healthy climate, can tell from tales told them by parents or grandparents of rich prizes taken by the Gloucester fishermen turned fighters.

The great storms that sweep the New England coast have ever found a favorite vortex in the vicinity of Gloucester, and many shipwrecks have taken lives near by. The large sunken rock called "Norman's Woe," which is well known to every visitor, was made famous by Longfellow with his poem, "The Wreck of the Hesperus." Gloucester has been an incorporated city since 1873, but in many respects it is hard to think of it as anything but a fishing resort, a little village by the ocean side.

For one thing the flavor of older times clings to it. Among the some 6,000 men who do nothing but fish there are many who have passed the 70-year-old mark, and some who are still able to bear their share of the work in going after the cod and mackerel. This fishing is both arduous and dangerous.

It is done from sloops and schooners, which go out to the fishing grounds daily. On each schooner is a nest, so to speak, of dories, a series of small boats, differing in size so that one can be comfortably stowed in another, and therefore can be used in any weather. When the fishing-ground has been found the sailors spread around in the dories to get their catch.

Often in the fog some of the small boats get in the path of the swift-moving ocean liners, for the favorite fishing banks are directly on a line with a much-traveled route. Often not many details are obtainable of the tragedy which ensues. Only a few lines in the newspapers tell of a small boat or a number of small boats with their crews lost at sea. A hundred thrilling tales of narrow escapes can be picked up in the course of a day spent with these hardy men of the sea, but the experiences never seem to daunt them. They are ever ready for the day's trip and its hopes for reward of a boatload of the shining, squirreling, pan-fishing fish.

All the labor of handling the fish has been systematized, as it had to be in a business where the bulk is so great. There is no wasted effort carrying the fish into town, nor is the dirty work permitted to mar the beauty of the city proper. Everything is done right at the wharves, where there is ever at hand a limitless supply of water to do the vitally important final labor of cleansing.

When a two-masted schooner, laden to the gunwales with its cargo of fish, comes into the wharves the fish are carried to great tubs. Over these stand a company of experts, men who have cleaned hundreds of thousands of fish, and who can make the quick cuts, so hard on the eye, with incredible speed. Running to each tub is a hose, and after the waste has been removed, an instant under the high pressure of water from the hose cleans out the fish completely and makes it sweet and ready for the next step in the operation. Codfish is dried and salted before being sent to the market, and the work is also done on the wharves. Here are ranged hundreds of tables, exposed to the bright sunlight. The cleaned fish are piled up in such a manner that the warm rays get a most admirable chance at them. This summer has been so hot that the fishermen have had great difficulty in drying out the cod. Instead of taking the water out in the gradual normal manner, the sun has been so fierce that it baked the fish, and in this manner many of them were cooked so hard on the outside as to be virtually worthless for the market.

But this is a rare occurrence, for under ordinary conditions the climate of New England is ideal, and the sun does the work of drying in a manner far more satisfactory than could any agency of man's production.

From the open-air drying tables the fish are shifted to the boxing and packing establishments, which are also located along the water front, and then they are made ready to be shipped to all parts of the world.

Gloucester regards its fishing industry with the same traditional pride that a native of Brussels might regard the lace industry.

From generation to generation the families of most fishermen stick to the business, and nothing is a more familiar boast to some grizzled old follower of the sea than to be able to say that his son and grandson are both fishermen, and then they are made ready to master the fine points of the business will be better than any of them.

The cod, of course, is the most admired of all the fish that fall to the lot of these deep-sea fishers. Waltons, though the mackerel is also regarded with great respect.

The deep-sea fishermen look down upon the clam diggers, but the latter can afford to ignore this contempt, for there is plenty of money to be made in the sale of the bivalves. They are to be found in plenty on the sandy shores of the neighborhood, and at all hours of the day, but especially at low tide, the clam hunters, turling up the beach with their rakes, can be seen at work. Clam shucking is an expert feature of the work, and many of the old hands make phenomenal records in discharging the luscious clam from its protecting shell.

BUMBLEPUPPY ON THE RANGE

BY EDWARD BOLTWOOD
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A feeling of desperation pervaded the home ranch of the Three X's out in South Dakota. Although it was the time of the gathering of the hands for the beef round-up, which was regarded as a mere pleasure excursion up and down the Belle Fourche in the cool days of September, the usually festive occasion seemed to be darkened by the shadow of a great grief. The boys were depressed. They sulked at meal times. They did not tell stories at night. It wasn't because they were underpaid, although this was undoubtedly true. The reason, as Shorty Garr expressed over the American ranch also, "was because they were 'loosed by the Britisher.'"

Mr. Horace Peddie, Q. C., the managing director of the Scotch syndicate which owned the Three X's, was making his first inspection of the property. Mr. Peddie had examined the company's land in South Africa, and intended to make a clean job of it by looking over the American ranch also. His coming had been awaited by his hosts with much anticipatory pleasure, but his actual arrival had been followed by bewilderment and a strange sense of defeat, and John Heffren, Shorty Garr, and the bookkeeper Alked it over one evening while they smoked their pipes on the cook-house steps.

"As the old man said," remarked Mr. Heffren, "before this Peddie hit the ranch: 'Taint no harm,' says he, 'to make him think we struck a hot crowd. His letters is full of yarns and advice from South Africa, and I'm sick of 'em. Bring around your backin' books,' says the old man, 'and pack your guns and we'll make him think this 'ere western country, says he, 'is a darned sicker wilder than any South Africa, or the map. Make 'em warm the him,' says he, 'and he'll say we sure ought to be paid big for livin' in such a tough place.' And, I put it to you, Tompkins, ain't we done our best?"

The bookkeeper nodded.

"Best," inquired Garr, disconsolately: "I'll bet we have. The first turn out of the ranch, we caught up Hot Biscuit for this esquire to ride down to the hay camp. Now, Biscuit ain't what you'd call bad, you know—just loony. So I leads the pony around to the corral, and he says: 'This is the way we ride in Pretory. I don't know anything about Pretory, but men have been shot for less in the Bad Lands. So he gets up and puts his toes in the stirrups and leans over Biscuit's neck, like he had a pain in his inside. Biscuit, he slides down a mud bank and turns head over heels, but he ain't hurt. What he done was to let on by her shoulders. 'My word!' says Peddie, wiping the gunk out of his eyes, 'do you ride those brutes every day?' says the old man, 'and he says he raise a pair of pay without showing cards. 'By Jove!' he says. 'It's lucky that wasn't a South African pony. When horses over there, there's a man they try to eat his up!' I went behind the corral, and I says to myself—"

"Never mind what you said," interrupted the bookkeeper judiciously. "Why didn't you make a play with a forty-five?"

"Listen to me," said Heffren. "I was lope down the creek with this English feller day before yesterday. He had a horse, and he was likely to get a start out of him, and I thinks, 'John, you are the man for this job, even if you have to make him smell powder.' So I says, 'I'll give you a box of Bottom, him and me, we'll see how olders is thick and the other. All of a sudden I bogged out here, and cuss, and spy in the bushes, and I says, 'I'll give you a box of Bottom, him and me, we'll see how olders is thick and the other. Then I pulls the gun, and I says, 'Six shells at the trees, awarid, and I tear in' and leather'n my horse. We ran our ponies up to the rise, and then he said: 'Let's go back and skin 'em. 'Skin who?' says I. 'Those rabbits,' says he. 'Rabbits!' says I. 'Them was the Powder River gang, and they're on the kill.' 'Well,' says he, 'let's go back and skin them. They do that sort of thing most every day in South Africa. And I couldn't say a dum word.'"

"Gave him a meal," said Shorty, "over to the horse camp. Raw onions and bacon sliced lengthwise—all fat. He said that was the kind of grub they saved for sick hands in the Well or some such place. Now, I ask you, Tompkins, how can we turn the hair of a Comanche like him?"

"Pshaw," said the bookkeeper.

"He says," Heffren replied, with a hopeless air of weariness, "that the only cards he ever plays is whist, and at home he has followed that game ever since he was a young 'un. 'What, that kind is he?' said Tompkins, meditatively. "Well, we'll give him a whirl."

It happened that Mr. Peddie was decidedly "hot kind." What was his religion, Cavendish his Bible, and his club knew no more constant devotee of the silent game.

That night four men sat about a card table in the office. Mr. Peddie, Q. C., John Heffren, Tompkins, and Shorty Garr, the foreman. A pair of gamely painted lamps illumined the cozy room; pipes and cigars were in full blast, and a bottle and glass

were placed in hospitable proximity to the players. Everything forehad-owed an enjoyable evening, but the deliberate solemnity of the Americans would betray to any one but a stranger the existence of a momentous plot.

"Whod expect," said the Englishman, "to have a quiet rubber on a cattle ranch? By Jove! it's luxurious, it's effeminate. In South Africa the wild devils are not beyond checkers."

"Fifty-three," announced Tompkins, "thumping down the last of the pack of cards. 'All set, Heffren, it's you and I against 'em.'"

Mr. Peddie lifted his eyebrows in incredulous inquiry.

"Fifty-three," said Heffren, "is that right—for whist?"

"Certainly," Tompkins replied, without blushing. "Fifty-two and the Joker. It's your deal, Mr. Peddie."

"What are we playing for?" growled Robinson. "The same old thing."

"Sure," said Heffren, laying a revolver on the table. "What did you suppose—soap?"

"Well, I wanted to know before-hand," Robinson replied, sticking an unsalted hoxie in his belt. "sez I wouldn't be caught again when the cattle is running."

These manifestations did not escape the Londoner, and he looked furiously at the most sly and the greatest critically inspecting the edge of an ax, which he finally laid on the floor under his chair, and the deal was made.

"Look here, you know," said Mr. Peddie, "there's a card left over."

"That's the trump," said Robinson. "Where did you lose that game?"

"Where did you rascal and Tompkins lose?"

Mr. Peddie's Horrified Eyes Blinked Rapidly with Emotion.

led the king of diamonds. The foreman promptly played a spade.

"No diamonds, partner?" asked Peddie in the most sly and approved across-the-table voice.

"Yes," Robinson answered in apparent surprise, "a few."

"But you didn't play one, you know," "Well," interposed Tompkins, contemplating the handle of his ax. "It's his own hand. Let him play it!"

"Perhaps you don't understand the great American improvements in this game," said Robinson politely. "You see you don't have to follow suit unless you want to."

And as they got to the Kitty, vol-untered Heffren, slipping down the joker and pulling in a trick.

"It makes a pretty game," Robinson added. "You'll like it."

"Like it?" The unhappy club man could not have been tortured more effectively by the rack of the Inquisition. He was like a devoted monk, but Mr. Peddie's horrified eyes blinked rapidly with emotion. But when Tompkins told him that it was the leader's privilege to play two cards at once in order to guard against emergencies, Mr. Peddie staggered to his feet and gesticulated violently.

"Gentlemen," he cried, "I have been in rough places before. I have been in the house of cards. It was not even the hardest people in the world. I refer to South Africa," Heffren groaned.

"But," continued Peddie, "never have I seen such barbarities as I have witnessed tonight, and, by the Lord Harry, I hope I never will again! Men who do such things will do anything, by George! This country may be rich in gold and money in, but it's not fit to live in. Mr. Robinson, by Jove, sir, you'll find my bag packed in the morning."

Up to this night the conspirators had been in the vicinity of the book-keeper. "Good enough to play whist with Peddie is now the highest compliment which can be paid a card-player at the Three X's."

From a Practical Point of View. Like most minister's families, they were not extensively blessed with this world's goods. The youngest of ten children until her father explained to her of the baby sister who had come in the night. "Well," she said, after thought, "pose it's all right, papa, but there's many a thing we needed worse."

THE MERITS OF HIS DEFECTS

BY J. S. KIRTLEY, D.D.
Author of "The Young Man and Himself," etc.

A BOY began his composition on "The Horse" thus: "The horse is the most useful animal in the world; so is the cow." The boy is the most interesting subject to write about; so is the girl. As a member of the genus man, he has his defects; as a specimen of the species boy, he has the merits of his defects. He may be white or black or red or yellow or brown, but he is seldom green and not often blue. He travels light. Life's task has no terror to him. He does not know where he is going to fetch up, and does not always care where he fetches up, and sometimes does not care whether he fetches up at all. His task is to make the faintest vision that can be made to unfold itself before the imagination, transfer it to the interior of his soul and reduce it to character. At ten, he is outlining a program for middle life and at 15 deciding what he is to be at 60.

He holds their breath, notably parents, aunts and teachers. Fate and fortune fight for his attention, while he—goes swimming or skating. There may be possibilities in him as vast as life and as delicately uncertain as the zephyrs, but he keeps on swimming and skating and playing and hunting and fishing, and sends vibrations to the farthest shore line of his oceanic future, but he hears the imperative call of the field and the forest and the stream. His motto seems to be: "Gather ye the rosebuds while ye may; old time is still a-flying. And this same flower that blooms to-day, To-morrow may be dying. The meaning of this apparent blindness of stupidity and conceit and several other things that he has in an-

side sensitiveness to things that are really preparing him for his future and that he is actually making some of his momentous decisions, as a sort of side-issue—"while you wait" and hold your breath. He can do two or three things at once—can play, eat and make a noise; at the same time, decide affairs of destiny. His defects do not set up an agitation in his gray matter. He knows them not.

The business of the future are not swaying down his back. Edwin Markham rose on the nation with that dark poem on "The Man with the Hoe," in which he represents the laboring man as reduced to the level of the ox, and some one has written a travesty on that poem entitled, "The Boy with the Spade."

No weight of age bears him down; That barfoot boy with fingers brown; There's nothing empty in his face, No burden on the human race. Is on his back; nor is he dead, To joy or sorrow, hope or dread. For he can grudge and he can hope, Can shrivel to all ill about from soap. No brother to the ox is he—He's second cousin to the bee. He looms and lets down his jaw And brings it up, his gum to "chaw." There's naught to be said upon his brow; His eyes are bright with eager light; To joy or sorrow, hope or dread, Ah, no! That boy is not afraid. To die with all his might at fate—Nor has he any spite at fate—He's digging worms for bait.

No precautions disturb his plans any more than his toilet. His very imprisonment in his own impromptu program is a providential form of protection. The future has no chance to negotiate to him large loans of trouble—not yet. Unchecked by the tragedy, untroubled by the riddle and untroubled by the greatness of life, he approaches it blandly and blindly, more ready because of those facts.

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harshly. They were the strongest among us. We, either by our votes or by our negligence, have placed temptations before them and they have yielded. We have placed them in positions of honor and tied their hands, and they have fallen. Most of us would have done likewise.

We are glad to see an ever growing and deepening conviction that the government, or in other words the people, should take under their control the public utilities which have been the means of corrupting our officials.

Today the public service corporations send their agents into every legislative council and executive chamber in the nation, to scatter the seeds of special favor.

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In Foard County

A letter to the Herald from C. M. Church, formerly of this place, states that he is now located in Crowell, Foard county, and the present northern terminus in Texas of the Orient railroad. Mr. Church was for a long time in the employ of the Herald, where he held an important position in the composing room. He is now connected with a new paper, in that new town. He states that the town is on a regular boom and many new enterprises are being opened up. Crops are fine, and cotton will make from one-half to three-fourths of a bale to the acre. In fact everything seems to be in a most flourishing condition. — Weatherford Herald.

Mr. Church is an employe of The Index office. If all our citizens when writing to friends in other sections of the country would mention our many advantages and resources the country at large would soon catch on.

Thalia Items

There is no conflict of opinion over crop prospects as they exist at the moment for Foard county. And we also accept the Weather Bureau's predictions of showers as a sure thing for fall wheat sowing.

The probable attitude of the Southern farmer is commanding the attention of the trade. It seems that no definite figures have as yet been settled upon by producers for the marketing of his cotton. What's the matter with the Union? Has Europe's daring guesses with his prophecies of an enormous crop of sixteen and one-half million bales, against a consumption of thirteen millions, leaving a burdensome surplus of over three millions; scared you off your wits? You must keep your counsel. Preserve the right of the dominant voice in regulating the price of cotton or the drop will equal "turn turtle" of Wright's airship.

Cotton is opening at a nice rate—cotton pickers will be in great demand in a few days.

The threshers are busy threshing out the dwarf maize crops which are fine.

See the ad of the Thalia Mercantile Co. in this issue. — Ed.

Mr. McClendon returned to his old home in East Texas for a wife last week. They were married last Sunday and are now at home to their many friends at Thalia. May their joys be all life can give.

Andrew Haney has moved to Vernon to place Miss Ethel in school. We are sorry to hear that his wife and also Mrs. Oscar Haney are very sick at Vernon.

Rev. Foster, the pastor for the Baptist church came in today.

Poly Cates has returned from a several weeks visit her sister Mrs. Frank Long.

John Procter of Crowell did some cow-business in Thalia this week.

An Index representative did business in Thalia this week.

Hardy Millin, of Dexter, returned home after several days visiting at Thalia.

We are happy that Crowell is a railroad town. Now let us exhort the County court to provide a "Ladies Rest Room," if the business men won't do it, so when ladies come in from their long rides from neighboring crossroads they may have a place to rest and refresh themselves up, give their children needed attention and warm and eat their lunches there. This would greatly lessen the fatigue and discomfort of a trip to town. It will relieve them of the necessity of imposing on merchants or ladies living in town and saves them all embarrassment. This is the Twentieth Century. Let Crowell come to the front. Set the example for others.

Elmer Roberts and family are in from Clayton, N. Mex., where they homesteaded. Walter Long and wife are also back from there.

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The Advocate might have added that the church could have given him greater opportunities, and a field commensurate with his gifts. But his independent, noble daring, his militant spirit and radiant genius, instead of landing him in some metropolitan pulpit, a consoling office of importance, or in the episcopacy, landed him in Brownwood. Dr. Steele THINKS, for this we admire him; he says what he thinks, for this we admire him more; he says gracefully what he thinks, thus enhancing its value; in fact he is a finished orator, often reaching the altitudes of commanding and victorious speech. Too bad he leaves the pulpit; but thousands will hear him with delight on the platform.

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UNSEASONABLE NOTES

By David Cassatt

A few years ago, when muck-making first began, the Trust barons, prominent politicians and a great many of the middle class of people who prided themselves on being conservative were quick to say that the awakening of the people was only a passion of the hour, and that after the excitement was over we would settle down to normal conditions. But ten years have elapsed and still we are excited. The disclosures made in the last few years showing how we were and are being robbed, prove to us that we had and still have a right to be excited.

When Upton Sinclair, a despised Socialist, wrote the "Jungle" and electrified the continent by telling the truth about the packing houses, he was called a sensationalist and a fool by no less an authority than Theodore Roosevelt. But the people were awakened. They demanded an investigation. The investigation was held and he was forced to admit that not only had Sinclair not exaggerated but that the picture was darker than human language could depict. As a result a reluctant congress passed the Pure Food Bill, which, while not striking at the root of the matter, has been a source of great benefit to the country.

In the last years we have seen many of our former idols shattered. Men whom we respected and admired have been held up to public scorn. Early of them have served "the system" more than they have served the people, and have our confidence no longer.

Yet we should not judge them